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CAROLINA MOVES ON

STATE COURTS CONTINUE TO INDICT RAILWAY PEOPLE.

Assistant Attorney General Sanford Turns His Face Homeward and Will Report to Washington His Inability to Pacify North Carolina Officials.

Assistant United States Attorney General Sanford spent part of Friday in conference with railroad officials and with Judge Pritchard at Asheville, N. C. He will report to Washington that his efforts to restore peace was fruitless.

Judge Lyon, of the superior court, is holding the grand jury in session at Marion, and it is stated it has reported a true bill against the ticket agent at Marion.

It is reported the grand jury returned an indictment against the railroad at Old Fort also. The places being in McDowell county, all preparations were made for the issuance of writs of habeas corpus.

Several superior court judges have ignored the subject of a conflict between the federal and state courts, and Judge Moore advised against further indictments of ticket agents. Judge Lyon, however, declared the ticket agents were violating a criminal statute and should be indicted "like a pig or a horse thief."

Officials of the Southern railway here contend that the governor's demand that they should put the 24-cent rate into effect at once involves the company's surrender. It also involves, they assert, the surrender by the United States court of the protection of the interloutory injunction, which means that the governor of a state can control the limit of the processes of a United States court and that the governor can dictate to litigants in the United States courts the measure of relief which they have the right to apply for. This, they say, is a limitation by order of the governor of their constitutional rights.

JAPAN'S NAVAL PLANS.

Not Changed by Developments of Past Few Weeks.

Gil Blas, of Paris, published Friday an interview with Vice Admiral Ihara, commander of the Japanese squadron now at Brest, on the Japanese navy.

Asked if Japan had not decided, in view of the recent happenings, to enlarge her program in naval construction, the vice admiral replied:

"We have a naval program for several years ahead, and we shall execute it punctually and righteously, as do the great nations of Europe. But this program has not been enlarged of recent months, and it stands as it did when originated by the admiralty last year."

The vice admiral said it was inexact to declare the Japanese navy would be used for increase of naval power, and explained that this money would be devoted to the construction of railroads and other communication in Manchuria.

TO PROSECUTE THE MAGILLS.

\$4,000 is Raised by Popular Subscription.

The approaching arrival in Clinton, Ill., of Fred H. Magill and bride, Fay Magill, arrested in California charged with the murder of Magill's first wife has aroused the citizens of the town to such an extent that within six hours \$4,000 was raised to aid in their prosecution.

The subscribers to the fund are pledged to secrecy, because none of them cares to incur the enmity of Magill's relatives, whose business interests in the community are extensive and practically control half the real estate and farm property in the county.

WAS FIEND OF MORGAN?

Mrs. Leslie, Swindler, Sentenced to Prison.

Mrs. Josephine Leslie, of London, was Friday found guilty on a charge of defrauding members of well known families by false pretenses and was sentenced to five years in penal servitude. It was her custom to represent herself as a friend of J. Pierpont Morgan, and declare he guided her investments. Morgan appeared in court and testified that he did not know the prisoner and had never had any dealings with her. Mrs. Leslie was formerly Josephine Eastwick, of Philadelphia.

Sioux City Live Stock Market.

Friday's quotations on the Sioux City live stock market follow: Top beefs, \$6.00. Top hogs, \$6.10.

Head of University Resigns.

The Very Rev. Father William Banks Rogers, S. J., has resigned the presidency of St. Louis, Mo., university because of failing health. His successor has not yet been selected.

Educator Accidentally Shot.

Richard H. Halsey, president of the Oshkosh, Wis., normal school and well known in educational circles, was accidentally shot and killed at Geogebio Lake, Wis., Thursday.

TO DISARM KOREANS.

Large Japanese Force on Way to Seoul.

Arrangements have been made with the railway authorities to quickly transport 4,000 Japanese blue-jackets from the squadron at Chemulpo to Seoul which the admiral in command has offered to Marquis Ito. But on account of military technicalities they will not be called for except a great emergency arises that makes it absolutely necessary. A mixed force of probably 7,000 troops began arriving at Fusan Friday evening. Marquis Ito having finally consented to bring Japanese troops to Seoul on account of two urgent problems. First, the disarmament of the Korean army, and second, the separating of the ex-emperor from his troops and advisers, both of which the cabinet is prepared to do as soon as there is sufficient show of troops to overawe any attempts at resistance and to quell any trouble that such action might occasion.

