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PLEAD GUILTY AND PAID FINE

Mark Griffin Case Disposed of This Morning

DEFENDANT FROM NASH

Formerly a Member of General Assembly and Was Indicted for Violating Pension Laws—Johnston County Man Given Year in the Atlanta Penitentiary for Blocking.

The case in which ex-representative Mark Griffin, of Nash county, was charged with a violation of the pension laws, was disposed of in the federal court this morning.

The law is very strict in regard to what fees shall be received for securing pensions, and in this instance Mr. Griffin was guilty of a technical violation of the law, having received about half, it is said, of the pension he had secured for a widow of a veteran of the civil war.

Longest sentence imposed today was dealt out to Seth Thornton, a white man of Johnston county, who was convicted of illicit distilling and given a year in the Atlanta penitentiary and also sentenced to pay a fine of \$100 and the cost.

A rather unusual thing about this case was the fact that the principal witness against Thornton was Y. A. Tarr, who reached here a few days ago from Atlanta, where he had just concluded a term in the penitentiary for the same offense—illicit distilling. The two seem to have been partners.

Most of the cases tried today were of a very trivial nature. Monday the case in which Officers Downing and Stancille are charged with murder will be tried, or at least it is set for Monday. These officers are charged with killing a man in the eastern part of the state by the name of Jerinigan.

In this instance the district attorney reverses, and instead of prosecuting will defend. Solicitor Duffy, of the Wilmington district, and Solicitor Armistead Jones, of this district, will prosecute.

Costly Postage Stamp. Forty-five dollars was the price paid by Isalah Hayes, of Franklin county, in the federal court this afternoon for a two-cent postage stamp. Hayes was charged with using a stamp on a letter which had been previously cancelled and rather than resist the case he plead guilty and paid the cost.

Henry Wilkins, colored, of Nash county, was convicted of retailing and also removing and concealing and was sentenced to six months in jail and also to pay double the license tax as a penalty—\$50—and \$100 and the cost.

According to the evidence Wilkins and his cousin formerly conducted a blind tiger at Spring Hope and kept whiskey in considerable quantities. When placed under arrest Henry Wilkins was on a wagon near Spring Hope and in the wagon was thirty-seven gallons of unstamped whiskey.

For a year prior to the seizure Will Wilkins had United States license but not when arrested. He is now serving a term on the roads under a sentence of the state court.

Record of the Day. John Throver, Warren county, retailing, verdict guilty; sentenced to thirty days in jail and to pay a fine of \$100 and the cost.

"LYNCH HIM," IS THE DIVINE'S CRY

"Ordinary Death Too Good for the Fiend"

LITTLE AMELIA SLAIN

Henry Beckers Arrested in Connection With This Crime, Admits That He Was Present at the Time the Deed Was Done, But That Another is the Guilty One.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) New York, May 25.—"Kill him! Lynch him!" cried the Rev. F. E. Hilroy, pastor of St. Jacobus Church, Winfield, L. I., today, when discussing the murder of little Amelia Charlotte Staffeldt, who was a communicant of his church.

"Ordinary death would be too good for the fiend," he declared. "Such an atrocious murderer should be made to suffer more than the death of a legal execution."

The minister's ire was excited when he heard that Henry Beckers, the suspect under arrest, had made a confession, in which he admitted that he was present when the girl was attacked and slain, but that it was his companion who did the deed.

Captain McCafferty, in charge of the detectives on the case, has the knife with which the girl was slain, and he expects to be able to prove today whether Beckers held the knife, or if his companion wielded it.

Sensational developments have tightened the coils about Beckers. Followings Beckers' remarkable confession that he witnessed the murder of the girl at the hands of a newly found acquaintance, Captain McCafferty made preparations today for an infallible test to determine whether Beckers' statement may be true or whether he himself held the knife that ended the little Elmhurst girl's life.

