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# A. AND M. IS IN DANGER OF BEING DISRUPTED

Students Demand that Senior Privileges be Restored

# FACULTY IS UNYIELDING

Thirty-nine of the Seniors of a Class of Forty-two Have Taken an Oath to Leave the College Unless They Are Given the Same Privileges as Enjoyed-The Seniors Say That They Are Backed by the Juniors in a Body, 85 of the Freshmen and Called on the Faculty Expelled-A Agriculture Patterson, Who is at Home-President Winston Makes a Statement, and He Says the Faculty Will Remain Firm in the Stand They Have Taken - Work Has Stopped at the College and Both Sides Remain Unyielding.

Raleigh, N. C., Sept. 7.-The state Agricultural and Mechanical college here is in danger of being disrupted by the threatened departure of over 150 students who yesterday signed agreements to leave the college unless privileges recently taken away from the senior class are restored and four seniors who were expelled are rem-

The senior class was not permitted last night to either eat or sleep at the

Work has stopped and both faculty and student body are unyielding.

(Special to The Messenger.) Raleigh, N. C., September 7.-There is trouble at the Agricultural and Mechanical College, and the senior class say that the other classes are backing spiked their guns. them up. The seniors were on the streets of Raleigh this afternoon in large numbers. They said they had done no duty and had no recitations today, that all the seniors except three out of a class of forty-two had taken an oath to lease the college unless they were given the same privileges as enjoyed by seniors last term; that all the juniors had taken an oath to support the seniors; that eighty-five freshmen had signed an oath, and that the sophomores were rapidly signing it.

The faculty met this afternon and expelled Howard, Squires, Graydon and Harper, four of the committee of the senior class, sent by the latter to represent it before the faculty. The seniors claim that they offered a compromise, but that the faculty refused. They say the faculty wanted the seniors to sign the liberty book, as other classmen do, and be back to college by 10:30 p. m.

The senior classmen met in Pullen Park this morning; the juniors met this afternon in a cornfield threequarters g ... mile from the college: the freshmen in the fourth dormitory. have telegraphed Commissioner of hours. Agriculture Patterson, who is at home, junior and sophomore classes signed this telegram.

President George T. Winston was interviewed tonight, and he said: "The struggle at the college between the faculty and seniors is really as to whether the college shall be subject to discipline and the proper regulation of hours for study and work, or whether the siudents shall be left to regulate themselves, leaving their college duties and visiting Raleigh at will. To such question there can be or forty leave, he can take that many only one answer. The college has more from the hundreds that are anxgrown so rapidly and so greatly, attracting a large mass of diverse and nonhomogeneous elements, that its government and discipline offer very erally lacking in the moral backbone perplexing problems, its proximity to which makes a mass meeting effective. the city renders it necessary to safe- | The senior class will probably remain guard the cadets by proper regulations to tamely do their courting on Friday as to the hours of study and work and | nights. the liberty to visit Raleigh. The present struggle is apparently for liberty | Major Delmar Ties the World's Trotto visit Raleigh at will. It is really for looser discipline. The permission to college duties, that is Saturday aftereyer any necessity requires. For a

glect of duty in the college, and the exposure of idleness, extravagance, temptation and vice in the city. Such license cannot be permitted. It is not good for young and inexperienced lads, far from their home, nor is it conducive to preparation for the industrial careers. A few pestiferous mischiefstirred up the whole college, have organized oathbound promises and written agreements not to obey the regulations and not to remain in the college. I regret to say they have caused much trouble, influencing some young men against their real inclinations and better judgment to sign silly papers. Four of the ring leaders have been dismissed. On account of the excitement of the moment, others have quit college and have sought to persuade 'all other classes to quit. We shall ble, expense and humiliation of such folly. The parents of all are being informed of the situation, and we shall permit no minor to leave without authority from home. Parents who object to such regulations and discipline will withdraw their sons. Of course, Senior Classes in the Past Have the college will speedily fill up again with the sons of those who value education in economy, regularity and obedience to authority, as well as in books and handicraft."

