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SCUTARI SEIGE NETTLES AUGMENT

Montenegrins Must Evacuate City or Be Forced To Do So

POWERS WARNED OF DUTY

Official Austrian Newspaper Says Military Prestige of Europe Has Suffered—Threats of Force by Austria Intimated.

Vienna, April 26.—The official Fremden Blatt, discussing Scutari, says: "If Austria-Hungary is to be really tranquilized, the great powers must not stop at a platonic declaration of their unanimous intentions; they must convert their good will into deeds, without delay. In this connection, the constant talk abroad of compensating Montenegro for her military successes makes an especially bad impression. The political and military prestige of Europe has suffered by the fall of Scutari. If this injury to prestige, this check to their actions, is a matter of indifference to the powers, Austria cannot follow them along such a path. She must insist with all the emphasis at her command on a remedy being found as speedily and thoroughly as possible. The minimum she demands is the immediate presentation by the powers of a plan for the evacuation of Scutari at once, and upon the event of refusal, the adoption of further military measures for the forcible carrying out of the will of Europe. Any hanging back on the part of Europe from this minimum would excite feelings of dissatisfaction and bitterness in Austria-Hungary. It will be to Europe's advantage to prevent this."

CAN'T GET ECTOR H. SMITH.

Will First Have to Answer Charge in Alabama—Goddard Released. (Special Star Correspondence.) Raleigh, N. C., April 26.—It develops that Ector H. Smith will not be permitted to get hold of President Ector H. Smith of the State's Trust Co. wanted for fraudulent banking schemes, after the Governor of Alabama having re-considered his action a week ago in honoring the requisition, which has since been tied up in habeas corpus proceedings at Birmingham. This man being wanted in this State to answer for the offense of embezzlement, the requisition heretofore granted has been held up pending action of the Alabama court.

Police Officer J. A. Bailey, of Raleigh, left last night for Birmingham with an entirely new set of requisition papers on the private secretary of Ector H. Smith, and Solicitor H. E. Norris were to have started to Alabama tonight for the habeas corpus hearing in Smith's case Monday. However, with the requisition held up now by the Governor of Alabama as indicated above the attorney general and solicitor will not go and Officer Bailey will be telegraphed to return home at once.

Governor Craig has ordered the release of J. L. Goddard, of Fayetteville, who has been held for more than a week at Fayetteville awaiting extradition to Florida to answer the charge of the larceny of a value and its contents, valued at about \$50. The requisition of the Governor of Florida was held up by Governor Craig on the ground that larceny of less than \$100 in value could not constitute grand larceny as charged in the requisition. This contention on the part of the Fayetteville counsel for Goddard proved correct, as to the Florida law and the efforts at requisition were abandoned.

CONGRESSIONAL SHORT CUT.

Suffragettes Get Hearing—Bureau of Highways—One Cent Postage. Washington, April 26.—The day in Congress—Not in session. Meets Monday.

Prominent women suffragettes addressed women's suffrage committee, arguing for constitutional amendment giving women the right to vote.

Fisheries committee decided to recommend confirmation of nomination of Hugh H. Smith as commissioner of fisheries.

Kern resolution for investigation of the Western Virginia strike was ordered favorably reported.

House—Met at 10 o'clock. Resumed general debate on tariff bill.

Representative Curley introduced resolution for constitutional amendment to give congress power to make uniform hours of labor throughout the country.

Special committee which investigated assault upon Representative Sims by C. C. Glover, Washington capitalist, found Glover guilty of contempt of House and recommended his arrest.

FREE TOLLS CONTROVERSY

American Society of Inter-National Laws Again Discusses Attitude of United States—Repeal and Arbitration Suggested

Washington, April 26.—Both in set speeches and discussions, speakers at today's meeting of the American Society of International Law maintained that the United States was under moral as well as international obligation to submit the Panama canal tolls controversy to arbitration. It also was held by several of the speakers that Congress should at once repeal the tolls exemption act and submit the subject to a diplomatic negotiation.

Hannis Taylor, former minister to Spain, declared that upon the settlement of the controversy hinged the reason for feeling to arbitrate and United States and Great Britain and voiced an earnest plea to Congress to repeal the tolls act to permit diplomatic negotiations for an amicable adjustment of the question.