The police will reproduce these in wax and then compare them with the lines in young Beckers' fingers and thumb. If they correspond he will be charged with the murder of the girl. After Beckers, standing beside the body in a barn at Winfield, had tearfully told the detectives that he saw his companion kill her, a number of clues which connect him with the tragedy were discovered.

PRONCIAMENTO OF STAND PATTERS

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) New York, May 25.—Differing absolutely from the national manufacturers' association, which, at a meeting here, declared specifically for tariff reform, it is announced today by Wilbur F. Wakeman of the tariff reform league that after a three days' conference in Chicago among parties whose names are jealously guarded, there should not be any tariff revision, and that Speaker Cannon would better represent the "stand-patters" than Secretary Taft.

FATALLY INJURED BY AN EXPLOSION

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) New York, May 25.—Four persons were injured—two fatally—by an explosion in the new Pennsylvania tunnel this afternoon.

OIL TRUST FORCED OTHERS MUST YIELD

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Jefferson City, Mo., May 25.—Attorney General Hadley, in reference to the decision of Judge Robert A. Anthony in the Standard Oil case today, said:

"I am, of course, gratified by the decision rendered by Judge Anthony. I feel confident it will be affirmed by the supreme court. The decision will be of far-reaching importance, and in its final result can be regarded as one of the most important in the history of the nation. If the Standard Oil Company, the world's greatest combination of money and of power, is forced by the courts to conduct its business in accordance with law, there will be but little hope for other enterprises to do otherwise. The most important problem that confronts the American people today is as to whether the great combinations of wealth can continue in open defiance of the laws of the nation and of the state. This decision tends to a proper solution of the problem.

UNVEILED WITH WILD ACCLAIM

Equestrian Statue in General John B. Gordon

MASSSES OF VETERANS

The State House, Members of Confederate Organizations and a Chorus of a Hundred and Fifty Voices Present, While the Band Blared Dixie and Tumultuous Cheering Resounded.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Atlanta, Ga., May 25.—Amid the stirring strains of Dixie, the tumultuous cheering of thousands of Confederate soldiers, members of Confederate organizations, and state troops gathered on the capitol grounds at noon today, the silver cords were drawn and the massive equestrian statue of Gen. John B. Gordon was formally unveiled and presented to the state.

The unveiling was attended by prominent people from all over the south. The weather was ideal and the entire program of dedicating the monument was rendered under the most auspicious circumstances. The cords were drawn by Mrs. Francis Gordon Smith and Mrs. Caroline Lewis Gordon Brown, daughters of the late Confederate warrior.

A chorus of 150 voices, consisting of high school girls and the Baptist Tabernacle's choir, led by Prof. B. C. Davis, furnished the music.

The invocation was delivered by Dr. Wilbur F. Glenn, Capt. W. L. Calhoun gave the history of the monument association, and Gen. C. A. Evans delivered the address. Charles V. Hubner read his dedication poem, and Col. N. E. Harris formally dedicated the statue to the state. Governor Terrell accepting.

The exercises concluded with a few remarks by Sculptor Solon Borglum and the benediction by Rev. Richard Orme Flynn. A parade of six divisions of civic and military organizations through the city preceded the unveiling exercises. Cadets from several colleges throughout the state participated.

IN HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS

Thus Gains and Losses in Wheat are Counted

THIRTY DAYS' RESULTS

In This Colossal Game of the Pit Gamblers the Wheat Crop of the Entire World Has Been Bought, Sold and Rebought a Thousand Times Over

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Chicago, May 25.—Two hundred million dollars have been won and lost in the last thirty days in the craze of wheat speculation.

Board of trade brokers declared today that these are conservative figures, although there is no way of actually computing the totals of losses and gains.

The market may turn. The history of the Letter corner may be repeated. But whether the market rises or falls, new figures have sprung up on the board of trade.

New rulers have appeared in the pits who are sure to hold sway in the places of those who have gone down and have been counted out in the most colossal wave of wheat speculation known in Chicago since the days of Letter, Armour, Partridge and Hutchinson.

