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Prominent Northern Capitalists Visit Eastern Carolina

25 IN THE PARTY

The Visitors are Guests of Mr. R. S. Howland and an Inspection of the Country Along the A. & N. C Road Will be Made—Beaufort Harbor to be Inspected With a View to its Development by the Government—At Goldsboro a Reception and Banquet Was Tendered the Party by Business Men of the City.

(Special to The Messenger.) Goldsboro, N. C., November 12.—Goldsboro was honored this afternoon with a distinguished guest in the person of Senator Aldrich, who besides being chairman of the United States Senate Finance committee, enjoys a national reputation that most people would have good reason to envy. On the train this afternoon which brought Senator Aldrich were twenty-five other distinguished gentlemen from Rhode Island and other Northern states, who came as guests of Mr. R. S. Howland, the principal of the Howland Improvement company, who have leased and are now operating the A. and N. C. railroad. In the party was Senator Simmons, Senator Overman and Representatives Thomas and Small and Governor Aycock, including a number of other men high in public life.

These gentlemen were guests of the Goldsboro Chamber of Commerce this afternoon at an informal reception in the parlors of the Hotel Kennon. Following closely upon this honor, a banquet was given in honor of the distinguished guests in the Hotel Kennon by the Chamber of Commerce. The reception committee to entertain the distinguished visitors on the part of the chamber of commerce was Messrs. E. B. Borden, Geo. A. Norwood, Jr., Chas. Dewey, I. F. Dorch, F. K. Borden, Geo. C. Royall, and Jos. E. Robinson.

The destination of this distinguished party is Morehead City, for which place they left this afternoon on a special train. Senators Aldrich, Simmons and Overman will go to Beaufort to inspect Beaufort harbor and the proposed inland water route from Norfolk, which it is understood the government proposes to aid and foster in connection with the Panama canal, thereby opening up hitherto undreamed of possibilities for Eastern North Carolina.

On the arrival of the train here, the distinguished party was met by the reception committee appointed by the Goldsboro Chamber of Commerce and escorted to the parlors of Hotel Kennon, where a large number of representative citizens were in waiting to receive them, and where a brief speech of welcome to Goldsboro was made them by Col. Joseph E. Robinson as follows: "Senator Aldrich: It is a very great pleasure to the citizens of Goldsboro to greet you and your distinguished party of gentlemen in our midst; and in behalf of my fellow citizens I have the honor to bid you welcome, and not only is it the spirit of southern hospitality that gives us the pleasure at your visit, but also, sir, a pardonable pride that springs natural among a people self-conscious of their possibilities, that gives us hope that your visit will result in the yet greater development of the fertile and marvelously inviting section lying hence to the ocean, whose white capped waves since 'creations dawn' have broken in continuous thunder on our shores, endeavoring to tell all the story of our wondrous wealth of sea and land and die in music, with the tale untold. We feel sir that your trained eye will readily take in all the possibilities of the situation, and that your statesmanship and patriotism will suggest and achieve such public measures as will rebound to the betterment of our own people and the glory of our common country, and after all sir, the abiding glory of any country is in the citizenship, and herein lies for you personally, sir, an opportunity that seldom comes to men in the piping days of peace of carving your name high upon the face of fame's enduring pinnacle, not an unworthy ambition, for when through your instrumentality, the government of our common country reaches its arm down to this struggling people, and through its power gives them opportunity of development hitherto unenvied, you create within their hearts a new love of country and pride of citizenship, and upon these at last rests and depends the perpetuity of our republican institutions and in this distinguished presence and on this occasion, I feel that I would not be true to the sentiment and wish of my fellow citizens who have honored me

as their spokesman if I did not express to Mr. R. S. Howland, our deepest appreciation of the manner of man he has proved himself since coming into control of the Atlantic and North Carolina railroad, and our earnest solicitude to aid him in every way possible in the great work that lies before him. Again gentlemen I bid you all a cordial welcome to the best town in the state."

