

NEGRO SOLDIER SHOTS CAPTAIN

Macklin, of Notorious Twenty-fifth, Receives Two Bullets.

BOTH WOUNDS DANGEROUS

Officer Awaiting Court-Martial for Neglecting Duty at Brownsville Incurs Negro's Hatred. Bloodhounds in Pursuit.

EL RENO, Okla., Dec. 21.—Captain Edgar B. Macklin, of Company C, Twenty-fifth United States Infantry, was shot twice and dangerously wounded tonight by a negro, and belief is expressed here that it was one of the members of the troop discharged by President Roosevelt for participation in the Brownsville riots. Bloodhounds will be brought here from Oklahoma City to track the would-be assassin.

The shooting occurred at the officer's quarters at Fort Reno. Captain Macklin and his wife were seated at the dinner table when someone tried to gain entrance at the front door. Captain Macklin asked: "Who is there?" The reply came: "I have a message for you."

"Come around to the back door," said Captain Macklin. A negro part of his face covered by a mask, entered with the command: "Throw up your hands and give me all the money you've got."

Without giving Captain Macklin time to reply he fired twice, then fled into the darkness. One bullet entered Captain Macklin's abdomen, the second struck him in the jaw. The surgeon says that while his wounds are dangerous they are not necessarily fatal.

On December 14 the Secretary of War, upon recommendation of the General Staff, ordered the trial by court-martial of Captain Macklin under the 62d article of war for "conduct to the prejudice of good order and discipline in the exercise due diligence in preventing the occurrence of rioting at Brownsville last August."

SUFFRAGE BILL IS PASSED

Austrian Upper House Grants Every Man a Vote.

VIENNA, Dec. 21.—The universal suffrage bill passed the upper house by a large majority today after a remarkable sitting of that chamber, which lasted from 11 o'clock this morning until 10:29 o'clock today. One of the members voted for the principle of plural franchise.

This principle was combated with energy by Baron von Spreti, the Austrian Premier who made an eloquent plea for universal suffrage on the ground that the failure to grant it would be followed by consequences most serious to Austria.

TIE UP SERVICE IN RED TAPE

Austrian Post Employees Strike by Strictly Obeying Rules.

VIENNA, Dec. 21.—A "passive resistance" strike, involving all the postoffice employees, today has been against the conditions under which employees are compelled to labor.

The "passive resistance" simply consisted of abstaining from the duties of the antiquated regulations, which are quite inapplicable to modern requirements. The employees are thus enabled to paralyze the postal service without contravention of the rules. Negotiations are expected to be resumed with the view of arranging a compromise. The men have been agitating for years with the object of securing an increase of pay, which begins at about 45 cents per day and rises to a maximum of 90 cents after 40 or 50 years' service.

According to the late reports the postal strike is a failure. The leaders, foreseeing no hope of success, are said to have abandoned the movement.

Austrian Peers Guard Rights.

VIENNA, Dec. 21.—The upper house of Parliament today adopted a bill limiting to 150 the number of life members of that house appointable by the crown. The passage of the bill does away with the possibility of the appointment of an unlimited number of peers to secure the passage of the universal suffrage bill. At a conference December 19 among the various groups in the upper house, it was decided to drop the demand for a clause in the universal suffrage bill calling for a plural franchise and, as a result of the concession on the part of the government to limit the number of life members to 150.

King Prorogues Parliament.

LONDON, Dec. 21.—The King's message proroguing Parliament was read in the House of Lords this afternoon before the members of both houses.

Dealing with the legislative enactments of the House of Commons, the message expressed regret at the unsettled difficulties surrounding the education question.

After the reading of the King's message, the members of both Houses of Parliament separated until February 2.

King Oscar's Heart Stronger.

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 21.—The bulletin issued by King Oscar's physicians this morning was as follows: "The King had sufficient sleep during the night. His temperature was 98.3 yesterday evening and is the same this morning. His heart's action is somewhat stronger. Otherwise his condition is unchanged."

Vesuvius Loses More Crater.

NAPLES, Dec. 21.—Another portion of the crater of Mount Vesuvius fell in today, and within the last two days the rim of the crater has been lowered about 50 feet. The rain of ashes which began yesterday continues over all the villages at the foot of the mountain.

Convention Adjourns With Song.

GUTHRIE, Okla., Dec. 21.—With everyone on the floor and in the galleries on his feet and singing "God Be With You Till We Meet Again," the Constitutional Convention today concluded the labors of the first half of the session and adjourned to meet January 2.

Opens Nan Ning to Foreign Trade.

PEKIN, Dec. 21.—The City of Nan Ning, on the West River, is to be opened to foreign trade in January. The decree opening Nan Ning was issued in 1899, but it was never made operative.

QUIETS JONES' ALARM.

Forest Service Explains Purpose of Kettle River Reserve.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Dec. 21.—Representative Jones today filed with the Forest Service numerous protests against the creation of a forest reserve to include part of the north half of the former Colville Indian reservation, settlers fearing the reserve would cut off their lumber supply. The Forest Service assured Mr. Jones that there will be no interference whatever with legitimate use of timber, but that the reserve will protect settlers against monopoly by a timber company.

