

SCOTTISH RITE REUNION.

The June reunion of the Scottish Rite bodies in Asheville will begin at 2:30 o'clock today and continue through Thursday and Friday. Brethren of other jurisdictions, sojourning in Asheville, are fraternally welcome. adv.-1t

SAYS BOOK ACCOUNTS AND RECEIPTS MUST BE SHOWN

Written Opinion of Justice Hughes Lays Down Some New Requirements.

WASHINGTON, June 24.—Nothing short of actual book accounts of railroad receipts and expenditures in interstate business will be accepted by the supreme court of the United States as a basis of annulling state rates as confiscatory, according to the written opinion of Justice Hughes in the Arkansas rate cases, complete today. Justice Hughes announced the mere decision of the court that the freight and two-cent passenger rates in that state were not confiscatory on the court's last session day, June 18, and has been engaged in writing the opinion in the cases since that day.

He pointed out in the opinion that the railroads, in attacking the rates, failed to sustain their case before too general methods employed in separating intrastate operations from interstate. The value of the railroad property, he said, for reasons set forth in the Minnesota cases, was improperly divided between intrastate and interstate business on a gross revenue basis. He also criticized the lower court's conclusion that intrastate freight traffic cost 210 per cent. more on the Iron Mountain road and 250 per cent. more on the St. Louis-Southwestern, than interstate traffic, and the intrastate passenger service on the Iron Mountain cost 10 per cent. more than the interstate.

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PRESIDENT MAKES REPLY TO CHARGES

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them as you have planned, and you are so directed." Continuing the attorney general said:

"I had no occasion to give the matter any further special consideration for some three weeks—June 13—when Secretary Wilson telephoned me and told me of the embarrassment in which he was placed by the request from the elder Caminetti, father of one of the defendants, for leave of absence in order to attend the trial of his son. The elder Caminetti, as you know, is the newly appointed commissioner of immigration. The secretary explained the exigencies of his department which he thought imperatively required the presence here of the commissioner. He has written me a letter stating his recollection of the circumstances and I herewith enclose it."

McNAB STILL BUSY.
SAN FRANCISCO, June 24.—While important developments were following one another in rapid order in Washington today as the result of a controversy begun when United States District Attorney John L. McNab, of the northern district of California, telegraphed his resignation to President Wilson on Saturday, the prosecutor himself was driving one more nail in the flag of rebellion which he spiked to the masthead last week.

Mr. McNab resigned because he could not agree to Attorney-General McReynolds' decree to have the Diggs-Caminetti white slave and certain Western Fuel conspiracy cases continued for a long period. Today he obtained a continuance of three weeks, instead of the longer one his chief had requested, and refused to proceed with the prosecution of those fuel officials not mentioned by Mr. McReynolds, separate from the cases of the two directors the attorney-general had asked postponed.

When the cases of John L. Howard, president of the Western Fuel company, and his fellow officials under indictment for alleged conspiracy to defraud the customs, were called by Judge Bean in the United States district court, Mr. McNab said, addressing the court:

"I cannot proceed with these cases. I wish to state the conditions which make it impossible. The attorney-general has directed me to withhold from trial the cases of two defendants. In this I am unable to agree with my superior, and therefore I have sent my resignation to the president."

The court then made an order setting the cases over until July 15.

The cases of Drew Caminetti, son of the new commissioner general of immigration, and Maury I. Diggs, former state architect, indicted for white slavery, were on the calendar for next Thursday, but they were continued until July 15.

The fellow who once brought home a frozen snake and thawed it out under the kitchen stove with subsequent disastrous results should have named the reptile "I. W. W."

LONDON SOCIETY CROWDS COURT TO HEAR WILL CASE

Brother of Late Sir John Murray Scott Fights Disposition of Estate.

LONDON, June 24.—London society crowded the probate court today at the beginning of the suit over the will of the late Sir John Murray Scott. Sir John left nearly \$6,000,000 to Lady Sackville of Knole Park, Kent, wife of Baron Sackville, a relative of a former British minister to Washington.

Malcolm Scott, a brother of Sir John, opposes probate of the will on the ground that Baron and Lady Sackville used undue influence in order to secure the bulk of the estate. He also claims that a codicil, for which he has offered \$50,000 reward, was executed after the drawing of the will for which the Sackvilles seek probate.

