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## ONE FLAG OVER ALL

### National Grand Army Commander Urges Fellowship

### VETERANS ALL UNDER ONE FLAG

#### Gen. Samuel Van Sant at Encampment Makes Praise of Patriotism of Confederate Soldiers.

Atlantic City.—At the annual encampment of the National Grand Army of the Republic Samuel R. C. Van Sant, commander-in-chief, reflected the friendly feeling now existing between the sections that once waged war against each other, and in his address he took occasion to urge joint meetings of the "Blue and the Gray" and paid his respects to the honor and heroism of the men of the Confederate Army.

"In all cities, when possible," he said. "I urge joint meetings of the Blue and the Gray. We have many gatherings of this character, and he more loyal and patriotic sentiments were ever uttered than by the men who fought on the other side.

"Are you not pleased to learn that our comrades are living in peace and harmony with our life enemies? This is as it should be. Both armies were composed of brave men and they should and do mutually respect each other. We of the North can testify that no braver troops were ever marshaled for conflict than our late enemies—and we now realize that no men ever made greater sacrifices for what they believed to be right than our former foes.

"Comrades, we were the victors, and we can afford to be magnanimous to our old foes. It is easy for the victor to forget, but when the vanquished absolves himself from all bitterness he has truly gained the most cherished trait of a noble character. We won—they lost. We returned to our homes with the shouts of victory ringing in our ears—our cause triumphant. They were defeated, their cause lost, and they returned to homes destroyed, barns empty, money worthless, slaves free and ruin all about them. Any but a brave people would have yielded to these adverse conditions—not so with them. Bravely as they fought during the war, they now fought the battles of life, and the splendid growth and developments of the South since the close of the war is the South's grandest and most enduring monument. United as we are now, our country is destined to make a new era of progress.

### INFANTILE PARALYSIS SCARE.

#### New York State Quarantines Exposed Persons Twenty-one Days.

Albany, N. Y.—A systematic study of infantile paralysis in this State is being made by State Health Commissioner Portez. He has been watching the prevalence of the disease and he says he is fully satisfied that a number of cases exist in the State.

"While recent investigation," says a statement from the State Health Department, "establish beyond a reasonable doubt that this is a communicable disease, it has not as yet been positively determined by what means it is transmitted from one person to another. Recognizing, however, its accepted transmissibility, the State Health Department has put it on the list of quarantenable diseases and now requires it to be reported and quarantined for a period of 21 days."

### Hon. Tom Watson Again.

Atlanta.—To disregard the nomination of Hoke Smith for Governor on the ground that Democrats are not bound by the primary which chose him, because of the methods by which the primary was conducted, was the advice of Thomas E. Watson, once Populist candidate for the Presidency, in a speech at a mass meeting called by himself at a mass meeting here. He urged Democrats to vote for Governor Joseph M. Brown for another term.

### Louisiana to Fight Hookworm.

New Orleans.—As the result of an agreement with the State Board of Health reached some two months ago, Dr. Wickliffe Rose, of Washington, D. C., general agent of the Rockefeller hookworm commission, arrived here and will confer with the health officials relative to the appointment of an agent of the commission for Louisiana. According to the plans the State agent will appoint deputies throughout the various parishes. The commission will pay \$2,500 toward the State agent's salary.

## RAISE ALL PORK AT HOME

### As Long as Farmers Buy Western Meat, Cotton Will Not Bring Full Value.

Washington.—A bulletin, issued by the department of agriculture should be of particular interest to farmers in the South, in view of the unusually high prices commanded by meat at the present time. The bulletin is entitled "Feeding Hogs in the South," and while it gives some directions that are of more particular interest to those who are engaged in raising hogs, there is a great deal in the bulletin of interest to others.

