

THE PLAQUEMINE SCARE AN ERROR

Telephone Made Twelve Out of Two Cases

UNIFORM QUARANTINE

Sixty-one New Cases Yesterday and Six Deaths—Shotgun Quarantines Being Discontinued, and a Better Understanding Prevails. Peace in Alabama

New Orleans, Aug. 15.—There were sixty-one new cases of yellow fever today and six deaths.

At the present rapid rate of quarantine improvement the indications are that by the end of the week there will be a uniform quarantine system throughout the southwest based upon the rules and regulations of the United States marine hospital service.

The appearance of cases at Lusher, Lafourche Crossing, two at Williswood, another case at Alexandria and two scattering cases in St. Charles did not excite the slightest alarm, experience having shown that these cases can easily be held under control and prevented from spreading.

Patterson remains the only danger point outside of New Orleans.

In Alabama, Birmingham has withdrawn its quarantine against Montgomery and there is now peace within the state.

The examination by the Alabama authorities of the Mississippi gulf coast has convinced them that no sickness exists and the Mobile quarantine against Southern Mississippi will be withdrawn in the next day or two.

James Jackson, a negro, was brought here today from Patterson, La., to escape lynching. He had shot a quarantine guard, as he claimed, in self defense.

Among the deaths today was that of Joseph Daspl, a young lawyer of great promise, a native of Houma, who came to New Orleans a few years ago and graduated with distinction from Tulane University.

Archbishop Chapelle's will was probated today. He leaves property in Louisiana to the bishops of Little Rock and Mobile for the use of the church, and his property in New Mexico in the same way. His property in France he leaves to his niece, Josephine Solignac.

Mobile, Ala., August 15th.—Dr. John Gutters, the yellow fever expert, who is representing the Cuban government, left today for New Orleans.

He is very hopeful of the situation there, and said New Orleans would be clear of the infection in forty days.

Greensboro Auditorium Plans. Greensboro, N. C., August 15.—Special Plans have been drawn by Architect

W. L. Brewer for the erection of a commodious auditorium proposed to be built upon the Banner warehouse property, now owned by Mr. C. W. Jennings. The lot has a frontage of 82 feet on West Market street, and extends through to West Gaston, a distance of 305 feet. The plans call for three store rooms, and the main entrance on West Market, the auditorium running from the rear of these stores to West Gaston street, three store rooms on West Gaston, being under the auditorium, which will have a seating capacity of 7000 people.

Mr. C. P. Vanstry has purchased Dr. J. T. J. Battle's 117 acre farm adjoining the fair grounds, west of the city, and will divide it into building lots and offer them for sale.

DESTROYED HIS USEFULNESS

That Seems to Be Alabama's Verdict on Booker Washington

Birmingham, Ala., Aug. 15.—There is great indignation expressed in Alabama over the incident of Booker T. Washington, the principal of the Tuskegee Institute, leading a daughter of a John Wannamaker to the table in a dining room at Saratoga Springs in one of the principal hotels of the place, and prominent citizens are not hesitating to express themselves through the newspapers. It is set out that the act on the part of Washington, who is claimed to be a leader of his race, sets a pace which many negroes in the south are likely to follow.

Among others who have given views on the subject is Lieutenant Governor Cunningham, candidate for governor next year. He says that Washington was indiscreet inasmuch as he sets a bad example before his race, knowing exactly the feeling in the south.

John T. London, one of the most prominent attorneys in Birmingham, and who has been in Washington has destroyed his usefulness in the south.

LINEVITCH'S ARMY STRONGER

Some More Points Taken by Japanese Reported From Tokio

London, Aug. 15.—In a dispatch to The Morning Post from St. Petersburg the correspondent says he learns from a disinterested source that the Russian claim that General Linevitch's army has been considerably strengthened is not mere boasting. In many respects his army is more effective than was Kuropatkin's.

