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LONGWORTHS OFF FOR HONEYMOON IN CUBA

Leave Washington Today in Private Car Over Southern Railway

DODGED CROWDS BY TRIP TO ALEXANDRIA

Ohio Congressman and His Bride Wat from Friendship in an Automobile and Will Go Direct to Tampa, Taking a Steamer from There to Havana—Little Girl Got Smile and Autograph — White House Messenger Conveyed Message from the President.

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, Feb. 19.—Mr. and Mrs. Longworth started on their honeymoon from Alexandria, Virginia, this morning at 11:18 o'clock over the Southern Railway. They will go to Tampa and from there take a boat for Havana, which point they expect to reach Thursday morning. They will make the trip to Tampa in the private car, Elysiam, which was awaiting them in the yards of the Southern at Alexandria, about half a mile from the station.

The bride and bride-groom made the trip from Friendship, near Washington, this morning in an open automobile, accompanied by Mrs. Longworth's maid and a chauffeur. The machine went at an easy gait and they arrived at the little station at Spring Garden which is the Southern's station in the suburb of Alexandria, at 10:35 o'clock. Mr. Longworth got out of the machine, lit a cigar and spent some time chatting with his wife, who remained in the automobile. Mrs. Longworth wore a tan colored broadcloth suit, with handsome sable furs, and a tan hat trimmed with pink plumes.

After they had been there for about half an hour a little girl, the daughter of one of the railway employes asked the bride if she would give her her autograph.

"Certainly I will; where is your pencil?" replied Mrs. Longworth.

Pencil and paper were quickly produced and Mrs. Longworth wrote her autograph, "Alice Lee Longworth."

"Now get his," she said, pointing to her husband. Beneath the name of his wife Mr. Longworth wrote his signature and the date. The little girl thanked them both and went away happy.

She spread the news to a few people at the station as to the identity of the couple, but they were not bothered by a curious crowd as there were no more than a dozen people in and about the station. Shortly after 11 o'clock Thomas Stone, the chief usher of the white house, arrived from Washington and received a cordial greeting from Mrs. Longworth. He brought a note from the president which she quickly opened and read and calling for a pencil, wrote a reply as she sat in the automobile. The baggage had been taken from Washington, but several pieces were brought along in the automobile.

Five minutes before the train arrived Mr. Longworth helped his wife out of the machine and they walked to the siding. Mrs. Longworth graciously acknowledged the respectful greeting of the employes about the station and as the train pulled in hurried down to the last car, which was a private one, into which she was assisted by Mr. Longworth and Mr. Stone. Mr. Longworth would not let the servants carry his suit case or that of Mrs. Longworth and had his hands full walking the length of the train with two suit cases, a cane and an umbrella. As they got on the car a number of newspaper men alighted from the day coach of the train but the bride and bride-groom were safely in their car before they could be overtaken. The train pulled out of the station into the yards before the private car Elysiam was attached.

Mr. and Mrs. Longworth had a delightful ride from Friendship as the day was warm and sunny. They took a round-about course so as to escape recognition.

STOP GAMBLING IN TERRITORIES.

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, Wab. 19.—The house today passed a bill to prohibit gambling in the territories. Its consideration resulted in a sharp clash between delegate Mark Smith of Arizona and Mr. Littlefield, (Me.)

The house passed a bill making it the duty of the census office to complete reports on life, fire, and marine insurance, fisheries, electrical industries, saving banks and judicial statistics of crime.

EDWARD OPENS HIS PARLIAMENT

His Speech Contained Nothing to Cause Surprise

AS TO IRISH AFFAIRS

System for Associating People With Conduct of Irish Government—King Still Suffering from Injury to Knee Sustained While Shooting Last November—Walked With a Stick.

(By the Associated Press.)

London, Feb. 19.—King Edward opened the second parliament of his reign this afternoon with the customary ceremonial. The absence of Queen Alexandra, the Prince and Princess of Wales and the Duke and Duchess of Connaught and the mourning into which the court had been thrown by the death of King Christian detracted somewhat from the brilliance of the pageant. Otherwise the royal procession from Buckingham Palace to the palace at Westminister and the proceeds in the house of lords followed the well known lines of those of previous years. The weather along the troop-lined route followed by the royal progress were well occupied by cheering crowds.