It is pointed out in the course of the introduction that while meat can be produced more cheaply in the South than it can be bought and shipped into that section, yet the people continue to pursue the latter course. The relation of the business of raising home-grown meat to the business of raising cotton is discussed with much interest. The author of the bulletin, Prof. D. T. Gray, says in introducing his pamphlet:

"The Southern people are large meat consumers, but small meat producers. In fact, the South consumes more meat per capita than any other section of the country, but a large proportion of this meat is shipped into the South from other sections of the country. To give an instance, during the year 1907 there were 15,151 home-grown animals slaughtered in the city of Birmingham, Ala. (this includes cattle, veal, hogs, sheep and kids), while there were 36,097 live Western animals brought into the city and slaughtered. In addition to these Western live animals brought into the city, there were 5,781,470 pounds of fresh meat shipped in and sold, as well as thousands of pounds of Western cured meat. This means that more than a million dollars go out of the city of Birmingham alone each year into distant States for meats, and this money could all be kept at home if the Southern farmer would but produce the meat.

### RODE THE RAPIDS.

#### Daring Youth Goes Through Niagara Whirlpool in a Barrel.

Niagara Falls, N. Y.—Bobby Leach of Niagara Falls, Ont., made a trip through the whirlpool rapids in a barrel, starting from the old Maid of the Mist landing near the Cantilever bridge. Except for a few scratches and bruises Leach, who claims to have made the trip several times before, was unhurt.

Leach entered the rapids at 3:57 and went through them in three minutes, riding the tremendous waves smoothly.

The great wave caught the barrel and hurled it clear of the water but it righted itself nicely and went on to the whirlpool without mishap. Five times the barrel circled the pool, keeping to the outer edge, away from the vortex and was caught with a pole at 5:05.

The only one of the barrel navigators to be killed in the trip to the whirlpool was Maud Williard, who was floated in her barrel on September 7, 1901. She was in the whirlpool for five hours.

### Auto Accident Kills Four.

New Orleans.—All four occupants of a large touring car returning from a Lake Shore resort to New Orleans, were drowned when the car rounding a curve in the West End shell road, at a high rate of speed shot straight ahead and plunged into the new basin canal.

Although the bodies remained at the bottom of the canal but a few hours shrimps and crabs disfigured them to such an extent that they were barely recognizable.

### Bryan Bolts Democratic Nominee.

Lincoln, Neb.—In a statement in which he declares that the crusade which he feels impelled to wage against the liquor interests of the State and nation overshadows a personal and political friendship of 20 years, William J. Bryan announces that he has bolted the head of the Democratic State ticket in Nebraska and would not support James C. Dahlgren for governor because of his position taken by the Democratic nominee on the liquor question.

### Convict to Experiment With.

Muncie, Ind.—A chance for freedom for a life term convict in the Indiana State prison at Michigan City by braving a death of tuberculosis is the plan of Dr. O. L. Boor, of this city, seconded by Dr. W. E. Coover, State veterinarian, to determine if bovine tuberculosis can be contracted by human through drinking milk or eating meat of an infected cow. The plan is to give the convict his freedom if he should withstand the ordeal.

## R. R. MEN IN POLITICS

### Will Break Away From Old Partisanship Lines.

### QUESTIONS FOR LEGISLATORS.

#### Their Demands Will be Made at the Ballot Box—Favor Increased Freight Rates—3,000 Delegates.

New York.—For the first time in the history of railway unions, members and delegates representing 308,000 of the four great divisions of railway employes in the East voted unanimously at a meeting here to take concerted action in national and State politics.

"The proper place to settle questions affecting labor is at the ballot box," said Warren S. Stone of Cleveland, the grand chief of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. "This is not a political move at all, as is generally understood, but a move to get away from the old lines of partisan politics."

In pursuance of this plan, the meeting voted to send a series of eight questions to State and national candidates, particularly to candidates for the Legislature and House of Representatives, asking for a definition of attitude on the universal adoption of safety appliances and an employer's liability law—where such does not already exist—company pensions for superannuated employes, hours of labor and other matters of kindred interest.

There were 3,000 members and delegates at the meeting, representing the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Conductors. They met by announcement to define their attitude toward the application of railways, now before the Interstate Commerce Commission, for permission to increase rates, and, as had been expected, they passed resolutions favoring an increase.

