

JUDGE HOLT SCORES LOEB FOR KEEPING GRAFTERS IN JOBS

Declares Immunity Bath a Discredit to Service And Disgrace to Honest Men

LOEB DEFENDS COURSE OF THE GOVERNMENT

Better That a Few Escape Than That Many go Unpunished

NEW YORK, Oct. 27.—"It takes a grafter to catch a grafter in the United States customs service," says William Loeb, Jr., collector of the port of New York in an official statement issued tonight, and Federal Judge Holt's opinions to the contrary notwithstanding, the four weighers who confessed and testified in the trial of Philip Musica and his father, Antonio, these importers, which was concluded today, to hold their jobs along with honest men.

Judge Holt of the United States Circuit court before disposing of the case today which resulted in the elder man's acquittal and the son's incarceration to the tombs for sentence, described the retention of the four weighers as a discredit to the government and disgrace to the honest men in the service.

Loeb Justifies It. Secretary Loeb said in reply: "It was not a question of choice in having all honest men in the government service and keeping four men admittedly dishonest in the service; but the choice was between keeping four dishonest men in the service where they could be easily watched, or allowing a great many dishonest men to remain in the service and have them, and all the corrupt merchants who had bribed them escape punishment at the hands of the criminal law. The administration decided on the former course, and its decision was based upon the highest motives."

"It is deemed only just to the administration that the public should have this statement when it reads Judge Holt's opinion."

LASHED TO RIGGING SIX SURVIVE FROM CREW OF FORTY ONE

Hope That Others Were Saved From Hestia Abandoned as Bodies Come Ashore

SURVIVORS TELL HARROWING TALES

Unable to Find Place in Life Boats Remained in Rigging For Day And Half

EASTPORT, Maine, Oct. 27.—The six men who, starved and beleaguered from exposure, were rescued from their perilous position in the rigging of the abandoned steamer Hestia yesterday are believed tonight to be the only survivors of the forty-one men and boys who were aboard the Donaldson liner when she struck the jagged Old Proprietor ledge off Seal Cove, Grand Manan Island, on Monday morning. Three bodies came ashore on the southeast shore of Nova Scotia today, two in a boat which drifted on the beach near Yarmouth, and the third in another boat which was found near Salmon river, fifteen miles farther north. There is little doubt that these are the two boats which started off from the wreck, which well loaded with men. Up to tonight the bodies had not been identified.

Tell of the Wreck. Recovering somewhat from their awful experience the men who escaped their companions' fate were able to give more definite information regarding what took place after the steamer went on the ledge. Third Mate Stewart advised that the Hestia reached the end of her last voyage on Monday morning, instead of Tuesday morning, as had previously been supposed, and that he and his five comrades who were unable to find places in the boats which were launched when it was decided to abandon the ship, remained lashed to the rigging for thirty-eight hours without food or water, but they were taken off by the life savers. One of their number, Seaman Stone, was in a serious condition tonight. So far as could be ascertained tonight, those on board the Hestia comprised Captain Stewart and his crew.

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ASSASSINATION OF PRINCE ITOPART OF WIDE SPREAD PLOT

Assassins Are Thought to Have Associated With Murderers of Stevens

JAPAN WILL MAKE NO CHANGE IN HER POLICY

Plans Worked Out For Korea Will be Carried Out as Dead Minister Wished

TOKYO, Oct. 27.—The body of Prince Ito, the murdered statesman of Japan, will be taken aboard the Japanese warship Iwato, at Dairen, and will be brought to Japan accompanied by a full suite, representing the entire nation. The body lay in a hotel today at Dairen, the coffin covered by a simple white pall. The guards surrounded the hotel and only the prince's personal staff was admitted.

Throughout the day telegrams poured into Tokyo from every country of the world, and the officials of the foreign office are busily engaged in answering them.

Those closest to the throne say that the emperor is deeply affected by the assassination of the prince. He has asked for every detail and apparently is unable to understand why the murder was committed, in view of the evident popularity of Prince Ito. But when informed of all the facts so far as they have been learned here, the emperor ordered that there must be no change in the policy toward Korea.

