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TELEGRAPHIC Brevities

NEW ORLEANS, May 2.—Two hundred boiler-makers strike for an eight-hour day.

IRONTON, Ohio, May 2.—Dr. McCoy a prominent physician is shot and killed by ferryboat captain.

BALTIMORE, Md., May 2.—\$30,000 worth of bonds, thought to have been stolen are mysteriously returned.

WASHINGTON, May 2.—Officials are much concerned over strained relations between Mexico and Guatemala. Frequent discussions are held.

WHEELING, W. Va., May 2.—National convention of the Daughters of the American Revolution opens today.

ATLANTA, May 2.—Savannah and Southwest railroad company is granted a charter. Capital stock to be \$7,000,000.

NEW YORK, May 2.—Baroness Louise de Massey, being tried for the killing of Gustav Simon, is convicted of manslaughter.

CAMDEN, N. J., May 2.—Negro cook is arrested on charge of attempted assault on young white woman. Is sent to jail without bail.

CHICAGO, May 2.—Former officials of the Hamilton National Bank plead guilty to embezzlement of \$10,000. Receive five years sentence.

NORFOLK, Va., May 2.—Foreign sailors take all places in two out of the three races. American boys have their way in the first race.

ATLANTA, Ga., May 2.—Southern Cotton Buyers' Association meets here today. Many prominent Southern buyers are in attendance.

ALBANY, N. Y., May 2.—The state senate rejected Governor Hughes recommendation that Otto Kelsey be removed superintendent of insurance.

FORBURN, Ga., May 2.—Jury in Ford murder trial, after being out only five minutes returns a verdict of guilty. Sentenced to be hanged May 23.

NEW YORK, May 2.—Officers of the coastwise steamships win their fight for higher wages. Five hundred stowaways and longshoremen go out on a strike.

WASHINGTON, May 2.—President Roosevelt is made an honorary member of the Society of the Army of the Potomac at its annual reunion. Officers are elected.

WASHINGTON, May 2.—Representatives of Central Federated Union of New York have interview with the President concerning the "Mayer and Haywood" letters. Declines to disclose what took place.

NEW YORK, May 2.—Rev. J. K. Cooke, pastor of Hempstead Episcopal church, leaves suddenly. Miss Floretta Whaley, is also missing. Supposed to have gone with the minister.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., May 2.—Chief Clerk Lucas of the House of Representatives testified that he had been approached by an unknown man and offered \$20,000 to allow anti-race track bill to be "lost".

WASHINGTON, May 2.—Steamship lines on the Potomac are certified by Marine Engineers Beneficial association that unless salaries are increased 25 per cent by May 15, they will go on a strike.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., May 2.—Much indignation in naval circles over athletic circles over cancellation of Georgia University Rowing managers of the boat race scheduled for next Saturday.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., May 2.—At the "Black Hand" trial today, Samuel Lacania, one of the defendants, was principal witness for the defense. Commonwealth begins rebuttal testimony.

COLUMBIA, S. C., May 2.—R. Thomas Wessott, a well known business man, found dead near his place of business with bullet hole in the side of his head. Murder with robbery as the motive is suspected.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., May 2.—Mother of Alexander Chisholm, former paying teller of First National Bank of Birmingham, under indictment for embezzlement of \$100,000, takes stand to show that her son was mentally unbalanced.

NEW ORLEANS, May 2.—A third planting of cotton will be necessary in Lincoln Parish, Louisiana, on account of the unseasonable weather, (frosts) caused by heavy rains are the cause of the latest disaster to the crop. The farmers' one ray of hope is the situation in the wet weather has in some measure drowned out the boll weevil.

Birmingham, Ala., May 2.—Also reports that a replanting of cotton will be necessary. In both sections complaint is made that seed is very scarce and high in price.

JUDGE GRANTS A TEMPORARY INJUNCTION

The New York Stock Exchange Is Restrained From Classifying Cotton.

APPLICATION MADE BY THEODORE PRICE

A Modification of the Injunction Is Later Secured From the Court.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, May 2.—Upon application of Theodore Price, Justice Bischoff today granted a temporary injunction restraining the classification committee of the New York Cotton Exchange from classifying cotton by what he alleges are improper standards.

Under the order of Justice Bischoff the exchange is enjoined from classifying cotton from samples drawn from the bales of long before the time of classification as to enable them to become bleached and different from classified samples.

The order also requires the classification committee of the exchange to deliver to members of the exchange a set of the types of standards used by it in certifying and classifying cotton.

Mr. Price declared in his complaint that the classification committee classified samples which are not so tagged as to identify the bale from which it was taken; that the classification is made by improper standards and that the committee is influenced by undue pressure to produce an over classification in favor of the seller. He asks that the injunction may be made permanent.

