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MONUMENT TO HEROES UNVEILED

NEW YORK REMEMBERS THE HEROES OF THE BATTLESHIP MAINE.

WAS IMPOSING CEREMONY

Impressive Ceremonies Mark Unveiling of Memorial Shaft at Entrance to Central Park.

New York.—In memory of the two hundred and sixty-seven officers and men who were lost with the battleship Maine in Havana harbor 15 years ago, the National Maine monument was dedicated here.

Noted citizens spoke words of praise for the dead heroes of the war with Spain and for those who live. Former President Taft, the secretary of the navy, the governors of Maine and New York, representatives of the Cuban republic and others took part in the exercises.

A military parade along Fifth avenue preceded the ceremonies at the monument. Headed by Rear Admiral Winslow, the grand marshal, 5,000 soldiers and sailors, including the veterans of two wars, marched through a lane formed by many thousands of holiday sightseers.

NATIONS FAVOR PEACE PLAN

Responses From Italy, Great Britain, Brazil, France and Other Countries.

Washington.—Secretary Bryan signified the day commemorative of the country's hero dead by announcing that eight nations have responded favorably to his peace plan, asking that suggestions be submitted in regard to details.

Secretary Bryan said that no nation to whom his peace plan was submitted had replied adversely, although some had asked more time.

To each of the governments expressing a willingness to enter into the agreement, a tentative statement has been submitted embodying details suggested by the president.

Thompson Minister to Colombia. Washington.—Thad A. Thompson, a wealthy and prominent business man of Austin, Texas, has been selected for United States minister to Colombia, to succeed James T. Dubois.

Cyclone in Virginia. Norfolk, Va.—Accompanied by rain and hail, a cyclonic-like wind storm passed over this section and a number of lives are reported lost.

New Grave for Barbara Fritchbie. Frederick, Md.—The body of Barbara Fritchbie, heroine of Whittier's poem, and that of her husband, John C. Fritchbie, which were recently disinterred from the old Reformed Congregational cemetery here, were deposited in the new mausoleum in Mt. Olivet cemetery.

ROOSEVELT LEAVING COURTHOUSE



Our photograph shows Colonel Roosevelt and friends leaving the courthouse at Marquette, where his libel case against Editor Newett of Ishpeming is being heard.

DEATH BLOW TO MONOPOLY WAR YARNS ARE DENIED

HELD THAT OWNERS OF PATENTS CANNOT CONTROL THE PRICES AT WHICH RETAILERS SELL.

U. S. Supreme Court Declares Retailers Have Right to Cut Prices on Patented Articles.

Washington.—The so-called "patent monopoly" which threatened to prevent out rates by retailers in all patented articles on the market was destroyed by a decision of the supreme court of the United States.

The court held that the owners of patents are not given the right by the patent law to control the price at which retailers must sell to the consumers. The decision in words applied only to a nerve tonic, for which a patent has been issued, but will control all patented articles being sold under restrictions not to resell at out rates.

The court reversed the policy adopted in the famous "mimeograph case," decided a little over a year ago, when only seven justices were on the bench, but allowed that case to stand so far as it goes.

Patents Metal Soldier. Copenhagen.—The dream of a Danish engineer named Aesen of seeing the next war waged by automatons in place of soldiers has developed into the patenting of an invention which, it is said, would revolutionize defensive tactics.

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TO REMOVE LEE'S REMAINS. Bones of "Light Horse Harry" to Be Taken From Georgia.

Roanoke, Va.—A committee of the Virginia legislature went to Georgia for the purpose of bringing to the state the remains of General Henry Lee, better known as "Light Horse Harry Lee" the father of General Robert E. Lee.

General Lee died at Savannah on his return journey from Cuba, where he had been on account of his health. He was buried on Cumberland Island, near that city, and his grave has since been cared for by the Georgia chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

No Courts at All, Says Justice. Washington.—The practice of judges sitting in federal courts of appeals, even with the consent of the parties, to review, with other judges, cases they have decided in the district courts was given a death blow by the supreme court declaring the judgment of such a court void. Chief Justice White said the court of appeals so composed were no courts at all under the statutes.

