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TRIES TO SLAY MAYOR SHRIVER

Assassin Fires Bullet at Rock Island, Ill., Official Who Repulsed Mob With Guns.

MILITIA REGIMENT OUT; FEARS RIOTING

Three Killed and Nine Wounded When Attempt Is Made to Storm City Jail.

Rock Island, Ill., March 27.—Sheriff Bruner, after an investigation, declares the supposed assassin shot was accidentally fired by a deputy sheriff leading a riot gun.

SPRINGS FOR MARTIAL LAW. Springfield, Ill., March 27.—Governor Denen is asked by Sheriff Bruner to declare martial law in Rock Island. The governor awaits adjutant General Dixon's report tonight before deciding whether martial law would be proclaimed.

Rock Island, March 27.—An unsuccessful attempt was made to assault Mayor Schriver at the city hall this morning. An unidentified person fired a bullet through the mayor's office window from a building several squares distant. The bullet missed Schriver standing at the window. Militiamen and deputy sheriffs began a search for the assassin.

Citizens here are in a frenzy and the sheriff expects trouble tonight. The entire Sixth Regiment of the Illinois national guard is expected here this afternoon.

The three militia companies the governor ordered here to quell the riot last night in which three persons were killed and nine hurt, quelled disorder today. A mob attacked the jail last night, attempting to release sympathizers with John Looney, a weekly paper publisher, which has severely criticized Mayor Schriver.

Several hundred persons were in the mob that surrounded police headquarters, where two of the leaders of disorders that had previously occurred were detained.

Bricks were thrown and windows of the police station were smashed. Mayor Schriver directing the police squad, ordered the officers to charge the mob. Shots were fired by the police and a number of men were seen to fall. This caused the rioters temporarily to withdraw.

Three men were picked up dead. Nine were so badly wounded they were hurried to a hospital. After the dead and wounded had been removed, the mob re-organized and one of the leaders directed the crowd to a hardware store for the purpose of breaking down the doors and securing a fresh supply of arms. This move was checked by a squad of police which was at the hardware store when the mob arrived.

ITALIANS DEFEATED IN BLOODY BATTLE

Their Losses Total Over 3500 According to Reports from Benghazi.

London, March 27.—The Turkish army in Tripoli has achieved a great victory over the Italian army. Italian losses were 27 officers and 3500 men killed and wounded according to the report of the Turkish commander at Benghazi, received here from a special correspondent at the Turkish headquarters.

The report of the Turkish-Italian battle says the entire camp equipment of the Italians fell into the Turkish troops' hands. The location of the battle is not given. Casualties among the Turks and Arabs were 150 killed and wounded.

Order Out Entire Regiment. Springfield, Ill., March 27.—Governor Denen today ordered the entire sixth regiment of Illinois national guard to proceed to Rock Island to assist in preserving order. The request for more troops came after an unsuccessful attempt to assassinate the mayor of that city had convinced the authorities that more trouble was brewing.

Want Compensation Bill Action Postponed. Washington, March 27.—Representatives Howard and Bartlett of Georgia today urged before the senate and house joint sub-committee of the judiciary committee postponement of action on the proposed workmen's compensation bill.

Pope Pius' Health Improved. Rome, March 27.—Pope Pius' condition is much better today and he is expected to resume general audiences. Several American pilgrims were present at the papal luncheon.

Threat to Kill DeLancey Nicoll

Unless Former New York District Attorney Complies With Demand for \$10,000.



DeLancey Nicoll, the well known lawyer, who has been identified with many famous cases in New York, has received an anonymous letter demanding \$10,000, and if he failed to comply with the demand death would follow. Mr. Nicoll was formerly the district attorney and years ago tried the notorious anarchist, Johann Most.

SEEKING DAMAGES FOR A BAD GOLD

Greensboro Man Sues Southern Railway for \$3000 After Contracting Disease.

