

Too Much Tobacco Grown Is Secretary Wilson's Belief

Cultivate the Cow and Rotate Crops Is His Advice to Planters—The Department's Experiments With Sumatra Tobacco

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Washington, Aug. 31.—Special.—The attention of Secretary Wilson of the department of agriculture was called by the correspondent of the Post to the condition of the tobacco market in the bright leaf section, and the condition of farmers recently taken in North Carolina with reference to the price of the product.

Secretary Wilson also made the very important statement that next year the department would devote special attention to the cheaper grades of domestic tobacco, such as are grown in southern states.

Stumbling Blocks in the Way of the Canal Treaty

The Question of More Money Has Become a Minor Point—This Government Will Refuse to Budge

Washington, Aug. 31.—Three stumbling blocks are in the way of ratification of the Panama canal treaty by the Colombian congress, according to an official dispatch to Minister Herran, which he has submitted to the state department.

Cuban filler. The result of these experiments will not be known until the crop is harvested, but there is every reason to believe that the cultivation of this tobacco will be almost as profitable as that of Sumatra.

Next year the department will begin the study of other grades of domestic tobacco. We will endeavor to ascertain the amount produced in different parts of the country and the character of the product.

This brought up Secretary Wilson's recently expressed views with reference to the cotton situation. Speaking of this subject, he said: "The stock manipulators in cotton have, for years, attempted to discredit the reports issued by the department."

There is no feature of work of the agricultural department in which I take more interest than the cotton report which is issued monthly. I give it my personal attention each month.

The Times this afternoon prints a story to the effect that a hitch has occurred in the negotiations for the control of the Seaboard Air Line by the Rock Island, and adds:

As I have said, if General Butler is right in his contention I will take off my hat to him. We will soon know who is right for the crop will shortly be on the market.

William Clark and William McGinnis, claiming Winstonsborough, N. C., as their home, called at the emergency hospital last night and asked for treatment. Clark was suffering from a lacerated wound on the nose and lip, while McGinnis had a contusion under his left eye.

The police made an investigation and report that the statements made by Clark and McGinnis were untrue and that there was no such boat at the wharf.

Commander John M. Hawley, in charge of the lighthouse in this district, has returned from a tour of inspection on the lighthouse steamer Holly, among the lights in North Carolina waters.

The action of the Colombian senate in referring the treaty to a committee with a view to framing a law placing the entire question in the hands of President Marroquin has been brought about by the attitude taken by Mr. Beaufre, according to the information received here.

any such amendments to the treaty would be met with disapproval in this country. Whether or not this action was taken at the direction of the state department is not known, but it is apparent that this was the cause of the decided change in the standing of the treaty when it was "disapproved" and referred to a committee.

The Colombian senate regarded the insistence of the United States minister upon the ratification of the treaty as an attempt to dictate, and even friends of the treaty became indignant and voted against it.

The state department, whether or not it instructed Mr. Beaufre to insist upon ratification of the treaty without amendment, has consistently declined to consider the advances made directly and indirectly looking to changes in the treaty.

If a bargain differing from the terms of the pending treaty is proposed by Colombia, it will be entirely within the discretion of President Roosevelt whether or not it will be considered. It is the opinion of the state department that the president may continue negotiations with Colombia on an entirely different basis.

The question of the payment of more money, according to Colombian advisers, has become a minor point.

TWO DIED TOGETHER

A Young Man's Idea of Dealing With Disappointment in a Love Affair

Richmond, Va., Aug. 31.—Herbert B. Bates, son of Assistant City Engineer Frank T. Bates, shot and instantly killed Miss Rena Gentry at the young lady's home in this city this morning.

Bates accompanied Miss Gentry and a lady friend to church last evening, returning, apparently, in the best of spirits. He left his home, a short distance from that of Miss Gentry, at 7 o'clock this morning and went down to the home of his sweetheart.

Bates had been going with Miss Gentry since they were children and was devoted to her. It is believed that he went to the house this morning for the purpose of getting a final answer to his proposal of marriage, and that upon her refusal to agree to marry him, he became deranged and ended the life of the girl, later committing suicide.

