

TOGET OUT HOBSON WOULD HAVE TO RESIGN

The Naval Retiring Board Declines to Recommend His Retirement Now

COMPLAINING OF HIS EYES

He Has Been Ordered to Return to Duty at Charleston

Washington, Jan. 24.—The naval retiring board has declined to recommend the retirement of Capt. Richmond P. Hobson. He has complained of his eyes, which have suffered from the heat and glare while working on the Spanish vessels sunk at Santiago and afterward in the dry dock at Hong Kong, where two vessels of the Spanish fleet, sunk by Admiral Dewey, were captured. Since his return to the United States Captain Hobson has been on detached duty, first at Buffalo in connection with the late exposition there, and now at Charleston in charge of the department's naval exhibition.

Another Shock in Mexico

Mexico City, Jan. 24.—Another slight earthquake shock shook Chilpancingo yesterday afternoon and people ran about the streets in despair. No harm was done. Official data shows that 614 houses, not including the government buildings, were destroyed in the first and second earthquakes. The people continue panic-stricken and fear continued shocks. Many are leaving to establish themselves in other towns and cities.

RECRUITS TO SAIL

San Francisco, Jan. 24.—The transport Thomas, Captain Buford, which will sail for Manila February 1, will carry 1200 unassigned recruits. Among the officers to sail are: Major Paulding of the 11th Infantry, and Lieutenant W. P. Stevens of the 1st Cavalry, of the Nineteenth Infantry.

Reduced Prices ON Book Cases AND Ladies' Desks For 10 Days, to Make Room. Mrs. L. A. JOHNSON'S 43 PATTON AVE.

For Rent UNFURNISHED HOUSES. 2 room, close in, \$25; 2 room, Chestnut street, 35; 2 room, South Main street, 30; 2 room, College Street, 12. FURNISHED. 3 room (new), 60; 2 room, Biltmore, 35; 2 room cottage, 40; 2 room, Church street, 40. WEAVER & ALEXANDER Real Estate, 45 Patton Ave.

Scientific Eye Examination Free Fitting glasses is our exclusive business. S. L. McKEE, 51 Patton Ave.

"THE OUTFITTER" January Clearance Sale! Ladies' Suits in Colors, 1-2 Off Ladies' Wraps and Dress Skirts, 1-3 Off Muslin Underwear, 1-4 Off All Furs at Cost

Special line of Men's Suits in short lots at big bargains. Liberal reductions in Overcoats. We Do Merchant Tailoring. M. V. Moore ASHEVILLE, N. C. 11 Patton Avenue.

THE SERVANTS SAID BRAEMER HAD LEFT

Denies This and Remains to See Investigation—Mansion and \$150,000 Transferred

Cincinnati, Jan. 24.—Sensational reports are published again today regarding Theodore Braemer, who resigned this week as secretary and treasurer of the Schroth Packing company. Pending an examination of the books of the Schroth company, Braemer has remained at home, where inquiries of newspaper men and others have to do with the household that Mrs. Braemer is prostrate. The servants last night and today in reply to all inquiries announced that Mr. Braemer and family left last night for Honolulu.

CARS AGAIN CANNOT BE FOUND FOR SHIPPING

It is learned that the shortage of cars is again becoming about as serious as it was in the fall. There is still a shortage as to coal cars and box cars, in spite of the utmost efforts that are being made by the railway officials, to have all cars returned to this division promptly. "The conditions affecting the supply of cars," said a well known coal dealer this morning to a Citizen reporter, "remain about the same, as they have for the past two weeks. The main reason for this is a shortage as to coal cars and box cars, in spite of the utmost efforts that are being made by the railway officials, to have all cars returned to this division promptly."

TWO MASTER ASHORE

Lewes, Del., Jan. 24.—Word was received this morning that two master steamers were ashore on the Hog Island shoals about 10 miles from the Delaware breakwater.

WARNER SHOT HIMSELF

Newmarket, England, Jan. 24.—Lew Warner, the American horseman, died this morning as a result of a self-inflicted pistol shot.

Houses For Rent

Some very desirable houses furnished and unfurnished. Also rooms. Desirable lots in city and three small truck farms for sale cheap. Apply to or address J. H. CLIFFORD Real Estate Agent, Phone 719. Room 37, Library Bldg.

