

NEW YORK STOCK FIRM SUSPENDED

Firm of Spader & Company Suspended for Term of Three Years

CAUSE OF SUSPENSION

Suspension Result of Operations Which Did Not Come Within the Rules of the Stock Exchange—Suspended For a Period of Three Years—Firm Had Had Dealings With the Firm of Charles M. Coster—Coster's Firm Went Bankrupt Because of Crooked Dealings.

(By Leased Wire to The Times) New York, Dec. 24—As a result of operations which did not come within the rules of the New York Stock Exchange Marshall Spader & Company were today suspended from membership in the exchange for a period of three years.

Ever since the suicide of Charles M. Coster, of the firm of Coster, Knapp & Company, which threw his firm into bankruptcy on account of his speculations of large sums the firm of Marshall Spader & Company has been persistently mentioned as having had dealings with the Costers and Knappers and during all the hearings before Referee Olney efforts have been made to see the Marshall Spader books.

Those hearings finally resulted in the arrest of the junior member of the firm of Marshall Spader & Company, L. B. Wood for contempt of court, but he was acquitted.

Members of the firm of Marshall Spader & Company are James G. Marshall, W. B. Spader, John Marshall, Langdon B. Wood, William H. Martin and Thomas W. Moorehead.

The floor members of the firm who were suspended are Thomas Moorehead and William H. Martin.

Following is the statement issued by Secretary Ely of the Stock Exchange:

"In investigating the affairs of the late firm of Coster, Knapp & Company, it was ascertained that many transactions were had between this firm and the firm of Marshall, Spader & Company. The governing committee appointed a special committee to investigate the matter, with the result that the secretary of the exchange was instructed to prefer charges against Thomas W. Moorehead and William H. Martin, members of said firm of Marshall, Spader & Company in regard to their transactions with Coster, Knapp & Company and with and for other firms and parties, under Section 6 of Article 17 of the constitution of the exchange that on numerous occasions but particularly on or about the dates mentioned in the specifications of such charges that said Thomas W. Moorehead and William H. Martin had been guilty of conduct and proceedings inconsistent with just and equitable principles of trade.

"Section 6 of Article 17 of the constitution reads as follows:

"Section 6, a member who shall have been adjudged, by a majority of the vote of all the existing members of the governing committee, guilty of willful violation of the constitution of the exchange or of any resolution of the governing committee regulating the conduct or business of members, or of any conduct or proceeding inconsistent with just and equitable principles of trade, may be suspended or expelled as the said committee may determine unless some other penalty is expressly provided for such offence.

"Thomas W. Moorehead and William H. Martin appeared before the governing committee at a meeting held yesterday and were permitted in person, to examine and cross-examine all witnesses produced before the committee and also presented such testimony, defense or explanation as they deemed proper.

"The governing committee determined that they were guilty of three specifications of said charge and of the charge itself, and suspend said Thomas W. Moorehead and William H. Martin for a period of three years commencing from yesterday."

Following in part is a statement issued by Marshall, Spader & Company:

"The governing committee has disciplined the firm by denying us the privileges of the exchange for a period of three years on charges of a violation of its rules.

"The action has nothing whatever to do with our financial responsibilities. No fraud is charged and no one has suffered a loss."

CHRISTMAS FOR HAINS CHILDREN

Hains and Annis' Children Will Have no Father to Play Christmas This Year

OTHERS FILL STOCKINGS

Tonight in Every Home from Palace to Hovel Little Stockings Will Hang and Children Will Dream of Santa Claus, But Six Little Children For First Time Will Have No Father to Play Santa Claus to Them—Others, However, Will Fill Their Stockings.

(By DOROTHY DIX) New York, Dec. 24—Today is children's day throughout all Christendom.

Tonight, in every home from palace to hovel, a little stocking will hang by the fire-place. Kiddies will dream of the visit of good old Santa Claus and his elfin rider; happy men, tiptoeing into their darling's rooms with arms filled with foolish toys and jim-cracks will stand a moment looking down upon the little heads upon the pillows, and then with smiling lips and dim eyes tend themselves to perpetuating the sweet old myth of childhood.

But tonight among all the children, so blessed, there are six little ones, who, for the first time, will have no father to play Santa Claus to them because of a weak and wicked man and woman; and somehow that one pitiful little fact seemed to overshadow everything else in the Hains trial on Christmas eve. One forgot the grown-ups, and remembered only the little children who had no father to hold them in his arms and repeat to them, "Twas the night before Christmas and all through the house not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse."

