

FIGHT ON OUTLAWS

Governor Patterson, of Tennessee, Doing Fine Work

NIGHT RIDING MUST BE ENDED

Seventy-Five Arrests Have Already Been Made in the Tennessee Outrages

Samburg, Tenn. Special.—Additional details of Tid Burton's confession at Tiptonville indicate that perhaps 300 persons in Obion county are implicated in raids or as accessories of Night Riders. Even the oath taken by the Night Riders is known. The authorities believe enough evidence has already been obtained to indict four men.

There are 75 prisoners in camp. Garrett Johnson, alleged leader of the Night Riders, is under a double guard, and no one is allowed to see him. His brother Tom and William Watson are also kept in solitary confinement.

"We know absolutely we have two of the captains in Camp Nemo and twelve of the other Night Riders," said Colonel Tatum.

Since Wednesday night, when Governor Patterson arrived, he has been in charge of examination of witnesses and had general direction of the movements of the troops. The Governor is leading the life of a soldier, sleeping in a tent next to Colonel Tatum.

John F. Cockran, the man captured after a chase on the lake, has confessed that the Night Rider outrages have included the whipping of women.

Because of a technicality, it may be necessary to abandon the special term of court convened at Union City on Monday, and allow 30 days to elapse before the inquiry can be resumed. The statutes of this State require that any term of court called must be advertised in advance for 30 days.

Ten witnesses were before the grand jury and, according to the statement of Attorney-General Caldwell, disclosures were made of almost as much importance as the confession of Tid Burton.

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In the confession Burton gave the names of no fewer than forty alleged members of the night riders.

One More Prisoner Confesses, Implicating a Dozen Others.

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The total number of arrests is 55, and of this number it is alleged that half belong to the night riders' band.

AGAINST NIGHT RIDERS.

Suit for \$100,000 Damages in an Endeavor to Establish the Contention That All Persons Connected With the Night Riders' Association are Responsible for Ravages Made by Any Member.

Louisville, Ky., Special.—In an endeavor to establish his contention that all persons connected with the night riders' association are responsible for ravages made by any member of the organization, Henry Bennett filed a suit for \$100,000 damages in the United States Circuit court. The plaintiff on February 4 was set upon and terribly beaten with clubs and thorned switches by a band of night riders. At the same time his stemmy and tobacco factory and other large and valuable buildings

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THE NEWS IN BRIEF

Items of Interest Gathered By Wire and Cable

CLEANINGS FROM DAY TO DAY

Live Items Covering Events of More or Less Interest at Home and Abroad.

National Affairs.

Col. George W. Goethals was completely exonerated after an investigation of charges of favoritism in Panama canal contracts.

Fourteen-inch guns, it is said, will be used on future battleships as a result of the Newport conference.

The Congressional committee investigating the pulp wood supply examined several large lumber operators in Minnesota.

Foreign Affairs.

Bulgaria has agreed to the principle of compensation for Turkey and Austria has adopted a conciliatory policy.

All records for target practice were broken by the cruiser and gunboat squadron at Manila.

Cardinal Salvador Cassanas y Pages, of Spain, is dead.

Prince Henry of Prussia took a trip in the Zeppelin airship with the Count.

The Emperor of Japan replied to the President's thanks for the reception of the battleship fleet.

Miscellaneous.

William Montgomery, former cashier of the Allegheny National Bank, was again convicted in Pittsburgh.

At Russellville Ala., James Thorn, a farmer, while attempting to run a mule out of a yard picked up a small stone and threw it at the animal. He missed the mule and hit his two-year-old son, killing him instantly.

At Montgomery, Ala., Dr. Shirley Bragg, State jail inspector, and a nephew of Gen. Bragg, shot and killed himself. It is not known if the shooting was accidental. He was 55 years old.

W. W. Hunter, a well known civil engineer, is in Augusta, running flood and water levels, having been employed by the city council flood commission, appointed to devise ways and means of protecting the city in future from a recurrence of the recent disaster.

