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CENTRAL IS SOLD

Georgia Line Is Bought by the Harriman Interests.

STOCK \$60 PER SHARE

Price Paid for the Stock of the Road, to the Par Value of \$5,000,000, It Is Stated, Is \$3,000,000—Steamship Line Involved.

New York—The sale of the Central of Georgia railroad, carrying out plans forecasted more than a year ago is announced. The transactions originated in negotiations culminating in November, when the entire capital stock of the Central passed into the hands of Wm. Nelson Cromwell and John W. Castles. The purchaser, it was announced a few months later, was E. H. Harriman, whose intention, it was stated, was to transfer it to the Illinois Central. The price paid by the Illinois Central was not given out.

Announcement of the transfer was made in this city by John F. Hanson, of Atlanta, president of the Central of Georgia. The price paid by Mr. Harriman for the stock, to the par value of \$5,000,000, it was stated, was \$3,000,000, or at the rate of \$60 per share.

The transfer of the Central of Georgia carries with it the control of two steamship lines, one from Savannah to New York, and the other from Savannah to Boston, operated by the Ocean steamship company.

The Central of Georgia operates a little over 1,900 miles of road. Its system touches that of the Illinois Central at Birmingham, Ala.

SHOCKING MURDER.

Granddaughter of General Siegel, Brutally Slain—Mother Insane.

New York—Elsie J. Siegel, the young granddaughter of General Franz Siegel, the civil war hero, who was slain by a Chinese at 728 Eighth ave., near Forty-seventh street, and her body placed in a trunk was poisoned and not strangled as was first supposed. She was put into the trunk while still alive and asphyxiated before the poison had done its work.

The startling phase of the mysterious murder developed as a result of an autopsy performed on the body in the morgue by Coroner's physician O'Hanlon. He discovered that the rope found around the girl's neck had not strangled her.

Her daughter's awful fate has driven Mrs. Siegel insane. She was removed to a sanitarium shrieking reproaches at herself for having introduced her daughter to Chinese mission work.

The murderer of the young girl is believed to be Ling Leon, a Chinese, who fell in love with her.

TEN KILLED—MANY HURT.

Head-on Collision of Electric Cars in Indiana.

South Bend, Ind.—Ten persons were killed and forty injured in a wreck on the Chicago, Lake Shore and South Bend railroad in Porter county, Indiana, two of the big electric cars colliding head-on. According to General Manager H. U. Wallace, the wreck was due to a disobedience of orders by Motorman George A. Reed, of the eastbound car, who was killed.

Reed received instructions at Gary to wait at Wilson, a short distance west of Balleystown, the point at which the disaster occurred, for the westbound car to pass. The impact of cars was so great that they were reduced to a mass of wreckage.

Howell—If I hadn't drawn that queen I might have had a straight flush. Powell—That's right; always blame the woman.

Holland Granted New Trial.

Montgomery, Ala.—The supreme court gives John Holland, under death sentence in Cullman county, for the murder of H. D. Putnam, a new trial, and affirms the decision giving H. M. Norris the office of sheriff of Shelby county over J. H. Fulton declared elected.

PROBE FOR EXCHANGES.

Certain Methods of Speculation Condemned by Hughes Committee.

New York—The report of the committee appointed by Governor Hughes to investigate speculation in securities and commodities and the organizations used in dealings therein has been made public. The New York Stock, the Consolidated Stock, the Cotton, the Produce, the Coffee, the Mercantile and the Metal Exchanges and the curb market were thoroughly investigated, and recommendations looking to improvement of existing conditions were made at length by the committee. The most drastic finding is that affecting the Mercantile and Metal Exchanges, as follows:

"Under present conditions, we are of the opinion that the Mercantile and Metal Exchanges do actual harm to producers and consumers, and that their charters should be repealed."

Some of the methods of certain exchanges are given unsparing condemnation in the report of the committee, which is very lengthy, and various recommendations for reform and improvements are suggested.

The report in part says:

"The rules of all exchanges forbid gambling, but they make so easy a technical delivery of the property contracted for, that the practical effect of much speculation in point of form legitimate, is not greatly different from that of gambling."

The subject of "corners" is dealt with and a suggestion made that the stock exchange might properly adopt a rule providing that the governors shall have power to decide when a corner exists and to fix a settlement price, so as to relieve innocent persons from the injury or ruin which may result therefrom.

DOUBLE MURDER.

Tragedy in Red Light District of Macon.