### PENNSYLVANIA JUSTICE.

#### Negro Gets Two Years for Stealing Banana He Didn't Eat.

Media, Pa.—For stealing a banana off a huckster wagon Frank Pennewell, a Chester colored man, was sentenced by Judge Isaac Johnson to two years in the county jail at Media. It was rather an expensive banana for Frank, and besides he took it just for a joke, he says.

The banana was the property of Henry Tilden, a colored huckster, who also accused Pennewell of assault and battery. Pennewell pleaded guilty to stealing the banana, but denied the assault and was tried on the first charge.

One of the hard features about the affair is that Pennewell didn't even get to taste the banana and he will probably not have an opportunity to enjoy the tropical fruit for some time, as bananas are not on the menu card at the Media jail.

### Raising Work Begun on Maine.

Havana.—Forty-five divers under Chief Herdine McDurham, have begun work on the Maine. Several bodies have been found in the cabin, but remain untouched, following Captain Ferguson's orders.

The hull lies in mud six feet deep at the bow and six and one-half feet at the stern.

The Government Commissioners maintain a strict secrecy about all matters relating to the Maine.

### Life of Emperor Threatened.

Tokio.—A sensation was created by the publication of the alleged details of a plot among his own subjects to assassinate Emperor Mutsuhito.

The startling story appeared in the Honchi Shimbun, which states that the plotters, who are under arrest, certainly will be sentenced to death after trials before a special secret court. This is the first time in the history of the country that the life of the sovereign has been plotted against.

### Confederate Editor Dead.

New Orleans.—Capt. Augustus Duncan Battle, a Confederate veteran and a conspicuous figure in Louisiana during the reconstruction period, died at his home here aged 82. With Maj. H. J. Hearshey he established the Shreveport Times in 1871, and also served in an editorial capacity on other Southern papers. He was a native of Georgia. Five children survive, including Mrs. B. A. Holmes of Los Angeles, and Mrs. J. M. Beale of Panama.

## TRAGIC DEATHS IN WEST

### Second Headon Collision Within One Week Brings Number of Victims Up to Sixty.

Tipton, Ind.—Disobedience to orders by the crew of a freight car is said to have been the cause of the second interurban traction wreck within three days in Indiana. The disaster cost the lives of six persons, the serious injury of six more and severe hurts to a score.

A southbound freight car crashed head-on into a northbound passenger car on the Indianapolis and Peru division of the Indiana Union Traction Company two miles north of this city. The freight car was in charge of Motorman Lacey and Conductor Sebree. The dead: Dr. W. C. Holthouser, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Walter T. Holthouser, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Verbel Railsback, Hymenia, Ind.; Joseph Baker, motorman on limited car, Logansport, Ind.; Lewis Brook, Kokofa, Ind.; B. F. Welch, Marshall, Mich.

One of the sad features of the wreck is that of Dr. Holthouser of Brooklyn, N. Y., who with his brother, Walter H. Holthouser, who was also killed, was on his way to Kokomo, Ind., to be married to Miss Nellie Coxen, daughter of the secretary of the Great Western Pottery Company of Kokomo. The brother was to have been best man at the wedding. Miss Coxen was prostrated when she heard of the death of her fiancé.

"I guess we over-ran our orders," said Motorman Lacey of the freight car who, with Conductor Sebree, jumped when he saw the limited bearing down upon them.

On September 21st occurred the fatal wreck near Kingsland, Ind., on the Bluffton division of the Wabash Valley Traction Company which caused the death of forty-one persons, with three more still in the hospitals of Fort Wayne with barely a chance for recovery.

### "SILENCE" GIVEN AN OFFICER.

#### Wets Point Cadets Show Their Displeasure With Captain.

West Point, N. Y.—Near mutiny is rampant among the corps of cadets at the United States Military Academy. Twice administering the "silence" to Captain Edwin Landon an instructor, caused the trouble, the cadets have been under severe measures of discipline.

It appears that Captain Landon, stationed here since September 1 as a tactical officer, incurred the displeasure of the cadets in some manner and when he entered mess hall he was greeted with the indignity of the "silence." Immediately the offending cadets were ordered to their rooms supperless but despite their hunger the "silence" was repeated again at breakfast and once more the offender locked in their rooms after having been forced to march with arms five times around the barracks.

