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The South Has Been Shamefully Slandered, Declare Humphreys

Representative from Mississippi Severely Assails Persons who Have Attempted to Block Immigration to South.

Says Stories of Peonage and White Slavery are False—Has no Quarrel With Italian Government.

Washington, D. C., March 2.—Representative Humphreys in the house today, charged that a systematic campaign had been waged for the past 12 months through the press of the country for whose interests could best be served in that way for the purpose of discouraging immigration to the south.

Agents of the Italian government, he said, had busied themselves, "in concealing and circulating" these stories. "When I deny them, as I do now, they will not deny them," said he.

Wants Investigation. An investigation by the immigration commission of labor conditions in the turpentine camps, plantations and other industries of the south, especially the existence of peonage is provided for in a resolution taken up by the house.

Florida Standard. In a bitter criticism of the department of government and some of its officials, Representative Clark, of Florida, declared in the house that the state of Florida was prepared to answer the accounts of peonage, slavery, involuntary servitude, brutal and inhuman treatment of laborers, and other conditions which smelt of "slavery" and in some of the most remarkable documents emanating from the department of justice of the United States which he charged, were absolutely false in all their essential particulars.

The people of Florida, he asserted, counted the fullest investigation of the matter which had been of so much injury to the fair name of their state. He predicted that these people "will come through the ordeal of investigation without the smallest of fire upon their garments, and in spite of the batteries of slander which, for the past year, have been belching their 'infamous, un-American fabrications.'"

Mr. Clark then denounced Russell's statement as "a base fabrication cut out of the whole cloth."

Mutual Life of New York Not in Trouble. The News was in error last Saturday in printing a dispatch from Raleigh to the effect that receivers had been appointed for the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York. The company in difficulty is the Mutual Reserve Insurance Company.

Thousands Affected by Suspension of Work. By Associated Press. Boston, Mass., March 2.—More than 500 granite cutters, quarrymen and others employed in the granite industry in the surrounding centers of Barre, Vt., Montpelier, Vt., and Westley, R. I., were affected by the suspension of work today, due to the failure by the unions and the manufacturers to agree on the provision of the new wage schedule and the working agreement to replace that which governed the industry up to Saturday.

Death of Mr. T. B. Wanamaker. By Associated Press. Paris, March 2.—Mr. Thomas B. Wanamaker, of Philadelphia, son of the former postmaster general, died suddenly here today. Mr. Wanamaker arrived Thursday from Egypt, where he had been traveling with his mother, in search of health.

Was Proprietor of Big Newspaper. Philadelphia, Pa., March 2.—Mr. Wanamaker had long been a sufferer from rheumatic gout, complicated with other ailments. He was the proprietor of the Philadelphia North American.



THE RECEPTION COMMITTEE.

Steamer Runs Ashore in Fog

The Passenger Steamer Coamo Runs Ashore on Jones Beach—Passengers Thought to Be in No Immediate Danger.

By Associated Press. New York, March 2.—The passenger steamer Coamo, of the New York and Porto Rico Steamship Company, went ashore in a dense fog on Jones Beach on the south shore of Long Island, about 20 miles east of Sandy Hook.

So blinding was the fog that Captain Dalton was unable to see enough of the shore to ascertain what part of the coast his steamer had struck upon. Although he promptly sent a wireless message to the office of the company, he was unable to tell them where to send assistance.

For several hours messages came out of the fog-bank to the wireless receiving station, telling of the mishap, but it was not until the sound of the steamer's whistle, giving distress signals, was heard from the short that the location of the Coamo became known.

As the wind was light and the beach where she grounded is sandy, it is believed that the passengers were in no immediate danger.

Priest Guarded By Police

By Associated Press. Cincinnati, O., March 2.—While celebrating Mass yesterday at St. Peter's Cathedral here, Rev. Michael Mulvihill, pastor of the cathedral congregation, was guarded by police in citizen's clothes.

The priest received a letter signed "John Ryan," informing him that the anarchists from Denver, Col., had arranged to kill him at the Mass.