The names of the distinguished visitors are as follows: Nelson M. Aldrich, United States Senator from Rhode Island, Marsden J. Perry, president of the Union Trust Company and president of the Narragansett Electric Light Company, Providence; Col. Samuel P. Colt, president of the Industrial Trust Company and president of the United States Rubber Company, Benjamin A. Jackson, president of the Providence Banking Company, George H. Robinson, president of the Gorham Mfg Company, the greatest silver manufacturing concern in the world, Frank S. Cannon, vice president of the Metropolitan Street Railway Company, New York, J. Edward Studley, president of the Mtg Trust Company, Providence, Col. A. H. Walton, president of the Narragansett Bay Steamboat Company, Col. Samuel M. Nicholson, president of the Providence File Co., the largest file concern in the world; Cornelius S. Streetland, treasurer of the Rhode Island Company and other corporations; J. J. Rosenfeld, city editor of The Providence Journal.

The following distinguished gentlemen joined the party here and left with them for Morehead City: Senators Simmons and Overman, Representatives Small and Thomas, Hon. R. D. Gilmer, Attorney General, Col. P. M. Pearsall, the governor's private secretary, Col. Joseph M. Morehead, of Greensboro, Ex-Governor Thomas J. Jarvis, Dr. C. P. Bolles, of Wilmington, N. C., Major W. H. Smith, Col. Joseph E. Robinson and Mr. Fred L. Merritt.

TOM WATSON IN NEW YORK.

The Populist Leader Will Soon Issue A Statement on the Political Situation.

New York, November 12.—Thomas E. Watson, candidate of the Peoples party for president in the recent election, declined to say anything regarding politics today. He said that he was preparing a statement on the political situation, but that it would not be ready for publication before Monday.

Regarding the report that he contemplated transferring his residence to this city and that he would accept an editorial position on a newspaper here, Mr. Watson said:

"My home is in Thompson, Ga., and it will continue to be there. I intend to go ahead with a work which was interrupted when I was offered this nomination—a life of Andrew Jackson."

He added that it was his intention to confer with the national and state committees of his own party before returning to his home in the south.

"Have you conferred with the leaders of the Democratic party?" Mr. Watson was asked.

"No," he replied. "The statements given out by both Mr. Bryan and Mr. Hearst precluded anything like that, however willing I should have been to hold such conferences."

Mr. Watson said he had not sent a message of congratulation to President Roosevelt on his election. "I differ with the gentlemen who believe in the propriety of such messages," said Mr. Watson, "but do not wish to criticize them. They have a right to their opinions, and I hope I have a right to mine."

REPORT OF NAVY DEPARTMENT.

An Investigation to be Made of the Collision of the *Culgoa* With the Schooner *Wilson* and Hunting.

New York, Nov. 12.—Read Admiral Coghlan, commanding the New York navy yard has made a brief report to the navy department regarding the collision of the United States supply ship *Culgoa* with the lumber steamer *Wilson* and Hunting of Norfolk, off Barnegat light. The naval vessel sustained no material damage but the schooner was completely disabled. Four members of the crew of the latter were rescued by the *Culgoa*, but the mate, Captain Walton and his wife and two seamen who were aboard the schooner at the time have not been accounted for.

The rescued seamen were taken to New York and the *Culgoa* was immediately dispatched in search of the wreck, supposed to be drifting towards the Delaware Breakwater with a view of towing it to a place of safety and making a still further search for the missing members of the crew. An official investigation of the accident will be made at once to determine the responsibility, if any, of the officers of the *Culgoa*.

Organized Labor to Celebrate Peabody's Defeat.

Denver, Colo., November 12.—Leaders of organized labor are planning for a special day of thanksgiving to celebrate the defeat of Governor James H. Peabody. It is proposed to hold services in a large hall and a number of churches.

Walcott Not Guilty of Manslaughter.

