

The POOL of FLAME by LOUIS JOSEPH VANCE

CHAPTER XIV--He finds the captain of the vessel to be a smuggler who tries to steal the jewel from him.



The First Officer's Flat Caught O'Rourke Just Under the Ear.

It became immediately evident that his memory had not tricked him, that the trunk was locked, as he had left it that morning. But the clasp had yielded to a cold chisel.

upon a mound. Hole and the first mate stood over him, and the captain's voice, guarded but clear enough, came to his ear:

"You'll lie there, me man, and not so much as a whimper till I give you leave. Take 'est wot I say. Mr. Dennison 'ere is goin' to clean 'is revolver."

CHAPTER XIV.

In the face of the fact that the importation of hashish into Egypt has been declared illegal by Khedival legislation, the drug is always to be obtained in the lower dives of Alexandria, Cairo and Port Said--if one only knows where to go and how to ask for it.

CRAVEN FARMERS HOLDS RECORD

Fifteen Bales of Cotton Picked From Fourteen Acres on Mess. Hackburn & Willett's Farm.

It has been demonstrated time and again that Craven county is one of the most fertile spots in North Carolina and the fact that Messrs. E. B. Hackburn and W. C. Willett have grown on their farm near this city fifteen bales of cotton averaging 440 pounds of lint to the bale on fourteen acres of land, goes to clinch the assertion.

Effects of Alcoholism.

At Centenary church last night Dr. Wilbur F. Crafts, of Washington, D. C. addressed a good sized audience, his subject being on prohibition, with his illustrations on the effects of alcoholism.

HALF STARVED ALMOST FROZEN

Captain and Crew Rescued Just In Time From Disabled Schooner "Eloise."

Baltimore, Jan. 8--Half starved, almost frozen, and exhausted by their struggle against the storm, Captain C. W. Harrison and his crew of three men were rescued by a passing schooner after they had lighted their last signal torch Saturday night and gave them selves up for lost on the disabled schooner Eloise, Baltimore bound, with a cargo from New Bern, N. C.

We have a few Cook Stoves on hand at your price--But they are not Bucks. J. S. Baanight Hdw. Co.

Hookworm Dispensary Opens. Craven County's Hookworm Dispensary was opened at the court house in this city yesterday morning. Dr. Stroussler of the Hookworm Commission, and a capable assistant are in charge of the work in this county.

CHRISTMAS AT SWANSBORO

The General Gives an Interesting Account of How The Holidays Were Observed.

Swansboro, Jan. 5.--We learn that the Goldsboro and Swansboro Railroad Co. is having a survey made for a road, the route to begin at Goldsboro, going via Seven Springs, Chinquapiu, Richlands and Jacksonville to Swansboro.

Mr. John A. Odum, living near Silverdale, shot at two men who said that they had come to whip him. The only damage, one got a few small shot in his leg, and the other lost his hat as they were fleeing.

Katie Bell, daughter of Rev. I. N. Henderson, of Hubert, and Mr. Borden Farnell were married on December 23d. The groom is a son of Mr. E. W. Farnell, of New River.

There was a big dance at Mr. Daniel Russell's on Bear Creek, Christmas night, given in honor of his brother, Mr. Nat Russell, of New Bern.

A Christmas party was given at Mr. David Winberry's on Bear Creek. Mr. Henry Odum, of Swansboro, and Mr. Andrew Odum, of South Carolina, being the guests of honor.

Mr. Stephen Winberry is building a new six room house. Look out girls, he will soon need a house keeper.

Noble Bell, Ramsey Noah and Leo Hataell came home from Winterville High School to spend Christmas.

Mr. B. F. Humphrey has returned from Miami, Fla. He will open up a meat market here.

Messrs Capias Bell and Alphonso Moore and Misses Maggie Moore and Mildred Glancey have returned from a visit with friends at Sueda Ferry.

Dan Ward and Dan Taylor went over in Carteret county to hunt bear and had a very exciting time. They found the bear all right, but it was a case of the hunters becoming the hunted. It is said that they sat up a tree and had no end of a time of being shot at and left. However, they brought back a gobbler and some small game.

Mr. W. A. Canady and Mr. Emory Rogers, with some other young men, went over on Brown Sound to Mr. Jno. Hurst's to finish up the Christmas festivities and had a very pleasant time. They went on a deer hunt under the guidance of Mr. Joseph Pollard, and captured a large buck.

Dr. W. H. Willis has just returned from a pleasant visit to Philadelphia.

A party of joy riders, Messrs R. E. Foy, Earl Bell and Norwood Barrus, of Pollockville, and Miss Hill and the Misses Focuse, of Mayaville, arrived New Year's day and spent a few hours here pleasantly.

Mr. Alex. Trot, of Depepe was visiting in this section last week.

