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Sheriff Fatally Wound. SELMA, Ala., Jan. 20.—Sheriff Joe Lumpkin was shot three times and fatally wounded while trying to arrest Charley Nelson, an escaped negro, under sentence to be hanged for murder. A posse is scouring the country in search of the assassin and if caught he will probably be lynched.

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Changes in Spain's Army. MADRID, Jan. 24.—The ministry of war has decided to abolish the marshal, to retire half of the attached generals and to greatly reduce the number of officers on the active list.

Special Master Holds On. COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 21.—The supreme court today overruled the motion of Attorney General Munson to oust Master Commissioner Ernsmann in the Standard Oil case.

Left \$100,000 to a Railroad. PARKERSBURG, W. Va., Jan. 24.—Pierre Duquesne, who died in Paris some time ago, left an estate of \$100,000 and a bequest to the Baltimore and Ohio southwestern railroad of \$100,000.

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MR. CLAY SPEAKS IN BEHALF OF FILIPINOS

Georgia Senator Opposed to Holding the Islands. HE FAVORS INDEPENDENCE

Thinks a Happy Solution of the Present Complicated Situation Would Be a Just, Benevolent and Humane Government, Created by Natives.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—Mr. Clay of Georgia, one of the Democratic senators who expects to vote for the ratification of the treaty of peace, addressed the senate today on the general question of territorial expansion. He made it very clear that nothing should be allowed to stand in the way of prompt ratification, but that this government should make the Philippines the same promise of ultimate independence that are held out to the Cubans.

Mr. Clay expressed the opinion that had it been declared at the beginning of the war that it was the purpose of this country to conquer, acquire and annex the Philippines, the proposition would not have had half a dozen votes in the senate. He believed that suggestion of possible acquisition and annexation of the Philippine islands as a natural result of the war would have prevented the passage of the war resolution by congress. Discussing further the purpose of the war, he quoted President McKinley's message to congress declaring it the duty of this government to assist the people of Cuba to build up a government that is free and independent and to govern them as any other territory belonging to the United States, but he contended that such a policy would be unwise and against the best interests of the people of the United States.

No Right to Acquire Islands. He contended that we have not the right to acquire those islands or any other territory, either mainland or islands in the sea, and govern the people of such territory without constitutional limitations. He said: "If we acquire this foreign territory, we must deal with the population in the same manner and in the same constitutional form of government heretofore. We cannot, however, maintain one form of government for citizens of the United States and another form of government for a subjugated race. The inhabitants of this land were the inhabitants of Spain. They were not citizens of the United States. We assume sovereignty over those islands we expect allegiance from the Filipinos to our government and if we expect allegiance at their hands, then why are they not entitled to all the rights and privileges of citizens of the United States?"

Mr. Clay described the islands and their inhabitants, contending that there can be no hope of American communities being built in that territory, capable of statehood and that the only result of an attempt to maintain government in the Philippines which he could see was that it would involve us in a future war with foreign governments. He said: "We want to continue our friendly commercial relations with all of them. We want no territory or population liable and likely to involve us in complications which may lead to war with any of these powers."

Certain to Result in Wars. Mr. Clay maintained that free nations cannot govern provinces. Even memorabilia engaged in the colonial business have not found profit in extending their colonial possessions, which have almost invariably involved them in cruel and expensive wars. The inevitable result of our entering upon such a policy must be a large increase in the standing army.

A happy solution of the present complicated situation," he said, "would be a just, benevolent and humane government, created by the people of the Philippine islands under the temporary direction and with the temporary assistance of this government—a Philippine government whose independence should be recognized just as soon as it is found capable of performing all international obligations. If it be wise and statesmanlike to outline our policy before the adoption of the peace treaty, what reason or logic can the friends of expansion give for silence on the policy of our government in dealing with our other territorial acquisitions?"

Maniac Kills Blind Farmer. OORRY, Pa., Jan. 24.—Ira Randall, aged 57 years, a blind farmer, was wounded to death last night with an ax, wielded by Ernest Bouton, 30 years old, a crazy resident of this city. Bouton had been in the insane asylum for a year, but was discharged some time ago, pronounced cured. Last night he became violently insane and attacked Randall with an ax, literally cutting him to pieces. Bouton has been locked up.

IS THIS WHAT THEY PROMISED?

