

LONE BANDIT ROBS SEABOARD TRAIN

WHITE MAN HOLDS UP EXPRESS MESSENGER AND MAKES ESCAPE.

PASSENGERS NOT MOLESTED

Florida-Cuba Special of the Seaboard Held Up for the Third Time in Two Years.

Columbia, S. C.—An unknown white man, pistol in hand, entered the express car of the northbound Florida-Cuba Special of the Seaboard Air Line from Tampa to New York, as the train was leaving Columbia, compelled the express messenger to open the safe, and after taking from it a package, said to be of slight value, jumped off as the train slowed up for a crossing in the northern limits of the city.

After the crew had instructed the crossing watchman to communicate with the Columbia police, the train proceeded on its way. Neither passengers nor mail clerks were molested.

Officials of the express company were unable to estimate the value of the packages secured by the robber. They say they are unable to state where the stolen package was put on, and will not know until later how much money it contained.

The robbery is the third of its nature in Columbia within the past two years. In each case the hold-ups have been made by one man. No arrests have been made in the other cases.

STUDENTS ENGAGE IN RIOT

Newspaper Correspondent Assaulted at Chapel Hill, N. C.

Raleigh, N. C.—Threatened by a crowd of students of the University of North Carolina, in the lobby of the postoffice at Chapel Hill, S. R. Winters, correspondent of the News and Observer, at that place, was struck by one of them because of the publication of an account of gambling by students at the state university in a morning newspaper.

A party of eleven, including students and citizens of Chapel Hill, were bound over to the court on the charge of plotting "craps," and the report gave their names. This caused the attack on him, the evidence being that only the intervention of students and a hurried call for the police kept the crowd from beating up Winters.

The faculty of the university and the authorities of Chapel Hill are on a campaign to break up gambling at the university and in the town. The chief of police of Chapel Hill, in a statement, says that with what evidence is in hand he will be able to round up the ring leaders in gambling in the university.

Champion Father of German. Berlin.—Ferdinand Egliniski, aged 53, a tailor of Ahlbeck, is Germany's champion father. The Tageblatt, which publishes his story, says that of his successive marriages with two sisters, thirty-five children were born, 26 of whom are living—19 boys and 7 girls. The tailor married at the age of 20. His first wife, who died in 1907, bore him twenty-four children.

In 1908 he married his deceased wife's sister, who has born him eleven children in the last six years. Triplets came on one occasion and twins were born twice. When his sixth son entered the army in 1913 Egliniski received a private audience with the kaiser, who ordered him entertained in Berlin at his majesty's expense for a week. Egliniski has become a celebrity and adds to his income as a tailor by post cards of himself.

Proposed Marriage From Tree Top. Savannah, Ga.—Before a sympathetic audience of several hundred people, Frank M. Register of 2425 Barnard street, climbed a tree in Colonial park, back of the jail, proposed to Miss Zeta Metlock, who is being detained by the police, was accepted and the two fixed the date for the wedding. Miss Metlock is being held at the police station under no charges, but in order that she may be taken care of until she can be restored to her parents.

Railroad Men Threaten Strike. Rome, Italy.—Italy faces another general strike. Eighty thousand railway employees are claiming for an amelioration of their conditions of employment, which would represent an increase of \$10,000,000 in the state budget. The employees held several meetings. The most important one was at Ancona, a great railway center, where it was decided that if the government refused to give a satisfactory answer to the demands of the men a general railway strike would be proclaimed April 15.

Prosperity Returns to Philippines. Washington.—Apparently complete recovery from drought and storms that paralyzed trade and farming activities of the Philippines last year was announced by the bureau of insular affairs. Customs returns from the islands show the total imports for the calendar year just ended amounted to only \$53,312,786, or \$8,355,165 less than for 1912, while the exports show a reduction of \$7,011,782 from the 1912 total of \$47,772,956. The 1914 sugar crop, is expected to surpass all recent records.

WILLIAM E. WILLIAMS



Mr. Williams is a representative-at-large in congress from Illinois. He went to school at Illinois college with W. J. Bryan and has been a Bryan man ever since.

ENGLISH THRONE SHAKEN

PARLIAMENT SEETHING CALDRON OVER ALLEGED ALLIANCE OF KING.

Unless Premier Asquith Satisfactorily Explains He Will Face Danger of Liberal Rebellion.