The principal object of creating this reserve is to protect the watershed of the Kettle River range, where the streams will soon be entirely utilized for irrigation purposes. Agricultural land within the proposed reserve will remain open to settlement.

Most of the proposed reserve is rough, mountainous country, covered with merchantable timber, but a small area has been found suitable for ranching purposes.

Should Improve Upper Columbia. OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Dec. 21.—Senator Ankerberg today called on the river and harbor board of the War Department and urged it to recommend an immediate appropriation of \$50,000 for continuing the improvement of the Columbia River above Celilo Falls, particularly that stretch of river penetrating the wheat belt of Eastern Washington. The senator feels satisfied that if the board will recommend this appropriation the money can be secured in the river and harbor bill this session.

Recover Stein's Jewels. New York Police Capture Two Crooks From Chicago.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Dec. 21.—Boarding an eastbound train on the New York Central Railroad at 1:30 o'clock this morning, the police found and seized the diamonds and jewelry alleged to have been stolen from the residence of C. V. Stein in Chicago by two of the family servants, Frank Halberg and Willie The Halbergs, who were arrested at Syracuse. The Halbergs were taken to the police station where the train reached Utica.

Man Has Many Diamonds—Woman Begs for Forgiveness. UPTON, N. Y., Dec. 21.—A man who gave his name as Frank Niedzielski and a woman who claims the name of Madeleine Kroeger were arrested on a train arriving here this morning on the charge of having robbed C. V. Stein, of Chicago. The man had from \$750 to \$10,000 worth of diamonds and jewelry in his possession. The prisoner said all the articles belonged to his companion, who, he asserted, was a woman he met in the old country and with whom he has been living about a year.

The woman has wept constantly since her arrest and today wrote a letter to Mrs. Stein in Chicago asking her forgiveness.

WHO FIRED THOSE SHOTS?

General Duvall Orders Inquiry Into Fort Barrancas Fracas.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—As the result of the demand of Secretary Taft for the report of the facts connected with the fracas at Fort Barrancas, Fla., today the report being made by armed soldiers from Fort Barrancas, Fla., on a trolley-car on the line between Pensacola and the fort, in revenge for the alleged attack being made from the car, Brigadier-General Duvall, commanding the Department of the Gulf, telegraphed a report to the military secretary today, the report being made by Colonel Stewart, commanding officer at Fort Barrancas.

He said that there had been trouble on a car between soldiers of the department between Pensacola and Barrancas on the night of the 17th. It appears to have been, he said, an ordinary payday disturbance, but as far as ascertained, no enlisted men had a revolver on the car and no damage was done. The conductor told the Adjutant that three shots were fired by persons from ambush on the night of the 17th, which he thought were fired by soldiers.

Colonel Stewart says he has not established the fact of any firing by enlisted men of this command, and a board of officers is now investigating the matter.

General Duvall says the reports thus far are not satisfactory to him, and he will send the Judge-Advocate of the department to make an independent investigation.

LEFT ALL TO ROOSEVELT

Mrs. Grover's Angora Cats Sent to White House.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Before Mrs. Luther B. Grover committed suicide by taking poison in her home here on December 19, she expressed the wish that the President should receive her personal property. She added the hope that Mr. Roosevelt would order the disposal of her cats to the White House.

Although the President had never known the woman, her wishes have been respected. Acting upon his order, United States District Attorney Henry Stimson, in conjunction with the public administrator, personally supervised the removal of the cats and forwarded the two pet Angora cats to the White House.

Little was known of Mrs. Grover further than that she described herself as a massaging writer, was of independent means and an admirer of the public career of Mr. Roosevelt.

SENATOR CAFFERY DYING

Aged Louisiana Statesman Suddenly Becomes Unconscious.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 21.—Donaldson Caffery, ex-United States Senator from Louisiana, became suddenly unconscious while at a hotel here tonight and his physicians say that he is dying. He is suffering from acute kidney trouble.

In 1900 Mr. Caffery was nominated for the Vice-Presidency by the Gold Democrats, and in the Confederate Army during the Civil War.

The Right Kind of a Friend. Advice is cheap; almost anyone is willing to give it gratis, but when a man backs it up with hard-earned dollars then you may count him as a real friend.

Lucy Suddeth, of Lenoir, N. C., had been troubled with a very bad cough for over a year. She says: "A friend told me as I had tried several cough medicines and none of them did me any good, and had no faith in it, did not buy any, and went on coughing. Later on my friend brought a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and insisted that I should take it. I did so and to my surprise it helped me. Four bottles cured me of my cough." For sale by all druggists.

AN APPROVED STYLE

Annapolis College Boys Hang Brutal Negro.

UNDER GOVERNOR'S NOSE

Assault of White Woman Taken From Sheriff, Beaten, Kicked, Hanged and Shot After Confessing His Crime.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Dec. 21.—A mob numbering 25 or 30 men broke down the door of the Annapolis jail at an early hour today, took out Henry Davis, the negro who last Friday criminally assaulted Mrs. John Reid (white) near Iglehart's Station, and lynched him. Davis, who also was known by the name of Chambers, confessed his guilt before being put to death. Little or no resistance was offered to the mob by the officers at the jail, and none whatever by the prisoner.

