

NEW WITNESSES, NEW EVIDENCE

Dr. Williams Identifies Bony Bradley as Man Who Came to His Office in Asheville.

HE SAYS MRS. SHAFTS WOMAN WHO CAME

He Identifies Myrtle Hawkins' Photograph as That of Girl Who Came to Him.

Special to The Gazette-News.

Hendersonville, May 23.—It was learned today that the state has evidence of the nature of which has not been hitherto disclosed to the public against the defendants, or some of them, in state against Bradleys et als. for the killing of Myrtle Hawkins.

Large attendance and intense interest continue to mark the progress of the case. The bulk of the crowd are people from the farms, mostly men, who apparently have no pressing business at home.

Judge Fosshee has already won the admiration of those attending, who had not previously known him. His bearing is marked by earnestness, courtesy and gentlemanly dignity.

Shelton, the Atlanta traveling man, continues a willing talker. There is nothing reserved about Shelton. He has gone so far as to assert that if anybody will deposit \$1000 in bank to be at the disposal of anyone who will produce Myrtle Hawkins, alive, he, Shelton, will show them some quick action.

A Man Who Had Kept Silent. And the very first witness called was a new one—J. J. Corwell, who had lived in Hendersonville 18 years, was employed by the Hendersonville Lumber company; had known Myrtle Hawkins by sight since her childhood.

Thursday of the week of her death he hauled a load to Abner McCall's house, unloading 20 or 30 feet from the house. He saw Myrtle and several women sitting on the porch. He remembered this Sunday, when he heard of the discovery of the body.

He did not tell because he did not like to appear in court. He had several loads to McCall's in three or four weeks. Did not know the girl was missing until the body was found.

Dr. E. B. Drafts was admitted as an expert by the defense. He has practiced here 13 years. He assisted in the autopsy. Saw the body at Stepp's Sunday at noon, but did not observe it closely.

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TITANTIC DISASTER REPORT PREPARED

Is Sweeping Arraignment of Conditions Which Made Accident Possible.

Washington, May 23.—The senate commerce committee today considered the report on the Titanic disaster which the committee will submit to the senate Tuesday. It will be a sweeping arraignment of the conditions under which the vessel swept along through the iceberg area to her doom with its immense loss of life.

The report will severely criticize Captain Smith of the Titanic as mainly responsible for the disaster because of his failure to heed iceberg warnings; and the British board of trade for lax inspection. Captain Lord of the Californian will figure in responsibility because of his failure to take necessary steps when near the Titanic, whose rocket signals of distress were seen aboard the Californian.

Congress will be asked to reward Captain Rostron of the rescue ship Carpathia. Titanic legislation will be pressed. A general bill is being drafted by Senator Smith.

LATE OHIO RETURNS SHOW WILSON GAIN

Harmon Delegation Possibly Will Not Total More Than 27.

Columbus, O., May 23.—Scattering returns from the most distant districts indicate that Col. Roosevelt's delegates acquired in Tuesday's primaries will not drop below the 32 hitherto accorded him.

Governor Wilson made slight gains. It is possible Harmon delegates will not total over 27. With practically complete returns from all except seven counties 23,228 votes for Harmon and 100,137 for Wilson are shown.

200 MINERS MASSACRED BY RUSSIAN SOLDIERS

Slaughter Followed Workmen's Meeting to Protest Against Conditions.

Victoria, B. C., May 23.—Details of the massacre of nearly 200 miners, mostly Chinese, by Russian troops at Bekaid, Siberia, last month, reached here by the steamer Awa Maru, arriving from the Orient yesterday. The massacre followed a miners' meeting to protest against working conditions.

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WILL NOT WAR ON ROMANISM

Presbyterian Committee Urges Church to Join With Other Protestant Organizations Against Catholics.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY REJECTS THE PLAN

Assembly Declines to Reopen the Sinnott Case—Reunites With Federated Council.

Bristol, Tenn., May 23.—The general assembly of the Southern Presbyterian church today refused to adopt the majority report of its committee on Romanism, which suggests a plan of attack on Catholicism by the evangelical churches of the United States and Canada and the establishment of a fund to support converts from among Catholic priests.