Boston, November 12.—"No bill" in the case of Joe Walcott, the colored pugilist charged with manslaughter in shooting Nelson Hall, Jr., about three weeks ago, was returned by the grand jury today. The jury found that the shooting in which Walcott's hand was injured was accidental.

IN PURSUIT

Force of Policemen On the Trail of Edward Jackson

OFFERS REWARD

Governor White Has Offered \$500 for the Capture of Jackson, Dead or Alive—Chief Nash With a Force of Special Officers Has Left Huntington in Pursuit of Jackson—The Murderer Surrounded by His Friends Appeared in Montgomery to Attend His Brothers Funeral, and Efforts to Take Him by a Posse Were Failed—For a Time a Riot Was Imminent.

Huntington, W. Va., November 12.—Chief of Police Nash, of Thurmond enlisted fifteen special policemen here tonight, and has started out in pursuit of Edward Jackson, who shot and killed Sheriff Daniels at Montgomery on Wednesday. Jackson is headed this way accompanied by a number of his friends and orders were given the specials to shoot to kill if resistance was offered. Chief Nash will continue to march all night toward Montgomery and expects to capture Jackson tomorrow.

Twenty warrants have been issued for the arrest of friends of the Jacksons who beat off the posse which attempted to arrest Jackson when he came into the city today to attend the funeral of his brother. It is feared serious trouble will follow the attempt to serve the warrants. The excitement which prevailed when Jackson appeared in Montgomery has scarcely subsided when it was reported that Morris Adkins was shot and Tom O'Neil brutally beaten and robbed by Sam Core, who is believed to be a member of the Jackson crowd.

The affair took place on Laurel Creek, and Core was not apprehended until he fought a pistol duel with Deputy Sheriff A. C. Hill, who attempted to arrest him. A mob of miners formed to lynch Core but he was spirited away before the mob could take him.

Huntington, W. Va., November 12.—A telephone message from Montgomery says:

Ed. Jackson, who shot down Sheriff R. Daniels at Montgomery on Wednesday, appeared at Montgomery today to attend the funeral of his brother, who was killed by Policeman Elliott. Jackson was guarded by a crowd of his friends who were heavily armed. When it became known that Jackson was in the city, another posse was organized and attempted to secure Jackson. In this effort they were foiled, for when the posse charged on Jackson and his friends, the latter drew guns and beat back the posse, then retreated. There was much excitement at Montgomery when it became known that Jackson was in the city and for a time a riot was imminent.

Charleston, W. Va., November 12.—Governor White today offered a reward of \$500 for the capture of Jackson, dead or alive and \$100 for the capture of Geo. Jackson, his brother. The other two of the Jackson brothers are in jail here, along with Policeman Elliott, who killed Constable Jackson and started the feud. Chief of Police Hunley has also been put in jail here. It is charged that he was holding Daniel when Jackson shot him. Hunley had remained in Charleston after bringing Elliott here, being advised by friends to remain here on account of the feeling against him in Montgomery. He was arrested on a warrant.

TRIAL OF ELECTRIC ENGINES.

Official Tests of Big Locomotive Built for the New York Central.

Schenectady, N. Y., November 12.—The official tests of the big electric locomotive built for the New York Central railroad by the General Electric Company took place today on the stretch of four miles of specially prepared track between this city and Hoffmans. Seventy-five miles an hour was the maximum speed attained.

An exciting feature of the tests was the race with the fast mail No. 3, one of the Central's flyers. When No. 3 was sighted about half a mile away the current was turned on and by the time the steam and electric rivals were on even terms the electric train was running at a speed of fifty miles an hour. It easily drew away from the steam train and for nearly two miles held the lead.

RIVER AND HARBOR WORK.

Expenditures During the Past Year and Estimates for the Ensuing Fiscal Year.

