

The News and Observer.

LEADS ALL NORTH CAROLINA DAILIES IN NEWS AND CIRCULATION.

THE PLOT FAILS; LABORI WILL LIVE

Doctors Now Believe Him Out of Danger.

HE MAY RECOVER QUICKLY

ADJOURNMENT OF COURT MARTIAL WILL BE ASKED.

YOU MUST WILL GRANT THE REQUEST

The Rifling of Labori's Pockets for Important Papers Clearly Points to a Plot in Which Several Men Were Implicated.

Rennes, France, August 15.—Maitre Labori, counsel for Captain Alfred Dreyfus, who was shot from ambush here yesterday while on his way from his residence to attend the court martial, after a night of terrible agony, was somewhat better this morning. The attending doctors, however, were still unable to sound the wound.

At 2:15 p. m. it was announced that M. Labori was doing so well that the doctors considered him out of danger. He lies on his back, unable to move, but life is returning to the leg which yesterday was thought to be paralyzed. He has no fever and continues to discuss the trial. His wife has remained at his bedside practically ever since he was wounded. Naturally she is much relieved at the favorable reports of the doctors, who hope to see the distinguished lawyer on his feet before the trial is ended.

At 8 o'clock this evening M. Labori was removed in an ambulance to the residence of Professor Basch, in a suburb of Rennes. He stood the journey well, although naturally fatigued. The doctors tonight are extremely hopeful of a speedy recovery, but consider it would be unwise for him to return to court until there is absolutely no danger of a relapse.

M. Demange has decided to ask for an adjournment, which has necessitated a written application by both M. Demange and Captain Dreyfus, who have already sent letters to the president of the court martial. Colonel Jouanet will undoubtedly accede to the request, but he cannot grant an adjournment for more than two days, when the application must be renewed. Captain Dreyfus wants the sessions postponed until Monday next, when it is hoped that M. Labori will be able to present.

The correspondent of the Associated Press here obtained complete corroboration today of the statement that the pockets of Labori's coat were rifled yesterday while he was lying on the ground wounded. Not only were the pockets of his coat emptied, but an attempt was made to steal his wallet in which were important papers referring to the court martial, including his notes for the cross examination of General Mercier. M. Labori has himself related the incident.

He had just fallen and saw one of two men run to his side. One of these said:

"His coat must be taken off. He will be too hot."

The speaker then took the wounded advocate's coat off and another man seized the wallet. M. Labori, however, retained his presence of mind and refused to allow the wallet to be taken out of his hands, putting it under his head for a pillow and holding it with one hand. The coat was shortly afterwards put on again. On arriving at his residence M. Labori asked his wife to look in his pockets and see if their contents were safe. Madame Labori found the pockets completely emptied. Luckily no papers of importance were in the pockets, which only contained personal letters, including menacing letters received on the previous day.

The rifling of the lawyer's pockets of the papers and the attempt to steal his wallet, while no effort was made to appropriate his watch or money, are regarded as clear evidence of a plot in which several men were implicated. The man who actually fired the shot, it appears, was only one part of the machinery of the conspirators. In spite of the extensive search made for the would-be assassin he is still at large, and the impression is gaining ground that he is being aided by the Anti-Dreyfus country people.

The doctors in attendance upon M. Labori have sent to Paris for an X-ray apparatus in order to locate the bullet. Dreyfus has written two letters to M. Labori. The first, on hearing the news of the attempt to murder the lawyer, is a spontaneous expression of his shocked feelings. The second is a touching epistle expressing the prisoner's keenest regrets at the dastardly outrage, profound gratitude to M. Labori for his heroic championship and heartfelt wishes for his happy recovery.

GUERIN'S GARRISON.

The Police Wait Outside and Get Them Coming and Going.

Paris, August 15.—The warrant for the arrest of M. Guerin, president of the Anti-Semite League who, with his sympathizers has been arraigned since Saturday last in offices of the league has been placed in the hands of Magistrate Fabre. Guerin is now regarded as an outlaw in a state of rebellion since his notification of the issue of the warrant.

He cannot claim the right of a citizen of exemption from arrest from sunset to sunrise and the persons garrisoning the headquarters of the league, numbering about forty, are in the same box. Strict orders have been given to arrest every one attempting to enter or leave the building. Three of Guerin's friends who attempted to leave the place this morning were arrested. They all carried six-chambered revolvers and hatchets and what Frenchmen designate as "American knuckle-dusters," otherwise brass knuckles. The Prefect of Police is still awaiting orders from the Government in regard to what action is to be taken against Guerin.

