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EX-MARINE IS HEIR 10 SULTAN'S HAREM

Massachusetts Soldier Get Word That He Is Heir to Throne of Llang Llang Island.

HIS CASE PUZZLES WASHINGTON

Robert A. McClain, of Boston, exsorgeant of marines and long time . soldier of fortune, may be the next . Sultan of Llang Llang, a tropical island kingdom at the southern-most tip of the Philippine Archipelago.

The story of McClain's possible succession to the throne, the wealth and the royal harem of Llang Llang a reads like a story from the pen of Robert Louis Stevenson or Jack Lon-

In 1909, McClain enlisted in Joplin, Mo., in the Sixth Field Artiflery and sailed from San Francisco to the . Philippines. There he was transfer. . Philippines. red to the Marine Corps and in the . course of his duty was sent to the . key, which was in the lock on extreme southern ent of the archi- . the inside of the door, had been pelago, where the Moros were in insurrection.

McClean remained on the island . until March, 1910. During that time . to be found the next morning he had been promoted to Sergeant " when the bank officials opened * of Marines, had saved the life of the . of Marines, had saved the life of the up for business. sailed away to the United States with the everlasting gratitude of the old

Hefore he left with his regiment McClain was publicly adopted by the Sultan at ceremonies before the head of Life Given to the Railroad Sermen of the tribe, and was made the Sultan's successor.

found a party of marines maltreat- the rails from Monroe to Chester on ing a wizened old man about eighty years old. McClean rescued him, carried him to his hut, and then dis-covered that the man he had rescued count of his death; was the native ruler of the island.

In a low rambling palace covering two acres the marine bound up the slept. old man's wounds and made him comfortable. After that he was a Mr. Garrison has not been in the best frequent visitor at the palace at the of health since about a year ago, but invitation of the Sultan until he was the past few weeks he has seemed to formally adopted according to native be in better health, and he was feelcustom as the Sultan's son.

Clain forgot the incident. Then indigestion. He seemed to rally from came the World War, and McClain this attack and while he had not been enlisted again in the service of his out his physician and friends were for training for overseas service, nothing in his condition to cause ing just as soon as conditions will the armistice intervened and Mc-alarm. His death which came early permit.

Clain was again discharged, return-this morning was therefore not exing to Wrentham, near Boston, where met and married Miss Edith

A few days ago McClain learned Department was looking for a former rison. communicated with Washington, and engineer on the Carolina Central, UNION COUNTY POSSUMS learned that the old Sultan had in- Mr. Garrison about 1882 was assign- FEEDING AT LIQUOR the natives' pearls.

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A Union county citizen brought the possession of the county of the possessions to the possession of the county of the possession of the county of the co hood, become the next Sultan of the Kingdom of Llang Llang. He will inherit all of the property of the old Sultan, including the Royal Harem. Mrs. McClain is willing to accept the kingdom and any quantity of the for her husband

old Sultan should have left his possessions to me," said McClain with ed at the residence of Mrs. Minshall are fatter than usual, that it was be a smile in talking over his inheritfor him was to rescue him from some of which Mr. Garrison had been a ted in that county. marines, who were beating him up member for a great number of years, one night. I took air, to his grass Tonight the body will be taken over That's all there was to it. After that, though, a seemed very where it will be laid to rest in the fond of are, and used to ask me up cemetery with Mrs. Garrison's people, to the palace almost every day.

The fellows in my outfit used to the body to its last resting place. kid me along about it a whole lot. "And thus pas They called me 'King." The day the ing gentleman." man called his head men together and adopted me I thought it was a lot more nonsense."

McClain said that he had never seen the Sultan's harem, but he Monday Was the Fifty-Eighth Anniguessed the old man "kept it well, under cover."