The following account of the trouble between the faculty and seniors at of the Senior Committee Which the A. and M. is taken from yesterday's

News and Observer: The A. and M. College seniors, who Telegram is Sent Commissioner of are aggrieved at the rule recently inaugurated at the college preventing them from visiting the city without permission, except on Friday evenings, Saturday afternoons and Sundays, were to have met last night with the junior and sophomore classes to take action towards forcing the authorities to withdraw their

> Instead of this Dr. Winston called the senior class together, addressed them briefly and ordered them to name of the Southern Colored Cotton their rooms.

. After the meeting the students tried to meet in the hall, but were again confronted by the president. who told them that if they did not disperse he would expel the entire

Upon this the students scattered to their rooms and quiet fell upon the

The contention between the students and faculty grows out of privileges which have been taken from the seniors, and from the incipient development of hazing on the part of the sonhomores.

Last year the seniors were permitted to visit the city at will, but now their only peculiar privilege is the Friday night outing.

. When the boys were informed of the change, they agreed, met and declared that they would leave the college in a body. In this determination they were to be backed by the other two classes had not the president

Some of them said last night, however, that they would meet again today and if the class was willing to "hold out" would "resign" their offices in the battalion and leave the

Besides the complaint of the seniors, the sophomores are angry at the expulsion several days ago of one of their number for hazing, and the juniors are standing by the higher class nity"—next year.

"The class has gone too far to back out now," said a senior last night, "and if the rule is not rescinded we will

#### Dr. Winston's Statement. President Winston was seen last

"This is a military college," said he, and it is going to be run on military principles. The discipline instead of being lightened is to be intensified. The boys at the A. and M. have to work in the day and they cannot study satisfactorily except at night. Consid- | gregate 25 per cent. of the southern ering the distance of the college from town, the students will not be allowed to visit the city except at such times as they have no work to do. I told the senior class that they had no business to be meeting as a class to complain of leaving college as a class, and I advised them that they had better the soph mores met in the park, and hear from their parents before they left. Of course, any individual who while the sophomores stood guard. | doesn't like the college can leave it; Only the freshmen were at the drill there are plenty to take their places. this afternoon. All these statements I also told them that the class would Athletic club, who won the 440 yards are made by seniors. They say they not be permitted to meet during study

As to hazing, Dr. Winston stated and that representatives of the senior, | that it had never taken root at the college, and he didn't intend that it should: that he would break it up if he had to expel every boy in the college to do so. One hazer had been caught and promptly expelled, and if the trouble reoccurred others would

While he would not like to lose his senior class, Dr. Winston states that the college is "long" on applicants, as many was second with 32 points. his notice that no more students can be taken shows. Of course, if thirty

ious to come: While the college boy is a great hand at resolutions, his species is gen-

ting Record. Syracuse, N. Y., September 7 .visit Raleigh is now given at times | Major Delmar only succeeded in tieing | September stakes, one mile and three cipitated upon the drop of a hat, to when the students are free from their the world's trotting record of 2:02 1-4 furlongs, at Sheepshead Bay today, glorify the administration. without a wind shield in his attempt | She made practically all the running noons and Sundays. Besides this gen- this afternoon at the New York state and won with ease. Ortwills was deci- all nations, entangling alliance with eral liberty, special permission is also fair. The Major, accompanied by a sively beaten, finishing a bad third, none. Roosevelt, the war lord, means given on special occasions and when- runner, trotted the first quarter in Graziallo finished second. In the opin- complications abroad and corruptions 30 seconds, the half in one minute, ion of many horsemen, Bedlam's easy at home, designed to prolong a single proper restraint, would mean the ne- mile in 2:02 1-4.

## YARN MANUFACTURERS MEET. BIG IMPORTANT SECRET CONFER-

Situation of the Trade Was Discussed and Several Resolutions Passed-Members in the Sonference Are Very Reticent Concerning What Occurred.

ENCE HELD IN CHARLOTTE.