GRADUATES AT A. & M. COLLEGE

Fifty-Three Young Men Will Receive Diplomas

WAS SUCCESSFUL YEAR

Institution Has Made Great Advancement During Past Few Years—Dr. McClure Preaches Baccalaureate Sermon Tomorrow—The Graduating Exercises Will Take Place Wednesday.

The commencement exercises at the A. & M. College will take place during the coming week and it will be the close of the most successful year in every respect in the history of the school. No institution in the state of North Carolina has done more in more rapidly during the past ten years than the Agricultural & Mechanical College in this city, and it is a school that the state has just cause to be proud of.

Rev. A. D. McClure, D. D., pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Wilmington, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon, which will be preached tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock in Pullen hall.

Monday morning at 10 o'clock a business meeting of the Alumni Association will be held, and at 8:30 in the evening the annual address will be delivered by Mr. Walter L. Darden, class of 1905, Portsmouth, Va.

Tuesday night at 8:30 Hon. Richard H. Edmonds, editor of the Manufacturers Record, Baltimore, Md., one of the best known writers in the country on industrial subjects, will make the commencement address. After the address there will be a public reception in the college library.

The following compose the graduating classes: In the textile industry: John Washington Clark, B. E. Lovie, Rodgers Gilbert, William Norman Holt. Bachelors of Science in Industrial Chemistry: Lewis Edgar Lougee, Henry Kreiger McComell, Henry Starbuck Montague, James Kemp Plummer, and Arthur John Wilson. Civil Engineer: George Frederick Syme, B. S. in 1898.

Bachelors of Agriculture: Jacob Tatum Eaton, Benjamin Bryan Everett, Lawrence Jones Herring, Albert Carl Jones, Lafayette Frank Kooner, James Elwood Overton, Thomas Franklin Parker, Arthur Lee Paschall, John Ed. Turlington, Edmund Farris Ward and David Lyndon White.

Bachelors of Engineering in Civil Engineering: Herbert Scandlin Battle, Seba Eldridge, Clement Ledister Garner, Roy Joseph Gill, Philip William Hardie, Guy Francis Hinshaw, Oscar Franklin McNairy, John Lightfoot Morson, Guy Ploner, Leon Jacob Schwab, Vance Sykes, Luther Russell Tillet, and John Jackson Wells.

In Electrical Engineering: Joe Pittman Blvens, Carney John Bryan, Lindsay Ferguson Carleton, Robert Hill Carter, John Lindsay Ferguson, Elias VanBuren Fowler, Robert Strickler Graves, George Rom Hardesty, Frank Curtis Michael, Fred Maynard Parks, Jotkan Lafayette Hemphill, William Whitmore Jones, John Oscar Shuford, and Cecil Bernard Whitehurst. In Mechanical Engineering: Eugene Franklin Mendor, Bennett Taylor Mat, John Maple Mills, Winslow Gerald Pittman, William Brooks Truitt, and Lindsay Marade Weaver.

NEGRO DISFIGURES OFFICER FOR LIFE

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) San Jose, Cal., May 25.—Police-man Mullahy was disfigured for life and Policeman Guerin sustained serious injuries in a bloody battle with Jesse Cox, a negro murderer from Indianapolis, Ind., who wielded a razor with murderous intent.

Mullahy's right cheek was laid open to the bone, the wound extending from the ear to the point of the chin. Guerin received a deep gash in the back of the neck. The negro submitted and was safely landed in the city jail.

Chief of Police Carroll positively identified the negro as the murderer of Policeman Charles Russell of Indianapolis, who died September 30, 1906.

THE HOUNDING OF MRS. GOULD

Police Paid to Keep Up the Espionage

THE STORY SHE TELLS

Captain McLaughlin and Frank Peabody Are No Longer on the Force and Others Are Expected to Follow Them Out—Mrs. Gould Warned by Hummel, Who Will Testify.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) New York, May 25.—A "shake-up" in the police department, even more astounding than the ousting of Captain McLaughlin, is looked for today as the result of a complete story of how she was hounded by her husband as told to Commissioner Bingham by Mrs. Howard Gould.

