

EVIDENCE IS NOT CONCLUSIVE

Paris of the Opinion That Court Has Failed to Produce Material Evidence Against Madame Steinhil.

TWENTY WITNESSES WERE ON HAND THIS MORNING

Dr. Archer, Family Physician, Gave Evidence Yesterday Favorable to the Accused Woman.

Paris, Nov. 11.—The consensus of opinion is that the court has failed to develop any material evidence against Madame Steinhil, and that the jury will acquit her of the charge of murdering her husband and stepmother.

Not Simulating. Dr. Archer, the old family physician of the Steinhils, told of the defendant's devotion to her husband and his mother.

Maire Aubin, representing Mme. Steinhil, asked: "Was she simulating illness?" "Impossible," said the witness.

Dr. S. H. H. who examined the stain the day after the tragedy, was asked if the crime could have been committed by only one person.

The reply stirred the courtroom: "I am convinced that would have been impossible. The crime was committed by several persons."

"My past contains interesting characters," cried Madame Steinhil, in a fit of passion, as the prosecution closed its case.

A material point for the woman. M. Scheffer, a French artillery officer, who 20 years ago contemplated marrying Madame; M. Palmant, a lawyer, and other friends of the Steinhil family testified for the defense.

Before the judge advanced his argument for the state, Judge DeValles announced that he would later raise the question of the prisoner's complicity in the crime.

The judge advanced in his argument insisted that madame's whole life has been perverted and sensuous.

The Southern railway men who are expected to be present and participate in the discussion and recommendations are: A. H. Coapman, manager of the Southern Railway company.

The American Federation Sounds a Warning Against Industrial "Misfits" in Report Made Today.

Toronto, Nov. 11.—Organized labor's attitude on the vital question of industrial education was outlined in a report at the American Federation Labor convention.

Twelve Injured. New York, Nov. 11.—Twelve persons were injured in a shirt waist factory fire on Seventh avenue today.

BEGAN FIGHTING AT ELEVEN AND IS STILL FIGHTING AT 58

Col. Whallen, Victor in the Louisville Election, Was "Youngest Soldier of the Confederacy."

Louisville, Ky., Nov. 11.—When the battles were fought at the polls last week "the youngest soldier of the Confederacy" gained a remarkable victory. He is Colonel John H. Whallen, and although he fought in the Confederate armies almost 50 years ago, from 1862 to 1865, he won a fight single handed that makes him practically the ruler of Louisville.



COLONEL JOHN H. WALLLEN.

Colonel Whallen entered the Confederate service when he was eleven years old, in 1862, and served until the close of the war. He was not a drummer boy or in any way a non-combatant, but a "regular fighting man."

Young Whallen was living at Alexandria, Ky., near Covington, when the war broke out. He was eager for adventure and wanted to enlist, but his parents refused.

A GATHERING OF RAILWAY OFFICIALS

Gentlemen Connected With the Transportation and Traffic Departments of the Southern to Meet.

One of the most important meetings of the Southern Railway company officials to be held this year will take place at the Hotel Patten, in Charlotte, Tenn., tomorrow and Saturday.

A meeting of the transportation and freight officials has not been held for several months, and many matters are coming up at this joint session of railway men.

The presence of high officials of the railroad in both the transportation and traffic departments of the entire system makes this meeting second to none in the past year.

Specific information as to the different subjects which will be brought up at the meetings could not be learned but it is said that the meeting has been called chiefly to obtain arrangements between traffic and transportation departments of the Southern system.

The rapid increase of traffic on the line, both freight and passenger, after two years of depression has awakened the officials to the need of the Southern railway company for continued improvement in the service.

President W. W. Finley of the Southern railway company, will make an annual tour of the railway system this month and the officials are endeavoring to show him that the system of carrying increased traffic is being improved and that the Southern railway is second to none in the south.

