TO PRISON FOR LIFE

Is the Sentence Awarded in Cases of Jett and White.

NO FEAR OF GALLOWS

Verdict of Jury Was no Surprise and is Considered a Victory for the Defense—Motion for New Trial to Be Made.

At Cynthiana, Ky., Saturday morning, the jury in the case of Curtis Jett and Thomas White, charged with the assassination of James B. Marcum at Jackson, returned a verdict of guilty, fixing the punishment of each at life imprisonment. The verdict was returned when there were but few persons in the court room.

Jett received the verdict with comparative indifference and calmness. White, who has been apparently under a severe strain during the trial, flushed up and his eyes filled with tears.

Attorney Golden, for the defense, stated that a motion for a new trial will be made as soon as possible. The general opinion seems to be that the motion will be overruled by the court of appeals. The verdict occasioned little surprise in Cynthiana after the deliberation of the jury had been so prolonged. The only question which caused the delay, it is said, was that of punishment—death or life imprisonment.

The verdict on the whole is regarded as a victory for the defense, as the prosecution asked that no middle ground be taken and that the men either go clear or be hanged.

The case has been on trial almost three weeks, having been begun July 27. At the first trial at Jackson, the jury disagreed and it is believed the final verdict was a compromise with a juror opposed to capital punishment. The friends of Captain B. L. Ewen and other witnesses for the commonwealth who have suffered greatly and were living in fear of their lives are greatly relieved. They expected the death penalty which they were confident would have been followed by confessions from the condemned men, exposing parties high in authority in Breathitt county who are considered to be back of the conspiracies. There have been twenty-seven lives lost within the past two years in the Hargis-Cockrill feud in Breathitt county, and this is the first conviction. No arrests or indictments had been made until last May, when the troops were ordered to Jackson to protect the grand jury and afterward the trial jury and witnesses.

Jett is still under indictment for first degree murder for killing Town Marshal Cockrill. Jett said Friday night the rope had never been made with which to hang him, but he made no remarks. His friends say he will have a new trial, and even if he fails in that effort, he might be pardoned in the course of time. The friends of the defendants showed such relief as to leave no doubt of their previous apprehensions of the death penalty.

CORBETT EASY FOR JEFFRIES.

Pugilistic Contest at 'Frisco Was Tame and of Short Duration.

At San Francisco Friday night before an immense audience of the sporting fraternity, James J. Jeffries, champion heavyweight of the world, played with Jim Corbett for nine rounds and a half, and then Corbett's seconds motioned to Referee Graney to stop the fight in order to save their man from needless punishment.

The end came shortly after the beginning of the tenth round, when Jeffries planted one of his terrible left swings on Corbett's stomach. The man who conquered John L. Sullivan dropped to the floor immediately and the memorable scene at Carson City, Nevada, when Bob Fitzsimmons landed his solar plexus blow, was almost duplicated. This time, however, Corbett struggled to his feet and again faced his gigantic adversary. With hardly a moment's hesitation, Jeffries swung his right and again landed on Corbett's stomach. Jim dropped to the floor.

SEVEN VICTIMS OF MANIAC.

Three More Deaths Follow the Tragedy at Winfield, Kansas.

Seven persons are now dead as a result of the maniacal deed of Gilbert Ewigg, who fired into the crowd at a band concert at Winfield, Kans. Twigg and three of his victims died within a short time. Those who have since succumbed are Port Smith, Dawson Militir and Roy Davis, a boy.

Elmer Farnsworth and Otis Carter are dying, while Claud Reed, Charles Thomas and James Clarkson are in a critical condition. A score of others are badly hurt.

FIFTEEN NEGROES BREAK JAIL.

Delivery Occurred at Washington, North Carolina Friday Morning.

A special from Washington, North Carolina, says fifteen prisoners, all colored, escaped from the Beaufort county jail at that place early Friday morning. Two were charged with murder, while the others were charged with minor offenses. The jailer failed to lock them in their cells and they dug through the wall.

MACHINISTS BAD MARKSMEN.

Thousand Shots Fired by Fighting Factions Without Fatality.

One of the greatest clashes between labor factions in the vicinity of Wheeling, West Virginia, took place early Sunday morning between the striking machinists and about twenty-five non-union men who took their places in the Riverside plant of the United States Steel Corporation, but despite the fact that over one thousand shots were fired there were no fatalities and only a few persons were wounded.