London.—Westminster continues to be a seething caldron over what the Liberals now denounce as the "mutiny of the army aristocrats" against democratic government. The fact has been established from all obtainable evidence that Gen. Hubert Gough and the other officers of the Third cavalry brigade demanded and obtained written assurances that they would not be ordered to fight Sir Edward Carson's Ulster volunteers, and that these assurances were obtained largely through the personal intervention of the king.

The throne, which traditionally has kept out of party controversies, is involved in the discussion as it never before has been during King George's reign or that of his diplomatic father. The section of the Liberals who opposed what they denounce as a surrender to the military oligarchy are criticising the king with the greatest freedom. They resent his action in summoning to the palace Field Marshal Lord Roberts, who, in his speeches, advised the officers that they might properly refuse service in suppressing the Ulster Irreconcilables. They criticise his majesty for dealing personally with Field Marshal Sir John French, chief of the general staff.

ALASKA COAL LANDS OPEN

Under Leasing Plan Lands Agreed Upon by Senate.

Washington.—Opening of Alaska coal lands under a leasing plan was proposed in a bill agreed upon by the senate public lands committee, and which will be favorably reported by Chairman Myers.

The bill proposes that the unreserved lands be surveyed into 40-acre tracts or multiples thereof, the maximum being fixed at 560 acres for any tract. They are to be leased to competitive bidders, not more than one tract being included in any lease. Railroads will be prohibited from acquiring a greater coal supply than needed for their own uses.

Five Persons Drowned.

Fresno, Cal.—The breaking of a suspension bridge across the San Joaquin river plunged four men and one woman, crossing in an automobile, 50 feet into the swift stream. They were drowned. Among the occupants of the machine were L. N. Part, general superintendent of the San Joaquin Light and Power corporation and J. E. Brugges, assistant superintendent.

Takes Charge of Body.

Stamford, Conn.—The body of Prof. Harry Thurston Peck, who committed suicide here, was removed to the home of his former wife, Mrs. Cornelia Dawbarn Peck, at Sound Beach, with the consent of Mrs. Elizabeth D. Peck, his second wife. Among the effects of Professor Peck, of which Mrs. Cornelia Peck has taken charge, are a number of manuscripts. One of these was on "platonic friendship," in which the question is raised as to "whether a man can maintain a platonic friendship."

Held on Fraud Charge.

Portland, Ore.—Walter Greer Campbell, who three years ago had a fortune of more than four million dollars, was arrested here on a charge of obtaining money under false pretenses in San Francisco. He is also accused of fleeing from his creditors, owing upwards of \$100,000. The police say \$100,000 in gold certificates were found in Campbell's pockets. A San Francisco telegram says Greer Campbell left his wife and child there on March 9. Mrs. Campbell declares he pawned her jewels.

WILSON SCORES A PERSONAL TRIUMPH

CLOTURE RULE ADOPTED IN THE HOUSE BY VOTE OF 200 TO 172.

PREDICT PASSAGE OF BILL

Crucial Point Passed, Say Administration Leaders, Who Claim Measure Will Have 100 Majority.

Washington.—President Wilson won the opening skirmish of the great legislative battle of his administration when the house, over bitter protests from recognized Democratic leaders and almost solid minority opposition, adopted a special rule for the consideration of the bill repealing the free tolls provision of the Panama canal act. Speaker Clark, Democratic Leader Underwood, Republican Leader Mann and Progressive Leader Murdock headed those lined up against the administration, but the house responded to the president's personal appeal for prompt consideration of the repeal bill as a means of supporting his administration's foreign policy.

Two votes demonstrated the president's commanding influence with his party in congress. On the first test, a motion to end debate and preclude amendment on the rule carried by a vote of 207 to 176; the rule itself was adopted 200 to 172.

Nothing to compare with the scene had occurred in the house since the famous Cannon rules fight four years ago. In vain Representative Underwood took the floor and urged his colleagues to vote against the rule. The rank and file Democrats, after listening to three hours of passionate argument, swung into the president's column, 199 of them voting to prevent the amendment of the special rule, while but 55 followed the leaders in joining with the minority in opposition.

ANDREWS MAKES REPORT

France, Greece, Turkey and Bulgaria to Build Pavilions.

Washington.—Col. Walter P. Andrews, who returned from a tour of the Mediterranean countries as commissioner general of the United States to the Mediterranean and Balkan states, invited the members of the Georgia delegation to congress to a dinner at the New Willard hotel.

Colonel Andrews has made his report to Secretary Bryan and is enthusiastic about the trip of the special commission.