Wide Reaching Plot. The emperor of Korea has called his sympathy to the emperor of Japan as well as to Princess Ito at Ito. The assassin probably will be tried at Dairen.

Nine alleged accomplices have been arrested and it is believed that the investigation will show that the plot was hatched at Seoul. The Japanese authorities are determined to unearth the source, because the assassination of Prince Ito is believed to have been planned by the same persons who planned the murder of Dutchman White Stevens, the former diplomatic adviser to the Korean government, at San Francisco in 1908. The newspapers here comment on the escape of one of the associates.

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Not Talking To Joseph!



OTHER GUESTS OF BLACK MOUNTAIN HOTEL ARE FAVORABLE TO WATKINS

Third Day of Trial of Hotel Gladstone Tragedy Scored Points in Favor of Defense. Atlanta Broker Declares Collins and Bunting Were Intoxicated and Disorderly

Yesterday's session of the trial of P. C. Watkins for the killing of John Hill Bunting at Black Mountain August 7 was featured by the production of evidence highly beneficial to defendant.

E. Adams, of Atlanta, testified to hearing Bunting and Collins using profane and vulgar language and of his efforts to quiet them, his wife told of hearing the men using profane language and of being greatly frightened. Proprietor Manly, of the hotel, testified that Clem Jones told him the men had Watkins down and he had to shoot. Watkins' sister, Mrs. Crawford testified that Cowan told her the men had Watkins down and her husband told him the men had Watkins down.

Dave Glenn testified that Jones told him the men had Watkins down and that he thought the men were going "to kill us." Leslie Hummel, clerk at the hotel, testified that Jones told him the men attacked Watkins. A number of witnesses testified to defendant's good character.

The cross examinations were rigorous and whatever matters contradictory were developed will be used in argument.

Cross Examination. The cross examination by Judge Jones of the defendant yesterday morning when court met yesterday morning and witness was asked about statements he made to newspapers some hours after the tragedy with a view to showing that they did not correspond to some of those he made to the court. Witness denied the correctness of certain statements. He denied that he had caused a statement he signed to be published with a view to influencing public sentiment and also denied that he had been to

various sections of the county talking about the case to influence sentiment and that he had agents around seeking to influence people. He said he had no money to use for any such purpose, saying that while he had sold a place for some \$3,100 he had found \$2,000 of this money in a few hours to buy a farm. He had not furnished a cent to get witnesses here and no one had done this for him so far as he knew. He admitted that he was intoxicated once and denied that he had engaged in the sale of near beer, although he had kept his store open Sundays. On re-direct examination he said that he had killed the negro of whom he spoke the day before because the negro had cut through his door with an axe and nearly struck his daughter with it.

Atlanta Witness. C. E. Adams, a cotton broker of Atlanta, who said he had been at Black Mountain for his health, was called to the stand and when ladies retired testified that he was awakened by talking and heard two intoxicated men using profane and lewd talk, which he detailed. He went to their room and reminded them he had been near by and they promised to desist, but in two or three minutes returned to this kind of talk, whereupon witness went back to their room and reminded them of their promise. They acted sullen and when he asked one who was sitting on a chair which was his room was told it was none of his business. On witness telling them he would have them put out of the hotel if they did not quit one said send for the proprietor and see what would happen. Witness suggested to Proprietor Manly that they separate the men but Manly said he was an invalid and had sent for the police.

Repertee. On cross examination by Mr. Settle, who asked if the hotel was not a sort of sounding board which magnified sounds, witness said that it was a summer built hotel and the windows were open, but he did not recall before this hearing noises in other rooms. Witness created some amusement by his reply when Mr. Settle asked him why he said he "supposed" it was Watkins who knocked on the door: "I didn't have anything else in my mind to say." When asked about using "I think" at the coroner's inquest he naively responded: "A man gets many words in his mouth that ought not to have been there." Produced on page five.)

