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ALEXANDRIA STRUCK BY A BLAST OF DOOM

A Score or More Killed in the Swirl of a Louisiana Cyclone

MORE THAN A HUNDRED PEOPLE ARE INJURED

Men, Women and Children Caught in the Resistless Current and Swept Like Leaves Through the Air. Buildings Wrenched from Foundations and Sent to Earth in Crushing Ruin—Trees Torn Up by the Roots and Borne on the Hurricane Like Logs on the Bosom of a Flood. A Special Train Sent from Fort Worth to the Town's Relief.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Dallas, Texas, April 5.—Train dispatchers of the Texas & Pacific Railroad here report that a cyclone cut Alexandria, La., about 2 a. m. to day at least twenty persons were killed and more than a hundred injured. The property loss is reported to exceed \$1,000,000 in the city and it is many times greater in the country.

The storm is reported to have been one of the worst ever seen in that section of the state, and wrought appalling havoc. A great part of the town is in ruins. Fifty houses have been torn to bits and several stores and factories and buildings demolished, while a score of other buildings are badly shattered.

A wide swath was cut by the cyclone, extending for miles through a rich and populous farming belt. Struck Without Warning. According to reports received here, the cyclone struck the town with scarcely a warning note. The sleeping citizens were aroused by a tremendous, terrifying roar of wind that was scarcely heard before it seemed to fill the whole air of the town with a deafening crash.

Houses toppled down or were lifted completely from their foundations and dropped many yards, as shapeless mass of timbers, with their occupants crushed in the ruins. Roofs were torn off and went sailing through the air. Trees were uprooted and tossed a hundred feet into the air, and some of them were carried miles away.

Men, women and children and animals were caught up in the mighty current of wind and some of them were carried a block in the air. Alexandria is in the central portion of the state. It is an important place of 7,000 population. A special train has gone from Fort Worth with physicians and nurses.

PENROSE SAYS THE MAN LIES

He Never Babbed of Rich Men's Conspiracy

KNOWS NOTHING OF IT

It Had Been Stated That the Purpose of This Conspiracy Was to Prevent the Selection of President Roosevelt's Choice as Successor to the Presidency.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Philadelphia, Pa., April 5.—United States Senator Boies Penrose this morning in an interview had this to say about the story that he babbed at a Washington dinner the tale of a "rich men's conspiracy" to prevent the selection of President Roosevelt's choice as successor: "It is absolutely an untruth," declared Senator Penrose. "I have never said any such things. It is all untruth. I have always been a supporter of and believer in President Roosevelt's administration and all his policies." "Had you ever heard of a \$5,000,000 fund to prevent Roosevelt naming his successor?" "No, absolutely not." "Had you ever heard of the rich men's conspiracy to thwart the president in the development of his policies?" "No, I have never heard of any such combination, and I have no knowledge of that." "Did you attend a dinner of such nature as was mentioned?" "I never attended a dinner of such nature as was mentioned. I just came back from a week in Indian cruises with Secretary of the Navy Metcalf and Senator Flynn. I arrived in Philadelphia Tuesday night. During the last month I did not follow the newspapers or keep in touch with affairs in the United States."

Regarding the alleged offer of \$25,000 for the president's friendly "go along" with the conspiracy, Senator Penrose said his denial of the dinner and of any knowledge of the alleged scheme to thwart the president was the answer to that question. "Who do you think the Pennsylvania delegation at the presidential convention will support?" "I do not know," replied the senator. "It is too early to say. Matters have not come to a point when sentiment has crystallized upon any one man." "I have always been a supporter and believer in President Roosevelt," he repeated. "I have not the slightest idea where that report could have come from, what the object was, or who inspired it."

CONSPIRACY THE IDEA OF APPEAL NOW ABANDONED

The Rich Men are Plotting Against Me

BEGINS HIS CAMPAIGN

Public Promised Startling Revelations as the Result of Investigation of Measures Taken by Plutocrats Who Want to Defeat Roosevelt's Policies at Republican Convention.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Washington, D. C., April 5.—President Roosevelt is preparing to follow up the disclosures of the political "conspiracy" that he made yesterday and the day before with more startling announcements bearing on the alleged machinations of Harriman, Taft, Rockefeller and his other arch enemies. It is even claimed by the president's friends that the \$5,000,000 fund feature which was revealed at the white house yesterday will dwindle into very small percentages before the president gets through with the men who are said to be planning the defeat of his policies at the next republican national convention. "Just as fast as we get additional facts, the public shall know them," announced one of the president's right-hand men today.