Referring to the Moroccan conference the king remarked:

"It is earnestly to be hoped that the result of these negotiations may be conducive to the maintenance of peace among all nations."

An important paragraphh devoted to Ireland was as follows:

"My ministers have under consideration a plan for improving and effecting economies in the system of government for Ireland and for introducing thereinto names for associating the people with the conduct of Irish affairs. It is my desire that the government of the country in reliance with the ordinary law should be carried on so far as existing circumstances permit in a spirit regardful of the Irish and sentiments of the Irish people, and I trust that this may condoce to the maintenance of tranquility and good feeling between the different classes of the community."

It was noticeable that the king is still suffering from the injury to his knee sustained while out shooting November 16, last. He walked haltingly, aided by a stick.

PRESIDENT TUCKER FOR APPROPRIATION

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, Feb. 19.—Henry St. George Tucker, president of the company which has undertaken an exposition on or near the waters of Hampton Roads to commemorate the first English speaking settlement in America, and a large delegation of professional and business men from the Virginia cities on Hampton Roads appeared today before the house committee on industrial arts and expositions in support of the Maynard bill authorizing an appropriation of $1,300,000 for government participation and the coinage of two dollar silver pieces from which the exposition company expects to realize the funds necessary for carrying out its plans.

Mr. Tucker explained that by coining the silver pieces for the exposition, the exposition company buying the bullion and the government making no charge for seigniorage the government can assist the enterprise without appropriating any money from the treasury. The silver in the two dollar coin cost 80 cents less than the face value of the coin, consequently on 1,000,000 of the coins, the number desired, the profit to the exposition company would be $800,000.

ATTEMPT TO KILL COLOMBIA'S PRESIDENT

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, Feb. 19.—News —has reached Washington that on the morning of February 10 an attempt was made to assassinate the president of the republic of Colombia. Eight shots were fired at him, five of which struck his carriage, but he escaped uninjured.

TILLMAN IS HIMSELF AGAIN

Prohibit Money Contributions to Elections

READY TO SHED LIGHT

South Carolina Senator Says He Can Give Information to Committee on Corrupt Contributions — Prohibition Extends to Banks and Corporations Doing Interstate Business.

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, Feb. 19.—In introducing a bill in the senate today to prohibit the making of money contributions in furherance of elections, Mr. Tillman reviewed the fact that he had offered two resolutions to investigate corporate contributions for campaign purposes, and said that one relating to banks had been replied to by the secretary of the treasury and the other is resting with the committee on privileges and elections. Mr. Tillman said he had an understanding with Mr. uVrrows that a meeting would be called when he had anything to offer that would shed light on corrupt contributions.

"I believe I am now in position to give such information," concluded Mr. Tillman, "and would be glad to go before the committee and present my facts whenever a committee is called."

Mr. Burrows replied that he would call a meeting at the convenience of Mr. Tillman, and that the committee on privileges and elections would take pleasure in hearing him.

The prohibition in Mr. Tillman's bill extends to any national bank or corporation engaged in interstate or foreign commerce, or corporation organized by authority of any laws of congress. Punitive measures are provided for violations.

At the conclusion of the routine business proceedings the senate began consideration of the pure food bill.

GRAND JURY FINDS JAIL AND HOME UNSANITARY.

Charlotte, N. C., Feb. 19.—The grand jury of the Mecklenburg superior court has finished its work for the present term and submitted to Judge Henry R. Bryan a report that was rather sensational.

The report stated that the jail was overcrowded and infested with lice and that the prisoners complained of not having enough blankets and having to sleep on the floor.

The most surprising paragraph of the document was that which stated that the handsome new county home was in an unsanitary condition and that the inmates complain of having too little heat. The conditions were even worse at the colored home, where the building was too small and out of repair.

FAST MAIL WRECKED

Twelve Men Injured Near St. Louis Today

Broken Rail Thought to Be Cause—Only Mail and Express Cars, No Passengers — Engine and First Car Telescoped and Rolled Down Embankment.

(By the Associated Press.)