In a few minutes he heard a knock on the door of 19, where the men had gone, a match struck and some one asked what's all this fuss or row about? Why can't you fellows be quiet. If you don't be quiet I will have to take you to the lockup. Witness said he heard a commotion and looked into the room. He saw a dim light through the window, the light went out, there was a commotion, the door slammed and there was a pistol shot. He heard some one say, "Open that door, Clem," and a man in agony say, "I am shot." The hall filled with people. Witness did not get up for about five minutes and then went into 19. Both men were lying on the bed, one with his arms around the other. One sat up and pointing to Adams said, "See here, I am shot; you are the cause of it. I am now sober. Send for a doctor." Witness did not think he was fully sober. After much reflection he said he thought the door slammed before the first shot was fired but was not clear about this.

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FIRST WOMAN TO GO UP IN AEROPLANE KNOWS WHY LITTLE BIRDS SING

Wright Yields to Entreaties of Ladies at Last and Takes up Passenger

PUPILS LEARNING

COLLEGE PARK, Md., Oct. 27.—With her skirts flapping about her ankles to keep them from fluttering in the breeze, Mrs. Van Deman, wife of Captain Ralph H. Van Deman, twenty-first infantry, U. S. A., occupied the passenger seat beside Wilbur Wright when he ascended in the government's aeroplane here today. For four minutes she experienced the sensation of soaring in the air, sometimes as high as sixty feet above the ground. This was the first time a woman has made an ascension in the United States, the Wright brothers having resisted a multitude of feminine requests for aeroplane ascensions.

"O," exclaimed Mrs. Deman when she returned to the ground, "now I know what makes the birds sing." Lieutenant Leck and Humphreys had so far progressed with their mastery of the government's aeroplane today that just before the lifting of the after-noon's work, Wilbur Wright stepped to the rear and allowed the two officers to examine all details in the management of the machine prior to their ascension.

GOVERNMENT DEMANDS SETTLEMENT OF CLAIM AGAINST STATE OF CHILE

Asks Repraisal for Breach of Contract With an American Concern

MILLIONS INVOLVED

WASHINGTON, Oct. 27.—Information has reached the state department that the celebrated Absp claim against Chile, involving valuable gold deposits and silver mines in a large way of settlement.

The Absp case, which has its origin in the actual advances of money by Americans to the Chilean government in return for rights to valuable claims deposits. The amount of money advanced by Absp and company, Americans, was more than a million dollars in gold. The Chilean government reneged on the claim, and made a contract for its settlement, the basis of which was to be the receipts from the custom house at Arica, together with long leases of a number of valuable silver mines. Before these arrangements could be carried out, however, war broke out between Chile and Bolivia, and the custom receipts at Arica were taken over by the Chilean government. American were made in the morning hours so that the arrangements which had been made with Absp were not carried out. Absp and company, at the close of the war, finding themselves disappointed of the gains, filed and of the mines as well as the receipts from customs, appealed to Chile, which made several promises of a settlement. Many offers of compromise were also made, but the amounts offered were altogether inadequate and they were refused. The government is now insisting that the claim should be paid promptly or the whole matter referred to impartial arbitration of its merits.

VIRGINIA VIOLATED THE ETHICS OF FOOTBALL IN NAVY GAME IS CHARGED

Student of Virginia Medical College was Rung in Against Navy Team

PLAYED LAST YEAR

RICHMOND, Va., Oct. 27.—W. R. Collier, who played left guard in the Virginia-Navy football game last Saturday and who was charged with being a "ringer" in a matriculation upon the roll books of the Medical College of Virginia here, officials of that institution stated this morning that he was in college at present and also up to a short time before the Virginia-Navy game.

Collier played guard on the University of Virginia team last season and is considered one of the strongest players of the team. According to statements of medical college officials this morning, he entered the medical college of Virginia at the beginning of the season and went on classes. In the early part of last week it is alleged Collier was spotted by representatives of the management of the university and went to Charlottesville where he trained with the university squad and went to Annapolis and played in the navy game. Four university men were present when the statement that Collier was a "ringer" was made, and they at once wrote a letter to Massener Carrington, of the Virginia football team, asking for information and demanding that if their information was true Collier be put off the team and a statement issued. A telegram from Manager Stanger Carrington of the university football team received here today certified that Collier had in no sense violated the rules of athletic eligibility in the university as set forth in the catalogue.