The general assembly yesterday received a report from its committee on Romanism urging that the church start a movement from the Romanism committee, urging that the church start a movement among the evangelical churches of Jesus Christ in the United States and Canada, to throw down the gauntlet to the Roman Catholic church in America, to undertake a comprehensive plan of evangelizing the Romanists and to establish a foundation for the support of converts from among the priests, monks and nuns until they are fully instructed and enabled to learn gainful occupations.

Judge Allen G. Hall, a noted lawyer of Nashville, submitted a minority report from the Romanism committee, arguing against any such campaign and declaring that it would precipitate the church into political entanglements. The committee was appointed on a resolution at Louisville last year to "report some practical method of advising the whole people concerning the dangers involved in the pernicious activity of that powerful politico-religious organization known as the Roman Catholic church."

Any Method Impracticable. Judge Hall says that any method to execute this program would be impracticable, divert the church from its proper mission of preaching the gospel and precipitate it into political controversies.

The majority report is submitted by Thomas K. Johnson, D. D., and is a lengthy document prepared after exhaustive inquiry and research. The majority report says Protestantism have been too much afraid of dealing uncharitably with the Catholics and urges an aggressive national campaign against the church of Rome.

The assembly took steps that will lead to a uniform distribution of the funds for widows of ministers and that will ultimately lead to the abolition of the dependent colony at Fredericksburg, Va., where the church has a large school.

Sinnott Case Finally Settled. Final disposition was made of the noted case of Dr. W. D. Sinnott against the presbytery of North Alabama, involving the right of a lower court of the church to indorse prohibition. Dr. Sinnott complained against his presbytery and his action, in the midst of a fierce statewide prohibition fight in Alabama, attracted almost national attention. The assembly refused to hear his appeal and he was harshly censured. This year he made a fight to have the case reopened and his condemnation removed. The assembly held that the case had been finally adjudicated and was not reviewable. However, a resolution giving the opinion that the assembly's censures on him were unjust and hasty was passed and the case goes into history.

The assembly voted to reunite itself with the federated council of the churches of Christ. Last year it left the council on the ground that it was doing things to interfere with the church's idea of the relation of church and state.

NEGRO IS REPRIEVED

George Wilkins, Sentenced to Die at Raleigh Today, Given New Lease of Life.

Gazette-News Bureau. The Hotel Raleigh, Raleigh, May 23. George Wilkins of Nash county, a negro under sentence of death today for wife murder, was granted a reprieve a few hours before the time set for his electrocution. Reputable attorneys, the governor says, represented to him that they have good grounds for executive clemency and that a reprieve will be necessary to submit the grounds. A reprieve was granted until June 7.

TRANSPORT WORKERS OF LONDON ON STRIKE

London, May 23.—The national executive committee of the Transport Workers' Federation, this morning declared upon a general strike, commencing tonight, in support of the Transport lightermen in their dispute with their employers and also to give the federation to adjust its grievances.

MARINES SENT TO GUANTANAMO

Five Hundred Are Ordered to Leave at Once to Protect Americans in Cuba.

SERIOUS SITUATION ADMITTED TO EXIST

Cuban Authorities, However, Claim They Control It—May Provoke Intervention.

Washington, May 23.—Because of reports of danger to American lives and property in Cuba, the navy department, at the state department's request today ordered the naval transport Prairie to embark 500 marines at Philadelphia and proceed immediately to the U. S. naval station at Guantanamo to join the gunboats Paducah and Nashville.

State department advises regarding the Cuban situation are very pessimistic. Cuban military authorities admit the situation is serious, but think they can control it. It is reliably reported to the state department that many people consider the movement designed to provoke intervention.

Two hundred additional marines were later ordered from New York to Philadelphia to board the Prairie, increasing the total number to 700. Several marine officers were ordered from Norfolk, including Colonel Lincoln Karmann, who will command a battalion. The navy department is making every effort to have the vessel get under way by nightfall. They reach Guantanamo in four days.

Havana, May 23.—It is reported that General Estenoz and General Iyonet, leaders of the insurgent negroes, have sent emissaries to the camp of the commander of the government troops at Guantanamo to treat for peace terms.

San Jose, Cuba, May 23.—Seven hundred negroes, under the leadership of General Estenoz, today set cane fields afire in Esperanza, Santa Rosa and Corvantes plantations, owned by Spaniards. Rural guards remained inactive, unable to control the situation.