DEATH OF ANOTHER VETERAN

Mr. D. C. Trull, a Native of This federate veteran "joined Lee and son, Daniel Harkey, James Vickery, Jackson on that other shore" when and Charles McGinnis. David God-Mr. D. C. Trull, a native of this frey and A. M. Nisbet were wounded.

home in Charlotte. He was seventy- being in the hospital. I was also three years of age. Funeral services barefooted, and had no blankets, were conducted Wednesday by Rev. Can you young vets beat this?—Wm. A. C. Sherwood and Rev. R. M. Haig- McWhirter, Waxhaw, R. F. D. No. 5. ler at the Williams cemetery, near Wingate, where the remains of the Important Announcement of Great deceased were interned. Mr. Trull is survived by the fol-

Yandle, of Goose Creek.

the war, and was the father of a fine miss

MARSHVILLE BANK IS ROBBED OF BIG STILL

Robbers Make No Effort to Open Vault Containing Thousands

of Dollars. After picking a lock in the

rear door, robbers entered the Bank of Marshville Monday night, and stole a forty-gallon still that had been placed in an empty room the day previous by Chief of Police Barnes Griffin. No effort was made to open the vault, which contained thousands of dollars in currency of the realm and negotiable paper.

The still was found on the * place of Cephas Mullis, near Marshville, and not caring to come on to Monroe with the confiscated liquor making outfit, Mr. Griffin had placed it in the Bank of Marshville for safe keeping.

It is believed that entrance into the bank was effected by picking the lock on the rear door with a piece of wire. The * key, which was in the lock on pushed out. Scores of burned matches, which littered the floor, were the only signs of disorder

AB GARRISON RAN FIRST ENGINE ON GA. DIVISION

of Life Given to the Railroad Ser-

The late Ab Garrison, who died at One night while on duty, McClean his home in Abbeville on Monday, had heard cries and on investigation Dec. 6, ran the engine which placed the Georgia division of the Seaboard. according to the Abbeville Press and

"Death called Absolom Leonidas Garrison this emorning while he He passed away quietly and evidently without pain and suffering. ing better until about a week ago After he had sailed for home, Me- when he suffered an attack of acute Then indigestion. He seemed to rally from building. being sent to Camp Devens not anxious about him, as there was pected and it caused profound sorrow in the city where Mr. Garrison had so many friends.

"Mr. Garrison was born at Burbthat the former Sultan of Llang ington, N. C., sixty years ago. He lang had died and that the War was a son of Joseph and Rachael Garassurred that we will do all we can and refuses to pay. Threatens Flonmarine named Robert McClain who the emiling of a locomotive engineer, sible at the lowest possible cost had been on the island in 1910. He Serving first as fireman and then as deed made him herr to his kingdom, ed to duties on the Georgia, Carolina and all the pearl fisheries of the & Northern Railway, now the Sea-island, which are reputed to be rich, board Air Line. He can the engine bers of "Billy Taft" Tribe Priskey the pock The United States has been trying which placed the rails from Monroe, for some time to purchase the pearl N. C., to Chester, and was the first fishing rights, but the deal has never engineer to bring a train into Abbecalls at the island twice a month for has given to this railroad. And a someness up and down the bows of | conscientious and faithful v rker for the oaks and hickories of the forests he served he always primeval.

pearls, but wants none of the harem They have no children. The deceased is also survived by his brother, I can't understand quite why the Mr. John P. Garrison, of this city. 'Funeral services will be conduct-

A number of friends will accompany "And thus passes a quiet unassum-

ESQ. WILLIAM MCWHIRTER

REMEMBERS HIS COMRADES

versary of the Battle of Freder-

icksburg. To the Editor of The Journal Monday was the fifty-eighth anniversary of that notable battle of Fredericksburg, where many a good man gave up his life for the Lost Cause. County, Passes Away in Charlotte. Among those from my company, Co. In the classical language of the F, 48th N. C. regiment, who were late Governor Glenn, another Con- killed at this battle were Ervin Simpcounty, passed away Monday at his I was not in this battle, at the time

Interest! Read It! The people of Monroe and Union lowing eight children: Mr. W. H. county are to have the privilege of Trull, of Wingate; Mr. C. B. Trull, of hearing one of the world's greatest Matthews; Mr. J. B. Trull, of Char- evangelists in the person of Mr. Kolotte; Mr. J. F. Trull, of Charlotte; nomari of Japan on Monday night, Mr. Brady Trull, of Charlotte; Mrs. Dec. 20. He will speak in the Meth-J. W. Griffin, of Charlotte; Mrs. Au- odist church at 7:30 p. m. and you brey, of Charlotte; and Mrs. Frank are advised to come early in order to secure a seat. Envangelist Konomari Deceased, who was a member of is known as the Billy Sunday of Jathe Baptist church, was a good citi- pan, and the Monroe ministerial aszen; quiet, and attentive to his own sociation is very fortunate in securing Fund on Sunday morning—Reporter. affairs. He fought bravely during him even for one address. Do not hearing him .- H. E. Gurney, Sec. Monroe Ministerial Association, provement is self-improvement.