Davidson Seniors Will Attend Elizabeth Reception

Special to The News. Davidson College, N. C., March 2.—The senior class of Elizabeth College has invited the senior class of Davidson to their reception tonight. They have accepted and will go down in a body.

Four New Incorporations

Special to The News. Raleigh, N. C., March 2.—Four new corporations received charters today. The Farmers Commercial Bank, of Benson, Johnston county, at a capital of \$5,000 subscribed, by J. F. L. Armfield, J. Q. Ellington, and M. T. Britt.

Bishop Duncan Died To-day

End Came After Many Hours of Suffering—His Splendid Career Reviewed—Funeral to Be Held Wednesday.

Special to The News. Spartanburg, S. C., March 2.—Bishop W. W. Duncan died this morning at his home here at 9:55, after a long illness.

All of the members of his family were at his death bed. The death of Bishop Duncan was not a surprise for he has been in a dying condition for several days.

He was kept alive for three days by the administration of strong stimulants. The funeral services will be held in Central Methodist Church Wednesday afternoon.

Story of His Career. Bishop Duncan was born at Boydton, Mecklenburg county, Va., Dec. 20th, 1839. He was educated at Randolph-Macon College until 1854, and afterward attended Wofford College, at Spartanburg, S. C., from which he was graduated with the degree of A. B. in 1858.

He entered the ministry of the M. E. Church South in the Virginia annual conference in the year 1859, and filled appointments in that conference until 1875, except that during the war between the states from 1861-1865 he was chaplain in the army of the Confederate states. He became professor of intellectual and Moral Philosophy in Wofford College in 1875, and held that chair until 1886, when he was elected by the general conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, as one of the bishops of that church and he has ever since been occupied with his episcopal duties. He was a delegate from the M. E. Church South to the Ecumenical conference of Methodism at London in 1881. He married at Union, S. C., March 1861, Medora Rice.

Bishop Duncan was one of the most learned and prominent men in the entire conference.

Triangular League Debate.

Providence, R. I., March 2.—Whether or not the larger New England cities should have the larger commission form of government is to be settled tonight by the high-browed and steady-tongued debaters of three of New England's leading colleges. The occasion is the annual contest of the Triangular Debating League, comprising Brown, Williams and Dartmouth. Each college has two teams and the debates are to be held simultaneously in Williams-town, Hanover and Providence.

By Associated Press. Chicago, Ill., March 2.—The Record-Herald says: Miss Franc Kingsworth, an artist's model, was led blindfolded into a room filled with cadavers yesterday and was photographed for a picture to be entitled "Asleep With the Dead."

She fainted when the bandage was removed and her eyes opened on the grewsome, grinning hulks of human forms that surrounded her.

Her collapse was followed by hysterics in which she screamed and struggled to free herself from what seemed to be her living tomb, until finally she fell unconscious on the floor of the anatomical laboratory.

Was it Work of Anarchists?

Attempt Made to Murder Chief of Police of Chicago—In Fight That Followed One Man Was Killed.

By Associated Press. Chicago, Ill., March 2.—An unsuccessful attempt to assassinate Chief George M. Shippey, of the Chicago police department, was made as that officer was leaving his residence this morning.

The chief, his son and his driver, James Felley, were attacked by two men with revolvers. Young Shippey and Felley were wounded. The chief returned the fire, wounding one of his assailants.

Chief Shippey, it is reported, was stabbed in the right arm during the affray. None of the men were seriously injured.

The attack is supposed to have been made by anarchists following the recent activity of the Chicago police after the tragedy at Denver.

The man shot by Chief Shippey was killed outright, according to later developments.

Story of the Attempt. The assailant is said to have entered Chief Shippey's home while the chief and his son were in one of the rooms. The man handed the chief a letter which he opened and began to read. Almost immediately the anarchist drew a revolver and fired at Harry Shippey.