Gazette-News Bureau, Daily News Building, Greensboro, March 27.—A novel damage suit against the Southern Railway company has been instituted in the superior court here by Edward L. Haley, through a local attorney, the complainant demanding of the railway corporation the sum of \$3000 for a bad cold which he alleges he caught while in the employ of the company and that his affliction is due to the negligence of the company. It is set forth that Haley was employed by the Southern as brakeman and sent to Goldsboro March 7; that at the time the yards were muddy and that sometimes he had to work in water up to his shoe-tops. He alleges that he contracted a severe cold and that the Southern is responsible for the cold because it had failed to drain the yards or had not furnished its employes a safe place in which to work. Haley alleges that he worked in the mud and water for nine days; that he complained of alleged bad conditions and that he contracted a deep cold which settled on his lungs and that as a result he has lung trouble and rheumatism and on account of which he suffered great physical and mental agony and was forced to abandon his job "and come home."

To Submit Bond Issue Proposition. The city commissioners of Greensboro have formally decided to submit to the voters of the town a proposition to issue \$100,000 in bonds for permanent street improvement and an extension of the sewer system. It is proposed that \$60,000 of the money in the event the bond issue is used for improving the streets and \$40,000 for sewerage. It is expected that the date for the bond election will be fixed shortly and that the election will be held within the next 60 days. The residents of Greensboro are aroused to the necessity for better improved streets and it is not believed that there will be any decided opposition to the bond issue. The campaign slogan will be "Better Streets for Greensboro" and the commercial interests will rally to the proposition and seek by means of the bond issue to give the authorized sufficient funds to connect up unpaved stretches and permanently improve other important residential thoroughfares.

CLAIM 242 DELEGATES

At Taft Headquarters Only 24 of Those Thus Far Chosen are Conceded to Col. Roosevelt.

Washington, March 27.—As a result of yesterday's primaries in New York and the Indiana state convention, Taft's campaign headquarters today claimed 142 delegates among those selected thus far. Director McKinley conceded but 24 to Roosevelt.

Mrs. McLean Again on Trial. Opelousas, La., March 27.—The second trial of Mrs. Zee Runge McLean for killing Alan Garland, a Tulane University student began today at Opelousas. The charge is that she shot "in defense of her honor" on a matter charge the student was making. The charge now is manslaughter.

MINE OWNERS TO ACCEPT BILL

Collieries Will Be Opened as Soon as the Men Desire to Resume Work. in Britain.

WORKERS WILL BALLOT ON ASQUITH MEASURE

Federation Decides to Submit Minimum Wage Act to Referendum—Becomes Law Soon.

London, March 27.—British coal mine owners today resolved to accept the minimum wage bill. This means that all mines will be opened to the men as soon as they desire to return to work. The government's minimum wage bill, designed to put a stop to the disastrous coal strike, will be the law of the land within 24 hours. The miners' federation met today to discuss a proposal for submitting to the miners the question of balloting on whether the minimum wage bill should be accepted by them and decided to have the miners vote as to whether they desire to return to work under the measure's provisions.

LARGE BAND MILL FOR WAYNESVILLE

Dover Lumber Company Will Build 16 Miles of Railroad to Timber.

News reached Asheville today of some big developments for Waynesville that will materialize at once. This is the construction of a big band saw mill there to be connected with a big timber tract on the head of Jonathan's creek by a railroad 16 miles long. The proposition of accomplishing all this is being undertaken by the Dover Lumber company and construction work will begin at once according to those who are in closest touch with the situation.

It was first understood that this proposition was to be launched by the Whiting Lumber company, but this is erroneous. The fact that W. S. Whiting is one of the men who is largely interested in the company is probably responsible, however, for this report. Mr. Whiting and several other of the officials of the company are now in Waynesville looking after their interests.

STEPHENSON CLAIMS A MAJORITY OF FOUR

Question of Wisconsin Man Retaining His Senate Seat Is Near Decision.

Washington, March 27.—The case of Senator Stephenson of Wisconsin, involving the retention of his senate seat, will be decided late today. Stephenson's friends claim a majority of four sustaining the legality of the election.

W. L. SHEPPARD. Widely Known Sculptor and Confederate Veteran Passes Away at Richmond.

TO TAKE ALLENS BEFORE NIGHT

Such Is the Announced Purpose of the Possemen Who Left Hillsville This Morning.

FUGITIVES AT LAST CORNERED IN WILDS

Guards at Every Place Which Could Afford Avenue of Escape to the Outlaws.