Amos S. Hershey, professor of international law at the University of Indiana, was another speaker who desired to see the question submitted to arbitration. "In view of the long and honorable history of the United States," declared Thomas Raraburn White, of Philadelphia, as a leader in the movement for the substitution of a system of international jurisdiction for the present United States methods of settling international disputes, it is particularly appropriate that the opportunity should have been presented to establish a precedent. It would be unworthy of the United States to rely upon what must be deemed a technical precedent which has been presented and it is to be hoped that the State Department will not persist in the attitude which has been assumed and will embrace the opportunity of creating a precedent sustaining the principle that it is not necessary in international law that injury should actually be suffered before a justiciable action arises.

A speaker of similar tenor from the late Professor John Wesley, of London, was read, but he maintained that it was necessary "that an injury be actually sustained before a justiciable action arises. The discussion that followed was participated in by Edmund F. Trubee, of Louisville, Ky.; Professor N. D. Harris, of Chicago, and General A. C. Hayes, U. S. A., retired. These officers for next year were elected.

STATE'S TRUST CO.

Judge Carter Appoints Receiver—Governor Makes Appointments. (Special Star Correspondence.) Raleigh, N. C., April 26.—Judge Frank Carter this afternoon named Chas. Ross as receiver for the State's Trust Co., the Wilmington concern, which is in liquidation.

Charges with conspiracy to defraud in the formation of country banks in many sections of the State. Ross is a business man who has succeeded in the State who are in distant States, are here today for the annual meeting of the North Carolina Society of the Cincinnati, the business session of which was held this afternoon. Following the business session were carried to the Guilford Battle Ground and tonight they are gathered at the annual society dinner. The Society of the Cincinnati is the oldest hereditary organization in America, having been founded by Washington and his officers at the close of the war of the revolution. The North Carolina branch was organized at Hillsboro in the Fall of 1783, with many of the most distinguished veterans of the continental line as its charter members. Succession in the order is governed by the laws of descent, and each original officer has only one representative at a time.

SOCIETY OF CINCINNATI

Annual Meeting Held in Greensboro—Old Officers Re-elected. (Special Star Correspondence.) Greensboro, N. C., April 26.—Prominent North Carolinians and natives of the State who are in distant States, are here today for the annual meeting of the North Carolina Society of the Cincinnati, the business session of which was held this afternoon. Following the business session were carried to the Guilford Battle Ground and tonight they are gathered at the annual society dinner. The Society of the Cincinnati is the oldest hereditary organization in America, having been founded by Washington and his officers at the close of the war of the revolution. The North Carolina branch was organized at Hillsboro in the Fall of 1783, with many of the most distinguished veterans of the continental line as its charter members. Succession in the order is governed by the laws of descent, and each original officer has only one representative at a time.

The society re-elected the old chief officer and also elected President Woodrow Wilson to an honorary membership. The President had previously signified his willingness to accept such a course.

Members elected were D. C. Waddell, Jr., of Asheville; Dr. A. A. Cotten, Trenton, N. J.; W. H. Callender, Franklin, Tenn.; Dr. R. L. Williams, Norfolk, Va.

TARIFF REVISION

IS BEING PRESSED

New Illinois Democrat Faces Progressives With Their Platform.

PLEGGED RELIEF OF MASSES

Progressives Were Reminded to Carry Out Their Pledge to the People. Hull Explains Income Tax Provision.

Washington, April 26.—Confronting Progressive members of the House with a plank in the National platform of their party pledging them to immediate revision of "excessive tariff schedules" without waiting for their proposed non-partisan tariff commission, Representative Lawrence B. Stringer, a new Democrat from Illinois, called upon the third party representatives in the House tonight to support the Underwood bill if they wished to carry out their party declarations.

First defending the Progressives against onslaughts of both Democrats and Republicans and declaring that they represented more than four million voters and had the right to claim that their party was "the second party in this nation," the Democrat emphatically denied that they represented a "protection party."

"You tell me that the Progressive party favors a non-partisan tariff commission," declared Mr. Stringer. "That is true, but that plank in the Progressive platform concludes by saying: 'The work of the commission should be to prevent the hasty adoption of acts reducing those schedules generally recognized as excessive.'"

