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NEGRO SUES REP. HEFLIN, OF ALA., FOR DAMAGES

Negro Whom Representative From Alabama Shot Drinking Whiskey on Car in Presence of Ladies, Files Suit.

Has Employed Four Negro Lawyers to Fight His Case—Allegations Set Forth by Representative's Victim.

Washington, April 4.—Representative Hefflin, of Alabama, was made the defendant in a suit for \$20,000 damages, filed in the District court by Lewis Lundy, the negro with whom the representative had an altercation on the street car.

Lundy alleges that the representative kicked him, slapped him in the face and with great force knocked him off the car, shot him, inflicting a wound above the left ear and extending backward to the top of his head and that he sustained bruises on his body and limbs.

The affair grew out of Mr. Hefflin's taking exception to the negro's drinking on the street car in the presence of women.

Lundy is represented by four negro lawyers.

FOR THE AMERICAN CHILD. Number of Noted Speakers Addressed Meeting Today.

Atlanta, Ga., April 4.—Factory inspection was the topic taken up by the National Child Labor Committee today.

Denies Party Got Fund. New York, April 4.—Cornelius N. Bliss, treasurer of the Republican National Committee, said today that so far as the party is concerned, no contribution of \$500,000 was made to the campaign fund by the Metropolitan Street Railway Co. in 1909.

Philippines Favor Taft. Manila, April 4.—The democratic convention in the Philippines defeated the resolution condemning the Taft administration of the islands by one vote, and endorsed Bryan for president.

Court Adjourns. Greensboro, N. C., April 4.—The docket of the Superior court here for the trial of criminal cases was exhausted at 1:30 o'clock today and court was adjourned after a week of excellent and steady work by Solicitor Brooks and Judge Webb.

New Public Printer. Washington, D. C., April 4.—John S. Leach, of Illinois, now public printer in the Philippines, was appointed today public printer here, to succeed C. S. Stillings, whose resignation recently was accepted.

The Itinerary Of Big Fleet. Washington, D. C., April 4.—The itinerary of the battleship fleet, which sails from Magdalena Bay on April 11, was announced today. It will arrive at San Diego April 14, where it will remain until Saturday. The ships will be illuminated at night and will be in full dress on the day time.

San Pedro will be the division on the 15th, where the first division will remain while the second goes to Long Beach, the third to Santa Monica and the fourth to Redondo.



The Distiller.—"There is more liquor consumed in dry territory than in wet." The Prohibitionist.—"If that's the case, why don't you favor prohibition?"

Screws Tightened On Democrats In The House

Washington, D. C., April 3.—The committee on rules, of the house of representatives, today tightened the screws on the democrats, with a view to reducing to a minimum the opportunity for obstructive tactics.

After Minority Leader Williams had forced a roll call on the adoption of a journal, Mr. Dalzell, of Pennsylvania, presented a rule whereby the house bills, with senate amendments, shall be sent to a conference or amendments agreed to, without any intervening motion of any kind being allowed.

This rule will permit but one roll call on either of the two propositions. The rule also contained a drastic provision that for the remainder of the session a motion to take a recess shall be privileged and have precedence over any motion to adjourn, the question to be decided without debate or amendment.

Hoots and Cheers. "Will the minority have the usual 20 minutes to discuss this rule?" Mr. Williams inquired.

"They will not," curtly replied Mr. Dalzell.

"I just wanted the house and the country to know that fact," Mr. Williams remarked.

Mr. Dalzell reiterated his statement of yesterday, to the effect that the purpose of the rule was to expedite public business and "to release the house from the grasp of this idiotic filibuster inaugurated by the gentleman from Mississippi."

The House committee on foreign affairs reported the diplomatic and consular appropriation bill to the house carrying a total of \$3,520,283.

Hot Time in House. Mr. Dazell perceptively moved the previous question on resolution, Speaker Cannon put the question and declared it carried and immediately got into a lively controversy with Mr. Williams, who protested he had requested a division of the vote, but the speaker held he was too late.

After an exchange of opinions on the subject, speaker had stenographic notes read to justify him in his contention.

Those notes tell no lie," Mr. Farrot of La. shouted, and several Democrats appealed to Mr. Williams to stand firm. He brushed them all aside and walking down the center aisle said respectfully:

"I admit 'Mr. Speaker' that I am in fault and not the speaker," that I am in fault and not the speaker."

RUSHED FROM THE BURNING HOTEL IN NIGHT CLOTHES

When Flames Were Discovered in Big Hotel at Meadville, Pa., Guests Only Had Time to Save Their Lives.

