

VAST TREASURE FIND REPORTED

It is Estimated at from Fifteen to Sixty Million Dollars; and Was Hidden Many Years Ago.

New York Herald Syndicate Special. AN DIEGO, Cal., June 12.—Treasure, variously estimated at from fifteen million to sixty-five million dollars, which was hidden by the crew of a Chilean cruiser off the coast of Honduras more than a generation ago, has been recovered, according to reports received here, by a party of explorers aboard the steamship Eureka, now bound for this port.

The Eureka is commanded by Captain Burtiss, and about two weeks ago steamed from here under a 30 day charter, with a party of San Francisco men. Their movements were so cautious and so surrounded in mystery that it was suspected that the vessel was on a filibustering expedition against Mexico.

The expedition is supposed to have been financed by Harry Krelling of San Francisco. The map showing the location of the buried treasure was in the possession of an erstwhile resident of Honduras, who tried for many years to attract capital to finance an expedition in search of the hidden gold. He was unsuccessful up to the time he met Mr. Krelling, several weeks ago.

A message has been received from Salina Cruz, which reads: "Expedition a success in every way. Reach San Diego for oil next week. Meet us."

Concern at Washington. Washington, D. C., June 12.—The movements of the steamship Eureka have given much concern to the State and Navy departments for a month. The Nicaraguan minister here learned through private sources that the vessel had cleared from San Francisco about May 12 for the Bay of Fonseca, on the west coast of Nicaragua, supposedly with arms and ammunition.

The gunboat Yorktown was sent from Panama to Amapala to overhaul and search the Eureka. Two days ago she reported to the Navy department that no arms had been found on board the vessel.

LODGE SAYS RECIPROCITY WILL PASS THE SENATE

Not so Certain About the Root Amendment, Although It is not Material.

Washington, June 12.—"Reciprocity will go through the senate all right," said Senator Lodge of Massachusetts at the White House.

Whether the Root amendment goes through is not so material. If it does not, the agreement will be as effective.

Senator Lodge said he had abandoned his idea of offering an amendment for the protection of Massachusetts fishermen.

PERFECTING PLANS TO CARRY AGREEMENT INTO EFFECT

Vice President Taft and Firemen's Executive Committee Remain in Conference With Railway Officials.

Washington, June 12.—To perfect plans for carrying into effect the agreement between the Southern Railway company and its firemen, Vice President Taft and the executive committee of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen will remain here several days, in conference with railway officials.

ARE READING UP LORIMER CASE

Members of Senate Committee Are Busy Studying Voluminous Testimony in Investigation in Illinois.

MANY SUBPOENAS ISSUED FOR PROMINENT ILLINOISANS

Greatest Secrecy Attaches to Action of Committee—No Day for Next Meeting Has Been Definitely Fixed.

WASHINGTON, June 12.—Subpoenas for a number of prominent men to testify here in the new Lorimer investigation have been issued and a special officer from the office of the senate sergeant-at-arms is on his way to Chicago to serve them, probably left today.

The greatest secrecy is attached to the actions of the special committee of eight senators having the investigation in charge. It is understood that among the men to be subpoenaed are Lee O'Neill Browne, the democratic leader of the Illinois house, Edward Hines, president of the Edward Hines Lumber company of Chicago, Edward Tilden, whose name was connected with the \$100,000 fund alleged to have been collected for use in electing Senator Lorimer, and Clarence S. Funk, the officer of the International Harvester company whose disclosures of the attempt to give his corporation a share in the Illinois fund was a feature of the investigation by the Illinois senate.

Going Over Testimony. The Lorimer investigating committee has not yet definitely fixed a day for the next meeting. The members are going over the voluminous testimony in the Illinois inquiry. Until this is complete such meetings will be held merely for the purpose of organization.

Lorimer for the first time in several weeks appeared in the senate today. He arrived this morning from Chicago in response to a request sent to all absentees to return for a vote on the resolution providing for the election of senators by direct vote.

