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MARINES ORDERED TO EASTERN CUBA

Gomez Unable to Meet Foreigners' Demand For Protection.

CRUISERS GO TO GUANTANAMO

Half of Second Squadron of the Atlantic Fleet Sails From Key West—Situation Becomes More Alarming

Washington, June 5.—Frank Gomez, secretary of the United States marines, today announced that he was unable to meet the demands of the large plantation owners in Eastern Cuba for adequate guards against the marauders and insurgents, was the factor that today led Captain Kline, commanding the United States naval station at Guantanamo, to set in motion the body of United States marines gathered there for just such a purpose.

Captain Kline's action in dispatching nearly half of his available force of marines into the interior of Cuba gave the signal for the departure from Key West to Guantanamo of half of the second squadron of the Atlantic fleet which had been lying at anchor at Key West for the last week.

The facts as disclosed at the State Department are that several of the large American, British, French and Spanish companies operating plantations and mines in Eastern Cuba, telegraphed the Cuban government through the Alcaldes of Guantanamo, a demand for 100 regular troops for each of their mills and 50 for each of their cane fields.

In reply, President Gomez pointed out that a compliance with their request would require the use of 1,250 of his best troops for the protection of one group of foreign properties in a single section of the disaffected district. If he acceded to such demands, he said, his whole army would not suffice for police work alone and he would have no forces left with which to carry on the campaign against the insurgents.

Meanwhile complaints multiplied, the situation in Guantanamo was becoming more alarming and the Guantanamo Sugar Company had definite information that the rebels intended to destroy one or more of the foreign mills in the area. The rebels of the Spanish-American Iron Co., having declined a meeting with a rebel leader with 100 followers near Cuero, was threatened with the destruction of all property between that place and Juraguá.

In addition to all this the owner and representatives of several of the large American properties near Guantanamo, having failed in their application to the Cuban government, appealed directly to Capt. Kline.

Capt. Kline, judging that the gravity of the situation demanded the use of American troops, this morning sent 450 of his marines from the naval station by boat up Guantanamo Bay to a landing place near Caíma, the terminus of the railway running up to the city of Guantanamo, 15 miles inland.

The gunboat Paducah, about the same time, left the station at Santiago as critical, which determined Capt. Kline to call upon the Navy Department for more marines. Accordingly Admiral Osterhaus promptly dispatched from Key West to Guantanamo the fourth division of the Atlantic fleet, comprising the battleships Ohio, Missouri, Mississippi and Minnesota. They are under command of Rear Admiral Usher, who by virtue of his superior rank will assume command at Guantanamo when he arrives there Friday morning.

Admiral Usher is commanding a fleet of 1,200 marines and blue jackets, which, with the marines and sailors available for landing parties, would make a formidable little army of about 3,000 men. If this force is not sufficient Admiral Osterhaus' remaining four vessels may be called upon for further levies.

It is the policy of the State Department to maintain the third division of the fleet at Key West to guard against any uprising in Havana.

In one way the distribution of the American marines as plantation guards will serve to test the real purpose of the Cuban government. It is calculated that Gen. Montegudo's troops, being relieved in large part from the onerous duty of guarding plantations, will no longer have excuse for failing to move immediately and relentlessly upon the insurgent forces.

There is grave intimation in recent magazines that this may become an international duty if the Cuban government longer delays action. Minister de la Torre today reported a case of horrible atrocity, which occurred yesterday near Saviga in Oriente, which is believed to be only one of many similar cases. His information, received directly from the Cuban Secretary of State, was to the effect that a band of negroes entered the house of a former white official of prominence, tied up and his son and outraged his wife and two young daughters before his eyes. The son was killed in cold blood while endeavoring to break his bonds and rescue his mother and sisters.

The army continues to rather hungrily watch the unfolding of events in Cuba, lying on Gen. Wood's desk are messages, which if released, would (Continued on Page Eight)

DELEGATES GO UNINSTRUCTED

Third, Fourth, Eighth and Ninth Congressional Conventions Held Yesterday—Washington in Raleigh and Underwood in Baltimore.

Democrats of the third, fourth, eighth and ninth Congressional districts of North Carolina, on the eve of the great State Convention in Raleigh today, assembled yesterday in Goldsboro, Raleigh, Salisbury and Lincolnton, respectively, and decided to send uninstructed delegations to the Baltimore convention.

