

WEATHER: Fair Sunday and probably Monday; light, variable winds

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ROOSEVELT WILL PROBE COTTON LEAK SCANDAL

Holds that Culprits are More Culpable than if Money Had Been Actually Stolen.

TO PUNISH HOLMES

If Possible to do so Under Existing Laws.

PRESIDENT DIRECTS SECRETARY

MOODY TO MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO CONVICT GUILTY PARTIES—MOODY WILL GIVE THE MATTER PERSONAL ATTENTION, BUT EXPRESSES NO OPINION.

By Associated Press.

Oyster Bay, July 15.—President Roosevelt has determined that the scandal growing out of the cotton report leak in the Department of Agriculture shall be probed to the bottom. He holds that the man or men responsible are in a greater degree culpable than had they stolen the money outright from the government. He proposes that Assistant Statistician Holmes shall be punished if it is possible to secure his arrest and conviction under the present laws.

The president wrote the following personal letter to Attorney General Moody: "I most earnestly hope that every effort will be made to bring Holmes to justice in connection with the cotton report scandal. Please go over the papers yourself. The man is, in my judgment, a far greater scoundrel than if he had stolen the money from the government as he used the government to deceive outsiders and make money for himself and others. Sixty years ago, 'THEODORE ROOSEVELT.' Mr. Moody answered the letter to the effect that he would give the matter personal attention. He said he would not express an opinion as to what could be done until further investigation.

GOV. CARTER MAY REMAIN

Washington, July 15.—Private advices received here from Washington say the Governor Carter will reconsider his resignation. It is reported that the San Francisco Secretary Taft, at the request of President Roosevelt, had Governor Carter to withdraw his resignation.

TRANSFER ORDERS WERE REVOKED

Washington, July 15.—Secretary Taft has revoked the orders recently issued for the transfer of Civil Engineers J. W. G. Walker and F. A. Harris from Charleston Navy Yard to other stations. Soon after these orders were issued they were suspended by the president's direction and all the action made into the questions between the officers and contractors for the dock now being built. Chief of Charleston forwarded a letter requesting that the officers be retained. The president approved Secretary Taft's action.

ASSIGNMENT OF TEXAS BANK

Emp. Texas, July 15.—The Kemp Bank by Dodge Mason, sole owner and proprietor, and by Dodge Mason in partnership, today executed assignment of the assets of the bank to the Federal Trust Company. It is believed all the claims will be paid in full and a liquidation will remain.

PLAN TO DETECT CROOKED TICKETS

By Associated Press. Emp. Texas, July 15.—It is announced that through trains departing from Emp. Texas, beginning soon, will probably be accompanied by train agents, whose duty it will be to detect and confiscate tickets fraudulently sold by passengers. This action is reported to be the result of an experiment made on the Southern Pacific.

SUPREME COURT UPHOLDS ARKANSAS ANTI-TRUST LAW

INSURANCE COMPANIES THAT ARE MEMBERS OF POOLS, COMBINATIONS OR AGREEMENTS EXCLUDED FROM DOING BUSINESS IN STATE.

By Associated Press. Little Rock, Ark., July 15.—In the supreme court of Arkansas today the celebrated anti-trust act of the general assembly, passed at the recent session was upheld in a test suit involving the validity of the enactment. The new law excludes from doing business in Arkansas any foreign insurance companies that are members of pools, combinations or agreements to fix prices anywhere. Two justices filed dissenting opinions. The Hartford Fire Insurance Company was the company that made the test case. When the new law went into effect in March more than fifty non-resident fire insurance companies ceased doing business in the state and today all agents of the Hartford company were notified by the company's general agent to write no more business in the state.

FOUR KILLED IN L. & N. WRECK IN OHIO

Head-on Collision Said to Have Been Caused by Mistake of Dispatcher.

By Associated Press. Mount Vernon, Ind., July 15.—In a head-on collision between two freight trains on the Louisville and Nashville road near Upton, Ohio, today, four persons were killed and seven injured, one fatally. The wreck was caused, it is alleged, by the mistake of a train dispatcher.

