

THE WEATHER.

Fair, cooler Thursday; Friday fair; light to moderate winds, mostly south.

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BOMBARDED TWICE BY ITALIAN FLEET

Tripoli the Scene of Heavy and Steady Firing From Warships.

OPPORTUNITY TO SURRENDER

Ships Cease Firing to Give the Town a Chance to Surrender, But No White Flag Looms Into View.

Djerba, Tunis, Oct. 4.—Tripoli has been bombarded twice by the Italian fleet. The first shot was fired shortly after 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

There was a steady but slow fire from the warships until dusk last evening and shots also came from the forts in the town.

The white buildings in Tripoli could be plainly seen and the whole field of operations was unfolded before the watchers.

At 4 o'clock the ships were ordered to cease firing by the admiral to permit the town to surrender, but no sign was given, and after a few minutes the ships began again.

When the Tafana left the scene no landing had been attempted by the Italians, and it was feared that during the night the town would be pillaged by Nomad Arabs.

Early this morning the first division of the Italian fleet under Admiral Faravelli, resumed the bombardment.

Before commencing the bombardment Tripoli the Italian squadron removed all mines and made a careful revision of the hydrographic chart.

Four Italian officers have come to Djerba and are proceeding overland toward Tripoli on a reconnoitering expedition, as the Arabs are expected to offer stubborn resistance to the occupation of the Vilayet.

Rome, Oct. 4.—The bombardment of Tripoli was resumed this morning with the object of completing the destruction of the batteries.

London, Oct. 4.—A Rome dispatch from Tripoli says it is believed that the garrison has suffered very heavy losses and that the governor is wounded.

Constantinople, Oct. 4.—Political difficulties within the capital are multiplying and it seems impossible to form a cabinet.

ROBBING THE FLOOD VICTIMS

Two Foreign Women Are Arrested When Discovered Prying Open A Trunk—Followed the Disastrous Flood

Austin, Pa., October 4.—The first arrests for robbery following the disastrous flood of last Saturday were made today when two foreign women were caught by a State trooper prying open the lid of a trunk.

Joseph Shava, husband of the younger woman, is accused of participating in the thefts but has not been found.

With the bodies recovered today, there are but thirty persons unaccounted for, according to the officials.

CHALONER'S BUGHOUSE TALK

He Tries to Convince Court That He's Able to Take Care of Fortune.

Charlottesville, Va., Oct. 4.—John Armstrong Chaloner spent two hours before United States Commissioner Booth again today, continuing the deposition begun yesterday in which he expected to demonstrate to the United States Circuit Court for Southern New York that he is sane and entitled to possession of the \$1,500,000 held for him in New York by a committee.

Chaloner's statements today were quite as remarkable as those of yesterday. He insisted that his prediction or "trance utterance" of March, 1897 that he would develop a physical resemblance to Napoleon Bonaparte had actually been borne out.

It was this "trance utterance" that was largely responsible for the imprisonment of Chaloner in the Bloomsbury, N. Y., asylum from which he escaped.

Chaloner's suit against the committee probably will be reached about January 1st. The depositions now being taken will be introduced then.

FOR FREIGHT TARIFF BOARD

National Paint, Oil and Varnish Association Agrees on Its Creation

Richmond, Va., October 4.—The National Paint, Oil and Varnish Association, in annual convention here today agreed on the creation of a freight tariff board and instructed its president to appoint the proposed three members of the board before the present adjourns.

The report of the committee on fire insurance was presented today. The gist of it is an advocacy of mutual insurance by paint manufacturers, as against insurance of the old-line variety.

There were no afternoon or evening sessions of the convention. The time was devoted to social functions.

GOOD ROADS CONVENTION

Southern Appalachian Association Held Meeting at Roanoke

Roanoke, Va., October 4.—The annual meeting of the Southern Appalachian Good Roads Association opened here today, delegates representing Georgia, North and South Carolina, West Virginia, Tennessee and Virginia, being present.

London, Oct. 4.—Political difficulties within the capital are multiplying and it seems impossible to form a cabinet.

SCATTERED MONEY ALL OVER STATE

Such is the Testimony in the Investigation of Senator Stephenson's Election.

HIS CAMPAIGN COST \$107,792

And No Detailed Expense Accounts Were Turned in to Him by His Managers Who Passed Out the Coin.

