

Weather.

Washington, May 4.—Forecast for North Carolina for tonight and Wednesday: Fair tonight and Wednesday; warmer.

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MRS. HAINS THE MOTHER WILL BE WITNESS FOR SON

Will Give Her Aid to the Establishment of the Insanity Plea

HER TESTIMONY VITAL

Army Officers Stand by Captain Hains and Make Determined Fight to Save Him From the Electric Chair—Many Officers Hold That he Was Provoked by Annis Beyond All Endurance—Several Have Already Testified and Others Are Waiting to do so—Events in the Trial Today.

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Plushing, L. I., May 4.—Announcement was made today that the friends in the United States army of Captain Peter C. Hains, on trial here for the murder of William E. Annis would make a determined fight to save him from the electric chair. He has the sympathy of practically all the officers, many of whom have declared their belief that he was provoked by Annis to an extent beyond human endurance.

So far a commissioned officer, a non-commissioned officer and a private have given testimony for the defense that is regarded as distinctly favorable to the accused man and many others are waiting to be called as witnesses in Captain Hains' fight for life.

An indication of the sentiment of his brother officers in regard to the trial is given by the following statement made by John F. McIntyre, chief counsel for Hains:

"Captain Hains has the sympathy of every man in the service. He is a man in bitter distress, an officer and gentleman whose home was utterly destroyed and his last chance of happiness wrecked by a man who posed as his friend and entered his house as a friend. Before his trial he was a fine specimen of the modern fighter serving his flag.

"His brains and his time were given his country. His father and his brother, the one a general and the other a major, are serving their country also. It does seem improbable that any man in the uniform of a United States soldier would rise up against Captain Hains because he is in his present plight."

Wearied with the strain of the trials of two sons on murder charges and feeble with 69 years of life, Mrs. Peter C. Hains, Sr., was brought to Plushing today to do her part in saving the life of her son, Captain Peter C. Hains, Jr., on trial for the murder of William E. Annis.

She was brought here to tell of the hysteria which has characterized her ancestors and of the falling fits in her own life which have been carefully concealed until now.

Grave doubts were entertained by the lawyers for the defense of the ability of the aged mother to withstand the strain of a long examination in her weak physical condition, but her testimony is so vital to the chain of evidence which is relied on to save her son that it was resolved to bring her.

Dr. H. A. Roden, of Bay Ridge, was the first witness today. The physician testified as to the demeanor and actions of Captain Hains when he saw him when called to attend the little girl of Thornton Hains.

"The captain came in the room as I was examining the little girl," he said. "When I told him she showed much improvement, he replied that he had brought this improvement about himself. I gave her milk and soft boiled eggs and plenty of water during the night," he told me. He said that sick children should always have plenty of water, and that he was a better physician than I was. His eyes were glaring, his hair disheveled and his feet dragged as he walked."

"Did he appear to you to be rational or irrational?" Mr. McIntyre asked. "Irrational," he replied. There was no cross-examination.

Serious Hotel Fire.

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Oakland, Cal., May 4.—Forty guests in the Oakland Hotel had a narrow escape from death early today, many of them leaping from the upper stories into fire nets below when fire broke out. Several were injured by jumping before the nets were spread. For a time the blaze threatened serious consequences.

THE PEACE CONGRESS

Seven Meetings on the Day's Program

Busiest and Biggest Day of the Entire Congress—Business Men Discuss War and Peace from the Business Standpoint—Delegates Enthusiastic.

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Chicago, May 4.—Seven meetings were on the program when the delegates to the second national peace congress assembled today. In addition to the three meetings in Orchestra Hall, the headquarters of the assemblage, meetings of the women delegates at the Womens Club and meetings in Mandel Hall of the University of Chicago, and at Music Hall, were also scheduled. This is the busiest and biggest day of the entire congress.

The morning meeting at Orchestra Hall was a commerce and industry session, with George E. Roberts, president of the Commercial National Bank, presiding. The speakers were all business men and all discussed war and peace from the business men's standpoint, scoring its economic waste and advocating stern measures by financial and commercial leaders to prevent war in the future.