NARROW ESCAPE FROM POISONING

S. A. ALFORD, OF CHIPLEY, TELLS OF HIS FAMILY'S EXPERIENCE WITH INSANE WOMAN WHO ATTEMPTED TO KILL THEM.

S. A. Alford, a prominent naval stores operator of Chipley, Fla., who is in the city on business, tells his friends here of the narrow escape of his family from being poisoned by a woman, who is said now to be a raving maniac, says the Jacksonville Times-Union. Mr. Alford was preparing to send his family to North Carolina to spend a part of the summer. Mrs. Alford had prepared the day before leaving Chipley a lunch for herself and the children. On the morning that she took her departure the woman who plotted the death of the mother and children came presumably to say good-bye. On the way to the Alford home, the woman purchased some strychnine. The lunch baskets were on the table of the dining room; and in passing through the house artfully spread the strychnine over the lunch in one of the baskets.

Nothing was known of this until the train had left Chipley, when the insane woman, who had poisoned the lunch, told her husband what she had done. The husband at once rushed out of the house and found Mr. Alford. The two went to the depot and at once commenced an effort to locate the train upon which the mother and children were speeding on their way toward North Carolina. It was two hours of dreadful suspense for the husband and father, but he received a telegram to the effect that his family was all right. It appears that when the children wanted lunch at noon time the basket which was on top was not the one which had been poisoned, and the dinner was made from the contents of that basket. However, later the children wanted some chicken, and went into the basket which had been poisoned. They took pieces of chicken, but there was so much strychnine on the meat that the children complained of its being bitter, and threw it away. But two of them became ill from the effects of the strychnine, and had to be cared for. They have since fully recovered. The woman who had plotted against the lives of the children had been an inmate of the Florida Insane Asylum, and was evidently insane when she planned the wholesale execution of the woman and children. When she heard that her husband had betrayed her, she attacked him with a large carving knife, missing him only a trifle of an inch when she threw it at him. Later she attempted to destroy her own child, and was then taken in charge and locked in a smoke house. She will be returned to the asylum.

SIX MONTHS FOR A NEW YORK MASHER

Heavy Sentence Imposed Upon Man Who Accosted Married Lady on the Street.

By Associated Press. New York, July 15.—A six months sentence to prison for passing street flirtations with married women, was imposed upon Benjamin F. Smith, from St. Louis, by Magistrate Steiner today. Late last evening Mrs. Grace M. Gamble, who is handsome and dresses stylishly, was waiting for her husband, a Brooklyn business man, at the Madison Avenue and Forty-Second Street Subway entrance. Smith was passing and spoke to her. Mrs. Gamble resented this, struck Smith in the face and caused his arrest.

DARING HOLD-UP BY MASKED MEN

Paymaster of Iron Company Robbed, One Robber Shot and the Money Recovered.

By Associated Press. Birmingham, Ala., July 15.—L. D. Burr, paymaster of the Sloss-Sheffield Steel and Iron Company, was held up and robbed by two masked highwaymen this afternoon on the railroad between Littleton and Flat Top and relieved of \$5,000. Less than five minutes afterwards Detective George Bodeker and policeman Joe Nix and Charles Pickard, a mine guard, had shot and killed one of the highwaymen and recovered the money. The other robber escaped. Information that the robbery was to take place today had leaked out and hence the officers were near the scene of the crime. The robber killed offered resistance when the attempt was made to arrest him.

THREE KILLED BY COSSACKS AT LODZ

By Associated Press. Lodz, July 15.—Three persons were killed and six wounded by a volley fired by Cossacks during an anti-government demonstration in Kamienna street this afternoon.

RUSSIAN ARMY IS ENTIRELY ON DEFENSIVE

Active Reconnoissances to Discover Strong Jap Positions Have Now Ceased.