Late tonight Henry W. Taft, representing the New York Cotton Exchange secured from Judge Bischoff a modification of the temporary injunction issued by the latter this afternoon, and which restrained the classification committee of the exchange from classification of cotton, under what were alleged to be improper standards.

It was represented to Judge Bischoff that the injunction might seriously interfere with current contracts to the injury of members of the exchange.

Judge Bischoff accordingly modified the injunction so that it would not take effect pending a hearing in the matter next Monday.

\$20,000 TO ALLOW BILL TO BE LOST.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., May 2.—Chief Clerk Lucas of the House of Representatives testified before the commission which has under investigation the alleged tampering with the Moore-Hearst bill, that he had been approached by an unknown man and offered \$20,000 to allow anti-race track bill to be "lost".

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MRS. DE MASSEY CONVICTED OF MANSLAUGHTER

Jury Finds the "Baroness" Guilty With a Recommendation For Mercy.

FEW SPECTATORS HEAR THE VERDICT

Prisoner Is Ordered to the Tombs to Await Sentence on the Eighth of May.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, May 2.—"Baroness" Anna Louise de Massey, the pattern designer, tried for the killing of Gustav Simon, a shirt waist manufacturer, was convicted of manslaughter in the first degree, with a recommendation for mercy. The jury, to which the case was given at 3 o'clock this afternoon, returned a verdict a few minutes before midnight, and the prisoner was remanded to the Tombs until May 8, for sentence.

Gustav Simon, a wealthy shirt waist manufacturer, was shot in his office on November 19, and died a few hours afterward. Mme. De Massey, known as "Baroness de Massey" was employed by Simon as a shirt waist designer and was arrested while leaving the building in which Simon's office was located, a few minutes after the shooting. She acknowledged she had had a disagreement with Simon over a question of wages and had left the manufacturer's office a few minutes before her arrest, but had consistently maintained throughout her trial that she had nothing to do with the shooting.

There were but a few spectators in the court room to witness the midnight scene when the jury brought in its verdict. When the prisoner was brought in she was very pale, but appeared calm and faced the jury without apparent emotion.

"We find the defendant guilty of manslaughter in the first degree, and recommend that the mercy of the court be extended to her" was the verdict read by Foreman Chaffee.

Mme. De Massey received the verdict calmly. Judge Blanchard after the usual formalities ordered the prisoner to the Tombs to await sentence on May 8.

MCCLELLAN STATUE UNVEILED YESTERDAY

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, May 2.—With appropriate civic and military ceremonies and in the presence of a distinguished audience, the heroic equestrian statue in bronze of George B. McClellan, erected under the auspices of the Army of the Potomac, was unveiled here today. President Roosevelt made the principal speech, and with General Frederick D. Grant and New Jersey on his left, reviewed an imposing military parade of regulars and militia.

Mrs. McClellan, the general's widow, Major George B. McClellan of New York, son of the general, and Joseph McClellan of New Jersey, a nephew, who pulled the string raising the flag in which the statue was enveloped, occupied seats on the president's stand. The diplomatic corps, the army and navy and civil, military were largely represented.

SEAMEN OF WRECKED VESSEL RESCUED.

(By Associated Press.)

NORFOLK, Va., May 2.—Captain Da Rocha, fourteen seamen and a negro boy stowaway, survivors of the Portuguese bark Orient, which which stranded off Nags Head life saving station on the North Carolina coast last Saturday night, arrived here last night, having been picked up by the fishing smack Lila B. Fernald, of New York, 139 miles north of Cape Hatteras, after they had been afloat in a small and leaking boat for 14 hours. The life boat was found immediately after the last man stopped from it. It was with great difficulty that it was kept afloat so long.

HONORS HEAPED ON ROOSEVELT.

WASHINGTON, May 2.—President Roosevelt was made an honorary member of the Society of the Army of the Potomac at the annual reunion at the Balescoe theater in this city.

General J. M. Curtis of New York was elected president of the society to succeed General Henry Dwight. The other officers were re-elected as follows:

Recording Secretary—General Horatio King

Assistant Secretary—Lieutenant Frank S. Holliday

Corresponding Secretary—Colonel T. Fox.

CAPE COD CANAL TRACT AWARDED.



DeWitt Clinton Flanagan

For two centuries a canal across the lower end of Cape Cod has been projected, but never a spadeful of earth has been dug. The dream of our forefathers to cut off two hundred miles of the voyage to Boston from the South and also to do away with the dangers of navigation around the Cape is at last to be realized, and DeWitt Clinton Flanagan, a New York capitalist, is the man who will do the work. The canal will extend between Buzzard's and Barnstable bays and will be 12 miles in length.