The Southern railway men who are expected to be present and participate in the discussion and recommendations are:

A. H. Coapman, manager of the Southern Railway company, Washington, D. C.; G. W. Taylor, general superintendent of transportation, Washington; W. C. Harrison, general agent, New York; General Superintendent of Transportation G. R. Loyall, Knoxville; H. E. Hutchins, of Birmingham; A. H. Westfall, of Danville, Va.; W. N. Forears, of Charlotte, N. C.; General Freight Agents H. L. Miller, of Knoxville; W. A. Turner, of Chattanooga; E. L. Graves, of Memphis; R. S. Pogram, of Charleston, S. C.; G. H. Drake, of Richmond, Va.; and Randle Clifton, of Atlanta, Ga.; L. Green, freight traffic manager, Washington, D. C.; E. H. Shaw, assistant freight traffic manager, Washington, D. C.; R. L. McKellar, assistant freight traffic manager, Louisville; J. L. Cox, assistant general freight agent, Columbus, Miss.; F. W. Parsons, manager of eastern and southern dispatch, Philadelphia; division freight agents, L. L. McCleskey, Howell Peoples, of Atlanta; G. G. Thompson, Greensboro, N. C.; J. D. M. Carrick, Norfolk, Va.; A. K. Orr, of Asheville; J. W. Hunter, of Selma, Ala.; D. Cardwell, of Columbia, S. C.; and assistant general freight agent, F. H. Behring, of Louisville.

Another Pellagra Victim Dead—Tenth in Durham. She is Miss Maggie Hutchins, a Young Lady of Prominent Family.

Durham, N. C., Nov. 11.—This city's tenth victim of pellagra, Miss Maggie Hutchins, daughter of a prominent family, is dead.

PREMIUM LIST IS SOON TO ISSUE

December Show of Poultry and Pet Stock Association Will Be a Great Event.

MAN OUTSIDE FANCIERS WILL SEND BIRDS HERE

Rivalry Among the Local Breeders Is Keen in a Number of Classes.

The premium list for the 1909 show of the Asheville Poultry and Pet Stock association is now in the hands of the printers and will probably be out of the presses and ready for distribution within a few days.

With the early publication of the premium list entry blanks are being distributed this week, and everything is being made ready for the big "chickens" event of December 8, 9 and 10.

Mrs. C. B. Campbell, the secretary of the association, has been hard at work on the approaching show for several weeks and hopes to have the list out on time and all entries in well before the opening days.

The show this year promises to be the best, the most largely attended and with a greater number and greater variety of exhibitors and exhibits than ever before.

The Asheville fanciers are eagerly awaiting the show. There will be great rivalry among local exhibitors in several classes including the brown Leghorn, the Rhode Island red, the Wyandottes, the barred Plymouth Rocks, the Minorcas and other popular strains.

The regular November term of United States Circuit and District courts, which has been in session here for the past ten days with Judge J. E. Boyd of Greensboro presiding, was adjourned this morning as there was no further business.

RACING ON THE ATLANTA SPEEDWAY

One of the Chief Events Today Will Be a 120 Mile Contest Between Light Cars.

Atlanta, Nov. 11.—Harron, driving Amarron "32," won the 120 mile stock chassis race; time, 1:49:26.42. Joe Matson's Chalmers-Detroit was second.

Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 11.—Several automobiles and motor cycle races are on the program of events at the Speedway today, the chief event being a one hundred and twenty mile contest between light cars.

URGES JUDGE A. C. COXE FOR SUPREME COURT BENCH

Governor General Grey in His Speech Reaffirmed the Position of the Laurier Government.

Session Today of the Parliament

THE PHYSICIANS URGE NEW CURE

Eleven Thousand Chickens Burned Today at Hutchins

Big Purse Offered for the Jeffries and Johnson Fight

SURGEONS' DELICATE WORK MAY SAVE E. WILSON'S LIFE



REARSHIPMAN EARL D. WILSON.

A most delicate operation has been successfully performed at Annapolis upon Midshipman Earl D. Wilson, a vertebral column fracture.

Portions of the fractured bone from the fifth vertebrae were removed, but it was found that the greatest injury to the cord had been occasioned by a dislocation of the fourth vertebrae.

TAFT ENDORSES MISSIONARY WORK

He Addresses Laymen's Meeting on Duties and Responsibilities of Nations.

Washington, Nov. 11.—President Taft heartily endorsed the missionary movement, addressing the laymen's missionary meeting, an organization national in scope.

Washington, Nov. 11.—President Taft arose this morning apparently none the worse for his thirteen thousand mile "Swing around the Circle."

He told there is a growing feeling among public men that the American nation has a distinct interest in all countries of this hemisphere.

SESSION TODAY OF THE PARLIAMENT

BANK OFFICIAL KILLED; ANOTHER BADLY HURT

Shot by Man Attempting to Hold up the Officials and Their Assistants.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Nov. 11.—J. Garry Fawcett, cashier of the Merchants National bank of New Albany, Ind., was shot down and killed.