SCHOOL BOARD IS HIGHLY PLEASED OVER ELECTION

Will Be Carried Out.

CARRIED BY SEVENTEEN VOTES MISTREATMENT OF CHILDREN

The school bonds, after one of the nost spirited contests ever known in and 24 against, but as the registra- treats them. bonds to carry.

Credit for the passage of the bonds is forced to make amends. is given to the women, who did great of the men in political skill,

the bonds below par, nor to let the ing until the price of building mate-rials and labor is further reduced, will be kept is given in the fol-lowing statement from Mr. W. B. A superficial glance over Monroe Love, chairman of the board:

a very rapid rate and we will there. for fallen young women; and there

the the vote was one more or less bauchery.

A Monroe man is seen in the com-

are to have a real high school build- practices is resorted to.

time to vote, but if we had delayed the election we might have missed a very opportune time to build.

conclusion, the taxpayers As a young man he turned to to give them the best building pos-

bers of "Billy Taft" Tribe Friskey as Kittens. (From the Charlotte News.)

The possums of Union county are been consummated. A tramp steamer ville. All his life since the time he nightly prancing in kittenish frolic-

to Miss Menrietta Gray, of North Charlotte for sale. They were much quarrel and had a racket with teach-Carolina. For the last twenty-five fatter and slocker than the marsuper when she tried to straighten out years Mr. and Mrs. Garrison have jals of Union county usually are and made their home in Abbeville, and their appearance drew quite a crowd here they have made many friends. to the sidewalk on the West Trade Mrs. Garrison survives her husband, street, where the citizen of Union had parked his wagon. He said in all soberness, in answer to inquiries as to why the 'possums being offered for sale from the forests of Union county this afternoon at 4 o'clock by Rev. A. cause they got much mash and swill enlist in the navy. "The only thing I ever did J. Derbyshire of the Episcopal church from the stills that are being opera-

> The man from Union painted a fine word picture of the prolixity of stills the Seaboard to Peachland, N. C., and of the disposition of the hitherto citizens to try their hand at making home brew of some He said the remote kind or other. fastnesses of the woods of the county are likely places for operating stills 'unbeknownst' to the officers of the law and that the opportunity been embraced to make all kinds of home brew.

The 'possums steal forth at night from their lairs in a hollow tree, hollow log, a clay bank or elsewhere and seek the places where mash has been thrown out of the stills after a run" of liquor has been made, it is declared.

The man alleges that all over Union county 'possums are unwontedly slick and fat this fall and that they are as playful and frisky as a cat with a ball of yarn about the hearthstone on a winter evening. Whether they ever attain stages of real intoxication, the man from Union did not undertake to say authoratively. strongly suspects they do, judging from the un-'possum-like behavior of some of those captured.

Presbyterian Church. This church will gladly welcome you to the following services:

10 a. m .- Sunday school, W. A.

sermon on the parables of Jesus-'Pearl" and "Treasure."

Henderson, superintendent.

The Boys' Bible class, Mr. Walton

Be sure to bring your pledges for Ministerial Relief Endowment

The greatest opportunity for im-

WOLFE'S RECORDS SHOW

Chairman Love Assures Tax-Payers The Wave of Immorality, An Out-That Pre-Election Promises Growth of the War, Has Struck This Country.