St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 19.—The new fast mail train for the southwest on the St. Louis, Iron Mountain and Southern Railway, was wrecked presumably by broken rail, at Carondolet, a suburb of St. Louis, early today. Twelve men, including conductor and engineer are reported injured, several of them seriously.

The injured were removed to the Missouri Pacific hospital. It is believed all will recover.

The mail train was just getting into full speed when the engine suddenly left the track, followed by two cars. Th engine and first car telescoped and together rolled down a fifteen-foot embankment. The second car after turning over, lodged on the edge of the river Res Peres. The car contained a number of mail clerks. The engine ploughed along the track for some distance before going down the embankment.

The train consisted of mail and express cars, no passengers being carried.

DIVORCE EVIL TO THE FRONT

Congress Opened in Washington This Morning

PLEA BY PENNYPACKER

Governor of Pennsylvania, Who Called the Conference, Outlines Plan and Tells of Wholesale Abuse of Laws—Only Three States Failed to Send Delegates.

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, Feb. 18.—Governor Samuel W. Pennypacker of Pennsylvania was chosen president of the congress on uniform divorce laws which convened here today. The congress was called by Governor Pennypacker last summer, the Pennsylvania state legislature having appropriated $10,000 to defray the expenses of the gathering. The membership is national in scope, all but three of the states of the union being represented. Governor Pennypacker outlined the object of the congress.

Governor Pennypacker said the object of the meeting was the securing as nearly as possible uniform statutes upon the matter of divorce throughout the nation. The initiative had been taken in Pennsylvania, he said, when the governor had been authorized by the legislature to communicate with the governors of the several states requesting them to cooperate in the assembling of a congress to discuss the subject of divorce. Forty-two states and the District of Columbia, he said, had sent delegates. Continuing, Governor Pennypacker said:

"Of the three states which are unrepresented, one of them, South Carolina, does not permit divorcement for any cause and, therefore, only two of the forty-five states have failed to indicate an appreciation of the significance of the movement upon which you have embarked. The dissolution of the marriage tie has become so common as to be regarded as an ordinary event,

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AGED DOCTOR ON TRIAL

Charged With Killing Girl by Malpractice

Dr. Chiles, the Prisoner, a Physical Wreck As He Faced Jury In Norfolk and Plead Not Guilty.—Girl's Lover Also Indicted.

(By the Associated Press.)

Norfolk, Va., Feb. 19.—The trial of Dr. Luther R. Chiles, indicted for the murder of Miss Sarah Atkinson whose death followed a criminal operation alleged to have been performed by the defendant, was begun today.

The prisoner, aged and a complete wreck physically, plead not guilty. A formal demurrer to the indictment and objections raised by counsel for the defense to the manner in which the jury had been drawn were both overruled and after some trouble a competent jury was sworn. The original panel was soon exhausted by a majority of the veniremen declaring they had either formed or expressed decided views in the case, and to secure the jury, bystanders had to be summoned.

Dr. Chiles is on trial for second degree murder, the punishment for which in the event of conviction being from five to eighteen years in the penitentiary.

James Franklin, the former suitor of Miss Atkinson, indicted jointly with Dr. Chiles for the murder of the girl, elected to have a separate trial, and his case went over until the March term of court.

Franklin and his attorneys are all in court today, however, following closely the Chiles trial.

The only woman in court is Dr. Chiles' young wife. Leading attorneys are appearing on each side and the trial is a noted one. The defense is making every preparation for an appeal.

GOV. GLENN IN WILMINGTON.

(Special to The Evening Times.)

Wilmington, N. C., Feb. 19.—An immense crowd will greet Governor Glenn tonight at the Academy of Music where he will deliver a temperance address. This afternoon the governor is the guest of honor at an oyster roast on Wrightsville Sound.

SAID SHE WAS VICTIM'S SLAVE

Killed Man Who Made Her What She Was

TRIAL OF FRENCH GIRL

Money for Her Defense Largely Supplied by Women of New York—There is a Suspicious Police Mix-up in the Case—Shot While in Charge of Three Policemen.

(By the Associated Press.)

New York, Feb. 19.—The trial of Berthe Claiche, a 22 year old girl, on the charge of shooting and killing Frank Gordon on the night of July 8, was scheduled to begin today in the court of general sessions. The case is exceedingly pathetic one and there is an element of mystery attached.