Charlotte, N. C., September 7 .-Hosiery varn manufacturers, representing 285,000 of the 400,000 spindles engaged on that line of goods in the South, held what was said to be an important secret conference here today. They held two sessions lasting the greater part of the day, and after makers among the senior cadets have adjournment it was given out that there was nothing for the public in the proceedings, that several resolutions had been passed and the situation discussed, but nothing else about the meeting could be secured from any of the 24 men in attendance. One of the resolutions looked to the fixing of the tare at a figure between 5 and 10 pounds to the case of yarn. Samuel A. Carter, of Atlanta, was chosen hope to save the young men the trou- chairman, and J. F. Taylor, of Kinston, secretary. The principal feature of the morning, to those on the outside, is the reticence of those concerned, which is quite unusual.

> Mr. Taylor, the secretary, said the meeting was entirely informal and had no connection whatever with any organization. It was called by six or eight prominent spinners, who, along with many others, realized the necessity of concerted action and took upon themselves the responsibility of calling the meeting. The meeting, said Mr. Taylor, was for the purpose of discussing the situation and getting to a better working basis. The outlook he said is more favorable, if the present cotton prove to be more than 11,000,000 bales, spinners believe the speculators will hardly be able to manipulate it.

Atlanta, Ga., September 7.-About forty of the prominent colored cotton goods manufacturers of the South met here today and organized under the Goods Weavers' Association. F. O. Moring, of Raleigh, N. C., was elected president and a committee was selected further to perfect the organization and to notify all manufacturers of this line of goods of the action of the meeting. This committee includes J. A Smith, of Bessemer City, N. C.; C. W. Johnson, of Charloite, N. C., and B. S. Robeston, of Burlington, N. C.

The discussion at the meeting today is summed up practically in the following resolution, which was adopted

Resolved, That this meeting recommend to the members of this association that final action be taken at an adjourned meeting to be held at Charlotte, N. C., October 5, binding its members not to place goods on memorandum or to guarantee prices to customers. Furthermore, not to allow cancellations of contract by customers, and that fulfilment of all contracts be rigidly enforced. We also recommend that action be taken on freight allowances, which have grown to be exces-

About twenty millions of invested capital are represented in the new organization.

One of the most prominent men attending the meeting is R. S. Reinhardt, of Lincolnton, president of the American Cotion Manufacturers' Association. Mr. Reinhardt does not see anything particularly encouraging in with the idea of preserving their "dig- the outlook and thinks it is "up to" the spinners to do something for their benefit. "Yarns continue to sell at low prices," he said, "and cotton fails to decline, despite the fact that the sea-

son for lower prices has arrived." "Won't the price decline when the crop begins to come in?" asked the "It ought to, but it doesn't," replied

Mr. Reinhardt, From interviews with various spinners who are attending the meeting the reporter learned that the curtailment of production since May would ag-

### spindles running hosiery yarns. THE OLYMPIC CONTESTS.

#### Two American Records in Swimming Races Breken.

St. Louis, Mo., September 7.-In the Olympic swimming races today the American record of 6:18 1-5 was broken by C. M. Daniels, of the New York championship swim in 6:16 1-5. This was not allowed, however, as one of the three stop watches required to

record the time stopped. E. Rausch, of Germany, in swimming the half mile championship race in 13:11 3-5, broke the American record of 13:22 2-5, held by E. Carroll Scheefer, of the University of

Pennsylvania, New York won the team championship, with a score of 40 points; Ger-The Olympic fencing championship was won by Ramon Fenst, of Havana, Cuba, with A. V. Z. Post, of New York city, second.

#### Pretty Polly Wins Her 14th Successive Race.

London, September 7.-Pretty Polly won the St. Leger stakes at Dorcaster today. Pretty Polly's win makes her fourteenth successive victory. The filly has never yet been beaten.

## Bedlam in a Class by Herself.

New York, September 7 .- Bedlam. the great three year old filly, won the student to go oftener and without the three-quarters in 1:31 1-4 and the victory today places her in a class by herself.