Washington, November 12.—General A. MacKenzie, chief of engineers of the U. S. Army in his annual report to the secretary of war, says that the seacoast defenses of the United States are now somewhat more than 50 per cent. completed, and that existing projects comprise 264 heavy guns, 1,269 rapid fire guns and 524 mortars, while up to the present time provision has been made for emplacing 334 heavy guns, 587 rapid fire and 376 mortars. The new works constructed in connection with the scheme of seacoast defenses to the present time represent an expenditure of \$23,000,000 for engineer work alone.

The expenditures for river and harbor work during the past fiscal year aggregated \$23,925,094. Estimates for the ensuing fiscal year has been made as follows:

Under continuing contracts \$8,442,396; rivers and harbors (general) \$21,444,257; examinations, surveys and contingencies \$300,000. The estimate of the Mississippi river commission has been reduced by the chief of engineers to \$2,575,000.

General MacKenzie states that the following amounts can be profitably expended in the next fiscal year in the districts named:

James river, Virginia, \$175,000; Cape Fear river above Wilmington, N. C., \$200,000; and at and below Wilmington \$150,000; the Great Fee Dee river, South Carolina, \$55,000; Winyah Bay, South Carolina, \$85,000; Congaree river, South Carolina, \$50,000; Charleston harbor, South Carolina, \$50,000; Savannah harbor, Georgia, \$225,000.

DUELS FOLLOW ASSAULT.

Recent Attack on Minister Andie by Deputy Syveton Causes Trouble.

Paris, November 12.—Two duels growing out of the assault on war minister Andre by Deputy Gabriel Syveton in the Chamber of Deputies November 4th, were fought today. Lieutenant Andre a son of the minister, met Count de LaRochechouart, a deputy. Swords were used. Lieutenant Andre was slightly wounded.

Elsewhere in the suburbs M. Syveton fought Captain Gall, representing General Andre. Two shots with pistols were exchanged, but neither of the combatants was injured.

The seconds in both duels were prominent deputies and army officers—thus emphasizing the bitterness which has arisen between the army and parliamentary circles. Both encounters took place on army reservations. The Andre de LaRochechouart duel was fought on the artillery field at Vincennes and the encounter between M. Syveton and Captain Gall occurred on the parade ground at St. Germain. The Marquis de Dion directed the Syveton-Gall contest. The parties left the field unconciliated.

General and Mme Andre while the duel was in progress waited for their son at the Vincennes fort. Andre's wound was half an inch deep and on his right hand. He lost considerable blood.

A third duel was fought during the day, in the Parc des Princesses, between the Marquis d'Armet and the Marquis de Foquelers. Pistols at 25 paces were used. Neither of the duellist was hit.

CO-RACIAL EDUCATION.

Constitutionality of the Day Bill, in Kentucky, to be Tested.

Lexington, Ky., November 12.—John C. Carlisle, former secretary of the treasury, arrived in this city tonight from Washington. He was met here by Guy Mellon, president of the Cincinnati Trust Company, and a trustee of Berea college.

Mr. Carlisle comes to Kentucky to appear as counsel for Berea college in the trial on an indictment for co-racial education. At the last session of the Kentucky legislature an act known as the Day bill prohibiting co-racial education was passed. An indictment of Berea college, which is attended by whites and blacks followed in Madison county in which it is located. The case will be called at Nicholasville Monday. It will be carried to the state court of appeals and then to the supreme court. Under the act the college as an institution the faculty and trustees and the students may be prosecuted and will serve to test the constitutionality of the act.

A Brevard Merchant in Trouble.

Asheville, N. C., November 12.—R. J. Picklesimer, a prominent and wealthy merchant of Brevard, was convicted in the Federal court today of permitting the operation of an illicit distillery near that town. Judge Boyd expressed himself strongly on the case condemning the defendants action in no uncertain terms and branding his defence as an effort to escape punishment by obstructing justice. Sentence will be passed Monday.

Princeton Gun Team Wins Championship.

Princeton, N. J., November 12.—The Princeton gun team won the intercollegiate championship this afternoon with a score of 191. Harvard was second with 190, Yale third with 171 and Pennsylvania fourth with 170.