Grasshopper Army Advancing. Ambrillo, Texas.—Traveling northward a column of grasshoppers 5 miles wide and 15 miles long is reported in northeastern New Mexico. Reports that the millions of grasshoppers seem to spread as they travel and give the appearance of smaller bodies of grasshoppers in sections of west Texas have caused fear of a general grasshopper pest in the southwest.

GENERAL YOUNG IS HEAD OF VETERANS

COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF AND HIS THREE DEPARTMENTAL OFFICERS ARE RE-ELECTED.

MEET IN JACKSONVILLE NEXT

Virginia Reel, Followed by Turkey Trot, at Elaborate Ball Given for the Old Soldiers.

Chattanooga, Tenn.—Jacksonville, Fla., was awarded the honor of entertaining the Twenty-fourth annual United Confederate Reunion, and Commander-in-Chief General Bennett H. Young of Louisville, Ky., with his three departmental commanders, were re-elected at the last important business session of veterans during the present reunion here.

The next reunion went to Jacksonville after more than an hour's deliberation, in which the hospitality and fame of that city, Nashville, Tenn., Houston, Texas, and Tulsa, Okla., had been proclaimed by eloquent orators.

Departmental officers who again will serve under the command of General Young, are Lieutenant General Theodore S. Garnett of Norfolk, commander of the army of North Virginia; Lieutenant General George P. Harrison of Opelika, Ala., commander of the army of Tennessee, and Lieutenant General K. M. Vansandt, of Fort Worth, Texas, commander of the Trans-Mississippi department.

Other features of the reunion program were the impressive ceremonies attendant upon the dedication of handsome monuments at Chickamauga Park by delegations from Florida and Alabama, and the parade of the Sons of Confederate Veterans. A joint memorial service in honor of the Confederate dead also was held in the auditorium, at which representatives from the veterans and all other organizations attending the reunion took part.

BALKAN ALLIES MAY FIGHT

Military Circles in Sofia Expect Almost Immediate Outbreak.

Sofia, Bulgaria.—Military circles of the Bulgarian capital expect an almost immediate outbreak of hostilities between Bulgaria and Serbia.

Vienna.—Bulgaria has addressed a note to the powers offering to submit to their decision the question of the future of Saloniki, according to the Reichspost.

Saloniki.—Severe tension continues between the Greek and Bulgarian armies facing each other north of Saloniki. Shots were exchanged. The Greeks accuse the Bulgarians as aggressors.

In spite of the declaration made at Sofia that the Bulgarian troops have been ordered to observe a moderate attitude and to avoid conflicts with the Greeks, the Bulgarian commanders apparently are preparing to attack Eleftheria, with a view to gaining complete occupation of the dominant position of Mt. Panthion. They have already placed guns on the hill crests southeast of Prava, commanding Eleftheria. The Bulgarian troops have also occupied the heights overlooking Bujkuti, south of Lake Dolran, and the town of the same name occupied by the Greeks.

Stilwell Sentenced to Four Years. New York.—Former State Senator Stephen K. Stilwell, convicted of bribery by a jury, after he had been exonerated by the New York state senate, was sentenced to serve not less than four years nor more than eight in Sing Sing prison. Supreme Court Justice Seabury granted a stay of execution, so Stilwell's lawyers might apply for a certificate of reasonable doubt. Stilwell, state senator from the Bronx, was convicted of attempting to obtain \$3,500 from George H. Kendall, president of the New York Bank Note company.

Hanged Himself in Orchard. Roanoke, Va.—W. J. Miller, 60 years old, whose home is near Bedford, Va., committed suicide at six o'clock in the morning by hanging himself to a tree in his orchard. His body was found by members of his family before life was extinct, and although he lived for fifteen minutes after being cut down, never regained consciousness. Miller's destruction was deliberate. He climbed to the topmost branches of the tree, tied the rope securely and jumped. He died from strangulation.

