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ONE DAY'S RECORD MADE IN SOUTH BY NEGRO CRIMINALS

News Dispatches Make Sorry Commentary on Advancement of Black Race

HUMAN LIFE HELD OF TRIFLING VALUE

Posses of White Men Run Down The Criminals In Almost Every Case

(By Associated Press.)

AIKEN, S. C., Aug. 30.—A posse this afternoon chased into a swamp near White Pond, this county, an unknown negro who last night attempted to enter the bed room of the daughter of a prominent citizen of the White Pond community. The negro was frightened from the house by the screams of the young woman. At a late hour tonight reports were to the effect that the negro had not been captured. It became known today that a negro entered the home of H. K. Chatfield, a prominent citizen of this city early yesterday morning and was driven away only after Mrs Chatfield had fired two shots at him from a pistol. No arrest has been made.

CATCH MURDER.

CANTON, Ga., Aug. 30.—After a twenty-four hour hunt, J. H. Kellogg, the negro wanted for the murder of J. E. Landers, in a near-beer saloon here late Saturday night, was captured early today near Woodstock. Sheriff Willingham had offered a reward of $100 for the arrest of the negro. Kellogg was brought here and placed in jail along with ten or twelve other negroes who were gambling with him at the time of the killing. Judge Morris is expected to call a special term of court to try Kellogg. Everything is quiet today and there is no danger of a lynching.

KILL OFFICER.

JACKSON, Ala., Aug. 30.—Deputy Sheriff J. L. Wainwright was shot and instantly killed today while attempting to arrest Louis and Joshua Balaam, negroes, for assault with intent to murder. Morris Kimball, who was with Wainwright, was slightly

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GOMPERS IS SHY OF FOREIGN LABOR ORGANIZATIONS

Purpose And Aim of Foreign Unions Temperamentally Different

FAVORS FRATERNITY BUT NOT AFFILIATION

Delegates Declare His Evasions of The Real Issue Are A Mockery

(By Associated Press.)

PARIS, Aug. 30.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, was the dramatic center of the first day's session of the Sixth International Trades Unions congress when several European delegates bitterly denounced what they claimed to be the equivocal attitude of the American Federation with reference to joing the International movement.

Gompers insisted that the problems and policies of American trades unionism were so intermingled with American traditions and ideas that Americans could all spare the time to encounter the influence of European leaders where the trade union tendencies were temperamentally different. Nevertheless, as an evidence that the United States was anxious a proposal favoring world-wide organization which would "defend the rights and interests of all and create international fraternity and solidity."

The clash came over the question of the exact status of Mr. Gompers and the American Federation of Labor in the conference. Mr. Gompers explained that for the present he was merely an "auditor but was ready to give his opinions."

Not a Delegate.

"Personally," he continued, "I have no authority to pledge the affiliation of the American Federation of Labor but I believe it will come in time."

Hueber, an Austrian delegate, vehemently characterized Mr. Gompers' explanation as mockery. He, like the others, had been under the impression that the Americans meant business and that Mr. Gompers was the official delegate from that country, otherwise he could not understand how the American resolutions hap-

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HOUSE HOMELESS, AND FEED HUNGRY MONTEREY'S TASK

River Has Subsided Enough to Disclose Full Extent of Flood's Havoc

DEATH LIST GOES FAR BEYOND ESTIMATES

Nearly Thousand Bodies Recovered And Hundreds More Lost Forever

(By Associated Press.)

MONTEREY, Mexico, August 30.—With eight hundred bodies recovered and buried in Monterey up to midnight, two thousand is now the estimate of the city authorities of those who lost their lives throughout the valley of the Santa Catarina river. The number of homeless, many destitute, is placed at 15,000 to 20,000.