Tokio, Aug. 15.—Vice Admiral Kataoka attacked the Russians who were guarding Lazareba Point on the straits of Tartary on August 13. He lost one killed and four wounded but finally dispersed the Russians and captured the post.

A torpedo boat destroyer captured eighteen men and the telegraph station at Raloro on the east coast of Sakhalen on the same day.

Japanese forces in Manchuria, reconnoitering along the railway and the Kirin road from Chantafu on August 12, drove in the Russian outpost, killing eleven men and capturing ten. A counter attack by the Russians was repulsed.

New Bank for Salisbury

Salisbury, N. C., August 15.—Special. A new banking concern to be known as the Peoples Bank and Trust Company was organized here today with the following officers: President, D. R. Julian; vice-president, P. H. Thompson; temporary secretary and treasurer, J. S. McCubbin; director, N. B. McCannless, A. T. Smoot, T. M. Kerns, B. A. Knox, M. T. Jackson, R. Lea Wright, E. A. Roseman, J. A. Peeler, Emile Clark, J. M. Maupin, P. H. Thompson, C. A. Rice, Lee Wallace and C. B. Jordan. The institution has an authorized capital of \$50,000 and will be open for business in a few days.

THE LADY EXONERATED

Beach's Statement as to Mrs. Peckham

Grand Jury Resumed Investigation Into Cotton Report Leakage—Mrs. Peckham Says She Will Make Sec. Wilson Regret What He Said

Washington, Aug. 15.—The grand jury of the supreme court of the District of Columbia today resumed its investigation into the leakage of the cotton crop reports of the department of agriculture. C. C. Clark, chief clerk of the bureau of statistics of the department, was the first witness. A mass of books and papers were carried into the jury's room, it being understood that they were to form the basis of the department employed in the past in the preparation of the crop reports.

District Attorney Beach is hopeful of completing the investigation in a short time, and expects to secure indictments against more than one person, notwithstanding the absence of Mr. Hyde and the refusal of Messrs. Peckham and Haas to testify.

In view of the reports connecting Mrs. Sarah H. Peckham of New York, wife of one of the alleged associates of former Statistician Holmes, with the cotton leaks, a statement on the subject made by District Attorney Beach this afternoon is of more than ordinary interest. Mr. Beach said:

"Mrs. Sarah H. Peckham appeared in response to the subpoena served on her in New York, and was examined by the district attorney. She was willing to appear before the grand jury if necessary, but the district attorney concluded from his interview with her that she was not connected with the so-called 'cotton leaks' and she was excused from attendance before that body. It is only just to Mrs. Peckham to say from her statement she was ignorant of the matter, and the revelations made in connection with it were not due to her nor to any domestic differences in her household. So much notoriety has surrounded her in connection with the case that it seems only just to her and to her friends that a statement should be made. Mrs. Peckham was here yesterday with friends from New York, but to avoid interviews with the press and unpleasant surveillance, did not make known the place where she was stopping."

Mr. Beach would not discuss the matter further, but it is understood he thinks that many things were said about Mrs. Peckham which were not warranted by the facts as known. Mr. Beach's statement is of interest, moreover, in view of the fact that Secretary of Agriculture Wilson has been quoted more than once as saying that the cotton crop report leak became known because "two gamblers quarreled over a woman," Mrs. Peckham being the woman. Mrs. Peckham said in New York the other day that she would make Secretary Wilson regret having made that statement.

LOOKED INTO A WELL

One Struck a Match and Seven Were Injured

Indianapolis, Ind., August 15th.—Seven people were severely injured in front of a drug store at Pennville this morning through curiosity to see into an abandoned well. The well was in front of a drug store where a discussion regarding the method of casing wells was participated in by a number of persons. In order to settle the question the cap was lifted from the well and a number of persons gathered around and were in stooping positions looking into the well when one of them struck a match in order to afford a better view of the interior. Instantly there was an explosion and the flames shot five or six feet above the top of the well, enveloping the faces and upper parts of the bodies of those people close to it. The men were thrown back several feet from the well by the force of the explosion, but their clothing had taken fire and their faces and hands were badly burned. Of the seven that were looking into the well at the time or standing close to it not one escaped serious injury.