500 Democratic Editors in Conterence in New York

## VISIT ESOPUS

The Editors Are From All Sections of the United States-Well Known Newspaper Men Respond to Toasts on Political Subjects-Speech by Henry Watterson on "If I Were a Republican"-"Dixie" Arouses Great Enthusiasm, the Southern Editors Greeting it With the Rebel Yell-Letter from Joseph Pulitzer.

New York. September 7.-Nearly five hundred Democratic editors, from all parts of the United States, met at a banquet at the Waldorf-Astoria tonight, the occasion being a national conference of Democratic editors, which was called at the instance of the Democratic committee.

The toast list included several of the best known Democratic editors in crop can be kept out of the hands of the country, and all of them respondthe speculators. If the crop should ed to toasts on political subjects. S. E. Johnson, Washington correspondent of The Cincinnati Enquirer, and a former president of the Gridiron club, was the toastmaster. A large orchestra furnished music during the dinner. When "Dixie" was played, the diners, many of whom were from the South, jumped to their feet and the rebel yett was given several times.

> when the selection was encored. A letter from Joseph Pulitzer, written from Bar Harbor, Maine, to Chairman Daniels, in which the writer stated that physical infirmities prevented his being present, was read. The letter in part was as follows:

Enthusiasm was at the highest pitch

"The result in Vermont reported today should be accepted as a warning, not as discouragement. Remember that the largest total vote ever cast in Vermont is only fifty-six thousand. It is absurd to suppose that the result of the presidential election is decided, or even foreshadowed. The contest is to be fought in New York, the empire state, whose habit it is to vote independently; in the rich and populous industrial cities of Connecticut and New Jersey, on the wide plains and in the busy marts of Indiana, Wisconsin and Illinois, and in the doubtful states of the farther west. There are signs of a reaction against protection, privilege and plutocracy; against personal government, militarism, extravagance and the political power of the trusi. Mr. Roosevelt's weakness as a candidate in his own state has been demonstrated at every election. Should he carry the country in November, as it is possible that he may, the adverse vote of New York would serve as a salutary check on his usurpation of power, and no effort should be spared to secure this result.

"The lesson of the Vermont election is that the independents and the Democrats must work with increased vigor and under a more thorough system. Truth may be self-radiant, but it is but self-enforcing. Truth is mighty, but it will not prevail without all the aids of publicity. Truth must be proclaimed, illustrated, established, enforced. Most important of all, truth

must have a leader. "The result of the Vermont election makes it, in my judgment, all the more imperative that Judge Parker shall realize and perform his duty to the millions of hones; voters who seek no ffice, look for no personal gain in this election, but who see in him an ideal and a hope.

(Signature) "JOSEPH PULITZER." Editor Henry Watterson, of the Loisville Courier-Journal, responded to the toast "If I Were a Republican." Mr. Watterson's Speech.

Mr. Watterson said: In order to allay curiosity and suppress conjecture—or words to that effect-let me say in the beginning that I believe we can win this presidential battle. I will go even further, and say that, with anything like an even show-down of powder and ball, it will be our own fault if we lose it. The two parties will go to the finish fairly united. Each will poll very nearly, if not quite, its normal strength. The independent vote, there-

fore, will decide the result.

In the five debatable states of New York, New Jersey and Connecticut in the east: Indiana and Wisconsin in the west, there are, on a rough estimate, a million of these independent voters. Half a million of them are Germans. The other half are mugwumps and floaters. For the life of me I cannot see how any self-respecting mugwump can vote for Rooseveli, the recreant civil service reformer, nor how any intelligent German, much as the President resembles the Kaiser, can be willing to take even a lottery chance in a war with the mother country, pre-

Parker, the jurist, means peace with

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## CASUALTIES ARE HEAVY. TWO DAYS' FIGHTING BETWEEN

Many Spectators Enjoy the Sights of a Battle in Real Progress-Militia Troops Show Inexperience—General Grant's Forces Within Two Miles of the Objective Point.