France, Greece, Turkey and Bulgaria agreed to build pavilions at the Panama-Pacific exposition. Roumania, Servia, Portugal and Spain had already decided not to participate, but agreed to reopen the subject.

Over 25,000 Indians Ill With Plague.

Washington.—Health conditions among the Indians are described as deplorable by Indian Commissioner Cato Sells, in his annual report. Approximately 25,000 Indians are suffering from tuberculosis, he says, while available hospital facilities for all will not exceed 300 beds. During the past fiscal year 1,905 Indians died from tuberculosis. The Indian death rate was 32.25 per thousand, against 16.00 per thousand for the entire, registered area of the United States. More than 60,000 cases of trachoma are shown to exist among the government's wards. The report says there are 8,000 Indian families without homes, many of whom live under revolting conditions. Need of increased appropriations to provide the Indians more sanitary homes, better school facilities, medical attention and measures to prevent disease is emphasized.

Steamer Hits Rock; 18 Drowned.

London.—Eighteen of the crew of the crew of the French steamer St. Paul were drowned. The steamer struck a rock and sank while entering the port of Brisbane, Australia, according to a Lloyd dispatch. The St. Paul was on the way from Noumea to Sydney. She was a new 200-foot vessel, built in 1912, commanded by Captain Corey and owned by the Oceanic Navigation company of Bordeaux.

Owen Urges Repeal of Exemption.

Washington.—While the opposing factions in the house were lining up for the opening of the fight over the administration bill to repeal the tolls exemption clause of the Panama canal act, Senator Owen supported President Wilson's attitude in urging the repeal. He took the position that the exemption was in violation of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty. Senator Owen referred to the senate roll calls to emphasize President Wilson's contention that the exemption was passed by a coalition of the two old parties.

Five Injured in Wreck.

Cuthbert, Ga.—Two passengers coaches of train No. 3, G. F. and A. railway, turned completely over two miles south of here, injuring Conductor Honnell, J. L. Boynton of Dickey; Miss Martha, of Vidalia, Ga.; James M. Rawls and Aletha V. Goff, colored, of Cuthbert, Ga. The last truck jumped the track on a curve and jerked the two passenger coaches completely over. None of the injured are now thought to be hurt fatally, but a number will be confined to the hospital for some time.

MISS LUCY BURNS



Miss Burns, Vassar graduate with a long record of post-graduate work in political economy at the universities of Yale, Berlin and Bonn, is now the acting head of the Women's Congressional Union at Washington.

INSURGENTS MAKE ATTACK

FEDERALS DRIVEN BACK WHEN MAKING ATTEMPT TO ESCAPE FROM CITY.

Huerta Troops Concentrated in Western Part of Torreon to Resist Combined Attack.

Juarez, Mexico.—A message from Gomez Palacio, signed by General Villa, said that he had concentrated his forces to force his way into Torreon, there to join General Herrera and to take supreme command. Officials here declared that the federals already had tried to escape from the city, but were driven back and were in no condition to withstand such an attack as that of which Villa gave notice in this telegram.

A telegram received from General Villa says that practically all of Torreon, including the entire business section, is in the hands of the rebels. General Herrera, at the head of 4,000 men, is said to have entered the city from the east instead of the north, as at first reported, and is said to have fought his way through the streets to the bull-ring on the northern edge of the city.

A second telegram from Villa amended the first to show that the federals were concentrated in their last defenses in the western portion of the city. Rebel officials here say that if the federals do not hold their position there, they inevitably must be captured.

The same telegram says that federal Generals Pena, Reyna and Anaya have been killed and General Ocaranza seriously wounded.

BANK HOLDUP IN ATLANTA

Bandit Steals Buggy and Eludes Big Mob After a Wild Chase.

Atlanta.—Folled in a wild attempt to loot the safety vaults of the Atlanta State Savings Bank, a negro institution, in Auburn avenue, which contained upwards of \$2,500 in gold and silver, a white would-be bandit, bludgeoned a negro clerk, fled into Houston street, seized a horse and buggy, raced through the downtown streets, pursued by police officers and a howling mob, fired some five shots at his pursuers and finally eluded searchers in the block bounded by Harris and Cain streets.

A short time later a man claiming to be an actor, and giving his name as Edward Rhyndata of Denver, Colo., was arrested by Call Officer James Palmer, in a room at Cain and Williams streets. The suspect was taken to the banking rooms. He was identified by six negroes as the man seen earlier in the day at the Odd Fellows' building, in which the bank is located.