A wave of great excitement crept over the peninsula Thursday when the new agreement with Japan and the emperor's proclamation were published in the provinces. All the privileged old ladies attached to the court arrived in crowds at the palace condoling, weeping, wailing and incidentally carrying away in their customary loose clothing everything detachable and portable. The palace was looted of all possible souvenirs.

The ex-emperor wept, saying that his efforts for many years had been a mistake, and that he should himself have taken the proposed course and was then unable to continue his speech.

FOR DEATH OF A GIRL.

Michigan Lawmaker is to Be Put Under Arrest.

Prosecuting Attorney Robinson, of Detroit, Mich., announced Thursday at the inquest into the death from an operation at a local sanitarium, of Miss Edith Presley, a proof reader for the state senate, that he will issue a warrant as soon as it can be prepared for Representative Chas. E. Ward, speaker pro tem, of the Michigan house of representatives, charging him with manslaughter in connection with the girl's death.

Edith A. Presley was an heiress to \$75,000, and since her babyhood has been a familiar figure in the state house. She was the daughter of Geo. C. Presley, former head of the state corporation department. She was 24 years old.

WOMAN DIES ON GALLOWES.

Russian Authorities Execute Madame Fromkina.

With the observance of the greatest privacy Madame Fromkina, who in March last attempted to assassinate Gen. Reinbot, ex-prefect of the Moscow police, and who in May made an attempt to murder the inspector of the political prison, wounded him with a pistol which had been mysteriously smuggled into her cell, was hanged in Moscow Thursday. The authorities made every effort during the past fortnight to persuade the woman to plead for the mercy of the emperor, but she obstinately refused to do so. It is believed her mind is unbalanced.

BIG FAMINE IN JAMAICA.

Ten Thousand Inhabitants of Island in Need of Assistance.

The famine in the St. Elizabeth district of the island of Jamaica, is growing in seriousness. The local government is blamed for not taking proper measures to prevent suffering. Gov. Oliver, who is investigating the situation, learns that there are 10,000 victims.

A scandal has been disclosed in the Newton district of St. Elizabeth. The starving people, naked, without schools and ignorant of all religion, have nevertheless been paying taxes.

Unique Birthday Party.

Frank Tilford, of New York, took a unique way to celebrate his birthday. He invited 760 "little mothers," poor girls who bear some of the burdens of their families, to take a trip to Coney Island, where they were introduced to the wonders of the resort at Mr. Tilford's expense.

Hits Standard in Mississippi.

George R. Mitchell, prosecuting attorney for the first judicial district of Mississippi, has filed suit in the Lee county circuit court at Tupelo against the Standard Oil company for \$1,480,000, charging that corporation with a violation of the Mississippi anti-trust laws.

To Accept American Certificates.

The French government has notified Ambassador White that American meat may be brought into France on American certificates and that microscopic examination will not be insisted upon. This ruling, however, is only temporary.

Day of Intense Heat.

The temperature at St. Louis broke the record for the year when the thermometer registered 96 degrees for four hours during Thursday afternoon. Two deaths and forty prostrations were reported as caused by the heat.

Kitson to Kansas City.

Pitcher Kitson, of the New York American league team, has been sold outright to the Kansas City club. It is said that Kitson has signed a two years' contract to play in the outfield for the Missouri team.

Plumbers Strike for \$8 a Day.

The Butte, Mont., plumbers struck for \$8 a day. The men now receive \$7. Buildings to cost \$1,000,000 under construction are tied up.

KOREANS TO APPEAL

Envoys Start for Washington to See Roosevelt.

Two members of the Korean delegation that was refused recognition by The Hague peace conference, Yi, Tiyongou and Prince Yi Tying Chi, left Southampton, Eng., Wednesday, on board the steamer Majestic for New York. The former said:

"I shall travel direct to Washington, where I hope to see President Roosevelt. It is my intention to show America that Japan made its treaty of November, 1905, without the consent of the emperor of Korea or the cabinet, and that Korea never gave up her independence or consented to the Japanese protectorate."