Milwaukee, Wis., Oct. 4.—Payments of money to workers in United States Senator Isaac Stephenson's campaign for the primary nomination in 1908 were made without any definite returns to the campaign managers as to what use the funds were put, according to testimony today before the senatorial committee, which is investigating charges of bribery in connection with Senator Stephenson's election.

It was brought out that out of the senator's campaign fund of \$107,792 in the primaries for the nomination, money was scattered broadcast over the State to "organizers" who turned in no itemized expense accounts.

From the amount of money spent it would appear that Senator Stephenson had no voluntary supporters in Wisconsin and from the efforts made to direct out votes it would seem that the direct primary for which the people popularly were supposed to be clamoring, was not such a successful institution after all.

"Am I to understand that in Wisconsin, the home of the direct primary, half of the people have to be solicited to get to the polls?" asked Senator W. B. Heyburn, of Idaho, the chairman.

E. A. Edmonds, who had charge of Senator Stephenson's campaign, was on the stand.

Edmonds, "but there were several Republican candidates for the nomination and we felt it necessary to employ every means to get out the Stephenson supporters."

Going over items of sums paid to individuals Edmonds said none of those who received money had returned itemized accounts.

"There are a number of items here charged to 'General.' They aggregate \$1,000. Who is this general and what was the money spent for?" asked the chairman.

"I don't know. I suppose for organizing."

"Don't use that word organize. It is a glittering political generality used to avoid the necessity of particularizing."

Taking up the total of moneys paid to organizers, Edmonds said, although about \$98,000 of the \$107,793 campaign fund had passed through the headquarters at Milwaukee where he was in charge, he could not mention any item wherein he was given an itemized account of just how the money was expended.

ELECTS NEW OFFICERS.

Convention of Church of Christ in Virginia Selects Lynchburg

Newport News, Va., Oct. 4.—At its session today the convention of the Church of Christ in Virginia, which has been in session here since Tuesday night, selected Lynchburg as the next place of meeting and elected the following officers:

H. P. Atkins, of Richmond, president; H. C. MacLachlan and H. E. McWare, vice presidents; R. M. Kent, treasurer; H. C. Combs, secretary; G. S. Crenshaw, auditor; H. C. Combs, superintendent of Sunday School work; W. W. Ford, superintendent of Christian Endeavor work; Miss Elizabeth Farley, secretary of Christian Endeavor.

In choosing Lynchburg over Roanoke, which city was recommended by the committee on time and place, the convention found it necessary to change the time of meeting from October to the second Tuesday in September.

UNEQUAL AND UNJUST.

So Says Virginia Corporation Commission as to Certain Rates.

DR. WILEY'S NEW ASSISTANT

In the General Shake-Up, Pure Food Expert, Once Decapitated, is Given an Enlarged Powers in His Work.

Washington, Oct. 4.—Headed and controlled by Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, the chemistry bureau chief around whom the pure food and drug board of the department of agriculture, which passes upon matters of vital concern to immense manufacturing interests, will hereafter have largely augmented authority.

From the complication that grew out of Solicitor McCabe's admitted control of the work of the board, the friction between McCabe and Dr. Wiley's enlarged powers.

Dr. R. E. Doolittle, of New York, a veteran chemist named to succeed Solicitor McCabe, on the board, was personally selected by Dr. Wiley. The two will act as a working majority, the only other member being Dr. F. L. Dunlap, who aligned with the solicitor and who will remain away on a vacation until after the President's return.

The official order of Secretary Wilson issued today transferred to the food and drug board many of the powers that have been exercised by Solicitor McCabe since July 1, 1910, the chief cause of the antagonism.

The Secretary's order said: "Hereafter all questions relating to citations for hearings will be considered by the board of food and drug inspection, and the determination made by a majority of that board as to whether or not the citation shall issue."

This directly affects the power of Solicitor McCabe, who has during the last year determined whether citations should issue, after the bureau of chemistry had recommended a case for prosecution.

The new order further provides that after a hearing has been held, the board of food and drug inspection shall determine whether there will be prosecution. The power of the solicitor is apparently restricted to the "preparation and transmittal to the department of justice" of such cases of prosecution.

MORE TROUBLE IN MEXICO.

New Revolutionary Movement Planned Against Madero.