The old idea that a man is most spirited contests ever known in master of his house and family holds Monroe, carried Tuesday by seventeen good until he begins to neglect the The final count stood 319 for, education of his children, or min Then the law, in tion was 603, it was necessary that person of Mr. F. H. Wolfe, county at least 302 votes be east for the commissioner of public welfare, intercedes, and the recalcitrant parent

Mr. Wolfe not only guards the work during the registration period physical and moral welfare of Union and on the day of the election. Cars, county children, but sees that the driven by some of the most prominent women of the town, carried Every teacher in the county is revoters to the polls all during the day, quired to report absences to him; and and the women proved to be the equal if, on investigation, it is found that the parent is keeping the child at Assurance that the pre-election home to work in the field, an indict-promise of the school oard not to sell ment is certain to result. Only recently a score of Marshville citizens contract for the erection of the build- were made to pay the costs in the

A superficial glance over Monroe and its environs will show no evi-We are more than glad that the dence of immorality, but on Mr. bonds carried and we especially approclate the splendid spirit shown in stances of where young girls have the matter by the people of Monroe. "Those who opposed us in the fight for the bonds may rest assurred that we will keep our promises in the matter. No bonds will be sold below par; in fact, we will not offer them for sale until the market improves. Prices are coming down at a very ranid rate and we will the a very rapid rate and we will therefore postpone the building until we
feel that we can build with the least
expense. We shall look into the
matter thoroughly, and will act according to our best judgment when
the proper time comes to build.

"Every member of the board feels
that the vote was one more on less bauchery.

for fallen young women; and there
are also records of applications made
for the admission of two others, one
ter the race for Mayor of Monroe
next Max. Mr. Limerick has come
to no decision, so friends of his told
The Journal, but he has the matter
under consideration, and they confidently expect favorable action.

A strong sentiment for Mayor

therefore, is great. So far as we can we will see that the money is not of the night. Some self-appointed wasted, and that every tax payer gets guardian of the community's morals full value for what he puts into the reports the occurrence to Mr. Wolfe. An investigation follows, and unless "The people of Monroe are to be the roung woman voluntarily reforms

> Keeps After Stills, Mr. Wolfe's records make interesting reading. Among some of the cases that have recently come unto books are:

Lowery, col., has been "Ernest nie when she complains. When I began making enquiries Ernest had left Belle Houston, col., charged with

finding and keeping a pocketbook be-She acknowledges finding the pocketbook under Reader's pillow when she went to clean up room, but denied keeping it, claiming that she left it lying on the table 'Information concerning illicit whiskey stills, as given me by citizens, passed on to revenue officers.

Pinckney Stevens, 8 years old, reports that he has been mistreated by other boys. His sister tok up the er when she tried to straighten out the matter. Investigation showed that the boy was as much to blame as the other in the first quarrel.

Stegall in the Navy. "Roy Stegall ran away from school, where he had been pleed in ccordance with order in Governor's pardon. Principal of school reported to me that he had gone to Raleigh to immediately, but found that he has already been sent to some point in Virginia. Reported matter to Governor Bickett, who decided that would be as well to let him stay in the navy.

ble-minded, but there was no availa-

Hopkin hospital. Lexie went,

Windshield of Knox Carraway's said.

throwing rocks in the streets. in all that he took. Tom is a son of cated in the Yandle store robbery.

Had \$126.25 in ney, colored. bank, but withdrew it Oct. 5.

The names in the following domes-11 a .m.—Worship and sermon.
7 p. m.—Praise service and third unpleasant notoriety, are omitted: tic cases, in order to save relatives ures which represent less than one-

> another family. six or seven years. Neighbors state or six million bals crop in 1921.

that home of father is no decent place for the children

14-year-old girl. STARTLING CONDITIONS registers complaint about her treatment. Parents dead and she is liv-ing with her grandmother, who will not allow her to go to school. She has about \$3,000, which was inherited from her tather. Her grandfa-ther promises to move to Wingate so

as to enable her to attend school." One of the worst cases than been handled by Mr. Wolfe was that of three white sisters, who virtually keep a brothel. They have been seen with men at all hours of the night.

Even the best families have their trials, and under Mr. Wolfe's care are two white lads who have been leading the lives of young vagabonds. having early entered upon a life of crime and plunder.

