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THEY HOWL GRACE DOWN.

EGGS THROWN AT CHARLESTON MAYOR IN SPARTANBURG.

Mill Operatives Refuse to Permit Speaker to Make Himself Heard. Police Failing to Preserve Order—County Sheriff Tries in Vain to Quell Tumult—Grace Declares Spartanburg Police are Worse than those of New York and Advises Mayor Pro Tem Leonard to Resign.

Spartanburg, August 3.—Rotten eggs were thrown, Blease men shouted and the police failed to preserve any semblance of order tonight in a theatre filled with twelve hundred representative voters of Spartanburg and one hundred mill operatives who had congregated in the building to hear Mayor John P. Grace, of Charleston, who attempted to speak. After trying from 8.30 to 11 o'clock to get a hearing and during this time speaking only about fifteen minutes, the Charleston Mayor gave it up as a hopeless task, and the hundred mill operatives who had howled him down congregated outside of the building and continued their rowdy tactics. Mayor Grace quit trying with the statement that he would see Blease tried, convicted and put behind the bars of the State Penitentiary.

The meeting opened at 8.30 o'clock. J. L. Johnson, mayor of the city, some say, was out of town; others say he was not. At any rate, Alderman O. W. Leonard, mayor pro tem, attempted to preside and made a failure. He managed somewhat to get through his introduction and then Mayor Grace arose.

"Hurrah for Coley," and "We want Blease," "Who are you?" "Go back to Charleston." "Your eyes are too close together," and the like resounded from the gallery where perhaps a hundred Blease supporters were congregated. Mayor Grace, who was suffering from a cold, several times got a start, only to be stopped on the completion of a sentence. He appealed to the men who live within a stone's throw of Cowpens and King's Mountain, where their ancestors fought for liberty, to accord him the privilege of free speech, for which their forefathers had died. Such a plea, of course, had no effect on the men in the gallery and the jeers continued.

After some time, Mayor Grace was permitted to utter a few sentences, while some of the leaders of the howling down brigade were outside. It is said, He assailed Blease's reference to the Constitution, when the Governor is said by Grace to have said, "To hell with the Constitution." He appealed to the mill hands on this ground and pointed out that Ira B. Jones sat on the Supreme Bench, which upheld a decision giving one of their number a verdict of \$7,000 against Lewis W. Parker's mill because the mill black-listed him and prevented him from securing work.

Then the howlers down returned. Bitterness was growing fast. The would-be presiding officer asked every citizen who would volunteer to be sworn in as a special officer to come on the stage. Hundreds responded. But the sheriff of the county appeared and in lieu of a police force said he would keep order. He did for a few minutes, but then pandemonium again broke loose worse than ever. This continued until Mayor Grace stopped trying.

On one occasion, some one threw an over-ripe egg on the stage. This was quickly followed by another. Mayor Grace dared the "nigger" who threw it to come on the stage. He then apologized to the several negroes in the gallery for referring to the monster who threw the egg as a member of their race.

Grace assailed Blease's record, but only got him as far as the alleged stolen essay in college before he was howled down. The Spartanburg police force came in for much bitter criticism for the part it played. The Charleston Mayor reiterated that this could never happen in his city, and on more occasions than one advised Mayor Pro Tem Leonard to resign. He said the Spartanburg police were worse than those in New York.

Several fights occurred outside the building. One young man soaked a Bleaste in the face and both were arrested. The young man put up bond and the friends of the other contributed to his bond and then paraded him around the streets as a hero, while the police department looked on.

SPARTANBURG STIRRED UP.

Petitions Ask for Resignation of Mayor Johnson.

Spartanburg, Aug. 4.—Though

WALDO RAPS THE COURTS.

ALLEGES JUDICIARY MACHINERY PROTECTS GAMBLERS.

New York Police Commissioner Recommends Fair and Impartial Investigation of His Department in Statement Made Relative to the Rosenthal Murder Case—Gamblers Can Only Exist Because they Can Get what Amounts to Protection from the Courts.

