

# LIVE OAK DAILY DEMOCRAT.

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## CLASH IN CUBA

### Information of Capture of Train Was False

## WAS NOT EFFECTED

### Published in Government Circles Havana When It Was Definitely Learned

Sept. 9.—Government military and railroad officials and the newspaper correspondents were in a state of excitement during the night of Sept. 8 when the armored train which was reported to have been captured by the rebels beyond Herradura, was thrown from the tracks by 100 men, machine guns, and equipment captured. The facts are that Col. Avalos, believed to be surrounded by the rebels at Del Rio city, and the armaments made a junction east of Del Rio and the government forces to that extent are in the hands of the rebels. This news caused much excitement in the official circles.

The train proceeded Saturday from Pinar Real to two and a half miles east of Consolacion Del Rio where the rails had been repaired and replaced a locomotive and several cars which had been derailed from the track. The insurgents were driven off by two machine guns handled by American captain, Webster. It is reported that many insurgents were killed, but the number is not known.

While a large portion of Col. Avalos' force had come eastward from Del Rio for the purpose of making a junction with the main force. At Consolacion Del Rio the advance was disputed by a band of insurgents and a fight ensued. The insurgents were driven off and several of them killed or wounded. Avalos and his men continued their journey and this morning made a junction with the cavalry force at Havana, which is scouting for rebels with the disabled train.

The train has not been molested since the junction was effected, but the river over the Santa Clara river from the train was blown away together with two smaller bridges crossing the road near Havana.

The bridges westward near Pinar Real also have been destroyed. The train can operate from Pinar Real in either direction. Both the road and the telegraph line are in use to Pinar Real. About 215 men and four machine guns accompanied by Lieut. Whitehurst, started for Pinar Real, to bring supplies of provisions and ammunition of rapid fire gun ammunition. The sending of this force was caused by the false news of the capture of the train.

Savannah, one lieutenant and several men wounded are the only ones reported in the Consolacion Del Rio operations.

## WILKINSON'S BITE FATAL

### Young Man of Hills County Bitten and Dies.

Sept. 10.—News reached Hills County Saturday of the death of a young man, near Largo of E. L. Whitehurst, one of the best known men of the West Coast, as the result of being bitten by a rattlesnake. The man, who is extensive in his business, was bitten in the woods when bitten by a snake. He had left his bugy with a driver, and was driving with a driver, one of his relatives, for Hills County, when the snake in-

## GEORGIA FARMER AMBUSHED

### Shot From Ambush—No Clue to the Would-be-Assassin

Valdosta, Ga., Sept. 10.—William H. Dame, a prominent citizen of Clinch county, living about four miles from Dupont, was shot from ambush and probably fatally wounded Saturday.

It is impossible at this hour to obtain details of the affair, but a telephone message from Dupont says that Mr. Dame started for that place shortly before noon on horseback. He had proceeded less than one-half mile when he was fired on with a shotgun by some unknown party secreted in the bushes by the roadside.

It is stated that Mr. Dame was struck by two buckshot, and that his wounds are probably fatal. There is no clue to the would-be-assassin.

An effort was made to obtain track dogs from this city, with the hope of running down the guilty party, but the message was received too late for them to reach the scene today.

Col. O. O. McCollum, wife and child, returned Saturday from a week's visit to Sumter county, where Mr. McCollum went to be at the bedside of his mother who is very ill. We are sorry to learn that she has not improved much, but we sincerely hope she will soon recover. Business engagements called Col. McCollum home.

Dr. J. M. Price returned Saturday from a short visit to his parents in Lake City.

## L. N. ERVIN IS DEAD

### The Milton Attorney Dies of Wounds, Effect of Fight.

## SUDMALL HIT FATAL BLOW

### Was Carried to Pensacola for Treatment, But Could Not Overcome Effects of Injuries.

(Pensacola News Sept. 8.) L. N. Ervin, a lawyer from Milton, who was brought to this city Thursday night for treatment, died this morning after an operation at Bryan's infirmary. The remains will be taken back to Milton this afternoon, where the funeral will take place. It is expected that this will be held tomorrow afternoon.

Mr. Ervin sustained the fatal injuries in a fight which he had with the telephone manager at Milton more than a week ago. The manager's name is Chas. E. Sudmall, and he is man of large proportions and of good education. It appears that Mr. Ervin and Mr. Sudmall engaged in an altercation over a trivial matter. They had offices in the same building and ate supper together on the evening of the 24th. Some dispute arose and it passed over after a few words had been exchanged. After supper both of the men repaired to the building where their respec-

## SON SHOTS MOTHER

### Gun Accidentally Discharged Load, Taking Effect in Mother's Limbs.

West Palm Beach, Fla., Sept. 8.—Kirby Milton, aged 16 years, who resides with his parents about two miles southwest of Delray, accidentally shot his mother Saturday afternoon.