Knell Sounded for Convict Goods.

Washington.—After a vigorous partisan contest, the house passed a bill to bar foreign convict-made or pauper-made goods from competition with the products of American free labor. The measure, which now goes to the senate, follows a bill recently passed by the house forbidding the shipment of convict-made goods in interstate commerce into states which prohibit the sale of such products in the open market. The importation of foreign, convict-made goods has been prohibited under the tariff laws since 1890.

Bell Gunness Again Found.

La Porte, Ind.—For the fifth time the county commissioners have been persuaded to appropriate railroad fare for investigation of a report that Mrs. Belle Gunness has been "found." Clint Cochran, a marshal when the Gunness "murder farm" was exploited in 1908, left LaPorte for Neville, Sash., where the northwest mounted police have under surveillance a woman homesteader. According to the reports from Canada, the woman was recognized as Mrs. Gunness by a man who went to school with her.

TEXTILE BUILDING REBUILT BY AUG. 1

A. & M. TRUSTEES LET CONTRACT FOR REPLACING OF BURNED STRUCTURE.

DISPATCHES FROM RALEIGH

Doings and Happenings That Mark the Progress of North Carolina People Gathered Around the State Capitol.

Raleigh.

The executive committee of the Board of Trustees of A. & M. College have already let a contract to S. S. Toller of Rocky Mount for rebuilding the Textile building burned only a few mornings ago and having it ready for equipment by August 1. The work is to be done on a percentage basis under the direction of President D. H. Hill and Prof. H. E. Satterfield.

The remains of the former building are to be used as far as possible in the reconstruction, although there may be changes in the plans and also enlargement. A call is made on manufacturers of textile machinery in all parts of the country to contribute machinery for the equipment, as was done in the original opening of the building.

The executive committee also approved a plan for a Summer school of instruction for the rural schools of the state to be in progress June 3 to July 1, this to include all teachers in the rural high schools who are engaged in teaching agriculture and nature study. A four-year course in this Summer school will entitle the holders of certificates to teach in the schools without re-examination. There are 313 teachers of this class in the state and a large per cent of them are expected to attend this Summer school.

Here for the meeting of the executive committee were W. H. Ragan, chairman; O. L. Clark, Bladen; R. H. Ricks, Edgecombe, and N. E. Broughton, Raleigh, with President D. H. Hill of the college.

The executive committee of the State Board of Agriculture arranged for the farm demonstration workers from the United States Department of Agriculture, co-operating with the department under C. R. Hudson, to have their offices in the present building of the State Department of Agriculture, also for offices for the workers from the government co-operating in the Animal Husbandry Division under Mr. Gray to have offices in the agricultural building at A. & M. College.

This adjusts a serious condition that was about to cause the state to lose the government forces in these divisions of work, on account of inability to provide office quarters.

State Seal is Badly Worn.

Secretary of State J. Bryan Grimes and Governor Craig are co-operating in the purchase of a new great seal of state for the governor's office. The seal now in use is badly worn and the mechanism by which it is operated in attaching the seal to documents of state is badly out of "whack." The instrument was broken during the administration of Governor Russell and was somewhat crudely repaired. Also some of the letters have become so badly worn as to show up poorly in the imprints.

The present seal has been in use since 1883. The seal that was in use prior to that time was made in 1836 and the one prior to that in 1794. Then there were a number of colonial seals. Drawings of new seals have been received from a number of manufacturers. The general design of the seal is being considerably changed in those designs being offered.

Bolejack's Sentence Commuted.

James Bolejack gets a commutation from death sentence to life imprisonment. He is the aged Mecklenburg county man sentenced to die April 4th for wife murder.

N. C. Pine Men Meet in Norfolk.

The twenty-fifth annual meeting of the North Carolina Pine Association, composed of lumber manufacturers in Virginia and North and South Carolina, met in Norfolk a few days ago. President Horton Corwin, Jr., of Edenton, N. C., touching in his annual address upon the Federal and state anti-trust laws, declared that these were not intended to "repress enterprise or to close the avenue of useful information" but "to suppress monopoly and unlawful combinations in restraint of trade."

North Carolina Cotton Crop.