Berthe found that Gordon who was a young man of striking very six feet tall and weighing twelve hundred pounds had made her a slave. For a year during which time she said he beat her and forced her on the street to earn a living for him.

So impressed was Judge Foster that the money for her defense was mostly largely supplied by contributions from women of New York city. Although the girl admitted that she killed Gordon, the circumstances surrounding the shooting were so unusual that they have given rise to charges that members of the police had secretly urged the girl on.

Gordon was shot while under arrest and walking along the street in custody of three officers. It is now alleged that $500 which Gordon is said to have had on his person at the time was missing when the contents of his pockets were turned over to police headquarters.

Berthe Claiche said that Gordon brought her here from France when she was 16 years old and forcibly made her a woman of the streets. On the night of July 8 she ran from her room and complained to three officers whom she met that Gordon had beaten her and that she wanted him. While she was making the request Gordon came up and was placed in custody. It is alleged that he then turned upon the girl, exclaiming:

"I'll kill you. You will have me arrested, will you?" Well, you are as good as dead now."

A moment afterwards when his back was turned Berthe Claiche shot him three times and as she gave herself up to the officers she cried:

"I am glad I killed him and I would do it twenty times over. He made me his slave but he will never raise his hand against another woman."

During the trial it is expected that one of the witnesses will be a policeman who is alleged to have said that he forced another police officer to give him a diamond locket, a gold watch and a stick pin on the threat that if they were not given he would inform the head of the department that these articles had been taken from Gor-

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THREE HOLD UP TRAIN

Beat Engineer and Fireman With Revolvers

Made Trainmen Walk Quarter Mile Down Track and Give Up Their Watches.—Engineer Is Seriously Hurt.—Train Had Thirty-eight Cars.

(By the Associated Press.)

Chicago, Feb. 19.—Three robbers last night held up a freight train of thirty-eight cars on the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railroad at the Ashland avenue crossing, and after compelling the engineer and fireman to give up their watches, the bandits made them leave the engine and walk down the tracks.

They went nearly a quarter of a mile, when the robbers became frightened and fled, after beating the engineer and fireman with their revolvers. The engineer was seriously hurt.

Business Change.

(Special to The Evening Times.)

Washington, N. C., Feb. 19.—Messrs. E. R. Mixon & Co., wholesale grocers in this city, have purchased the entire business of the Fisher Tobacco Company.

Mr. E. L. Archbell, former manager of the Fisher Tobacco Company, will manage this branch of the business for Mixon & Co.

BLOODY RECORD OF ONE DAY IN CONCORD

A Suicide, a Killing and One Attempted Killing in 24 Hours

A MILL MAN LIES DESPERATELY SHOT

George Hill Shot Ransom Knider in a Quarrel Early Yesterday Morning—The Start Was Made Saturday With the Suicide of J. Wesley Sides, a Well Known Man.

(Special to The Evening Times.)

Concord, N. C., Feb. 19.—There have been one suicide, one killing and one attempted killing in one block during the same day in this place.

At 4 o'clock yesterday morning, Ransom Knider and Geo. Hill, two white mill men of the city, were going along the street together a block this side of the depot, when some trouble arose between them. Hill opened fire on Knider with a 38-calibre pistol, hitting him in the neck and making a dangerous wound. The ball is still in his neck.

The doctor says that the wound may not necessarily prove fatal. Hill was jailed without bail. He claims that Knider threatened to kill him and was reaching for a razor when he shot in self-defense. Knider is a married man and Hill is single.

Saturday afternoon J. Wesley Sides, a well known citizen of the Cannon Mill section, shot himself through the head and died almost instantly.

He took a 38-calibre pistol and placing the barrel at the right ear, fired, the ball coming out near the left ear. He had been drinking for a week and was getting sobered up.

He told his wife good-bye, and leaving the room went into another room and in a few moments she heard the pistol shot and found him near a bed dying. He was about fifty-one years of age and leaves four sons and one daughter besides his wife.

The funeral was held yesterday at Bear Creek church in Stanly county.