Temporary insanity will be the defense of Captain Peter C. Hains, Jr., U. S. A., who killed William E. Annis at the Bayside Yacht Club landing in August.

The baseball season just closed broke the record for death and serious injuries. There were fully 250 persons seriously injured while playing the game, besides seventeen deaths that are known to have been

THE OUTLOOK BRIGHTENS

Charlotte Cotton Mills Resume Operations.

Charlotte, N. C., Special.—The Continental Mills, after several months' shut-down, have just started up; the Fidelity Mills are again in operation; the Atherton are also on full time. Not a cotton mill in the city will be idle.

There is a general tendency towards the manufacture of the higher grades of yarns and the higher numbers according to a well posted mill man who was discussing the question.

Years ago there was little market for any but the coarse yarn, say 20's, but now the average of the demand has risen fifteen to twenty numbers, so that the present average may be said to be close to number 40's. This means that the average grade of goods being manufactured is finer than it was when the cotton mill industry was just beginning to be a leading industry in the South.

The entire trend of the textile trade now is towards the higher numbers and the finer grades of cloth.

China Ready With a Welcome For Second Squadron Battleship Fleet.

Amoy, By Cable.—When the Chinese government selected Amoy as the port to receive the second squadron of the American battleship fleet, it made a wise choice. The broad well-protected harbor, the climate (from October to April) unsurpassed and the scenic beauty of the surrounding country all unite in justifying the selection.

The second squadron consists of the battleships Louisiana, Virginia, Ohio, Missouri, Wisconsin, Illinois, Kentucky and Kearsarge, under command of Rear Admiral William H. Emory.

The Chinese government has set aside the sum of 400,000 Taels (U. S. gold \$250,000) to meet the expenses of entertaining the battleship squadron during its visit. The committee in charge of the arrangements has stated that the Peking government has signified its willingness to make additional appropriation should the original appropriation prove inadequate.

Cotton Crop Short.

New Orleans, La., Special.—The Peayune says in its report: Material progress was made during the last week in gathering the last remnants of an apparently short crop of cotton throughout Louisiana and the Southern half of Mississippi. Most of the reports from these sections concede that the estimates were too high, and that sudden deterioration resulted from ravages of the boll

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Parliamentary Leaders Say that the Idea of an International Congress Will Be Abandoned—Foreign Office Says Negotiations Are in Progress.

St. Petersburg, By Cable.—Interest in the Balkan situation is centered in the positive statement of several parliamentary leaders that Russia has determined to drop the idea of the proposed international congress and will refuse to recognize the annexation by Austro-Hungary of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

This information, although purporting to be from official sources is not entirely exact. Russia has finally committed herself to the principle that the question of the annexation of the provinces may be discussed in a conference of the powers, and Austria will permit the status of Herzegovina to be included in the programme, but only on condition that the delegates will refrain from questioning her action, and content themselves with registering the abrogation of the article referring to this matter in the Berlin treaty.

The Foreign Office states that the negotiations between Russia, Austria-Hungary and other powers on this question are still in progress and considers that an acceptable formula for submission to the congress may ultimately be found. It is difficult, however, to foresee how a satisfactory agreement may be reached without one side or the other withdrawing its contention.

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Tiptonville, Tenn., Special.—In the presence of Sheriff Haines, Judge Harris and Mayor Cleveland Donaldson, "Tid" Burton, the Night Rider arrested at Samburg, made a full confession in the Lake County Jail here, and told a remarkable story of night rider depredations near Reel Foot Lake, confessing to the part he played in the outrages which reached a culmination in the putting to death of Capt. Quentin Rankin, an attorney of Trenton, Tenn., on the banks of Reel Foot Lake a week ago, and implicating men prominent in this part of the State.