FUNERAL OF TEACHER AND RELIGIOUS WORKER

Prof. Aldermen's Long Service to Church and School—News of Greensboro and Guilford.

Gazette-News Bureau, Daily News Office, Greensboro, June 12.

Last evening at 4 o'clock from West Market Methodist Episcopal church the funeral of Prof. W. F. Alderman, who died Friday night at the home of his daughter, Mrs. C. H. Ireland, at the age of 78, was held, the services being conducted by the pastor, the Rev. E. K. McLarty.

A large concourse of friends of the family and relatives were present and the floral tributes were very beautiful and profuse. Prof. Alderman in his lifetime was a very active man in educational and religious work, serving for over 30 years as professor of mathematics in Greensboro Female college, and at all times holding important positions of leadership in the church. His many good qualities were touched upon by Rev. Mr. McLarty. Interment was made in Greene Hill cemetery, the body being buried at the home of his wife who died nearly 40 years ago. The pallbearers were J. A. Odell, J. N. Leak, C. H. Dorsett, J. W. Landreth, O. F. Pearce, Drs. J. S. Betts and J. H. Wheeler.

A large number of people from Greensboro and Guilford county went to Winston-Salem today to attend the annual convention of the North Carolina Good Roads association. Committees of five each will represent the Greensboro chamber of commerce and the Guilford County Good Roads association.

Tomorrow morning Grand Vice Chancellor G. C. McLean of the city leaves for Asheville to attend the Grand Lodge meeting of the Knights of Pythias. Others who will go from here are A. A. Johnson of Greensboro lodge, No. 60; Whit R. Stone, seventh district deputy; D. H. Collins, Guilford lodge No. 59; Joseph N. Neal, proximity lodge No. 183; Rev. Mr. Richardson, White Oak lodge No. 187; G. H. Royster and A. A. Fisher, general superintendents of the insurance department of North and South Carolina and Virginia.

A. P. Stewart Now Southern Golf Champion.

Nashville, Tenn., June 12.—A. P. Stewart of New Orleans was the southern golf champion at the Southern Golf association Saturday on the links of the Nashville Golf and Country club, defeating E. G. Cook of New Orleans in the final round.

Children Dying Poisoned by Candy. New York, June 12.—Three young children of Mrs. Elizabeth Murray are among the victims of a candy which contained a deadly poison.

Stokes Will Take the Witness Stand Against Two Women Who Shot Him



MRS. W. E. D. STOKES. MR. W. E. D. STOKES.

NEW YORK, June 12.—W. E. D. Stokes, who was shot by Lillian Graham and Ethel Conrad, in their rooms in the Varuna Apartments, No. 235 West Eightieth street, last Wednesday, told his lawyer in Roosevelt hospital that he would take the witness stand against the young women. Mr. Stokes will defy the defense to prove that he went to the flat for any other reason than to obtain certain letters.

"Detectives in our employ are unravelling the entire story of the shooting," Torrence McManus, attorney for Stokes, said. "Mr. Stokes will be ready at the trial to reply to any questions. He has never been afraid of anything that might be said about him. He is ready to face his accusers when they come forward."

"Mr. Stokes is well on the road to recovery," Dr. Farwell, who will not be in court today, has said. "The information given by the detectives that the girls bought their pistols at Wannamaker's store on May 21 seems of great value. It must be remembered that the \$200 given by Mr. Stokes to Miss Conrad for Miss Graham was paid after the pistols were bought. Miss Graham asked for \$500, but did not receive that amount."

Letters Were Not in His Possession. McManus said the letters which Stokes wanted were not in his possession, but were probably picked up by the detectives. All the detectives denied that they had seen any letters signed by Mr. Stokes.

"This talk that Mr. Stokes has seized letters he had written is all wrong," McManus continued. "If there are any letters I do not know of their existence. Mr. Stokes does not know where they are any more than I do. It is possible that the police did take them when they searched the apartment where the women lived. On the other hand, it might be reasonable to believe that the letters were placed in a safe deposit vault. At any rate, the letters make no difference in this case."