To get evidence for this "shake-up," arrangements were made today to bring Abraham Hummel over from Blackwell's Island to tell what part he played in the Gould conspiracy. A man of the name of Watson, who works in the office of Attorney Delancey Nicoll, of Mr. Gould's counsel, will also be subpoenaed.

Mrs. Gould made her statement to Commissioner Bingham in the presence of a woman friend and Attorney Clarence J. Shearn, who represents her interests. She said that before her marriage Inspector Byrnes obtained large sums of money for trying to get evidence against her. A society woman once tried to get her to attend a dinner at which McLaughlin was a guest. McLaughlin, she said, once sat staring at her in a theater and she became so weak that she had to retire.

Captain McLaughlin is no longer a member of the police department. He retired last night on a pension of \$2,500 a year. Detective Frank Peabody has also tendered his resignation. It has been learned that Supreme Court Justice McCall made desperate efforts to save McLaughlin. He called upon Mayor McClellan and Commissioner Bingham and pleaded to have the investigation dropped.

Dispatches from San Francisco state that detectives for the Pennsylvania Railroad were used by the Goulds to look up the record of Katherine Clemmons.

WE'LL WIN, SAYS MR. LIVINGSTON

Force Cotton Exchanges to Legitimate Methods

A QUIET INVESTIGATION

The Public Need Not Assume That Because Little is Heard From the Bureau of Corporations, That Department is Not Hard at Work, Livingston Declares.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Washington, May 25.—Col. L. F. Livingston, of Georgia, on his return to Washington to assist in the investigation into the methods of the cotton-exchanges of the country, being made by the bureau of corporations, declared that he looked for a report to be made to the president by the middle of July of the first of August. "We are sure to win our fight," he said, "and bring the exchanges back to a legitimate method of doing business, which will mean a reform in their present contracts."

Representative Livingston said he feared the public was in danger of assuming that because the bureau of corporations was not making any noise in its work, and was making no announcements through the press, nothing was being done. A representative of the bureau has for the past six weeks been investigating the affairs of the New York Cotton Exchange and others will look into the New Orleans and Memphis exchanges.

PISTOLS CRACK AS STONES HURLED

Riot Between Strikers and the Breakers

STARTED BY CHILDREN

Flinging Stones at Negro Strike-Breakers—The Latter Pursue and Are Then Attacked by the Strikers. Police Rush In With Clubs and Make Heads Sing.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) New York, May 25.—In a riot between longshoremen strikers and strike-breakers at Sackett and Columbia streets, Brooklyn, today, many shots were fired, several persons were injured, many windows broken, and the police reserves from two stations, after inflicting numerous scalp wounds with their clubs, arrested four of the strike-breakers.

Three hundred colored strike-breakers were leaving their work today, when the trouble occurred. Captain Driscoll of the Hamilton avenue station had ordered the strike-breakers to leave the yards by the Hamilton avenue gates and thus avoid trouble. But they insisted on going through Sackett street to Columbia street, which is thickly populated.

Children are said to have started the trouble today by throwing stones at the strike-breakers. One negro, who had been struck, pursued the child who had hurled the stone, and that precipitated the rioting. A dozen men caught this negro and were beating him, when the full army of strike-breakers attacked the strikers.

Stones, brickbats, clubs, sticks and other missiles were thrown. Those that missed a human head usually went through a show window. In the midst of the rioting several negroes drew revolvers and commenced to shoot. So far as could be learned no one was fatally injured.

BURIED BY TONS OF SHELLED CORN

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Johnstown, Pa., May 25.—Ettlinger Penrod, son of Samuel Penrod, of South Fork, was smothered yesterday under several tons of shelled corn while playing in a bin.

Unconscious of his predicament, workmen began letting down the corn. When the lad realized that the grain was slipping from beneath him he attempted to gain the edge of his prison. Like quicksand the corn drew him down and the kernels filled his mouth, covered his head and in a few seconds even his uplifted hands were lost to view.