New York, Aug. 4.—Police Commissioner Rhienlander Waldo, in a statement tonight, relative to the Rosenthal case, recommended an impartial and thorough investigation of the charges made regarding the alleged connection between the police and gamblers. At the same time he declared that gambling can exist only because the gamblers can obtain what amounts to protection from the courts, and asserted that gamblers do much of the corrupt election work of the political parties who placed the judiciary on the bench.

While the issuance of this statement was the most important development today, it was reported at police headquarters that the detectives will close upon the trail of "Lefty Louie" and "Gyp the Blood," the two remaining gunmen sought in connection with the murder. Inspector Hughes spent his third day in personal charge of a force of detectives near Tannersville, in the Catskills.

It is known positively that "Gyp the Blood," "Lefty Louie" and "Whitew" Lewis were in Tannersville last week. Lewis left the others to go to Fleischmanns, where he was captured. "Gyp the Blood" and "Lefty Louie," however, are believed to have remained in Tannersville.

Both "Lefty Louie" and "Gyp the Blood" are known as desperate men, reputed to be dead shots. They are believed to be armed. A hard fight is looked for by the police when the detectives finally attempt to arrest the alleged murderers.

District Attorney Whitman, who has been spending the week-end at Manchester, Vt., will return to this city tomorrow and resume his work in the case. Lieut. Charles Becker, deposed head of the "strong arm squad," was today preparing himself in his cell in the Tombs for his ordeal tomorrow, when he will be arraigned to plead to the indictment charging murder. Neither he or the other eight prisoners held made any statements today.

Commissioner Waldo declared in his statement that at no time in its history has the police department been so well prepared to stand an investigation as at present.

During July the County physician has had considerable vaccinating to do around and above Dairzell. The smallpox cases are all better now, however. One death was reported from the disease.

there has been no open rupture of the peace the most intense undercurrent of political excitement has existed here today as the result of the unchecked disorders at the Harris theatre last night, when Mayor John P. Grace of Charleston spoke, denouncing Gov. Cole L. Blease.

Petitions placed in circulation last night calling upon Mayor O. L. Johnson to resign his office, have been largely signed by citizens who feel that his attitude is responsible for the miserable spectacle the police force presented last night.

Johnson was not present at the meeting last night, having previously announced that he would be "out of the city," which, however, was not the case, as the mayor was in town until 1 o'clock this morning, when he left for Asheville.

The morning paper here demands the resignation of the mayor and calls for the retirement of the chief of police along with him. The mayor's resignation is not expected, but there is a strong probability that the council will reorganize the police force over the mayor's head.

It is said a meeting of council will be held tomorrow to investigate the whole situation. Affidavits are in existence today to the effect that Mayor Johnson said yesterday he did not care how much they cried Grace down and that he gave the police to understand that they need not interfere with any disorders.

The business section of the city this afternoon is the scene of street corner gatherings in which the popular indignation felt over the event of the last 24 hours is heatedly expressed. The result of the experience at the theatre is to arouse and strengthen the supporters of Judge Jones.

MRS. GRACE "NOT GUILTY."

FREED WOMAN SHAKES HANDS WITH JURYMEN.

Atlanta Society Woman on Verge of Collapse—Demonstration in Her Favor Nipped in Bud—Goes to Philadelphia to Visit her Sick and Blind Son—Jury Deliberated Two Hours Over Verdict, which was Received in Perfect Silence.

Atlanta, Ga., August 2.—"Twelve good men and true," today declared Daisy Opie Grace "not guilty" of the charge of shooting her husband, Eugene H. Grace, with intent to murder. The verdict was reached after two hours' deliberation, during which the accused woman underwent all the agonies of one in her position. When she was supported into the Court room just before the entrance of the jury at 5 o'clock this afternoon, Mrs. Grace appeared to be bordering on collapse. Trembling from head to foot she was assisted to the chair she had occupied all during the trial, which began last Monday, and awaited the verdict.

As the jurymen filed in, one by one, Mrs. Grace straightened herself in her chair, then sank back and gritted her teeth.

"Gentlemen of the jury, have you agreed upon a verdict?"

Judge Roan's inquiry broke a silence similar to that of the tomb.