The story of Penrose. The first hot stuff chapter to follow the developments of yesterday is likely to come from Senator Penrose of Pennsylvania. It is now said that the tall statesman from Philadelphia was the banqueter who first "gave the snap away" by confiding the details of the plot to a supposed anti-Roosevelt man. When Penrose was asked his confidence in order to refresh his recollection as to what he had said, the gentleman informed him that he had indeed "turned himself inside out" the night before. Then Penrose threw discretion to the winds, according to the tale, and actually offered to write out a check for \$25,000 for the anti-Roosevelt fund if he would have it. The president's friend, of course, spurned the filthy lure and forthwith carried the whole story to the president.

It was stated at the white house today that results from the hurriedly called thus far issued to the country have been very satisfactory to the president and his advisers. The cabinet was in session this forenoon, and it was said to be giving particular attention to the political phases which are attracting attention now. The intimation was given in some political quarters that some one or more of the cabinet might be selected to voice views of the administration and its position as to some of the matters that have been brought into so much prominence.

The cabinet, with possibly one or two exceptions, believes the president has done the right thing in announcing to the country that there is already a rich man's cabal organized to fight his policies in congress and before the country. They believe the response from the country will be so prompt and emphatic as to satisfy doubts that the president knew the wise course and took it.

The Campaign Just Opened. The white house campaign against this cabal, it was again made plain today, has only just opened. The assurance was given to the correspondents that they will be kept fully informed as developments take place which are calculated to illumine the workings of the conspiracy in different parts of the country. A representative of the president, speaking of the conditions in the smaller states of the Rocky Mountain and coast regions, indicated that he understood that political methods were being employed there similar to those in other sections that were designed to suppress the Roosevelt policies. "But I guess they will have difficulty working it, in view of the light that has now been thrown on the matter," he added.

The president's purpose in opening the fight now is to warn the country. He fears that many delegations will be named which will be nominally for him, but which, when it becomes plain that he is not in the race, will be opposed to any man of the Roosevelt style. The president does not propose that loyalty to himself shall be used as a Trojan horse to get the railroads into the camp. He is, in (Continued on Page Five)

IDEA OF APPEAL NOW ABANDONED

Jerome Will Accept the Board's Decision

TRIAL TO BE RESUMED

"Freedom is Now Certain," is the Exultant Assertion of Harry K. Thaw—His Family Have a Celebration of the Partial Victory Won in His Behalf—"Freedom is Certain," Says the President.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) New York, April 5.—District Attorney Jerome will not appeal to the appellate division from the decision of the lunacy commission declaring Harry K. Thaw sane. The trial of Thaw for the murder of Stanford White will proceed on Monday, unless the opposition is made by the defense.

Jerome is through with the lunacy proceedings. He would not admit this today, but from the best possible sources of information it was learned that he realized that he had no warrant for an appeal from the findings of the commission, and defeat would follow. To all intents and purposes, Jerome left the criminal court building today prepared to argue the appeal before the appellate division. He entered the appellate court house fronting on Madison Square and was received by Chief Justice Patterson in the latter's chambers.

After a few minutes they left the court house and walked to the Manhattan, around the corner. They were joined at luncheon by Dr. Allan McLane Hamilton, the expert upon whose opinion Jerome chiefly based his conviction that Thaw was insane. When Jerome came from the club he said to a reporter: "I had a long-standing engagement to luncheon with Chief Justice Patterson today. Our meeting had nothing to do with the Thaw case. I shall make no application of any kind in the appellate division today. It would manifestly be improper for me to lunch with Chief Justice Patterson and then proceed from the table immediately into his presence and make a motion and an argument."

New York, April 5.—"Freedom is now certain." This was the statement today of Harry K. Thaw in the Tombs. Thaw made no effort to disguise his pleasure over the decision of the lunacy commission in declaring him sane. "On Monday the jury that has been hearing the Thaw evidence, will be in the court room. Then Justice Fitzgerald will no doubt approve the finding of the lunacy commission. If the writ is granted to Mr. Jerome, there will be no other course than again to dismiss the jury to be called when the appellate division proceedings are ended. Mrs. Evelyn Nesbit Thaw was an early caller at the Tombs today. She ordered her chauffeur to call for her at 11:45 which is the latest hour at which visitors are permitted to remain in the prison in the forenoon. Mrs. Thaw looked bright and cheerful.