M. Guerin this evening displayed an Anti-Semitic tri-color flag on the roof of the Anti-Semite headquarters. On the flag was a motto reading "France for Frenchmen."

Waldeck-Rousseau conferred several times during the day with M. Lepine, the Prefect of Police, and in consideration of the fact that a recourse to force in the arrest of M. Guerin might lead to a useless sacrifice of life, entailing still graver demonstrations at the obsequies of the victims, the Premier decided not to expose the life of any man, soldier, policeman or fireman, but to leave M. Guerin a choice between self-imprisonment and arrest.

Meanwhile it looks as though this affair would have a rather tame ending. The friends of M. Guerin are busying themselves to rescue him from an impossible and foolish position. Mr. Stevens, son of the well known artist obtained from the Government a permit to enter M. Guerin's house and advise him to surrender at discretion; assuring him that no one doubted his courage, but that he ought not to compromise his friends, and be the cause of placing human life at stake.

Joseph Lasies, anti-Semite, deputy for Gers, who was furnished with a similar permit, visited M. Guerin at 9 o'clock this evening and conferred with him for three quarters of an hour, making every effort to persuade Guerin and his associates that further resistance was vain and dangerous. At about 10:30 M. Lasies went to see M. Waldeck-Rousseau. In the Premier's absence he was received by his Chief of Cabinet. In the course of an interview afterward M. Lasies denied that he was in charge of any negotiations or represented either side. He said he was simply acting on his own responsibility because he was anxious to avoid strife.

"I believe," M. Lasies continued, "that the matter will be arranged tomorrow. M. Guerin and his friends are over-excited. They are exhausted by sleepless nights and also the momentary expectation of a police coup. I have succeeded in obtaining an assurance from M. Waldeck-Rousseau that they will not be disturbed tonight and may get needed repose. Tomorrow I shall see the Premier and arrange terms by which (Continued on Second Page.)"

FRIES POWER COMPANY

TO ACQUIRE THE WINSTON-SALEM STREET RAILWAY.

More Evidence that the Tobacco Warehouse Trust is About to Turn up its Toes.

Winston, N. C., Aug. 15.—(Special.)—President C. R. McKay, of the Twin-City Construction Company, who lives in New York, came to Winston today and appointed F. A. Barr, manager of the Winston-Salem Street Railway to succeed F. W. McClement, whom the president announces is no longer connected with the company. Mr. Barr has been superintendent of the Fries Electric Power plant here for some time. It is learned the street railway will soon pass into the hands of the Fries Manufacturing Power Company.

PLANNING CIGAR COMBINE.

New York, Aug. 15.—Reports to the effect that a combination of the leading cigar manufacturers in Key West, Tampa and Havana is being organized, are current in the tobacco trade in this city.

ARRAIGNED FOR THEFT.

New York, Aug. 15.—Robert Wallace Mattison, formerly employed as a clerk in the Fourth National Bank of Atlanta, Ga., and who is alleged to have embezzled \$2,000 of the bank funds, was arraigned before a United States commissioner today. Mattison was arrested in this city on Thursday last.

Mattison said that he was anxious to get back to Georgia and stand trial. He waived examination and consented to return without waiting for the formal requisition papers. He will be sent back to Atlanta tomorrow.

EAGER TO AID THE STORM SUFFERERS

O. D. and A. C. Lines Offer Free Transportation.

TELEGRAMS GO GRATIS

CORRUGATED IRON TENDERED FOR BUILDING PURPOSES.

THE COLONIAL DAMES SEND IN CASH

The Present Emergency Will Serve to Show the Porto Ricans What it is to be Under the Direction of the United States.

Washington, Aug. 15.—The War Department has arranged to send two more shipments of supplies to Porto Rico. The steamer Evelyn of the New York and Porto Rico line will sail from New York next Friday, with a full cargo of supplies. The use of the vessel was tendered by the steamship company free of expense. The Government transport McClellan is scheduled to leave New York for San Juan Wednesday week. The auxiliary cruiser Resolute will also be utilized in case it is found necessary.

Secretary Root has received the following dispatch from W. La Guillaudou, New York: "I have read with sincere regret of devastation wrought in Porto Rico by recent hurricane; also note your call for aid addressed to mayors of cities, and in this connection beg to say that if you will designate a responsible representative to whom such contributions shall be consigned, the Old Dominion Steamship Company will most cheerfully transport such contributions over its line free of charge."

T. M. Emerson, Traffic Manager of the Atlantic Coast Line has tendered through District Passenger Agent Reed, the use of that system for free transportation of relief supplies. Secretary Root has accepted the offer with a letter of thanks.