NEW ARMY REGULATIONS.

General Young Quits Command and Assumes Duties of Chief of Staff. Secretary Root Issues Orders.

Saturday Secretary of War Root promulgated an order defining the duties of the general staff of the army, which went into effect under the law on that day. The most important feature of the order is that in relation to the duties of the chief of staff. On this point the secretary says:

"Under the act of February 14, 1903, the command of the army of the United States rests with the constitutional commander in chief, the president. The president will place parts of the army and separate armies whenever constituted, under commanders subordinate to his general command; and, in case of exigency seeming to him to require it, he may place the whole army under a single commander subordinate to him; but in time of peace and under ordinary conditions the administration and control of the army are effected without any second in command.

"The president's command is exercised through the secretary of war and the chief of staff. The secretary of war is charged with carrying out the policies of the president in military affairs. He directly represents and is bound always to act in conformity to the president's instructions. Under the law and the decisions of the supreme court his acts are the president's acts, and his directions and orders are the president's directions and orders.

"The chief of staff reports to the secretary of war, acts as his military adviser, receives from him the directions and orders given in behalf of the president, and gives effect thereto in the manner hereafter provided.

"The chief of staff is detailed by the president from officers of the army at large, not below the grade of brigadier general. The successful performance of the duties of the position requires what the title denotes—a relation of absolute confidence and personal accord, and sympathy between the chief of staff and the president, and necessarily also between the chief of staff and the secretary of war. For this reason, without any reflection whatever upon the officer detailed, the detail will in every case cease, unless sooner detailed, on the day following the expiration of the term of office of the president by whom the detail is made; and if at any time the chief of staff considers that he can no longer sustain toward the president and the secretary of war the relations above described, it will be his duty to apply to be relieved."

New Officers of General Staff.

Two general orders were also issued by General Young as chief of staff of the army under the new law. The first stated that in compliance with the instructions of the president, he, General Young, relinquishes command of the army and assumes the duties of chief of staff.

The second order announced the assignment of officers of the general staff as follows:

Assistants to chief of staff, Major General Henry C. Corbin, adjutant general.

Brigadier General William H. Carter, Brigadier General Wallace F. Randolph, chief of artillery.

War College Board—Brigadier General Tasker H. Bliss, president; Colonel Alexander Maykin, secretary; Colonel William P. Hall, assistant adjutant general, is designated acting adjutant general of the army.

Heretofore all army orders have been issued from the headquarters of the army, adjutant general's office, by command of the lieutenant general. Hereafter orders will be issued direct from the war department, signed by the chief of staff and inscribed "Official, W. P. Hall, acting adjutant general."

WHEAT GOES TO ONE DOLLAR.

That Price Again Reached on 'Change at Minneapolis, Minnesota.

"Dollar wheat" was at last seen on 'change at Minneapolis Friday for the first time since the Leiter corner. It was cash wheat, and there were sales at that figure. Later $1.02 was asked and $1.01 bid, with no sales. The September option touched 85, the highest point in fourteen years.

RUSSIA'S IRE IS KINDLED.

Warships of Czar Nicholas Ordered to Sail for Turkish Waters.

A squadron of the Russian Black sea fleet has been ordered to sail for Turkish waters.

Notification of this move has been telegraphed from Sebastapol to the Russian ambassador at Constantinople.

The dispatch of the squadron is intended to emphasize Russia's intention of exacting complete compliance with her demands as to satisfaction for the murder, by a Turkish gendarme, of her consul at Monastir.

FOURTEEN STRIKERS SLAIN.

So Says Russian Correspondent at Kieff to the London Times.

Fourteen strikers were killed and a hundred to a hundred and fifty wounded in a military onslaught which occurred in the vicinity of Kieff, according to a Russian correspondent of The London Times. The troops, he says fired several volleys into the strikers at close quarters.

BIG MONEY FOR PUGILISTS.

Jeffries Gets $33,728 and Corbett $10,910 for Their Little "Scrap."

According to the official count, 10,069 people viewed the contest between Corbett and Jeffries at San Francisco Friday night. The gross receipts amounted to $622,340. Of this sum the fighters received 70 per cent, or $43,623, which was divided 75 per cent to the winner and 25 per cent to the loser. For his victory, Jeffries is enriched to the extent of $33,728, while Corbett gets $10,911.