FOUR MORE RESIGNATIONS

Special Agents This Time Spotted by Yerkes

Washington, August 15th.—The house cleaning in the internal revenue service undertaken by Commissioner Yerkes which was recently begun by the forced resignation of Collector Asa Rogers, of the Richmond, Va., district, has been continued by calling for the resignation of four special agents of the service. It is likely that other resignations or removals will follow. Commissioner of Internal Revenue Yerkes recently visited a number of districts in various parts of the country, with the result that he was not entirely satisfied with conditions in several places. Mr. Yerkes admitted today that he had secured the resignations of four special agents, but he declined to give their names.

One of them is known to be Charles H. Ingram, stationed at Boston, and another is Special Agent Burr of Texas.

Rudderless in Lake Storm

Buffalo, Aug. 15.—The Idlewild, an old side-wheeler river steamer that now plies between Buffalo and Crystal Beach, a resort across the lake, broke down some miles out today. She lost her rudder and four hours was helpless before a forty mile gale that kicked up a tremendous sea on the shallow lake. Big waves broke over her and

the smoke stack parted. This caused the women and children to go crazy with fear. The crew had before this served out the life preservers and now they had great trouble in preventing the passengers from jumping overboard.

ROWAN PARTIES INVOLVED

Revelations Expected Upon Report of Special Agent of Government

Salisbury, N. C., August 15th.—Special. It is positively asserted here that Rowan parties will be involved when the special term of Federal court convenes in Greensboro in September for the purpose of investigating the reported cases of collusion between distillers and government agents. This much is certain though further information cannot be obtained at present.

The announcement has caused quite a sensation in this district. It is also certain that when the report of the special agent who has just completed a series of investigations here for the department of justice is made public will follow which will astonish many officials in the district.

LICENSE SUSPENDED

Capt. Harper, of the Wilmington, Held to Blame for Collision

Wilmington, N. C., Aug. 15.—Special. According to a decision rendered today by John W. Gast, United States supervising inspector of the third district at Norfolk, Va., the license of Capt. Harper of the steamer Wilmington is suspended for six months and five days. The five days being added to give Capt. Harper an opportunity of appealing to the supervising inspector general. The supervising inspector was appealed to in this case upon the failure of Inspectors Rice and Borden to agree. Rice holding both vessels to blame and Borden holding Capt. Harper wholly to blame. The affair grows out of a collision the latter part of May between the Wilmington, Capt. Harper, and the Sea Gate, Capt. Craig. It was alleged that the two boats were indulging in a rival race when the accident took place, there being hundreds of excursionists on board at the time. The affair has created no little sensation here.

PENNSYLVANIA DEMOCRATS

Old-Fashioned Row May Develop at Convention Today

Philadelphia, August 15th.—When the Democrats of Pennsylvania get together in Harrisburg tomorrow for their second session of the state convention, it is barely possible that an old-fashioned row may develop.

The crusade against graft, born in this city and spreading over the state, has aroused some of the up-country members of the party and some one of them may spring resolutions attacking the Donnelly-Ryan crowd on the common theory that it is merely an annex of the Republican organization here.

The work for which the convention was called is the nomination of a supreme court justice. Although professing to have the support of Col. Curfy, Charles P. Donnelly, the local leader, is going to Harrisburg prepared for almost anything.

Little credence is put in the rumor that James Gay Gordon would go to the convention and attack Donnelly. Gordon is at present at Virginia Hot Springs and apparently has no intention of getting into any Harrisburg excitement.

FLIGHT AND PURSUIT

Father Hot on Trail of Eloping Couple from Chincoteague

Elizabeth City, N. C., August 15.—Special.—Miss Carrie Jester, daughter of W. J. Jester, a prominent citizen of Chincoteague Island, Va., and a young girl, who disappeared from the same neighborhood are now being pursued by the girl's father, who traced the couple to Norfolk, and from there to Elizabeth City.