Hereschoff to Build Another Defender. Bristol, R. I.—"Nat" Hereshoff, designer of many successful defenders of the American cup, probably will build a candidate for the defense of the cup next year against Sir Thomas Lipton. A syndicate, made up of Commodore Cornelius Vanderbilt, C. Oliver Latta and other club members of the New York Yacht club, will furnish the funds. That Mr. Hereshoff has expressed a willingness to accept a commission from the syndicate was learned on his return from New York after a long conference.

NEWS OF NORTH CAROLINA

Latest News of General Interest That Has Been Collected From Many Towns and Counties.

Raleigh.—The commencement address by Dr. J. Herman Randall, New York, and the presentation of the diplomas to the graduates marked the close of the Meredith College commencement season several days ago. Twenty-one young ladies received diplomas.

Asheville.—Some of the noted automobile driver of the south will be seen in action here July 4, if plans being made by Asheville motorists materialize. The plans being considered embrace either a first-class road race of five or ten miles, or a hill climb that will test the stability of every car entered, as well as the ingenuity of the driver.

Dunn.—The party of surveyors who have been working on the extension of the Durham & Southern into Sampson, have finished their work and will disband and go to the Western part of the state. It is not known just where this road is going; lines have been surveyed to Clinton by several routes, but as usual the public is in the dark.

Washington.—Maj. E. J. Hale of Fayetteville was recently endorsed by a formidable delegation, who appeared before President Wilson to urge his appointment as Ambassador to France. Mr. Bryan, Secretary of State, headed the delegation, which included Senator Overman, accompanied by Bacon of Georgia and Ransdell of Louisiana.

Gallabury.—Heavy rains interfered somewhat with the first day's canvass for memberships to the Salisbury Library Association, but the undertaking is a great success so far. Securing the lists after the rain the canvassers covered the city with a determination to secure 300 members for the organization and in this well nigh succeeded.

Statesville.—News of the robbery of three stores in Yadkin county has come to Statesville. At one or more places the store safe was battered open in the same manner that the safe of Stimpson & Steele was opened at Turnerburg, and this leads to the conclusion that all the robberies were by the same gang.

Charlotte.—The handsome new concrete bridge that has been under construction over Paw Creek on the Paw Creek road, about eight miles from the city, since last October is nearing completion and County Engineer Stowe states that the finishing touches will likely be added within two weeks.

Davidson.—In exercises as simple as ever attended an event of such far-reaching importance and yet withal as profoundly impressive as deepest sincerity could make them, Dr. William Joseph Martin, for the past year the president de facto of Davidson College, was formally inaugurated into office and declared to be its executive head.

Duke.—Duke is soon to have a modern hospital, the Erwin Cotton Mills Company providing the needed institution. A part of the furniture and fixtures has already been received and as soon as the remainder comes the hospital will be opened. Miss Elizabeth and Dr. W. P. Holt will be the physician in charge.

Henderson.—Following the blowing down by storm of the tent of the Wild West show here recently, which resulted in the death of Robert Davis, a Vance county farmer, and injury to others, the town authorities served attachment papers on the circus people and required bond, T. H. Hicks and J. C. Kirtrell, attorneys acting for the city. It is understood that the managers are willing to pay \$1,000 and compromise.

Siler City.—Siler City claims to have raised the largest amount in cash for carrying on the fight for just freight rates in North Carolina, in proportion to her population and wealth. Some days ago an organization was formed with J. C. Gregson, president and V. M. Dorsett, secretary and treasurer. They at once saw the business men of the town and explained that it was necessary, in order to carry on this fight, to have some money, and raised \$38.50.

Raleigh.—Pursuant to resolutions adopted at the last meeting of the Raleigh Chamber of Commerce, President Albert L. Cox has appointed several committees to take charge of various propositions that the chamber now has under consideration.

Raleigh.—The fire at Biltmore several days ago that burned a barn and several fine horses on the Vanderbilt estate is being investigated by Deputy Insurance Commissioner F. M. Jordan. There are strong indications of incendiarism it is said. This is the second barn that has been burned on this site in two years.