Of course they will not suffer, the little Hains and Annis children. Other hands will fill their stockings. Other hearts will try to make Christmas fun and cheer for them, but it will not be the same as when they had really their own fathers. They are too young to understand in detail the shadow that hangs over their young lives, but above all the noise and excitement of Christmas morning, drawing out the din of fire-crackers and the blaze of the tin horns, comes the wail of little Molly Hains, "I want my father," and little Peter Hains bewilderment cry "Why doesn't my papa come to me? He must know I want him so." From the hour of her birth Thornton Hains' whole existence has been wrapped up in his little Molly. Everything that is best and tenderest in his nature has flowered about the child who came as the price of her beautiful mother's life. Highly strung, nervous and irritable often to others, to her he is patience and gentleness itself. His hand, rough to others, becomes as soft as a woman's when he touches his baby girl. Loving the sea and a wanderer by nature, he has tied himself down to a dull suburban life that he might not be parted from his child. Most men, left a widower with a girl baby, turn it over to the first convenient female relative, but Thornton Hains, when his wife died, took his baby in his arms and became mother and father both to her. He raised her on the bottle. He walked the floor with her night after night, and when she sickened with diphtheria he brushed aside the trained nurse and held her for days in his arms, her poisonous little breath in his face, because she could rest easier on his breast than in any other position. There are children to whom their father is only a money-making machine, or a policeman, but not the six little children who are the real victims of the Bayside tragedy. They have all known a father's love, a father's care, a father's companionship, and so they are peculiarly forlorn this Christmas with no jolly, laughing father to help them fire off rockets and to light off the big cannon crackers, that when they explode make little folks clutch at a big strong hand.

Another Sensational Message. (By Leased Wire to The Times) Washington, Dec. 24—Notwithstanding reports to the contrary it may be stated on high authority that the message which the president intends sending to congress concerning the subject of the secret service will be particularly interesting reading, if not sensational. The message will contain about 5,000 words.

SKURA TELLS ANOTHER STORY

Now Says He Saw Jenkins Hains and Heard Him Speak

WHAT HAINS SAID

Martin Skura, Recalled to the Stand Today, Now Says That He Recognizes Jenkins Hains as the Man He Drove to Bayside Yacht Club and Heard Him Say, "We've Got Him Now."—McIntyre Gets Letter and Has Promise of New Witness.

Flushing, N. Y., Dec. 24—John F. McIntyre, chief counsel for T. Jenkins Hains, just before the opening of this morning's session of his client's trial as an accomplice in the murder of William E. Annis, announced that he had received today a letter from a man who may turn out to be a new and important witness for the defense.

The letter, the lawyer said, was dated and mailed yesterday from Albany, N. Y., and was signed Edward J. West. The writer in substance offers to give testimony concerning the relations between Mrs. Claudia Hains and Annis, and declares that he can tell where Annis raised an amount of money (\$300) for the operation which is claimed to have been performed upon the wife of Captain Peter C. Hains, the brother of the defendant who actually did the shooting which ended in Annis' death. McIntyre will endeavor to locate West and, if his testimony is what he promises he will be brought to Flushing next week to take the stand.

The prisoner was one of the first to enter the court and appeared to be in good spirits.

Martin Skura, the Bayside harbor driver, who, when previously on the stand a few days ago, surprised the prosecution by being unable to identify T. Jenkins Hains as one of the men he hauled to the yacht club in his carriage on the day of the crime, today testified that he now remembers the defendant as one of the men he drove to the club house and that during the drive he heard him remark to his companion: "We've got him now."

The defendant also asked him if he knew any real estate agents thereabouts and whether he knew Annis. Later, Skura said he found a package in his wagon. The court refused to let him tell what it was, but it was generally known to have been a box of cartridges.

On cross-examination he admitted he had been closeted with Darrin last Sunday (subsequent to his first appearance on the stand) and that he had had several other talks with Darrin and other members of the prosecution's staff. Also he testified most reluctantly that he had signed his name to a paper relating to the case.

It developed from Skura's evidence that Clark, the negro sailing master who testified for the state, rebelled against the fee of \$2.50 a day paid to witnesses for the stand and received 50 cents extra.

McIntyre found a flaw in the lad's testimony when he admitted he seldom remembered faces and that he had carried more than a dozen men unknown to him the day of the tragedy.

The defendant paid the closest attention to his attorney's efforts to break up the declarations made by Skura. Major Hains sat along his brother, but General Hains was not in court during the morning.

Skura became so puzzled under McIntyre's rain of questions that he frequently contradicted himself. He also admitted he had told his original story because he had a mother and a brother to support. Before he was excused McIntyre requested the magistrate to hold him for perjury.

Magistrate Crane said he would not do so in the middle of the trial, but would take it under consideration for possible action later.

Attempts to Slay Family. Wilson, N. C., Dec. 24—At the home of Mr. Rufus Lamm, about four miles out from Wilson, his son, John Lamm, attempted to slay the whole family. After a hard struggle the young man was overpowered, but not before receiving several bruises. On previous occasions the unfortunate fellow has given the family a lot of trouble, by unmercifully whipping several of its members. This morning a jury decided that he is insane.