Advices dated Seoul say that a new convention between Japan and Korea has been concluded. The text of the convention has not yet been made public, but it is reported to consist of seven articles. Its main feature is that it invests the resident general with complete control of the internal administration of Korea and appoints Japanese officials for the Korean government.

It is reported that the easy compliance of the Korean government with Japan's demands was due to the fact that the terms were much easier than were apprehended.

WILL EXPEND MILLIONS.

Milwaukee Road to Harness 37 Miles of River.

Nine million dollars will be expended by the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway company in developing 180,000 horse power by harnessing thirty-five miles of the St. Joe river between North Fork and St. Joe, in northern Idaho, east of Spokane, and this electrical energy will be utilized in carrying freight across the Bitter Root divide and operating a score of saw mills and plants. The work is to be completed in three years. This will be the first practical test of the substitution of electricity for steam power in this country, and if it is successful it will be employed on the entire line between Missoula, Mont., and the Puget sound country, a distance of nearly 600 miles.

DEFEAT FOR GOV. HUGHES.

Extra Legislative Session Adjourns After Beating Primary Bill.

The extraordinary session of the New York legislature adjourned Wednesday evening after an eventful day. The direct nominations bill recommended by the governor which was defeated by amendment the last day of the regular session was beaten directly on the assembly floor. So was the Palse bill, which would have permitted the punishment for contempt of persons refusing information to non-judicial investigation bodies. This also will be recommended by the governor. The cost of the extra session as computed by the comptroller was \$15,000, and a bill appropriating that amount for the purpose was passed by both houses. The senate confirmed all the pending nominations by the governor.

KENTUCKY BLUE GRASS TRUST.

Syndicate Runs a Corner on Famous Product.

A syndicate composed of J. S. Wilson, E. F. Spears & Sons, of Paris, Ky., and D. S. Gay, of Winchester, Ky., Wednesday closed a deal by which they become the possessors of about 700,000 bushels of Kentucky blue grass seed, practically all there is in the country with the exception of one party holding about 10,000 bushels. It is estimated it will take \$500,000 to finance the deal. The seed is to be delivered by Aug. 1, the market opening on that day. The annual demand averages about 500,000 bushels, a large part of which goes to Europe.

Runyan Pleads Guilty.

Chester B. Runyan, paying teller of the Windsor Trust company, of New York, who recently defaulted with nearly \$100,000 of the company's funds, came into court Thursday, pleaded guilty to grand larceny and was remanded for sentence.

Sues the Harvester Company.

Attorney General Jackson, of Kansas, has filed criminal proceedings against the International Harvester company, alleging eight distinct violations of the anti-trust law. The punishment in each case is a fine of from \$100 to \$1,000.

Gasoline Explosion Kills Woman. Mrs. Samuel Blackburn, of Evansville, Ind., was fatally burned and several other members of the family had narrow escapes by the spontaneous explosion of a five-gallon can of gasoline.

Beer in Tablet Form.

A Danish civil engineer, says a consular report just issued, has succeeded in producing beer in the form of tablets. These are dissolved in hot water. When cooled the beverage is beer of excellent quality and flavor.

WESTERN LEAGUE BASEBALL.

Schedule of Games to Be Played at Sioux City Ia.

Following is a schedule of the Western League games to be played at Sioux City in the immediate future: Des Moines.....Aug. 9, 10, 11, 12 Pueblo.....Aug. 14, 15, 16, 17

Thread Story Denied.

The published reports that the American Thread company intends to advance the retail price of thread to ten cents a spool, was denied Wednesday by officers of the company.

Big Fire in Victoria.

The greatest fire in the history of Victoria, B. C., occurred Tuesday night, destroying five blocks and many detached buildings. The loss is \$250,000.

Nebraska State News

BOYS HELD FOR MURDER.

Are Accused of Killing a Chinaman to Get Money.

Bassell Mullen and Morris Almack, who were brought before the police court for arraignment on the charge of killing Hah Pak, a Chinese restaurant keeper on Douglas street, in Omaha, a week ago, are both mere boys.