One Look

At your face on our photographs, will convince you that they are THE BEST Look for the name.

Lindsey & McFarland, The Photographers SOUTH COURT PLACE.

Last Week

We advertised a bargain in country property and sold it. This week we will give you a chance on a six room frame house renting for \$9.50 per month—price \$500 cash. Also one very desirable business or residence lot, close in, for \$575. For quick rental we are offering: One 7-room house, 2 minutes walk from postoffice for \$35 per month. One 8-room furnished house on street car line for \$40 per month. One 7-room house near street car line for \$25 a month. Money to Loan in sums from \$500 to \$6000.

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Is the most satisfactory atomizer to buy. We have all the styles for spraying nose and throat. Price 50c. to \$1.75. A good spray 50c.

Grant's Pharmacy

Blank Books Office Supplies Eastman Kodaks Photo Supplies Picture Frames to Order The French Broad Press A. H. McQuilkin, Prop. 82-84 PATTON AVENUE.

CASTRO INVOLVES COUNTRY MORE DEEPLY

Refuses to Let French Citizen Land to Prevent Seizure of Property

FRENCH CONSUL PROTESTS

Two French Cruisers Ordered to La Guayra to Make Subjects Respected

Willemstad, Jan. 24.—In spite of the protests made by the French consul here, President Castro has sustained the action of the Venezuelan authorities at LaGuayra, who refused to permit M. Secretat, Jr., of Bordeaux, to land. It is claimed that this incident makes it necessary for the French government to take steps necessary to cause French citizens to be respected, and it is believed that two French cruisers now at Fort de France will receive orders to go to LaGuayra with the intention of going to Caracas to protest against the seizure of estates of General Matos by the Venezuelan government general, the property having been legally leased to M. Secretat.

ATTEMPTED TO KILL KING OF GREECE

Vienna, Jan. 24.—The Neue Presse today prints an unconfirmed story of an attempt to assassinate King George of Greece. According to this report, his majesty was walking in the park at Phaleron, when a man brandishing a knife, rushed upon him. The king, who was accompanied by his wife and children, fled to the palace. The would-be assassin was arrested.

THE RANSOM IS PROCEEDING

Seres, Macedonia, Jan. 24.—The bearers of the ransom for Miss Stone and Madame Telka, having with them \$72,500, reached Demir-Hissar (Roumania) January 21 and proceeded to the mountains on horse back, accompanied by a strong escort.

MEETING FOR BAPTIST CHURCH AT PINNEY GROVE

A meeting of a number of the citizens of Morgan and vicinity was held on the 14th inst. at the residence of William Beachboard for the purpose of securing a site and ground for a new Baptist church. The local joint committee was selected to determine the location of the new building. O. T. Bell, F. M. Stocketon and M. N. Bradley, Wesley Sheppard. Mr. Beachboard made an interesting talk regarding the new church and donated two acres of land as a building site and \$50 in cash. By a unanimous vote Mr. Beachboard's offer was accepted and the new building will be erected at Pinney Grove, upon the land donated for the purpose.

Half Year Closing

The Normal and Collegiate Institute will close its most successful term January 31. The health of the school has been phenomenal. It has never had a more competent corps of teachers and the classes have never done better work. The closing examinations for the term or half school year will begin January 26, and the new term will open February 1.

Hadn't Provided for Family

Alexander Freeman was this morning arrested by Deputy Sheriff Weaver on a capias from Madison county accusing him of deserting his family. It is alleged that Freeman has been away from Marshall for more than a year and that in the meantime, had made no provision at all for his wife and four children.

BLAZE ON PATTON AVENUE

Last night was only the result of match striking to light some of Wells' Good Cigars.

NO COMBINE OF TRANS ATLANTIC SHIPPING

New York, Jan. 24.—The White Star steamer Celtic arrived today from Liverpool and Queenstown. Among the passengers are a number of English shipping men, whose mission, it is rumored, was to form a combine of trans-Atlantic passenger and freight lines. The party included the Right Hon. W. J. Pierre, chairman of the Canadian and Wolff Shipbuilding company, director of the Leyland and White Star Lines; Henry Willing of Richardson Spence & Co., English agents of the International Navigation company, and J. Bruce Ismay and W. S. Graves, directors of the White Star Line. They are accompanied by Ralph Neville and John Dickinson, maritime lawyers.