DISEASE REPORTED

Epidemics Said to Exist in Army of General Linevitch.

REPORTED MUTINY ON BATTLESHIP CATHERINE II DENIED. POTEMKINE NOT BADLY DAMAGED—WITTE HAS NOT RETIRED FROM COMMISSION.

By Associated Press.

Tokio, July 15.—An army officer who returned from Manchuria says the expectation that General Linevitch would assume the aggressive is diminishing. The Russians formerly conducted most active reconnoissances, General Linevitch with his staff personally going to the advance lines in an endeavor to draw out the Japanese and discover their position of strength. These have ceased and it is believed General Linevitch's tactics now are non-aggressive and entirely on the defensive. Reports of the existence of epidemics and contagious diseases among the Russians continue to reach the Japanese army.

REPORT OF MUTINY DENIED BY WIRENIUS.

St. Petersburg, July 15.—Admiral Wirenius, chief of the general staff of the navy, says the report of the mutiny aboard and the sinking of the battleship Catherine II, circulated in Vienna and printed in the United States, is without foundation. Examination of the battleship Kniaz Potemkine, which is at Sabastopol, shows her boilers to be in bad condition owing to neglect, but no damage to the machinery aside from that done by water in the engine compartment.

M. WITTE NAMED AS FIRST PLENIPOTENTIARY.

St. Petersburg, July 15.—M. Witte had another long conference with the Emperor today. Investigation in authoritative circles enables the Associated Press to announce positively that reports circulated late last night that M. Witte might not go to Washington, are incorrect. Witte's instructions it can also be stated authoritatively, name him as the first plenipotentiary and clothe him with plenary powers. The instructions are couched in general terms.

Sheets Goes to Gainesville. Tallahassee, July 15.—Hon. W. N. Sheets has accepted a position at the head of the Gainesville high school.

BASEBALL July 15

- By Associated Press.
- Southern League. Little Rock 2, Atlanta 3, (Fourteen innings.) New Orleans 5, Birmingham 1. Memphis 0, Montgomery 4. Shreveport 4, Nashville 1.
- South Atlantic League. Augusta 3, Macon 4, (First game.) Savannah 2, Jacksonville 1, (Thirteen innings.) Charleston 3, Columbia 1, (First game.) Charleston 4, Columbia 3, (Second game.)
- American League. Chicago 2, Washington 1. Detroit 5, Philadelphia 2, (First game.) Detroit 1, Philadelphia 0, (Second game.) Cleveland 5, New York 6. St. Louis 1, Boston 2.
- National League. New York 8, Pittsburgh 7. Philadelphia 7, Cincinnati 5. Brooklyn 0, Chicago 8.

HAD TO REDUCE EXPENSES \$7,000

School Board Held Session and Rescinded Action of Raising Salaries of Teachers, Being Necessary on Account of Lack of Funds.

After having figured up the possible revenue to be derived from the county before the levy was made for the coming year, the County Board of Public Instruction has been compelled to make numerous changes in its plans, reducing the estimates about \$7,000. When the board made up its estimates the members figured that at 7 mills for school purposes the board would have at its disposal something in the vicinity of \$50,000 with which to make improvements, pay teachers and bear other expenses which occur during the season. Their estimates included the expenditure of \$6,000 for new building, \$800 for new furniture and an increase in the pay of teachers ranging from \$2.50 to \$5.00 per month, this to apply to all in the entire county. When the Board of County Commissioners met, however, that body made a levy of 6 mills for school purposes, which knocked the calculations of the school board all to pieces, and it was necessary to make a reduction all around, as the six mills will bring in a revenue of only about \$42,000. The board held a meeting recently and began to make cuts in expenses to meet the new conditions. The new buildings were cut to \$3,000, the new furniture to \$300 while the poorly paid teachers will get no increase whatever in their salaries. Under former conditions the school board had the power to name the tax levy for school purposes, and the commissioners in making up the annual tax levy had nothing whatever to do with this portion of the taxes, except to incorporate the amount in the total levy. The last legislature, however, changed all of this and the school board has no power whatever, except to expend whatever fund that may be derived from any levy the commissioners may see fit to make. There will be many disappointed teachers in the county when they learn that the increase which had been voted them has now been rescinded, but the board was compelled to do so on account of the lack of funds.