Turning aloft the quotation and addressing himself to Victor Murdock, Progressive party leader in the House, Mr. Stringer continued:

"I call the attention of the gentleman from Kansas to the statement that if he and the Progressive members of his body whom he leads, desire to carry out the declarations of their own platform, and if, believe they do, they will be compelled by the logic of those declarations to join with us in the passage of this pending measure."

The day's debate further was enlivened by the first exhibition of feeling between majority and minority leaders in the tariff discussion when Representative Dixon of Indiana, Democratic member of the Ways and Means Committee, attacked the Republican tariff law, declared it was in effect an increase over the former Dingley tariff in that the average rate of the Payne law was 1.71 per cent, higher than the Dingley law with the statistics of 1907 as a basis.

"The statistics that the Ways and Means Committee presents today show the gentleman's statement is utterly unfounded and false," shouted Representative Payne.

In the colloquy an announced they would bring reports of the Ways and Means Committee to prove their contentions.

Representative Callender, of Mississippi, a majority member of the Ways and Means Committee, arraigned the Republican party.

The income tax was the subject of prolonged discussion early in the day. Representative Cordell Hull, of Tennessee, author of that section, explaining its details. He was kept on his feet more than two hours by members questioning him on the proposed tax.

To the suggestion that an income tax is class legislation, and a distinction between citizens of large means and those without particular means, Mr. Hull answered that its purpose was to reach for taxation those who have escaped taxes and who are most able to bear them.

He declared the masses of the people were paying most of the \$312,000,000 tariff taxes and most of the State and local taxes, and asked, "Where then," he asked, "is the injustice of requiring the receivers of incomes more than \$4,000 to equalize in some measure the tax burdens by contributing less than \$100,000,000 to the Federal treasury?" He denied that there was any sectionalism in the effects of the tax.

Against the assertion that the tax was upon thrift, industry and profits, Mr. Hull replied that the tariff was a tax upon consumption, want, poverty and even misery, and added that the proposed income tax was measured by net profits or gains, and not imposed upon gross income nor capital nor other property. He characterized the income tax as the outgrowth of the principles of tax legislation throughout the world.

TO HEAD OFF HOBSON

Secretary Daniels Declines to Aid Senator Johnson. Washington, April 26.—Retired naval officers are not deterred from taking part in politics, Secretary Daniels believes. The same rule will apply to army officers. Some time ago Senator Johnson of Alabama, complained that Rear Admiral Wardham, retired, had been lecturing in Alabama, on a need for a bigger navy. Indirectly the Senator thought this was calculated to help along Representative Hobson in his campaign for the Senator's seat. He protested. It is expected now that Secretary Daniels has declined to interfere. An effort will be made to secure legislation prohibiting retired officers from engaging in political work.

Washington, April 26.—A second detachment of marines will be withdrawn from Guantanamo, Cuba, Monday, when about a regiment will board the transport Prairie for Philadelphia. They will arrive there next Saturday. The withdrawal of this regiment will leave about 300 at Guantanamo.

CAR STRIKE IN ASHEVILLE

Nearly Hundred Employees Quit Work and Took Cars to Barn—Trolley Cut—Went Increased Pay. The Situation.

Asheville, N. C., April 25.—Nearly 100 employees of the Asheville Power & Light Company, comprising the entire force of motormen and conductors operating the street railway system of this city, went out on a strike at noon today after taking their cars to the barns.

The strikers, who are being advised and counseled by George Keenan, of Rochester, N. Y., fourth vice president of the Amalgamated Association of Street Car Men of the United States and Canada, demand an increase in pay at a rate of from 21 to 25 cents an hour, instead of the old rate, 18 to 21 cents an hour.

The demands of the men were first presented to the company April 19th, and various meetings have since been held. Negotiations terminated at noon today when the company was informed by telephone that the cars were "on the way to barn."

"The strikers say," they refuse to submit the claims of the men to arbitration.

Office employees and street workers of the company operated about half the usual number of cars today, but were withdrawn about 8:30 this evening. This action followed successful attempts on the part of boys and young men to cut the trolley ropes of the cars. The company announced tonight that no cars would be operated tomorrow, but it is expected that sufficient men to operate the entire system will arrive here for work on Monday.