Mr. David Sanders and wife of Wiggins, S. C. came to spend Christmas at their old home.

Our best wishes are for the Journal during 1912.

GENERAL

IN MEMORIAM

Died at his home at Cherry Point, Craven county, Eddie Davis Russell the ten year old son of Mr. and Mrs. George Russell.

He and his older brother were in the woods getting a load of straw, and had a gun with them when it accidently fired and the whole load entered his body near the heart.

He was a child that was loved by all who knew him for his sweet disposition. The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Russell have our deepest sympathy.

Dear Eddie from us is gone. His voice we loved is stilled. A place is vacant in our home, Which never can be filled.

SOUTHERN BANKS SHOW STRENGTH

In Greatly Increased Individual Deposits, 1,185 National Banks Organized.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 6th.--The annual report of the Comptroller of the currency, made public last Wednesday, shows the Southern States in an unusually favorable light, according to statements prepared by the Southern Commercial Congress.

While the average percentage of increase in individual deposits for the United States between June 30th 1910 and June 7th, 1911, was 4.07, the Southern States showed 15.62 as their percentage. The next nearest percentage was 5.35 in the Middle Western States. The Eastern States showed only 2.11. In deposits, banks in the Southern States have the highest percentage of increase, 10.22. The Eastern States come next with 9.16.

Comparing loans and discounts on the dates September 1st, 1911, and December 5th, 1911, all the banks in Southern States showed gains, while New York showed a heavy loss, in loans, in cash and in deposits. The highest percentage of increase in loans and discounts 6.96 per cent. was shown in the Southern States. The Middle West came next with 4.21.

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Farm For Rent.

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Serenade at Maysville.

Jan. 4--Tonight from 10 to 11:30 o'clock, at their home here, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. E. Weeks, were delightfully serenaded by the following gentlemen friends: Messrs Carl and Cyril Collins, Roy Hay, Harry Preston and Aubrey Collins. The serenaders were invited in and a general good time was enjoyed.

OPPOSE THE PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY

Seems Position Democratic National Committeemen. That Wilson Letter on Bryan.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 9th.--The text of a letter written by Woodrow Wilson in 1905, at that time president of Princeton University, to Adrian H. Joline, of New York city, was telegraphed from New York and handed about among the Democratic national committeemen at their meeting here last week. It read:

"Cannot we devise some dignified way of getting Mr. Bryan out of the Democratic party and getting rid of him for all time?"

This letter was written shortly after the defeat of Alton B. Parker for the presidency. This excerpt of Mr. Wilson's letter was variously discussed by the committeemen, nearly all of whom, to the number of fifty-two, are in town. They did not wish to speak of it in specific terms. When the excerpt was read to Chairman Norman E. Mack, of the National Committee, his only comment was:

"The National Committee is not here to select candidates for the presidency."

A number of Bryan men now on the ground declare that Colonel Bryan was made aware of Mr. Wilson's letter some time ago, and that at that time he remarked that it was a letter from a scholarly recluse, and should not be accepted seriously. There are other Bryan men here who doubt very much if Colonel Bryan ever saw this letter or even heard of its contents.

Just what effect Mr. Wilson's letter will have in determining the Bryan attitudes toward him in the Democratic national convention is a matter for future consideration, according to most of the national committeemen.

After consultation and interchange of views, the opinion was expressed that the national committee, at its meeting in this city, may adopt a resolution leaving the whole matter in the hands of the State committees. As a matter of fact, if such a resolution is adopted, it would be due to an effort to save the faces of the Bryan and Wilson men, for it is declared by those committed to speak that a vast majority of the committee are absolutely opposed to presidential preference primaries. They cost too much.

RUPTURE IN JACKSON DAY BANQUET

Leader Underwood Refuses to Attend. Democrats Greatly Disturbed.

Washington, Jan. 4th.--Democratic Leader Oscar W. Underwood's decision not to attend the Jackson Day banquet here next Monday night which became known immediately after the announcement that the managing committee had given to William Jennings Bryan, at his own request, the last place on the speaking program, threw Democrats in Congress into a flurry.

Mr. Underwood declared he would not attend the banquet because of his recent attack of threatened appendicitis. His physicians, he said, had ordered him to attend no banquets and particularly to make no speeches, nor do anything requiring unusual exertion.

"I will not have any speech" to be read at the dinner," added Mr. Underwood. "If I were there to make a speech I would desire to deliver it myself."

Nevertheless, the forecated absence of the majority leader of the House, from a national Democratic affair at which other leaders of the party and men who are mentioned as candidates for the Presidential nomination are to speak aroused discussion, particularly in connection with the so-called break between Bryan and Underwood.