FORMER PRESIDENT OF WASHINGTON LIFE GETS A HEAVY FINE

William Brewer, Sentenced to Pay \$500 Fine For Making False Entries.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, May 2.—William A. Brewer, former president of the Washington Life Insurance company, was sentenced today to pay a fine of \$500 for making a false and fraudulent report to the state superintendent of insurance. In regard to the financial condition of that company, two indictments against him charging perjury were dismissed.

Mr. Brewer paid the fine.

Assistant District Attorney Knapp asked that a prison sentence be imposed, declaring that the offense to which Mr. Brewer had pleaded guilty was equally as serious as that for which George Burdham, Jr., former general counsel of the Mutual Benefit Life Insurance company, was given a sentence in Sing Sing prison.

Justice Barden said that Brewer's associates at the time he had been convicted by him "I believe that the defendant is a 'rotting' man, but a very vicious one that obtained all the honest money in his power and put it in his pocket. I hope I have a little up my mind to impose a fine."

PRESIDENT TO WRITE LETTER TO UNION.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, May 2.—William A. Cooke, Jr., a K. K. member, and Mrs. A. E. Cooke, representative of the Central Union, both of New York, today announced that they had written a letter to the president describing the Moyer and Woodrow as "un-American citizens." He has declined to say anything about their intention to write a letter to the Union to be read at its next meeting.

The convention was accompanied by James B. Fields, who arranged for the interchange with the president.

CHISHOLM'S MOTHER PLACED ON STAND TO TESTIFY FOR HER SON

Says That Defendant Has Been In Asylum to Have Mind Treated.

(By Associated Press.)

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., May 2.—At the opening of the second day of the trial of Alexander B. Chisholm, former paying teller of the First National Bank of Birmingham, under indictment for embezzlement of \$100,000 from the bank, alleged to have been lost to cotton speculation.

Walter Price gave the details of the Chisholm confession, when Chisholm was confronted by evidence of his shortage. Chisholm confessed the witness said and told the story of his speculations, using the name of "R. M. Webster" in reading, having said, declared the witness, that the manager of the brokerage firm, had suggested a fictitious name.

Mother Takes Stand.

The prosecution concluded today and the defense began by placing Mrs. Robert Chisholm, mother of the defendant on the stand. She testified that she was a great-great-grand daughter of the late Chief Justice John Jay. She said she became insane during the last years of his life, also that James Chisholm had a grandson in Charles City, Va., who became mentally unbalanced and had a mania for opening his eyes. She said she had been to the state insane hospital at Washington, D. C., where she had been treated for some time. She said she had been treated at the state insane hospital in Chicago, and that she had been treated at the state insane hospital in New York.

DIXIE FLYER IS WRECKED IN GEORGIA.

(By Associated Press.)

ATLANTA, Ga., May 2.—A special to The Journal from Griffin, Ga., says that the Dixie Flyer is fast train from St. Louis to Atlanta, was wrecked on the Central of Georgia seven miles south of that point. The passengers were injured, but a major helper in the wreck was not killed and two express messengers were injured, neither fatally.

The wreck was caused by an open switch. The locomotive and two cars passed the switch, but the rest of the train was derailed. It started in the wreck, but was quickly controlled.

OFFICIALS AT WASHINGTON ARE CONCERNED

Strained Relations Between Mexico and Guatemala Causes Discussion.

UNITED STATES CAN TAKE NO ACTIVE PART

Officials Must Content Themselves With Merely Watching Developments.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, May 2.—The strained relations between Mexico and Guatemala arising from the failure of the latter to surrender under extradition proceedings for trial in Mexico, General Lima, charged with complicity in the assassination of President Huerta, is a matter of serious concern to the officials. They are sincerely desirous of the maintenance of peace between the three Americas pending the meeting and conclusion of the second Hague conference, otherwise the presentation of certain subjects to the conference by the United States would lose much of its force.

With this in view the state department has gone to unusual lengths in its efforts to terminate the war between Nicaragua and Honduras and prevent its spread to the central American countries and also guard against trouble in the future by providing for a permanent peace commission to meet in Nicaragua. The details of this last arrangement, particularly as to time and place are expected to be disclosed in the treaty of Annapolis, when the text of that recently negotiated convention reaches Washington.

Hence the officials view with apprehension the increasing friction between Mexico and Guatemala and there are frequent conferences at the state department, the last being today between Secretary Root, Assistant Secretary Bacon and Ambassador Creel of Mexico, in the pursuit of a common purpose to avert a fresh outbreak of war. It is feared that Mexico's demand for Jose Lima will ultimately be refused by Guatemala. But even in that event war might not follow. The Mexican troops that have been mobilized on the Guatemalan frontier to the number of 10,000 would be retained there and diplomatic relations of the two countries would be terminated, but there would be no declaration of war and no hostile acts on the part of Mexico so long as there was no fresh provocation by Guatemala.

