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'FEELING FINE' SAYS FLOYD TO WIFE.

Wounded Outlaw's Appearance Bears Out His Statement. Smiles During Trial.

Wytheville, Va., May 4th.—"I'm feeling better now than I've felt for the last twelve months." Floyd Allen told his wife last night when she visited him in his cell after court had adjourned for the day. "I'm feeling better all over."

And Floyd's appearance does not belie his statement either, as he sits by his counsel's side while witnesses are testifying against him—and probably some of them are minimizing his chances of ever seeing the foothills of the Blue Ridge down in the Fancy Gap district, too—he smiles frequently at sallies between opposing lawyers and chats pleasantly with any one who approaches the table during a recess of the court proceedings.

Floyd is a peculiar study in human nature. When he was first arrested he looked more like an animal of the forest hunted to death.

The day of his arrest he tried to cut his throat and for a time he was not shaved, the bandages around his neck and scraggly whiskers accentuating the wild look that shone from his eyes. Though his eyes have lost none of their fire—for he darts sharp glances around the courtroom all the time—yet as he sits quietly at the table, his wounded leg propped on a box before him, he looks anything but the "mountain desperado," and "bold outlaw," by which name he has so often been described in the newspapers of the last month or more.

Floyd's countenance is at times wholly morose. He displays little emotion, except once in a while a half humorous regard for some testimony being offered by the commonwealth. At other intervals he gazes quizzically at the jury and judge as if he would perhaps read the verdict and sentence soon to be meted out to him—the verdict that will mean life or death.

It would not exactly be true to say that Floyd Allen, the once bold and daring mountaineer, has lost all of his defiance of the law, even though he seems submissive enough in public. Perhaps he has been coached to a decorous bearing by his counsel's instructions. But he has said to the Baldwin detectives that if he were not handicapped by a broken leg, he'd leave 'em and eat dinner in the Fourth-Avenue hotel any time he chose.

With the repeated rehearsals of Floyd's action when he was last sentenced by a court, there arises in one's mind wonder as to just how he would behave in the face of a possible pronouncement of a death sentence by Judge Staples. Certainly he could make no violent demonstration, for he is too well guarded, but it is a reasonable assumption that he would not receive such a sentence without more display of feeling than does the average prisoner when condemned to death.

It would be at such a moment, if ever again, that the old Allen blood would boil to its highest and his spirit show at its most intensified point.

Floyd's broken leg was put in another cast last night in his jail cell here by Drs. P. B. Green, W. H. Riddle, Jr., and W. S. Sawyer. It was found when the old cast was unwrapped that his left leg, the broken one, is about three inches shorter than the other, due to the fact that when the bones knit they were overlapping and not end to end.

If Floyd is acquitted on all five of his indictments and even if he receives a penitentiary sentence instead of being sent to his death in the electric chair, it is more than likely that the leg will be broken over again and set properly so as to relieve him of deformity.

Lame back is usually caused by rheumatism of the muscles of the back, for which you will find nothing better than Chamberlain's Liniment. For sale by All Dealers.

T. R. and Clark Carry Maryland.

Baltimore, May 7.—Speaker Champ Clark and Theodore Roosevelt carried Maryland primaries on the face of incomplete returns received up to 12:15 a. m., from all the counties of the State. The indicated vote was:

Republicans, Roosevelt 66 Taft 63.
Democrats, Clark 69; Wilson 33; Harmon 4; Uncertain 23.

Majority necessary to control the State convention 65. The primaries evidenced the most spirited political contest that has taken place in Maryland for many years, especially when candidates for the presidency of the United States were at issue. The vote polled was in some respects larger than was anticipated. Both parties were vigilant throughout the entire State.

As indicated above, the chances are that Colonel Roosevelt will be able to control the State convention which meets on Wednesday, and if so, he will have, it is believed, the entire vote of the State in the Chicago convention.

The Clark faction seems to have walked away with everything, the Wilson people showing great disappointment at the results. Harmon was a bad third

Underwood Gets Georgia and Florida.

Atlanta, Dispatch, 1st.

Oscar W. Underwood, of Alabama, is Georgia's choice for the Democratic nomination for President, as expressed in the presidential preference primary held in this state today. Practically complete, but unofficial returns compiled up to midnight show that he carried one hundred of the 146 counties in the State and that his majority over Woodrow Wilson will be between 7,000 and 8,000.

The names of Champ Clark and Judson Harmon also appeared on the ballot but they received a comparatively small vote.

Many of the Victims Died from Exposure.