Macon, Ga.—Officer Oscar Abel, of the Macon police force, shot and killed Emma Raymond, in the red light district here. Whether a quarrel existed before the double murder is not yet known. The whole affair is shrouded in mystery. The officer was dressed in his uniform at the time, badge and all.

The woman was shot three times in the breast. Abel lived only a short time after shooting himself twice in the head.

WICKERSHAM'S SON WEDS.

Married to Daughter of Long Island Man at Far Rockaway, N. Y.

New York—Cornelius Wendell Wickersham, son of the attorney-general of the United States, was married at Far Rockaway to Miss Rosalie Neilson Hinckley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Parker Hinckley of Lawrence, N. Y.

The wedding was performed by the Rev. W. H. Neilson, an uncle of the bride. Attorney-General Wickersham and Mrs. Wickersham were present, and messages of congratulation were received from President Taft, the members of the cabinet and other high officials.

Bunker Hill Casualties.

Boston, Mass.—The list of injured in the Bunker Hill celebration rivalled that of the actual battle of 134 years ago. Sixty-five persons were treated at the hospitals of Boston and vicinity for injuries caused by fireworks and pistols, and many more were attended by physicians at their homes. Fortunately there were no serious casualties.

Memorial Dedication.

Hartford, Conn.—With ceremonies befitting the occasion, the monument erected in Spring Grove cemetery, to the memory of Henry Clay Work, author of "Marching Through Georgia," was dedicated here. United States Senator Bulkeley made the chief address. The monument was raised by public subscription.

Prisoner is Cremated.

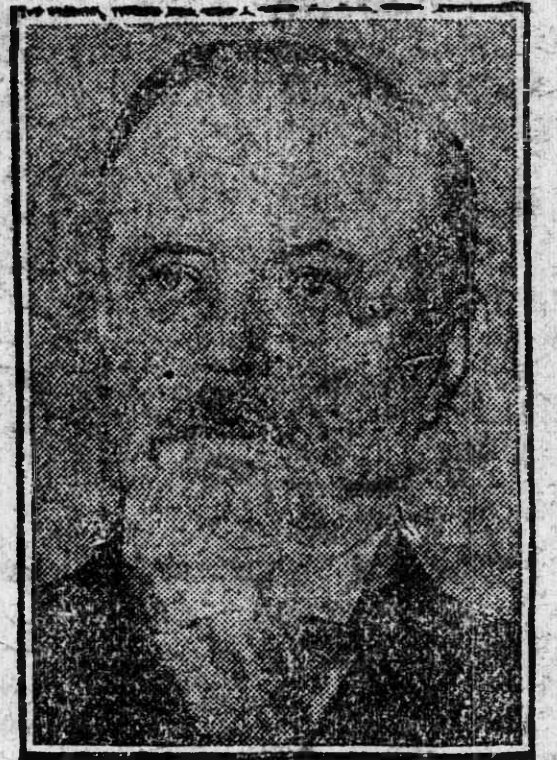
Beaumont, Tex.—Tom Bowen, the only prisoner in the Kirbyville, Jasper county jail, was cremated in a fire which destroyed the building. It is thought the fire was of incendiary origin.

THE CALHOUN TRIAL

Jury Disagrees in the Famous 'Frisco Case.

HOW THE JURY STOOD

Celebrated Municipal Graft Trial Has Been in Progress For Over Five Months—Trial Ended Quietly—No Demonstration.



PATRICK CALHOUN.

San Francisco.—Terminating in a disagreement of the jury, with ten determined on acquittal and two resolved upon conviction, the trial of President Patrick Calhoun, of the United Railroads, has been brought to an end, for the present, at least.

Five months and a week have transpired since the wealthy street car magnate, a descendent of Patrick Henry, made his first appearance in court to answer to the charge of offering a bribe of \$4,000 to a supervisor to obtain a privilege for his corporation.

Not until each juror had pronounced as hopeless the prospect of a verdict, was the order for their liberation made by Judge Lawlor, prosecution and defense giving assent to the discharge.

Calhoun, it is said, was sure of an acquittal and proposes to retalliate by bringing certain charges against the district attorney and others of the prosecution.

THE GOULD DIVORCE SUIT.

Multi-Millionaire's Wife Had Penchant For Cocktails.

New York.—The Gould divorce case proceedings continue to attract the keen interest of the public generally and the scandal mongers in particular.