Such a situation might be terminated either by the breaking out of a revolution directed against the Calles government or by the decision of the latter to yield to the Mexican demand for Lima's extradition. The Guatemalans assert that a very active junta exists in Mexico with the object of financing and starting a revolution against the government and it is pointed out that General Huerta was assassinated because he was head of that junta.

It is said at the state department that nothing can be done now by this government to relieve the friction between Mexico and Guatemala and the officials must content themselves with anxiously watching developments.

MERCHANT FOUND DEAD AND EMPTY REVOLVER POINTS TO FOUL PLAY

COLUMBIA, S. C., May 2.—R. Thomas Wessott, who conducts a business in Wessott's, a suburb of this city, was found dead near his place of business early this morning with a bullet hole in the left side of his head. A revolver with the empty chamber was found near his body.

Wessott is regarded by some as being murdered with robbery as the motive. Wessott had lost one arm, the right, and the suicide theory is discarded. It is believed that the location of the wound and the nature of the wound it would have been a physical impossibility for Wessott to have fired the shot.

Wessott had a good business and his home relations were happy. Jim Gardner, a young white man, has been arrested on suspicion.

Another merchant was killed in the same neighborhood, six weeks ago by a highwayman, who himself was killed.

MINISTER, GIRL AND FORTUNE ARE GOING AWAY

Pastor of Fashionable Episcopal Church Astonishes Congregation by Moving.

MISS FLORETTA WHALEY IS ALSO MISSING

Girl Has Fortune of \$125,000 to Defray Expenses of Long Trip to Europe.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, May 2.—Members of the fashionable St. George's Episcopal church at Hempstead, L. I., were astounded today when they learned that their pastor, the Rev. Jerome Knobe Cooke, had departed from Hempstead and that Miss Floretta Whaley also had left her home and had written letters saying she would not return. Rev. Mr. Coog is married to Matilda, daughter of Rev. A. Clarke, of Hartford, Conn.

Bishop Burgess, of the diocese of Long Island, says that immediate action will be taken by the vestry of St. George's church to fill the vacancy caused by the departure of Mr. Cooke.

"The vestry is overwhelmed by the unexpected calamity," said Bishop Burgess, "and is at a loss to account for it. It is inclined to the belief that Dr. Cooke cannot be of sound mind. He obtained a leave of absence a year ago and went to Europe to recuperate, but his condition on his return has been poor. The church and its property are in the best of condition."

An Old Story.

According to stories which were circulated freely in Hempstead, the infatuation of the minister for Miss Whaley has been apparent for some time and was the direct cause of Mrs. Cooke leaving for her father's home. It is said that the young woman's grandmother, with whom she made her home, became aware of the infatuation some time ago, and asked the minister to cease his visits to her home.

Miss Whaley left her home several days ago saying she intended to visit friends in this city. Later the grandmother received a letter, saying that when it was received "They would be out of the country."

Dr. Cooke was popular during his pastorate in Hempstead and also was very successful in a financial way. He had raised nearly \$100,000 since his appointment in his parish. With this money he built a parish house, made extensive improvements in the church edifice, and had begun improvements on the Sunday school building. He is a man of pleasing presence and a good talker. Miss Whaley, the missing young woman, has a fortune said to amount to \$125,000, which came to her at her father's death.

HONORS GO TO THE FOREIGN SAILORS

(By Associated Press.)

NORFOLK, Va., May 2.—Foreign sailors had their innings in the Jamestown exposition race between warship crews in Hampton Roads today. In two of the three contests the American tars failed of a place. England, Austria, Argentina, and Germany all came in for honors in the second and third races, the first place being captured by the jockies of England in both events. But the American boys had the first race all to themselves. It was a free-for-all affair and the seventeen entries represented nearly every class of naval tender that is propelled by oars. Before the race was half over it could be seen that the prize lay between the cutters of the U. S. S. Keokauke and the Indians. When the victorious crew from the Indiana passed between the lines of ships after the race they received an ovation.

The second and third races went to the foreigners. The Englishmen carrying off the honors without much trouble, with the German sailors their closest contestants.

SLEUTHS WORK ON LAND FRAUDS.

(By Associated Press.)

SEATTLE, Wash., May 2.—Six secret service operatives are working in Western Washington, unearthing a series of land frauds that are declared to be more astounding in their far-reaching character than the discoveries made in Oregon or California. A secret service operative in the confidence of President Roosevelt has just been sent to the coast to take charge of the work and assemble the evidence that has accumulated for special officers of the department of justice.