WHITEVILLE AFFAIRS

Spring Term of Columbus Court—Personal and General News. (Special Star Correspondence.) Whiteville, N. C., April 26.—On account of the illness of Judge Ferguson the Spring term of Superior Court for Columbus was adjourned yesterday afternoon. Practically all the important cases were disposed of.

Dr. R. C. Sandler, who has been practicing medicine in Bladenboro the past year, has located in Whiteville for the practice of his profession. He is a native of Mecklenburg county and was educated at Davidson College. He is a graduate of the Medical College of Kansas, where he stood at the head of his class.

No definite time has been set for beginning work on the new Court house but it is hoped that the County Commissioners will take the initiative step at their next meeting this Monday in May. At that time plans will be submitted by Mr. J. F. Lett, a leading architect of Wilmington, and if they meet with approval no doubt bids will be advertised for at once.

Messrs. Jackson Greer and E. Garland Brown, who have been practicing law here at partners during the past year, have dissolved partnership. Mr. Greer will continue his practice here, and will keep the office now occupied by Greer & Brown. Mr. Brown has not announced his future plans.

An informal dance was given Tuesday night at the tobacco warehouse by the young men of the town, and it was very much enjoyed by those who participated.

Mr. J. R. Williamson has returned home from a visit of several days to brother at Florence. Mr. D. J. Lewis spent yesterday in Wilmington. Dr. and Mrs. T. C. Johnson, of Wilmington, visited friends here this week. Mrs. J. C. Seddie has returned from Deland, Fla., where she spent two weeks with her son, who is a student at the Stetson University.

Miss J. C. Seddie is visiting in her mother's home. Mr. F. E. Little, editor of the News-Reporter, went to Charlotte yesterday on business.

MR. ISAAC BROWN DEAD.

Venerable ex-Confederate Soldier Passes in Duplin County. (Special Star Correspondence.) Warsaw, N. C., April 26.—Mr. Isaac Brown, a venerable ex-Confederate soldier and a consistent member of the Warsaw Baptist church, died Friday night at 1:30 o'clock. He leaves five married daughters, Mrs. Pepper, Mrs. Parrish and Mrs. Miller, of Warsaw; Mrs. J. C. Seddie, of Raleigh; and a single daughter, Miss Ella Brown of Warsaw; one son, Paul H. Brown, malling clerk of the Charlotte Observer; Charlotte, and a daughter, Mrs. J. C. Seddie, of Warsaw. He had been a subscriber to the Star for years and one of Warsaw's most beloved and prominent citizens. The community deeply mourns his demise.

OUTLINES

Representative Bartlett, of Georgia, introduced in Congress yesterday a bill to reduce letter postage to one cent.

President Wilson is spending Sunday on his yacht and tomorrow will hear argument against free sugar and wool.

Miss Romona Borden, the missing New York girl, was found yesterday in a Boston hotel whither she had gone on a school girl's escapade.

Nearly a hundred employees of the Asheville Power & Light Co., went on strike yesterday and cars had to stop running at an early hour last night.

Secretary Daniels declined to aid Senator Johnson in his campaign for the Senator's seat.

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GIRL'S ESCAPE

AND ITS SEQUEL

Miss Borden, Millionaire's Daughter, Was Not Kidnapped

FOUND AT BOSTON HOTEL

Distressed Dad Took His Girl in His Arms—Friend Declares Romona a Good and Sweet Girl.

Boston, Mass., April 26.—Romona Borden tumbled into the arms of her father, Gail Borden, the millionaire milk dealer of New York, at the Hotel Touraine today and so brought to an end what the family has decided to regard as a schoolgirl's escapade.

Half an hour later, father and daughter drove away in an automobile for a destination not made public. Mr. Borden is hopeful that the affair will not be forgotten, and is determined to protect the girl from more notoriety.

Miss Borden will not return to New York in the immediate future. Her father plans to place her under the medical care in New York, and to recuperate from the physical and nervous strain that attended her flight from the sanitarium at Pompton, N. J., last Wednesday. There will be no legal proceedings against any one.

Miss Borden was located at noon today at a hotel where she was staying with friends, and she was asked to return to her father. She promptly consented. Mr. Borden was waiting for the girl when she arrived. Later he said that the reconciliation was complete.