Among some of are: Fourteen-year-old girl charges mistreatment against father; wife with several children leaves her home on account of husband's cruelty; charge of criminal assault against 16-year-old youth; and various and sunother charges,

The need for additional appropriations for the state's welfare institu-tions is graphically told by Mr. Wolfe's reports. Because there is no room for more patients at the feebleminded school, one mentally defective girl has married; and as the capacity of Sacramand Manor is overtaxed, several young girls, who ought to be there, are walking the highways of the county

FRANK LIMERICK MAY BE IN THE RACE FOR MAYOR

Mr. J. H. Lee is Also Being Mention-ed for Honor-May Have a Woman Candidate.

An effort, it was learned yesterday, is being made to induce Representative-elect Frank Limerick to en- a side line entirely, to no decision, so friends of his told

A strong sentiment for Mayor Sikes' re-election, especially among the recently enfranchised women voters, who are pleased with his progressive administrations, is discernible. Mr. Sikes, however, has time and time again reiterated his desire to quit the post; and it is very doubtcongratulated on the fact that we other methods to stop her immoral ful that sufficient pressure could be are to have a real high school build- practices is resorted to. of mind, especially since the school bonds passed. It has been his desire all along to remain no longer in of-fice until a new high school building his observations, as shown by his was assured and with this incentive now happily removed he is said to no longer care about holding the municinal reins.

First National Bank, is frequently mentioned in connection with the much as given the matter a thought. But the extensiveness of his business interests has not deterred scores of of his enthusiastic friends and admivers from urging him for Mayor.

There is much speculation over the probable entry of a woman candidate for Mayor. One prominent Monroe woman is known to have expressed her determination to run, but she may have done so in jest. quarters there is a good deal of sent ment for Mr. G. S. Lee, Jr., for Mayor. Mr. Lee rendered great ser vice to the party as chairman of the democratic executive committee, and on top of this he is an ex-service

SOUTH WILL REDUCE ITS ACREAGE FIFTY PER CENT

Col. Thompson Predicts a Cotton Crop of Only Six Million Bales for A reduction of at least fifty per

and a crop of not more than six believe there should be a membership million bales, was predicted by W. B. Thompson, former president of the New Orleans Cotton Exchange, went to Kinston to try to get the in an address before the cotton con-Smith girl into the school for the fee-ference called at Memphis last Wed-deputies in various cities and make nes to inaugurate a campaign for a it possible for appeals to be taken to material cotton acreage reduction the higher authority. State censor-"Planned to raise funds to secure and crop diversification during the ship of the movies has proved inade-treatment for Lexie Medlin at Johns coming planting season. "The South quate. but is determined to reduce the cotton doctors said they were unable to do acreage in 1921 to at least one-haif anything for him. of that of last year," Col. Thompson "This will mean that the comcar broken by four boys who were ing crop will be reduced to six million bales or less. The convention Earl Little in trouble again. Went here is called for the purpose of mature ago. into Iceman's store and stole some solidifying this determination and money. Mr. Iceman says that other serving notice on the world that the things were taken. Earl says that cotton producing South will no longer the key was given him a month ago permit its chief agricultural asset to by Brady Helms, son of Joe Helms, be slaughtered and its producers imand that he shared with Tom Helms poverished by any combination of circumstances or interests whatsoever. Bud Helms. Earl says that Roscoe Colonel Thompson declared the re-McManus had nothing to do with en- duction movement was made neces- Dr. Crafts was asked, tering Iceman's store, but was implisary by the "appalling decline in prices, due, we are told by apologists "A. Clark, colored, aged about 60 for the ruthless deflation campaign, "Enough." he revears, died at home of Florence To- to over-production. In spite of the how bad they are." the fact that in the spring the farmers Has were urged and encouraged by its fimoving picture outfit, which has been nancial authorities at Washington to used about a year, at his boarding produce all the cotton possible," Colonel Thompson continued, "we are, after the price has declined to fighalf actual cost of production, told -, a boy, aged 11 that we have produced too much and years. Mother is careless, dirty and must stand the consequences of sucleary. Will not make boy work Nev-over-production. The answer to this teacher, will meet you, greef you, and er goes to school. Now living with is that we will hold tight to every bale of the so-called surplus and a boy, aged 16 that we will reduce the next crop to form measures accomplished to its years, is living away from his father. proportions which will stagger those cradit. The organization is supported Mother died about a year ago. Fa- who would reduce the cotton prother married a woman whom he is ducer to a condition of destitution, \$56,000 last year said to be "keeping up" for the past Let the world prepare itself for a five