CRY FROM BULGARIA

Appeal to Powers to Stop Butchery by Turks.

HARROWING STORY TOLD

Hundreds of Villages in Balkans Have Been Pillaged and Plundered and Christian Inhabitnast Slaughtered Right and Left.

The Bulgarian government has presented a memorandum to the powers setting out at great length the condition of affairs during the past three months in Macedonia since the Turkish government undertook to inaugurate the promised reforms. The most precise details, dates, places and names of persons are given in the memorandum, the whole constituting a terrible category of murder, torture, incendiarism, pillage and general oppression committed by the Ottoman soldiers and officials. These particulars were obtained entirely from official sources, such as the reports of the Bulgarian consuls and agents of the Bulgarian government, and, in many instances, the reports made by Turkish authorities. The Bulgarian government guarantees the absolute truth of every statement and challenges the porte to disprove a single charge made in the memorandum, which begins by stating that during the past three months the Ottoman government has taken a series of measures with the alleged intention of inaugurating an era of promised reform and of assuring peace and tranquility to the Bulgarian population of European Turkey, but which have had the contrary effect of further exasperating this population and reviving the revolutionary movement. Instead of proceeding solely against persons guilty of breaches of the public order, the military and civil authorities have sought every possible pretext to persecute, terrorize and ruin the Bulgarian inhabitants, alike in the large cities and in the small villages.

Wholesale Massacres.

Wholesale massacres, individual murders, the destruction of villages and setting fire to houses, the arrests, ill-treatment, tortures, arbitrary imprisonment and banishment, the closing and disorganizing of churches and schools, the runing of merchants, the collection of taxes for many years in advance—such, proceeds the memorandum, are among the acts of the Ottoman administration of the vilayets of Salonica, Monastir, Uskub and Arrianople.

The memorandum next relates in detail a number of such cases in each village. During the first three weeks of July twenty-five villages in the district of Tikvesch were subjected to the depredations of the Turkish soldiers and Bashi-Bazouks. The villagers were beaten and tortured, the women violated and the houses plundered while the administrative authorities looked on.

In the ilayet of Monastir, artillery bombarded and razed the flourishing town of Smerdesch, the 300 houses being left a heap of ruins. At the beginning of July two Greek bands with the connivance of the authorities, pillaged Bulgarian villages and murdered many of their inhabitants.

Altogether, the memorandum gives particulars of no less than 131 individual and general cases of excesses and outrages committed by the Turkish authorities. In summarizing the specific details of the outrages mentioned, the memorandum declares that wholesale massacres were perpetrated by regulars and Bashi-Bazouks in the town of Salonica and the villages of Baldevo, Banitza, Techourilovo, Karbinza, Moghila, Smerdesch and Enidje, while the scene of carnage, pillage and incendiarism were everywhere terrible.

Articles of Merger Filed.

There was filed in the office of the secretary of state at Montgomery, Ala., Saturday articles of agreement of merger and consolidation of the Seaboard Air Line railway and Florida Central and Peninsular Railroad Company.

TOMMY IS NOT SATISFIED.

Mayor of Cincinnati Has a Little Convention of His Own.

The faction favoring Mayor Tom L. Johnson for governor held in Cincinnati, Friday night, what was called "an adjourned democratic convention of Hamilton county." Delegates to the state convention were selected who are expected to favor Mayor Johnson for the nomination for governor. The delegates selected by the previous convention are in favor of John L. Zimmerman, of Springfield, for the nomination.

THOSE SHANGHAIED KIDS

Will be Detained by American and British Consul at Santos, Brazil.

The United States commissioner at Savannah, Ga., Friday morning held an investigation of the case against John Olsen, charged with shanghaing Geo Rucker and John Seago, Atlanta and Savannah boys, and shipping them aboard the ship Kambria, for Santos, Brazil.

TURKEY CALLS OUT TROOPS.

Ottoman Ruler Prepares to Put Down the Revolution in Macedonia.

An important irade has been issued at Constantinople, calling out fifty-two additional battalions of troops (about 52,000 men) from the European provinces of Turkey, in consequence of the spread of the insurrection in Macedonia. These troops comprise twenty battalions of reserves of the first class from the Adrianople and Salonica army corps.