Mexico City, Oct. 4.—Plans for a new revolutionary movement with ramifications in Oaxaca, Morelos, Puebla and in the National capital, directed against the supremacy of Madero, are said to have been discovered by secret agents of the President.

October 15th, is the date said to have been fixed for beginning of hostilities.

There have been discovered in this city, according to one who has the confidence of Madero, the existence of secret caches of arms which were removed through connivance of a police official, before they could be seized.

Reports from San Antonio alleging that a junta had been established in that city in the interest of Reyes were published in El Pais today. They alleged that a combination of Diaz, Reyes and Magon had been formed.

Rodolfo Reyes, son of Gen. Reyes, and Jose Peon Del Valle, the latter's erstwhile campaign manager, declared Reyes' going to San Antonio had nothing to do with any political movement.

Oregon, Ill., October 4.—Dr. Harry E. Webber, confessed slayer of his third wife, Bessie Kent Oster, was indicted by a jury for murder late today. He was arraigned immediately afterward and given until 2:30 o'clock Monday afternoon to plead.

If the usual motion to quash is denied the prisoner will plead not guilty. The court will then set a date for a trial, after which the attorneys for the defense will ask for a change of venue to Lake county.

OUTLINES.

The Italian fleet has twice bombarded Tripoli but held up in the firing to give the town a chance to surrender.

The New York club has clinched the pennant in the National League. Even though it lose all the remaining games it will still be victor.

New York markets: Cotton, quiet; middling uplands, 10.20; middling gulf, 10.45; flour unchanged but steady; wheat, spot, barely steady; No. 2, red, 98-1.2, elevator export basis, and 99 soft.

GOVERNMENT AIDS COTTON GROWERS

Scheme to Give Producers Fullest Benefit of Proper Grading.

BETTER QUALITY OF STAPLE

United States Department of Agriculture Appoints Experts to Help Farmers to Secure Higher Prices for Cotton.

Washington, Oct. 4.—An effort to secure higher prices for cotton by an improvement in the methods of handling, grading and marketing the crop is to be made by the government this year in co-operation with prominent cotton growers.

The plan is designed to bring to the cotton raiser the full benefit of the increase in value that can be secured by a careful grading of the crop to correspond with the new government standards.

Officials of the Agricultural Department are planning to take the crop from plantations selected as experimental points. The government experts will use the most approved methods of grading, handling, baling and selling, and will make accurate returns on each operation for the benefit of the cotton growers.

It is believed that if the cotton raiser can be trained to grade the crop carefully in its initial handling, its value can be greatly increased by putting the cotton into grades that command higher prices.

The price of the standards has been reduced from \$35 to \$30 for the benefit of farmers' associations and the department is recommending that a "half series" be purchased which will give farmers a facility to grade their cotton.

It is believed cotton raisers of the South will benefit to the extent of millions of dollars if the improvements in handling and marketing methods can be made general.

PACE CASE AT NEWBERN.

Seduction Charge Being Tried in Craven Superior Court.

Newbern, N. C., Oct. 4.—Hugh Napoleon Pace, of Wake county, was placed on trial here this morning in Superior Court for the alleged seduction of Miss Henrietta Daugherty, of Leior county, but who at the time was employed as a waitress at the Gaston Hotel, in this city.

Pace is represented by Messrs. Moore and Dunn, while the prosecutor for the State is being assisted by Mr. D. E. Henderson.

Miss Daugherty was the first witness placed on the stand and for four hours underwent a grilling examination and cross-examination. She told in detail of meeting Pace. How her friendship for him ripened into love and how he had finally proposed marriage to her and her acceptance.

The events attending their trip to Wilmington, where she claims that Pace had immoral relations with her. Never did the defense break down with her story. A large number of other witnesses were placed on the stand and testified as to her excellent conduct. Tomorrow the defense will place their witnesses on the stand and it is quite probable that the trial will be concluded Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Pace's wife, the defendant, was in Pace's court room all during the day with her baby and she received the sympathy of all those present. There is much speculation as to the outcome of the trial and the verdict of the jury is awaited with much interest.

THRASHING OUT OLD SCORES

Is Corner on Cotton a Violation of the Sherman Anti-Trust Law?

Washington, October 4.—The legal contest before the Supreme Court of the United States over the question of whether a corner of the cotton market is a violation of the Sherman anti-trust law began today when Solicitor General Lehmann filed a brief contending that the law so applies.