Because of the performance a hop which had been arranged was cancelled, greatly to the embarrassment of a number of young women who had come to the academy from New York, Albany, Poughkeepsie, Newburg, and elsewhere.

### Parents Scared in Washington.

Washington.—Five thousand children, it is said, are being held at home by parents who fear they might contract infantile paralysis by attendance at the Washington schools. An order has been passed by health officers barring from the schools for two weeks any children who have been exposed to the disease.

### Cow Presented to President.

Kenosha, Wis.—Pauline Wayne, the famous Holstein cow presented by Senator Isaac Stephenson of Wisconsin to President Taft, is still in her pasture here and will leave Kenosha in a few days for Washington. She will travel in state with a full coterie of attendants.

The cow is the most aristocratic member of the senator's famous herd, and she has a record of producing 27 pounds of butter in a single week.

### Death Rate in United States.

Washington.—The death rate in the United States in 1909 was fifteen in each one thousand according to a bulletin about to be issued by the census bureau. The figures cover only the cities and States having laws requiring the registration of deaths. These represent 55.3 per cent of the estimated total population.

In addition returns were received from 54 cities having local registration laws.

## FROM COUNTY TO COUNTY

### North Carolina News Prepared and Published For the Quick Perusal of Our Patrons.

### Methodists Building a Town.

At a recent meeting of the stockholders of the Methodist assembly grounds at Waynesville, a call of ten per cent of subscriptions was made in order to pay for work already done and to continue the work during the fall and winter.

Already the preliminary surveys have been completed and sites located for the principal streets and boulevards. In addition to that all the largest buildings, hotels, auditorium, lecture halls and school rooms have been planned and sites selected for them. The route of the electric car line around the lake has also been mapped out and its general route to Waynesville, two miles away. The erection of buildings, building of the dam and other operations will begin as soon as practicable. It is expected that a considerable showing will be made by next summer.

At the meeting of stockholders the other day the secretary, Mr. S. C. Satterthwait, reported that he had already received many applications to buy lots near the lake, and that property enough had been bought and laid off into lots to yield a revenue of \$900,000, and that every lot would find an anxious buyer.

The assembly is now successfully launched, and in two years' time there will be a magnificent little city built up just two miles from Waynesville and the two connected by an electric car line with cars running every fifteen minutes.

### Champion Corn Grower of World.

Governor Kitchin, a number of the State officers and Raleigh newspaper men went out to the farm of John F. Batts, thirteen miles from Raleigh, to see his phenomenal 40-acre field of corn. Batts is the young Wake farmer who grew 226-2-3 bushels of corn to the acre in a corn growing contest in which the Raleigh chamber of commerce was offering very valuable prizes. It is claimed that Batts holds the world's record in corn-growing. He believes that his yield this year for the 40 acres will average at least 100 bushels to the acre. The most intensive cultivation is being applied. The yield for this season is practically assured now. A 4-ear stalk shelled out two pounds of grain and a 7-ear stalk 23-4 pounds of grain.

### Watch Cotton Go Up!

Farmers are manifesting no great degree of readiness in reaching the market with their cotton, so pronounced being the signs of higher prices to come. The return of bull leaders to the market has tended to strengthen the tone of the market and it will not be surprising to see much higher prices prevailing in the course of the next few weeks.

### A Schooner Waterlogged.

The schooner Silver Spray, 162 tons, Capt. Thomas M. Calder, bound from Darien, Ga., to Milbridge, Me., with a cargo of lumber, was towed into Wilmington by the tug Blanche, waterlogged and her master ill with fever.

The schooner sprung a leak 100 miles south of Cape Fear bar, and, although the men were constantly at the pumps, she filled rapidly and lost part of her deck load. She drifted before the wind, reaching Shallotte, N. C., beach where she anchored and sent two men ashore, who secured assistance and the vessel was brought to Wilmington. The crew was exhausted. Capt. Calder was sent to the United States marine hospital.