Cream of News.

Brief Summary of Most Important Events of Each Day.

..—Dock laborers at Brunswick have demanded an increase of two and a half cents an hour in wages and a strike is probable.

—Lewis Wiggins, last survivor of the cruiser Shenandoah, that sailed the seas under confederate colors for nine months after war ended, and who died Saturday, was buried at Columbus, Ga., Sunday.

—Raleigh, N. C., will vote on dispensary question on September 5.

—Citizens of Florence, S. C., in mass meeting declared a boycott on the products of the tobacco trust.

—Alabama legislature reconvenes on the first Tuesday in September.

—The president and his family Sunday morning attended divine services on board the battleship Kearsarge.

—President Roosevelt Sunday afternoon addressed a gathering of Catholics at Oyster Bay on decency of speech and conduct.

—Justice David Brewer, in an article on lynching, says that speedy action by the courts would have a tendency to allay the mob spirit.

—At Washington the opinion prevails that, owing to the differences among republicans, there will be no financial legislation at the extra session of congress.

—Statistics show that the deaths among the negroes in cities far exceed the births. The urban nepro population is decreasing, except as it is increased by arrivals from the country.

—A petition has been forwarded from Panama to the Colombian congress urging the passage of the canal treaty.

—Because he was socially snubbed by Reina Castillo, President Cabrera, of Guatemala, has thrown the former into prison.

—The Bulgarian government has presented a memorandum to the powers charging the Turks with unspeakable atrocities in the disturbed districts of the Balkans.

—Albany, Ga., officials deny the published story of the lynching of a white man and a negro at Hartsfield for assaulting a white woman.

—The two boys from Atlanta and Savannah, Ga., who were shanghaied and shipped aboard a South American steamer, will be detained at Santos, Brazil, by the American consul.

—Fifteen negro prisoners make their escape from jail at Washington, N. C.

—Tennessee will have an exhibit of her products at the World's fair in St. Louis.

—A. E. Batson was executed at Lake Charles, La., Friday, for the murder of a family of six persons.

—Coal and coke company of Birmingham, Ala., sold its property to a Pennsylvania company.

—Forty-nine lashes were laid on the bare back of a negro, 23 years old, by his father, at police station in Macon, Ga. The fellow was given the preference of term of chaingang or whipping. He chose the latter. His father did the whipping.

—Secretary Root has issued a statement in regard to the duties of the chief of staff.

—Jett and White were convicted of the murder of Attorney Marcum and sentenced to life imprisonment.

—In an address at Dixon, Ills., Federal Judge Grosscup declared that the governnment must supervise monopolies in order to save the nation.

—The British parliament has been prorogued. There was nothing in King Edward's speech of special interest.

—The Turkish gendarme who killed the Russian consul at Monastir has been executed in obedience to the request of the czar.

—Announcement is made in New York of the merging of Seaboard Air Line railway system with Rock Island and 'Frisco interests.

—The dreaded Mexican boll weevil has at last crossed to this side of the Mississippi river and much apprehension is felt.

—The Georgia legislature adjourned its summer session at 6:30 o'clock Wednesday evening amidst great rejoicing.

—The West Indies cyclone, which swept the island of Jamaica last Tuesday, did fearful work in the destruction of life and property.

—Before adjournment, Wednesday, the Georgia house of representatives agreed to senate amendments to the convict bill, and the measure is now up to the governor.

—Two negroes attacked five white men in Greenville county, South Carolina. One of the white men is dying and the other four were slightly wounded.

—An American fishing smack was caught poaching in Canadian waters Wednesday and was badly shelled by a Dominion gunboat.

—The Georgia legislature and Governor Terrell take up the whipping of Mamie DeCris, a young woman convict at the state prison farm, and order investigation.

—Experts declare that the will of the late G. W. Collier, of Atlanta, Ga., is an impression copy and other startling testimony is given.

—Central of Georgia railroad directors order 5 per cent dividend on first preferred income bonds.

—Charles Johnson is sent to chaingang at Americus, Ga., for defrauding negroes on the ex-slave pension fraud.

—The amount due state of Alabama by Tax Collector Booker, of Lee county, who failed to make returns is now said to be $7,425.

—Southbound train No. 35, of Southern, was wrecked by some miscreant near Gastonia, N. C., Monday night. Nobody killed. Engineer and two postal clerks injured.