Mullen was arrested in St. Louis and brought to Omaha. He declares that he was with Almack and "Doc" Humphrey, whom he alleges to be the authors of the crime. Humphrey has not yet been apprehended, but the police expect to secure his arrest in a town near St. Louis within a day or two.

Almack also denies having been responsible for the killing of the Chinaman. He says he was present at the time, but denies having any part in the murder, although he admits he received part of the money. He says the three divided \$103 which they took from the Chinaman's till.

The Chinaman was found dead in his kitchen by a policeman, who called about noon on the day of the killing. Hah Pak's skull was badly fractured and his face badly beaten up. The room was strewn with broken furniture and the floor covered with blood. The employees, Mullen and Almack, and a companion, Humphrey, did not show up for duty the following day and were suspected of knowing something of the crime. They were located in St. Louis by a postal card Humphrey wrote to a waitress employed at the Her Grand hotel.

Mullen is only 17 years old, and broke into tears whenever he spoke in the court of the dead Chinaman. Both of the boys implicate Humphrey as the principal in the crime. Charges will not be filed against the young men until Humphrey can be located.

LYNCHING FEVER IS DYING.

Only One of It Left, Says T. L. Sloan, Pender Attorney.

Thos. L. Sloan, attorney of Pender, was in Omaha recently on a brief business trip.

"I think the lynching fever has not completely died out yet, but our way regarding Louis Higgins, the murderer of Mr. and Mrs. Copple. But then, it is confined to a very few excitable persons. The general sentiment, said Mr. Sloan, "favors letting the law take its course, and I think that when the time for the trial comes that the excitement will have died out completely."

"We are going to have some great crops up in Thurston county and all over the reservation this season. Never saw corn look better at this season. Twenty-five and thirty bushels were the acre average for wheat and the oats crop is the finest ever. We have had rains just at the right time."

NOW WANT COMPROMISE.

Express Companies Make a Proposition to Nebraska.

In a conference with the Nebraska railway commission representatives of the five express companies doing business in Nebraska offered a 15 per cent reduction in rates.

The attorneys asserted that the 25 per cent cut provided by the Sibley law would be fought to the bitter end. The express companies claim that Nebraska business is almost unprofitable. The railway commission took the proposal and the arguments of the companies under advisement. It was stated that the commission probably would reject the compromise and attempt to enforce the Sibley law.

Railroad Fare Situation.

The Missouri Pacific sells a ticket from Plattsmouth to Omaha for 38 cents. The Burlington sells one to the same city for 42 cents, which is just 2 cents per mile. From Plattsmouth to Chicago, a distance of 489 miles, the fare is \$12.75, the same as before the 2-cent rate went into effect, the 19th.

Packers Give Up Tax Fight.

The Armour, Cudahy and Swift packing companies at Lincoln announced submission to the franchise tax imposed under the new state law, and will not appeal to the supreme court. The three companies were each assessed \$2,000 on their franchise for doing business in Lancaster county.

Severe Storm Near Walthill.

A heavy thunder storm struck Walthill Tuesday evening, being accompanied by hail and wind. Several miles north of town there was considerable hail, doing some damage. Several cases of lightning striking trees were reported.

Ticket Scalpers Accused.

On motion of the Northwestern and Rock Island railroads, Judge Munger at Omaha cited four ticket brokers for contempt. It is alleged that these men violated an injunction granted by the federal court last August, restraining them from scalping tickets.

Governor at Kearney Normal.

Gov. Sheldon arrived in Kearney recently and was met at the station by a number of prominent citizens. After the informal meeting at the train the governor was driven out to the state normal, where he spoke in the chapel to the normal students.

New Theater for Fremont.

Fremont expects to have a new theater. Work was begun clearing the ground for the theater which J. R. Henry is to build on Fifth street back of the New York hotel and will have the building ready by the beginning of the season.

Colored Men Wield Razors.

Monday afternoon two negroes, Sam Olden and Jim Bileu, participated in a razor fight at Falls City. Bileu was badly cut about the head and throat, but Olden was not injured.

STORM WIPES OUT CROPS.

Immense Damage in Northern Part of Holt County.

Tuesday night about 5 o'clock a destructive hail and wind storm swept northern Holt county clean of all kinds of crops and doing great damage to buildings and live stock.