The point arose from the appeal of the government from the action of the New York Federal Court in quashing certain counts of an indictment against James A. Patten, Eugene G. Scale, Frank B. Haye and William J. Brown.

The solicitor general quoted the Post Pope in support of his contention that a corner was more than a gambling transaction and likewise, turned literature in an argument that such a corner as alleged, not only resulted in "squeezing the shorts" but in a restraint of trade in violation of the Sherman law.

A general corner can no more be accomplished in a commodity like cotton without affecting the entire commerce in that staple, says the solicitor general, than Shylock's bond could be enforced without shedding a drop of blood.

TAFT VIEWS BRONCHO BUSTERS

Rousing Reception Given the President at Cheyenne, Wyoming, by the Cowboys and Cow Girls In Contest

Rawlins, Wyo., October 4.—President Taft spent today in Wyoming and left Rawlins after a ten-minute stop for Salt Lake City where he spends tomorrow.

The frontier day show at Cheyenne was near a re-production of the annual affair as Irwin could make it. There were about 60 cowboys, cow girls, "bronco busters" and other western types in the cast.

Governor Carey, who accompanied the President across the State, told Mr. Taft that he would be backed by the Wyoming delegation at the next Republican convention, and that he would receive the delegate vote of the State in November, 1912.

Senator Warren promised the President today to support the peace treaties in the Senate. He declares that the President's speech on the subject unquestionably had met the approval of the people.

Charley Irwin showed himself a good stable manager, however, by retaining some of the ponies entered in the bucking contest.

There was one called "Billy Taft," another named "Archie Butt," a third that bucked, by the name of "Schedule K," and another that the residents of Cheyenne declared was almost unridable.

"Teddy Roosevelt," "Reciprocity," "Old Steamboat," and a few other under names less pertinent to a President's reception also ran.

"Billy Taft" was the first pony to be saddled, and Jack Martin, a buster, tried to ride him. Martin got about twenty feet beyond the judge's stand and then dismounted head foremost.

Next came "Archie Butt," ridden by Frank Carter, former champion of the world. Archie proved docile and Carter rode him easily up the track and into the corral.

"Senator Warren," ridden by Hugh Clark, "Aeroplane" with Bill Baker or his back, "Reciprocity," ridden by John Rickall, were subdued handsily and "Schedule K," gave up almost without a struggle, whereupon the President's party laughed heartily.

"Teddy Roosevelt," manned by Henson, insisted upon converting himself into a small whirlwind that revolved at an estimated speed of not less than thirty miles an hour.

Henson stuck on for a couple of minutes, but then decided to descend and cheer. "Teddy's" head as a stopping block.

In the ladies' half mile race, Pauline Irwin, a little girl with golden hair, tied with bright red ribbon, and dressed in a khaki riding suit, came under the wire first riding as well as most of the men did standing up in the stirrups, whip in hand and getting all the plaudits of the crowd.

In the opera house the President declared that the present wool tariff is too high and announced his intention to revise it downward.

SUPREME COURT OPINIONS.

Twenty-Three Opinions in Cases Handed Down Yesterday.

Raleigh, N. C., Oct. 4.—Including the Sandlin case, from New Hanover, in which no error was found in the trial below, referred to elsewhere in this correspondence, the Supreme Court this afternoon handed down opinions in 23 cases all told.

The list follows: State vs. Cole, Warren, new trial; Blow vs. Joyner, Warren, new trial; Hooker vs. N. & S. R. R., Pitt, no error; Jeffress vs. N. & S. R. R., Pitt, no error; McLawhorn vs. Harris, Pitt, no error; Carter Lodge vs. I. James, Carteret, affirmed; Morton vs. Blades Lumber Co., Craven, affirmed; Bissett vs. Bryant Lumber Co., Wilson, new trial; Morse & Rogers vs. Schultz, Nash, new trial; Pettitt vs. A. C. L., Edgecombe, no error; Morgan vs. Morgan, Nash, reversed; Sherrod vs. Mayo, Martin, affirmed in both appeals; In re Martha vs. Saville Estate, Franklin, affirmed; State vs. Sandlin, New Hanover, no error; Brock vs. Life Ins. Co., Lenoir, no error; Adams vs. K. & C. R. Co., Lenoir, no error; Burlington vs. Candy, Onslow, affirmed; Howie vs. Splitter, Union, affirmed; Powell vs. N. S. Mutual Life Ins. Co., Edgecombe, new trial for newly discovered evidence; Tilghman vs. N. & S. R. R., Lenoir, affirmed; Henrietta Mills vs. McDaniels, Rutherford, new trial for new evidence; Chavis vs. W. U. Tel. Co., Hertford, appeal withdrawn; Chadwick vs. Life Ins. Co., of Virginia, Wake, dismissed under Rule 17.