All Evidence Will Be Collected. "The prosecution will do all in its power to avenge the shooting. Every scrap of evidence will be collected, and we will allow Mr. Stokes to undergo a thorough examination at the hands of the lawyers for the defense. At the same time there will be some sensational testimony brought out by the prosecution. This case will not be dropped."

Plenty of Money for Defense. When McManus's statement was repeated to Herman Phillips, counsel for Miss Conrad and Miss Graham, he said the defense would probably waive examination today in the West Side Police court.

"The girls will be defended to the end," Mr. Phillips said. "One man came forward with an offer of \$25,000 to see them out of their trouble, and he will put up that amount to insure their liberty on bail. The man's name will be kept secret, and the bail will be given through a surety company to insure his name not being made public. Miss Graham and Miss Conrad have nothing to add to their statements as reported."

The mention of \$25,000 as the probable amount of bail came after Mr. Phillips learned that the prosecution would demand to have that sum fixed. It was said that the man who was ready to furnish the bonds is the theatrical manager well known on Broadway.

MRS. M. P. HANCOCK AND A WHITE RAT

Miss Battle That Was and "Birdie," Rodent, Furnishing Diversion for the New Yorkers.

Special to The Gazette-News. New York, June 12.—Mrs. Mortimer Hancock, wife of Major Hancock of the Royal British Fusiliers, and daughter of Dr. S. Westray Battle of Asheville, for which destination she departed yesterday, created a decided sensation and attracted by far the most attention Saturday in the Waldorf-Astoria hotel by wearing an ornament a white rat with a jeweled collar attached to a long necklace of gold.

She called the rat "Birdie" and his favorite pose was to coil his long tail around Mrs. Hancock's neck and rest comfortably upon her left shoulder with every appearance of contentment as she promenaded through the grill room, the palm room, the grand staircase and the corridors of the hotel. Mrs. Hancock arrived here a few days ago from India, where she obtained the rat as a souvenir and travelling companion, and visited San Francisco and Chicago to renew old acquaintances.

At the Waldorf they are so accustomed to the unusual that beyond a few squeals of delighted surprise and the gathering of a gaping crowd the social routine of the hotel was disturbed very little.

But at the first public appearance of the two—at the Plaza, Thursday night—there came near being a small feminine riot. For at the Plaza there seldom happens an event to break the calm of the marble corridors.

That night, Mrs. Hancock swept into the Plaza about 7 o'clock, asked for a friend, and snatched into the tea room. She was garbed in a conventional décollete dinner gown. Hardly had Mrs. Hancock taken her seat in the tea room than the usual quiet of the main hall was broken by the screams of a score of women. Out of the room they tumbled, each clutching her skirts in the old time, "Mercy, there's a mouse" fashion.

The floor officials of the hotel hastened to the scene. They found the tea room deserted except for Mrs. Hancock, reclining in a wicker chair. Then they spotted the cause of the tumult.

Around Mrs. Hancock's gleaming white shoulders the rat James was appearing. Mrs. Hancock had ordered tea and sandwiches and every now and then she would look at the rat.

"LIFER" REED BY PRESIDENT

Inmate of Government Insane Hospital, Who Prevented Escape of Inmates, Is Pardoned by Mr. Taft.

SENT UP FOR KILLING MAN WHO DEFAMED HIS WIFE

As to Another for Whom Clemency Was Asked, President Says the Applicant Richly Deserved Hanging.

WASHINGTON, June 12.—President Taft has granted an unconditional pardon to Lorenzo D. Barnes, an inmate of the government hospital for the insane here, who recently prevented a wholesale delivery of insane convicts from the institution by overhearing their plans and notifying the guards.

Barnes was convicted of killing a man who defamed his wife. While serving a life sentence he became insane, but has since regained his reason. Attorney General Wickersham recommended his pardon with the observation that he had "taken the life of one infidel, but saved the lives of several government officers."