ROUGH ON FOREIGNERS

Authorities at Caracas Are Making Things Uncomfortable

Trinidad, B. W. L., Aug. 31.—Reports from Caracas are to the effect that the campaign against foreigners in Venezuela is becoming more severe every day. The official press and local newspapers, inspired by the government, are daily printing insulting remarks about the arbitration commissioners, umpires, legations and claimants against Venezuela without distinction as regards nationalities.

Viceroy Tsen Having Trouble With Rebel Bands

His Negotiations With Li Yap Fall Through by Reason of the Zeal of a Wise-acre Magistrate

Washington, Aug. 31.—Old Viceroy Tsen of Kwangsi is having a hard time keeping his province in order, according to a report received today at the department from Consul General McClellan at Canton.

The rebels are numerous and active and under the leadership of an old cut-throat of the name of Li Yap. Recently there was a pitched battle between Li Yap's band of robbers and rebels and the On Yung regiment of imperial braves.

Li Yap accepted the proposition. He detailed two of his officers to accompany Luk Kiu back to the viceroy to close the deal. The three men arrived at Kwai Ping on their way to the viceroy when the local magistrate, a zealous fellow named Chang King Wa, discovered the identity of the two rebel officers.

When Chang King Wa sent a report of what he had done, it should have been worth a mandarin's button. But Viceroy Tsen did not approve of the magistrate's interference.

WRECKED IN TOWN

A Freight Train Piled up in City Streets

Colorado Springs, Col., Aug. 31.—A freight train of sixteen heavily loaded cars and two engines are piled in the streets of Colorado City, in the worst wreck ever known in Rocky Mountain railroading.

The shooting occurred at the house of a negro woman, where there were several negroes congregated. Teachy is white, as was also Rivenbark.

REVOLUTIONARY RUMOR

The Sultan Said to Want War With Bulgaria

Sofia, August 31.—The leaders of the Macedonian revolutionary committee issued from the headquarters here today what purported to be a telegram from Constantinople to the effect that the sultan, who has been influenced by Germany, has now altered his attitude toward Bulgaria and is in favor of war with that country.

LIBERTY FOR PARKS

But the Walking Delegate Will Be Tried on Other Charges

New York, Aug. 31.—Sam Parks, the walking delegate, got a certificate of reasonable doubt today, and tomorrow will probably get out of Sing Sing prison. When Parks learns the news he had not yet learned tonight—it will undoubtedly cheer him. There were other people today who did not seem so very sorry as they might have been expected to be.

would be put on trial at once on three indictments for extortion which are still pending against him.

Doctors Licensed

Richmond, Va., August 31.—Special. Doctors Edward F. Strickland of Bethania, N. C., and T. H. Strohecker of Davidson College, N. C., are among those who have passed the Virginia medical examining board.

MAFIA MISCHIEF

An Italian Kills One of His Own Race and Shoots a Policeman

Philadelphia, Aug. 31.—An Italian named Giovanni Viola from New York supposedly one of the leaders of the New York branch of the Mafia, came to Philadelphia tonight and killed the well-to-do Italian banker and steamship agent, Vincenzi Tilli, of 822 South Fifth street. After committing the deed Viola rushed from the house.

TEACHY IN COURT

Alleged Murderer of Rivenbark Pleads Not Guilty

Goldboro, N. C., August 31.—Special. In Duplin county superior court at Kenansville this afternoon Dan Teachy was arraigned for killing Bob Rivenbark near Wallace, in Duplin county, last May.

Some weeks ago Teachy broke jail in Kenansville and afterwards, after consultation with his attorneys, gave himself up to the officers of the law. He was brought to this city and placed in jail until yesterday afternoon, when he was taken back to Kenansville.

PERFECTLY HARMLESS

Turkish Explanations of Two Recent Outrages

London, Aug. 31.—The Sofia correspondent of the Times gives the port's explanation of the reported attack on United States Vice Consul Magalassa at Beirut.