### Ripped Open With a Knife.

Near Lenoir Boyd Eller and Tilford Pennel quarreled over the division of a small lot of fodder and Eller drew his knife and stabbed Pennel in the left breast below the heart and cut him open, leaving an ugly gash beginning in the left breast and extending across the abdomen and ending in the right groin, severing a rib and liver. Little hope is entertained for his recovery. Eller, his assailant, escaped.

### To Boom Western North Carolina.

As a result of a conference between the Southern Railway officials and Asheville business men: First, the Southern Railway Company will place a man in Western North Carolina with special reference to the growing and handling of fruit, especially apples. Second, the Southern Railway Company will, within a short while, place a special man in the field to secure immigrants for Western North Carolina from other sections.

## CORONER'S DECISION

### Holds Crippen for Wilful Murder of His Wife.

### IDENTIFICATION OF THE WOMAN

#### Verdict Declares That Cora Crippen Was Poisoned With Hyocin—Trial Will be Held Oct. 11.

London.—The coroner's jury brought in the verdict that Mrs. Cora Crippen, known on the stage as Belle Elmore, had been wilfully murdered by her husband, Dr. Hawley H. Crippen, an American dentist. After listening to the testimony which was presented and hearing the summing up of the case by Coroner Schroeder, who summarized the evidence pointing to the murder, the jury was left but little choice.

The verdict reached by the coroner's jury, which remained out one hour, was to the effect that the mutilated body found buried in the cellar of the Crippen home was that of Cora Crippen, who had been wilfully murdered by Dr. Crippen. The verdict added that the cause of death was poisoning by hyocin.

The inquest had been holding out longer than usual in order to give the police time to search for evidence. They are still hunting for a witness and expect to bring at trial more testimony tending to identify Belle Elmore's body, through the agency of a piece of flesh found to contain a seal.

The case will come up for trial at the next criminal session, which are scheduled for October 11, and probably will be called up about October 18.

In summing up the case the coroner said that the evidence presented concerning the identity of the buried body was unusually slim, but that there was little doubt that it was human. Although the physicians frankly said that they could not swear as to the sex, on anatomical grounds they agreed, the coroner declared, that all indications pointed to the mutilated flesh being that of a woman. He pointed out that Belle Elmore had completely disappeared and that body had been found in her husband's cellar.

Other evidence as to the identification of the body, the coroner contended, was the testimony given by several women that Belle Elmore bore a seal and that the doctors had reached the conclusion that a mark on a piece of skin had been a seal. He also spoke of finding hair, showing that it had been bleached, and drew attention to the finding of hyocin in the body and to the purchase of this drug by Dr. Crippen.

The coroner recalled to the jury the varying stories Dr. Crippen told after the disappearance of his wife and to his own disappearance with Miss Leneve.

As to Miss Leneve's position the coroner told the jurors it was no duty of theirs to consider the question of accessory after the fact.

### Young Lawyer Commits Suicide.

Lenoir, N. C.—Mr. E. B. Blackmore, a prominent young attorney of this place committed suicide in his room at the Waughton house by taking carbolic acid.

There is no reason assigned for the rash deed and a note was found on the table in his room that read, "Nobody to blame but myself. Lord have mercy on my poor soul. E. B. Blackmore."

Mr. Blackmore was in his 25th year. He had been in Lenoir about a year.

### Cigar People Can't Agree.

Tampa, Fla.—Following a conference between a committee for the cigar manufacturers and joint advisory committee of the cigar makers a statement was issued to the effect that the proposition made by the striking cigar makers, who had expressed their willingness to waive recognition of the union, but insisted on having a union collector on the floor, was not satisfactory. The manufacturers maintain that this is tantamount to a closed shop.

### 500 Clerks Still on Strike.

New Orleans.—Reports received from Shreveport, Vicksburg, Jackson, Meridian, Hattiesburg and other cities on the lines of the New Orleans & Northeastern, the Alabama & Vicksburg and the Vicksburg & Shreveport and Pacific Railroads indicate that the 500 or more who walked out are still on strike. The railroads are taking energetic steps to fill their places, and several batches of clerks have been sent out from New Orleans for this purpose.