KUROKI DEAD

Japanese Commander Passed Away Oct. 4 at Liao Yant

HIS SUCCESSOR

It is Said Will be a Kinsman of the Mikado, Sino-Russian Command of the Army is Now Entrusted to General Nodzu—The Two Armies Remain in Close Proximity and Artillery Duels are Frequent—Present Lines of Defense are Regarded as Permanent—Alarming News Has Been Received from Port Arthur.

Moscow, Nov. 13.—Nemirovich Danchenko, the well known Russian correspondent of the Associated Press, telegraphing from Mukden under today's date says the reports of the death of General Kuroki are confirmed. According to his version the splinter of a shell struck General Kuroki, tearing out a portion of his breast. He died October 4 at Liao Yant, and his body was sent to Japan. A rumor is persistently circulated that a kinsman of the Mikado, Sino-Russian, literally "the third prince" has been appointed to succeed General Kuroki, but the actual command of the army has been entrusted to General Nodzu who is reviewing the operations. "For the last five weeks," says Danchenko, "we have practically not advanced at any point on the whole southwestern front, even a few verst further than we stood on October 5. On the contrary we at several places have been obliged to retire several verst, but the present lines of defense must be considered permanent in view of the strong fortifications constructed. The Japanese positions at several points are only 800 paces distant from ours and must be considered to be definitely occupied by the enemy."

The latter's fortifications are acknowledged by all competent persons to be skillfully constructed. Their trenches in many places are so cleverly concealed as not to be noticeable a short distance away, the earth removed being carefully thrown in front of the trenches. The general position causes a great tension on both sides. "Alarming news has been received from Port Arthur but the absence of reports during last few days makes it evident that the movement of one of the other Russian armies will be dependent upon the course of our events there."

"On November 11 scouts on our right flank attempted to pierce the line of the Japanese fortifications, but were met with a stubborn resistance and finding the enemy strongly reinforced, retired."

SEVERE ARTILLERY ENGAGEMENT.

Mukden, Nov. 12.—(Afternoon.)—The situation is unchanged today. Artillery fighting continues the firing at times growing heavy, particularly in the southwest. The Japanese shelled the Russian positions intermittently yesterday. The Russians did not reply. This afternoon a severe artillery engagement took place on the Russian right.

JAPANESE ATTACK OF WUCHANG REPULSED.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 12.—General Sakharoff telegraphs under today's date that the Japanese last night attacked the village of Wuchang, about one and a half miles south of Chuananindza. The Japanese assaulted the village on three sides, but were repulsed. Four Russians were wounded.

THE WEBER TRAGEDY.

No New Facts to Prove Who Caused the Family's Death.

Auburn, Cal., November 12.—Nothing new of importance has thus far been disclosed by the coroner's investigation of the Weber tragedy. Adolph Weber, the surviving member of the family testified that his father got very angry when crossed, and had often said serious things but had never acted insane, and was over his anger in a few minutes. There had been no quarrel on the day or evening of the murders. To offset the murder and suicide theory the bullet wound in Mr. Weber's body took a downward course which would indicate that it was not fired by himself. The 22-calibre pistol with which the victims were killed has not yet been found.

For Increase of the Navy's Forces.

Washington, November 12.—Secretary Morton will at its coming session, ask Congress to pass an act increasing the commissioned and enlisted forces of the navy. This action is in view of recent estimates that when all the ships now building for the navy are commissioned it will take about 2,057 officers and 62,398 enlisted men to man them, which is more than twice as many men as the present law provides for.

TO REACH COAL FIELDS.

Important Railroad Development, for a Line from the Coal Fields in Virginia and Kentucky to Southport, N. C.

Bristol, Va., November 12.—Information here indicates that great railroad development for the coal fields of southwest Virginia and eastern Kentucky on the eve of consummation is being made on the South and Western Railroad, extending from Bristol to Immonton, Wise county, to locate a spur (about thirty miles, at a point which would check the project of the South and Western, has forced its promoters to begin work.

