

ACCUSED CAPTAIN ON WITNESS STAND DEFENDS HIMSELF

Flatly Contradicts Testimony Previously Given by Admiral Marshall

SENSATION CAUSED BEFORE COURT MARTIAL

Captain Knight Declares That He Personally Reported Tests to Superior

NORFOLK, Va., Mar. 15.—A sensation was created at today's session of the court martial when Captain Austin M. Knight, president of the naval ordnance board, testifying in his own behalf, flatly contradicted the testimony of Rear Admiral W. A. Marshall given earlier in the trial.

Recognized His Voice. "I recognized his voice and he told me on the phone this is Marshall," declared Captain Knight.

FORMER GOVERNOR OF FLA. WM. D. BLOXHAM, DIES AT ADVANCED AGE OF 75

For Many Years Was Very Prominent in Politics of His State

WAS A CONFEDERATE

TALLAHASSEE, Fla., Mar. 15.—Wm. D. Bloxham, twice governor of Florida and for many years prominent in Florida politics, died at his home here today, aged 75 years.

He had been in failing health since last summer, when he suffered an attack of pneumonia from the effects of which he never fully recovered.

RUN OVER BY TRAIN.

LYNCHBURG, Va., Mar. 15.—C. M. Jacobs, of Suffolk, Va., was run over and killed by an early morning train today on the Southern railway at Alta Vista.

KILLED BY FALLING LOG.

SAVANNAH, Ga., Mar. 15.—Caught under a huge falling log, Harry H. Hahn, vice president of the Big Stick Lumber company was instantly killed at Monticello today.

PRESIDENT TAFT IS PLAYING GOLF AND FEELING FINE

Wins by Close Score From Martin W. Littleton While Arguing Politics

FAMILIARLY GREETED CONGRESSMAN DALZELL

Forgetful of Cares of State President of Nation Is Enjoying Himself

AUGUSTA, Mar. 15.—President Taft and Representative Martin W. Littleton, of New York, played an interesting game of golf today. The match was arranged last Saturday. In a way it was heralded as a contest between the republican and democratic parties and the president, as the representative of the former, unexpectedly won.

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HOOKWORM IS FAST BEING ERADICATED FROM SOUTHLAND

Rockefeller's Million Dollar Fund Being Put to Excellent Use

ENERGETIC CAMPAIGN AGAINST PARASITE

Hookworm Found to be Hurting Miners of States of California and Nevada

WASHINGTON, March 15.—Excellent results are being accomplished in the fight being waged in the South against the hookworm infection, according to two reports from the commission established by a donation of \$1,000,000 from John D. Rockefeller for the eradication of the disease.

Scientific treatment, he believes, is getting the upper hand in the fight against hookworm. The other report, that of Wickliffe Rose, administrative secretary of the committee which has just been made public declared that the largest result achieved during the past year does not appear in the tables shown in the report.

Everybody Co-operating. The people, he adds, "are being led to seek examination and treatment by the co-operation of public-spirited, influential citizens. The inspectors on going into a new community frequently have the co-operation of a group of leading citizens."

WEAKENED WALLS FALLING CRUSH THIRTY MEN UNDER TONS OF BRICK AND TIMBER

Dead Number Twelve and Injured Seventeen With Probably Others Killed

CLEARING DEBRIS

NASHVILLE, Tenn., March 15.—By the collapse of the sidewalls of the Fall Hardware building, which burned ten days ago, at 10:30 this morning about thirty men were buried under tons of brick, mortar and timber.

The known dead at 7 o'clock number twelve, while it is certainly known that 17 were injured. The work of removing the debris is still in progress and it is believed other dead and wounded will be found before morning.

DISCHARGED FOR INCOMPETENCY

COLUMBIA, S. C., Mar. 15.—"Neglect of duty and incapacity," are the reasons assigned by Governor Blease for an order issued last night preventing removing from office Dr. J. P. Murray, of Columbia, J. Steele Brice, of Yorkville, A. N. Wood of Gaffney, Avery Patton of Greenville, and John McQueen of Timmonsville, composing the commission to wind up the late South Carolina state dispensary.

And He Was Just About To Get It Out.



TROOPS ON BORDER HAVE SETTLED INTO ROUTINE A WAITING ORDERS

Marching Rations Are Ordered in Large Quantities for Camp Crockett.—Daily Drills Are Being Held.—Health of Soldiers is Excellent, the Only Sickness Being One Case of Measles.

GALVESTON, TEX., MARCH 5.—The soldiers encamped at Fort Crockett have settled down to a daily routine waiting for something to happen.

They are having the three hours of company and battalion drill daily in extended formation and Colonel Bailey is planning to increase the time as the men become hardened to the work.

Health of Soldiers Good

Officials at Washington are manifesting great interest in the health of the soldiers and it is a source of great satisfaction to General Mills that he has to report but one case of sickness among the 1,200 men now here.