A person authorized to speak for Mr. Borden said tonight:

"Mr. Borden's daughter has been restored to him today by the ill-advised and foolish persons who assisted her to evade his authority. The case is simply that of an undisciplined girl who found the study and discipline her father had laid out for her disagreeable and what has been made so notorious is actually nothing more than a reckless escapade of some school girls.

Mr. Borden's only thought has been the good of his daughter, and he has a good girl and a sweet girl, who now fully recognizes the deplorable consequences of her folly, and is happy to be back with her parents."

Borden hopes and believes that the matter may now be treated as a purely private one, which it is, so that she and his family may be relieved from further notoriety."

Once before Miss Borden broke away from parental moorings and for a time she decided to place her father in the New Jersey rest cure, after she had been found in Washington ten days ago. At that time she visited her father in New York and returned from home without permission.

When she was placed in the sanitarium she regarded it as a punishment, and last Wednesday, while out walking with her nurse, jumped into an automobile and was whirled away. "The identity of her companions in the car was not known. The party went from Palm Beach, Ormond, and other Florida cities. The party is reported to have returned here about three weeks ago and remained until April 13th, when it was understood they left for Washington, D. C."

CHILD CRUSHED TO DEATH

Mother Found Lifeless Corpse of Little Fellow. Danville, Va., April 26.—Marvin Stephens, the two-year-old son of a rural mail delivery man, was killed this afternoon at his parents' home near this city in a peculiar manner. The little boy wandered into the basement of the house and endeavored to climb upon his father's motorcycle. He pulled the machine over and the weight of it crushed him. His mother, who had instituted a search for him, found her son dead.

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SECLUSION FOR PRESIDENT

Spending Sunday on Yacht—Will Hear Arguments This Week Against Free Sugar and Wool—Other Plans

Washington, April 26.—President Wilson is resting tonight on the Presidential yacht Sylph, somewhere on the Potomac river near Chesapeake Bay. He went into retreat early today for the week-end, and so complete were the arrangements to give him seclusion that the commander of the vessel had not reported her position up to late today though in wireless reach of the navy yard.

The President went away to get diversion from the strain of his duties. Dr. Cary Grayson, one of the naval aides at the White House, who is looking after the President's health, advised a boat trip and Mr. Wilson agreed cheerfully, leaving behind letters and documents of all kinds. He took along some magazines to read, if time hung heavily, and planned to stop along the shore for a shore walk some time tomorrow. Miss Eleanor Wilson, the youngest daughter, accompanied the President. The only other member of the party was James Sloan, chief of the White House secret service. Secretary Tammity and even the Presidential stenographer stayed in Washington.

The President is getting ready for a strenuous week. The first part of next week he expects to spend in hearing arguments from some of the Senators opposing the free wool and free sugar. On Thursday and Friday he will go to make his appeal to the people at New Jersey to support the just reform bill which failed in the last session of the Legislature and to influence the calling of a constitutional convention. The President will speak on Thursday at Newark and on Friday in Jersey City, returning to Washington on Saturday.

CHARGES AGAINST H. C. PIERCE.

He Denies That He Depreciated Stock in Tennessee Railroad. St. Louis, April 26.—Charges that Henry Clay Pierce depreciated the stock of the Tennessee Terminal Railway were made at the taking of depositions today in the suit of the National Bank of Commerce against Pierce for the recovery of \$60,000 shares of the Nashville terminal, or their equivalent, \$1,500,000. The charge was made by George Lockett Edwards, counsel for the bank.

Mr. Edwards asked Pierce if when the terminal stock was pledged with the bank as security for a loan, if there was a bond issue of but \$1,000,000, he decided not to exercise the option. The Tennessee Central then went back to the control of the stockholders. Pierce testified that it was at his suggestion that Senator Bailey took charge of the properties as its representative.

After the hearing adjourned today and he decided not to exercise the option, Pierce issued a written statement in which he declared that his testimony yesterday relative to his name being signed to a guarantee for a \$2,000,000 bond for the purchase of the Tennessee Central Railroad by the Illinois Central and to the Southern Railway. These roads operated the Tennessee Central jointly until July, 1908, when the Tennessee Central was sold to the Tennessee Central Railway Co., which was controlled by the Illinois Central and to the Southern Railway.

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