DEPUTY HAD HARD FIGHT WITH MANIAC

Wild Italian Run Amuck and Was Subdued Only With Great Difficulty.

INTENT ON MURDER

Drew Knife and Made Desperate Attempt to Cut Officer.

DEPUTY SANDERS SUFFERED PAINFUL INJURIES, BUT FINALLY SUCCEEDED IN SUBDUING LUNATIC, WHO WAS THEN TAKEN TO JAIL.

Deputy Sheriff Sanders had one of the hardest fights of his career yesterday morning, when he tackled an Italian named Gallan Marchetta, who, at the time, was a raving maniac. The deputy, although dealt a couple of heavy blows with the butt end of a South American cow whip, continued after the maniac, and did not cease until he had him securely handcuffed, and that too, without using any unnecessary violence.

The deputy was at the court house when a telephone message reached the police station that a crazy man was causing great excitement on West Government street. The police notified the county authorities, and Deputy Sanders was found at the court house. He secured his buggy and hastened to the point. When within a block of the house occupied by Marchetta he saw a man run up to an old woman and snatch something from her arms, throwing it to the ground. The man then began to beat the woman with the butt end of the whip. The deputy thought the bundle on the ground was an infant, and seeing the man beating the aged woman he put whip to his horse and reached there as soon as possible. As soon as the maniac saw the deputy he stopped and ran into the house. He was followed, and the officer endeavored to quiet him, in the meantime approaching nearer to him. Attempted to Use Knife. The maniac saw this, and in an instant had whipped out a knife and made a lunge at the officer, endeavoring to cut him in the stomach. The latter dodged and drew his revolver, but did not care to fire upon the man. The latter, however, as soon as he recovered himself struck the officer a terrible blow on the right side of the head with the handle of the whip. Another blow was delivered, but this was warded off by the officer, who threw up his arm, taking the blow on the wrist and elbow. Tried to Escape. The blows stunned the officer and the crazy man, intent only on escaping, ran from the house and jumped into the buggy standing in front of the gate. Deputy Sanders followed and grasped the lines just as the horse started. The animal is a very spirited one, and to add to this the crazy man gave a blow across the back with the bull whip. The deputy released the lines and the horse went with all speed towards the city. Marchetta fell from the buggy, after going a short distance, while the horse continued, tearing the buggy to splinters. The deputy, who was running after the buggy, soon came to the place where the crazy man had fallen, and renewed the fight with him, and with the assistance of several citizens succeeded in placing handcuffs upon him. The police patrol brought the insane man to jail. The wounds suffered by the deputy, while not serious, are very painful. It was necessary to take several stitches in the wound on the head. The Woman's Condition. The aged lady, who was Mrs. Ross, residing at the bayou, was not as dangerously wounded as at first thought, though her condition is considered serious. She has a number of wounds about her head and arms, the one on the head being the most serious. Her wrist is also broken, this being done while she was endeavoring to ward off.

DEPUTY SHERIFF FIRES AT NEGRO AND POLICE OFFICER FIGHTS WITH ANOTHER ONE.

Some lively scenes were witnessed on Tarragona street, shortly before 12 o'clock last night, which had the effect of drawing a crowd of several hundred people to the corner of Tarragona and Intendencia streets. The excitement was started by Deputy Sheriff Nicholson firing three shots at Bob Grant, a negro prisoner, who was endeavoring to make his escape. The negro had been arrested for cutting Robert Carter, in a fight early in the afternoon. The latter is now in jail in quite a serious condition. Grant was found at the union depot by Deputy Sanders and placed under arrest. He was placed in charge of Deputy Nicholson, who was on his way to the jail with him, when the negro asked that he be allowed to get a sack of tobacco. This request was granted, and in a moment the negro made a break for liberty. He was closely followed east on Intendencia street by the officer, who, after calling a number of times, fired three shots. This had the effect of causing Grant to come to a halt. None of the bullets took effect.