G. W. Ribble, manager, announces that the Postal Telegraph-Cable Company will handle, free of charge, all Government telegrams regarding Porto Rican storm sufferers, and through its connection with the Bermuda Cable Company and West India and Panama Cable Company, will also handle cablegrams of the same class gratuitously.

The Secretary of War was today notified by the West Virginia Steel Company that they have forwarded a carload of corrugated iron to New York city for use in building operations in the devastated districts of Porto Rico. The iron was accepted with thanks and will be shipped at the first opportunity.

More contributions of money for the benefit of the Porto Rican sufferers were received at the War Department today. Among them \$400 from the National Relief Association of the Colonial Dames of America.

The Secretary of War believes that the appeal to the Governors of the several States for aid in raising funds will bring ready response. There is no question but that the situation in Porto Rico is desperate, but it is believed that the United States will meet this call upon its sympathies as generously as it has always responded to calls of the suffering, both at home and abroad. The officials of the War Department who have to do with the administration of insular affairs, say that the present emergency will at least serve to show the Porto Ricans what it means to be under the direction of the United States better than would a decade of tranquil and eventless association with this country.

Secretary Root today directed the purchase of 300,000 pounds of cod-fish for the storm sufferers. This purchase was suggested by General Davis, the cod-fish practically taking the place of meat with the poorer classes throughout the West Indian Islands. It is known in the vernacular as "Halifax Chicken."

BLOWING 30 MILES AN HOUR.

Wilmington Weather Bureau Looking for a More Violent Storm.

Wilmington, N. C., Aug. 15.—Up to 10 o'clock tonight the highest velocity of the wind has been thirty miles an hour; but the local weather bureau forecasts the arrival of a storm of much greater proportions within two or three hours. Thus far no damage has been reported in this section. Shipping is believed to be safe having had ample warning.

SEABOARD STOCKHOLDERS.

The Lines That Are to be Consolidated Under the New System.

Atlanta, Ga., Aug. 15.—A meeting of the stockholders of the Raleigh and Gaston Railroad Company will be held at Raleigh, N. C., September 6th to consider the terms and conditions upon which that property may consolidate with the Seaboard and Roanoke, the Raleigh and Augusta Air Line, the Carolina Central, the Georgia, Carolina and Northern, the Durham and Northern, the Roanoke and Tar River and the Louisville. The consolidation of these roads is preliminary to the formation of the Seaboard Railway Company which will include the Seaboard Air Line system, the Georgia and Alabama Railway Company, the Florida Central and Peninsular Railway Company.

FIELD OF WORK BROADENED.

A Section of the Typographical Union Laws Stricken Out.

Detroit, Mich., Aug. 15.—The International Typographical Union today struck out a section of the International Union laws which required that non-printer members be permitted to work only at the particular sub-division of the craft in which they may be employed at time of admission to the union. President Donnelly held with the majority, that a member of the union is entitled to work in any branch of the trade for which he is qualified. The motion to concur in the recommendation to strike out prevailed by a vote of 122 to 33.

The committee on laws recommended the adoption of an amendment that in machine offices under the jurisdiction of the I. T. U., no person should be eligible as an apprentice who is not a journeyman printer and a member of the Typographical Union, except apprentices in the last six months of their apprenticeship. This was referred to a special committee.

WHEAT GROWERS CONVENE.

Greenwood, S. C., Aug. 15.—The wheat growers' convention of South Carolina was in session here today.

Nearly 500 farmers from different sections of the State were present. Representatives from Georgia and elsewhere were in attendance and they were made members of the convention. The object of the convention is to encourage wheat growing in the State. During the morning session there were short discussions on wheat culture. Several important addresses were delivered in the afternoon. The organization of the wheat growers' convention in this State is the outcome of the work already inaugurated in Georgia, the effect of which is now being felt in South Carolina.

FOR VIOLATING POSTAL LAWS.

Baltimore, August 15.—Robert C. Murray was arrested here today for the violation of the postal laws. His scheme was to sell interests in certain patents which never existed. Murray has been operating in Richmond, Va., and other Southern cities.

BARBS AGAINST PHOEBUS.

Newport News, Va., August 15.—The indications are that there will be no case of yellow fever remaining at the Soldiers' Home after a few days. Nearly all the convalescents are about fully recovered. The quarantine against Phoebus will be raised by Hampton tonight at midnight.

LEASE OF THE GEORGIA RY

ATLANTIC COAST LINE WILL ACQUIRE A HALF INTEREST.

She Will do This in the Interest of the Southern, Giving the Latter a Route to Atlanta.