A terrific downpour of rain followed the hail and swept the streams of all kinds of bridges, which will entail great expense upon the county and the various townships for their replacement. The storm started about twenty-two miles north and about three miles west of O'Neill, and swept eastward along Eagle and Honey creeks, covering a territory from the Eagle to within about six miles north of O'Neill about fourteen miles wide.

When directly north of O'Neill the clouds split, the main one extending eastward along Eagle and Blackbird creeks.

The main storm extended nearly to Disney and was from eight to twelve miles wide and about twenty-five miles long.

The portion of the cloud that swept over O'Neill passed southeast, and it has been impossible to ascertain the distance traveled in that direction, as all telephones in that section are out of order. The wind was terrific and completely demolished the grand stand at the fair grounds, but did little damage to other buildings in the city.

Crops in the country traversed by the storm never looked better than they did before the storm. Farmers who then expected from 50 to 70 bushels of oats per acre have today been gazing upon their fields, in some of which the last vestige of the abundant crop that was growing thereon had been removed by the floods of water that followed the storm of hail.

SLOT MACHINES HIT AGAIN.

Omaha Case May Be Appealed to Supreme Court.

Slot machine owners of Omaha were given another rebuff when Judge Redick, in the district court, refused to enjoin the enforcement of an order of the fire and police department that all slot machines be removed. Judge Redick declared that the machines were clearly defined for gambling and therefore the order of the board shall stand.

The petition for the injunction was made by Moretz Meyer, a prominent wholesale and retail cigar dealer, and recited that the machines paid in merchandise, and that the expenditure of \$10 in nickels on a machine would insure \$10 worth of cigars. The court, declared, however, that while one might get \$10 worth of cigars for a nickel all the rest of the contributors of nickels would receive nothing, and that this condition brought the machines within the provisions of the law, even though full value were given on a stated amount of deposits.

The order of the board will remain in force, although the case may be appealed to the supreme court.

FUSION WINS IN NEBRASKA.

Scores Big Victory in State Supreme Court.

The Democrats and populists of Nebraska won a complete victory for fusion in the supreme court at Lincoln. The judges ordered that a writ of mandamus be issued to compel Secretary of State Junkin to place the name of J. L. Sundean, of Wahoo, fusion candidate for regent of the state university, on the official primary ballot as the candidate of both the Democrats and populists.

T. S. Allen, brother-in-law of W. J. Bryan, filed the suit to test an adverse ruling made by Attorney General Thompson. The latter declared that a candidate could represent but one party under the new primary law. The decision resurrects fusion and gives the fusionists until August 3 to complete the list of nominations for the primary on Sept. 3.

Child Labor Law Violated.

County Attorney Rawls filed in Justice Archer's court complaints against four Plattsmouth citizens, charging each with having violated the juvenile law by sending their children under 16 years of age, usually between the ages of 7 and 11 years, to the saloons and purchasing liquors.

New Bank for McCook.

One of the most important financial moves of the year is the recent organization of the McCook National bank, which has just received from the comptroller of the currency notice of the approval of its application. The bank will have \$50,000 capital and will be composed entirely of McCook men.

Harvard's Harvest Home.

Commencing on Thursday, Aug. 1, and continuing three days under the direction of Harvard Commercial club, there will be held in Harvard a carnival and business men's harvest home festival. Extensive arrangements for amusements and general attractions have been made that promises to give those attending good sports.

Young Man Seriously Hurt.

Richard Paine, the 13-year-old son of George E. Paine, a prominent farmer east of Ansley, while returning home from camp meeting Sunday was badly hurt, his right shoulder being broken and his arm nearly torn from his body. He was leading a horse in company with his older brother when the accident occurred.

Seriously Injured by Horse.

Frank Jurgens, living three miles east of Pickrell, had six ribs broken and received severe cuts and bruises about the body by being trampled upon by a broncho which he was trying to unhitch from the buggy. His condition is serious.

Sioux Indian Dance.

An unique affair and one that will soon be of the past, viz: a war dance by the Sioux Indian braves at Chadron, was given in the public square. About 500 participated, being dressed in full war paint and feathers.