ARMY TOO SMALL SAYS GEN. BELL

Is Insufficient to Maintain the Land Defences of the Country

HIS REPORT ISSUED

Says There is No Chance of Recruiting Army From Citizens Because the Latter Day Civilian Does Not Know How to Shoot—In Case of Sudden Outbreak There Are Not Sufficient Troops in Country to Form an Army—Infantry Arm Too Weak.

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Washington, Dec. 24—General Bell, chief of staff, says that the United States has an army insufficient to maintain the land defenses, and that there is no chance of recruiting one from the body of citizens, because the latter-day civilian does not know how to shoot or take care of himself away from the coddling warmth of a steam radiator.

He says other thing, too, in his annual report made public today which ought to make the man who boasts of the wonderful capability of the average citizen as soldier sit up and think a little.

"It is a discouraging fact," says General Bell, "that in case of a sudden outbreak of hostilities with a first-class nation there are not sufficient regular troops in the country, even when re-enforced by the national guard of the various states, to form an army after deducting the necessary force to provide a small garrison at our permanent posts and the necessary infantry supports for our seacoast fortifications. These latter are defenseless against a land force of the enemy unless provision has been made for a sufficiently strong supporting force."

"The conditions under which battles of the present day are fought are so different from those in which we have been engaged in the past as not to admit of intelligent comparison.

"Today practically none of our citizens knows how to handle and shoot modern rifles with any degree of accuracy, and there is not sufficient time to train them at the outbreak of hostilities.

"A considerable portion of the citizens of our country believe that all that is required to make a soldier out of a man is to put him in an uniform and place a rifle in his hands. Such an idea, dangerous to the nation, cannot be too strongly opposed. An infantry soldier to be efficient must be taught how to care for himself in camp, how to march, to cook his food and observe the sanitary precautions for the preservation of his health, to perform patrol, reconnaissance, and guard duty, to care for and handle his rifle and, most important of all, to be able to shoot accurately.

"The infantry arm of our service is too weak numerically for the services required of it, even in time of peace. Since January 1, 1898, many regiments have spent more than half their time in a tropical climate and, as a result, insufficient time is given in the United States for the officers and men to recover from one tour of service abroad before another begins."

General Bell also wants better infantry and says that the cavalry branch is antiquated.

MISS RUTH FEATHERSTON WINNER OF THE TIMES' FINE DIAMOND



MISS RUTH FEATHERSTON, Roxboro, N. C.

MISS FEATHERSTON HAD 449,451 VOTES.

Exciting Contest Closes at 12 O'clock Promptly, and Judges Count Votes

DIAMOND IS PRESENTED TO MISS FEATHERSTON

Greatest Contest in History of the State Closed at 12 O'clock and Miss Ruth Featherston Was Declared by the Judges as "The Prettiest Woman in North Carolina," and the Fine Diamond Was Presented.

The great contest is over and the judges have declared in favor of Miss Ruth Featherston, of Roxboro, as the prettiest woman in the State of North Carolina.

The Evening Times' office was the scene of excitement from 8 o'clock till 12, when the great contest closed.

Mr. E. G. Long, of Roxboro; Mr. A. L. Baker, of Raleigh, and Mr. Fred Baggart, of Dunn, were the judges and they counted the vote and issued the following signed statement:

Judges' Statement.

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 24, 1909.

We, the undersigned, hereby certify that we have acted as judges in the diamond ring contest for The Evening Times and we state that we have counted and canvassed the vote as cast and we find that Miss Ruth Featherston, of Roxboro, has 449,451 votes. This was the largest number of votes, cast and we further state that we find that the vote was properly credited and that according to our verdict the ring should be presented to Miss Featherston, she being the "prettiest woman in the State of North Carolina."

(Signed) FRED BAGGETT, E. G. LONG, A. L. BAKER, Committee of Judges.

Evening Times Office, Raleigh, N. C. Miss Josephine Sears, of Raleigh, had 163,332 votes, Miss Parker, of Dunn, had 161,766, while Miss Featherston had 449,451 votes to her credit.

Miss Isabelle Young, of Dunn, who was one of the favorites, had withdrawn from the contest and the Durham vote was not cast. A representative from Durham was here but the money to pay for the subscriptions sent was not sent with the subscriptions and the management of The Times refused to issue votes for names unless the money accompanied the names to pay for each subscription and the judges ruled that the management of The Times acted right and wisely in not issuing votes when the money did not accompany the names.

Miss Featherston and her friends were at The Times' office and the fine diamond ring was presented, in the presence of the large crowd, to Miss Featherston by the manager of The Evening Times.

All of the young ladies in the contest did fine work and they all deserve great credit for the fine work. Miss Sears, of Raleigh, certainly did fine work here and worked from the opening day till the close, but the other towns brought in more subscribers and she was second in the list. The Evening Times wishes all the young ladies a merry Christmas and a happy new year, and may your friends always be as true and loyal to you as they have been in this contest.