Halifax, N. S., May 6.—Only one of the 17 persons whose bodies were recovered by the cable ship Minia in the vicinity of the Titanic tragedy, died from drowning, in the opinion of the cable ship's physician. The other 16 perished from exposure, death ensuing some four hours after the vessel sank. This was demonstrated by examination of the bodies, water being found in the lungs of but one person.

This statement is made on the authority of the Rev. H. W. Cunningham, rector of St. George's church, who accompanied the Minia on her quest.

"The bodies we recovered were found miles apart," said the clergyman, "and such success as we attained was due to expert navigation and good luck."

Of the 17 bodies recovered, 15 were brought to port, the other two, the bodies of unidentified firemen, being buried at sea.

The bodies preserved were those of Charles M. Hays, president of the Grand Trunk railway; Joseph Fynney, of J. Fynney and company, rubber merchants, of Liverpool, Eng., who was a second-class passenger; three third-class passengers and ten members of the crew.

Owing to difficulties due to the rough sea, the treatment of the bodies on the cable ship was of a temporary nature. That of Mr. Hays was embalmed here today and shipped to his home at Montreal on a special train.

Court Decides in Favor of Democratic Sheriff.

The Supreme Court has sustained the election of George W. Flynt, Democrat, as sheriff of Forsyth county, in the suit contesting his election brought by D. A. Jones, Republican candidate two years ago. The opinion was delivered Wednesday and finds no error in the trial below, where the evidence was that Flynt had a majority of 12 votes over his Republican opponent.

The BEST by TEST—NATIONAL OATS

TAFT AND ROOSEVELT AT IT

Each Lambasts the Other—Will and Theodore, Erstwhile Bossom Friends, Denounce Each Other as Crooks.

Boston Dispatch, April 25.

President Taft tonight cast aside his policy of avoiding personalities in his campaign for re-nomination and devoted his entire speech to an attack upon Col. Theodore Roosevelt, and a defence of himself against charges Col. Roosevelt recently has made on the stump.

Mr. Taft's speech bristled with counter-charges against his predecessor in the White House. He declared that Mr. Roosevelt had wilfully misrepresented him, had falsely distorted some of his public utterances, had failed to live up to his policy of a square deal and had violated a solemn promise to the American people not to be a candidate for a third term.

"That promise and his treatment of it," said Mr. Taft, "only throw an informing light on the value that promise of this kind he may make for the future."

Declaring that Mr. Roosevelt "ought not to be selected as a candidate of any party," Mr. Taft said the former President might be paying the way, if successful in the present campaign, to remain the Chief Executive of the nation for as many terms as his natural life would permit.

"If he is necessary now to the government, why not later?" asked the President, and continued: "One who so lightly regards constitutional principles, and especially the independence of the judiciary; one who is so naturally impatient of legal restraints and of due legal procedure, and who has so misunderstood what liberty regulated by law is, could not safely be entrusted with successive presidential terms. I say this sorrowfully, but I say it with the full conviction of its truth."

Mr. Taft referred to some of Mr. Roosevelt's charges against him as the "loose, vague indictment of one who doesn't know and who depends only upon second-hand information for his statement."

The President said that his speech tonight was one of the most painful duties of his life; that it was in response to an obligation that he owed the Republican party, which selected him as its candidate, and to the American people who elected him President.

"It grows," he said, "out of a phase of national politics and national life that I believe to be unprecedented in our history. So unusual is the exigency that the ordinary rules of propriety that limit and restrict a President in his public addresses must be laid aside, and the cold, naked truth must be stated in such a way that it shall serve as a warning to the people of the United States."

Mr. Taft said Col. Roosevelt's Columbus speech, accepted as his platform, "sent a thrill of alarm through all the members of the community. Mr. Roosevelt then found that if the nomination were to come to him he must minimize the importance of this 'charter of democracy' and must find some other issue upon which to succeed. Without giving up the principles announced in his Columbus speech, the President said Mr. Roosevelt relegated them to an incidental place and changed his campaign to one of criticism of Taft and the Taft administration."

One by one the President took up 11 charges made against him by Colonel Roosevelt and sought to refute them. In two instances he quoted from correspondence between himself and Colonel Roosevelt, and said he was prepared to make other letters public if Mr. Roosevelt should desire.

The Blue Ribbon bow package—National Oats

Poor appetite is a sure sign of impaired digestion. A few doses of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets will strengthen your digestion and improve your appetite. Thousands have been benefited by taking these Tablets. Sold by All Dealers.