There were no contests in any of the districts for Congressman and in only one was there a test vote for Presidential preference. This was in the third district convention at Goldsboro, Wilson receiving 126 votes, Underwood 60; Harmon 3, and Clark 2 votes. In the fourth district at Raleigh, there was a spirited contest, with no instructions, the delegates chosen being understood to be about evenly divided between Underwood and Wilson. Reports from the several conventions as received by wire last night are as follows:

Eighth at Salisbury.
Greensboro, N. C., June 5.—Democrats of the Eighth Congressional District in convention at Salisbury today re-nominated R. L. Doughton, for Congress, and named four uninstructed delegates to the National convention at Baltimore. They are Dr. R. L. Young, Cabarrus; Hayden Clement, Rowan; R. A. Doughton, Alleghany; R. L. Smith, Stanley. Will R. Lovell, of Watauga, was named as Presidential elector.

Ninth at Greensboro.
Greensboro, N. C., June 5.—At Lincolnton today Democrats of the Ninth Congressional District named E. Yates Webb for Congress and selected four delegates to Baltimore, each with half vote. They are unencumbered by Presidential instructions. They are Brenizer, Charlotte; W. A. Self, Hickory; Guy V. Roberts, Marshall; and W. C. Irwin, Morganton. Ellis Gardner, of Yadkin county, was endorsed for elector.

Third in Goldsboro.
Goldsboro, N. C., June 5.—After unanimously nominating Dr. John M. Faison for a second term in Congress, listening to an address from the nominee, naming an executive committee from the several counties, choosing an elector and appointing four delegates and four alternates to Baltimore, a Presidential preference caucus was held in the convention of the Third Congressional District here today when, with some 50 delegates striving for recognition, Chairman Larry I. Moore, of Craven, presiding, gave recognition to someone who moved to adjourn and subsequently the meeting adjourned.

Those opposing the motion to adjourn stuck to the floor and demanded a roll call on the motion, finally winning out after two hours of filibustering and speechmaking. A motion not to instruct the delegates to Baltimore was carried, but a test vote for Underwood as President was taken with the following result: Wilson 126, Underwood 60, Harmon 3, Clark 2. The convention then adjourned in the best of peace and harmony.

The motion for the election of the delegates to Baltimore was by Hon. E. H. Thomas, of Newbern, and was that four delegates with one-half vote each be chosen. This was carried and the following were named: Nathan O'Berry, of Wayne; Edw. J. Hill, of Duplin; L. G. Daniel, Craven; and A. F. Howard, Sampson; alternates, J. B. Bland, Pamlico; T. C. Cato, Lenoir; E. M. Green, Craven, and E. A. May, Carteret.

The convention assembled at noon with Larry I. Moore, of Newbern, chairman. There were no contesting delegations, and the convention at once went to the election of a presiding officer. The following were unanimously elected: J. C. Thomas, Craven; W. L. Hill, Duplin; J. R. Lowry, Jones; S. B. Taylor, Onslow; H. L. Gibbons, Pamlico; T. J. Armstrong, Pender; F. L. Whitfield, Sampson; J. L. Barham, Wayne; E. H. Webber, and Moore. The present incumbent, Hon. John M. Faison, was then nominated by acclamation for Congress. He was called to the speaker's stand, and introduced to the convention by the chairman, and in a brief speech thanked the delegates for the honor conferred on him and expressed his loyalty to the Third district, and the Democratic party, paid a glowing tribute to North Carolina's representatives at Washington. His mention of Senator Simmons' name brought about a perfect bedlam of applause, showing him to be very strong with delegates here. He likewise praised both Governor Kitchin and Judge Walter Clark, the response from the floor showed that these two also had many friends. There was a spirited contest between Geo. E. Hood, of Wayne, and Larry I. Moore, of Craven, for elector, Hood winning.

Fight in the Fourth.
Raleigh, N. C., June 5.—The Fourth Congressional district convention this afternoon nominated by acclamation Hon. E. W. Pou for a seventh term as Congressman at large. The delegates to the Democratic National convention at Baltimore. The provision is that the four delegates shall have one-half a vote each in the National convention. As delegates there was unanimous election of R. B. White, of Vance; Ed. S. Abell, Johnston, and W. B. Ramsey, of Nash. For the fourth place on the delegation the fight was up to Wake county whose delegates had two candidates, W. B. Jones, an Underwood man, and Albert L. Cox, a Wilson man, both being, however, pledged to vote their share of the strength at Baltimore on the basis of the preferential vote for President in the county convention—103 1-2 for Wilson and 59 1-2 for Underwood.