Augusta, Ga., Aug. 15.—It is stated here today that the Atlantic Coast Line had acquired a half interest in the lease of the Georgia Railroad held by the Louisville and Nashville. It is known that the Southern and Atlantic Coast Line work together, and the Southern could reach Atlanta easier over the Georgia than any other way. As there is a constitutional provision in the way of the Georgia direct, an objection which does not hold in regard to the Atlantic Coast Line, the latter will acquire one-half interest in it from the present lessee, the Louisville and Nashville, on an understanding which has been reached between the Southern and the Louisville and Nashville.

LIGHTNING'S QUEER WORK.

Tore the Stock Off a Gun—Death of Mr. Jarvis Buxton in Texas.

Lenoir, N. C., Aug. 15.—(Special.)—Lightning struck the corner of the residence of John Barnett, on King's Creek last week, tearing off part of the roof, running down the corner part and tore off the ceiling on the first floor, which fell on the bed on which he and his wife were sleeping, but the head and foot board saved them from injury. A gun in the corner of the room had the stock torn off but did not fire.

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McKINLEY ON THE FLAG OF THE FREE

He Speaks as Catholic School at Cliff Haven.

HE IS WILDLY CHEERED

DECLARES LOYALTY TO GOVERNMENT NATIONAL CREED.

REBELLION MAY DELAY FLAG'S MISSION

But This Emblem of Liberty, the Hope of the Oppressed, Wherever Assailed Will be Carried Forward to a Triumphant Peace.

Plattsburg, N. Y., August 15.—President McKinley, accompanied by Private Secretary Cortelyou, left Hotel Champlain this morning at a few minutes past 11 o'clock and was driven down to the auditorium on the grounds of the Catholic Summer School of America, at Cliff Haven, on Lake Champlain. As the President entered the auditorium the spectators arose and sang a song composed for the occasion and set to the music of Donizetti's "El Puritani."

Rev. M. J. Lavelle, President of the Catholic Summer School, introduced President McKinley. Father Lavelle's speech was frequently interrupted by hearty applause, and when during the course of his remarks he predicted that "The many millions of people brought under our protectorate would make American citizens as loyal, as sturdy and as true as those that are here today," the audience cheered enthusiastically.

As President McKinley arose the audience applauded, cheered, waved flags, handkerchiefs and parasols until he made a motion for them to desist. He said: "Father Lavelle, members of the Catholic Summer School, ladies and gentlemen:

"I had not intended to say a word, but I cannot sit in silence in the presence of this splendid demonstration of your good will and patriotism. I cannot forbear to give expression to my very high appreciation of the gracious welcome you have given me here today, and the more than gracious words of commendation uttered by your president. Whatever the Government of the United States has been able to accomplish since I last met you here has been because the hearts of the people have been with the Government of the United States. Our patriotism is neither sectional nor sectarian. We may differ in our political and religious beliefs, but we are united for country. Loyalty to the Government is our national creed. We follow, all of us, one flag. It symbolizes our purposes and our aspirations; it represents what we believe and what we mean to maintain, and wherever it floats, it is the flag of the free, the hope of the oppressed, and, wherever it is assailed, at any sacrifice it will be carried to a triumphant peace. That flag now floats from the homes of millions, even from our places of worship; it is seen from our school houses, from the shops, the factories, the mining towns, and it waves from the camp of the pioneer in the distant outpost and on the lumberman's hut in the dense forest. It is found in the home of the humblest toiler, and what it represents is dear to his heart. Rebellion may defy but it can never defeat its blessed mission of liberty and humanity. Thank you again for this most cordial and gracious greeting."

MAJOR WHITE'S RESIGNATION.

Washington, Aug. 15.—The resignation of Major Robert H. White, U. S. A., retired, has been accepted by the President. Major White was in the Medical Department and retired in July, 1898, at his own request, after thirty years' service. He was appointed from Virginia. No reason is given for his resignation, though he insisted upon its being accepted. It is unusual for a retired officer to resign, especially as he relinquishes the pay amounting to three-fourths of the rank he held at the time of retirement.

MORMON ELDERS IN TROUBLE.

Chattanooga, Tenn., August 15.—Saturday two Mormon elders were arrested in Tyler county, Ga., for refusing to pay poll taxes. The elders claimed they were preachers and exempt. The judge of the Superior court stated from the bench that he refused to recognize them as preachers and assessed a fine. The elders had no money and were started off to jail but succeeded in getting the jailer to accept their watches as security until they could send for money to pay the fines. President Rich, of the South Mormon society, says he will proceed in the courts against the Tyler county judge.