ROUTE NO. 2 ITEMS.

Sudden Death of an Aged Citizen, Other News Items.

Mr. Jady Simmons was called from the walks of man in the sixtieth year of his earthly pilgrimage and in the twenty fifth or sixth year of his life as a Christian.

Mr. Simmon was in apparent good health, having done a full day's work the day prior to his death, and came in as usual and conversed freely with his family until the usual hour arrived for retiring. He then went to his bed and rested alright so far as anyone knows until about six o'clock the following morning which was May 4th, 1912. His wife noticed a slight noise or struggle and upon investigation found that his heart had ceased beating and in just a few moments life was extinct.

Mr. Simmon was an honest and respected citizen of this route and will be greatly missed. His body was laid to rest in the cemetery at Holly Springs on Sunday afternoon, May 5. He was a member of the church at this place.

Rev. C. C. Arrington was requested to hold burial services but failed to come and Mr. Geo. Tucker spoke a few words along the line of the duty of the living to both the relatives and friends of the deceased, also spoke in complimentary terms of the deceased.

Mr. Simmon leaves a wife and eight children to mourn his departure.

We extend our deepest sympathy to the bereaved ones.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Barker on last Saturday morning at their home on this route—a boy.

Everybody both young and old are requested to be present every Sunday morning at 9:30 o'clock.

Notice of Call Convention.

A convention of the Democratic voters of Surry County is hereby called to meet at the Court House in Dobson on the 25th day of May 1912, at 1 P. M., for the purpose of electing delegates to the State Convention and to the Congressional Convention of the 5th Congressional District.

Under the plan of organization and by order of the State Executive Committee, precinct meetings in each voting precinct in the county, must be held at the polling places on the 18th day of May 1912, for the purpose of electing delegates to the County Convention hereby called.

Each precinct will be entitled for one vote for every twenty-five Democratic voters and one for fractions over twelve, but as many delegates may be named as desired, not exceeding three delegates and three alternates, for each vote to which said precinct may be entitled in the County Convention.

This May 4th, 1912.

J. H. Folger,
Chairman.

Veterans Killed in Train Wreck.

New Orleans, May 6.—Four trainmen and three passengers were killed and a number of passengers hurt when the first section of a special train carrying Confederate veterans from Texas to Macon was wrecked on the New Orleans and Northeastern railroad at Mattiesburg, Miss. The engine and five coaches were derailed and turned over. The dead passengers are supposedly Confederate veterans. Engineer W. A. Woods and his negro fireman was killed. Two other railroad employes riding on the engine were killed. The train was running 30 miles an hour when the engine left the track carrying with it a day coach, chair car and three tourist sleepers went through the trestle.

Now is the time to get rid of your rheumatism. You can do so by applying Chamberlain's Liniment and massaging the parts freely at each application, or sale by All Dealers.

Col. Ashley Horne of Clayton Suffers Stroke Paralysis.

Greensboro, May 6.—Col. Ashley Horne of Clayton suffered a stroke of paralysis shortly before the arrival of the Macon Confederate reunion special train here at 8:15 tonight. Col. Horne was conscious when the train arrived and when carried into the hotel by his comrades of '61 expressed regret at his failure to make the full trip with them.

Colonel Horne was carried to a room at the hotel and Dr. Charles Robeson and a nurse were quickly summoned. After a full examination the physician decided that it would be best for the patient to remain at the hotel for a few days expressing the hope that a few days' rest and treatment would result in a complete recovery. The physician declared that the stroke was only a slight one but stated frankly that Colonel Horne was a very sick man. At midnight it was stated that he had shown considerable improvement and the symptoms were such as to warrant the belief that a recovery was possible in the event of no unforeseen setbacks.

Colonel Horne was en route to the Macon reunion, being a passenger aboard the special train carrying North Carolina veterans of the Confederacy. He was in apparent good health when he boarded the train at Clayton, and was a member of a jolly party en route to the annual encampment.

Colonel Horne is one of the best-known men in the State, being a farmer and capitalist and a prominent gubernatorial candidate at the Charlotte convention which nominated Governor Kitchin four years ago.

Biblical Recorder.

When "Noodles" Fagan, the "king of the newsboys," was in Raleigh some time ago, he addressed the boys of the city concerning cigarettes, showing how this deadly poison contaminates the whole body and shortens life. As related by the Times, he told of this experiment, which he had seen frequently performed: "Take a piece of the heaviest, toughest overall cloth, blow cigarette smoke through it, and there is no soap, chemical or cleanser known to science that will entirely remove the nicotine stain. If the cloth is put away for several months, the nicotine will eat away the cloth completely wherever it comes in contact. When nicotine gets on a person's fingers and stays there indefinitely, just by touching the cigarette wrapper, think what it does to the lungs and stomach when the smoke carries it into the system."

