

CAPTAIN DINKINS, 94, CONFEDERATE VETERAN, IS DEAD

rites for Highest Ranking Officer of South Are Set for Friday

Captain James Dinkins, 94 years old, 6149 St. Charles avenue, one of the handful of Confederate veterans surviving in this area and assertedly the highest ranking officer among all living Confederate soldiers, died at noon Wednesday at Saluda, N. C., where he had been visiting since mid-June.

Funeral services will be conducted at the residence at 4 p. m. Friday, with the Rev. Robert S. Campbell of Trinity church officiating, and interment will be in the family tomb at Metairie cemetery.

Captain Dinkins died at the summer home of his daughter, Mrs. Cecil Guy Robinson of New Orleans. He had been under medical care for injury and shock received in a fall about two weeks ago.

Two grandchildren, Mrs. John Reed Williams and James D. Robinson, and two great-grandchildren, Cecil Williams and Cynthia Robinson, live in Memphis, Tenn.

A native of Mississippi, he became, before he was 19 years old, the youngest commissioned officer in the Confederate army. After the war he farmed, entered railroad service, and in 1900 moved to New Orleans and established a banking business from which he retired 13 years ago.

Since he was the last surviving member of the Army of Tennessee, United Confederate Veterans, in this vicinity, it had been expected that the army's memorial tomb in Metairie cemetery would be sealed with his death. While he was still alive, however, Captain Dinkins protested against the observance of this sentiment. He asked instead that the tomb remain open to visitors, and particularly to children, so that memories of the Confederacy might remain fresh.

In his own tomb in the same cemetery, he will rest beside his wife, the former Sue Hart of Canton, Miss.

Attired in Uniform He will be attired in an officer's uniform which, with a Confederate battle flag for the exterior of the coffin, had been waiting in his room against the day when, as he wrote only a few weeks ago, "I will be defeated by lords unknown." "But," he added in the same letter, "the flag will not be buried."

Captain Dinkins' popularity was great. On his 84th birthday, April 18, he gave a champagne party at his home. Among his closest, perennial companions was a quartet of women whom he always called the "Four Horsemen." Though he often said he expected them to continue their visits on through his own funeral, only one of the four, Mrs. Estelle Arthur, was in New Orleans Wednesday to carry out the compact. The others had left, some only a day or so before, on vacation trips.

One of the veteran's delights was a striking portrait of himself which was executed in Saluda during one of his customary summer visits by a well-known woman painter from New York.

Captain Dinkins was born in 1845 on his father's plantation in Madison county, Mississippi. He was the son of Alexander Hamilton Dinkins, a justice of the peace, N. C., and Mrs. Cynthia Springs Dinkins, descendants of American pioneer families.

In 1855 when Captain Dinkins was 10 years old, John D. Hart of Southampton county, Virginia, grandson of John Hart of Pennsylvania, who signed the Declaration of Independence, arrived in Madison county, Mississippi, with his wife, children, 50 slaves, a carriage train and covered wagons. With him was his 10-year-old daughter, Sue Hart, who was born on the same day as Captain Dinkins.

"Jim" Dinkins, as he was called, and Sue Hart fell in love, despite their tender years and members of the two families smiled tolerantly. The following year, however, Miss Sue returned to Virginia to attend the Murfreesboro Female college. In 1860 Captain Dinkins left the family plantation to enter the North Carolina Military Institute at Charlotte.

Entered War Came 1861 and the War Between the States. Captain Dinkins was three days less than 16 years old but so great was his devotion to the Confederacy that when a group of older students left the military institute to enlist he sneaked aboard the train with them.

private in the First North Carolina Infantry, the company that called itself the Corps of Carolina

Former Governor Quizzed Again by Grand Jury



Former Governor Richard W. Leche (left) and Connie Tullier, Sr., former superintendent of construction at Louisiana State university, were among witnesses who appeared before the East Baton Rouge parish grand jury Wednesday. Mr. Leche was questioned for nearly two hours.

detts, he fought in the Battle of Bethel when he was only 16 years old. Before he was 17 he had been commissioned a first lieutenant in the cavalry. And before he was 19 he was made captain of cavalry, C. S. A., and aide-de-camp to General James R. Chalmers, commander of the First Division of Nathan Bedford Forrest's Cavalry. This made him the youngest commissioned officer in the Confederacy.