The Santa Catarina river at Monterey has subsided sufficiently to permit a passage into the district lying to the south and a visit to that section by a correspondent of The Associated Press revealed an appalling condition. People who had been saved from the flood of Saturday morning had been without food until today, when on cables a small amount of bread and beans was gotten across the river. The river was still running swiftly and in order to get across it was necessary to wade through half a mile of water so as to avoid the strong current which would still sweep a man from his feet.

Rescuing Bodies.

Once on the south side of the river, evidences of the terrible destruction wrought by the flood were to be seen on every hand. Five blocks of the district were as though they never existed and in the remaining portion of the district, bodies were being taken from the ruins and buried by a party of gendarmes sent across for the purpose.

At four o'clock four hundred bodies had been recovered and were buried on the hillside south of San Ludsito, then with the same number buried yesterday, making in all eight hundred bodies which have been recovered in Monterey alone.

Reports from the country up and down the valley are meager and hard to obtain, as all telegraph communication has been cut in these direc-

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The Summer Girl.

All summer she is cultivating tan, at tennis games and golf.

All winter she usese all sorts of stuff, to try to get it off.

HARRIMAN ASKS REPORTERS TO LET UP ON DEATH WATCH

Declares he is Allright And Doctors Find Nothing Serious

PUBLIC WILL KNOW IF ANY CHANGE COMES

Press Representatives Take Him at His Word And go Back to Offices

(By Associated Press.)

ARDEN, N. Y., Aug. 30.—Edward H. Harriman, urged by weary representatives of the press who have camped about his mountain home since Wednesday last, came out today with a statement that he was all right. Though brief the statement is straightforward and explicit.

The message was so characteristic of Mr. Harriman's affable attitude to newspaper representatives, an attitude which was marked when he underwent the strain of a lengthy interview on the day of his return, that most of the men who have been here during the scare over his illness returned to New York tonight, relying on his word.

Harriman's Statement.

Mr. Harriman's statement is as follows:

"I am pursuing the course laid out before I went abroad and advised by the physicians. I intended taking a rest as soon as my responsibilities would permit. My treatment abroad reduced my strength and vitality and weakened my digestion. The most expert physicians in Munich advised me to have an examination by surgeons as a matter of precaution. This has been done very carefully by Doctors Brewer and Crile in conjunction with Dr. Walter James and Dr. Lyle, and the whole result is that they find nothing serious, and renew the advice previously obtained that I should have rest and not see many people at one time, and this I am trying to do.

Tired of Espionage.

"This covers the whole case and later on if the representatives of the press desire and there is any purpose to be accomplished, I will see them up here, but now I ask that the surveillance of the operations of my home be withdrawn, not so much on account of my family or myself, but that the coming and going of my friends may not be interfered with. I appreciate the interest shown in my welfare by the press and by friends in all sections and perhaps by some others. If there was or should be anything serious I will let the press known, and as I have never deceived them I ask that the press now withdraw its representatives and rely upon me."

FIRST MIDSUMMER HORSE SHOW WILL OPEN AT RIVERSIDE PARK TODAY

Program Includes Many Ladies' Events and Also Interesting Saddle Classes and Pony Classes for Children—Splendid List of Entries for the Thirty-one Classes.

The bands will be playing, the trumpets will be braying, and the horses will be prancing at Riverside park this afternoon for this is the first day of the first Asheville Mid-Summer Horse show.

A few weeks ago, a little band of horse-lovers got together and began planning to give Asheville people and visitors here another chance each year to see the horses at their very best in the exhibition ring. They labored early and late, and when their program was finished for today's exhibition long after midnight last night they felt amply rewarded for their trouble and efforts. The managements feels confident that it has produced an exhibit which will meet the approval of the people.

The ring will be opened at 2:30 o'clock and it is expected to have the program begun as soon as possible thereafter in order to get through before dark.

There are thirty one classes for the two day's show and a total of one hundred and twenty entries, which insures a good lot in each class. In some of the classes there are as many as fifteen entries while in all there are enough to stimulate interest.

Sixteen Events Today.

