

JUDGE TAYLOR IS STILL LIVING

Troops Are Rushed to Reelfoot Lake to Chase Members of Murderous Mob.

Aged Lawyer Swam Lake To Escape "Night Riders"

Memphis, Tenn., October 21.—Judge Zack Taylor, taken from the hotel at Walnut log, Tenn., the same night that Captain Quentin Rankin, his law partner, was lynched, has turned up alive near Tiptonville, having escaped from the fishermen "night riders."

While the "night riders" were disputing as to how he should be put to death, Judge Taylor tore away from the mob, plunged into the waters of Reelfoot Lake and swam several hundred yards to safety.

A volley of shots was fired at the aged lawyer as he made his way across the surface of the lake, but none of the bullets took effect. He was completely exhausted when he reached the shore and says that it was several hours before he could travel. He then made his way through the woods toward Tiptonville, where he arrived this morning, tired and sore from the long trudge through strange woods, to relate the horrible details of his experience and the miserable fate of his partner, Captain Quentin Rankin.

Judge Taylor says that he saw his partner swung up by the neck, after which several shots were fired into his body.

TROOPS ORDERED TO REELFOOT LAKE.

Hearst News Service. Nashville, October 21.—One hundred militiamen, under command of Colonel W. C. Tatum, left this morning for Reelfoot lake to assist in hunting down the "night riders" who lynched Colonel Taylor and Captain Rankin.

Nashville, Tenn., October 21.—The reward of Governor Patterson for the capture and conviction of the "night riders" responsible for the lynching of Colonel R. Z. Taylor and Captain Q. Rankin at Reelfoot Lake yesterday morning will stand at \$10,000. It is understood that a supplementary reward will be offered by the relatives and friends of the murdered men.

Colonel Taylor was 60 years of age and was one of the most popular members of the Tennessee bar. Captain Rankin was also well known. Both men resided at Trenton and excitement is running high in that vicinity. Sheriff Eastwood, of Obion County, and a large posse of armed men are scouring the woods in search of the perpetrators of the crime and several arrests have already been made. Manager Ward of the Walnut Log Hotel, near Reelfoot Lake, says that he can identify at least two of the masked men who came to the hotel and carried Colonel Taylor and Captain Rankin into the woods. It was then directly after midnight Tuesday morning and it is presumed that the lynching occurred a few minutes later.

The two lawyers had represented a fishing club in contending for fishing privileges on the lake and it was for this offense that the mob decided to lynch them. They were carried to the bank of Reelfoot Lake, where Captain Rankin was hanged to the limb of a tree and his body riddled with bullets.

The lake separates Obion and Lake counties in the extreme northwestern corner of Tennessee. Numbers of the residents in that neighborhood have made their living for some time by fishing in the lake and they became indignant when what they claimed as their "rights" were disturbed. They made demands of the land company. These were followed by threats.

Colonel Taylor desired the protection, in some form, of the state, and he secured the passage in the legislature of an act regulating fishing on Reelfoot lake. This act made it a misdemeanor to fish in the lake without first paying a heavy penalty. This only served to more thoroughly arouse the fishermen.

Fearing trouble, Captain Rankin and Colonel Taylor have remained away from the vicinity of the lake for some time. Recently, however, they heard that the feeling against them had somewhat subsided. There were some legal papers at Walnut Log, which needed attention, and the attorneys went there yesterday to see about them. Their presence was soon made known to all of the fishermen, and a band of men was quickly formed. It is not known whether the men were from Obion county or from Lake county.

They lost no time, but proceeded to the hotel after the guests had retired for the night, and quietly accomplished their purpose. A man named Powell, who hauls fish from the "Log" to Hickman, is said to have been forced to accompany the mob which numbered about eighty members. Powell had been stopping at the hotel and when the riders called everyone out and compelled them to line up, Powell, Colonel Taylor, Captain Rankin, and the surveyor, a man named Carpenter, are said to have been taken away, the others being permitted to return to their beds.

Powell states, it is said, that after killing Rankin, a vote was taken regarding the disposition to be made of Taylor. During the dispute Taylor made a dash and jumped into the bayou, starting to swim across it. A number of shots were fired at him, and in the confusion Powell slipped away and brought back the story of the escape, or attempted escape of Taylor. Searchers found the trees on the edge of the bayou clipped by bullets, and there were deep footprints in the mud along the shore. On the other side of the bayou there was a single footprint.

Chicago, October 21.—Four men were cooked to death in the engine room of the steam barge Maggie Marshall at a point on the lake thirty miles east of Kenosha Monday night. The men were in the compartment under the engine room when the steam pipe burst. They were scalded to death before the vessel could be towed to land.