In celebration of the second wedding anniversary of Harry K. Thaw and Evelyn Nesbit, and of the victorious outcome of the proceedings, before the lunacy commission, the Thaw family had a jollification at the Hotel Lorraine last night. A few friends were bidden. As late as 10 o'clock p. m., the Thaw chauffeur was dispatched with a car to the Manhattan end of the Brooklyn bridge to meet a friend of the family and take him to the Lorraine to share in the jollification.

SENATOR BEASLEY'S LONG QUEST IN VAIN

(Special to The Evening Times.) Norfolk, Va., April 5.—Ex-Senator Beasley of North Carolina, father of the lad of whose abduction Joshua Harrison was recently convicted at Elizabeth City and sentenced to twenty years in the penitentiary, has just returned from a 200 mile trip in search of the boy, a greatly disappointed man. The child who was said to have been the description of his son answers the description almost exactly, but proved not to be the missing boy.

CAROLINA LICKED IN A SORRY GAME

The score by innings: R H E Delaware 4 00 501 000—3 6 6 Carolina 101 000 000—5 4 3 Batteries: Delaware, Doane and Adkins; Carolina, Story, Morrow, Thompson and Rogers.

BUTLER SPOOTS FOR ROOSEVELT

Reactionaries Trying to Beat Him, Says Marlon

THEY'D PREFER BRYAN

May Nominate Theodore Roosevelt, Says the Man from Sampson, Adding That We are in Critical Case and Need a Strong Hand to Pull Us Out of the Mire.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Washington, D. C., April 5.—"Never in the history of this country did our domestic politics afford such an interesting study as at present; never were the issues confronting the American people more vital and far reaching than they are today," declared Hon. Marlon Butler, of North Carolina.

"I certainly think the nation has reached the critical point in its history, and now to the dullard mind that has kept track of the extraordinary events of the past few months, that fact is apparent. Every man who has a grain of sense can size up the situation. The enemies of President Roosevelt have shown their hands. The programme is clear. They are preparing to defeat his policies at the republican national convention, and the nomination of some other republican who they think will know what to do, is their only hope. If a reactionary candidate is elected, the anti-Roosevelt party will infinitely prefer that Bryan should go to the white house. Why? Simply because they know they have less to fear from the Nebraska man than from the man who is now guiding the national destinies. If Roosevelt and Bryan are greatly alike in their mode of thought and policies, why, then, do the enemies of the president prefer Bryan? Trust their cunning for that. The crowd that both hate and fear the president is now expecting of hoping for favorable action at the hands of congress or the executive. All it wants is to be let alone. It knows that with Bryan as president nothing could be accomplished to the detriment of the reactionaries.

"They would be let alone and Bryan's administration would be one of negotiation and non performance. "Will there not be a third term issue raised should any of the president's friends seek to give him a re-nomination?" "There is no third term issue, nor can there be one for the next four years. Some day the American people may conclude to do what they have never yet done—elect a man to the presidency three times. I would stake my life on it that if such a time comes it will be the result of a national movement. It will be the work of the people themselves. Should the politicians ever again essay such a deed as they did in the case of General Grant, they will be ignominiously beaten, and their third term candidate will be covered with dust of a humiliating defeat.

"The announcement of the president that he contemplated the election of 1904 as equivalent to a second term was only a personal opinion, which the delegates to the next convention will deal with as they see fit. "Nobody questions the good faith of the president, but the fact remains that he has never been elected president but the one time. I would stake my life on it that if such a time comes it will be the result of a national movement. It will be the work of the people themselves. Should the politicians ever again essay such a deed as they did in the case of General Grant, they will be ignominiously beaten, and their third term candidate will be covered with dust of a humiliating defeat.

"That will be about all. The speaker will be silenced in the storm of applause, and the act of nomination and acclamation will be the final trial of Snipes in Wilmington (Special to The Evening Times.) Wilmington, N. C., April 5.—The trial of Lonnie Snipes, charged with the killing of W. L. Williams on the night of September 14th last, a verdict of murder in the second degree being asked for, is going on in the superior court here. Solicitor Duffy is conducting the case on behalf of the state, while the defendant is represented by the following counsel: Beilamy & Beilamy, W. R. Gafford, Esq., and Herbert McClanahan, Esq. Williams was a prominent young traveling man, a Kentuckian, and was engaged to a young lady belonging to one of the best families of this city. He was trying to separate the combatants in a fight at a house in this city, when Snipes shot him in the temple and ran.