There will be sixteen events today and there are as many ladies events that it might well be called "Ladies' Day." The ladies classes range from the pony to the ladies' pair, but there also are enough other classes to diversify the list. A feature of the which will come near the end of the program.

The saddle classes are well entered, and will attract much attention. The saddle events for today include ponies under saddle, walk and trot saddle, and the hunters class.

Besides these there are a dozen other classes including single surreys, ladies singles, harness pair, etc.

A departure from the usual method of judging is made by the Midsummer Show management in that one judge will award all the prizes alone. Mr. J. W. Spradley, of York, a well known horseman is here to officiate in the capacity of judge, and there can be no division of opinion among the judges as to where a blue or red ball go.

Many horses will be exhibited here for the first time at this show. While outside cities, Greenville, Atlanta, Spartanburg, Columbia, Charlotte and others have sent in their best horses towns nearer by, which hitherto have taken no part in the local exhibitions have made entries.

The cash prizes which the association gives has proven a great incentive to horse owners to bring in their exhibits.

The Classes.

At ten o'clock this morning the program committee finished its work with the following division of the classes.

Tuesday.

Class P—Bay or S bay or straw berry roan, open.

Class Q—Black or brown.

Class R—Sorrel or yellow.

Class S—Gray or blue roan.

Class U—Ponies under saddle; 13.2 and under.

Class A—Single Harness; 15.2 and under.

Class Z—Ladies' pair, amateur.

Class F—Single surrey.

Class H—Walk, trot saddle horse; 15.2 and under.

Class E—Single roadster.

Class W—Ladies' single horse.

Class L—Pair harness horses; 15.2 and under.

Class V—Ponies in harness; 14 and under.

Class DW—Best foal.

Class FW—Mule race.

Class HR—Hunters.

Wednesday.

Class T—Ponies under saddle; 13.2 to 14.2.

Class C—Runabout; 15.2 and under.

Class I—Walk, trot, saddle horse; 15.2 and under.

Class K—Pair harness horses; 15.2 and under.

Class B—Single harness horse; 15.2 and over, long tails.

Class G—Gaited saddle horse.

Class D—Single harness, 15.2 and over, short tails.

Class JY—Colt, two and under three years.

Class X—Ladies' saddle horse, cross or side.

Class BY—Livery pair.

Class J—Combination.

Class EY—Pony race.

Class AZ—Carriage pair.

Class M—Pair roadsters.

Class HS—Hunters.

Championship class.

SUICIDE IS BELIEVED TO BE CLOSING CHAPTER OF DIABOLICAL CRIME

East Tennessee Tragedy Stirs Surrounding Country to Lynching Point.

OTHERS IMPLICATED

(Special to The Citizen.)

The most diabolical murder that has occurred in this county for year came to light last Saturday morning when the body of A. J. Slagle was found floating in the French Broad river near Bridgeport, a station on the Southern railway four miles from this place. Today the town is filled with people who have deserted their various occupations and are aiding their efforts to unearth the murderers—for there is no doubt in the minds of those familiar with the case that there are several connected with the murder. The proof is positive that the murder was deliberate, premeditated and unprovoked, and that the motive was robbery. Sensations have been many during the past twenty four hours and as the diabolical plot of the assassins is revealed the excitement increases, and the blood of the assassins is demanded from the excited crowds that gather to hear the details of the plot.

After the finding of the body Saturday, suspicion was centered on Hyder Spencer, a farmer who lives near the scene of the tragedy because of a telegram from Spencer found in the dead man's pocket. Search was made for Spencer and it was learned that he had gone to Jonesboro and Johnson City several days before the body was found ostensibly to see Slagle in regard to the sale of a tract of timber land near Bridgeport, which Slagle was thinking of buying when the body was found Saturday near Spencer's home. Spencer was a hundred miles away at the home of Slagle waiting for his return. That he was a party to the crime was suspected from the finding of the body and the sensational suicide of Spencer last night confirmed the suspicion.