CONVENTION'S EVE AT STATE CAPITAL

To Instruct or Not To Instruct, the Eternal Question in Raleigh.

EX-GOVERNOR GLENN IN CHAIR

Will Preside Over Democratic Gathering Today—Caucuses of Wilson and Underwood Men—Heflin to Supporters.

(Special Star Telegram.)
Raleigh, N. C., June 12.—Former Governor R. B. Glenn, who is to preside over the Democratic State Convention, is here and his friends are pressing a strenuous campaign for him as one of the delegates at large to Baltimore.

"Instructions for Wilson," or "uninstructed delegation" for the four delegates at large bids fair to be the principal contest tomorrow. The forces for Wilson instructions are stronger than many expected, but there is a fighting chance for an uninstructed delegation.

George P. Pell is here pulling for the long term to the Corporation Commission. The Fourth Congressional District convention was delayed this afternoon by the Wake county delegation being tied up in a caucus fighting over whether Wake's vote should be divided for President, as the convention voted yesterday, or cast the whole vote for Wilson, who has a majority.

The caucus of Wilson delegates to the convention tonight overflowed the court house and they held a rousing meeting in which it was determined to make a determined fight for Wilson instructions for North Carolina delegates to Baltimore. Major H. A. London was made chairman; J. H. Cain, of Asheville, secretary; R. B. Glenn, A. L. Brooks, S. M. Gattis and E. J. Justice, were the principal speakers. State Manager Williams also spoke expressing confidence in success tomorrow for the movement for Wilson instructions, which all the speakers declared is due to Wilson on the part of North Carolina.

At the auditorium the Underwood supporters held forth with Congressman Heflin, of Alabama, as the orator. It was a powerful campaign speech impeaching the Republican party most especially for its iniquitous tariff legislation in support of the great tariff barons and presenting the Underwood as a statesman especially equipped to drive Republicans from power and give the people relief from the burden of protective tariff oppression. He predicted a victory for Underwood in the convention tomorrow, declaring Underwood already has ten delegates to Wilson eight in this State.

State Manager Varner, of the Underwood campaign, said tonight he is confident there will be no instructions for Wilson tomorrow and that while he is fighting for an uninstructed delegation, if there are any instructions at all, it will be for Underwood.

CLAIMS LARGE REDUCTION.

E. J. Watson Says Cotton Crop is Reduced 6,071,750 Acres.

Columbia, S. C., June 5.—That the most conservative figures for the principal cotton growing States show a reduction of 6,071,750 acres, was the statement contained in a report today by E. J. Watson, Commissioner of Agriculture of South Carolina, and president of the Southern Cotton Congress, on the results obtained under the "Rock Hill plan" for reduction of cotton acreage, which was inaugurated by John G. Anderson, of Rock Hill. The report which was addressed to the members of the cotton congress places the acreage reduction at about 16 per cent. According to the report received President Watson estimates that the crop this year will be about 2,500,000 bales less than 1911.

wood. A caucus of the Wake delegates failed to settle the fight, the Wilson men holding the caucus because the chairman, John C. Drewry, insisted on a roll call of individual delegates instead of a call by precincts to ascertain preference of Wake for delegates to Baltimore. In the vote for delegates Chairman Drewry insisted on a solid vote of 33 ballots for W. B. Jones and the Wilson bolters, through J. W. Bailey, demanded that the Congressional convention call the roll of precincts in Wake for expression of preference as between Jones and Cox as National Convention delegates.

Finally the Bailey's contest for a roll call of precincts of Wake won and Cox defeated Jones for delegate by a safe majority. Congressman Pou was called and gave the convention a stirring Democratic speech. The delegates go to Chicago uninstructed and are understood to be about evenly divided between Wilson and Underwood. The convention was organized with M. G. Bowling, of Chatham, as chairman. Henry M. London, of Pittsboro, was chosen as Presidential elector. It is interesting that just forty years ago Major H. A. London, the honored father of the elector was chosen for the same place by the Fourth district convention. This was mentioned in connection with the election of H. M. London by acclamation.

GERMANS VISIT THE CAPITAL

Officers of Foreign Men-of-War Are Guests of President Taft at the White House—Charmed With Washington.

Washington, June 5.—The officers of the three German cruisers, the Moltke, Bremen and Stettin, now lying at Old Point Comfort, where they are returning the visit paid to Kiel last June by the second division of the United States Atlantic fleet, were the guests tonight of President Taft at the White House where he entertained them and a number of American naval officers and other distinguished personages at a State banquet.