Over 400 People Rushed Into Street in Night Clothes—Damage Was About \$100,000—Everything Was Lost—A Full Story.

Meadville, Pa., April 4.—Over 400 guests at the Lafayette Hotel were compelled to take a hurried exit in their night clothes when fire destroyed the hotel square, causing a loss estimated at \$100,000.

About 3 o'clock this morning one of the bell-boys while on his way to summon one of the guests, discovered one of the hotel passages was filling with smoke.

An alarm was sounded immediately, but the fire had burned so rapidly that the guests were compelled to leave their belongings in the hotel and flee to the street.

Practically everything was lost.

Visit Graves of Riot's Victims. Rome, April 4.—A procession of 50,000 workmen of Rome made its way through the main thoroughfares of the capital today on their way to the cemetery where are located the graves of the men killed in the rioting of Thursday.

The progress of the men was witnessed by thousands of people all along the line of march. Several fiery speeches were delivered, but there was no disorder.

Gotch Wins over Hackenschmidt. Dexter Pavillion, Chicago, April 4.—George Hackenschmidt quit in his match with Frank Gotch for the catch-as-catch-can wrestling championship of the world last night, giving the title to the Iowa man by default.

After more than two hours of unavailing tugging and desperate scrambling, the Russian said to Gotch: "Referee Smith at once declared Gotch the winner."

The end came so unexpectedly that the great crowd of 8,000 which witnessed the contest, could scarcely comprehend what had happened.

For Amendments to Anti-Trust Law. Washington, D. C., April 4.—In the interest of amendments to the Sherman anti-trust law, a large delegation of representatives of manufacturing, commercial, railway, labor and agricultural interests, all identified with the National Civic Federation, appeared today before the house committee on judiciary.

A Gigantic Lockout. Building Operations At a Standstill Because of 150,000 Masons, Bricklayers, Etc.

Paris, April 4.—A gigantic lockout, affecting 150,000 masons, bricklayers and allied workmen in the building trades, went into effect today.

The men insist on a maximum day of nine hours. The masters offered a higher wage scale and a reduction of hours last autumn, but this the men refused.

The lockout will result in bringing to a standstill all building operations, both public and private, including the work on the underground railroad system of Paris.



The Southerner.—"Why do you think the South is an un-American section of the country?" Uncle Sam.—"Because you say you hardly felt the 'stringency' at all!"

Man Bound Over on A Serious Charge

Spartanburg, S. C., April 4.—Mack Giles, who was arrested yesterday morning on a warrant sworn out by Mrs. Anna Gault, a buxom looking young married woman of 18 summers, who alleges that Giles entered her room while she was asleep, has been bound over to the court of sessions on the charge of aggravated assault and battery.

The investigation was held before Magistrate Kirby and racy testimony was given by the prosecutor, Mrs. Gault stated that she boarded with Mr. and Mrs. Giles. On the night of March 31st she returned to her room and went to bed. She fell asleep and about midnight she was awakened by some one touching her shoulder. She saw Giles standing by her bed in his night clothes. In one hand he had a pistol. She said that Giles made a high, indignant protest or request of her. She started to scream and Giles warned her not to make an outcry. The man she said had never before been made such advances.

Mrs. Giles's husband was away at the time, being in Union. The young woman is an orphan house girl, having spent four years in the Charleston Orphan House.

Davidson Playing the Farmers. The baseball nine of Davidson College and the Agricultural and Mechanical College, of Raleigh, are battling for honors this afternoon on the Latta Park diamond. The teams arrived in the city this morning, the former from Davidson and the latter from Greensboro.

The Davidson boys, accompanied by the student body, are at the Central Hotel, and the Farmer boys are at the Buford. Both teams, on their arrival here, were quickly surrounded by local sympathizers, who fired questions at the players in order to size up the strength of the respective teams.

The game this afternoon will probably be the best college game that will be played in Charlotte this season. Both colleges have put on an exceptionally strong aggregation of players as former games this season will indicate.

The A. & M. boys early in the season played an eleven inning game with the Pinehurst professional club, with "Cy" Young, of the Boston Americans in the box, the result being a tie. The Bingham School was defeated to the tune of 21 to 0; were defeated by Lafayette, 3 to 2; defeated Randolph-Macon, 9 to 4; defeated the North Carolina Deaf and Dumb Institute 6 to 0; and were defeated by Guilford 5 to 2.

The Farmer boys have arranged with the managers of the Princeton baseball team for a game at Richmond, Va. This is the first time in years the Princeton team has come south. The A. & M. team won a wide reputation last year by winning the state championship. Mr. A. F. Bowen is along with the team as a representative of the faculty.