BROWNS AND BLUES,

Corps Headquarters Gainesville, Va. September 7.-The first maneuver problem closed at noon today, with General Grant's force pushed through the left wing of General Bell. This put the Blue force within two miles of Thoroughfare Gap; the objective point. However, General Bell had Smith's brigade on the right and Barry's brigade on the left of this breach in his line and Colonel Wagner, Chief umpire, draws no conclusion as to what might happen had not hostilities ceased under the command previously issued by General Corbin to cease hostilities at noon so that the tired troops might be given relief.

This attack on the part of the Blue force was made by General Wint, with Price's brigade, consisting of the 70th Virginia, the First Maine, First Alabama and Sixteenth Infantry.

Previous to this there had been severe fighting on the line to which General Bell had fallen back during the night. This line, the Antioch Road, was within two miles of the western limit of the maneuver zone, and extended the five miles of the width of the zone. While General Bell was falling back to the new line from the Carolina road, which had been the scene of the conflict the day before, General Grant occupied the hours between midnight and daybreak. He withdrew all of his cavalry from the southern portion of his line, the position on the first day, and threw two full brigades and sixteen guns to the point indicated. His artillery was so well placed that it had unobstructed play for an hour on the

The effect of this fire was not taken into account by a decision rendered by the umpire on the field early in the battle when the Blue force was required to patch from Mukden to the Associated fall back, but was taken into account Press, filed Tuesday says the main later and credit given accordingly to the effects of the fire of the Blue artillery.

The spectacle of a battle in full progress was produced in the maneuvers today and the field was viewed from near and far by many spectators. General Corbin went among the troops of both armies and made close observation of the progress of the battle. Mrs. Corbin and Mrs. Grant and Miss Patten viewed the maneuvers from an automobile. During the afternoon the troops returned to their respective camps, to rest until 6 o'clock tomorrow morning, when the problem will be reversed and the Brown army will take the field against the Blue in the effort

to strike at Washington. The militia troops displayed the usual disadvantage of inexperience in the field. Many of them went hungry today. The regulars set them a good example in this respect, dividing their supplies equally between the two days Complaint of depredations by militla men came to headquarters today from Wellington, where it was claimed that the First South Carolina regiment had cleaned out a provision store absolutely. The loss will be reimbursed to the proprietor and the amount deducted from the pay of this regiment. General Corbin and both divisions commanders unite in praising the conduct of the

A daring attempt was made last night to capture General Bell in hts headquarters at Thoroughfare. The capture was not made because Beil heard of the plan and litterly took up bed and walked. He secreted himself in a farm house nearby and slept till morning. The capture was planned by a scouting party, and would undoubtedly have been successful had not General Bell made his escape in time. He had stripped his headquarters of its guard for other duty and if confronted by the armed scouts would have had to accompany them to the lines of the

It is estimated by army officers that the casualties during the two days of fighting have depleted the Blue army by 1,800 men and the Brown from 1,500

Blue army.

## PARTICIPANTS IN A MOB.

#### Seven Men Fined \$50 Each and Sentenced to One Day in Jail.

Danville, Va., September 7.-W. T Harris, Wicker Armes, Dan H. Talley, Bud F. Pruitt,, George C. Mills, R. J. Lynch and Whit Meyers, were convicted today in the Corporation court of being participants in the mob, when an attempt was made several weeks ago to lynch the negro, Koy Seals, charged with murder confined in the city jail. The men were sentenced to pay a fine of \$50 and to serve a term of one day in jail. The men were recently convicted by mayor's court and the jail great anxiety over the report that sentence fixed at 60 days. The case General Kuropatkin is in danger of bewas appealed to a higher court. The ing cut off. men were marched out of the court room to the prison and will serve the time. They were placed in the same kin purposes taking his army north of jail with the negro they attempted to Mukden. An officer of the general staff

Postoffice Robbed of \$550 in Stamps. Greenfield, Tenn., September 7.-Early today several robbers entered the Greenfield postoffice and blew open the safe. They made two unsuccessful attempts and the third time brought it open. Nitro glycerine and other chemicals were used.