The United States report of cotton gleaned and marketed to date was received at the state department of agriculture recently and shows that the North Carolina crop to date is \$35,435 bales, compared with 906,351 for the previous year. Robeson led, as usual, with 53,000 bales, compared with 62,000 last year. Mecklenburg has 31,053 bales, compared with 25,178 the year previous. Pitt county has only 21,000 compared with 31,000 and Johnston county has only 28,000, compared with 44,000 for last year.

June 4 Date of State Convention.

Raleigh.—The state Democratic executive committee recently voted to change the date for the state convention from June 17 to June 4 in Raleigh in order to avoid conflict with the North Carolina Medical Society that will be in Raleigh June 16-18. The committee was presided over by Chairman Thomas D. Warren, with Secretary W. E. Brock present. There were 48 members present in person and by proxy.

The committee adopted the following resolutions:

"Whereas, the recent session of the legislature created four new judicial districts in the state and it has disarranged the judicial committees in at least four districts, there being no resident chairman:

"Therefore, be it resolved by the Democratic state executive committee that any chairman now living in one of the new judicial districts shall act as chairman for such district.

"And be it further resolved that the chairman of this committee designate some member in those districts which now have no chairman to call the committee together for the purpose of calling the judicial convention in said district.

"Resolved, further, that if two former chairmen now live in the same district that they jointly call a meeting of the committee for the purpose of calling a convention of the judicial committee.

"Be it resolved by the Democratic state committee that the plan of organization be amended as follows:

"It shall be the duty of the chairmen of the various congressional, judicial and senatorial committees of the state immediately after they are elected, to furnish to the chairman of the state committee all lists of the names and the postoffice addresses of the members of their committees, indicating the chairman and secretary.

Cannot Flog State Convicts.

In the opinions just delivered by the Supreme Court there is one in the case of State vs. Nipper and Johnson, from Wake, involving the right of convict guards to flog unruly convicts or administer other corporal punishment, the Supreme Court holding with Judge Cooke of the Superior Court that there is no such right either through the state constitution or through legislative statute. The Supreme Court declares—Chief Justice Clark writing the opinion—that: "In view of the enlightenment of this age and the progress which has been made in prison discipline, we have no difficulty in coming to the conclusion that corporal punishment by flogging is not reasonable and cannot be sustained. That which degrades a man cannot be either necessary or reasonable."

Supreme Court Appeals.

The appeals decided in the recent delivery of opinions are:

Auman vs. Lumber Company, Sampson County, modified and affirmed with costs against the appellant; Ward vs. Alberson, Duplin county, no error; State vs. Horton, Franklin, no error; In re will of Cooper, Wake, no error; Rees vs. Williams, Wake, petition to rehear dismissed; Clarendon College vs. Riddle, Catawba, affirmed; Rackley vs. Rackley, Robeson, dismissed for failure to file printed briefs; McArthur vs. Land & Timber Co., Cumberland, dismissed for failure to file briefs; Porter vs. Seaboard Air Line, Bladen, dismissed for failure to file printed briefs.

Agents Must Have New Licenses.

State Commissioner of Insurance Young calls attention to the fact that the licenses of all insurance agents in this state expire April 1 and that the applications for renewal are coming in remarkably slow. Under the law they will have no authority to do business after April 1 until these renewals are procured. There are about 13,000 agents in the state and the companies and the agents must sign all application for renewal blanks for which have been distributed.

Harrison Visits Raleigh.

President Fairfax Harrison of the Southern Railway Company spent several hours in the city recently with Vice President A. B. Andrews and was a caller at the office of Governor Craig and the Corporation Commission with whom he discussed a number of matters informally. With President Harrison were Vice President and Traffic Manager J. M. Culp and Vice President and General Manager E. H. Coepman.

Major Kuekendall Succeeds Barker.

Raleigh.—Major E. D. Kuekendall, of Greensboro, succeeds Col. Max L. Barker as commander of the North Carolina Coast Artillery Corps, Colonel Barker retiring with the rank of major from the service. This announcement was made by Adjutant General Young. Dates for the school of instruction for the officers of the military guard are changed from May 12-17 to May 4-9, so the officers may be at home and at their precincts for the primaries.

A. & M. Textile Building Burns.

The textile building at A. & M. College was destroyed by fire early a few mornings ago, the total loss being estimated at \$80,000. A little less than half of this being covered by insurance.

The flames were discovered in the southwest corner of the third-floor at 3 o'clock and the alarm given with the college whistle. As quickly as possible the students had three streams on the flames from the college hose, but the conflagration had gained such headway that they were powerless.