REFORMERS TO MAKE WAR ON KISS OF MOVIE VAMP

Far Worse Than Drinking, Forbidden Booze, or Betting on the Horse Races,

FOUR REPORMS FOR THIS YEAR

The Rev. Dr. Wilbur F. Crafts, superintendent of the International Retorm Bureau, Inc., is going forth to reform that unguided portion of American youth which is tempted after seeing a movie to go out and shoot up a town or rob a bank; those persons in the United States, Canada and Mexico who persist in long distance betting on the races; those who are thirsty enough to drink liquor that is taken out of bonded ware-houses and those in China who take morphia if they are able to get it, rays a Washington dis-patch to the New York Herald.

Dr. Craft said so to-day at the headquarters of the International Reform Bureau, inc., a building set comfortably near the Capitol, away from the influences of vice. Anybody who has any other idea about what the International Reform Bureau, Inc. is trying to do has it entirely wrong. There is no movement on foot, the Rev. Dr. Crafts averred to close up movies on Sunday or any other day, except so far as the Dis-trict of Columbia is concerned. There the "blue law" Sunday closing is to

stop, at least for the present. The hands of the International Reform Bureau, Inc., are full with its effort to put through during the present year the specific corrections as they apply to the United States, Canada, Mexico, and China. The blue laws of the District of Columbia is

Four Reforms This Year. The four reforms that constitute

the year's program are: Federal censorship for the

movies.

The prevention of the smuggling of morphine from America to China. The inter-state and inter-

national transmission of bets between Canada and Mexico and the several

States as applied to the races.

4. The removal of the whiskey stock of the country from something like four hundred bonded warehouses and its deposit in about six bonded warehouses. bonded warehouses, where it is less likely to be stolen.

Soaring above all the other great issue is that of the movies in Amer-ica, in the mind of the Rev. Dr. Crafts. The worst feature of the silver screen is the kissing, kissing by vampires, unholy, unwholesome kissing that can be traced to much of the laxity in the morals of those who go to the movies. To those who Mayoralty race, but it is doubtful if sit in the dark and watch a vamp he, on account of his large and va- kiss somebody important out of a million or so there is the The time was when the cyll was not so great, but now the thing is different. The rough element that used to hang out in the bar-room is going to the movies and there, inspired by the wily vamps, makes prey of unsuspecting women of tender age. Statistics of everything bad that has happened as a direct result are in the course of preparation.

Two Kinds of Kisses, There are two kinds of kisses, the Rev. Dr. Crafts has decided after considerable study. First, there is the sacred kiss, which is far too sacred to be portrayed on the screen. Then there is the infamous kiss, which is far too infamous to be pietured. Those are the kisses of the vamp. Those are the sort that should be ruled out of the reel.

"Our idea is to have the motion pictures regulated just like the banks and the railroads," the reformer ex-"We want to have a board of censorship that will correspond to to Gov- cent in the cotton acreage of 1921 the United States Supreme Court. of at least seven men of the highest character, men who could command a salary of four thousand dollars a

"Most motion pictures are improper. The evils are twofold. They depict crime, a thing responsible for many robberies and murders, and they play up their sex appeal, which has its evils among those of more

Must Exclude Vamps. "The vampires should be excluded. A great war should be waged against their infamous kissing. I refer to the sort of kissing that typifies the complete surrender one soul to an-

other." "Do you ever go to the movies?"

Yes," he replied. "Quite a lot." "How much? "Enough," he replied, "to know

In the opinion of Dr. Crafts, the people of the United States are not yet ready for the applications of the blue laws or Sunday closing. The International Reform Bureau is not making any campaign of this sort at this time, he said, except to give its indersement to a bill in Congress looking to the Sunday closing of theaters in the District of Columbia.

The International Reform Bureau, Dr. Crafts explained, is twenty-six years old and has a long list of reby public contributions. It spent

As a man thinks, he grows,