The successful meetings of the opening day had filled the delegates with enthusiasm and they united in declaring that the Chicago meeting was proving much more important and exciting and of greater interest than the first congress, held in New York two years ago.

VESSEL'S NARROW ESCAPE.

Almost Had Collision With Iceberg in Mid-Atlantic.

(By Leased Wire to The Times) New York, May 4.—Passengers of the Anchor Line steamship California, from Glasgow, tell of a narrow escape the vessel had experienced when a huge iceberg was passed in mid-ocean.

On Thursday afternoon, the California was running under reduced speed on account of the heavy fog. By the rarest good fortune to come on board, about 5 p. m. the fog cleared sufficiently to allow the lookout to see objects some distance ahead. Suddenly he called out to the officer on the bridge: "Something dead ahead, Sir."

As the wheel was shifted the California slid off to the side of a great berg, not less than 600 feet long and at least 100 feet high at the peak. It had lain directly in the path of the vessel, and the passengers regard their escape as little short of a miracle.

RODE ON FAST ENGINE.

Refused to Enter the Cab and Threatened to Jump Off.

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Trenton, N. J., May 4.—Thomas Sherin, a sailor, rode from New Brunswick to Trenton hanging on to the boiler of the engine of a fast express. When ordered to get off or enter the cab, Sherin refused.

"If you try to put me off or stop the train I'll leap to death," he shouted when the engineer told him he intended to stop the locomotive. The engineer believed he would make the leap and did not stop the train until it arrived in this city.

Sherin was arrested. He told the police he came to this city to see an old sweetheart. He jumped on the locomotive just as it was starting from the New Brunswick station.

FARMERS AND RED BIRDS

WILL PLAY TOMORROW

The Raleigh Athletic Association has gone to a great deal of expense to secure a winning baseball team for the Raleigh fans this season, and it is generally believed that a good team has been the result.

On tomorrow the Red Birds will play their first practice game on the local diamond, their opponents being the A. & M. team. This game promises to be one of the most interesting of the season, and the fans should show their appreciation of the association's efforts by giving tomorrow's game a large attendance.

Now is the time that money is so essentially necessary. The treasury is not flushed by any means, and every man, woman and child that attends the game will be contributing something towards the support of the Red Birds. Be on hand and, if possible, bring another person with you.

Dr. J. Y. Joyner left today for Greenville to be present at the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Eastern Carolina Training School.

THE COURT DECISIONS

Senator Borah Finishes His Argument.

Senator Bradley of Kentucky Followed Senator Borah, Speaking for Protection for the Jute and Hemp Industry.

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Washington, May 4.—The senate convened at 11 o'clock. Senator Borah immediately resumed his argument in support of an income tax. He devoted his remarks to the supreme court decisions affecting the jute and hemp industry.

Senator Bradley, of Kentucky, followed Senator Borah and devoted his speech to a plea for protection to the jute and hemp industry, saying: "I desire to call attention to the hemp industry in which almost every state in the union is interested if a fair degree of protection is provided. It has been demonstrated by actual experience in the last five years that hemp may be successfully grown in Pennsylvania, Indiana, Wisconsin, Michigan, Minnesota, Kansas and in limestone soils anywhere in the Mississippi Valley, as well as at many points along the Pacific coast, in fact in almost every state in the union.

"The value of jute and hemp manufactures imported in 1904 was \$29,000 in round numbers and in 1908 it increased to \$34,000,000, or at an alarming rate of 70 per cent.

"The flax industry of America should have more protection and is now seriously suffering from the importation of free jute. In the great states of the northwest and west, chiefly the Dakotas, Minnesota, Kansas, Wisconsin, Montana, Missouri, Iowa and Nebraska more than 28,000,000 acres of flax are grown.

"With the proper protection the flax and hemp growers of this county in connection with the Manila fiber brought here from our possessions could furnish all the fiber for America and meet the demands of the rest of the globe as well."