ANDREW WOODES PEACE HILL IS UNDER BOND

Capital and Labor Invited to His Mansion

He Prepares the Way for the Fraternizing of Representatives of Money, Muscle and Consumption. Program of Meeting a Secret.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) New York, April 5.—The "peace" meeting to be held this evening at the residence of Andrew Carnegie, between 30 representatives of organized labor, 100 representatives of capital and 100 representatives of consumers, will be the notable gathering of the sort since Mrs. Potter Palmer arranged a meeting of labor in her Chicago mansion. John Mitchell, of the Miners' Federation, who has been ill in Indianapolis, will be here from that city as one of the foremost representatives of labor. Others will be Samuel Gompers, A. B. Robertson, grand chief conductor, order railway conductors, Cedar Rapids, Iowa; James B. Duncan, grand secretary Granite Cutters of America, Quincy, Mass.; Daniel J. Keefe, president International Longshoremen, Marine and Transport Workers' Association, Detroit; Warren S. Stone, grand chief, Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, Cleveland; William D. Mahon, president Amalgamated Association of Street Railway Employees of America, Detroit; William J. Bowe, president Bricklayers and Masons International Union, Indianapolis; J. J. Hannahan, grand master Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, Peoria, Ill.; James O'Connell, president International Association of Machinists, Washington; Joseph F. Valentine, president Iron Molders Union of North America, Cincinnati; James M. Lynch, president International Typographical Union, Indianapolis; Dennis A. Hayes, president Glass Bottle Blowers' Association of the United States and Canada, Philadelphia; William Huber, president United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America, Indianapolis. Among the representative capitalists expected are: Henry P. Higgs, director United States Steel Corporation; August Belmont, president August Belmont & Company; W. A. Clark, president United Verde Copper Company; Clarence H. Mackay, president Postal Telegraph Cable Company, New York; Mr. Reddick D. Underwood, president Erie Railroad Company; Melville E. Ingalls, chairman C. C. & St. Louis Railway Company, Cincinnati; H. H. Vreeland, president New York City Railway Company; Samuel Mather, of Pickens Mather & Company, Cleveland; Franklin MacKeogh, of Chicago; Ellison A. Smyth, president South Carolina Cotton Manufacturing Association, Pelzer, S. C.; Francis L. Robbins, president Monongahela River Consolidated Coal & Coke Company, Pittsburgh; Dan H. Hanna, of M. A. Hanna & Company, Cleveland.

It could not be learned whether Mr. Harriman had been invited. The program for the meeting is being kept secret, but it was said by some of those who accepted invitations that some startling propositions are to be discussed.

HILL IS UNDER BOND

Man Who Made Public Harriman's Letters

The One to Webster Which Raised Such a Storm With Roosevelt—The Amount of Bail is Fixed at \$6,000.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) New York, April 5.—Bail at \$1,000 was fixed today in the case of Frank W. Hill, who was arrested last night charged with making public the letter written by E. H. Harriman to Sidney Webster, in which Harriman asserted that President Roosevelt had asked him to raise funds for the republican party in the campaign of 1904. A formidable array of lawyers faced Hill, Assistant District Attorney Krotel had charge of the prosecution, aided by Alexander Miller and Gordon M. Buck, personal counsel for Mr. Harriman. Former magistrate Gimson and Maurice Shlayman appeared for Hill. When Mr. Gimson suggested that \$500 bail would be sufficient, Mr. Krotel demurred. He said that there were circumstances which made it desirable that \$1,000 bail be exacted, although the offense with which Hill is accused is only a misdemeanor. Abraham Harnish went on Hill's bond, giving as security houses at No. 530 West Sixty Eight Street and No. 510 West Sixty Ninth Street. Hill's wife was in court, but she was not allowed to go inside of the railings.