DR. WILSON RESIGNS

Charlotte, N. C., Jan. 24.—President Benjamin F. Wilson of Converse college, Spartanburg, S. C., one of the largest and female colleges in the south, has resigned after 12 years service.

LICENSES

Marriage licenses have been issued to George Brown and Little Hays and Herbert Grawl and Julia Pitts, all of Buncombe.

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HOWARD'S ALIBI HAS SEVERAL BAD BLOWS

San Francisco, Jan. 24.—Frank Howard, until recently a soldier, was brought here from Fort Columbia, Washington, and taken to the military prison at Alcatraz Island, where he will serve a sentence of ten years for threatening the life of President Roosevelt.

Horace Greely Westall Dead

Horace Greely Westall died this morning at 7 o'clock at the residence of Mrs. H. B. James, 25 Turner street. The deceased was in his 37th year. He had been in ill health for several years though he had been seriously ill for about three weeks.

MILLS PAY DIVIDENDS

Concord, N. C., Jan. 24.—The annual meetings of the stockholders of the Albemarle cotton mills were held this week. The Waccamets mills paid a dividend of 4 per cent, the Eldred 2 per cent and the Windemere Knitting Mills 3 per cent.

DIED FROM HIS INJURIES

Salisbury, N. C., Jan. 24.—Clint Henderson, the negro who was stabbed six times in a fight on Christmas day died Wednesday. The man who did the cutting has escaped.

TALKING OVER APPEAL

Washington, Jan. 24.—Secretary Long and Solicitor Hanna of the navy department were summoned to the White House yesterday by President Roosevelt and detained there nearly an hour in private conference. It is believed the appeal of Admiral Schley was under consideration.

HAWAII IS AGAINST CONCESSIONS FOR CUBA

The "Protection and Shelter" Business is Up in the House Again

SIXTEEN DEMOCRATS FOR IT

By Strict Party Vote Otherwise As Amendment to Urgent Deficiency

Washington, Jan. 24.—The Cuban reciprocity hearings were resumed today before the ways and means committee, with a large attendance of those representing beet and cane sugar, tobacco and other industries opposed to concessions to Cuba and with the expectation that some government officials of Cuba might be present later in the day to sign up the advantages of reciprocal trade. The attitude of the Hawaiian sugar planters, opposing concessions to Cuba, was presented by Wm. Haywood, formerly United States consul general to Hawaii and now representing the Hawaiian planters and chamber of commerce at Hawaii.

Washington, Jan. 24.—The first business in the House today was a vote upon the urgent deficiency bill. Mr. Cannon of the appropriations committee, demanded a separate vote upon the amendment to appropriate \$500,000 for "protection and shelter" of officers and enlisted men of the army serving in the Philippines. His purpose was to put the other side on record. Mr. Richardson, the minority leader, sought to meet this demand with a proposition to recommit, but the speaker held that a motion to recommit would not be in order until after the bill had been formally read by the third time. The amendment was adopted, 118 to 105. The Republicans voted solidly for the amendment and the Democrats against it, with the exception of the following: Cummings of New York; McElree of Arkansas; Taylor of Alabama; Kern of Indiana; Norton of Ohio; Kennerly of Illinois; Lindsay of New York; McCulloch of Illinois; Mahoney of Illinois; Foster of Illinois; Fox of Mississippi; Gordon of Ohio and Crowley of Minnesota.

TAXES DECREASE

Special to The Citizen. Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 24.—Julian S. Carr accepts an invitation to deliver the formal address at the dedication of the dormitory at the Soldiers' Home February 4. The Governor will also speak. State Auditor Dixon finds that the schedule of license taxes have fallen off \$17,000 since the last report, and that the merchants' purchase tax has fallen off \$100,000.

WEST INDIES CEDED WITHOUT ASKING RIGHTS FOR NATIVES

Washington, Jan. 24.—The treaty of cession of the Danish West Indies Islands from Denmark to the United States was signed at the State department today by Secretary Hay and Co minister. The treaty will be submitted to the senate for ratification immediately. Following the invariable rule in such cases, the State department officials decline to make public any details of the treaty. The price is believed to be in the neighborhood of \$5,000,000. It is known also that Denmark has abandoned the position she was inclined to occupy toward conservation of political rights of the island and leaves the United States free to deal with them, without pledging American citizenship or of free trade privileges. So it is assumed that the status of the Danish West Indies, politically and commercially, should the treaty be ratified, will be similar to that of Porto Rico.