Educational and Property Qualifications for Voters to Be a Part of the Organic Law.

Below we give in brief the provisions of the proposed constitutional amendments:

Sec. 1. Provides for holding an election in May, 1900. Sec. 2. Every person qualified to vote shall have been actual bona fide resident of the State of North Carolina for two (2) years, of the county one (1) year, and of the precinct or ward or other election district in which he proposes to vote six (6) months next preceding election; provided, that removal from one precinct, etc., to another in the same county shall not operate to deprive any person of the right to vote in the precinct, etc., from which he has removed until six (6) months after such removal. But no person who has been convicted or confessed his guilt in open court upon indictment of the following crimes: Bribery, burglary in any degree, larceny, receiving stolen goods, arson, obtaining money or goods under false pretense, perjury, forgery, embezzlement, rape, assault with intent to commit rape, fornication and adultery, bigamy, incest, removing crop before paying rent or before satisfying liens thereon, disposing of mortgaged property with intent to defraud the mortgagee, crime against nature, sale of cotton within prohibited hours, dueling, gambling, conducting a lottery, injuries to houses, churches and fences, shooting at or throwing into cars, locomotives or trains, slander of innocent women, seduction under promise of marriage, or an attempt to commit any of these offenses, or of felony now prohibited by the laws of North Carolina, or which may hereafter be prohibited, or of any crime whereof the punishment may be imprisonment in the penitentiary, shall be permitted to vote or be deemed an elector, unless the said person shall be first restored to citizenship in a manner prescribed by law. And it shall not be necessary that any punishment has been imposed to bring persons within the prohibition of this section. Those under suspended judgment are prohibited, as well as those under sentence.

Sec. 3. Provides that every person offering to vote shall be at the time, a legally enrolled and registered voter on his personal application herein prescribed, and as provided in accordance with this Article, and no person shall be allowed to vote who has not registered. The qualification of voters and the registration laws in force on the first day of April, 1899, shall remain in force until June 2, 1900, at which date all the provisions of the Constitution relating to suffrage, registration and election, as contained in the Article, and as herein provided, shall go into effect; and the General Assembly at its regular session of 1901, shall enact a general registration law to carry into effect the provisions of this Article relating to the registration of such voters only as are qualified under this Article and its sections.

Sec. 4. All elections by the people shall be by ballot and all elections of the General Assembly shall be viva voce. Sec. 5. Every person presenting himself for registration shall be able to read and write intelligently, and he shall demonstrate his ability to do so when he applies for registration, by making under oath, administered to him by the officer having in charge such registration, or by his deputy, both of whom are hereby authorized to administer such oath, written application therefor upon a blank to be furnished by such officer. The said application shall contain the necessary information to show that he is entitled to register and vote and shall be entirely written, dated and signed by him, in the presence of the registration officer or his deputy, without assistance or suggestion from any person or memorandum what-so-ever except the form of application herein set forth.

The application for registration above provided for shall be an exact copy of the following form, with the proper names, dates and numbers substituted for the blanks appearing therein, to-wit: I am a resident of the State of North Carolina and resident of the United States. My name is Cook and Smith acquitted. ATLANTA, Jan. 21.—Ernest W. Cooke, the New York engineer, and S. F. Smith, a wealthy manufacturer, who were arrested in this city several days ago at the instance of John W. Taylor, have been acquitted of the charge of conspiracy and larceny by Judge Bloodworth.

DECATUR, Ga., Jan. 21.—While sleeping, a 13-year-old boy residing at this place, broke one of his upper jaw teeth while eating dinner and bled to death in about 18 hours. Physicians were unable to stop the flow.

RALEIGH, Jan. 21.—Milard Moore, a white convict, has been convicted here of murdering Guard Shaw and given the death sentence.

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WHITECAPS MURDER TWO.

Old Man and His Son Called to the Door and Shot Down. ALBANY, Ga., Jan. 21.—The details of a shocking tragedy that occurred near Cloggett, Miller county, have been received here. At a late hour a party of armed men, disguised as whitecaps, went to the house occupied by old man Rustin and family and called to the inmates to come out. Old man Rustin arose and opened the door, his appearance being the signal for a volley of shots, some of which struck him, bringing him to the floor.

A grown son and daughter of the old man, on hearing the firing, became frightened, and, presumably, attempted to escape, but they, too, were fired upon by the mob and struck down. The son died in a few minutes, and the daughter also passed away from the effects of his wounds.