During the war he fought in 27 battles, including the battles of Bethel, Leesburg, Savage Station, Fryaser's Farm, Malvern Hill, Harper's Ferry, Sharpsburg, Frederickburg, Coldwater, Collierville, Harrisburg, West Point, Oxford, Memphis, Paris Landing, Johnsonville, Columbia, Henryville, Springhill, Franklin, Nashville and Pulaski.

Twice during the war, he visited Miss Sue, his childhood sweetheart, and during each visit she rejected his proposal of marriage, telling him it was too young.

Family Land Too When the war was over and Captain Dinkins returned home, he found the family land poor. Patching up a wagon he drove to Vicksburg with five bales of cotton, sold them for \$80 a bale and with the \$400 bought a new wagon, some bolts of calico and some shoes for the ladies of his family.

Then he settled down to raising a crop and courting Miss Sue. Again and again he proposed to the lady of his heart. Again and again she refused him. Finally, one day in June, 1866, when both were 21 years old, when Captain Jim was out horseback riding with Miss Sue, he leaned over and said to her, "Tell me, please, May I have some hope?" And she said, "I'll tell you in a song to-night."

With heart beating double time, the youthful officer went calling that night on Miss Sue. But two other officers outstaid him, so he never heard the song. The next day they went riding again and he reminded her of her promise; begged her to sing to him. Whereupon Miss Sue hummed an improvised ditty, which included the line, "Ma says I can marry you."

The couple was married in Grace church, Canton, Miss., November 15, 1866. Until the day of her death, October 2, 1934, he called her "Beautiful Lady."

Each wedding anniversary was

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carry on its pay roll the old wage scale, with a 10 per cent deduction. This was done to make pension payments, one-half the old salary, instead of one-half the reduced salary. Policemen pay 3 per cent of their salaries toward their retirement on the basis of the old salary, as carried on the books."

Produces Pay Roll Sheet Chief Evans also produced a pay roll sheet which showed the following in the "average case" of Peter Nabos: Salary for half-month, \$68.40; credit union deduction, \$6; relief fund for firemen (death of member of the force) \$2; balance, \$60.40.

The next half-month pay roll showed for the same fireman a 3 per cent reduction for the pension fund and 75 cents for dues in the relief society. Salaries of firemen also were reduced 10 per cent in 1933, he said.

PHYSICIAN INDICTED IN FATAL BURNING

Marietta, Ga., July 19.—Dr. J. S. Freeman, physician of the Belmont community near Smyrna, was indicted today on a charge of murder in the death June 13 of Aaron Saunders.

The Cobb county grand jury charged Freeman poured gasoline over Saunders and set fire to his clothing while the latter was sitting in the cab of a truck on which both had been working.

Two other indictments were returned against Freeman. He was charged with assault with intent to murder Henry L. Cole, 65-year-old Atlanta fruit dealer "by administering a certain narcotic."

John Lecroy, clerk of Cobb county superior court, said Freeman's case would be subject to call in criminal court next week.

TARRED, FEATHERED NURSE BRINGS CHARGE

Calgary, July 19.—Charges of assault were filed today against Mrs. Ethel Allen and her daughter Betty after a 23-year-old student nurse, Alice Knowles, reported to police she had been tarred and feathered in her own apartment Tuesday night.

Chief of Police David Ritchie said the nurse was in a hospital suffering from shock and burns about her face and body. Police found a pail of roofing paint in her apartment and expressed belief her burns were caused by chemicals in the paint.

an occasion for celebration and Mrs. Dinkins' death, a month before their 68th anniversary, interrupted a planned trip to the little church where they were married.

In 1874 he entered the service of the Illinois Central railroad at Canton, Miss., and remained connected with the railway in various capacities for 30 years. In 1900 he moved to New Orleans and organized the Jefferson Trust and Savings Bank, which he managed until 1926 when he retired from active business.

Captain Dinkins was always prominently identified with the United Confederate Veterans and attended the reunions with regularity.

Four Boys Killed, 3 Others Injured in Truck Wreck

(Special to The Times-Picayune) Chicago, July 19.—Four boys were instantly killed today and three others sustained serious injuries when a farmer's stock truck smashed into a lighter truck in which 15 youths, all of high school age, were traveling to work in Van Orin, Ill., 100 miles west of Chicago.