Funeral of Astor.

New York May 4th.—Funeral services over the body of John Jacob Astor, one of the victims of the Titanic, took place today in the Episcopal Church of the Messiah at Rhinecliff on the Hudson. Mrs. Madeline Force Astor, the young widow, relatives and friends of Colonel Astor, residents of Rhinecliff and employees of Colonel Astor at Rhinecliff and Newport, attended.

Mrs. Ava Willing Astor, Colonel Astor's first wife, did not go to Rhinecliff, but her young daughter, Muriel, arrived at Ferncliff, the Astor home, yesterday.

The body of Colonel Astor was brought to this city where the interment took place in Trinity cemetery on Washington Heights.

Escapes An Awful Fate.

A thousand tongues could not express the gratitude of Mrs. J. E. Cox, of Joliet, Ill., for her wonderful deliverance from an awful fate. "Typhoid pneumonia had left me with a dreadful cough," she writes. "Sometimes I had such awful coughing spells I thought I would die. I could get no help from doctor's treatment or other medicines till I used Dr. King's New Discovery. But I owe my life to this wonderful remedy for I scarcely cough at all now." Quick and safe, its most reliable of all throat and lung medicines. Every bottle guaranteed. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free at E. H. Hennis Drug Co.

To The Teachers of Surry County—Greeting:

The Teachers' Institute will open at Dobson Aug. 5th.

The conductor will be Prof. J. G. Baird, Charlotte, N. C., and his assistant, Miss May Kilpatrick, Wakefield.

All persons who intend to teach in the schools of Surry County are requested to attend continuously this institute or some other, or else be barred from teaching. High School teachers are also required to attend some institute or summer school, as well as other teachers.

General Plan.

In the forenoon of each day a general session will be held at which topics of interest to all teachers will be discussed. In the afternoon the teachers will meet in sections; those who have never attended our institute before, with the lady assistant for the study of primary methods; those who attended our institute two years ago, with the conductor for the study of more advanced methods. A separate section will be provided for high school principals wherever advisable.

Educational Rallies.

Let there be at least one educational rally during the institute and let an earnest effort be made to secure the attendance of school officials, leading citizens, and friends of education generally at this special meeting. In this way much good may be accomplished. We trust teachers and friends of education will do their best to awaken our interest in all our people to give their hearty support to this special meeting.

W. M. Cundiff,
Supt. of Schools.

Siloam Route 1, News.

Owing to so much wet weather the farmers of this section are getting behind with their crops.

The little infant of Geo. W. Flinchum was buried yesterday at Hills Grove Baptist church.

Mr. J. E. Jessup and Miss Laura Dezem were married some few days ago. J. L. Patterson officiating. We wish them a long and prosperous life.

Siloam and Eldora townships Sunday School convention was held with Corinth Saturday and Sunday, May 5 and 6th. There was a good attendance for the unlikeliness of the weather and much interest shown in the Sunday School work. The next convention will be held with Siloam M. E. Church on the 4th Saturday and Sunday in August, 1912.

Here's wishing the News and its readers the best of success.

B. E. W.

Trustees Sale.

By virtue of a deed of trust executed by A. H. Inman to me as trustee on the 13th of January, 1901, said deed of trust being recorded in Book 22, Page 257 of the Record of Deeds of Surry County, I will sell to the highest bidder for cash, in front of S. P. Christian's store at Westfield, on Friday, the 7th day of June, 1912, at 12 o'clock M. the following described real estate to-wit: a tract of land lying in Surry County, adjoining the lands of John Shelton and others, and bounded as follows; to-wit: Beginning at a stake a pointers in John Shelton's line, runs North with his line 23 3/4-100 chains to a hickory on the South bank of Big Creek, thence North 14 degrees West, crossing the said creek one chain and 86 links to a spanish oak, thence up the said creek as it meanders South 81 degrees West to a stake and pointers on the North bank of the said creek, thence South 19 degrees West, crossing the creek 14 chains and 50 links to a sourwood, thence 8 chains and 34 links to a dogwood, thence East 12 chains to the beginning, containing 25.4 acres more or less.

Sale made to satisfy a note of \$225.00, subject to credits, with interest and cost to be added.

This May 7th, 1912.

W. F. Carter, Trustee.