"We have," responded the foreman. "We find the defendant not guilty."

Several seconds elapsed before a soul in that court room stirred. Mrs. Grace bowed her head and uttered a fervent prayer. Then the newspaper men making a mad scramble for the door to get the news to the world, transformed the scene into one of activity. Some enthusiastic spectator gave vent to his feelings and shouted. There was some hand clapping. Judge Roan raised his hand and any demonstration that might have occurred was quickly suppressed.

"She Knows She is Guilty."

Newnan, Ga., August 2.—In her heart she knows she is guilty," declared Eugene H. Grace at his home here this afternoon, when informed that his wife had just been acquitted of the charge of shooting him.

"It's pretty rotten. I don't see how they could have even had a mistrial. She may be innocent in the eyes of men, but she is guilty in the eyes of God."

"It is bad enough to lie here helpless even if I had been shot in a good cause, but it is almost unbearable when I have been shot in cold blood."

"If they will prove that I so much as flirted after my marriage, poor as I am, I will be willing to give them \$5,000. She was lying about my trying to push her from a steamer and I never asked her for money in my life."

"When she testified that she had taken an oath on the Bible to keep this shooting a secret she told an infamous lie. It was sacrilege on her part to bring in God's name."

Grace declared that he reaffirmed his statement of how he was shot, in every detail, because it "is true."

HORSELESS PLOW IN USE.

One Charleston Concern to Use Big Traction Engine in Cultivating Farm—Big Pecan Company.

Charleston, Aug. 3.—The horseless plow has reached Charleston, and in a short time, the Horlick Pecan Company will have in operation on their large tract, near Charleston, a forty-five horse power traction engine, which will haul ploughs and harrows through the earth like so much straw. The new machine cost about \$3,000 and is expected to revolutionize farming methods in this vicinity. Although the farm engine is a familiar sight in the West, it is a novelty in this part of the country, and the success of the experiment with the new horseless machine will be closely watched. Florence and Orangeburg Counties have tried traction engines of a lighter make with excellent results, and the Tidewater Section should find no trouble in using it. This fifteen-ton, forty-five horse power gasoline machine is capable of pulling ten disk ploughs and an equal number of disk cultivators, cutting furrows four to fourteen inches in depth. It can be used on roads, ditches and provides power for farm uses. Its first task will be to plough 150 acres in Christ Church Parish. Columbia men are financing the Horlick Pecan Company enterprises.

There is so much dirtiness in this campaign that a man charged with just lying looks like an angel—Darlington News and Press.

GRACE AT PACOLET.

CHARLESTON MAYOR GIVEN RESPECTFUL HEARING.

Charges Blease With Saying if Wilson Should be Nominated He Would Vote for Taft.

Spartanburg, Aug. 2.—John P. Grace, mayor of Charleston, spoke to an audience of 300 persons tonight in the Pacolet cotton mill village, which has the reputation of being one of the strongest Blease communities in the county and where previously this summer speakers opposed to the governor have been howled down. Although he said harsh things concerning Gov. Blease Mr. Grace was not only given a respectful hearing but was heartily applauded when he had finished.

Mayor Grace charged that February 22, at the Commercial club in Charleston, Gov. Blease declared in the presence of a number of witnesses that if Woodrow Wilson should be nominated he would vote for Taft. Mr. Grace had with him one of the gentlemen who heard the governor make this remark—E. Mitchell Seabrook, a cotton planter of Edisto Island and former member of the legislature, who corroborated Mr. Grace's statement. Mr. Grace said he could also prove the statement by Postmaster Harris of Charleston and United States Marshall, J. Duncan Adams of Charleston, men of unquestioned veracity.

Mr. Grace explained to the audience that in voting for Taft in South Carolina, Blease would be voting for negro presidential electors. Mr. Grace spoke of the graft which he charged the governor had been receiving from the "blind tigers" of Charleston through his chief constable, Ben H. Stothart, and told of the executive's alleged corrupt connection with the Southern railway. He said that in posing as the poor man's friend Blease was a hypocrite and that on the contrary his administration was against their welfare. He declared that Blease was utterly unfit to be governor.