The Davidson boys are confident of carrying off the honors. The team has not been defeated this year, and some of the strongest teams of the state have been played. The team is made up of some of last year's stars, and the new men are said to be in fine shape. Coach Thomas C. Stouch has worked the boys overtime since the season opened and he feels certain they will give a good account of themselves in the contest this afternoon. The boys are a fast set. They have been trained to play a lively game.

The Line-up. A. & M. Davidson. Abernathy..... 2b. Johnson. Fox..... 1b. McSweeney. Farmer..... 3b. Guerron. Thompson..... c. Sherrill. Ross..... rf. Boone. Harris..... cf. McClure. Seiffert..... ss. McRae. Baker..... lf. Klutz. Sexton..... p. Buis. Substitutes—Davidson: Clark, Wilkinson, Donaldson, Turner, Elliott, Mills, Bule, Robert McDowell, manager.

A. & M.: Cline, Gattis and Black, G. L. Myer, manager, and Dr. Morris M. Whitehurst, coach.

GREAT ACTIVITY IS EVIDENCED AT KING'S MOUNTAIN

Workmen Busy Laying Pipe For Water System—Electric Light System is Now in Fine Working Order—Everybody Pleased.

Cotton Mills Use Electricity—Much Building in Progress—Brief News Notes From a Hustling Section Of Interest.

Special to The News. King's Mountain, N. C., April 4.—The work of laying the pipe for the water system of our town is progressing nicely. Over 1,500 yards have been completed. The entire system will cover a distance of approximately 9,000 yards, and will cost about \$50,000. The quality of the water is good and the amount sufficient for all needs. No other town in this surrounding can boast of purer water.

Mr. H. E. Knox, Jr., of Charlotte, is superintendent of the work. Electric Light System. Our electric light system, which was completed very recently, is working to the satisfaction of all. The service is good, the plant being one of the most modern and best equipped in this section. The capacity is 25 street arc lights of 2,000 candle power each, 31 of which have already been installed. The capacity of the plant for incandescent lights is four times the present demand.

Three of our cotton mills are using power and another will be connected soon. Gray Falls, a plant of the Southern Power Company, furnishes the power. Mr. C. H. Broward, an expert electrician, of Atlanta, is in charge of the system.

Moss & Co. is the name of a new firm recently organized here for the purpose of handling electric supplies. Much Building. A prominent citizen of our town said a few days ago that more building is being done in King's Mountain today than at any period in the past ten years. Work on Cora Mill No. 2, which has been suspended for some time, was resumed this week.

Brief News Notes. Rev. Mr. Kilgore, of Pleasant Garden, has taken charge of the Methodist Church here. He succeeds Rev. J. F. Kirby who recently moved to High Point to engage in the banking business. Mr. Kilgore is a forceful preacher.

Mr. George Patterson, who for the past four years has been in the grocery business here, has accepted a position as traveling salesman for E. S. Spears & Sons, of Paris, Ky. He will travel a portion of the two Carolinas.

Farmers Pleased. All the local farmers' union of this section were well represented in Charlotte at the Farmers' Educational and Co-Operative Union. The people of King's Mountain and surrounding territory are pleased that the headquarters of the state union are to be located here with E. E. Faires, state secretary, in charge.

They Will Stand by Young Lady Teacher. Spartanburg, S. C., April 4.—Declaring that Miss Helms, the attractive young teacher of the public school at Duncan, is being persecuted and harassed by certain patrons of the school, her friends will see her through her trouble.

It will be remembered that a warrant was sworn out for the arrest of the young lady by W. R. Zimmerman, who charges her with whipping one of his boys after school hours. The friends of the young lady are highly indignant because of the step taken by Mr. Zimmerman, declaring that he should have carried the case before the board of trustees.

It is learned from various sources that some of the people in that section of the county have been trying to make trouble for Miss Helms for several months. Last fall an effort was made to bring her up before the trustees but no charges could be lodged against her. The trustees are perfectly satisfied with her work. She is a woman of high character and is exceedingly popular.

Mr. Thomas O. Ross, of Providence township, will be a candidate for tax collector of district No. 3, according to his friends who are supporting him. Mr. Ross is well known in the Providence section of the county.

Mr. Watson has Naught to Say. Atlanta, Ga., April 4.—In response to a request for a statement as to whether or not he would accept the populist nomination for President, Thomas E. Watson sent the following message to the Associated Press from Macon, Ga., en route to his home at Thompson, Ga.

"In advance of official notification it would be best for me not to talk for publication."