No news reached here today from the three transports now en route to Galveston from Hampton Roads with 3,000 men although all the wireless stations in this vicinity are sending electric waves scouting for them.

Much Hardtack Ordered. As significant of the length of time Washington officials expect to keep the troops here, Captain Julius Killian, purchasing commissary, today placed an order for 2,000 pounds of hardtack after receiving instructions from the department.

DIVISION ABOUT COMPLETE.

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Mar. 15.—When the last battery of artillery arrives here from Fort D. A. Russell, probably tomorrow, General Carter's division will be complete.

The ninth cavalry, colored, from Fort D. A. Russell, marched into camp today. They were ordered to entrain eight days ago but for five days were compelled to wait for cars.

Shortage of Tents.

General Carter moved his quarters into a spacious tent today. The great field of brown canvas was broken into a few spots by white tents borrowed temporarily to supply a shortage occasioned by the establishment of division headquarters.

ARMY TRANSPORTS PASS.

KEY WEST, Fla., Mar. 15.—The United States army transports McClellan, Kilpatrick and Sumner carrying several companies of coast artillery to Galveston to take part in the army maneuvers in Texas passed Key West this morning.

CAIS READY FOR EMERGENCY.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., March 15.—If advised Southern Pacific officials received tonight are carried out then all rail communication with the interior of Mexico will be destroyed within 24 hours.

Activity on the part of the revolutionaries is also expected.

These cars are ready to move so soon as the government can load them in the event of an emergency. Plenty of motive power is also held in reserve.

INVESTIGATING MURDER OF AMERICAN PROFESSOR

While Engaged in Excavating Ruins Professor McCou Killed by Arabs

WASHINGTON, March 15.—Representations have been made by the American government to Turkey regarding the murder of H. F. McCou, a well known American archaeologist by Arabs at Cyrene, Africa, on March 11, and the American embassy at Constantinople has cabled that soldiers have been dispatched to arrest the known perpetrators.

MILLION DOLLAR WATER POWER COMPANY FORMED

North Carolina Company Will Develop Power on Many Virginia Rivers

SALISBURY, N. C., March 15.—There was organized here today a million dollar water power company under a North Carolina charter. The name of the company is the Virginia Power company. Dr. J. J. Mott of Statesville, N. C., is the moving spirit behind the big organization.

THOUSAND FARMERS ARE AT INTER-STATE MEETING

Farmers' Unions of North Carolina and Virginia Gather

DANVILLE, Va., March 15.—With a thousand delegates in attendance an interstate meeting of the Farmers' unions of Virginia and North Carolina met here today for a session of two days. At a public meeting addresses by D. M. Gannaway, president of the Virginia union; Dr. H. Q. Alexander, president of the North Carolina union; Mayor Harry Wooding of Danville, and others were made.

GAYNOR WANTS TO ARBITRATE

NEW YORK, March 15.—Mayor Gaynor came out with a letter tonight offering to act as arbitrator in the strike of the Adams Express company employees, provided the men return to work at once and appoint a committee to present their grievances to him.



WASHINGTON, March 15.—Forecast for North Carolina: Fair, much colder Thursday; Friday generally fair; moderate to brisk northwest winds becoming variable.

FINANCE MINISTER LIMANTOUR LEAVES FOR MEXICO CITY

May Ask for Military Escort Across Texas to Border of Countries

WANTS ONLY TRUTH TOLD ABOUT MEXICO

Declares That America Must Not Forget That Mexico Has many Resources

NEW YORK, Mar. 15.—Senator Jose Yves Limantour, Mexico's minister of finance, slipped quietly out of town this afternoon, apparently bound direct for Mexico City.

From what could be learned he has abandoned his idea of going home by way of Florida and Havana, for he left New York at 2 p. m. over the Pennsylvania railroad in his private car en route to St. Louis.

Behind him Senator Limantour left a long typewritten statement and the clerk at the desk of the hotel said he had inquired particularly about the sailings on or about March 20 of all lines running between Havana and Vera Cruz.

How long will the insurrection last? "Quien sabe? That will depend as much upon acts of Americans as the Mexicans. May the American people never forget that Mexico is a country of wonderful resources and possibilities but that their fullest development can never come except through the complete co-operation of every one who has the best interests of Mexico at heart."

WILMINGTON ADOPTS THE COMMISSION PLAN BY STAGGERING MAJORITY

In a Total of 1,200 Votes Only Twenty-Two Were Cast Against New Form

ALMOST UNANIMOUS

WILMINGTON, N. C., Mar. 15.—Under authority of an act of the last session of the general assembly by popular vote the city of Wilmington today adopted the commission form of government, the vote being practically unanimous, only 22 votes being cast against the measure out of a total of 1,200.