Rear Admiral Von Ebe, in charge of the visit to the National capital and as the sojourn of the German vessels in American waters is regarded as purely an act of courtesy from the fleet of one nation to that of another the guests were almost without exception naval men.

The German naval officers expressed their admiration for Washington, the beauties of the city and admiration of the public buildings, many of which the junior officers of the party visited during the day.

About noon the two State secretaries returned the calls at the visitors' table. Later the German ambassador, Count von Bernstorff gave the German officers their first opportunity of meeting some of the leading women of Washington society. About 100 guests were invited by him to an informal luncheon.

Prince Henry XXXVII of Reuss, who is not with the party, as he is detained on board the Moltke by his duty, has applied for leave of absence to pay a private visit to the capital.

ROCKINGHAM FOR ROADS

Half-Million-Dollar Bond Issue Carried By Small Majority

Reidsville, N. C., June 4.—Returns from all but five of the 21 Rockingham precincts indicate that the election for half-million dollars in bonds for good roads has carried by about 25 majority requiring the official count to determine the vote. The other precincts only have to give a small vote to make certain that the bond issue is carried. The advocates of the road issue show an encouraging confidence in success tomorrow for the movement for Wilson instructions, which all the speakers declared is due to Wilson on the part of North Carolina.

At the auditorium the Underwood supporters held forth with Congressman Heflin, of Alabama, as the orator. It was a powerful campaign speech impeaching the Republican party most especially for its iniquitous tariff legislation in support of the great tariff barons and presenting the Underwood as a statesman especially equipped to drive Republicans from power and give the people relief from the burden of protective tariff oppression. He predicted a victory for Underwood in the convention tomorrow, declaring Underwood already has ten delegates to Wilson eight in this State.

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London, June 5.—J. Bruce Ismay, president of the International Mercantile Marine Company, resumed his testimony today before the British Board of Trade inquiry into the loss of the steamer Titanic. For the most part his replies were, "I don't know," or "That's outside my province."

OUTLINES

Argument was begun in the Myrtle Springs case at Hendersonville yesterday.

The Arkansas Democratic convention yesterday adopted a resolution instructing the State's delegates for Clark.

U. S. Senator George S. Nixon, of Nevada, who has been seriously ill for several days died last night at 10 o'clock.

Officers of the German fleet now on a visit to American waters were the guests of President Taft at the White House yesterday.

Governor Harmon yesterday won his fight at the Ohio State convention, the meeting voting to bind the delegates by the unit rule.

Dr. Harvey W. Wiley in an address to the graduating class at the Trinity College commencement yesterday advocated woman suffrage.

President Gomez yesterday confessed he was unable to meet the demand of plantation owners for protection from the rebels and half of the force of marines at Guantanamo was dispatched to the interior of Cuba.

Roosevelt managers yesterday declared they would not make a fight to prevent Victor Rosewater as chairman of the National Republican Committee which meets in Chicago this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

On the eve of the State Convention in Raleigh, N. C., today, four North Carolina Congressional districts yesterday decided to send uninstructed delegations to Baltimore. Faison, Pou, Doughton and Webb were nominated for Congress without opposition.

REPUBLICAN GLANS IN BATTLE ARRAY

National Committee Begins Work at Chicago this Afternoon.

MANY CONTESTS TO DECIDE

Taft Forces Will Try to Make Root Permanent Chairman—Roosevelt Managers Will Not Oppose

Chicago, June 5.—A plan to meet at once the full force of Colonel Roosevelt's fight to control the organization of the Republican National convention by making permanent the temporary organization with Senator Elihu Root as chairman, was partially agreed upon today by Taft leaders who are here for the opening session of the Republican National Committee tomorrow. Control of the National convention by Taft forces is said by them to be certain. When the committee meets at 2 o'clock tomorrow to organize for the hearing of contested delegate cases, the Roosevelt forces will not attempt either to seat R. B. Howell, of Nebraska, to succeed Acting Chairman Rosewater, or to select a Roosevelt committeeman as presiding officer for the contest hearings.

Fresh from conferences with Colonel Roosevelt at Oyster Bay, Senator Dixon and National Committeeman William T. Ward, of New York, made it clear that the Roosevelt managers were not behind the claim of Mr. Howell to a seat on the committee.

He will endeavor to present his own case, contending that his recent endorsement in the Nebraska primary entitled him to the place, but members of the committee expect a speedy decision against him.