President Taft denied several applications for executive clemency, among them Clarence Kidwell of Indian Territory, who ambushed and killed the husband of a woman with whom he had questionable relations. Refusing clemency, the president made this endorsement: "A brutal murderer for just. Applicant escaped hanging because so richly deserved. No further clemency can be extended."

HIGHEST HEAT RECORD OF THE WEATHER BUREAU

Old-Timers Say Yesterday Was Hottest Day in Asheville in at Least Quarter Century.

Yesterday was the hottest day in Asheville since the establishment of the local weather bureau, nine years ago. That was the statement made by the bureau this morning, the official temperature record being given at 93.

The nearest approach to yesterday's temperature was on July 9, 1907, when the mercury reached 91.

While the weather bureau records only go back to 1903 old-timers who give attention to weather conditions today declared that yesterday was the hottest day in Asheville for at least a century. Incidentally, there was a considerable range in temperature from the minimum to the maximum and while late yesterday afternoon was uncomfortably hot except along the river banks or in the cool shade of spreading oaks, last night was very comfortable and before midnight a blanket was needed to drive away the chill. The minimum temperature during the past 24 hours ending at 8 o'clock this morning, was 63.

While the record for high temperature was smashed in Asheville yesterday the people in this mountain metropolis fared much better than the millions of other people throughout these United States of America. In Washington, which won second place for heat, all records were broken for the past 30 or 40 years, the temperature rising to 102—and congress in session. In North Carolina, Charlotte, with a temperature of 94, stood second for Raleigh, where the mercury climbed to an even century. Phoenix reported 100, Spokane 100, Augusta 98, Knoxville 94, and Charleston 94.

Yuma, Ariz., Wins Heat Prize. Washington, June 12.—The high mark in the heat which caused intense suffering in most of the country Sunday, was scored by Yuma, Ariz., which with an official reading of 110, topped all records not only from the territory east of the Rocky mountains, but every other weather station. The June record for Washington was 101, one degree less than the record scored on June 12, 1874. The down town thermometers registered 107 degrees. The hot wave continued in the middle Atlantic states, the Ohio valley, the south and the southwest, ranging from 95 to 102, the latter at Shreveport. It was 100 at Raleigh, N. C.

"No unusually cool weather is expected," runs the weather bureau's weekly forecast issued last night. It says generally fair weather may be expected, with more moderate temperatures east of the Rocky mountains, although temperatures will continue high Monday in the interior Atlantic states and probably Tuesday, with unsettled, showery weather.

One Death in Baltimore. Baltimore, June 12.—With the official thermometer registering 93 degrees at 3 o'clock Sunday, Baltimore experienced the hottest June 12 since 1874.

SEVERE DAMAGE BY STORM IN GOTHAM

Water, Lightning and Fire Cause Three Deaths and More Than \$100,000 Property Loss.

New York, June 12.—Five dead, five persons missing, and a property loss of one million dollars, is the result of the two days' storm which raged over New York and vicinity.

Two bodies were found early on the shore of Gravesend Bay and identified as Mrs. Emilie Faulkner, a widow, and her brother, Capt. George Lant, a boat builder. Lant and his sister had gone out to his house boat with a store of provisions for a party which had been planned for Sunday. It is presumed they were returning to the shore when the storm broke and capsized their little skiff.

The third death was in Jersey City, where a live wire electrocuted David Clark.

Losses aggregating more than \$100,000 were caused by fires set by lightning strokes. It is estimated that \$50,000 damage was done at Flushing, L. I., where 35,000 men and women were within a big enclosure witnessing a society circus. Twelve large tents were leveled by the wind, and in the stampede which followed six women were trampled and taken to the hospital.

At Coney Island tents and shacks erected on the site of the recent fire were blown down and some whirled out to sea. At Paterson, N. J., 200 big trees were uprooted, carrying down with them electric light and trolley wires, leaving the city without light or car service for several hours.