Dr. William T. Bull, one of the most famous medical specialists who is slowly dying of cancer. Picture shows Dr. Bull as he appeared before he was stricken. Mrs. Bull, who has proven a tireless nurse to her dying husband, is also shown in the picture.

EIGHT LIVES LOST IN SIMILAR ACCIDENTS

Newburgh, N. Y., October 21.—Four men of the crew of the Albany day line steamer New York were burned to death on board early this morning and the vessel was totally destroyed. The fire started from an explosion of a lamp. The pumps had been put away in preparation for inspection and it was impossible to stop the flames.

FUTURE LOOKS GOOD TO THE LUMBERMEN

Almost every day brings cheering news from the lumbermen of South Mississippi. These letters have reached our desk since Monday: Gulfport.—The Gulfport Sash, Door and Blind Manufacturing Company says: "We are running on full time and the future looks good to us. We have had 100 per cent. more inquiries in the last fifteen days than in the previous thirty days and have booked 50 per cent. more orders."

TORRO ADMITS THEFT, PREFERRED TO STEAL RATHER THAN DIE POOR

Havana, Cuba, October 21.—La Lucha, the leading Spanish paper of Cuba, says: "Miguel De La Torro, accused by Governor Magoon of the theft of \$190,000 from the treasury of the Havana fiscal zone, admits that he stole the money for his daughter, and that he has placed it where it cannot be recovered. Torro is suffering from incurable cancer of the liver and has not long to live. He says that he preferred to steal rather than leave his family in poverty."

GOMPERS IS UPHELD

Clarksburg, W. Va., October 21.—Resolutions endorsing the stand of Samuel Gompers in the advocacy of the election of Bryan were passed unanimously by the state convention of the American Federation of Labor in session here today.

BIG BUFFALO FACTORY SEEKS BETTER LOCATION; HATTIESBURG WANTS IT

Turks Do Battle With Bulgarians

London, October 21.—A dispatch to a local news agency from Athens reports an engagement between Turkish and Bulgarian troops at Djuma on the frontier. It is said that seventy Bulgarians and ten Turks were killed. No confirmation of this report can be obtained from any source.

MRS. HYDE WINS SUIT

Suicide of Jeff Hyde Did Not Invalidate Insurance Carried On His Life

SUPREME COURT HAS RENDERED DECISION

Verdict of the Jones County Circuit Court is Sustained and the Amount of the Policy Must Be paid by the Insurance Company.

Daily News Special.

Laurel, Miss., October 21.—Mrs. Laura Hyde, of this city, will be paid \$2,000 by the Home Life Insurance Company in settlement of a policy carried by her son, Jeff Hyde, who committed suicide in a Meridian hotel a year ago. The insurance company contested the payment of the policy on the ground that it contained a clause revoking its payment in the event of the suicide of the insured during the first year. The matter was decided against the insurance company in the Jones County circuit court and the company appealed to the state supreme court, which has just handed down a decision upholding the action of the lower tribunal.

HAINS CASE POSTPONED

Hearst News Service. New York, October 21.—The arraignment of the Hains brothers was delayed again today, when J. H. McIntyre, counsel for the defense deputed to the double indictment of T. Jenkins Hains, Judge Garretson ordered McIntyre and District Attorney Darrin to prepare briefs which will be submitted to the court Friday and he will render his decision Monday when the Hains brothers will again be brought before the court.

POLITICAL POINTS IN THE DAY'S NEWS.

Three members of President Cleveland's cabinet spoke at Carnegie Hall in New York last night in the interest of Bryan and Kern. They were: David Francis, of Missouri; Judson Harmon, of Ohio, and Hilary A. Herbert, of Alabama. The enthusiasm was great. Taft will speak in New York, Ohio and Indiana from now until the election, according to announcement of Chairman Hitchcock. The Democratic forces will be marshaled in the same states. W. J. Bryan spoke at Louisville last night after a trip through Indiana. He was given an ovation. President Roosevelt will probably make a speech for Taft and Hughes in New York City on October 30. The New York World charges that Roosevelt granted an exclusive franchise to the Standard Oil Company to operate in the canal zone over the protest of Shonts. Treasurer Shelton, of the Republican Committee, is said to be mixed up in the New York ice pool scandal.

TREASURY IS BUSTED

THIS IS THE UNPLEASING PROSPECT PRESENTING ITSELF.

Jackson, October 21.—State Treasurer Edwards has almost reached the bottom of the treasury strong box, and unless county tax collectors hustle up and send in some settlements the annual deficit will again become a troublesome question, and it will be necessary to defer payment on the state's warrants. This prospective shortage is due to legislative shortsightedness in flouting on prospective receipts and expenditures for the biennial period and, as no revenues of consequence can be expected from the various counties until the latter part of the year, it is hard to see how a deficit can be avoided.