DEATH IN PARIS OF THEODORE TILTON

(Special Cable to The Times.) Paris, May 25.—Theodore Tilton died here today.

After the celebrated Beecher-Tilton trial, which wrecked his career, Mr. Tilton came to this city, where he lived in retirement in a broken-hearted manner.

TWO KILLED UNDER A MASS OF TIMBER

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Chicago, Ill., May 25.—Two men, L. Santo and D. Joseph, were instantly killed and half a dozen workmen narrowly escaped death today when a fifty-foot pile of lumber toppled over at the Kensington plant of the International Harvester Company.

THEY WOULDN'T SHOVEL SNOW ALL THE SUMMER.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Marquette, Mich., May 25.—Men employed by the Sparrow-Kroll Lumber Company quit work yesterday because, as they put it, they did not intend to shovel snow all summer.

NEW HOME FOR THE Y. M. C. A.

A. & M. Students' Social, Religious Center

CANVASS ON MONDAY

Much Interest Manifested by Both Faculty and Students in the Proposed Association Building, Six Thousand Dollars Having Been Subscribed.

The movement for a Young Men's Christian Association building at the Agricultural and Mechanical College is meeting with much encouragement and promises to be speedily realized.

That the association has greatly increased its influence with the student body during the past year is very evident. The securing of Mr. E. R. Walton as general secretary, upon the recommendation of the international and state committees, was a wise step, and it has added very much to the efficiency of the association's activities. Ten of the members, with the general secretary, were on the campus for conference before the college opened, and had their plans perfected for the reception and help of new students as they arrived. During the year the religious activities of the college have been largely directed by the association. Its religious meetings, Bible study and mission classes have enjoyed a largely increased attendance. At the same time the association has done much to promote the social life of the college and has shown hearty sympathy with all of the activities of college life. But the influence of the association has been limited by the lack of suitable quarters for the housing of the work. The need of a building has become so apparent to both the faculty and students that the recent movement for one has met with a very gratifying response. Some six thousand dollars have already been subscribed.

During the present week Interstate Secretary Huntington has been in the city assisting Mr. Walton and the building committee in setting up the plans for a canvass in the city by which it is hoped to raise \$14,000. This, with \$10,000 which the committee will endeavor to raise in other parts of the state, will give the \$24,000 which is needed to erect an adequate building and furnish the same.

The headquarters of the campaign will be at the chamber of commerce, and many of our leading citizens have promised to assist in the movement. Among these are Messrs. John S. Pierson, Jo. H. Weathers, J. T. Pullen, L. W. Alderman, Z. Y. Judd, E. E. Broughton, R. N. Simms, E. R. Boone, G. P. Ashbury, Prof. D. H. Hill, J. D. Boushall, W. A. Cooper, A. E. Escott, R. H. Mooneyham, W. G. Briggs, E. W. Yates, S. M. Smith.

The first meeting of the committee will be held on Monday night, when the plans for the campaign will be fully explained. The canvass will be a short, aggressive one, closing Friday, June 7. The plan is the same one used in Richmond, Durham, Charlotte and other places so successfully.

The student association movement is a comparatively recent development, but it is not only represented in nearly all of the higher educational institutions of this country, but is being rapidly extended throughout the world. At the recent World's Student Christian Federation Conference, held in Tokio, Japan, there were over 500 delegates present from 23 different countries.

During the past few years many student association buildings have been erected. Yale, Harvard, Princeton, Cornell, University of Virginia, University of North Carolina, Davidson, Guilford and University of Tennessee are among the educational institutions that have such buildings.

The following clipping from a recent number of the Tar Heel, published at the University of North Carolina, describes the building completed there last fall:

"Twelve months ago the Y. M. C. A. meant nothing to the students of the University; now they would not know how to get along without it. The comfortably furnished and furnished building that now succeeds the structure that stood so long empty and useless on the campus has become the natural center of student life.

"In the rooms of the association building practically all of the meetings are held. The building is a success."

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