Senator Root said this was a question of shifting taxation. "I submit that it is an erroneous and, I think, a mischievous view to present to the country the impression that property owners do not bear a substantial part of the burdens of government."

Replying to Senator Root, Senator Bailey said that he did not deny that property paid a tax for the support of state government, but he contended that property does not contribute even approximately, according to its value, to the support of the federal government. He pointed out that the great cost of the army and navy for the protection of the lives and property of wealthy men at home and abroad, were borne by a tax on consumption rather than on property itself, which is alone taxed by the state. He did not believe in a tax on a man's right to work, but did believe in a tax on corporate franchises, now exercised by the state. He thought also that the right to tax inheritances should be left to the state.

MINERS INJURED BY POWDER EXPLOSION

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Greensburg, Pa., May 4.—The explosion with a blinding flash and a deafening roar of a large can of powder 2,000 feet underground, in the Arona mine of the Keystone Coal Company at Arona, Westmoreland county, this morning, badly injured seven miners and threw three hundred others into a blind panic which would have been disastrous but for the coolness of some of the leaders. The injured men are Irwin Baughman, 45; John Yerman, 25; Mike Kane, 25; Louis Cramer, 45; Fred Cramer, 20; James Adams, 30, and an unidentified foreigner. All the men were very badly burned, principally about the head and face. They were taken to the hospital. The cause of the explosion is said to have been the smuggling of black powder into the mine to be used instead of fulminate for blasting purposes and the ignition of a can of the stuff by an electric spark from the mine trolley.

Caesar Young's Widow Married.

(By Leased Wire to The Times) New Rochelle, N. Y., May 4.—Mrs. Margaret L. Young, widow of Caesar Young, the bookmaker and race horse owner, for whose death in a carriage in New York three years ago Nan Patterson was tried for murder, was married last evening to George W. Langdon, of Sheepshead Bay. Langdon has been looking after Mrs. Young's racing stable and other interests since the death of her husband.

JORDAN FOUND GUILTY

Convicted of Murder in First Degree

His Crime Was a Most Revolting One.—Killed His Wife and Placed Her Body in a Trunk—Plead Insanity. Brother-in-law of Jesse Livermore.

Boston, Mass., May 4.—Chester S. Jordan, whose trial for the murder of his wife came to an end late yesterday afternoon when the jury retired to deliberate over the verdict, today was found guilty of murder in the first degree.

The crime was one of the most revolting known to police annals. After slapping his wife, who was a young and exceedingly attractive woman, Jordan decapitated and dismembered the body, packing the limbs and torso in a trunk in the house in which he and his wife had been living in Somerville. The suspicions of a cabman, in whose vehicle Jordan moved the trunk containing the remains, led to his arrest.

Jordan had been an actor of some repute and is a brother-in-law of Jesse Livermore, the millionaire cotton operator. Jordan's sister, Mrs. Livermore, is said to have contributed the money to defray the cost of his defense, which was based on an insanity plea.

The crime was committed on September 1, 1908.

RAILWAY REORGANIZED.

Northampton and Hertford to Resume Business—Other Charters.

An evidence of reviving prosperity is found in the renewed activity in railway circles. A few days ago the Piedmont Railway Company was reorganized and today a certificate of reorganization was filed for the Northampton and Hertford Railway Company. This is a small road nine miles in length, running from Gumberry to Jackson. W. E. Trecheard is president. The authorized capital stock is \$125,000 with a paid in capital of \$45,000.

The Hurdlet Athletic Association was granted a charter. The association will equip a ball park and encourage athletics. The paid in capital is \$250. W. E. Davis, et al, incorporators.

HABEAS CORPUS PROCEEDINGS.

Hearing Before Judge Lyon Thursday at Noon.