PEACE IS ASSURED IN M'COMB CITY

Over a Hundred Strikebreakers Are Hustled Out of Town.

THE CITIZENS DEMANDED IT

With the Railroads Vigorously Protesting, the Railroad Strike-breakers Are Hauled Away Guarded by Sixty Soldiers

McComb City, Miss., October 4.—With the enforced departure late today of the last of the strike-breakers brought here by the Illinois Central Railroad came the first real assurance of the restoration of peace after 24 hours of excitement and spasmodic rioting.

The people of McComb City demanded that the strike-breakers be removed from their community and the 132 were placed aboard a heavily guarded special train and hurried to New Orleans.

Sixty soldiers armed with ball cart-kills and with orders to "shoot to kill" if necessary, accompanied the special train south as far as Magnolia. This action by the military authorities probably prevented another pitched battle.

After the strike-breakers agreed to get out of town at 1 o'clock the departure of the train was delayed for nearly three hours by protests from the railroad company and the people of McComb City who began to exhibit signs of surliness and some show of mob spirit.

Strike leaders in automobiles finally persuaded the men to disband and commit no violent act.

Three companies of the Mississippi Guard patrolled the streets all day and tonight the sheriff's expressed that the town will remain quiet.

TELEGRAPHERS' STRIKE.

Not Interested at Asheville—Fire at Sylva, N. C.

(Special Star Correspondence.) Asheville, N. C., Oct. 4.—In an effort to find out something about the threatened strike of the telegraphers who are working for the Southern Railway by questioning some of the local members of the order, it appeared that they are not greatly, at least not vitally, interested in the matter.

In fact, one of those questioned stated that he did not know what the threatened strike is about, though he thought it might be concerning a raise in pay. He said, however, that if a strike were called the members of the order would have to go out, and there are several members in Asheville. It is probable that most of the telegraphers are members of the order and that it is much better organized than it was about ten years ago, when they were so badly outdone by the railroad.

One of the local telegraphers thought that the order would win out if the leaders called a strike but he thought that the matter might be settled quietly enough by a 5 per cent. increase, but he did not think that 3 per cent., which it is said they have been offered, was enough.

Reports have been received here of a fire at Sylva, in Jackson county, which destroyed four buildings and threatened others. The buildings destroyed were on the Dillard Love property and the fire caught in a small dwelling house which was burned.

The others were two old warehouses in which was the part of the stock of the Cather Hardware Company and a store building, containing a small stock of groceries belonging to Will McDonald, colored. One of the buildings, it is reported, was torn down to retard the flames which threatened to reach the Central Hotel. It was feared that this would burn, but the quick work of the people saved it.

BE TRIED SEPARATE.

John J. McNamara Will Be Arraigned First in Dynamiting Case.

Los Angeles, Cal., Oct. 4.—John J. McNamara will be the first of the McNamara brothers, the alleged Times dynamiters, to be tried. District Attorney John D. Fredericks made this announcement tonight following the defense's decision to demand separate trials for the McNamaras.

It is the privilege of the defense to decide whether the accused should be tried singly. If separate trials are demanded it is the province of the prosecution to specify which should face the jury first.

Of the 19 charges of murder lying against him, it is said, he will be tried first on that of having slain Charles Haggerty, a machinist killed in the explosion. District Attorney John D. Fredericks said tonight that in the event of separate trials, John J. McNamara would be first in court.

Washington, October 4.—With appropriate ceremonies and a parade of soldiers and sailors the 130th anniversary of the surrender of Lord Cornwallis and his army to George Washington at Yorktown, Va., will be celebrated at Yorktown, Thursday, October 19th. It is expected people from various parts of the country will make a pilgrimage to the famous battlefield at that time.