The South and Western was incorporated in 1892 by George L. Carter, who has been prominent in the development of this section. In the same year he purchased the properties of the Ohio river and Charleston, formerly the Three C's, consisting of a line in operation from Johns City, Tenn., to Huntsdale, N. C. and graded right of way from St. Paul, Va. to Johnson City. It is announced today that it has since extended the complete line to the summit of Blue Ridge, seeking a southern connection, has acquired a mineral harbor properties at Southport, N. C., and has built a connecting link from St. Paul northward, in Russell county. The road has also acquired and graded a right of way through break at Sandy river and made track arrangements for a western connection.

TWO MURDERERS ESCAPE JAIL.

Two Condemned Men at Large—Great Mystery Surrounds their Deliverance.

Dothan, Ala., Nov. 12.—Josse Barfield and Thad Pennington, white men, sentenced yesterday to life imprisonment for alleged murder in the first degree, broke jail last night. Complete and baffling mystery envelopes their escape. Sheriff Walker says they were locked in a steel cage. The jail was a new one. The cell door was found standing open this morning and the lock in good working order.

A report reached here later in the day that Barfield had committed suicide at the home of a cousin in Headland by pulling the trigger of a shotgun with his toe. The sheriff has gone to the scene of the reported suicide. Pennington left a note saying that killing for which he was convicted was in self defense. He says in the note that the sheriff was not to blame for the escape, but that he was on his knees praying when the door flew open, as was the biblical case of Paul and Silas. Judge Pearce has taken the matter under consideration, but has taken no action.

TROOPS IN PHILIPPINES.

Soldiers in Service to be Relieved and Others Ordered to Take Their Places.

Washington, November 12.—An important order has been issued by the war department relieving troops which have served the allotted time in the Philippines and replacing them with organizations from the United States. Troops ordered home will sail from Manila as follows:

Headquarters, first and second squadrons, 13th cavalry, April 15th first squadron going to Fort Riley, headquarters, and second to Fort Myer; headquarters and second squadron, 12th cavalry, May 15th and first squadron, 12th cavalry, June 15th, both to go to Camp Thomas, Ga.; third squadron, 13th cavalry, July 15th, to go to Fort Sill; third squadron, 12th cavalry, August 15th, to go to Camp Thomas, Ga.; 18th infantry, January 15th, to go to Fort Leavenworth; the 14th infantry, March 15th to go to Vancouver barracks; 23rd infantry, May 15th, to go to Madison barracks and Fort Ontario; the fourth infantry, June 15th, headquarters, band and two battalions to go to Fort Thomas, the station of the remaining battalion yet to be designated; 17th infantry, July 15th to go to Fort McPherson, Ga.

Troops ordered to the Philippines will sail from San Francisco as follows: Headquarters and second squadron, eighth cavalry, March 1st; third squadron, 9th cavalry, April 1st; second squadron, 7th cavalry, May 1st; headquarters and 1st squadron 7th cavalry, June 1st; 7th cavalry and 1st squadron 8th cavalry July 1st; 21st infantry, February 1st; 6th infantry, March 1st; 19th infantry, April 1st; 9th infantry, May 1st; 16th infantry, June 1st.

NAVY NEEDS MORE MEN.

On Account of Lack of Officers and Men Three Warships Must Go Out of Commission.

Washington, Nov. 12.—Owing to the lack of officers and enlisted men in the navy to meet the actual needs of the service it has been found necessary for the navy department to order at least three warships out of commission in order to man warships which have just been completed and are now awaiting commission. The three vessels to be put out of commission will be selected from five, which are deemed the least necessary for further active service at this time. The tentative list consists of the cruiser *Atlanta*, *Cassin*, and *Marblehead*, of the South Atlantic squadron, and the gunboats *Newport* and *Bancroft* of the Caribbean squadron.