Mr. Charles U. Harris today filed with Judge Lyon a petition for a writ of habeas corpus to free from imprisonment Thomas McKenny, a negro who shot two hoboes at Wendell about a month ago. McKenny claims that the hoboes assaulted him and he ran him into his home, where he secured a shot-gun and opened fire with telling effect. The hoboes have left the county. Judge Lyon has set Thursday, at noon, for the hearing.

WIRELESS BETWEEN NEW YORK AND CHICAGO

New York, May 4.—The wireless people are jubilant today over the success of the attempt made by the New York American to transmit news from this city to Chicago and receive news from that city by wireless. The American sent a wireless expert and a reporter to the roof of the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel to test the system of the United Wireless Telegraph Company. Far off in Chicago on the roof of the Auditorium Annex sat another expert and another reporter. A message was sent and in a few minutes this reply came: "To the American, New York. "Your message, the first by wireless ever sent between New York and Chicago, was received here at 10:58 o'clock p. m. "Chicago Examiner."

ROBERSON TO HANG.

Robert Roberson, the Martin county negro, who shot and killed a Mr. Whichard, of Robersonville, last fall, will hang on Friday, June 11th, 1909. Gov. Kitchin today fixed the date for the carrying out of the sentence. The murder for which Roberson is to hang was a particularly cold blooded one. The negro claimed that Mr. Whichard owed him for work and shot him without the slightest provocation. He was tried at the September term of Martin county court, 1908, and sentenced to hang Nov. 12th. An appeal was taken and the Supreme Court, in a lengthy opinion written by Justice Brown, affirms the decree of the lower court.

AS TO CAROLINA

VIRGINIA GAME

For the past two or three days there has been a great deal of discussion as to whether or not the baseball teams of the University of North Carolina and Virginia would play off the tie that now exists between them. It has been said that should the game be played, it would most probably be played in Raleigh, providing the grounds could be secured.

Dame rumor steps in at this juncture and has it going the rounds of the city, and probably the entire state, that the A. & M. authorities have refused to allow the above named teams to use the A. & M. athletic field for the proposed game.

Disbelieving this rumor, which was having its effect upon the citizens of Raleigh and was causing them to severely censure the A. & M. authorities, The Evening Times man communicated with Prof. W. C. Riddick, chairman of the A. & M. Faculty Athletic Committee, and received an answer to this effect: That if either Dr. Venable, president of the University, or Dr. Herty, chairman of the Faculty Athletic Committee of the University, would request the use of the A. & M. grounds for a game with Virginia, the grounds would be furnished in good condition, every courtesy and accommodation would be extended the visitors and everything done to make their stay in Raleigh as pleasant as possible.

This covers the question entirely and should the teams desire to play in Raleigh, they may rest assured that no obstacle whatever will be placed in the path. Instead they will be extended a hearty welcome and everything will be done to make their visit to the capital city one of great pleasure and harmony.

BEFORE THE COMMISSION.

Matters of Importance to be Heard by the Corporation Commission.

Today Mr. Jas. H. Pon, counsel for the Atlantic Coast Line Railway Company and the Seaboard Air Line Railway Company filed petitions from both roads asking to be released from the necessity of equipping certain locomotive engines with electric head lights as required by Dockery's "Head-Light Bill" passed by the last General Assembly. Under the law the Corporation Commission is empowered to exempt certain trains from the provisions of the act. The commission will go into the matter carefully and determine whether there is ground for exemption.

The Retail Merchant's Association and the Board of Aldermen, of Statesville, today filed strong petitions showing the need of a new passenger station in that thriving city and asking the commission to compel the Southern Railway to construct a new one.

Petitions have been filed from Sanford, asking for the erection of a Union passenger station there. The commission has set Wednesday, May 12th for a hearing on the question at Sanford.

MR. SEAWELL CELEBRATES.

Has Been in the Service of the Supreme Court 24 Years Today.

Today Mr. Joe Seawell, the popular and efficient deputy of Col. Thos. S. Kenan, clerk of the Supreme Court of North Carolina, rounded out twenty-four years' service in the clerk's office. He began as office-boy, twenty-four years ago today and has been continuously in the service of the Supreme Court of the state since that time.