The boy fell to the floor and his father grappled with the assailant. Felley, a servant, attracted by the shooting, rushed to his employer's aid. As the servant entered the room the anarchist broke from the chief's grasp and aimed deliberately and shot Felley twice. Again the chief closed with the man, and the latter turned on his wife with a knife. Shippey attempted to grasp the weapon and received a deep cut on the hand.

The officer then succeeded in reaching his own revolver and he fired shot after shot into the would-be assassin's body, every bullet taking effect and the anarchist fell to the floor dead.

The occurrence gave rise to a rumor that a wholesale plot had been made against the city officials, but this was at once denied. The mayor explained that the man had been importuning him daily for a position.

Armor Belt Too Low.

By Associated Press. Washington, D. C., March 2.—Commander William S. Sims, naval aide to the president today told the senate committee on naval affairs that the armor belt on the battleships is too low and he charged that Admirals Capps and Capps with making misleading statements before the committee. Sims was confined by the committee to the question of construction of naval vessels. Commander Sims gave a graphic description of the open turret and ammunition hoist which caused Chairman Hale to exclaim that it was a wonder any of the men who work in these turrets are left alive.

Refused Admittance To Wife's Home He Fired Ball Through Head

The Dilemma In S. Carolina

Special to The News. Columbia, S. C., March 2.—The supreme court will hear a petition from Attorney General Lyon asking for a writ of mandamus compelling the dispensary winding up commission to pay over to the state treasurer the sum of \$15,000, set aside by the legislature for the use of the attorney general in conducting the prosecution against the alleged dispensary grafters.

The commission has refused to pay over the money on the ground that it would be a violation of the order of Judge Pritchard. If the state supreme court holds that the act of the general assembly must be complied with, the commission will have to violate either the order of the federal court or of the state supreme court and place itself in contempt of one court or the other.

In that case, the chairman of the commission will be ruled for contempt and put in prison, in which case a writ of habeas corpus will be sworn out before the United States supreme court and the question placed squarely before the highest tribunal in the land.

The supreme court is called in extra session to meet Wednesday but it is likely that the case will not be argued before Thursday. There is no telling what the decision may be if it refuses to mandamus the commission, on the grounds that the federal court has jurisdiction, it will place the state and federal courts in agreement, but if it issues a writ mandamus, it will bring the point directly into issue.

The day has been one of legal conferences at the capitol. Attorney General Lyon and Governor Ansel having been in consultation with Messrs. Felder, Rountree, and Hill of Atlanta; Abner Columbia; Nelson of Columbia, and other interested on one side or the other of the matter.

Had Mayor on List.

Chicago, Ill., March 2.—The identification of the men who attempted to kill Chief Shippey, as a member of a group of anarchists was obtained by detectives. A friend of the police recognized the body and told the authorities that the man had been selected by lot, and told to kill Shippey and Mayor Busse.

Three Heavens, Says Dr. Mack

Satan, Who Has Never Yet Been in Hell, Now Has Sway in First as Well as on The Earth.

"How many heavens are there?" asked Rev. Dr. J. B. Mack, pastor of the College Park, Ga., Presbyterian church, as he spoke yesterday before the Baraga class of the Second Presbyterian church Sunday school.

"There are three," he answered. "The Revised Version of the Bible gives the first verse of Genesis correctly—in the beginning God created the heaven and the earth."

Dr. Mack delivered a masterly address. He is a profound Bible student. "It was one of the most comprehensive things I ever heard," said an able Charlotte lawyer who heard him.

"There are just three perfect gifts from God to man," said the speaker in beginning. "There are many other good gifts but the perfect gifts are the Son of God, the Spirit of God and the Word of God. The Bible is just as perfect as Jesus Christ, the Son of God or as the Holy Spirit of God. Not in the translations but in the original text. In eternity Christ will be the same as here. In eternity the Bible will be the same perfect book, the text-book of heaven."

"There were three heavens created at the same time as the earth," said Dr. Mack. Paul in writing to the Corinthians, in his second epistle, says he was caught up to the third heaven. Deut. 10:14 speaks of the heaven of the heavens of heavens. So also Psalm 115:16 and many other passages.