FREIGHT GETS WOUND UP WITH THE TRACKS

A freight wreck occurred this morning at Gash's Creek tunnel, just above Biltmore, and six cars were derailed. The disaster was caused by a broken wheel. A wrecking train was ordered out from Asheville to the scene though the track had not been cleared by noon today.

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CONDEMN SENDING SPECIAL ENVOYS

Bill in Kentucky House Expressing Shame for it—Another Praises Schley

Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 24.—In the House today Representative Averdict (Democrat) of Covington, introduced a joint resolution condemning the action of President Roosevelt in sending special envoys as representatives of this country to the coronation of King Edward and expressing shame felt by the legislature because of this action. Representative Rigdon introduced a joint resolution to prohibit the use of any books in the schools of this State which do not give Admiral Schley full credit for the victory at Santiago.

CLEVELAND IS HUNTING AGAIN

Georgetown, S. C., Jan. 24.—Former President Cleveland, with a party of friends among whom are Rear Admiral Evans, Colonel E. C. Benedict, General Anson G. McCook, Captain P. B. Lambertson and Herman May, arrived here over the Atlantic Coast Line today. They remained in the car until 8 o'clock this morning, when, after breakfast, they boarded the United States launch Water Lily and left for Ford's Point on the lower Santee river, shooting on the preserves of General E. P. Alexander, whose guests the party will be. Cleveland looks remarkably well after his recent illness and seems in good spirits. The party will remain in this vicinity ten days or two weeks fishing and hunting. Ducks are very plentiful now.

PARNELL GOES TO JAIL

Posey Parnell was yesterday afternoon arraigned before Commissioner Ware on several charges. He was accused of attacking Water Lily and also of an assault with intent to kill.

M'CULLOUGH WILL AID

Washington, Jan. 24.—Captain Shoemaker, chief of the cutter cutter service, today sent telegraphic instructions to the cutter McCullough, now at San Francisco, to join a search party for the lost British cruiser Concor.

FREIGHT WRECK AT ARDEN

Five freight cars were thrown off the track near Arden this afternoon in a wreck.

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ST. LOUIS FEELS EARTHQUAKE SHOCKS

Quincy, Ill., Experiences Devoted Oscillation and Former City Has Two

DISHES RATTLE IN PLACES

Some Left Houses Fearing They Would Be Shaken Down—Everyone Awakened

St. Louis, Jan. 24.—Two distinct shocks of earthquake were felt in St. Louis and in many towns in the immediate vicinity a few minutes before 6 o'clock this morning. The first shock was light and the second more severe. It awakened persons who had slept through the first shock and got them out of bed. The shocks were accompanied by a rumbling sound. The shocks were very generally felt throughout the city and suburbs. The two shocks occasioned a rattling of crockery and swinging of pictures.

WE ARE NOW SECURING THE NEWEST CREATIONS IN LADIES' BELTS

Several dozens of the newest thing in belts received yesterday and are being shown today. They are made of solid leather, and velvet highly ornamented, and withal the most beautiful we have seen—the prices range from 25c to \$1.50.

Bon Marche THE DRY GOODS SHOP 15 S. Main St.

QUINCY

Quincy, Ill., Jan. 24.—There was a pronounced earthquake shock at 4:40 this morning. The seismic disturbances lasted nearly a minute and the oscillation was from east to west. The shaking of walls was perceptible in many brick residences.

WILMINGTON GETS BETTER RAILROAD RATES

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Attorney General Gilmer Here

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Reminders!

Before we go any further, let us remind you that in case of sickness, it is always best to consult a physician—dangerous developments often arise from apparently insignificant beginnings, which could easily have been checked if taken in hand by your doctor at the proper time—let us also remind you that our prescription department is thoroughly equipped, thoroughly stocked, and thoroughly manned, to carry out the physician's instructions in preparing the medicines—please bring your prescriptions to Dr. T. C. Smith Drug Store and they will be filled accurately and charged at reasonable prices.

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