Shot by Man Attempting to Hold up the Officials and Their Assistants.

Four Women Claim Pickett, but the Law Lays First Claim Upon Him.

Cleveland, O., Nov. 11.—Lucian Pickett, the convicted bigamist, who was claimed by four wives, is sentenced to three years in the penitentiary and fined \$1500.

Tong War Rages. San Francisco, Cal., Nov. 11.—Jim Kong Fook, the fifth victim of the Yick Yee Tong war, growing out of the elopement of He Gue, wife of Yick Tong, was shot and fatally wounded this morning.

Seattle, Wash., Nov. 11.—The Mos-cow Athletic club, of Moscow, Idaho, offers \$100,000 for the Jeffries-Johnson fight.

M'VEIGH WILL STAND BY LOEB

Secretary of the Treasury Says the Government Is Behind Collector of the Port of New York.

PARSONS MAKES DENIAL OF NEW YORK SUN CHARGES

Republican Chairman Says the Sugar Trust Has Never Aided Him Directly or Indirectly.

New York, Nov. 11.—Evidence revealing the "Man Higher Up" in the sugar weighing frauds has been placed in the possession of the government, and is being used as a basis of a Federal indictment to be filed against a high official of the American Sugar Refining company.

Washington, Nov. 11.—Secretary of the Treasury McVeigh today announced that the government is supporting Collector Loeb's administration of the port of New York, in unearthing the sugar frauds.

PARSONS GIVES INTERVIEW. New York, Nov. 11.—"The sugar trust has never aided me directly or indirectly either in my race for congress or in my fight to be elected chairman of the republican county committee," said Herbert Parsons, referring to recent newspaper charges that he is the political representative of the trust.

Mr. Parsons was angered by the charges and he defied his newspaper accuser to come out into the open, saying the matter would be thoroughly fought out in the courts if he did.

The money for my primary fight came mostly out of Herbert Parsons, continued the county chairman. "A strict accounting has been given of the money contributed to me, and I am very glad that the law requires this. I have always believed it to be a good law.

"I stated last spring that since I have taken my oath as congressman I have not shared in the receipts of my law firm, not because it was wrong to do so, but because tariff matters might come before me. I have been exceedingly particular on that score."

The law firm is counsel for the sugar trust. Its head, John E. Parsons, father of Herbert Parsons, is one of the indicted sugar trust directors.

Chairman Parsons prepared this formal interview regarding the newspaper attacks on him.

"What have you to say about the Sun's charge in connection with you and the customs service?" "Does the Sun say or even intimate that I have used either my political or public position to aid the American Sugar Refining company in any way or to aid anybody to cheat the government?" If that is the impression it wants to convey let it be straightforward enough to say so; otherwise it is a coward.

"Did you recommend the appointment of Mr. Vauxmaker?" "I did. He was the senior assistant appraiser. So far as I know he has rendered excellent service, and the frauds have not had to do with his office."

"Did you recommend Mr. Krulwich?" "I did. Mr. Krulwich was opposed on the ground that he had been through bankruptcy. I showed that that was a different Krulwich. Mr. Krulwich's father is a large owner of real estate and Mr. Krulwich and his brothers have been active in building operations."

"Did you recommend Harry B. Stowell?" "I did. Col. Fowler, the then collector, asked me to recommend a man for assistant appraiser. I think there was a vacancy in the lace division. My recollection is that I first sent to him a man who had had extensive experience in the lace business. The man was not active in politics. His appearance did not please Col. Fowler, and he asked me to send him some energetic younger man of pleasing appearance. I thought of Harry B. Stowell, who is active in politics, and sent him. Col. Fowler said he was just the sort of man he wanted. A shift about was made in the collector's office and Mr. Stowell was put on the outside work. I knew that Mr. Stowell would be satisfactory because in the negotiation over the mortgage tax law he had rendered very useful service to the real estate people who had sent him over the state."

Also Charles K. Lexow. "Did you recommend Mr. Charles K. Lexow?" "I did. A new division was created which called for a lawyer, and I recommended Mr. Lexow. Mr. Lexow had been for many years a district leader and had also been for many years a state transfer tax appraiser and in that position had done excellent work. So far as I know, none of the frauds had anything to do with the division of which he is the head."

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