The committee will select a successor to Chairman John F. Hill, of Maine, who died last winter; adopt rules to govern the hearing of the contested cases; decide whether to give publicity to the hearings and arrange the time to be allotted for each case. There are at present more than 233 delegate seats in the convention for which contests have been prepared by either Taft or Roosevelt. The first of the cases will be taken up Friday morning.

Senators Crane, Penrose and Sanders, who arrived from Washington today, were kept busy canvassing the situation. It is said that Taft leaders regard at least 35 of the 53 members of the National committee as favorable to the President's candidacy.

The ultimatum from Colonel Roosevelt that Senator Root must not be selected as temporary chairman, which was relayed by Senator Dixon on his arrival in Chicago, was met by a strengthening of the Taft forces in opposition.

The Taft leaders determined not only to adhere to their purpose to seat Senator Root, but to call upon their forces to help make up their permanent chairman of the convention.

The fight by Roosevelt attorneys for the contested delegates from Southern States will include a claim of legality for every convention where they said they had a majority of the delegates.

In outlining the Roosevelt program, Senator Dixon declared that Roosevelt forces would fight to the last in the effort to overthrow Senator Root for temporary chairman. He held a conference with Roy O. West, chairman of the Illinois Republican State Central Committee, and later declared that at least 16 Illinois delegates would aid Colonel Roosevelt in the fight against Senator Root.

"Believing in the perfect fairness of the members of the National Committee we have no fear in resting our case on their decision," said Senators Dixon. The talk of a bolt from the convention by the Roosevelt forces he designated as "junk."

"We have control of the convention irrespective of the contested seats, so that all that kind of talk is 'junk.' The arrival of the Washington executive and literary campaign committees and Roosevelt campaign committees was followed by a renewal of the literary bombardment which has characterized the last two months of the pre-convention fight. A table of delegates prepared by Representative McKinley gave President Taft 555 votes; Colonel Roosevelt 427; Senator La Follette 30, and Senator Cummins 10. Senator Dixon's claim was over 600 for Roosevelt, but he had not prepared a detailed table.

It was tentatively agreed tonight that the plan for the publicity of hearings in contests for delegates' seats would provide for admission to the sessions of two representatives of each press association recognized in the press galleries at Washington.

Frank B. Kellogg, National committeeman for Minnesota, tonight announced that he would endeavor to procure the publication of roll calls on each contest case decided.

Washington, June 5.—The Senate Committee on Naval Affairs today decided to report the naval appropriation bill to the Senate tomorrow. It includes the provision for the Prince Line, limited, the Hamburg Line, and other administration recommendations which the House refused to grant. The bill will carry \$133,000,000, an increase of \$15,000,000 over the current appropriation.

Three Great Pictures. These with the music by the orchestra and the delightful cool theater will attract hundreds to The Grand Theatre today.

Chatanooga, Tenn., June 5.—The final 18 holes in the qualifying flight of the 12th annual tournament of the Southern Golf Association are being played on the links of the Golf and Country Club this morning. The play beginning at 8:30 A. M. There are 64 entries, being those who qualified in yesterday's plays.

SENATOR GEO. S. NIXON DEAD

Member of Congress From Nevada Succumbs to Attack of Spinal Meningitis—Was Western Mining Magnate

Washington, June 5.—United States Senator George S. Nixon, of Nevada, died at 10 o'clock tonight.

Senator Nixon had been at the Episcopolian Eye, Ear and Throat Hospital since last Thursday when an operation for nasal catarrh was performed. Spinal meningitis developed and the Senator's condition soon became critical. For the past 24 hours his death had been momentarily expected. The Senator's wife and relatives in Nevada had been notified of his condition and they are now hurrying to Washington.

Senator Nixon was one of the most conspicuous mining magnates in the West and was intimately associated with the great operations at Goldfield, in his home State. He was 52 years old and a native of California, going to Nevada early in life.

In the United States Senate Mr. Nixon was a quiet figure, rarely having anything to say in the floor proceedings, though always ready to give his advice in the private councils of the Republican Senators, among whom he ranked high. He was chairman of the Committee on Reclamation of Arid Lands which committee, however, seldom meets. Mr. Nixon was recently unanimously re-elected by a Democratic Legislature, in ratification of his choice at a popular election by the so-called Oregon primary plan. His term, a second one, would not have expired until 1917.

GOVERNOR HARMON WON.

Ohio's Delegates Bound by Unit Rule. Will be Contested.