By order of the court some time ago, an envelope left by Sir John Murray Scott, addressed to Lady Sackville, was opened, but it has not been disclosed whether it contained the missing codicil. At the opening of the case for Malcolm Scott today, his counsel outlined the general nature of his case. "The Sackvilles," he said, "spent more than ten years in obtaining complete ascendancy and domination over Sir John Scott. The nature of that influence was such that although they were not relatives they induced him to finance them for enormous sums during his lifetime and to leave to them the greater part of his estate of \$5,000,000."

Sir John died on January 17, 1912, after a most remarkable career.

He was the son of a Scottish doctor of very humble position.

UNCLE SAM NEEDS THOUSAND HORSES

WASHINGTON, June 24.—The army is now short at least 1,000 horses, a greater shortage than ever before has existed. The war department already has expended \$100,000 allowed by congress March 4, last, and while another appropriation of \$175,000 will be available July 1, at present prices not nearly enough horses can be had to meet the need. Fortunately, however, prices are somewhat lower than last year.

Most of the horses purchased are from the Missouri markets, although efforts are being made to gather some horses at Winchester, Va., for the cavalry camp to be established there next month.

The quartermaster corps is trying to meet this need for horseflesh by establishing breeding stations on Indian reservations, and Major R. G. Paxon has just organized the first of these at the Cheyenne agency in South Dakota.

After totalling up the casualties it will be observed that more Mexican patriots have been slaughtered in battle than there are.

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DR. T. C. SMITH



BATTLE FLAGS MUST NOT BE UNFURLED

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two days ahead of schedule time, according to Major Normoyle, in command. Provisions which are not perishable will all be distributed to these kitchens not later than next Saturday and, under a scheme outlined by Captain McCaskey, who, with Major Grove, is assisting Major Normoyle, the arrival of every trainload of veterans will be followed by the supply of immediate mess requirements.

A remarkable system for keeping track of the veterans from every state has been devised with the result that any delay when they reach camp is practically an impossibility.

Almost every day brings news of larger allotments of veterans from the various states. The latest request for more space comes from Virginia, which reports that instead of 1,800 it will send at least 2,500.

PLEASE QUEERS THINGS.

COLUMBIA, S. C., June 24.—Adjutant-General W. W. Moore, of South Carolina, today received a telegram from General A. L. Mills, chief of the division of militia affairs, U. S. A., Washington, informing him that no further federal assistance, either in personnel or equipment, will be afforded the organized militia of this state because of the attitude of Governor Cole L. Bleese toward the enforcement of federal militia law, as expressed in letters recently written by the state executive to Adjutant-General Moore and the secretary of war.

The telegram from General Mills to the adjutant-general was as follows:

"In accordance with action with war department this date, taken in consequence of attitude of governor of your state toward enforcement of federal militia law as expressed in his letters of May 5 and 27, to you, and of June 11 to secretary of war, no further federal assistance, either in personnel or equipment, will be af-

forded the organized militia of your state, nor will further expenditure of federal funds in hands of disbursing officer be authorized by secretary of war, except to cover such obligations as may have been already incurred and approved by secretary of war. Requisition for property now on hand in militia division is discontinued and no further requisition will be honored. This information is telegraphed you in connection with plans for encampment of South Carolina organized militia this summer in order that you may be guided by such telegrams and act accordingly. Disbursing officer has been informed of action by war department.

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CANNOT BECOME CITIZEN.

CHARLESTON, S. C., June 24.—In the United States district court here today, Judge Henry A. M. Smith decided that a modern Syrian of Asiatic birth is not entitled to naturalization as a citizen of the United States. The decision was rendered in the case of Farris Shahid, who was born fifty-nine years ago in Zahle, Asia-Minor, and who desired naturalization in order to bring his wife and several children to this country.

"What is the race or color of the modern inhabitants of Syria it is impossible to say," said Judge Smith.

"No geographical area of the world has been more mixed since history began. One Syrian may be of pure or almost pure Jewish, Turkish or Greek blood, and another the pure-blooded descendant of an Egyptian, an Abyssinian or a Sudanese."

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