Hillsville, Va., March 27.—What posse leaders regard as the final movement against the Allen outlaws was undertaken at dawn today by a picked squad of sharp-shooting detectives. Sidna Allen, Friel Allen and Wesley Edwards, three of the four men still at large, are supposedly cornered in a wild section of the Blue Ridge, 20 miles from here near the North Carolina line. With guards at every known pass that could possibly furnish an avenue of escape for the fugitives, the detectives invade this section determined to capture or kill the outlaws before emerging again. Tom Feltz, in charge of the searchers, is confident the men have been trapped. Feltz admits he has abandoned capturing Claude Swannon Allen, whom he believes to be hundreds of miles away by now.

The grand jury emancipated yesterday is expected to return new indictments against the accused men before the day closes. It is said young Victor Allen, now in the Roanoke jail with his father, Floyd Allen, probably will not be reindicted and may be set free. No witness has been found to testify that Victor took part in shooting up the Carroll county court.

Detective Thomas L. Feltz returned here last night to direct a sortie against the outlaws. Without hope of arresting Claude Swannon Allen who, he believes, has long ago escaped from the mountains, Detective Feltz is so confident that the trio of outlaws will be captured within the next 48 hours that he invited a correspondent to accompany the posse today.

"The outlook is very encouraging," said Feltz. "Claude Allen is probably hundreds of miles away by this time and he had been preparing anyhow to go west within 30 days. As for the others, all indications point to their presence in the mountains. They are very near capture and the prospect is very hopeful."

FLAGMAN SHOT TO DEATH BY UNIDENTIFIED TRAMP

J. R. King of Raleigh Fired on When He Ejects Hobo.

Gazette-News Bureau. The Hotel Raleigh, Raleigh, March 27.—Bloodhounds and officers are securing the county today near Norlina for the unidentified tramp who last night shot and killed Seaboard Air Line Flagman J. R. King of Raleigh. King had just ordered a tramp to leave the freight train when the bullet entered his left lung, causing death an hour later. Conductor Redford saw the man disappear in the night, but was unable to say whether he was white or black. King was a member of Capital City council, Jr. O. U. A. M., and of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen. He had been married only six months. Dr. Lou G. Broughton, who is to address a Raleigh audience Sunday afternoon, arrived here from Atlanta today.

Famous English Actor, Terry, Is Seriously Ill



Edward Terry, the actor, is dangerously ill with neuritis at his home, Priory Lodge, Barnes, Surrey, England. Mr. Terry is 68 years of age, having been born in 1844. He made his first appearance in London at the Surrey theater in 1877. He opened Terry's theater 10 years later. He is a writer of distinction and a noted traveler.

REPORT OF TARIFF BOARD UNDEFENDABLE

Chairman Underwood is Reintroducing Wool Bill Declares Investigating Body Proceeded Upon an Erroneous Theory -Dta Fragmentary and Conclusions Unsound.

Washington, March 27.—That the tariff board in its report to congress on the wool schedule proceeded upon an entirely erroneous theory and that its report was "undefendable" is the conclusion of the democratic members of the ways and means committee of the house as set forth in a report prepared by Representative Underwood, chairman of the committee, in connection with the reintroduction of the wool bill placing a 20 per cent ad valorem duty on raw wool.

This bill, which after slight revision in conference last summer, was vetoed by President Taft, who gave then as his principal reason for exercise of the veto power that the tariff board had made no report on the subject. Last December the board reported and the democratic members of the ways and means committee, after an analysis of this report, reintroduced the old bill, claiming that there was nothing in that report to justify any change.

Summarizing the conclusion of the committee, Chairman Underwood says: "A careful and painstaking analysis of the wool report of the tariff board dictates conclusions as follows: Theory Advanced Untenable. The theory of applying tariff duties according to the difference in the cost of production in this and in foreign countries, upon which the board has projected and prepared its report, is entirely erroneous and untenable. Furthermore, if this theory could have been systematically and carefully applied, it would not have afforded trustworthy results for guidance in preparing tariff legislation."

