

New Turn Taken in Dakota Bond Suit

It Is Now Proposed to Cut Loose From Individual Bondholders — A New Game to Be Developed Later On

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Washington, D. C., April 15.—Special, Wheeler H. Peckham, the attorney for South Dakota in the North Carolina bond suit, shifted his position in concluding his argument before the supreme court of the United States today, and practically cut loose from the individual bondholders whose claims, if allowed, would cost the state over half a million dollars.

Who is this man Rothschild, mentioned as a defendant? He owns a few of these bonds, admits that he has never read the complaint in the case and says he left everything connected with the case to the Schaffers.

the suit so that if they should have anything to say as bondholders they might say it now. I desire this court to understand that South Dakota is claiming these ten bonds and wants its share of stock sold whether it is necessary to sell the rest or not.

READY FOR LAUNCHING

The Steamship Minnesota Is Something Immense

New York, April 15.—The new steamship Minnesota, the largest vessel ever built in America and the greatest cargo carrier in the world, will be launched tomorrow in the yards of the Eastern Shipbuilding Company's branch of the United States Shipbuilding Company at New London.

HIGH WATER

Much Damage Done in a New Jersey Town

Elizabeth, N. J., April 15.—The waters of Staten sound rose to a higher point at 11 o'clock today than at any time in forty years according to all habits of the water front.

FLOOD IS FALLING

A Mississippi Crevasse Not an Unmixed Evil

New Orleans, April 15.—The Mississippi river has fallen two-thirds of a foot and is falling rapidly. No further damage is expected from the high water now.

ALMOST UTOPIAN

Combine of Europe Against America Will Not Work

Rome, April 15.—The Popolo Romano, commenting on yesterday's proposition before the International Agricultural Congress to establish a European Zollverein against America says:

Thee Huffines Disposed of

Reidsville, N. C., April 15.—Special.—Rank, Frank and Lucy Huffines were tried at the special term for finding and feloniously concealing about \$700 which was found in a public highway by Lucy Huffines. It was proved that

the old man and woman were under the influence of Frank, whose character was proven bad. Frank got six years and the old man one year. The woman was dismissed with kind and touching words from Judge Long.

AFTER MANY YEARS

Mrs. Annie Farriss Receives Her Brother's Watch

Greensboro, N. C., April 15.—Special. Mrs. Annie Farriss, of this city, has just recovered a gold watch which was worn by her brother, Capt. H. C. Gorrell of Company E, Second North Carolina regiment, in the civil war.

FILIPINO AND NEGRO

General Baldwin Says Both Are All Right as Soldiers

Denver, Col., April 15.—General Frank D. Baldwin, commander of the department of Colorado, who has been asked by the war department at Washington to explain an interview in this city recently in which he was quoted as speaking disparagingly of the negro as a soldier, says that his statements were misunderstood.

TOOK A PRISONER

The President's Guardians Are Very Suspicious

Cinabur, Mont., April 15.—One of the cavalrymen who is on patrol duty in the park guarding the president, came in this morning with a prisoner. He said he found the man hanging around within fifteen miles of the president's camp, acting most suspiciously.

SWEPT BY CYCLONE

Ten Reported Killed by a Storm in Alabama

Birmingham, Ala., April 15.—Special dispatches from Evergreen, Ala., say that news has just reached there by phone of heavy loss of life and property in the neighborhood of Peterman and Burntown, wrought by a tornado which passed near there yesterday.

A FAIRBANKS BOOM

The Nomination for Vice-President Will Do for Him

Indianapolis, April 15.—The name of Senator Charles W. Fairbanks will be the subject of discussion at West Baden Springs this week, where a conference of political leaders is arranged to formally set afoot his vice-presidential boom.

New Secretary and Treasurer

Greensboro, N. C., April 15.—Special. Mr. J. E. Williamson, formerly of Alamance county, but more recently connected with the Hope Mills Manufacturing Company and a chemical and dyestuff concern, has been elected secretary and treasurer of the Worth Manufacturing Company, at Worthville, Randolph county.

Money Offered Cecil if He Would Murder Goebel

GUERRILLA WAR Macedonians Postpone a General Insurrection

London, April 15.—A dispatch to the Times from Sofia says it is stated in usually well informed quarters that the all-powerful International Organization of Macedonia has lately made an important change in its program.

It is thought unlikely that European intervention would be obtained by means of a rising unless wholesale massacres took place, and the leaders apparently shrink from such a prospect. Consequently it has been determined to prosecute a guerilla warfare by means of detached bands, which will fall upon isolated bodies of Turkish troops, and when possible intercept communication by blowing up railway bridges and stations.

ON HIS DIGNITY

Heussner Insists He Only Did His Duty

Berlin, April 15.—The murder of Artilleryman Hartman by his old time schoolmate and lifelong companion, Ensign Heussner because Hartman failed to salute him in a proper manner when they met at Essen, whether they had both returned to spend the Easter holidays, continues to be the sensation of the moment.

BLAZE AT BEAUMONT

A Million Dollar Fire Among the Oil Wells

Beaumont, Tex., April 15.—A fire on Spindle Top, which started at 1 o'clock this morning, did damage estimated at from \$800,000 to \$1,000,000. Two hundred and sixty-five derricks were lost. Two hundred rigs were on producing wells.

WRONG VICTIM

Horrible Mistake Made by a Louisiana Mob

New Orleans, April 15.—It is now established beyond all doubt that the negro killed near Shreveport by the two police officers as the murderer of Mrs. Frank Matthews and her little daughter, and whose body was burned by a mob, was not and could not have been the murderer.

Sensational Statement by a New Witness in the Trial of James Howard—Denial Made by Governor Taylor

Frankfort, Ky., April 15.—Frank Cecil of Bell county was the star witness today in the case of Jim Howard for the murder of Goebel. Cecil was named to Caleb Powers by Sheriff Broughton to get here with Jake Van Bibber and Seach Steele, as suitable men to kill Goebel.

Cecil said that his train load of men en route to Frankfort sang a song about "Going to Frankfort to kill Bill Goebel." Cecil said he went to Powers' office January 29 and that Powers and Henry Paynter were talking of the contest. Paynter said some one ought to kill Goebel.

Convict Henry E. Youtsey, who was Taylor's stand tomorrow and will give his first testimony in this case.

Indianapolis, April 15.—The attention of former Governor Taylor of Kentucky was called today to the sensational testimony of Frank Cecil in the trial of James Howard at Frankfort which was in effect that Taylor had offered the witness \$2,500 to assassinate Governor Goebel and that the offer was declined.

COTTON TOO HIGH

Mills Ordered to Close When Supply Is Exhausted

Baltimore, April 15.—Today the manager of the Mt. Vernon Cotton Duck Mills at Phoenix, Northern Central Railway, was instructed from the main office of the corporation not to take any more orders until the price of cotton is reduced.