

VARDAMAN'S TIN SOLDIERS INVADE LOUISIANA SOIL TO ENFORCE QUARANTINE

Erratic Governor of Missis- sippi Has Spasm and Seizes Throne HE IS CALLED DOWN BY BLANCHARD BY BLANCHARD Louisiana's Governor Sends Hot Wire Telling Varda- man to Get Off

Memphis, Tenn., August 1.—A special to the Commercial Appeal from Baton Rouge, La., 8:32:—
A clash between the Mississippi and Louisiana authorities over quarantine regulations is imminent. A private dispatch was received in the city today stating that Mississippi soldiers employed as quarantine guards had invaded Louisiana soil with arms and that boats were patrolling the mouth of Rigolet's Lake and Pearl river, off Louisiana coast, to prevent Louisiana boats from leaving.
Blanchard Gets Busy.
Governor Blanchard at once communicated with Brigadier General Perilliat, of his staff and Capt. J. W. Bostwick, commanding the state's naval militia, directing them to investigate and report to him.
Governor Blanchard also sent the following telegram to Governor Vardaman, of Mississippi:
"Have reliable information that Mississippi quarantine guards, armed, crossed over to Louisiana side at Pearl river. I do not believe this was an order, but was the thoughtless conduct of a few. To obviate unfavorable comment and friction please give orders that your guards remain on their own side of the line."
Southern Reports.
Late this afternoon Governor Blanchard received the following telegram: "New Orleans, August 1: To Governor N. C. Blanchard, Baton Rouge, La.: 'A patrol boat of the state of Mississippi patrolled Lake Borgne and after prohibiting fishermen from fishing in the lake is now guarding the exit of Lake Borgne canal, preventing any boat from coming out. This is an unwarranted usurpation and invasion of Louisiana waters and our attorney advises me to ask you to wire proper authorities in Washington at once to interfere or take matters in hand yourself.'"
"EDMUND SOUCHON, M. D.,
"President State Board of Health."
Governor Blanchard decided to take matters in hand himself and he at once addressed the following telegram to Governor Vardaman of Mississippi: "Governor James J. Vardaman, Jackson, Miss.: Have information Mississippi patrol boats have forbidden fishermen from fishing in Lake Borgne and are now guarding exit of Lake Borgne canal, preventing boats from coming out. Is this by your order or those of health authorities of your state? No such state of affairs can be tolerated. You have a right to prohibit boats landing on Mississippi shores, but not from navigating lake, sound and gulf channels which are navigable waters of the United States."
Governor Blanchard also wired as follows to Dr. Souchon, president of the Louisiana state board of health, at New Orleans:
"Wire received. Will take prompt steps to protect Louisiana's rights."
Governor Blanchard is expecting a report from Captain Bostwick and General Perilliat, giving the result of their investigation, but further reports have not been received.

INCREASE IN FEVER DEATHS

Effects of Hot Weather Seen In New Orleans Yellow Fever Reports AUTHORITIES STILL EXPRESS CONFIDENCE Believe That Progress Is Be- ing Made In Fight Against the Scourge

New Orleans, August 1.—Following is the record up to 6 p. m.:
New cases, 42; total cases to date, 346; deaths, 6; total deaths to date, 68 new feet, 5 total feet to date, 50.
The day's record shows a continued improvement so far as the number of new feet is concerned, and with no secondary infection from any of the existing feet the general situation is regarded as hopeful.
Today witnessed an increase in the number of deaths from yellow fever, a fact that was not unexpected in view of the high temperature that has prevailed for the past two days. There was, however, the usual large preponderance of Italian names in the list, both of new cases and, which has characterized the reports since the time when the fever was first officially announced as existing here. In spite of the increased mortality the health authorities exhibited no concern over the situation, contending that with the accumulation of cases there must be expected an increase in fatalities to maintain the average death rate of fever.
The war against the mosquito, continues. An ordinance was introduced in the city council tonight providing that all vacant lots and other places where water stands for more than six hours, shall be filled to the grade required by the city engineer's surveys.
The business interests continue to exert every effort to secure some modification of the quarantine regulations, which have bottled up the city commercially.
Dr. White, of the marine hospital service, spent most of the day on the gulf coast in an effort to get a site for a detention camp on the Louisiana & Nashville railroad. The detention camps at Avondale and Sildell are reported to be filled, although those who now occupy them are uncertain as to whether they can reach their destinations when the period of detention is up. People who live in the infected district here find difficulty in getting away at all. A man who applied for a health certificate, giving Europe as his destination, was refused it yesterday because of his residence in this quarter.