Ben. Montgomery presided at the meeting, which was held in a hall over the company store. He introduced Mayor Grace. Mr. Grace will speak at Gaffney tomorrow afternoon and in the opera house in Spartanburg at night. He will be greeted by an enormous audience here. Fears are entertained that there will be disorder, but a large number of policemen will be on hand.

SILENT ON TAFT SPEECH.

Speech at Convention Will Define His Position on All Sides—The Negro Question.

Oyster Bay, N. Y., Aug. 1.—Col. Roosevelt declined tonight to comment on President Taft's speech of acceptance. He said he would reserve any reference to it until he made his speech in Chicago, which will be the most important address he has ever delivered. In that speech, he said, he would be able to state exactly what he felt in a way that he could not do before, upon the trust question and labor problem and many other important topics.

Col. Roosevelt's statement of his attitude toward the negro question would be made public Saturday. The colonel has received inquiries from negroes in several states as to what the national progressive party's attitude towards them will be. It is probable that no negro delegates from Southern States will be seated in the convention. There, will, however, be negro delegates from a number of Northern States.

SENATE TAKES LEAD.

Bill Reported Placing Limitations on Contributions to Political Campaigns.

Washington, Aug. 3.—Further limitations curbing contributions to political campaigns, were incorporated in a bill agreed on and reported by the Senate committee on privileges and elections today. Predictions were made that it would be passed at once. By the new bill all corporations would be prohibited from contributing money or anything of value to the nomination or election of Presidential electors, Representatives in Congress or State legislators who elect Senators.

Contributions of individuals to such nominations or elections would be limited to \$5,000, but this provision would not apply to candidates themselves. Under the present law, candidates for Congress are limited to spending \$5,000 in nomination and election and candidates for the Senate \$10,000.

WEATHER IN COTTON MARKET.

NOTHING ELSE IMPORTANT ENOUGH TO FIGURE.

Heavy Rain Needed to Insure Full Crop and Rainfall Will Bring Selling.

New Orleans, Aug. 4.—With the August condition report a thing of the past, the cotton trade this week will be able to give full consideration to current weather and crop developments. The market probably will be a weather affair, pure and simple. Anything important enough to outweigh weather as a factor in determining the course of prices can not be foreseen now.

Showers this week will be generally accepted as favorable to all parts of the cotton region. To some extent the droughty condition in Texas and Oklahoma have been relieved but the relief can not be called more than temporary. Heavy rains are needed to insure a full crop and any rainfall there this week will be the signal for selling from both sides. Other sections of the belt do not need rain, but crops are clean and the theory is that August rains tend to make a big crop and therefore rains in the central and eastern sections of the belt will have a bearish effect on prices.

The movement of new cotton will be closely watched this week. There has been a promise of late that the August movement would compare quite favorably with the movement of late years, in spite of the lateness of the crop and the slender receipts thus far when compared with last year. Any marked increase in the movement will encourage the short side, but it may call out spot buyers for, according to the bull side, a strong spot demand still exists and buyers are anxiously waiting for the new crop to move. Developments in this direction will be waited with interest.

COTTON CROP HAS ADVANCED.

Only in Texas and Georgia Was Failure to Move Noted—Dry Weather in Lone Star State.

Memphis, Tenn., Aug. 4.—The Commercial Appeal tomorrow will say:

The cotton crop advanced in all sections of the belt save Texas and Georgia during the last week. In Texas there was considerable deterioration on account of dry weather, with extraordinary high temperatures during the first half of the week. The plant shed many blooms, squares and young bolls and many of the older bolls were caused to open prematurely. During the latter part of the week temperatures were lower and scattered light rains fell over on the north and eastern portions of the State, checking the deterioration but not stopping it save in the extreme north and east, where crops are good. Reported rains from other sections were light and by many correspondents as harmful to the crops, as they tended to produce scalding.