Mr. Seawell is a licensed attorney. He has taken advantage of the opportunities afforded by his position and knows more law than the average practitioner. He probably knows more lawyers than any other young man in the state and he is popular with all of them.

IRON AND STEEL

WORKERS MEET

Detroit, Mich., May 4.—The thirty-fourth annual convention of the Iron Steel and Tin Workers of the United States of America, which was called to order here today, is expected to prove one of the most important in the organization's history. The business of chief importance will be the matter of the new wage scale and working agreement. The present scale expires on June 30. The wage scale committee has been deliberating since Friday night in the Griswold Hotel, the official headquarters.

BLOODY WORK IN

ARMENIA BY THE

TURKS GOES ON

Alarming Reports From Asia Minor Say Further Massacres Are in Progress

TROOPS SENT TO SCENE

Lengthy Conference Held by the Sultan Tewfik Pasha, the E-Grand Vizier—Conference Brought About by the Cabinet Crisis Which Culminated in the Resignation of the Ministry—Young Turk General Takes a Hand in the Political Situation—Declares the Army Does Not Want Untried Men to Rule the Destinies of Turkey—Troops Sent to Suppress Uprising.

(By Cable to The Times.)

Constantinople, May 4.—A lengthy conference was held today by Sultan Mehmed V and Tewfik Pasha, who was until Monday night, grand vizier of the realm. The conference was brought about by the cabinet crisis which culminated in the resignation of the ministry.

General Scheffer Pasha, the idol of the Young Turk army, has taken a hand in the political situation with the expression that a nationalist ministry shall not be formed to succeed the Tewfik Pasha cabinet. The Young Turk general declares that the army does not want untried men to rule the destinies of Turkey. Posts of parliamentary under-secretaries may be created which will be filled by Young Turks to take the place of ministers.

Alarming reports are being received today from Erzerum, in Asia Minor. It is stated that there has been a further uprising against the Armenians and that Turkish troops, after murdering their officers, have looted in the massacres.

The Druses, a fanatical religious sect, of Syrians, in the Hauran district, have revolted. Troops have been ordered to proceed to the scene of the disturbance at once. From Adana comes the news that the Jesuit mission there was destroyed by fire. The missionaries and sisters, however, are said to be safe.

Thousands Massacred.

(By Cable to The Times.)

Tarsus, Asiatic Turkey, May 4.—At least 10,000 persons lost their lives during the massacres in this province, and some estimates place the total casualty list at 25,000. The villages of Osmanieh, Bazeche, Hamadih, Kara, Kristian, Keoy, and Kozelock were wiped out. Each had populations of from 50 to 600. Other towns with a very much larger population, in some cases 4,000 or 5,000 people suffered severely.

In one town of 4,000 people there are left less than 100, nearly all women and children. Famine is feared. The yard of the American mission house looks like a prison pen. The men wander around all night trying to keep warm. The women and children sleep at night on the floors of the school rooms. Few have beds.

Young Turks around Tarsus are trading Armenian girls among each other for horses and modern repeating rifles. There have been numerous instances of the murdering of women and children with deliberation, and there are other instances where women were brought out one by one and shot down, the bystanders clapping their hands at each fresh execution.

OFF TO NEW BERNE.

Local Red Men on the Way to the Grand Pow Wow.

Col. Joseph E. Pogue, Great Sachem of the North Carolina Reservation of the Red Men, in company with many braves, left today at 12:30 for New Berne to attend the Great Council of the order which is to hold its eleventh annual session there. Among those accompanying him were W. W. Willis representative of the Occoneechee tribe, Raleigh, L. W. Holleman, of the Mohawk tribe, Henderson, W. T. Veltsch, also of Occoneechee and several others from Raleigh and Henderson.

Croker At Liverpool.

Liverpool, Eng., May 4.—On account of a great storm the Cunard liner Lusitania, which arrived here today, did not touch at Queenstown last night. Richard Croker was one of the passengers aboard.