Young Milton was in the act of cleaning a rusty gun, and had just questioned his mother, who was standing nearby, whether or not the gun was loaded, when he struck the trigger, the gun being fired, and the charge took effect in both legs of his mother, between the knee and ankle.

The calf of one leg was literally torn off and the bone shattered, necessitating an amputation. The calf of the other leg was full of shots, but the bones were not injured.

Mrs. Milton will recover.

## The Voting Contest at Florida Book Supply Co., Store.

Saturday night, Sept. 10, at the close of business at the Florida Book Supply Company, the voting contest was as follows for the three leaders. Miss Sue Hemming, 527; Miss Mamie McAlpin, 445; Miss Isla Brown, 318.

Mrs. Smith, who has been here on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Green, returned to her home at Ellaville yesterday.

Miss Vernie Bryan left yesterday for Pinemount where she will spend a while with her parents.

## TO AID 'DISTRESS' COTTON

### A \$100,000,000 Corporation of Cotton Association Underway

## CORPORATION WILL BUY COTTON

### To Force Price to Ten Cents, Corporation Will Buy All and Hold for Advance

Hot Springs, Ark., Sept. 10.—The executive committee of the Southern Cotton Association conclude its session Saturday night, and adjourned subject to the call to the president of the association. The principal business transacted at today's session was the consideration of a resolution looking to the formation of a corporation with a capitalization of \$100,000,000 for the purpose of taking care of the "distressed" cotton in the South.

The resolution follows: "Whereas, after two years' experience in attempting to maintain a fair price for cotton and realizing that we are in our present status as advisory board, in order to put ourselves in position to enforce our minimum, be it

"Resolved, that we organize the Southern Cotton Association into a chartered corporation for the purpose of buying, selling and warehousing cotton, and that we open books of subscriptions for a capital stock of \$100,000,000, the shares to be \$1 each.

"That a president and board of directors be appointed, and that each state, county and precinct president be furnished blank certificates and books of subscription and that we immediately begin a campaign to raise this capital stock."

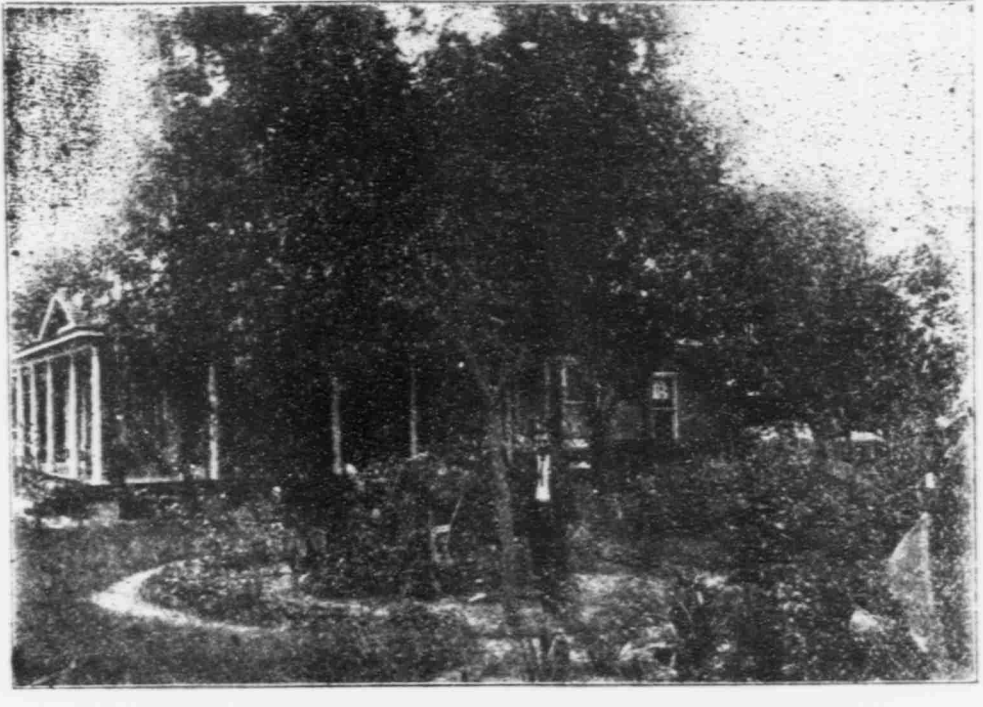
President Harvie Jordan gave the following explanation of the resolution:

"It is for the purpose of taking care of distressed cotton, and by distressed cotton, I mean cotton that is forced on the market by people who are unable to finance cotton and are unable to liquidate existing obligations. The corporation proposes to go into the markets and buy up this class of cotton by the association, and will be held by the association until the market advances to the minimum price. The cotton will be stored in various warehouses throughout the cotton belt, wherever bought, and can be used in securing the purchase of additional cotton whenever it becomes necessary. Under this plan the cotton forced on the market can be kept out of the hands of exporters and speculators and will regulate the price of cotton to the legitimate laws of supply and demand. It will also give the association a strong financial standing in the eyes of the business world, and more particularly with the cotton trade generally and will at all times defend and protect the cotton growers of the South in maintaining a fair and profitable minimum price for their staple."