A GREAT NAVAL DISPLAY.

Occurs Off Oyster Bay for Exclusive Purpose of Presidential Honors. Twenty-One Ships in Line.

A dispatch from Oyster Bay says: Twenty-one warships drawn up in four parallel columns a mile long and including some of the best fighting ships of the United States navy, resting upon the glassy surface of Long Island Sound, composed the picture which lay spread out before President Roosevelt when he stepped out upon the veranda of his home at Sagamore Hill early Monday morning. Their brass work shining under the slanting rays of the morning sun gave evidence that every ship was spick and span for this, the first naval review at the nation's summer capitol and probably the first ever held for the exclusive purpose of presidential honors.

Commanded by Rear Admiral Barker and three other naval officers of similar rank, the fleet, comprising two squadrons each of two divisions, besides a flotilla of torpedo boat destroyers, included a representative of nearly every type of fighting craft from the ponderous Illinois to the little destroyers. Two parallel columns of battleships and cruisers headed by the Kearsarge, Rear Admiral Barker's flagship, flanked by files of destroyers, composing the North Atlantic fleet covered the placid sound for two miles off shore from picturesque Lloyds Neck and blockading the mouth of Oyster Bay presented a splendid marine spectacle abundantly suggestive of America's sea power.

Clustered in the mouth of the bay rested the president's yacht, Mayflower, Secretary Moody's official craft, the Dolphin, and Sir Thomas Lipton's beautiful steam yacht Erin, surrounded by a graceful fleet of steam and sailing vessels gathered to witness the imposing ceremony when the president and the fleet officials exchanged salutes.

HEALTH BOARD FOR GEORGIA.

Governor Attaches His Signature to Important New Legislative Act.

Governor Terrell, of Georgia, signed the state board of health bill Monday morning and expects to appoint the members of the board immediately.

The bill provides for a board of eleven members, one from each congressional district, with a secretary whose office shall be in the capitol. The secretary is to receive a salary of $2,000 a year and is ex-officio member of the board. The board elects its own president. The members receive no salaries, but are paid $5.00 a day when actually in attendance on the meetings of the board. A majority are to be practicing physicians, and the secretary is required to be a physician.

The board will have complete charge of health matters of the state, with authority to take such steps as are necessary to prevetn the spread of contagious diseases. In view of the existence, at times, of smallpox, yellow fever, etc., the importance of the board becomes at once apparent.

WOUNDED NINE OUT OF ELEVEN.

Alabama Negro Protects His Watermelon Patch with Shot Gun.

News reached Heflin, Ala., Monday, that four men were killed and nine wounded in Randolph county Saturday afternoon by a negro named Sledge.

The trouble started over a difficulty in a watermelon patch. A party of white men were working the public road near which Sledge has a watermelon patch and when the men finished working they asked permission to eat a few melons. Sledge told them to help themselves, but requested that they take care not to destroy the vines. As soon as the men got into the patch they began to cut and slash melons in every direction, while Sledge looked on. The negro warned them to stop and then went after his gun. Returning he emptied the weapon into the crowd, wounding nine out of eleven men.

Roumania Prepares for War.

A cable dispatch from Bucharest says: Acting War Minister Bratiano has ordered the government powder factory and small arms ammunition depots to prepare large quantities of ammunition immediately.

HOMELESS AND STARVING.

Horrible State of Affairs on Island of Jamaica Results from Storm.

Recent dispatches state that there are heartrending scenes all over the eastern and northern portions of the island of Jamaica. At Port Antonio thousands are homeless and starving. Similar conditions prevail at Annotata bay, Bluff bay, Orange bay, Port Maria, Manchionoal, Morant bay, Bowand other smaller seaports.

In the interior the distress is equally acute. Scarcely a peasant's home is standing.

BED BUGS WON FOR TENANT.

Gained Case in Court in Suit by Landlord for Back Rent.

The Monmouth, N. J., county court of common pleas has decided the case brought by a landlord against a tenant for rent which was unpaid because the tenant had to move owing to bedbugs. The court favors the tenant. Few cases of the kind are on the court record.

LASH OF WHITECAPS FATAL.

Sheep Rancher Tied to Tree by Mob and Whipped to Death.