Spencer Cornered.

The body of Slagle was taken to

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BURLINGTON TO HAVE THROUGH LINE TO THE SEABOARD, IS REPORT

Rumored That System Will Connect with Seaboard Air Line.

REPORT IS DENIED

(By Associated Press.)

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Aug. 30.—The Burlington system, it is said here, is shortly to establish an air line through Nashville connecting the grain fields of the northwest with the Atlantic coast.

In the plan the Tennessee Central will be the connecting link between Chicago, Burlington and Quincy at Paducah and the Seaboard Air Line at Rutherfordton, N. C. The report here is that the Burlington system will acquire the Tennessee Central.

HILLS DENY DENIAL.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Aug. 30.—Combinations and consolidations which are being made seem to indicate rapid work in this part of the country. There are no new combinations being considered here, and all rumors to the contrary are erroneous.

This statement was made today by James J. Hill, chairman of the board of directors of the Great Northern. We have all the connections in the Mississippi valley we need. The Burlington takes care of all the traffic we can control, he said.

OLIVER SAYS NOT.

KNOXVILLE, Aug. 30.—W. J. Oliver of the city council, of the Knoxville and Eastern railroad now under construction denied a report of a probable combination of his road with the Tennessee Central, Burlington and Seaboard Air Line.

MINISTER'S WIFE A SUICIDE.

SPARTANBURG, S. C., Aug. 30.—Mrs. M. B. Hunt, widow of a prominent Baptist minister, of this city, committed suicide at her home near Campobello by drinking carbolic acid. She was sixty-five years of age.

PRES. TAFT CLEANS UP FILES BEFORE STARTING ON HIS LONG TRIP WEST

In Conference with Knox Disposes of Many Minor Governmental Matters.

AVOID PINCHOT ROW

(By Associated Press.)

CHEVERLY, Mass., Aug. 30.—President Taft disposed of important state department matters today with Secretary Knox and closed an exceptionally busy afternoon with announcement that he has decided to make Beverly the summer capital again next year. Mr. Taft has taken another season's lease of the cottage on Woodbury Point.

Secretary Knox also took up with the president the organization of the new Far Eastern bureau of the state department and announced an additional appointment to that service.

The bureau will have for its purpose the fostering of American trade relations with the Orient. President Taft is especially interested in this direction. Secretary Knox announced that Charles M. Pepper and M. H. Dever, special agents of the department of commerce and labor, have been detailed to the new bureau of trade relations on the tariff in the state department.

Secretary of the Interior Ballinger, who is now on his way to Washington from Seattle is coming to Beverly within the next ten days to see the president. President Taft said today that so far as he was concerned there was nothing in particular that he was to take up with Mr. Ballinger.

The president absolutely refrains from discussing or in any way taking public cognizance of the controversy between Chief Forester Pinchot and Secretary Ballinger, over the conservation plans of the present administration.

President Taft announced that a successor to Ormsby McHarg, assistant secretary of commerce and labor, has been chosen but no announcement will be made until it is learned that the man that the president has in mind will be able to accept the office.

NEVER KNEW WHETHER HE COULD GET SHOCK

Young Man Climbed to Electric Tower and Grabbed Live Wire.

(By Associated Press.)

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Aug. 30.—Harvey Hill, twenty years old, climbed into one of the big transmission towers of the Southern Power company at Fort Mill, York county, this afternoon to ascertain if he could get a shock by touching the wires. As the youth touched the deadly wire he burst from the terrific current he contracted his body and he dropped to the ground dead. The tower is one of the series of steel structures employed by the Southern Power company to transmit electrical current from the Catawba river station to the various mills of the company. The wires carry 44,000 volts.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 30.—Forecast: North Carolina—Local showers Tuesday and Wednesday; moderate to brisk east wind.