OFFICERS AND NEGRO FIGHT.

A few moments afterwards Charles Davis, another negro, approached where Deputy Nicholson and Officer Neel stood at the corner waiting for the patrol wagon. He began to use abusive language towards the officers, and finally made a threat of some kind. When he did he was placed under arrest by Officer Neel and then began a fight, the officer using his club. The patrol arrived a few minutes afterwards with Officer Roach, who jumped into the fight, and between the two negroes was soon subdued and sent to jail.

NEGRO FOUND DEAD.

Ed. Givens, colored, was found dead on North Tarragona street last night. He was in his room when death arrived, having been sick for some time. Some of those residing near say that they saw him butting his head against a brick wall shortly before 12 o'clock, and it is stated that there is a scar and blood on his head.

OREGON WON THE TROPHY.

Washington, July 15.—The battleship Oregon of the Asiatic fleet has won the trophy for the highest scores made by vessels of the battleship class at the last annual target practice. In the cruiser class the Raleigh, on the Asiatic station, is the trophy winner.

SENTENCE DAY IN CRIMINAL COURT

Many Prisoners, Convicted During the Week, Were Sentenced By Judge Beggs Yesterday.

Yesterday was sentence day in the Criminal Court, Judge Beggs presiding, and a number of those convicted during the past week, went before the court and received sentence. The first matter to receive the attention of the court was the trial of Mary L. Wilson and Maggie Smith, who were charged with lewd, wanton and lascivious conduct in speech and behavior. The jury returned a verdict of guilty, and the prisoners were sentenced to pay a fine of \$50 and costs each or serve six months in jail. Cora Simpson, convicted Friday of being a lewd person, was sentenced to pay a fine of \$25 and costs or serve six months in jail. David Winkler, for selling liquor at Century without a license, was sentenced to pay a fine of \$250 and costs or serve three months, and in addition thereto or serve 30 days. Frank Whitlock, for carrying concealed weapons, was fined \$100 and costs or to serve three months. Joe Riley, convicted of selling liquor without a license, was sentenced to pay a fine of \$250 and costs or serve three months, and in addition an extra 30 days.

LIVELY SCENES ON RAILROAD STREET

Deputy Sheriff Fires at Negro and Police Officer Fights With Another One.

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SENATOR CLARK OPERATED UPON

By Associated Press. New York, July 15.—Senator William A. Clark, of Montana, was operated upon for an abscess of the brain at his home here this afternoon. Favorable outcome of the illness is anticipated, though the operation is serious and it will probably be several days before his ultimate recovery is assured.

STATEMENT OF THE L. & N.

New York, July 15.—The Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company has issued a preliminary statement for the year ending June 30, last. It showed gross earnings of \$38,541,672, an increase of \$1,597,879, as compared with the previous year; operating expenses of \$28,285,864, an increase of \$1,144,316 over last year, and a surplus for the year, after dividends and charges were paid, of \$3,580,664, a decrease of \$107,507, as compared with the year preceding.

EVERY DAY

a long list of perplexities are solved in this town through The Journal's Want Ads. The next list should include one or two of yours.

Americans Slightly Ahead in English Tennis Tourney

By Associated Press. London, July 15.—Both William J. Clothier and Holcombe Wardle won their watches against the Frenchmen, Germond and Ducugis, without exertion today, and Norman E. Brooks and A. F. Wilding, the Australians, won from the Australian pair. These were only exhibition games, however. Thus far the Americans are slightly ahead on points, the scores at present being: Americans—Matches won 5, lost 0; sets won, 15, lost 1; games won 95, lost 42. Australians—Matches won 5, lost 0; sets won 15, lost 2; games won 203, lost 51.