The victims were not immediately identified. The boys were traveling in a truck and were intending to start work this morning for a seed company detasseling corn. Their car collided head-on with a truck driven by Oscar Cherry of Geneva, who was returning from a trip to the Chicago stock yards.

Authorities were unable to assign a cause for the crash. An entire side of the lighter truck was torn away, spilling the 15 boys into the highway. The accident occurred on Route 92, near Ohio, Ill.

SHERIFF OFFERS PAY FOR HIS STOLEN CAR

Tazewell, Tenn., July 19.—Sheriff John W. Greer offered a \$50 reward for return of his automobile, stolen from in front of the Claiborne county courthouse here. He also offered \$100 reward for capture of the thieves.

The sheriff said he saw the

thieves driving out of town at a "high rate of speed" about 3 o'clock in the morning. With another officer, he chased them but lost trace of the thieves.

JURORS TO PUSH PROBE, ABANDON VACATION PLANS

Baton Rouge Foreman Says Inquiry May Continue 'All Summer'

By George Vandervoort (The Times-Picayune Staff Correspondent) Baton Rouge, La., July 19.—The East Baton Rouge parish grand jurors today expressed their determination to pursue the investigation of Louisiana State university to a conclusion if it takes all summer.

Clyde Strait, foreman of the jurors, put at rest reports that the jurors would take a prolonged recess in order to enjoy vacations which most of them had planned.

"It is true," Foreman Strait said, "that vacations had been planned by members of the jury. However, the investigation will be continued without any halt."

AS an indication of the jury's decision to proceed without letup into the alleged forgeries, embezzlements, graft and corruption that have existed in some quarters of the university, the jurors, when they recessed at 4:30 o'clock this afternoon, voted to reconvene at 9 o'clock Thursday morning, an hour earlier than they have been going in the past.

It was explained by District Attorney Dewey J. Sanchez that the earlier convening hour was decided upon so that the jurors can put in a longer working day and hear more witnesses.

Asked this evening if more indictments would be returned this week, District Attorney Sanchez declared "I am not certain." He indicated there is a possibility of more true bills being voted by the grand jurors.

Carrying what appeared to be canceled checks and other records, former Governor Richard W. Leche was recalled this morning by the inquisitors, and remained closeted with them for about two hours. He was subjected to a three-hour examination by the jurors Monday.

While former Governor Leche was before the jurors, L. P. Abernathy, who recently resigned as chairman of the Louisiana highway commission and as a member of the board of supervisors of the university, and T. P. Heard, director of athletics at the university, waited in the courthouse corridor leading to the grand jury's chamber.

Neither was called during the day. The jurors, who already have examined Mr. Abernathy, are reported to have requested that he return Thursday with documents and records.

After questioning four witnesses in addition to former Governor Leche, the jurors ordered subpoenas issued for the following: Floyd J. Cox and Joseph Smith, carpenters at Louisiana State university; Tony D. Germal, truck driver at the university; W. C. Moran, watchman at the university; Willie Hogz, truck driver at the university; Charles Genovese and John Kenner.

Witnesses heard today by the grand jurors, in addition to former Governor Leche, were E. M. Gatter, watchman at the university; Louis C. Leaur, electrician at the university; Virgil Watson, electrician's helper at the university, and Mrs. Tressie Martin, head nurse at the university hospital.

RYAN SAYS LEA BILL WOULD HIT CARRIERS

(The Associated Press) Washington, July 19.—Joseph P. Ryan, president of the International Longshoremen's Association, said in a statement today that the Lea transportation bill, under which the ICC would regulate water carriers' rates, would "destroy" the carriers.

thieves driving out of town at a "high rate of speed" about 3 o'clock in the morning. With another officer, he chased them but lost trace of the thieves.

Summation of State Situation

Background The New Orleans States and The Times-Picayune on June 9 published photographs showing Louisiana State university trucks delivering materials fabricated at the university to a lot in Metairie for a house being built for friends of Governor Richard W. Leche.

After Governor Leche called and indefinitely postponed a hearing to investigate misuse of L. S. U. property, he and other state officials were called on by these newspapers to answer pertinent questions concerning state affairs.

On the eve of Governor Leche's resignation, Dr. James Monroe Smith, president of L. S. U., disappeared. The governor announced that irregularities amounting to hundreds of thousands of dollars had been uncovered at L. S. U.

Investigations by the East Baton Rouge parish grand jury, the federal grand jury for the Eastern District of Louisiana and by seven agencies of the federal government were started. These investigations were intensified following the arrest of Dr. Smith in Canada and his return to Baton Rouge.