Near Dupuyer, Mont., Friday night, fourteen masked men, supposed to be cattlemen, took a herder from the sheep camp of Joe Sturgeon and carrying him ten miles into the mountains, tied him to a tree and whipped him to death. They shot many of the herder's sheep and drove the remainder away. A posse started in pursuit of the whitecaps.

WARDEN OUT OF A JOB.

As Result of Whipping White Woman Allagood Resigns—The Prison Commission Issues Report.

As a sequence to the whipping of Mamie DeCris, the white woman convict, Deputy Warden Allagood has tendered his resignation as official in charge of the prison farm at Milledgeville, Ga., and that resignation has been accepted by the prison commission. Allagood will remain at the prison farm only until his successor can be selected.

The official announcement of the resignation was contained in the report of the commission upon the DeCris case, made public late Saturday afternoon. This report embraces a calm, dispassionate review of the case, taken from the testimony submitted by all those having knowledge of the affair, as taken by State Warden Moore upon his investigation at the farm, and the conclusions of the commission from this testimony.

From this it would appear that Allagood has been an excellent official, that his personal character is above reproach, that he acted within his authority in inflicting this sort of punishment upon any convict; but read between the lines, it is evident the commission is of the opinion that he lacks the judgment and discretion which an official in his position should possess, and that with the DeCris whipping his days of usefulness at the farm have come to an end.

It is worthy of special note that the commission expresses its conviction that the charge made by Miss DeCris—that Warden Allagood was guilty of improper relations with other female convicts, white and black, and that she was whipped because she had rejected improper advances toward her—is "absolutely false, unfounded and malicious." That the warden was led to punish the woman because of extreme aggravation is plainly the opinion of the commission.

The report makes it clear that such punishment is in express words, authorized by the statutes and that the commission has had no occasion heretofore to rule against it, but the members of that body conclude that this particular punishment was "an error on the part of the excellent warden," who, recognizing that his usefulness may have been impaired "by reason of the prejudice which has been created against him by gross misrepresentation of the facts of the case," has voluntarily tendered his resignation.

The last paragraph of the commission's report will be taken as an indication of the purpose of that body to issue such orders or rules as will make a repetition of the DeCris scandal an impossibility.

GOOD ANGEL TO GIBSON.

Tennessee Congressman is Left a Snug Sum by Mrs. Martha Graves.

By a provision in the will of Mrs. Martha Graves, recently deceased in Washington, D. C., Congressman Henry R. Gibson, of the second Tennessee district, becomes heir to between $50,000 and $100,000 cash.

Mrs. Graves, president of a bank in Seattle, Wash., was a collegemate of Gibson and it is said Mrs. Graves at that time took recognition of the good qualities of the future congressman and aided him financially in securing his education. It is said she since contributed $1,000 to the campaign fund each of the five times he has successfully run for congress.

Congressman Gibson has accepted the bequest and is said to be planning an endowment to help worthy young men through college, as Mrs. Graves is said to have assisted him.

TO TRAIN JOURNALISTS

Joseph Pulitzer Provides Two Millions to Establish New Department.

Joseph Pulitzer has provided the sum of $2,000,000 to establish a school of journalism at Columbia university, in New York. A new building for the school will be erected at a cost of $500,000 for the school which will hold toward the university a relation similar to that of the other professional schools, as the law school, the school of medicine and the school of mines, and like them will be national in scope.

NOAKES AGAIN STAR WITNESS.

Says Caleb Powers Suggested an Easy Way to Kill Goebel.

At Georgetown, Ky., Monday, Robert Noakes, who three years ago in the first trial of Caleb Powers was a sensational witness, but who ran away from Kentucky after leaving the stand, appeared as a witness for the commonwealth.

Noakes said that James Finley, ex-secretary of state, said to him that the moving of a large bunch of men to Frankfort was too expensive, that the best way to settle the contest was to pay James Howard $2,000 to kill Goebel.

TURKEY WARNED BY BRITAIN.

Ottoman Ruler Advised to Stop Reign of Bloody Butcheries.

According to advices from Constantinople the British ambassador has called the attention of the porte to the serious situation in Macedonia. He pointed out that grave consequences may attend fresh murders of consuls or subjects.

The ambassador had an audience with the sultan Friday.

IRRIGATION GREAT IN TEXAS.

More than 200,000 Acres Reclaimed and Made Productive.