What and where are these three heavens? "The devil has never been in hell according to the popular and incorrect notion," said the speaker. "Jesus Christ is the Prince of Light and the devil is the Prince of Darkness, and the fight is not between sin and holiness but between Satan and Jesus Christ. Is it possible for Satan to be in heaven? The speaker quoted twice from Job and from other passages to show that when the Sons of God came before Him, Satan came also among them and he came then from the walking to and fro in the earth—not from hell. This vile personage and enemy of God was privileged to go into heaven and present himself before the Lord.

"Which one of the heavens did Satan go into then?" The speaker showed from John 12:34, 2 Cor. 4:4, and Eph. 6:12 that Satan is the Prince of this earth and the god of this world. This is not all of his realm. The Scriptures speak of him

Greensboro Barber, W. C. Perry, Attempted to See Wife, From Whom He Had Been Separated, But Failed.

Special to The News. Greensboro, N. C., March 2.—Mr. W. C. Perry, a white barber, lies at the point of death at the hospital here as the result of firing a pistol ball through his head this morning.

He had been denied admittance to his wife's home, from whom he had been separated.

Standing in Gate in Front of House he Attempted Suicide—Is in Hospital At Point of Death—The Full Story.

Perry was arrested here a month ago, for a man of the same name and initials, advertised as wanted for murder in Greensboro, S. C., for whom a reward of \$1,000 had been offered.

He easily established his innocence and brought suit against Sheriff Jones for false arrest and imprisonment.

Sky-Scraper Will Rest On 54 Concrete Piers

The first shovel full of dirt in excavating for the foundation of the Charlotte Realty Company's 12-story building on the square was removed this morning. Only a small force of laborers were started to work but the number will be greatly increased as soon as the Bitulitic contractors finish with the street work adjacent.

The work started this morning was the digging of holes which will be filled with concrete on which will rest the huge steel columns supporting the tall building. These holes, 54 in number, will be 17 feet deep from the surface of the side walk.

NO GROUND FOR IMPEACHMENT. So Says President Roosevelt After Reading Secretary Root's Report.

Washington, D. C., March 2.—President Roosevelt's defense of Leibes R. Willey, based on an analytical review by Secretary Root, of the three charges against him is made public.

The charges were preferred by Loren Andrews, and have been repeated by him before the house committee on the judiciary as a basis of impeachment proceedings. They relate to Judge Willey's administration of the United States court for China at Shanghai.

After disposing of each of the seven charges, by showing that neither of them is a proper basis of criticism against Judge Willey, Secretary Root reviews the conditions in the foreign quarter of Shanghai, showing that because of the heretofore lax American administration of justice there affairs had grown disgraceful.

Judge Willey was sent there for the express purpose of reversing these conditions. Secretary Root said Judge Willey is entitled to commendation.

The president, in a letter to Secretary Root, says: "I cordially concur in your finding which is to the effect that Judge Willey is not only innocent, but is attacked solely because of the fearlessness and integrity, with which he has stamped out vice and crime in Shanghai."

Order to Curtail Help In Local Freight Office

Following the order of a reduction of ten per cent in the wages of the employees of the Southern Railway company a few days ago another order came today from the Washington offices to curtail the clerical force and other help in the local freight offices of the road. This latter order will, it is understood, affect five men in the freight offices besides a number of laborers, though until the matter is definitely settled this will not be known.

Mr. D. D. Traywick, the Charlotte agent of the road, has taken the matter up with the Washington officials with the hopes of retaining as many of his men as possible but should he not be successful the order will be effective at once.

Nine-Hour Law. By Associated Press. Washington, D. C., March 2.—The interstate commerce commission decided to deny the petitions for the extension of the time within which to comply with so-called hours of service law—the nine hour law.

Passenger Rate Hearing.

By Associated Press. Washington, D. C., March 2.—The supreme court of the United States advanced the hearing in four of the six Virginia passenger rate cases, setting it for the first Tuesday in the next term of court.

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