THE COLUMBIA WINS AGAIN.

Newport, R. I., Aug. 15.—Columbia beat Defender 8 minutes, 52 seconds, official time.

WHITE OUTRAGES.

Governor of North Carolina Appealed to Assist in Suppressing Them.

Atlanta, Aug. 15.—A special to the Constitution from Greensboro, S. C., says:

"The sheriff of this county today appealed to Governor McSweeney for aid to assist him in suppressing whitecap outrages which began here suddenly one week ago.

"Tonight the Governor sent word that he would be in Greenwood tomorrow with Attorney General Bellinger to make a personal investigation of the situation.

"For more than a week a gang of so-called whitecaps have been whipping negroes in this county nearly every night. The section between Greenwood and Phoenix is largely tenanted by negroes who rent from white landlords. It was at Phoenix, in this community, thickly settled by negroes that the election riot between blacks and whites took place last November. Since then among a lower class of whites there has been an unrelenting disposition to drive out the negroes. Certain white men here, it is said, desire to get control of the valuable lands hereabouts, and in order to do so they have set about to drive the negroes out.

"Monday night one week ago the whipping began. Negro houses were visited and the inmates taken out and beaten. Several nights last week this performance was repeated, and a wide territory has been covered in this manner by the whitecappers. The negroes are said to be in a state of terror and many spend the nights in the woods and swamps, while others seek the protection of their white landlords. On Saturday night two hundred negroes spent the night in Greenwood, and many of them have never returned to their homes fearing to do so. So far as is known, none have left the county."

HIGH TIDES, DANGEROUS SEAS.

Effects of Storm Will Continue to be Felt Here Today.

Washington, August 15.—The Middle Atlantic Coast States including New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia and North Carolina will experience the effects of the tropical storm that is moving northward from the South Carolina coast, where it is now central. Along this portion of the seaboard the wind will increase to strong northeast gales and will continue Wednesday, causing high tides and dangerous seas. By tomorrow the effects of the storm will begin to be felt in New York.

DEWEY IS STILL INDISPOSED.

Lehigh, August 15.—Admiral Dewey is still indisposed. Various officials have visited the Olympia today. The Admiral's departure for Florence has been postponed.

STARVED, BEATEN, BOUND

QUITE ANOTHER STORY OF LIEUT. GILMORE'S CAPTIVITY.

Letters Found Under Stones at San Isidro Tell a Fearful Tale of Suffering and Beg for Aid.

San Francisco, Cal., Aug. 15.—The Bulletin publishes a startling story from the Philippines regarding Lieutenant Gilmore and party from the Yorktown, who were captured by the Filipinos and who have been reported from official sources as well cared for and well treated. It appears that when the Americans reached San Isidro, the Yorktown members and some soldiers and civilians had been imprisoned, they found the names of the prisoners scratched on the walls of the jail. Some letters from the men were found secreted under stones, and a Spaniard, who had been entrusted with several, presented them to General Lawton. The letters told of the hardships the men were compelled to suffer and begged that aid be sent them. The men complained that they had been starved, beaten and bound, and moreover were in rags. One of the letters signed by Albert Lowenson, said that the Spaniards had been treated very badly, worse than the Americans, and that hundreds were dying of dysentery and other diseases, and that the Government took no notice of sickness prevailing. In his letter, Lowenson, who was formerly of the steamship Zealandia, gave the list of prisoners held by the Filipinos as follows:

Prisoners from Yorktown: J. G. Gilmore, U. S. N.; W. Wilson, C. A. M.; P. Vandovil, S. M. M.; W. Ellsworth, coxswain; S. Edwards, S. D. S.; S. Brissonoz, O. G.; A. Pearson, Apprentice; F. Anderson, landsman, captured at Baler, April 11th; A. D. Bruce, E. Honneman, Nevada cavalry, captured January 30th; A. Bishop, Third Artillery, April 12th; H. H. Huber, hospital corps, and J. O'Brien, civilian, January 27th.

BIG FOUR BUILDING BURNED.

Tallahassee, Fla., Aug. 15.—Fire here today destroyed the Big Four Building which was occupied by stores and offices. All the records of the Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias, were burned, as was the armory of the local military company together with fifty Springfield rifles. Loss \$60,000.

LILY LANGTRY MARRIES.

London, Aug. 15.—Mrs. Lily Langtry, the actress was married July 27th at the Island of Jersey to Hugo Gerald de Bath, twenty-eight years of age, the eldest son of Sir Henry Percival de Bath, Bart, a retired general and Crimean veteran. The ceremony was private. The Prince of Wales sent a telegram of congratulations.