## AT THE BAPTIST CHURCH

Fully four hundred people heard Bro. Ridley at the 11 o'clock hour yesterday morning in his sermon on "How to Get Happy and Stay So." The sermon was one of the best complete and was as well received as any sermon preached to Mr. Ridley since coming to our city two years ago, and the large audience was evidence that the preacher had not worn out his welcome nor gotten out of anything to say.

Mr. Ridley introduced his sermon with a parable of his own making, which was one of the most unique pieces of rhetoric as well as one of the most beautiful and suggestive parables we have ever heard. And it served the purpose intended. It was a fitting introduction for the sermon that followed.



RESIDENCE OF J. C. BAISDEN ON CHURCH STREET. Photo by Williams.

## FRANK VOGES DROWNED.

### Postoffice Inspector Met Death Near Pensacola.

Pensacola, Fla., Sept. 9.—Inspector Frank Voges of the Postoffice Department was drowned at Bayou Grande, five miles from here today. He was out catching crabs with a party of friends and stepped into a hole in the bayou. Being unable to swim, the strong underflow carried him away before assistance could reach him.

Voges' home is in Shawnee, Okla., where he leaves a widow and a son. The body was recovered.

Mrs. Walter Armstrong, of Live Oak, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Walter Bishop, in this city for a few days, has returned home. She was accompanied by Mrs. Bishop and children. Ocala Banner.

dicted its fatal wound. He hurried to the buggy, in which the little girl was, jumped in and told the child to drive for home as fast as she could.

Mr. Whitehurst fainted shortly after getting in the buggy. The little girl drove rapidly to his home, but it was too late to save his life. Although every attention was shown him, he died in a few hours.

Mr. Whitehurst was one of the best known young men of the county. He was a brother of Willard Whitehurst and a member of the Tampa Elks Lodge, a Woodman, Odd Fellow and Knight of Pythias.

tive offices are situated. Mr. Ervin it is further stated, recalled the supper table dispute and it was seen from the first that Mr. Ervin had taken the matter much more seriously than had been intended. He brought on the attack, it was said, and Sudmall knocked him down on the porch, whence he slid off to the ground, a distance of some fifteen feet. When he was picked up he was unconscious and his condition continued to grow serious. He was able to be out after a few days in bed the wound made him go about in a sort of a dazed condition, and it was decided to bring him to Pensacola for treatment. This was done Thursday night and the following day the delicate operation of trepanning the skull was performed. This was done only as a last resort to save his life. He died today.

Mr. L. Ervin, brother, and Hon. A. G. Campbell of DeFuniak, are in the city today and will leave on the train tomorrow morning with the body.

## Turpentine Trees in Mexico.

J. B. Barton, of the Barton & McLeod Turpentine Company of Live Oak, Fla., states that the world's greatest turpentine market of the future will undoubtedly be Jacksonville, Fla. There is an unmistakable movement of the center of the turpentine and rosin industry southward into Florida. Formerly Charleston was the center of that industry; today it is Savannah, and soon owing to the fact that there is more land

## LUMBER MANUFACTURERS

### How They View the Ruling Out of Pine

Macon, Sept. 9.—A number of lumbermen in this city today held a conference and declared later that the ruling out of short leaf pine lumber in Northern and Eastern cities has caused millions of feet of lumber to be piled up in those cities, unsalable at \$3 to \$5 per thousand feet under regular prices.

As a consequence, at least 1,000 mills in Georgia, Alabama and Florida are affected, many of which will close, unless there is a revocation of the ruling. It is believed here the drastic measure is in the interest of spruce pine manufacturers.

planted in turpentine trees in Florida than any other territory of equal size in the world, the turpentine and rosin center will be Jacksonville.

The ignorance of people regarding turpentine and rosin is appalling. Most people don't know whether it is dug out of the ground or whether it is a residue of cornstarch. A well educated gentleman once asked if it were not extracted from cotton seed.

Mr. Barton understands that there are turpentine trees in Mexico and proposes to investigate the matter while here.

He is accompanied by Mrs. Barton. Together they are making an extensive tour of North America. They are now at the St. Francis.—Daily Record, Mexico City, Sept. 1.