According to a bulletin issued by the census bureau at Washington Saturday, there are 226,205 acres of land under irrigation in the state of Texas. The system includes 1,075 miles of canal and cost $5,191,815. The system has mostly been applied in connection with the rice industry.

The irrigated rice plantations number 557, with an acreage of 170,396.

TREATY REJECTED

Colombia Refuses to Ratify the Canal Convention.

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS.

Details of Congressional Action are Meagre—President Roosevelt Disappointed, But is Silent. News in Washington.

Advices from Bogota state that the Panama treaty has been rejected unanimously by the Colombian congress.

It is reported that President Marroquin has been authorized by congress to make a new treaty which will not require further ratification, but that the basis given for the treaty will probably prove unacceptable to the United States.

It is considered, however, in official circles, according to reliable information, that the authorization given by congress to make a new treaty will furnish a basis for reopening negotiations with the United States.

It appears that one of the objections to the ratificaion of the reaty which carried weigh in the senate was that the Panama Canal Company did not come to a previous arrangement with the Colombian government for the transfer of the concession.

Upon the return of the president to Sagamore Hill Monday evening from reviewing the fleet he found awaiting him there information of the rejection by the Colombian senate of the Panama canal treaty.

While he naturally is disappointed at the action of congress, he does not desire at this time to make any comments upon it.

Washington Advised.

A cablegram dated August 12, was received at the state department Monday from Minister Beaupre, at Bogota, saying that the Panama canal treaty has been rejected by the Colombian senate.

Very little additional information concerning the action of the Colombian senate could be obtained at the state department. Mr. Adee, acting secretary of state, would not discuss Colombian affairs, nor indicate what course the United States would pursue.

Section 4 of the Isthmian canal act provides that should the president be unable to obtain satisfactory title to the property of the new Panama Canal Company and control of the necessary territory and the rights necessary to the construction of the canal from the republic of Colombia, he shall make the necessary treaties with Costa Rica and Nicaragua and proceed with the construction of a canal by the Nicaraguan route.

Reasons for Rejection.

The reason given for the rejection of the treaty by the Colombian senate, it is said here, was the alleged encroachment on Colombian sovereignty which its opponents contend would result from the treaty. This information was contained in a dispatch received Monday night by Dr. Herran, the Colombian charge at Washington, from Foreign Minister Ricos, at Bogota. This dispatch showed that in its present form the treaty was absolutely unacceptable to the senate for the reason above stated, and that it had been rejected unanimously. Incidental to the general question of sovereignty necessarily was that of lease of the strip of land through which the canal was to be constructed and the debate in the Colombian senate indicated that that body regarded this as amounting to a sale of the land and therefore objectionable. When the treaty was submitted to the senate by the committee to which it had been referred, seven of the senators favored it with certain amendments which they proposed, and the remaining two opposed it absolutely.

An interesting feature of the whole debate in the Colombian senate and in the committee's report favoring the treaty is said to be the entire absence of reference to the question of indemnity offered by the United States for the right of way.

HORRORS REACH THE LIMIT.

Bodies of Women and Children Choke River Near Monastir, Macedonia.

A dispatch from Sofia, Bulgaria, says: The river near Monastir, Macedonia, is full of the mutilated bodies of women and children who have been massacred by Bashi Bazouks.

A dispatch received Monday from Uskub says that 600 Bashi Bazouks, under the command of Albanian chiefs, who are notoriously cruel, pillaged and destroyed a number of Christian villages in the districts of Debra and Okrida.

KANSAS CITY AGAIN FLOODED.

River Higher Than Any Time Since Great Freshet in June.

Boats are again being used to transport persons between the two Kansas Citys, says a special of Monday. The James street bridge and the Metropolitan Street Railway Company's bridge over the Kansas river having been carried out by the strong current. The river is higher than at any time since the June flood.

RUSSIAN WAR SHIPS MOVE.

Squadron of Black Sea Fleet Sails from Sebastapol for Turkey.

Advices from Sebastapol state that the squadron of the Russian Black sea fleet which has been ordered to the Turkish coast sailed Monday under command of Rear Admiral Krueger.

The squadron consists of the battleships Catherine II, Tria Sviatitelia, Rostislav and Dynadzat Apostoloff, four torpedo boat destroyers and six mine and torpedo transports.