SECY. WILSON CENSURED BY THE PRESBYTERIANS

Action in Naming Him as Delegate to Council Is Rescinded.

Louisville, Ky., May 23.—Expressing its disapproval of the action of Secretary of Agriculture Wilson in accepting last summer a vice presidency of the brewers congress at Chicago, the general assembly of the Presbyterian church in the United States of America yesterday rescinded its action in naming him as a delegate to the Pan-Protestant council.

The nominating committee was directed to nominate a delegate from the synod of Baltimore from which Secretary Wilson was to have been a representative, for the office.

What was taken to be an inference by the Rev. Dr. Alexander Henry of Philadelphia, that one of more members of the board of publication and Sunday school work were not orthodox, provoked quick response from members of the general assembly. Names of the heretodox ones were called for. One commissioner declared that any member of the board who had made mental reservations in his acceptance of the church's doctrine should at once resign. Moderator Mathews forbade any challenge of any man's orthodoxy on the floor of the assembly pointing out charges must be made before the tribunal of the church. Dr. Henry straightened matters out by explaining that in anything he had said he had not intended to convey any inference and expressed his unquestioned belief in the integrity of the orthodoxy of every board member.

The report of the board of publication and Sunday school work, was accompanied by resolutions providing for the appointment of a committee to confer with the board and to withdraw from distribution such graded lessons as are held to be unsatisfactory. Amended so as to provide that the decision of the committee alone would be sufficient to cause withdrawal of such literature, the resolution was adopted.

ASHEVILLE COMPANY CHARTERED

Gazette-News Bureau. The Hotel Raleigh, Raleigh, May 23. A charter was issued today to the Carolina Supply company of Asheville to deal in general merchandise. The authorized capital is \$25,000 with \$1000 subscribed by John C. Arbest, Henry B. Stevens, John B. Anderson.

Father, Eighty Years Old, Proud of His Twin Babies



DR. AND MRS. DAVID ALLYN GORTON.

Proud and happy Dr. David Allyn Gorton, of Brooklyn, N. Y., has been kept busy showing to friends the twins he has recently been blessed with at the youthful age of 80 years. The twins are a boy and a girl, weighing six and a half pounds each.

Dr. Gorton is a philosopher and a life long student of eugenics. He has written essays on the subject. It was his hope to have a boy brought into the world, but to his surprise and gratification a girl came also. Beautiful are the babies which are the result of Dr. Gorton's marriage at the advanced age of 79. His wife, who is 40 years old, was Miss Bartha Rehbein, his literary secretary. They were married July 20 last.

Rebels Make Early Gains in Long Expected Battle

Huerta's Flank Movement Checked and Rebel Front at Relano Is Strongly Defended—Insurrectos Capture Three Guns—Conflict May Decide War.

Relano, Mexico, May 23.—Fighting between the main rebel and federal armies was renewed at daybreak. Government troops opened the engagement against the insurrectos with a sharp artillery fire. There was a quick response from the rebel front, which seems well fortified. Today's battle is expected to be the turning point in the Mexican revolution.

General Campos captured two cannon and one machine gun from the federal column. The advantage appears with the rebels. They are holding firm positions.

At 7:30 a. m., General Huerta, the federal chief, unsuccessfully attempted a flank movement behind the hills to the east. General Orozco has been on the firing line since 6 o'clock. At 8:30 o'clock the federal main force fell back and the flank movement was checked. The federal fire was desultory.

After three hours of fighting between the Mexican federal and rebel armies, reports from the rebels' front indicated a slight advantage over the Madero army. Fighting yesterday, it is declared, resulted in the loss of 150 government troops. It is claimed Orozco drove off a federal cavalry charge with great loss to the assailants.

UNIT RULE TO GOVERN VIRGINIA DELEGATION AGAINST CANAL TOLLS FOR AMERICAN VESSELS

Wilson Men Are Likely to Fail in Effort for Instructions at Norfolk.

Norfolk, May 23.—The Virginia democratic convention for the election of 24 delegates to the Baltimore convention, assembled this morning with prospects for an uninstruced delegation working under the unit rule. Wilson supporters are seeking to secure the passage of preferential resolutions if absolute instructions fail. Clark, Underwood and Harmon men seek to prevent instructed or preferential action.