Indicted The East Baton Rouge parish grand jury has returned indictments against Dr. Smith, J. M. Brown, his broker; Dr. Clarence A. Loria, L. S. U. physician and Baton Rouge political boss; George Caldwell, construction superintendent at L. S. U.; E. N. Jackson, L. S. U. business manager, and has charged Mrs. Smith, Owen J. Ware and J. Emory Adams with assisting Dr. Smith to escape.

The United States grand jury has indicted Seymour Weiss, president of the dock board; Louis C. LeSage, assistant to the president of the Standard Oil Company of Louisiana; Monte E. Hart, head of the Hart Enterprise Electrical Company and member of the contracting firm of Caldwell Brothers and Hart; Dr. Smith and Adams for using the mails to defraud.

Investigations Federal agencies, including the grand jury, are investigating the diversion of WPA materials and labor, construction of the new Charity hospital, possible income tax evasions, deductions from the salaries of state employees, possible violation of the Connally "hot oil" act, and, reportedly, an alleged tax racket in New Orleans.

The East Baton Rouge parish grand jury is investigating irregularities at Louisiana State university. The district attorney of Orleans parish is investigating stock market operations of Dr. Smith and the transaction which led to federal indictments in connection with the sale of the Bienville hotel furnishings.

Independent Actions Civic clubs, the board of directors of the Association of Commerce and a committee of approximately 100 prominent business men have adopted resolutions calling for vigorous prosecution of investigations of corruption in the state.

HATCH BILL ACCLAIMED (The Associated Press) Washington, July 19.—The National Grange today approved the Hatch bill to outlaw "pernicious political activities." It said the measure "proposes a reform that is long overdue."

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FERNANDEZ ASKED ABOUT CONGRESS ELECTION IN 1936

Ex-Dock Board Worker Says 'Extra Ballots Used at Polls'

George A. Fried, Box 317, Hayne Boulevard, who said he was discharged as an employee of the dock board because he refused to submit to a 5 per cent deduction from his salary, Wednesday urged Congressman J. O. Fernandez to tell what he knows about the 1936 election in which he was re-elected to Congress.

"The suggestion was in answer to a denial by Congressman Fernandez that Fried was fired by the dock board as a result of his refusal to submit to a deduction from his salary."

"I have been an election commissioner for about the last 15 years," Mr. Fried related, "and I know that 500 extra ballots were printed for use in our section and were sent to the polls to steal the 1936 election."

"If the election had been fair, Joe Fernandez wouldn't be in office today. I was a commissioner in the polls every time he ran for office with opposition and I urge him to come out and tell the public what method was used in the polls for his election and the election of Governor Leche and the rest of the ticket."

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Advertisement for White Bros. Co. watches. Features include: 'OUR SEMI-ANNUAL INVENTORY--JUST COMPLETED SHOWS TOO MANY WATCHES, SO WE ANNOUNCE THIS GREAT 1/2 Price WATCH Sale!'. Lists various watch models and prices, such as 'Man's Wrist Watch, Reg. 14.95, Now 7.47'. Includes the slogan 'NO MONEY DOWN PAY 50c A WEEK'. Location: 624 CANAL STREET.

Advertisement for Green River Kentucky Straight Bourbon Whiskey. Features include: 'Bigger Money's Worth THAN YOU EVER HOPED TO BUY! GREEN RIVER KENTUCKY STRAIGHT BOURBON WHISKEY'. '3 YEARS OLD'. 'Made by the distillers of the famous THREE FEATHERS BLENDED WHISKEY'. 'THE WHISKEY THAT SPEAKS FOR ITSELF'.

Advertisement for Morrison's restaurant. Features include: 'MORRISON'S 329 ST. CHARLES ST. WANT TO SHOW YOU HOW MUCH CHANGE YOU CAN MAKE? FOLLOW US! EASY! YOU CAN'. 'Suggestions Picked at Random EVERY DAY BREAKFAST SPECIAL'. Lists breakfast items like '1 Egg (Any Style), 2 Strips of Bacon or Pork' for 5c. 'LUNCH THURSDAY DINNER'. Lists lunch items like 'Spanish Meat Loaf With Creole Sauce and Creamed Potatoes' for 9c. 'FREE TONIGHT' with purchase of dessert.