YELLOW JACK IS IN MONTGOMERY

Montgomery, Ala., 1.—It was officially announced here tonight that there is one case of yellow fever in Montgomery. The announcement came from the board of health, together with the statement that there is not the slightest cause for alarm. This was followed immediately by an announcement by State Health Officer W. H. Sanders, saying that it is believed that the scientific steps taken are fully adequate and that "no occasion whatever exists for the declaration of a quarantine against Montgomery."
The statement of the board of health says: "We wish to say there is no need or cause for alarm. There will be, we are sure no spread of cases from this one."

KILLED BY FALLING BENEATH HEAVY LOG

Salisbury, N. C., Aug. 1.—Mack Miller, a prominent citizen of Rowan county was killed yesterday afternoon by a heavy log which he was handling falling upon his body. After being injured, Mr. Miller lived about five hours though it was at first realized that his injuries were fatal, medical attention being unavailing. The deceased was 35 years of age and leaves a family.

MOTION TO REMAND SUIT IS HEARD BY JUDGE PRITCHARD; MASTER SELECTED

Judge J. C. Pritchard yesterday appointed J. W. Grey of Greensboro, S. C., a special master to take testimony and hear the arguments on a motion to remand to the state courts of South Carolina the case of Pope vs. the Southern Railway company which was removed to the United States circuit court of South Carolina a few weeks ago by the defendant. The attorneys representing the parties to the suit were before Judge Pritchard yesterday morning to argue the motion but it was finally decided to appoint Mr. Grey to consider the facts and report his finding to the court.
The plaintiff in the case is the personal representative of the engineer of the Ogeen special train that was wrecked near Greenville several

G. W. VANDERBILT WILL NOT BE A COMPETITOR

He Will Cease to Supply the Asheville Market With Vegetables OTHER CHANGES ON THE FAMOUS ESTATE Stated Yesterday That Mas- ter of Biltmore May Not Lease Farming Land

Mr. George W. Vanderbilt will on November first discontinue the financial department of the Biltmore Estate and Mr. E. J. Harding, the head of this department will sever his connection with the estate.
At about the same time the market garden feature of the Biltmore Farms will also be discontinued and Mr. Vanderbilt will cease to supply the Asheville markets with vegetables.
These two statements were made yesterday by those who are in a position to know of what they speak.
It is also highly probable that Mr. Vanderbilt will not lease his farming lands to tenants as has been stated and as he has planned.
These above statements were also made yesterday by the same authorities.
The changes indicated are to be made in the interest of economy and concentration. It was stated and in pursuance of Mr. Vanderbilt's plan to make the estate self supporting.
Self Supporting.
Mr. Harding when seen yesterday by a Citizen representative confirmed the statement as to the abolition of his department and said it was made in pursuance of the self supporting plan. Mr. Vanderbilt indicated to Mr. Harding his intentions some months ago and the two gentlemen, who have been associated for twelve years will separate with regret on both sides. Mr. Harding has made no definite plan for the future as he has plenty of time in which to decide what he will do but it is considered probable that his ability as an expert chief of department will take him to New York. At the same time Mr. R. S. Roach and Mr. E. F.