Some very racy and startling testimony has been given by witnesses, particularly servants of the Gould household, regarding the private life of the multi-millionaire's wife, who was formerly an actress.

Witness after witness testified to the weakness of Mrs. Gould for the "cup that cheers" and that she had been repeatedly seen very much the worse for a too free indulgence of Manhattan cocktails and other intoxicants.

Mr. Gould's former personal valet, Henry J. Veitch, swore that at one time he had served his mistress with two quarts of Manhattan cocktail in as many days, besides the wines and liquors which he said she drank at the table.

All this, the witness said, had changed her from a charming, affable woman to one of caprices, ill-tempered and not choice in her language.

Dustin Farnum, the actor, is now brought into the testimony and the case assumes, if possible, a still more sensational character.

Shot From Ambush.

Nashville, Tenn.—Near Greenfield, Tenn., at an ice cream supper, Henry Needham, a prominent young man, was shot from ambush. He was shot in the neck with a shotgun and instantly killed. The face of the young woman with him was badly powder-burned. There is no clue to the assassin, and no motive is known for the assassination.

WARSHIPS MANEUVER.

Big Fleet Will be Kept Busy for Two Months.

Hampton Roads, Va.—With the steaming out of the harbor of the sixteen battleships commanded by Rear Admiral Seaton Schroeder, the summer maneuvers of the main portion of the battleship fleet of the United States began.

From now until the middle of August, with the exception of a break in the program for the celebration of Independence day, the officers and men will be kept busy engaged at drilling on the waters of the Atlantic.

The vessels will remain on the southern drill grounds, south of the entrance to Chesapeake Bay, for the summer maneuvers, until July 2, with the exception of five days to be spent in coaling and taking on provisions. Following their arduous labor will come the Fourth of July rest, for which the vessels will disperse to different parts of the coast. The fleet will be re-united at Princetown, Mass., on July 10. The fleet's program at Princetown includes a review by President Taft.

The fleet will return to Hampton roads on August 9.

MOTHER BORE SAD NEWS.

Tells Son of His Final Condemnation to Hang.

Kahnville, Ind.—The first news of his final condemnation to hanging for complicity in the kidnapping and murder of Walter Lamana was borne to Leonardo Gebbia by his aged mother, who came from New Orleans to console him.

The Lamana youth was kidnapped in 1907 by a party of Italians who demanded \$5,000 ransom from the father, Peter Lamana. The latter refused to pay this amount, and the lad's head was severed from his body, which was found in the swamps of this parish. The boy's father is exerting every effort to act as executor of Gebbia. Six other Italians are now serving life sentences in the penitentiary for complicity in the crime.

DEADLY FEUD REIGNS.

Farmers Near Taitsville, Mo., Go To Their Fields Armed.

Cowgill, Mo.—Farmers have been working in the fields near Taitsville, fifteen miles south of here, with rifles slung over their shoulders. The condition was caused by the murder from ambush of Clyde Hatfield, a young farmer, and the shooting of Henry Berry by night riders.

The feeling in Taitsville is that several men must die or move from the community before the feud ends and peace is restored. Every house in the Taitsville district is supplied with firearms.

Convicted of Arson.

Aiken, S. C.—Moses Stevens, a negro, has been convicted in the circuit court of arson. The conviction, which carries the death sentence, is on the charge of burning the barn of Mrs. M. C. Mosley. Stevens' wife and mother-in-law testified he told them he burned the barn for revenge because Mrs. Mosley refused to lend him some money.

They Had a Close Call.

Arcadia, La.—During a storm, lightning struck the residence of B. A. Madden, splintering the roof and entering the room in which Mr. and Mrs. Madden were. The bolt ran down the headpost of the bed on which the couple were asleep, and a hat thereon was incinerated. Mr. and Mrs. Madden were severely shocked, but not seriously injured.

FATAL AUTO SMASHUP.

One Person Killed, Several Injured, Near Anderson, S. C.

Anderson, S. C.—In a collision between an interurban car of the Anderson Traction company and an automobile at Breazale's crossing, nine miles east of Anderson, one is dead, one fatally and two seriously injured. Some defect in the mechanism of the automobile caused it to come to a standstill on the car tracks, and the electric car smashed into it while going at a high rate of speed, down grade.

County Government.

Representative—G. W. Wilson.
Clerk Superior Court—T. T. Loftis.
Sheriff and Tax Collector—C. C. Kilpatrick.