Of the persons who he declared had a part in the killing of Capt. Rankin more than half are now in custody at Camp Nemo, the military base near Samburg. The confession was made at the Tiptonville jail to Sheriff Haines, Judge Harris, owner of a large tract of land in the Reel Foot Lake region, who has suffered much at the hands of the riders and Mayor Cleveland Donaldson, of Tiptonville.

The confession was made freely and voluntarily and apparently without a qualm of conscience he gibly unfolded his story.

While Burton denies that he was present when Capt. Rankin was put to death, he admits that it was through his influence that the band congregated and took the attorney while he was staying at the hotel at Walnut Log.

According to Burton's confession Tom and Garrett Johnson, under arrest, and Wm. Watson, under bond in connection with another raid, were the leaders of the band.

Burton declares that the first part he played as a member of the night rider band was when he aided in the burning of a fish wharf at Samburg. Several weeks later he was one of several that crossed the county line from the Reel Foot Lake region into the adjoining county of Lake and whipped Justice of the Peace Winn, an aged man.

Coming to the killing of Capt. Rankin Burton declared that on the night before the lynching he went to Walnut Log and there met James F. Carpenter, an attorney of Union City, at whose solicitation Rankin and Judge R. Z. Taylor, associated in the West Tennessee Company, owners of the land on which the lake is situated, came to the lake. It was stated that the visit of the two attorneys was to discuss a timber deal with Carpenter. After this conversation Burton says he communicated with night rider leaders and told of the intended visit of the representatives of the land company.

On the following night he saw the two attorneys at supper at the Walnut Log, but he declared he left Walnut Log early in the night and went

number of other persons, many of whom are counted among the most prominent and prosperous citizens of the Western part of Kentucky, alleging that they were members of a criminal conspiracy known as the "Night Riders' Organization," or "Silent Brigade," and that they participated in the meetings which were held throughout many counties.

The contention of the plaintiff is that all persons who are members of the night riders' organization are bound by the acts of the several night riders, all being alike responsible for the conduct and actions of the others, done in furtherance of the general object of the conspiracy which was to force all independent raisers and handlers of dark tobacco to place their tobacco in the pool controlled by the Dark Tobacco Association.

THE CHAIN COMPLETE.

Governor Patterson Says He Knows Who Fired the Shot and Who Put the Rope Around Captain Rankin's Neck—Confessions of Other Night Riders' Tally With Burton's—Three More Prisoners Brought in.

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"The proof which has thus far developed is positive as to the guilt of some of the men under arrest and implicates many others. This will all be presented to the court at the proper time and a long step has been taken to discover and suppress lawlessness in this region. Conditions have been extremely bad, the night-riders going from one lawless act to another until the culmination came with the murder of Captain Rankin and the attempted murder of Colonel Taylor. We know who fired the shot and who put the rope around Rankin's neck. The number of men actually at the killing was probably not more than ten, while some stood guard and others held the horses. The whole number engaged in the undertaking did not exceed thirty-five. The inquiry will be further prosecuted and the State will have ample evidence to convict."

The confessions of Ferringer, Hogg and Morris substantiate, it is said, that of Tid Burton. They will be taken to Memphis for safe keeping.

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Major Gram, of Raleigh, N. C., State commissioner of agriculture, estimates the cotton crop in North Carolina to be sixteen per cent short of last year's crop. No State, reported a crop equal to last year's except Tex.

Cotton Mills Start Up.

Augusta, Ga., Special.—Nine of the eleven cotton mills located here started operations for the first time since the freshet of August 26. The canal repairs are practically complete and there is a full head of water. The weekly pay roll of these manufacturing concerns is \$25,000.

Prosperity Note.

New York Special.—As a sign of returning prosperity, the Union Bank of Brooklyn, formerly the Mechanics' and Traders' has just paid its second referred disbursement of 15 per cent to depositors, this dividend being anticipated six weeks ago. The bank has been able to realize from its resources more than was expected. Since the resumption of business, hundreds of new accounts have been opened and deposits have increased \$500,000.

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