The county tax collectors have opened their books for the current year, but very few payments will be made during the present month, a majority of the taxpayers waiting until the time limit has almost expired, and this will be especially true this year on account of the cotton holding movement among the farmers. The receipts from county tax collectors during the early part of November will probably be even smaller than for the same month last year, and even the December settlements are likely to be very light. The heaviest outstanding obligation to be made before the close of the year is the annual distribution of the pension fund, amounting to \$350,000. The distribution list has been almost completed, but Auditor Smith will doubtless hold up the issuance of warrants until advised that there is a sufficient amount of money in the treasury to meet the warrants when they are returned from the chancery clerks for payment. Nearly all the funds now in deposit in the various counties have been withdrawn. The big volume of tax payments will be made during the month of December, settlements on which will not reach the treasury until the first week in January.

In all of the counties the collectors are issuing notices that they will visit the various voting precincts with the tax books during the next thirty days for the purpose of meeting property owners, but as a rule, these visits do not accelerate payments, property owners taking their own time about it, and generally waiting until they make their holiday visits to the county seats before squaring accounts with the state.

SARATOGA HOTEL FIRE

Hearst News Service. Saratoga, Miss., October 21.—The two-story frame hotel at this place burned at 11 o'clock this morning. The fire is supposed to have started in the kitchen and the flames had gained good headway when discovered. The entire structure, together with most of its contents, was reduced to ashes in less than thirty minutes. Several guests were in the building, but made their escape without difficulty and none were injured. The hotel was erected by Captain Bullis when the Gulf and Ship Island Railroad was first constructed through the town. On account of the splendid mineral springs here he intended to make the hotel a resort.

Owner of the Plant is Here to Confer With Citizens and the Commercial Club.

TWO OTHER CITIES ARE AFTER CONCERN

Boxes and Crates From Yellow Pine May Be Manufactured Here—Concern Also Makes Toys—Would Employ a Large Number of Men.

On the invitation of the Commercial Club, Mr. E. E. Williams, of Buffalo, N. Y., is in the city today and is conferring with Secretary Larson and others with reference to the location of a large manufacturing plant in the city of Hattiesburg. The proposed plant will manufacture boxes, crates, and a large line of novelties that are made from wood. Mr. Williams owns the plant that he is thinking of moving to Hattiesburg and it is now located in Buffalo, but he has found it necessary to move to the South on account of the health of his family. He first started to manufacture boxes and crates, but a novelty manufacturing plant was added, and now he is prepared to manufacture any kind of wooden novelty that is used by the trade, such as different kinds of toys to some very useful articles some of which are used in building. He has modern machinery and when a piece of timber is put into a machine it comes out in a finished state, thereby, with labor-saving devices, making the cost much less than when the work is done largely by hand.

The plant will employ at least forty hands. Mr. Williams is not asking for a bonus and has fully decided to locate in one of three places—Hattiesburg, Houston, Tex., or Sherman, Tex. He does not intend to consider any other locations and one of the three places will get the enterprise. It is stated that Houston, Tex., offers a bonus of \$100 for each hand employed in a manufacturing concern that locates there, but it is known that Hattiesburg's advantages will more than offset this. For instance, the plant can use a great deal of the refuse lumber that is now burnt at the saw mills and which can be obtained for nothing at this place. It would be situated right in the midst of the very kind of timber—pine—that is mostly used in the manufacture of the factory's products, and sufficient hardwood timber can be easily obtained. Secretary Larson has had some correspondence with Mr. Williams and when the latter read of the advantages that would accrue in locating the plant at Hattiesburg, he decided to come here and investigate for himself and he is well pleased with the outlook, and while he hasn't said that he would locate here, yet he is well pleased and it is hoped that this will be his final decision. He can be assured that he will receive a cordial and hearty welcome and that he will be locating in one of the best and most healthful places in the South.

FIRE NOW RAGING IN OIL FIELD

Hearst News Service. Sault Ste Marie, Mich., October 21.—Hundreds of residents of this district who have been fighting forest fires for the past several weeks are today depending on predictions of rains to stay the flames. A high gale has spread the flames in all directions. Sugar Island, with a population of 1,000, is reported to be on fire from end to end and it is feared that many lives will be lost. Many small towns are surrounded by flames. OIL FIELD ON FIRE. Hearst News Service. Wheeling, W. Va., October 21.—A terrific forest fire is sweeping over a large area near Decker Station, and as the water is scarce the loss will be enormous. The fire is in the oil territory, which it is feared will be swept clean of all tanks and derricks.



Washington, October 21.—For Mississippi: Fair tonight and Thursday.