ROBBED BANK IN EVERY MANNER CONCEIVABLE

Officials Whipsawed Depositors, Borrowers and Everybody Else.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 27.—Every conceivable form of irregularity has been turned out in the way treasury officials describe the developments in the investigation of the Mineral Point, Wis., First National bank, which closed its doors October 12.

The reports reaching the office of the comptroller of the currency continue to increase the amount involved and to show the remarkable nature of the transactions that led up to the closing of the institution. The latest information is that the loss from forged papers and embezzlement reaches \$452,000. There were many deposits made that were never entered on the books of the bank, it is alleged.

PLAN TO CELEBRATE THE EMANCIPATION OF RACE

Negroes Will hold Exposition in 1913 Showing Progress of Race

TENNESSEE, Ala., Oct. 27.—At a meeting held at Tuskegee institute today preliminary plans were formulated for a semi-centennial exposition to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the freeing of the negro slaves in the United States. Ten thousand dollars have already been secured to meet the expenses of the preliminary organization.

LETTERS OF PRESIDENT OF ICE TRUST READ IN COURT

Show That Corporation Was Trying to Crush Competitors out of Field.

NEW YORK, Oct. 27.—Extracts from letters written by officials of the American Ice company to agents and customers were read in court today as evidence that the company was guilty of illegal monopoly in its dealings with independent producers and retailers.

MISSISSIPPI TRIP IS NO FREE JUNKET MR. TAFT DECLARES

Schedule Gets Out of Hitch Because Rest of Flotilla Cannot Keep up

MAY HAVE TO CUT OUT SCHEDULED STOPS

President Reiterates His Support of Deeper Waterways And Favors Bond Issue

HELENA, Ark., Oct. 27.—President Taft's river schedule went all to pieces today owing to the inability of the vessels following his flagship, the Oleaner, to keep up to the designated speed. The president tried to stay with the fleet as far as he possibly could and delayed his arrival in Memphis three hours this morning in order that the boats carrying the twenty-six governors and the 117 congressmen as well as other vessels carrying delegates to the waterways convention in New Orleans, might land at the same time.

Leaving Memphis one hour and a half late this afternoon, the Oleaner had to press forward at top speed in order to reach here at 8 p. m., two hours behind the scheduled time. In making the run, the Oleaner left all of the other vessels of the fleet far astern. The delays wrought havoc with the schedule for the remainder of the trip.

Vicksburg Next. Leaving here nearly three hours late tonight the president will not reach Vicksburg until six o'clock or after tomorrow night, that being his next stop. Even to make that city by 6 p. m., the president will have to leave the other vessels behind. It had been Mr. Taft's decision to ride over the battlefields at Vicksburg, and he may be denied that pleasure because of the delay. It had been intended that the president should be welcomed once more to Arkansas by Governor Donaghy, but the governor's boat was an hour behind the president and the introductory speech was made by Mayor Martin. The president spoke briefly from a stand erected in the center of the city.

Welcomed to Memphis. Mr. Taft received a noisy and demonstrative welcome in Memphis today. As his boat drew up to the levee, the place was black with people. The roofs of the tall buildings fronting the river also were crowded. The delay in the arrival caused much confusion in the western Tennessee metropolis, however, and two of the president's cabinet ministers came near falling left on the return from the auditorium, the automobile having gone all awry in the confusion of so many distinguished guests.

ENTRIES POURING IN FOR ATLANTA MOTOR RACES

Motorcycles Will Also Be Given Places in Three of the Five Days Races

ATLANTA, Ga., Oct. 27.—Riders of racing motorcycles who have been asking for a chance to compete on the new two-mile speedway of the Atlanta Automobile association are to be given a part of the program for three of the five days of racing scheduled to begin November 9. Arrangements are now being made for the largest field of motorcycles ever seen on the track. It is expected that not less than fifty riders will take part in this feature of the big racing program. Mrs. Joan Cuneo, the woman automobile driver, who has been seeking recognition at the hands of the American Automobile association, is now en route to Atlanta from New York in a cross country run, and when she arrives here will be given an opportunity to try the new course unofficially.



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