Farmers Organizing in Wilson

Wilson, N. C., Aug. 31.—Special.—The farmers held a meeting in Wilson Saturday afternoon, and took preliminary steps for a permanent organization on the 11th of September.

Yankee Yacht Sails Against the Clock

Long Stern Chase With the Briton Three Miles Behind—The Worst Wallowing Shamrock Has Received

New York, Aug. 31.—Under a canopy of drab and through a disturbing roll of the sea, a crestless relic of the tempest of Saturday, the cup defender Reliance outsailed and outdistanced Sir Thomas Lipton's challenger, Shamrock III, today in an ineffectual effort to finish a third race, fifteen miles to windward and return.

No strident aggro was at the windward mark to applaud the sleek combatants. Perhaps a dozen whistles tooted and a few guns barked, but there were no cheers.

The starting gun, fired at 11:45, found the boats back of the line. Captain

Wringe, of the Shamrock, redeemed his reputation as a masterful skipper by outmaneuvering Captain Barr and sending the Briton over the line on the starboard tack about 100 yards to windward of the defender, which was exactly abeam of the Shamrock, and was timed simultaneously 11:45:26, only 29 seconds after the starting gun. They held this board only five minutes, when the Shamrock whirled on the port tack. The Reliance was not slow in following her. It was head to swell on this tack and there was a picturesque battering of spray as the racers plunged into it, burying three quarters of their bowsprit at times and covering the men forward with showers.

The next tack showed that the Yankee boat had worked out of her rival's lee, was gripping the wind with more firmness and footing faster. It was the Reliance again, only somewhat more so. The Reliance was on her way to the outer mark at the rate of more than a minute in a mile. It soon became the longest stern chase on record for the course. Pinned as he would, the Briton could not aim near the course of the Reliance. Whether with the rollers ahead or abeam, as the yachts received them when on the starboard tack, the Yankee flyer moved more readily and swifter than the Shamrock.

On one of the attending vessels, just after the race started, a pool was made on the minutes the Reliance would be ahead at the windward mark. One optimistic person with pessimistic fancy went into the pool on condition that he might put his money on the Shamrock to turn one minute and thirty-eight seconds ahead of the Reliance. The most enthusiastic backer of the Reliance gave her a lead of fourteen minutes. Her actual advantage at the windward mark was 20 minutes and 22 seconds. She rounded and headed for the finish before a gentle breeze, probably not more than five miles, at 3:00:35. She was unable to set her spinnaker as the breeze had shifted to northeast, until she was seven minutes on her homeward way, when the breeze got back again to its original direction. It was a procession after that. The only interest manifested by spectators was in their watches and the probability of the Reliance getting in before 5:15:26, the time limit set for the race. As she did not make it she will try conclusions with the challenger again tomorrow over a windward and leeward course.

Turkish Minister Takes the View of an Optimist

He Does Not Consider Ships of War Necessary to Protect American Interest—Reports Are Exaggerated

Washington, Aug. 31.—Secretary Hay and Chekib Bey, the Turkish minister, had a long talk today in regard to conditions in Turkey and Chekib assured the secretary that his government desires only the friendliest relations with the United States government. He was apparently without any recent information from Constantinople as to the progress of the insurrection against the sultan, but urged that the Turkish government was busily engaged in suppressing disorders and would do all it could to preserve peace and protect the lives and property of foreigners.

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A Hint to Bishops

Rome, Aug. 31.—The pope has made a recommendation to the Venetian bishops that they should show cordiality to the military authorities during the Italian army maneuvers and that special deference be shown the king. Such instructions from the Vatican are very unusual, and they reveal a better understanding between the church and the state. It is learned that a consistory will be held about the middle of September.

Death of George P. Collins

Entered into his rest at Hillsboro, N. C., Sunday evening, August 30th, at 9 p. m., in the 65th year of his age, Major George P. Collins. He was the son of the late Jonah Collins and Mary Riggs Collins of Washington county, N. C. He leaves a wife and seven children. Interment in St. Matthew's church yard, Hillsboro, N. C.