Treasurer—Z. W. Nicholls.
Register of Deeds—B. A. Gillespie.
Coroner—Dr. W. J. Wallis.
Commissioners—W. M. Henry, Ch'n; G. T. Lyday; W. E. Galloway.
Superintendent of Schools—T. C. Henderson.
Physician—Dr. Goode Cheatham.
Attorney—Cash & Galloway.

Town Government.

Mayor—W. E. Breese, jr.
Board of Aldermen—T. H. Shipman, J. M. Kilpatrick, T. M. Mitchell, A. H. King, E. W. Carter.
Marshal—J. A. Galloway.
Clerk and Tax Collector—T. H. Galloway.
Treasurer—T. H. Shipman.
Health Officer—Dr. G. W. Hunt.
Attorney—W. W. Zachary.

SOUTHEASTERN RAILWAY COMPANY.

Operating the Transylvania Railroad.

SUMMER SCHEDULE

Effective May 30, 1909

Time Table No. 5

| No. Daily. | No. Daily. | Eastern Standard Time | No. Daily. | No. Daily. |
|------------|------------|------------------------|------------|------------|
| P. M. | A. M. | STATIONS | P. M. | A. M. |
| 3 50 | 8 05 | LV. Asheville | 8 05 | 6 15 |
| 4 55 | 9 10 | Hendersonville | 8 09 | 5 10 |
| 5 16 | | Yale | 7 48 | |
| 5 21 | 9 26 | Horse Shoe | 8 44 | 6 54 |
| 5 26 | 9 31 | Cannon | 7 39 | 6 49 |
| 5 35 | 9 40 | Etowah | 8 33 | 6 43 |
| 5 41 | 9 46 | Blantyre | 7 28 | 6 38 |
| 5 47 | 9 52 | Penrose | 8 21 | 6 31 |
| 5 55 | 10 00 | Davidson River | 7 13 | 6 23 |
| 6 00 | 10 05 | Pisgah Forest | 5 10 | 6 20 |
| 6 10 | 10 15 | Brevard | 6 05 | 6 15 |
| 6 24 | 10 29 | Selma | 6 48 | 6 58 |
| 6 32 | 10 37 | Cherryfield | 6 42 | 7 33 |
| 6 35 | 10 40 | Calvert | 6 38 | 7 48 |
| 6 41 | 10 46 | Rosman | 6 33 | 7 43 |
| 6 49 | 11 04 | Quebee | 6 20 | 7 30 |
| 6 50 | | Keid's | 6 10 | |
| 6 57 | 11 25 | Toxaway Inn | 6 02 | 6 12 |
| 7 25 | 11 30 | Ar. Lake Toxaway | 6 00 | 6 10 |

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J. H. WOOD, Dist. Pass. Ag't, Asheville, N. C.

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Entry No. 2545.

North Carolina—Transylvania County.
C. I. Owen enters and claims 24 acres more or less of land lying in Gloucester Township, on the west prong of French Broad river, adjoining the lands of Marion Owen and Jim Owen. Beginning on Marion Owen's south-west corner and runs various courses for complement, so as to include all adjoining vacant lands. Entered March 9, 1909.
B. A. GILLESPIE,
Entry Taker.

Entry No. 2546.

J. S. Silverstein enters and claims 10 acres of land lying in Eastate Township, on the waters of Flat creek and of Toxaway river, adjoining the lands of J. S. Silverstein and others. Beginning on a pine and stone on a ridge, J. S. Silverstein's corner (formerly a corner of the Pink Galloway tract) and runs with said Silverstein's line south 18 deg E 94 poles to a stake in the South Carolina line; then with the South Carolina line N 72 1/2 deg E 70 poles to a stake; then various courses for complement, so as to include all vacant land. This March 30th, 1909.
B. A. GILLESPIE,
Entry Taker.

Entry No. 2549.

Fred E. Shuford enters and claims 50 acres more or less of land lying on the waters of Little creek of the Flat creek of Toxaway river, adjoining the lands of Ed Hendrix, J. E. Galloway and others, beginning on a Pine on the Isaac Camp knob, J. E. Galloway's corner; thence a south-west direction with J. E. Galloway's line to a cucumber, J. E. Galloway's and Ed Hendrix' corner; then with Ed Hendrix' line north 32 deg east to a Spanish oak stump, W. H. Summey's corner; then south 60 deg east 32 poles to the beginning. This 9th day of June, 1909.
B. A. GILLESPIE,
Entry Taker.