MARION RE-ARRESTED

New Evidence Found as to His Alleged Complicity in the Hillsville Tragedy.

Wytheville, Va., May 23.—J. T. Cochran, one of the commonwealth's first witnesses in Claude Allen's trial for the murder of Judge Massie in Hillsville today testified that he saw young Allen with a pistol in his pocket after the shooting occurred. A number of other witnesses gave testimony against Allen.

FIGHT WILSON IN HOME STATE

Strong Opposition Is Endeavoring to Elect an Uninstructed Delegation to the Convention.

TAFT AND ROOSEVELT STUMPING THE STATE

Begin Speaking Campaign Today—La Follette Already in the Field—Taft Confident.

Newark, May 23.—The battle for New Jersey's 28 delegates in the national convention began in earnest today when Roosevelt and Taft entered the state for a long series of speeches. Wilson is the only candidate named on the democratic primary ballots. A strong anti-Wilson organization is endeavoring to elect an uninstructed delegation.

Senator LaFollette opened his campaign last night with speeches in Jersey City and West Hoboken. The democratic situation is unusual. Although Governor Wilson is the only candidate for the presidential nomination named on the democratic ballot, his opponents inside the state have organized against him and named a complete list of delegates who will appear on the ballots as "uninstructed." The anti-Wilson leaders have not announced what candidate they will support at Baltimore in case they will go there with any delegates. Governor Wilson has made practically no speaking campaign.

New Jersey will send 28 delegates to the national conventions. The primary situation here is like that in Ohio, to the extent that the election may divide the delegates chosen to represent the several congressional districts among the various candidates, but the New Jersey law provides that the delegates-at-large shall be elected by the direct primary vote of the whole state and not by a state convention. Four delegates-at-large will be chosen and two from each of the 12 congressional districts, the latter by the vote within their districts.

President Taft, Governor Wilson, Colonel Roosevelt, all have a complete list of delegates on the ballots. Taft claims 570 delegates.

Washington, May 23.—President Taft left at 7 o'clock this morning for Philadelphia, where he will address the International Navigation congress. Tonight the president goes into New Jersey, speaking at Trenton, Camden and Burlington and opening a campaign which will take him into 12 districts of the state and which will not end an hour before the polls open for the republican primaries.

Washington, May 23.—Claiming 570 delegates to the Chicago convention, or 30 more than enough to assure him the nomination, President Taft, in a statement yesterday, declared he was going into New Jersey "to make assurance doubly sure."

The president's statement was issued after a day of activity at the White House. Conferences with his managers and appointments with the members of the cabinet were followed at 4 o'clock by a meeting of the full cabinet.

It was stated later that this meeting was devoted to "routine business" but members of the cabinet admitted that the political situation and had been reviewed in considerable detail.

"Our opponents quote from a statement of mine, made in Cleveland, that the fight in Ohio, my home state, would be the decisive one," said the president, in his statement, "and would settle the question of my nomination. This is true. I shall have at least 16 votes from Ohio, including the delegates-at-large, for we have every assurance that we shall control the state convention."

"This will constitute a clear majority in the national convention. Indeed, in addition to the votes from Ohio, delegates elected for me from other states of which I have been advised since my Cleveland statement give me at the most conservative estimate, 570 out of the 1078 votes in the national convention—30 more than the number necessary to nominate."

"I am going to New Jersey to take part in the coming campaign there for the same reason that I went to Ohio, and such delegates as we may receive from New Jersey will thus make assurance doubly sure."

Earlier in the day Director McKinley of the Taft headquarters claimed "at least 600" delegates for the president. The president's estimate, while smaller, was declared at the White House to represent "rock bottom" figures, which were expected to be materially increased. The claim to the 576 delegates-at-large in Ohio was made by the president after reannouncing messages from his Ohio managers.

No definite claim was made by the Taft forces to the 24 delegates to be selected in New Jersey next Tuesday. At Roosevelt national headquarters, Senator Dixon expressed the belief that Colonel Roosevelt would carry all districts in the state and secure the full delegation. In a statement today in the day, Senator Dixon declared, Colonel Roosevelt would be victorious.

Amundsen at Buenos Ayres. Buenos Ayres, May 23.—Captain Oswald Amundsen, the south pole's discoverer, arrived here from Montevideo today and was greeted by a great gathering.