In Georgia perhaps 50 per cent of the crop advanced, while the other 50 per cent deteriorated on account of dry hot weather, making the condition of the State as a whole at about a stand off with last week. In some localities where improvement was noted the limit of advancement was reached without rain. This is true of nearly all sections in the east having no rains during the week. Local rains fell in many localities, benefiting the crop.

Save for Louisiana, the West is remarkably free from boll weevil and its appearance east of the river has been mainly confined to the central valley. No complaint is made of the cotton caterpillar and the army worm has almost totally disappeared.

CLOVER VISITED BY TORNADO.

Mill Damaged and Several Persons Injured.

Yorkville, Aug. 3.—This afternoon at about 5.30 o'clock a clover, ten miles above Yorkville, was visited by a very destructive tornado, part of the roof being blown off a mill building. The machinery was so badly damaged that operation will have to be suspended for some time. A number of the homes of the operatives were blown down and many persons were injured, though none seriously. The loss of the cottages was covered by insurance to the extent of one-half their value.

Hampton says what Grace said Blease said he did he didn't. Nice rain, wasn't it?—Darlington News and Press.

BLEASE ASKS EXTRA TICKETS.

SAYS HE FEARS EFFORT TO KEEP HIS FRIENDS FROM VOTING.

Governor Tells State Chairman Evans that if Latter Does not Grant Request, He, Blease, will be Forced to Believe Reports of Intended Trickery at Polls—Also Asks for Representation on Each Board of Managers, so that he Cannot be Counted Out.

Columbia, August 2.—Charging that he believed that an effort would be made to count him out if he couldn't be beaten otherwise, Governor Blease today addressed a letter to State Chairman John Gary Evans, requesting that he be allowed 25,000 extra ballots for himself, for which he offered to pay the printing cost. The Governor in his letter says: "If you decline this request I shall be forced to believe the reports that there will be an effort made to keep my friends from having sufficient number of tickets with which to cast their ballots."

The Governor also accuses to see that managers of election are his enemies and "re" the respective county chairmen to allow my friends representative on the boards of managers."

WAR OF NATIONS OF WORLD.

U. S. Against Encroachment on American Continents.

Washington, August 2.—The United States Senate today passed a warning to the nations of the world against encroachments upon the continents of North and South America. The United States will not see "without grave concern," said the Senate any suitable naval or military step pass into control of a foreign Power, when such possession "might threaten the communications or the safety of the United States."

So vital were the issues discussed in the Lodge resolution, which set forth the policy of the United States "as to points situated like Magdalena Bay, in lower California, that the doors of the Senate were closed for three hours, while the resolution was debated in secret session. It finally passed with only 4 votes against it. Notwithstanding the comparative unanimity of the Senate upon the note of warning, it is understood the measure will not have the official endorsement of the Administration. It was framed entirely outside the Senate department and it is understood the executive branch of the Government was not consulted with regard to the Senate's pronouncement.

The resolution arose from the reported attempt of a Japanese syndicate to secure land about Magdalena Bay. In the form finally adopted by the Senate it declares against the acquisition of any threatening location of a foreign corporation "which has such a relation to another Government, not American, as to give that Government practical power of control for naval or military purposes."

Those who opposed the resolution on its final passage were Senators Cummins, McCumber, Percy, and Stone. Demand was made in secret session for the designation of the country toward which the resolution was directed.

Those who supported it included Senators Root, Lodge, Burton, Hitchcock and others. They declared it was not a warning to any nation in particular, but a definition of this country's position "before embarrassing situations might arise."

Senator Cummins opposed the resolution because he believed it was not direct and specific enough, he said, in its reference to the control of land by foreign corporations. Senator Lodge insisted that the opening of the Panama Canal made it necessary for the United States to make clear at once its opposition to the establishment of any foreign Power, either directly or through a commercial corporation, where it might threaten the safety of this country.

A Strange Thing in South Carolina.

Spartanburg Journal.

Leaving out the men who have been won over to him in the State by appointments and favors and his promised pardons of violators of law if convicted, it is strange that many, who have been brought up to respect honesty, truth and best manhood, should believe that Blease is the best man in all the State and that he is the highest type of honor, intelligence and exalted virtues that has ever been in public life.