About 10 o'clock Saturday night another tragedy was enacted near the depot. Dave Hannon and his two girls, Susie and Lela, live there and keep up a house of ill repute. H. Y. Stock, a flagman on the Southern Railway, whose home is in Birmingham, Ala., was at his home Saturday night, and on leaving left his muffler.

About 10 o'clock he went back to the house and knocked at the door and they refused to let him in. He then knocked on the window, when Susie, the thirteen-year-old girl, told him to leave or she would kill him, and just then she fired through the window, the ball striking him in the breast. He fell dead in the arms of his friend, Charles Ritz, who was present.

The police arrested Hannon and the two girls and jailed them. Lena, the older girl was released from jail as no evidence seems to be against her.

Susie Hannon was tried by the mayor today on a charge of murder and bound over to court in $500 bond and in default of same was sent to jail. Her father was discharged.

The evidence shows that Stack was looking in at the window and Susie fired. The remains of Stack were shipped to his wife at Greensboro.

Mrs. Wilkes Dead.

(By the Associated Press.)

Florence, Italy, Feb. 19.—Mary Wilkes, widow of Rear Admiral Wilkes, U. S. N., is dead. Mrs. Wilkes who was 85 years of age, was attended by her daughter during her last moments.

CARRIER CAN'T BE A DEALER

Opinion by Mr. Justice White in Coal Case

RATE DISCRIMINATION

Supreme Court of United States Decides Against Railroad Company In N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. v. Interstate Commerce Commission, and the Latter Against C. & O. R. R. Preference By C. & O. For New Haven.

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, Feb. 19.—Justice White today delivered the opinion of the supreme court of the United States in the cases of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company versus the Interstate Commerce Commission and the interstate commerce commission versus the Chesapeake & Ohio Railroad Company, affirming the decision of the United States circuit court of the western district of Virginia. The cases involved the question of discrimination in freight rates on coal by the Chesapeake & Ohio in favor of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad as against other shippers. The decision was against the railroad company.

The decision dealt in detail with the question of discrimination by railroad companies, and it was apparent that it was intended to have a general application to questions receiving attention at the hands of the public. Justice White said that to permit a carrier to become a dealer in the commodities carried by it would be to supply a means for the perpetuation of evils which the interstate commerce commission is intended to remedy.

The case was brought to the attention of the interstate commerce commission and the charges made that the transaction constituted a preference in the matter of freight rates in favor of the New Haven road. The company contended that it was acting in the capacity of a vendor and not as a carrier, and that it was merely supplying the coal to pay a debt. This plea was also made the basis of a charge against the company as the laws of West Virginia, where the coal was mined, prohibit common carriers from dealing in coal. The circuit court held, however, that as there is no federal statute against railroads acting as vendors, that question need not be considered; hence the loss should be considered as a dealer's loss. But while so holding the court decided that it was the transaction involved an actual and substantial benefit to one shipper as against another, it was in violation of the interstate commerce law.

The condition was adjudged to have prevailed and the trial court held the contract to have been illegal and enjoined further proceedings under it. The lower court also held that the strike could not be held to absolve the Chesapeake & Ohio from the requirement to deliver the coal under its contract.

NEGRO SHOT MAY BE FATAL.

Alex Clark was shot and perhaps mortally wounded late this afternoon on Johnson street by Ben Williams. Both are negroes. It is said that they had a dispute over a gambling game. At 5 o'clock this afternoon it was stated that Clark would hardly recover.

Clark was shot in the head, the ball going clear through. Two physicians were summoned, but there is not much hope for the victim. Williams escaped.

RICKS SHERIFF OF BEAUFORT.

(Special to The Evening Times.)

Washington, N. C., Feb. 19.—Geo. E. Ricks of Pantego, was elected sheriff of Beaufort county on first ballot this afternoon.

NO EVIDENCE OF RACE DISCRIMINATION

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, Feb. 19.—The supreme court of the United States today affirmed the decision of the court of criminal appeals of Texas in the case of Rufus versus the State of Texas. Martin, who is a negro, is under sentence of death on the charge of murdering C. L. Swackhammer at Fort Worth in 1903. He appealed his case to the supreme court on the charge that he was discriminated against in his trial in that no man of his own race were summond to sit on the jury. Justice Harlan, who delivered the opinion of the court, said there was no evidence to sustain the charge of race discrimination.