About \$150 in cash and \$550 in stamps were taken from the safe. Postmaster Farmer has been authorized by the postoffice department to offer \$200 reward for the capture of the robbers.

#### Ex-Mayor McCue Arrested for the Murder of His Wife.

Richmond, Va., September 7 .- J. the alleged murder of his wife.

Great Battle Said to be Raging in Front of Mukden

## NEWS SILENCE

The Authorities at St. Petersburg Consider that the Critical Stage of the Russian Retreat is Passed and That Kuropatkin's Army is Out of Danger-Silence Concerning Kuroki's Movements Since Sunday-The General Staff is Not Displaying Anxiety Over the Report from Mukden that Part of the Russian Army is in Danger of Being Cut Off.

There is no news from the far east, either from Russian or Japanese sources. For the world watchers of the great tragedy the curtain has been dropped and all is conjecture. Not even an expression of opinion comes from Japanese sources, but from St. Petersburg it is indicated that authorities are confident the critical stage of the Russian retreat is passed and that Kuropatkin is no longer in danger of loosing any part of his forces to the pursuing Japanese. The Russian commander has arrived at Mukden, and it is given out in St. Petersburg that the bulk of his army is now near there, while a dis-Russian army is pushing northward and evacuating that place. It is indieated that the Japanese are still harassing the Russian rear.

Further than this nothing is known. An absolute news silence prevails.

St. Petersburg, September 7.-5:35 p. m .- The bulk of the Russian Manchurian army is near Mukden, where, it now appears, General Kuropatkin has been since Monday. His troops, it is understood, are not entering the city, tut are taking up prepared positions around Mukden. While there is no specific information on this point the general staff believes that only a small rear guard is in the neighborhood of Yentai. No further fighting of importance is expected south of Mukden. The critical stage is regarded as having passed and the announcement was made this afternoon that the war office will no longer give out two bulletins each day.

Tokio, September 7.-8 p. m. The general staff has not yet made public any details of the battle of Liao Yang. The people are still celebrating the victory but there is considerable speculation over the official silence regarding General Kuroki's movements since Sunday. It is reported that the Japanese now in the ravages of fire captured vast accumulations of Russian stores and ammunition at Liao Yang. The report that Lieutenant Teraouchi, son of Lieutenant General Teraouchi, minister of war, was killed in the fighting before Liao Yang is denied today.

Mukden, Tuesday, September 6 .- (Delayed in transmission)-Part of the Russian army, which is coming to Mukden by wagon road, is in danger of being cut off. All day and night Monday the Japanese in the hills on the east road shelled the Russian troops. In one instance the Japanese infantry attacked a large force of Russian infantry and artillery which had taken to the hills, running parallel to the Japanese, in protecting the flank of the retreating army.

Troops, guns and transports, are pouring into Mukden by train and road. Considerable transport was left behind. The roads are in a frightful state, owing to the heavy rain Monday. The main Russian army pushin northward is evacuating Mukden..

Paris, September 8.-The St., Petersburg correspondent of the Echo De

Paris says: "A great battle is going on before Mukden. The first and seventeenth corps are engaged against General Kureki. General Kuropatkin with the bulk of his troops is moving toward Tieling."

St. Petersburg, September 8.-2:30 a. m. The general staff is not displaying

The members also decline to say that they know whether General Kuropatsaid to the Associated Press Wednes-

day night: "I believe it is safe to say that General Kuropatkin's army is now out of danger. Our advices since Monday indicate that fighting is of an insignificant character, and I do not believe that the tired troops are capable of seriously threatening the line of retreat. The greatest difficulty our army is now having to contend with is the terrible roads owing to th erain of Monday and Tuesday. Our information is that the bulk of the baggage has already passed through Mukden. This is the usual proceedure in the case of any

retreat." A man who is unable to stand his grocer off for a month loses faith in Samuel McCue, ex-mayor of Char- his financial ability when he finds his lottesville. Va., has been arrested for neighbor has failed for \$500,000 .-Washington Post.