SUICIDE NEAR RALEIGH SATURDAY A HOLIDAY

Aged Man Kills Himself Today

Mr. Bennett Wall, Aged Seventy Years, Committed Suicide at His Home This Morning East of the City—Not in Right Mind.

Bennet Wall, a white man of about 70 years of age, committed suicide this morning at his home east of this city. He shot himself with a shot-gun. The top of his head was literally blown off and his brains splattered on the floor and walls of the seed-house in which the suicide took place.

The old man has not been "in his right mind" for some time. It was known that he contemplated suicide and his people made an effort to keep the gun away from him. This morning he secured the gun in some way and slipped away with it. He went into the "seed-house," shut the door and killed himself. Coroner Separk was sent for. It was his decision that the old man came to his death by his own hand.

GOVERNOR GLINN ASKS PEOPLE TO OBSERVE SATURDAY

Business Interests of State Want an Extra Holiday—Governor Asks That Saturday be Regarded as a Holiday in Addition to Friday and That All Return Thanks For Services Received.

At the earnest request of various business institutions throughout the entire state, I, R. B. Glenn, governor of North Carolina, in addition to declaring Friday, December 25th a legal holiday, do earnestly request that Saturday, December 26th, be also regarded as a holiday, and that on these two days the people observing their usual Christmas custom, will not only meet in their accustomed places of worship, but also in their hearts render thanks to God for the great mercies He has bestowed upon them during the year just past. The observance of Christmas is a beautiful custom, and coming as it does this year at the last of the week, it is but meet and right that two days instead of one should be set aside for kind remembrance of friends and for thankfulness to God for what we have received.

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FOUR YEARS FOR PERJURY.

Divorce Case Perjurer Gets Heavy Sentence. (By Leased Wire to The Times) Baltimore, Dec. 24—In the criminal court Judge Wright told Otto Neuhaus, the Flinder divorce case perjurer, that the crime of which he was convicted was the worst that had ever come before the court. He then imposed a sentence of four years in the penitentiary.

FINES IMPOSED ON RAILROAD

Chicago, Dec. 24—Fines have been imposed on the Illinois Central Railroad on pleas of guilty of violation of the twenty-eight hour law by Judge K. M. Landis in the United States district court. A fine of \$199 and costs was imposed in each of seven cases.

CHANGE IN "SHOOFLY."

Will Run to Weldon For Remainder of Week. The S. A. L. announces that they will extend the run of the shoo-fly train for this week, up to and including Saturday to Weldon, on account of heavy traffic. Instead of stopping at Norlina, as it now does, the shoo-fly will run to Weldon. The hour of its arrival here, 10 a. m., and its departure, 5 p. m., will not be changed.

SHRUB WILL RACE TOM LONGBOAT

(By Leased Wire to The Times) New York, Dec. 24—Alfred Shrub as a preliminary to his Marathon race with Tom Longboat at Madison Square Garden on January 26, will race against three of the best middle distance runners of the country in a twelve race relay at the garden on January 9. Shrub came to New York yesterday to accept any three men named, also giving the management the right to leave the selection of the three men who will oppose him to the public.

This race will attract almost as much attention as the Marathon race, as Shrub is famous for his work in relay events.

A five mile professional handicap race will also be run on the same night, in which a big field is expected. Shrub will make his headquarters in New York after the first of the year and do the balance of his training on roads in the outskirts of the city.

HENRY C. KING LOSES FIGHT

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Charleston, W. Va., Dec. 24—By the decision of West Virginia supreme court of appeals in the case of the state versus Henry C. King, of New York, King loses his fight for 5000,000 acres of land in southern West Virginia and adjoining counties in Virginia and Kentucky and another step toward the settlement of one of the most celebrated land cases in the country has been taken.

Three opinions have been handed down by the supreme court and adverse to King in his long fight to get a title to the vast tract of timber property valued at \$12,500,000.

King claimed 500,000 acres of land in the southern tier of counties, through an original grant from the heirs of Robert Morris. The land was forfeited to the state of West Virginia by reason of the non payment of taxes and the suit was instituted fifteen years ago when King endeavored to redeem the land.

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BUSINESS MEN WILL FIGHT A DUEL

(By Leased Wire to The Times) San Diego, Cal., Dec. 24—Unless their anger cools before the date set, which is New Year's morning, President Dawham, of the San Diego, and ex-President E. R. Ackerman, the former an attorney, and the latter a prominent business man, will fight a duel.

The duel will be by the English and not the French code, and Marquis of Queensberry rules will govern the contest. Light boxing-gloves will take the place of swords.

President Dawham issued the challenge following a wordy war in the presence of several members of the club. He believed he was being made the victim of a practical joke inspired by Mr. Ackerman.