Light Vote Cast in Fairbury.

The election held at Fairbury submitting the question of municipal initiative and referendum was very quiet and less than half of the usual vote was polled. The measure carried by a majority of 325.

THIRTY PERSONS DIE

KILLED IN WRECK ON PERE MARQUETTE RAILWAY.

Passenger and Freight Trains Crash Together Near Salem, Mich.—Seventy Are Injured—Accident Due to Blunder of Freight Crew.

Thirty people are dead and more than seventy injured, many of them seriously, as the result of a head-on collision Saturday morning between a passenger excursion train bound from Ionia to Detroit crashed into a west bound freight in a cut located at a sharp curve about a mile east of Salem.

The passenger train of eleven cars, carrying the Pere Marquette staff employees of Ionia and their families—1,000 in all—to the Michigan metropolis for their annual excursion was running at high speed—said to have been fifty miles an hour—down a steep grade. It struck the lighter locomotive of the freight train with such terrific force as to turn the freight engine completely around.

The wrecked locomotives a few hours later lay side by side, both headed eastward. Only a few of the freight train's cars were smashed, and it was only a few hours' work to remove all traces of them from the scene.

Coaches Are Shattered.

Behind the two wrecked locomotives six cars of the passenger train lay piled in a hopeless wreck. Four of the passenger coaches remained on the track undamaged and were used to convey the dead and injured to Ionia. One coach was undamaged, with only its forward truck off the rails. These were the rear five cars. The two coaches next ahead of these were telescoped. One of these was the smoker, where most of the victims were riding.

The next car forward stood almost on end after the wreck, its forward end resting on the roadbed and the rear end high in the air upon the two telescoped coaches that had been following it.

Two coaches were thrown crosswise of the track and lay suspended from bank to bank of the cut high above the rails.

Of the baggage car not enough remained to show where it had been tossed. Portions of the baggage car and of the locomotive tenders and freight cars were piled in an indescribable mass of debris.

Engine Crew Jumps; One Dies.

The freight train was moving slowly up the grade in the cut when the excursion flyer bore down on it. L. B. Alvord, engineer of the passenger, saw the crash was inevitable, and after setting the air brake jumped, with his fireman, Knowles. Alvord escaped serious injury, but Knowles died of his hurts.

After the first frenzy of terror subsided the uninjured passengers began to give succor to those who were hurt and remove the bodies of the dead, which were seen on all sides, piled down in the debris.

Fear that the wreckage might take fire lent speed to their efforts.

Bodies Taken from Wreckage.

The dead were placed in a row alongside the track, and the injured were made as comfortable as possible until the arrival of wrecking trains from Saginaw, Detroit, and Grand Rapids made it possible to send them to Ionia and Detroit.

The twenty-eight bodies first taken from the wreck were sent to Ionia and the injured were placed on two trains, one of which headed for Detroit, and the other for Ionia. There were about thirty-five injured people on each train. Later in the day the body of Ed Corvan, the head brakeman of the passenger train, was taken out of the wreck. Fireman Knowles died in the relief train en route to Detroit, making the list of dead thirty, with a possibility that several of the injured may die.

Freight Crew Blamed; Missing.

Responsibility is put squarely on to the crew of the freight train by officials of the road. One of them, who arrived at the scene of the wreck soon after the accident, took from the crew of the freight the orders under which it was running. They clearly showed the position of the passenger excursion train and that the freight had encroached on the other train's running time.

The special train was due at Salem at 9:10 a. m. and at Plymouth at 9:20 a. m. It passed Salem on time.

The time card of the special was telegraphed to the freight crew in the form of a train order, and this order, with the signatures of the freight train crew attached, was recovered by the officials.

The freight crew disappeared immediately after being interviewed by the rail chiefs. They explained that they "forgot about the special."

Telegraphic Brevities.

In the population of New York City there are 780,000 persons of German parentage, 735,000 of Irish, 250,000 of Russian and 223,000 of Italian.

The Catholic Educational Association of the United States chooses Cardinal Gibbons for honorary president and urges greater effort in building up colleges.

Working women in the fruit fields of California will henceforward work only eight hours a day instead of working from sunrise to sunset, as they have hitherto done.