Miss Jester sought and received permission from her parents to visit some friends a few miles below Chincoteague. She was accompanied by her cousin. Instead of going to their supposed destination they purchased tickets for Norfolk, where they were met by a man named McNeil, who had a boat waiting for them. Mr. Jester, learning of the Norfolk trip, became suspicious and at once followed, but when he reached Norfolk he found the party had started for Elizabeth City in McNeil's boat. The boat arrived here last Thursday. A friend of McNeil advised him of Mr. Jester's arrival in Norfolk and McNeil left Elizabeth City Saturday. Jester reached here yesterday to find the party gone. He is hot on their trail and expresses his determination to continue the search until he finds the girl.

Monarchs Cheered

Ischl, Aug. 15.—King Edward and Emperor Francis Joseph were heartily cheered by crowds of visitors when they arrived here. It is asserted that the meeting of the monarchs is purely one of courtesy and without political significance. The king and emperor spent most of the day together. They had a select dinner this evening.

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READS LIKE WAR TIMES

Army Contractors and Government Inspectors

Sensational Testimony of Corruption Given Yesterday at Maj. Strong's Investigation into Schuykill Arsenal Matters

Philadelphia, Aug. 15.—Major F. S. Strong of the inspector general's department expects to return to Washington tomorrow to make his report regarding the charges that the government has been defrauded of \$150,000 recently in contracts made at the Schuykill arsenal. Arrests will be the outcome of his statement. Sensational testimony regarding the relations between army contractors and government inspectors was given by several witnesses today, and one contractor declined to give any further evidence before Major Strong until he had consulted with lawyers.

A sub-inspector at the arsenal testified that he had attempted to reject worthless goods from a contractor, but had been ordered by the inspector over him to permit the goods to be accepted by the government. Another witness declared that he knew of several cases where money had passed between contractors and inspectors.

It was apparent several times today that city politics have a strong bearing upon the investigation. Major Strong said: "While I have not completed my work here, I think I have certain evidence to prove that the government has been defrauded in large amounts. While I will return to the city later, I now expect to go to Washington Wednesday night and make my report. All questions of arrests or criminal or civil prosecution will depend upon the action of the war department. The frauds have been far more widespread than I had ever imagined and there are many complications upon which I feel anxious to consult with the department before going further."

During the examination of F. P. Kamholz, the name of Chief Inspector Gladding was mentioned for the first time in connection with the acceptance by the government of poor goods from contractors. Owing to the excellent reputation of the inspector, Major Strong tried to find him at once to give him an opportunity to refute the charges, but the inspector was not at home, and it was decided to make no further effort to call him as a witness until morning.

THE FIRST SNAG WAS STRUCK

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Port Arthur and Harbin had not been discussed in the conference.

This question, regarded by many as the rock upon which the effort to bring about peace will go to pieces, will probably be considered with the matter of indemnity. It had been sought to be shown more than once in The Morning Post's dispatches from Portsmouth, that the disposition of the Railway is intimately associated in the Russian mind with the indemnity program. Those whose opinions are entitled to respect have felt no doubt that the Portsmouth conference would reach a happy conclusion if a means could be found of satisfying Japan's demands without compelling Russia to pay a humiliating price or at most a comparatively small amount of cash for the promise by her opponent not to prosecute the war.

The envoys, it may now be stated, have agreed not to take up the Japanese demands for the payment of indemnity and the cession of territory until the very last. In the meantime every effort will be made to adjust what may be termed the minor points of difference.