DISCHARGES LAWYERS, WILL LEAVE IT TO COURT

Accused of Murder Is Willing to Risk Life in Hands of Judge and Jury.

(By Associated Press.)

DURHAM, N. C., Aug. 30.—Reuben Barbee, a colored boy, who was to be tried for the murder of Engineer Holt here last winter, caused surprise today when he discharged Attorneys Winston and Bryant from the case and said he would leave the matter to the judge without jury or lawyers. Barbee has been in jail since December. He became impatient and after discharging his attorneys, told the court he was ready to draw it right when reports Wednesday morning. The court appointed counsel to defend him as required by law.

Barbee was tried for murder ten years ago and was acquitted without having attorneys defend him. The present trouble appears to have arisen over the attorneys refusal to call for a jury in curious proceedings when Barbee was demanded.

IDLE MUST MOVE ON.

LAWRENCEVILLE, Ga., Aug. 30.—A notice giving warning to loafing negroes to either "go to work or clear out" was this morning found posted in the lobby of the postoffice here. It is signed by "the present cyclopers of the N. K. C."

By many, the warning is taken as a joke. The postmaster, however, took charge of the note and proposes to have postoffice inspectors investigate the matter.

AMERICAN BOATS BEAT GERMAN IN SONDER RACES

Three Came in Ahead Winning the Trophy Given by President Taft.

MARBLE HEAD, Mass., Aug. 30.—America won a decisive victory over Germany today in the first of the series of sonder boat races for the President Taft and Governor Draper cups. All three places at the top of the list were captured by the defenders of the trophies, while the three challenging boats brought up well in the rear.

The Joyette, owned by Commodore William H. Childs of the Bensonhurst Yacht club, Brooklyn, N. Y., won first honors with the Elkin, owned by Charles E. Curtis, of Boston, second, and the Wolf, owned by Caleb Loring of Boston, third.

Next came the Sargasso, one of the German challengers, and following her, more than six minutes astern, was the Hesperia, while the Seehund II finished last. The Seehund II carried away her throat halyards within ten minutes after crossing the starting line and was unable to resume racing for fully ten minutes, while the damage was being repaired.

The air was clear as a crystal, the wind 12 to 15 miles strength and the seas so smooth that it did not more than slow the contesting yachts a sorta jump.

Four revenue cutters kept the course clear and the United States navy was represented by Secretary Meyer, on board the dispatch boat Dolphin, while the presidential yacht Sylph, with several ladies on the bridge steamed close to the line.

WILMINGTON FIRM IS TO BUILD AEROPLANES

Other Live News of Day from Capital of the Old North State.

(Special to The Citizen.)

RALEIGH, N. C., August 30.—With the announced purpose of flying its first completed aeroplane on the occasion of President Taft's visit to Wilmington this fall, the American Aeroplane company of Wilmington, procured a charter from the state today with $125,000 capital, a number of the leading business and professional men of the city being incorporators. The machine is pronounced a remarkable success in model tests.

Thinking, he says, that all cartridges had been removed from his revolver, W. A. Ashworth, fireman on the R. and S. railroad mortally wounded his room-mate named Jones last night, at Fayetteville and was acquitted in the coroners investigation in time to return to Raleigh today with his train. The young men were frolicking in their room and the shot fired in fun entered the victim's forehead.

A telegram later this afternoon from the mayor of Fayetteville to Chief of Police Stell of Raleigh directing him to take Asheworth in custody again on the strength of new evidence which the mayor informed Chief Stell over the phone would make the killing man slaughter at least. He told the chief that Jones was shot in the back of the head instead of in the forehead.

When the Supreme court convened for the fall term today sixty-two applicants for law license presented themselves. Five were negroes. The examinations continued all day in Representatives hall under supervision of Justice Platt D. Walker, all members of the court were present including Justice J. S. Manning, who succeeds through appointment of Governor Kitchin to the seat vacated by Justice Connor now judge of the Eastern District United States court.