The daughter is not dangerously injured, and will recover. The Rustins were respectable, industrious people. The latter class of Miller county's citizens are at a loss to imagine what could have actuated the whitecaps in their bloody work. A large posse of determined men has been organized for the purpose of apprehending the guilty parties.

RAILROAD CHANGES HANDS. Waycross Air Line Transferred From Its Old Owners to New. WAYCROSS, Ga., Jan. 24.—A deal has just been closed by which Hon. L. Johnson, Captain J. S. Bailey and their associates sell the Waycross Air Line railroad to J. E. Wadley, S. L. Sweet, C. C. Grace, W. W. Beach and A. Sessions, with J. S. Bailey also to become associated with them. The final papers are to be executed after a formal transfer made within a few days, when a new board of directors will be organized and officers elected.

It is stated that in all probability the present officers will be retained by the new company and all the employees will be continued in its service. The officers are Lou Johnson, superintendent and general manager; J. H. Hawkins, an attorney and A. L. Johnson, master mechanic.

The Air Line is considered a fine piece of property and under the new management it will be improved and its equipment increased so as to better its condition generally. It extends from Waycross to Marietta and operates at present double daily passenger and mail service.

LEGISLATURE RECONVENES. Alabama Session Have a Brief Time to Finish Their Work. MONTESSA, Ala., Jan. 24.—The general assembly of Alabama reconvened today after a recess of several weeks. Only 24 days remain for the legislature to complete its work. There is really very little to be done in the way of legislation, as it is understood that the constitutional convention will be called, and it is expected to meet all the requirements of the organic law.

Receiver Asked For B. & L. ATLANTA, Jan. 24.—A bill asking for a receiver for the Atlanta National Building and Loan association has been filed in the superior court. Judge Lumpkin has granted a temporary restraining order and set a hearing for next Thursday upon the question as to whether he will make the injunction permanent and appoint a receiver. The plaintiff in the bill is the former general counsel and director, Malcolm Johnston. The officers of the association and the attorney representing them say the bill has no merit. It is alleged by Johnston that the association has become insolvent by mismanagement.

JOE WHEELER'S CASE BEFORE A COMMITTEE

Inquiry Recently Ordered by the House Under Way.

GENERAL HIMSELF THERE Makes a Full Presentation of His Views, Holding That He is Entitled to Sit in Congress While Serving as an Army Officer.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—The inquiry ordered by the house of representatives as to what members were holding outside offices—originally intended to determine the status of Major General Wheeler and other members in the army—was begun today by the committee on judiciary. The inquiry was public and besides the members of the committee there were present General Wheeler, who made a full and formal presentation of his views, holding that he was entitled to sit as a member of the house while serving as a volunteer.

Representative Hitt of Illinois, the member of the Hawaiian commission; Representative Moody, a member of the postal committee, and Representative Orjen of Wisconsin, a member of the industrial commission, and Representative Gardner of New Jersey, a member of the industrial commission, submitted a brief as to the rights of members on that commission to hold the places.

Representative Bailey of Texas, who inaugurated the inquiry, was not present. The main interest attached to the statement of general Wheeler, which was formally prepared.

COTTON RATE FIGHT HOT. Various Lines Entering Atlanta Market Further Reductions. ATLANTA, Jan. 24.—The Seaboard Air Line has given notice that it will cut rates from Atlanta and Athens to Portsmouth and Norfolk from 25 cents to 20 cents per 100.

The Southern gives evidence that it is in the fight to stay, for authority has been secured from the railroad commission to reduce the Brunswick-Savannah rate from 19 cents to 15 cents, which preserves the differential of 6 cents which originally existed between the rates to these points and Norfolk and Portsmouth rates.

The Central of Georgia again reduced to Savannah and the Georgia road and to Charleston. The Central owns lines of steamers from Savannah to Boston and New York to these points and only recently receive a part of the rate the Central gets all, and consequently, is able to carry cotton at a much less rate.

ALABAMIAN READS A PAPER. Prison Reform Congress Still at Work in New Orleans. NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 24.—The prison reform congress continued its session today and opened with an interesting paper by Dr. Blake of Alabama on the necessity of separating prisoners afflicted with consumption from other inmates of penal and reformatory institutions.

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