There were two sessions of the peace envoys at the Portsmouth navy yard on this rainy cold and gloomy day. The first lasted from 9:30 until 12:30 and the second, which was begun at

PENSION OFFICE NEXT

Carelessness Gave a Widow \$1,600 Too Much

Commissioner Warner Wants to Know How Far This Carelessness Extends in the Bureau—Four Officials Handled the Papers

Washington, Aug. 15.—A shake-up in the pension office may follow the disclosures today that as a result of carelessness on the part of four officials a pension was allowed a woman in Canada covering a period of eleven years when she was entitled to back pay only for a year. While the transaction involves an excess allowance of only \$1,600 Commissioner Vespasian Warner wants to know just how far such carelessness extends in the bureau.

The case came to Commissioner Warner's attention in the usual channels. It involved the claim for a widow's pension of a woman living in Canada, whose soldier husband died in 1892. In 1893 the woman married a Canadian, and continued to live in Canada. Recently she made application for the pension due her for her period of widowhood one year at the rate of \$14 a month. Instead of making the papers payable from 1892 to 1893, the officials having charge of the case made the claim payable between the years of 1892 and 1903.

The fact that the woman was a widow only a year was plainly stated in the body of the brief, the error in the date being the fault of at least four officials who handled the papers. Some time ago ten pension requests were dismissed for having allowed claims of soldiers in a Pennsylvania regiment that had never been mustered into the service. This, and the blunder made in connection with the claim of the Canadian woman, may prompt Commissioner Warner to thoroughly overhaul the pension bureau.

Influence of the War on Finance

(The Forum.)

At this writing, it is still impossible to say what the situation created by Admiral Togo's extraordinary naval victory means to the world's finance. It is certain that financial Europe had for weeks been asserting that the rival of Jelensky in the China seas—with the possibility of a Japanese defeat which would open the coasts of Japan to the enemy, and (what the Manchurian army—the main depressing influence on the market. It was so regarded because of the general conviction that such a defeat would prolong the war and widen the opportunity for European complications.

The battle was fought and the Russian sea-power was annihilated by a completeness surpassing the spectacular achievements of the Spanish, Don Juan of Austria, Sir Francis Drake, and Lord Nelson. But the Russian court still refused to treat for peace, notwithstanding that its ally, France, had refused it further money accommodation, that Germany was grudgingly lending on harsh terms, and that its last recourse, a domestic loan, was floating only by virtual compulsion of the Russian kopeck. How this deadlock was finally broken through President Roosevelt's bold and

RACES AT SARATOGA

Saratoga, N. Y., Aug. 15.—Results today:

First race—D'Arkle, 16 to 5, won; Lochinvar, 8 to 5, second; Cigar Lighter, third.

Second race—Mad Mullah, 8 to 5, won; Byways, 3 to 1, second; Belle Indian, third.

Third race—Sir Huron, 7 to 5, won; Bridgeman, 8 to 5, second; Shine On, third.

Fourth race—Outcome, 10 to - , won; Proper, 2 to 5, second; Dolly Spanker, third.

Fifth race—Green Crest, 6 to 1, won; Yorkshire Lad, 4 to 1, second; Lord Badger, third.

Six race—Eloisa, 4 to 1, won; Bi-vouac, 2 to 5, second; Yalagal, third.

Italian Immigrants Here

Attached to the southbound Seaboard Air-Line train yesterday afternoon were two cars with Italian immigrants fresh from the old world. They were an exceedingly filthy lot. Their destination was near Fitzgerald, Ga., where they will work on the construction of a railroad. A gentleman from that section stated that there was quite a colony of Italians there and many of them have very nice cottages of their own now. These homes are in sight of the hotels they occupied when they first reached there and the contrast is thus the more marked.

W. S. Pullman Hurt

San Mateo, Cal., Aug. 14.—William Sanger Pullman, formerly of Chicago and only surviving son of the late Geo. M. Pullman, was thrown from a buggy while here yesterday and sustained injuries from which he may die. There is a severe laceration of the jaw and another on the upper portion of the head. Physicians are not very hopeful.

He was driving when the horse came frightened at an automobile on a narrow way. The buggy was overturned and Mr. Pullman was thrown out of his head.

Mr. S. H. Crocker of Stantonsburg, a former member of the legislature, was here yesterday.

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