The board's report is fragmentary and incomplete, and rests on an incorrect statistical basis. Hence it has no claim to confidence for the results set forth therein, even should the reliability of the theory of the cost of production be conceded. "These persons who are willing to overlook the lack of theoretical soundness and of statistical accuracy, will find the data of the report too fragmentary and incomplete to admit of conclusions with reference to rates of tariff duty. Even under the most favorable interpretation of the report, conclusions as to duties can be reached for only a few paragraphs of the wool schedule, and for these paragraphs it is not possible to formulate definite conclusions, because the figures vary widely, and seriously lack uniformity and comparability. So much is this the case that justification is apparently afforded in the report for rates that are in conflict with one another. It is thus seen that the report leaves the question of the tariff duties on wool as much unresolved as before the tariff board was formed."

So far as conclusions can be drawn from the board's report, it furnishes nothing to justify any change in the rates proposed in the present bill. "In making the computations from which have resulted the rates as justified by the tariff board's data, the most expensive and difficult conditions indicated by the data as attending production have been employed with a view to being more than just in the conclusions. The necessity of protection to equalize the difference in the cost of production beyond the rates carried by this bill exists in but few instances, and those are in all probability the result of high costs which have been presented by the board and used in the computations. Not a Protective Measure. In preparing this bill of last session and H. R. 21,121 of this session

N. Y. PRIMARIES CALLED FARGE

Roosevelt, Stung by News of His Defeat, Promises a "Fighting Speech" Tonight.

TAFT GETS ALL BUT 7 OF STATE DELEGATION

Administration Forces Over-ride Opposition in 83 Districts—Contest of Result Hinted at.

Fort Wayne, Ind., March 27.—Thoroughly aroused by the outcome of the New York primaries, in which the Roosevelt forces were defeated, Col. Roosevelt today declared the whole proceeding was a farce. He said: "In my Chicago speech tonight I shall discuss the matter in detail and explain why these men in no way represent the republican party and why no action of theirs should be accepted as representative of or binding on the republican party." "It will be a fighting speech," Roosevelt added.

The colonel learned of the outcome of the Indiana state republican convention, but declined to comment.

Taft Sweeps the State. New York, March 27.—Delegates to the republican national convention favoring Roosevelt's nomination were defeated at yesterday's New York state primaries in every district where they opposed candidates designated by the regular republican organization and claimed by Taft's followers. Taft and campaign managers declare at least 83 of New York's 90 delegates would go to Chicago favoring the president's nomination.

With 132 election districts missing, President Taft in the primary contest in New York county received 29,462 and Col. Roosevelt 14,611. This indicates that the president has beaten Col. Roosevelt in this city by more than 2 to 1.

Bad Ballot Mix-Up. The primary elections in this city, where most of the contests arose, were made chaotic by one of the worst ballot mix-ups known for many years and returns from the election were considerably delayed.

William Barnes, jr., chairman of the republican state committee claimed at 10 o'clock that the Roosevelt men "by the highest possible estimate" would not win more than 7 out of the 90 seats in the national convention, which the state is entitled to.

The primaries opened at 3 p. m., amidst great confusion owing to the delay in delivering the ballots in many voting districts. There was further embarrassment because the green ballots for the democratic primaries were delivered to many places instead of the republican pink ones. It was well into the evening before the mix-ups were straightened out.

President Britt of the board of elections declared that the delay was due largely to the eleventh hour litigation which the Roosevelt committee began over the position of delegates on the ballots, resulting in court orders which handicapped the printers.

May Contest Validity. After the polls had closed at 9 o'clock in some instances only about half an hour after they had opened on account of the delay in the delivery of the ballots, Roosevelt supporters said that the mix-up would lay the ground for a contest as to the validity of the election.

It was the first trial of the new primary law and the working of it had been looked to with special interest on this account. Ballots in many of the districts ranged from 10 to 14 feet long and so great had been the haste to get them out that in some cases they were in sections, there having been lack of time to paste them together.

The democrats who elected delegates only to their state convention and members of organization committees had little trouble but republicans' independence league voters and prohibition voters in some instances were unable to vote. Notwithstanding the confusion there was no disorder of importance, voters venting their complaints in ridicule of the primary system.

County Chairman Koenig declared that his organization was in no wise to blame for the ballot mix-up as the ballot delivery was in the hands of the board of elections. In accordance with the primary law none of the delegates is specifically instructed.

County Chairman Koenig called the White House on the long distance telephone and told Secretary Hilges that President Taft had swept New York county and that not more than three or four election districts had given

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MY CHOICE FOR PRESIDENT If I could select the man I would name... Name... Address...