The negro was dragged by the mob from the jail to a vacant lot on College Creek, a quarter of a mile distant, where he was strung up to a limb of a tree and a half dozen bullets fired into him. He is thought to have died instantly. As the body was being let down some one cried out: "Another white woman is being!"

On the way to the place of execution members of the lynching party kicked and cuffed Davis whenever opportunity was offered. His body was left lying under the tree which had served as the gallows.

Mob Gathers in College. The prison from which Davis was taken is 160 years old. It is situated in Calvert street and is 500 feet long and 100 feet wide. It was the executive mansion of the Governor.

The lynching party used Senior Hall of St. John's College for its assembling place. This fact is taken to indicate that most of the men connected with the affair were Annapolitans and did not come from Iglehart's Station, where Mrs. Reid lives. As early as 11 o'clock, it appears, the mob began to collect on St. John's campus. Some time after 12 the crowd entered the lower floor of Senior Hall where its members proceeded to blacken their faces and some of them donned masks.

They were quiet in their movements, but some of the students were awakened. The college authorities strongly denied today that any of the students were implicated in the lynching.

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H. D. Wilson, manager of the Transportation Department of the Kansas City Board of Trade, said that Kansas City grain men feared a penalty upon the railroads for something they cannot avoid under present conditions. Mr. Low promised speedy relief to the grain and millmen of Oklahoma and Indian Territory.

"In your opinion, has the car shortage had any effect upon the price of grain to the people?" asked Mr. Prouty. "I think it has," replied Mr. Wilson.

High-Class Freight Preferred. Mr. Wilson said that the claim of the railroads that grain men did not unload the cars promptly did not apply to Kansas City grain men, as the cars that arrived here were released without delay. The witness presented data to show that the receipts of grain at Kansas City had decreased \$750 cars in 11 months and despite this it was harder now to get cars than formerly. Mr. Wilson said there were two reasons for the present conditions— inability on the part of the railroads to keep the rolling stock in shape and the train tonnage system. He said he believed there should be some way to prevent the discrimination of the railroads against the "second class" shippers, as the shipper of grain and hay is known. "The shipper of 'high-class freight,'" he said, "has always been given the first call on cars, while the grain, coal and cattle men have to wait."

Mr. Wilson asserted that if there was a free interchange between the railroads, it would lessen the car shortage. He believed that the shortage of cars had produced material damage to shippers.

Grain Rots on the Ground. R. C. Crosswhite, an elevator man of Enid, Okla., said with an elevator full of roaded at the Saltion Basin. His firm was forced to buy grain upon the tracks at high rates in order to get cars. He said that the farmers of Oklahoma had been unable to sell their grain and had lost heavily. For want of cars the farmers had piled their grain on the ground where it had rotted.

Mr. Prouty left for Washington tonight. The report of his investigations in the West will be incorporated in a general report of freight conditions in the United States to be submitted to President Roosevelt and Congress.

YEAR'S EARNINGS \$105,639,549 Southern Pacific Has Surplus of Over \$11,000,000 in 1906.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—The annual report of the Southern Pacific Railroad for the year ending June 30, made public today, shows gross earnings of \$105,639,549, an increase of \$10,117,283 over the earnings of 1905. The net earnings were \$35,407,530, an increase of \$5,000,000.

The surplus for the year after payment of fixed charges and dividends, writing off \$378,684 for losses by the San Francisco fire and surveys, was \$11,118,528, an increase of \$2,364,077. The maintenance of way cost was \$10,117,283, an increase of \$1,000,000, which increase, the report says, was due mainly to a charge of \$1,000,000 as a reserve for future maintenance, etc., and of \$378,684 in making repairs and changes of roadbed at the Saltion Basin.

The cost of maintenance of equipment was \$14,226,111, an increase of \$1,396,373, which the report says is due to the much greater charge this year over last for equipment destroyed, combined or sold.

REMEDIES NAMED IN CHICAGO Witnesses Tell Commission How to Cure Shortage.

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—United States Interstate Commerce Commissioners Harlan and Lane concluded their inquiry here into the cause of car shortage today, and left for Washington.

The remedies suggested by witnesses for the relief of the car situation were, in effect, as follows: The establishment of a car clearing-house with every railroad in the country a member, so that a freight car would be at home at any time and available for use whenever unloaded.

It is understood that Mr. Bryce's appointment will not take effect until the reassembling of Parliament in February.

Adoption of a reciprocal demurrage law, requiring railroads to pay a penalty for failure to furnish cars to shippers within a reasonable time from the date they are ordered.

Reduction of the free time allowed shippers to unload cars.

Construction of new terminal facilities by both railroads and shippers in thickly populated districts.

FARMERS SEIZE NEEDED COAL Oklahomans Made Desperate by Famine—Schools Are Closed.

GUTHRIE, Okla., Dec. 21.—A special to the State Capital from Shattuck says that 700 tons of coal were confiscated there last night from a Santa Fe freight train by a band of farmers made desperate by the unrelieved fuel famine. The farmers were orderly and no resistance was made by the trainmen.

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