Mr. Underwood's letter to the managing committee announcing that he would not attend was sent after it became known that Bryan was to speak last. The arrangement did not meet the approval of many leaders, but it will stand. Some of Mr. Underwood's friends pointed out that Mr. Bryan speaking last on the program, would be in a position of decided advantage to make declarations which would of necessity remain unanswered, and that such a contingency was to be avoided.

Others said that Mr. Underwood did not wish to enter an oratorical contest with Mr. Bryan.

The controversy between Mr. Bryan and Leader Underwood, which developed over the woolsen schedule, the secret caucus and other affairs, at the special session of Congress last year, was recently renewed when Mr. Bryan practically referred to Mr. Underwood as Wall Street's choice for the Democratic Presidential nomination.

Mr. Underwood never has denied that his political views differ much from Mr. Bryan's, but many of Mr. Underwood's friends recently have declared that he has no hesitancy to express himself concerning Mr. Bryan's position.

Notice--Watch This.

A brand spankling new 8 room house, toilet and bath, modern and up to date and an automobile house, all to rent or lease, at No. 22 New street. See Big Hill, the man who sells Shingles for less, and the only Shingle man. BIG HILL.

HAVELOCK NEWS.

Craven county, Jan. 4--Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Pate and little son Ardyce from Colleton, S. C. are visiting relatives in Durham this week.

Miss Hazel Rooks was among the visitors in New Bern Tuesday.

Messrs. R. O. Primrose and Richard Johnson from Dunn who have been spending a part of the holidays at Cherry Point returned home Friday afternoon.

Miss Sallie Russell spent Xmas in Beaufort. She returned home Thursday afternoon.

Mr. George Ballard from Duck Creek, has been spending a few days at Havelock visiting Mr. Earl Rooks.

Miss Sallie Russell was in New Bern Wednesday.

Mr. D. L. Taylor of Cherry Point, is very ill, we hope him a speedy recovery.

Mr. Roland Satterwhil from Colleton, S. C. was a visitor at Cherry Point Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Russell are spending a week at Cherry Point with relatives.

Mrs. Cora Satterwhil from New Bern spent Saturday night and Sunday with us.

COTTON MARKET WEEKLY REVIEW

Spot Interests Bought Heavily. Statistics at Present Bullish.

New York, January 6--Cotton advanced last week under the spur of heavy buying, by big spot interests despite the great strike in Lancashire. Also there has been a good deal of covering in shorts, not only because of the aggressive attitude of the prominent spot people but because of the increased activity and strength in Liverpool. This inspires many with the belief that the Lancashire strike, serious as it seems, is not likely to be of long duration. Liverpool spot sales on a number of days were 10,000 bales and Manchester has reported a good demand for cloths, however quiet might be its trade in yarns. There has been little disposition noticeable to press spot cotton for sale in the Atlantic markets, nor for that matter at the generality of Southern points.

Exports have been big, Augustburg, Pavia, reports the home trade as improving. Some big mills in Rhode Island have gone on a full time schedule after running only a short time for the year. Meantime, though, continent spinners have bought freely for some months past, even taking cotton to be delivered some years ahead, the Northern mills in this country and many of those in Great Britain are known to have bought as a rule on a very moderate, not to say scanty scale, and the inference is drawn that they are none too well supplied with raw cotton, even if indeed, their supplies are actually low.

On the other hand there is the Lancashire strike. Nobody knows how long it will last despite the efforts the officials of the British government are making to bring about a settlement. Rumors too, are to the effect that the ginning, despite the recent bad weather of the South, will turn larger than expected. One rumor put the total of the National Ginner's Association up to January 1st, at 14,850,000 bales. If that is so it is trading rather closely on the heels of the government crop estimate issued in December of 14,885,000 bales, with some months of ginning to hear from.

At times of late Wall Street houses, after buying freely, have been taking profits and selling by Liverpool, Memphis and New York traders as well. As it appears, some of the Waldorf-Astoria contingent has also been a note worthy factor in the trading. The New York stock is steadily increasing. But the buying of big spot interests, the large spinners takings for some weeks past, and a belief that Lancashire was too much at stake to permit the strike to continue long, inspires with a belief that cotton is destined to advance further. Former Waldorf-Astoria bears are believed at the close of the week, to have covered and taken the bull side on the idea that the decline has culminated. The weekly statistics are regarded as bullish.

One hundred employees of Pacific Mail Steamship Company were dismissed owing to the disclosure of a smuggling plot.

Rev. F. A. Bishop Dead.

News comes from Wilmington of the death there, Saturday morning, of Rev. F. A. Bishop.

The deceased had been in failing health for a long time and his demise was not unexpected. He was 62 years of age. Most of his life having been spent in the ministry of the gospel under the direction of the N. C. Conference of the M. E. Church.

He was at one time pastor of Centenary Church in this city, where he was greatly loved by his congregation. He was also Presiding Elder several times.

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