Toledo, O., June 5.—Governor Judson Harmon today won his fight in the Ohio Democratic State Convention for the application of the unit rule by a vote of 597 to 355 and will have the undivided support of the State's 48 delegates in his candidacy for President at the Baltimore convention.

The Harmon forces, led by Mayor Newton D. Baker, of Cleveland, made a determined fight on the unit rule proposition and declared they would file their protest at the National Democratic Convention. Nineteen of the 48 district delegates to the National convention are Wilson adherents elected at a direct primary, but under the unit rule will be obliged to cast their ballots for Harmon at Baltimore. Twelve delegates at large with half a vote each were named by Governor Harmon and formally approved by the convention. Governor Harmon's program drafted the platform adopted and dictated the nomination of the State ticket.

Congressman James M. Cox, of Dayton, was nominated by acclamation for Governor. He is a progressive Democrat in politics and the publisher of two Ohio newspapers. He is now serving his second term in Congress and is 43 years old. The ticket also includes: Lieutenant Governor, Hugh L. Nichols; Secretary of State, Charles H. Graves; Treasurer, John P. Brennan; Auditor, A. Donahue; Attorney General, Timothy S. Hogan.

EXPECT WHOLE TRUTH

F. O. Beach's Attorney Declares the Charges Are Absurd

New York, June 5.—An attorney will bring out the whole truth of this matter and completely disprove these cruel and absurd charges," reads a statement issued this afternoon in regard to the indictment in Aiken, S. C., yesterday of Frederick O. Beach for assault on his wife. The statement was prepared by Thomas S. Fuller, Beach's lawyer.

"The indictment against Mr. Beach was, of course, a foregone conclusion," the statement reads. "It is nothing more than a formal step in the ill-advvised prosecution which the authorities in Aiken have been induced to undertake upon a circumstantial case made by a private detective. Neither Mr. nor Mrs. Beach nor any of their witnesses, were heard by the grand jury.

"It is most unfortunate that the case cannot be tried at this term of the court."

INTEREST OF JUDGE CLARK

Organizer Pace Forms Club at Greensboro, N. C.—Membership

(Special Star Correspondence.)
Greensboro, N. C., June 5.—A Walter Clark's Workingmen's Club was organized here last night at an enthusiastic though rather slimly attended meeting, the charter membership roll not including more than 25 names.

E. R. Pace, organizer and manager of Workingmen's Club, was here to aid in the organization, which was perfected by the election of E. A. Rives as president and J. M. Glass, secretary.

Mr. Pace made a brief talk, declaring that Judge Clark's strength was growing daily and that his friends were greatly encouraged by reason of events during the past few weeks.

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WRIGHT TESTIFIES OF HIS LAND DEALS

Former Drainage Engineer Before Everglades Committee in Washington.

DETAILS HIS OPERATIONS

Made Money in North Carolina—Charges No Improper Conduct on Congressman Small's Part. Some of His Projects.

Washington, D. C., June 5.—J. O. Wright, now a drainage engineer for the State of Florida, before the House committee investigating the so-called Florida Everglades charges today told of his private land deals in North Carolina with a drainage engineer in the Department of Agriculture. Wright admitted that he accepted stock and negotiated with certain North Carolina land companies and the State of North Carolina without telling his superiors. He said he got \$5,000 stock in the Albemarle Development Company from J. N. Wilkinson, of Beelhaven, N. C., and in return drew up a plan of reclaiming the land, and placed \$14,000 in stock.

Wilkinson came to him in Washington, Wright said, accompanied by Representative John Small, of North Carolina. After their conference he was offered \$5,000, and Representative Small got \$1,000 in stock for his legal services.

Wright told of a "deal" with John Seip, of Chillicothe, O., at Moyock, N. C., in which he was promised \$7,500 for his advice. He did not tell his superiors of the offer, and never got the money.

The State of North Carolina offered him \$5,000 to sell Lake Mattamuskeet, in the Dismal Swamp, he said. In this he got \$1,250, of which his superiors knew nothing. He also engaged himself in the Lake Mattamuskeet scheme on a contingent interest of \$4,000.

At Wilson, N. C., with Lawrence Brett, another employee of the department, Wright went into a drainage deal which he testified netted him \$2,200 and Brett \$9,000.

Wright said he discussed with Assistant Secretary Hayes, of the department, the Lake Mattamuskeet offer and admitted that he had written to Seip that he had interested Mr. Hayes in the Mayock project.

Wright's testimony is expected to end the investigation and at its conclusion the committee will begin preparing its report to the House.

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