The British tramp steamer Susquehanna and the coastwise schooner Nellie W. Craig did not disintegrate themselves until Sunday from the collision into which they were brought by Saturday night's storm. The Susquehanna being without ballast was swept from her anchorage off Stapleton, Staten island, and carried down stream across the bow of the schooner, which was at anchor off quarantine. The vessels came together with a crash, carrying away the schooner's headgear and breaking off her bowsprit close to the hull. The damage to the Susquehanna was slight, and she was towed back to her anchorage.

The Nellie W. Craig was bound for Charleston, S. C., and extensive repairs will be necessary before she can proceed on her voyage.

BULL REPORTS BOOST COTTON

Continued Drought and High Temperatures Put Price of New Crop Dollar a Bale Higher This Morning.

WATER IS BADLY NEEDED THROUGHOUT COTTON BELT

Continued Fair Weather, Which is Now in Prospect, Will Mean an Excited Advancing Market.

NEW ORLEANS, June 12.—Continued drought and high temperatures put the price of new crop cotton a dollar a bale higher as soon as the new week opened in the New Orleans future market. Heavy buying for both accounts was the result of a dry weather map and countless private reports from the belt, all pointing to more intense conditions even than those that have been putting the market up lately.

Very Little Rain. Hardly a drop of rain is shown in the weather map of the cotton country. Mobile reported .08 of inch, Meridian, .01, Raleigh .02 and that was all. The forecast promised no rain for tomorrow except for North Carolina, and the long distance forecast for the week said: "Generally fair weather is indicated for the cotton belt, during the coming week."

Marked Deterioration. It was claimed last week that the crop deterioration had set in as a result of lack of moisture. This morning reports complained that the crop was beginning to go back in a marked manner in some sections. Brokers, even those who lean to the bear side, said continued fair weather would mean an excited, advancing market. On the first call new crops were 15 to 16 points up. Soon after they were 19 to 21 points up. October stood 26 points up, or a dollar a bale at 13. This is the highest level since last winter. Old crop months were comparatively inactive. The market's interest was chiefly centered in the new crop.

INVESTIGATION OF SUGAR BUSINESS HAS BEGUN

Witnesses from Leading Sugar Refineries Summoned Before House Committee.

Washington, June 12.—The house inquiry into the sugar business of the country, conducted by a special committee, formally began this morning. Witnesses of leading sugar refineries in the east had been summoned to appear.

The committee announced its purpose to make one of the most thorough investigations ever conducted of the great business by congress. Representative Hardwick of Georgia is chairman of the committee.

Surprising State of Affairs. So carefully guarded were the operations of the American Sugar Refining company up to less than two years ago, E. F. Atkins, vice-president and acting head of the corporation, told the special sugar trust investigating committee of the house, that stockholders were accorded no information as to how the company was being conducted. The London group of enormous witnesses said that New England stockholders combined and obtained control. When they did so in 1910 they discovered to their astonishment that H. O. Havemeyer, president of the organization, had maintained his supremacy with only 2000 shares of stock. The Havemeyer holdings at the time of his death, Atkins said, were valued at about \$200,000 of a total of \$90,000,000 in the American Sugar Refining company. That was a surprising discovery," he declared. "It had been generally supposed Havemeyer owned a greater part of the stock." Atkins said the New England interest obtained control after a committee discovered from examination that of the stock owners of the American Sugar Refining company 43 per cent were New Englanders.

Most of Them Women. "We found there were 18,950 New England owners," said Atkins, "and 18,000 of those were women. They were helpless as far as representation was concerned, and I was urged to take a place on the board, which I did." He explained how the control for New England holders was secured by his election and the election also of Samuel Carr, Charles H. Allen, W. B. Thomas and Edward Manning, all whom now represent that majority of stockholders, known as the New England syndicate.

Sixty People Ill of Pneumonia Outbreak. Bridgeport, Conn., June 12.—Sixty people, including a number of the first babies, are suffering from pneumonia in this town.

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