THE CIGARETTE PACKERS STRIKE

(Special to The Evening Times.) Wilson, N. C., April 5.—Most of the cigarette packers at the Wells-Whitehead Company are still out. Twenty-five girls are at work there. The company is securing new packers and is confident of having a full force this week. The factory is being operated on full capacity, excepting packing. The manager of the factory is out of town, but is expected back today, when the differences will doubtless be promptly adjusted. A representative of the cigarette packers union is expected today or tomorrow.

THE DEPEWS ARE NOW AT BILTMORE

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Asheville, N. C., April 5.—Senator and Mrs. Chauncey M. Depew have arrived from Florida and are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Vanderbilt, who are entertaining a house party at Biltmore House. Many new entries have been made for the spring horse show, and among the recent ones are Philip Henry of New York, George W. Vanderbilt, Frederic Rutlains, Carl Reynolds, S. Westray Battle and Frederic W. Graham.

BEAUTIFUL WIFE HAS VANISHED

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Indianapolis, Ind., April 5.—Mrs. B. B. Doren, of Chicago, who with her husband has been visiting since Monday at the home of Fred C. Gardner, disappeared yesterday afternoon and an all night search failed to reveal trace of her. Mr. Dorne is unable to account for his wife's disappearance. Mr. Dorne thinks it improbable that Mrs. Dorne could have met with any misfortune. The woman is prepossessing in appearance and stylishly dressed.

FIGHT HUGE FIRE WITH DYNAMITE

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Santiago, April 5.—A fierce fire is in progress in this city and fears are expressed that the whole city will be destroyed. The firemen are unable to obtain half a supply of water and are dynamiting the buildings in the hopes of checking the progress of the flames.

A HOTEL THIEF IN THE TOILS

(Special to The Evening Times.) Charlotte, N. C., April 5.—Every hotel in Charlotte has been visited this week by the slickest hotel artist who has ever pried his crooked business here. At three of the hotels the rooms have been burglarized, the purses of the guests being emptied of their contents. The culprit says his name is George Livingston of San Francisco. He was caught at the Solwyn Hotel last night with \$30 which he had secured shortly before from the room of W. O. McDonald of Georgia. Livingston's plan was to register at a hotel for a room late at night and then begin operations after the guests were asleep. Five hotels have been visited by him since Sunday—one each night.

CONSCIENCE DROVE SLAYER TO CONFESS

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Chicago, April 5.—With a desire to relieve his conscience, Walter Creed, 19 years old, went to the Harrison street station last evening, and to Lieutenant Moore confessed having murdered his cousin in St. Louis, where he is sought by the police. Creed, according to his story, stabbed and fatally wounded Joseph Robbins, 27 years old, a cousin of his, on Christmas eve a year ago. Since that time Creed has been in a dozen cities. Self-defense was the reason given by Creed for having committed the deed.

A SALOON WRECKED BY AN ANGRY WOMAN

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Chicago, April 5.—Mrs. Carrie St. Clair, of Commercial Avenue, was arrested yesterday after she had partly wrecked the saloon of Andrew Nonnenon, 9701 Commercial Avenue, where her husband said he had spent the greater part of his week's pay. She used an axe, smashed two large plate glass windows in the front and threw the axe through the door. She then entered the saloon and smashed the cigar show case and the bar glasses. Before she could break the mirror, a customer wrenched the axe from her.

JUDGE EFFECTS RECONCILIATION

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Baltimore, April 5.—Alleging that the affections of his wife, Mrs. Lottie Peel, were alienated a few weeks ago, Isaac Peel brought suit in the city court yesterday against Alfred Roberts for \$20,000. Mr. Roberts is an uncle of Mrs. Peel. Mrs. Peel declares that through the insinuation of her uncle, his wife instituted divorce proceedings against him in Circuit Court No. 2. Her devotion to him was such, he declares, that she reluctantly and dismissed the bill, but shortly afterwards he was arrested in the northwestern district on the charge of refusing to support her. He blames the arrest upon her uncle. A reconciliation was effected by Justice Goldman.

THE SOLDIERS MAY VISIT EXPOSITION

It has practically been decided that two of the North Carolina regiments will attend the Jamestown Exposition between the tenth and nineteenth of August, that being North Carolina week. It may be that all of the regiments will attend, but there is a probability of one regiment going to Fort Caswell. The governor expects to take the matter up with the proper authorities in the very near future, when it will be decided just what is to be done. Two years ago one of the North Carolina regiments attended the military manoeuvres at Manassas and last year at Chicamanga.