SOUTHSIDE AVENUE IS TO BE A BOULEVARD

Biggest Street Improvement In Years to be Effected by Aldermen STREET RAILWAY LOOP TO GO ON COLLEGE ST. Property Owners Co-operat- ing With Board In Impor- tant City Work

Southside Avenue is to be passed and within six months will be a broad boulevard from South Main street to the Southern's magnificent new passenger station.
West College street widening is progressing rapidly and in a short time will be paved. Furthermore it will carry a line of the street railway, making a loop over which the Montford avenue, French Broad and Patton Avenue cars will pass going or returning to the square. These are two of the important things which the city administration is to do for the public and to keep pace with the remarkable progress now making in Asheville.
Alderman F. Stickleather, chairman of the street committee, has worked so quietly in these matters of Southside and the street railway loop to relieve the car congestion at the square that a report of his work was not public until yesterday. When asked about these plans Mr. Stickleather, although he preferred to wait until the aldermanic meeting Friday night to report, admitted that those matters were decided.
It has been repeatedly stated that Southside could not be paved because it was more than three thousand feet from the square and the necessary signatures of a majority of the abutting property owners could not be secured. The impossible has not only been accomplished however but the owners of far more than a majority of frontage have asked for the paving, eight thousand out of the 10,600 frontage being represented on the petition.
The distance to be paved from South

NEW ORLEANS MERCHANT SAYS HALF HAS NOT BEEN TOLD AND ADVISES HIS SON TO STAY IN ASHEVILLE

One of the musicians in the Kenilworth Inn orchestra yesterday received a letter from his father, who is a prominent merchant in New Orleans, which stated in effect that if the son was wise he would remain in Asheville, at least for the present. The letter said in part: "New Orleans is thoroughly infected with yellow fever and it is mine and other people's opinion that the board of health is not giving out correct reports, and that it did not make any report for two weeks after the yellow Jack first appeared. In my opinion the number of cases are far up in the hundreds instead of two hundred, as reported in the newspapers. New Orleans is in a pitiable condition and every kind of business is paralyzed. Hotels and boarding houses are practically empty and no strangers who can possibly stay out are coming in. Funerals are to be seen on almost any street any time you look out. The situation is indeed alarming and I would certainly advise you to stay in Asheville."
Needless to say the young man who received the letter will continue to discuss sweet music while the guests of Kenilworth Inn are feeding the inner man.

JORDAN SAYS PRESENT "CLEANING" MOVEMENT IS BEING MISDIRECTED

Declares Wilson is Endeav- oring to Divert Public Attention RADICAL CHANGES IN METHODS ARE NEEDED Urges Cotton Men to Adopt Resolution Demanding Many Changes

Washington, Aug. 1.—President Jordan and Secretary Creatham, of the Southern Cotton Association today issued a statement addressed to the members of the association calling attention to the recent disclosures in the cotton statistical work in the department of agriculture, declaring that efforts are being made to divert attention from "the deficiencies of the system itself" to the "theiving propensities of a few unworthy officials" and setting forth demands to be made on Congress to reform conditions.
The statement follows:
"To the members of the Southern Cotton Association:
"The members of the association have been apprised through the public press from day to day of the work done by the officials of the Association at Washington. As a result of their charges the unreliability of the reports of the department of agriculture relating to the cotton crop has been fully disclosed and mal-administration under its present head has been made evident."
Direct Attention
"Following these exposures efforts are now being made to divert public attention from the main issue, which is, the imperfection of the department toward an attempted prosecution of any body who can be found as a scape goat. Their punishment, even if it is accomplished, is of secondary importance as compared with the reformation of the system which has made their performances possible and the purpose of this address is to secure the co-operation of the members of this association in influencing in every legitimate way a reformation of the department. Under the system at present vogue, and which promises to be undisturbed unless public attention shall be aroused to the need of reform, the reports issued by the department of agriculture are, in their last analysis, simply the individual opinion of a few officials of doubtful experience and honor by which the value of the cotton crop may be, and has been affected as much as \$75,000,000 in a single day."
"No such power should be delegated to any individual or statistical board, except under conditions which guarantee the most incorruptible, expert and intelligent opinion. It is therefore urgently recommended to the members of the Southern Cotton Association that through their representatives in Congress and by every other means available to them they exert their influence and that of the association toward securing the immediate reorganization of the agricultural department, especially with reference to its reports on the cotton crop, and that their representatives in Congress be requested specifically to make these demands."