Raleigh.—After pleading guilty to larceny in the Superior Court, Charles Moore, of Carlos, in the confusion incident to the adjournment of court, walked quietly down stairs and disappeared. He has not been apprehended at last report.

Causton.—At the regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen, the election of town officials was continued, J. K. Downs being elected to the position of night policeman to succeed Harley Wells. There were several other applicants for this position and interest in the selection of the officer to succeed Mr. Wells was intense.

BURLESON SHOWS UP PREDECESSOR

REPORT SAYS HITCHCOCK NEVER DID HAVE SURPLUS AS HE CLAIMED.

ECONOMY WAS FALSE ONE

The Present Secretary Says That The Postoffice Department Actually Had Deficit of More Than \$75,000.—Postmaster General Issues Report.

Washington.—Postmaster General Burleson made public the report of a special investigation into fiscal affairs of the postal service, charging that during former Postmaster General Hitchcock's administration, the service did not become self-supporting, as was often asserted, but that in 1911 there actually was a deficit of more than \$750,000.

The report charges that "an unjustifiable surplus was attained by inefficient methods of book-keeping" and that the efficiency and morals of the postal service were "sacrificed to a ruthlessly-enforced policy of false economy," that a showing of self-maintenance might be made. The report attributes to that alleged condition complaints against the service.

Mr. Hitchcock, during his administration and in his reports, claimed that in the year 1909 a deficit of approximately \$17,500,000 had entirely been eliminated and that in the fiscal year 1911 a surplus of more than \$200,000 was attained.

The report of the "survey" made at the direction of Mr. Burleson says that at no time has there been a legitimate surplus in postal revenues since 1883 and that the postoffice department under Mr. Hitchcock's administration in 1911 actually was under a deficit of more than \$750,000. In that connection the report says:

"It is pointed out by the committee that the published financial report of the department states the revenues and the cost of the service on a disimular, and therefore incomparable, basis. Revenues of the postal service are almost entirely collected in cash and consequently relate properly to the fiscal year for which the report is made. But the committee finds it has been the practice to compare these only with payments actually made during the fiscal year, regardless of obligations incurred in that year but not to be paid until succeeding years."

Committee Organization.

Washington.—Committee organization in the house practically was completed when the Democratic majority of the ways and means committee met and approved the assignments proposed by the Republican and Progressive leaders. The full list will be presented to the Democratic caucus Monday for ratification. The Republicans were in session just ten minutes. Representative Mann, referring to the outlook for the extra session, said the general understanding was that the Democrats were going ahead with the currency legislation as soon as they finished with the tariff.

Have Signed General Treaty.

Washington.—Secretary Bryan and Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, the British ambassador signed a renewal for five years of the general arbitration treaty between the United States and Great Britain, which expires by limitation on June 4. The treaty provides for arbitration by the Hague court of any differences of a legal nature not affecting "the vital interests, the independence or the honor of the two contracting states," and which do not concern interests of third parties.

Diaz Coming to Mexico.

Paris.—According to a dispatch from Coruna, Spain, General Porfirio Diaz is proceeding to Mexico aboard the French line steamer Espagne. The Mexican consul at Coruna, is understood to have received letters addressed to the former president aboard the steamer.

Letter to Bryan's Reply.

Washington.—Japan's rejoinder to Secretary Bryan's reply to the Japanese protest against the California alien land legislation will be submitted to the state department within a few days according to present plans. This was made known without suggestion as to probable contents. Notwithstanding pressure from certain quarters, however, it is regarded as doubtful that the Japanese embassy has concluded to turn to a request for amendment of the American naturalization laws as a solution.

Colonel Accepts Nominal Damages.

Marquette, Mich.—Col. Theodore Roosevelt won his libel suit against George L. Newett, who charged the colonel with drunkenness and wasted damages after the defendant had entered a retraction. The jury awarded the nominal damages of six cents provided in such cases by the laws of Michigan. Judge Flanders instructed the jury to return a verdict for the plaintiff, with only 25¢ without leaving the seat. The colonel, by Col. and the East, won the suit.