ANOTHER BIG MUDDLE FOUND

Five Directors Charged With Wrecking Pennsylvania Company TOOK \$110,000 WHILE MANAGING AFFAIRS Odd Fellows Mutual Life Lines Up With Equitable —Suit Begun

Philadelphia, August 1.—According to a bill filed in the common pleas court here today, five directors of the Odd Fellows Mutual Insurance Society of Pennsylvania are charged by Henry F. Walton, the receiver, with wrecking that concern. He accuses them of fraudulently transferring \$100,000 from the treasury to the Mutual Life Insurance company of Pennsylvania, and of illegally collecting \$50,000 in premiums on Odd Fellows' policies, in consequence of which the concern failed last March.
The court is asked to compel the five directors to make good the \$110,000, and make accounting.

D. M. LUTHER DIED MONDAY AFTERNOON

ASHEVILLE ATTORNEY DIES IN WASHINGTON News Arrives Here in Message to J. J. McClosky—Preparations for Funeral Made

A bulletin posted at The Citizen office yesterday morning announced to many people the sad news that Dillon M. Luther had died the afternoon before at 5 o'clock at the home of his brother, T. P. Luther, at Bellingham, Washington.
The news was not unexpected by some of his friends, because when he left here to travel for the benefit of his health his condition was very bad and he suffered much from Bright's disease.
Mr. Luther's body will arrive here in charge of his brother in about eight days and will be buried in the family cemetery at Hominy.
The Superior court adjourned as soon as the news of death was received, until this morning.
Mr. Luther was born forty-seven years ago in Hominy, and after completing his education at Weaverville college taught school at Sand Hill. He was later a mail clerk and then was admitted to the bar and located in Asheville, where he enjoyed a lucrative practice. It was just seven years ago yesterday when his partnership with R. M. Wells was formed.
Mr. Luther was fond of politics in his earlier years, but while successful in law and business, leaving an estate worth about \$10,000, he was not so in politics, and abandoned politics several years ago. He was a man of much influence and a potent power to aid others in politics.
In 1896 Mr. Luther was a candidate for the legislature, but was not running at the right time. He was later the Democratic nominee for mayor, but was defeated by F. M. Miller by a small majority.
NOT SURROUNDED
St. Petersburg, Aug. 1.—General Linsvitch has telegraphed to the Emperor under date of July 25, denying the frequently published reports that his army was completely surrounded. He says that the army has never been in a dangerous position.

HUNDREDS LEAVE STRICKEN TOWN

Shreveport, La., August 1.—Barney Tracey, a traveling man, of Chicago, is in the detention camp just outside the corporate limits of this city, suffering with yellow fever. There are no other cases here. The infection has been traced directly to New Orleans.
Almost a panic followed the news, about 700 people leaving on outgoing trains. Dr. Chandler, who has charge of the camp, said:
"Tracey in all probability contracted the disease while passing from one depot to another in New Orleans. The patient had already passed the period in which he would be able to transfer the yellow fever to the mosquito. The patient cannot transmit the germ to the mosquito except during the first three days of his illness."

"NO TRUE PATRIOT WILL SUGGEST THAT SECY WILSON RESIGN", DECLARES HARVIE

Oyster Bay, August 1.—President Roosevelt today authorized the publication of a telegram which he had received from William S. Harvie, president of the board of trustees of the Commercial Museum of Philadelphia, and chairman of the industrial committee of the National Board of Trade, concerning the war lost Secretary Wilson as head of the department of agriculture. This telegram says in part:
"No true patriot, with an eye single to the service and honor of his country, will take advantage of recent disclo-



Mr. Harvie: "Well, there's every indication that I'm going to be well fed again."