

SOLDIER OR SLAVE?

Investigating the Case of Private D. P. Wild, Who Was STRUCK BY AN OFFICER

Because He Refused to Perform a Menial Service.

LIEUT. STEELE'S NOVEL DEFENSE

A court martial has commenced the trial of Second Lieutenant M. T. Steele, who is charged with striking a private because he refused to perform a menial service.

CHICAGO, March 18.—The court martial for the trial of Second Lieutenant M. T. Steele, Eighth Cavalry, United States Army, convened today in Battery D Army.

The members of the court were in full uniform, and were their side arms, Captain Arthur Murray, acted as Judge Advocate.

Lieutenant Steele appeared in fatigue uniform, without his sword, and sat beside his counsel, Lieutenant E. H. Crowder, of the Eighth Cavalry.

The Judge Advocate read the formal charge. It alleged in one charge and two specifications that on October 24 last, Lieutenant Steele used insulting language to Private Dell P. Wild and afterward struck him, all of which was prejudicial to good discipline and contrary to the proper conduct of an officer.

DISCIPLINE MUST BE MAINTAINED.

To this charge Lieutenant Steele, who had remained standing when the charge was read, pleaded not guilty, both as to the charge and the specifications.

Lieutenant Crowder then arose and said: "I wish to say a few words as to our plea. We plead not guilty because we deny the facts alleged, but in order to facilitate the fullest inquiry into this matter, our defense will be that whatever was necessary for the maintenance of good discipline and for the good of the service."

Private Dell P. Wild, the complainant, was then brought into court and sworn. In a low voice he told his story:

THE PRIVATE'S STORY.

"I was ordered to carry a piece of canvas to Lieutenant Steele's headquarters. I was told to take it to the back yard, where I was to assist in painting the canvas on a storm door leading from Steele's back door to an outhouse. I did not think he had any right to ask me to do that, and so I said: 'Lieutenant, I refuse to do that work because I don't have to carry the canvas to the back yard. You ask me to split or carry in wood, I'll do it, but I won't do anything of this kind. I think it is menial work.' He then called me a deserter and swore at me and finally struck me in the face, knocking my hat into a tub of water. I then started out of his yard, when he ordered me to halt and had me placed under arrest. I was taken to the quarters and then got permission to go back and get my cap, which was still in a bucket in the Lieutenant's yard."

A PREMIUM ON CRIME.

"Corporal Scott took me back, and when I got to the gate Steele said: 'What do you want?' and I said, 'I want my cap, sir,' and he says, 'Get it and get out of here.' I went back to quarters, where I stayed until I was tried in November and was imprisoned from the 25th of October until the trial."

The defense then examined Wild, and attempted to prove that he had frequently expressed the wish that he had been tried by a court-martial. In reply to a question as to the truth of this statement Wild replied: "I refuse to answer that question; it ain't got nothing to do with the case of Wild. I tried here." He finally admitted that he had said that he would have rather killed Steele than to have struck him, "because, he said, 'I could not get justice in a military court, but I can't get no justice in a military court.'"

APPLAUSE FOR THE JUDGE.

"Did you ever join the United States Army under the name of E. P. Ward?" asked the counsel for the defendant. "I object," said the Judge Advocate, "on the ground that that is irrelevant to this case."

The spectators indulged in applause at this position, and the Judge Advocate said: "After the attorneys argued the point, the Court retired to an ante room to consider the question. They returned after several minutes' absence and sustained the objection."

Lieutenant Crowder then asked permission to bring into court one McComas, who had known Wild under the name of Ward. The Court again retired to the council chamber and this time ruled in favor of the defendant. McComas was then called in, and in his presence Wild was asked if McComas was not his (Wild's) Sergeant in the Fifteenth Infantry. The question was not answered, as the Judge Advocate objected to the question, and the objection was sustained.

THE LIEUTENANT WAS ANGRY.

Corporal Hiram Scott, who had charge of Wild after his arrest, testified that he took Wild back to Steele's house to obtain the missing cap. "What was the prisoner's demeanor at the time?" asked the Judge Advocate. "He appeared very angry."

The witness was then dismissed but was called back by the Judge Advocate, who inquired: "To whom did you refer when you said the prisoner appeared angry?" "I referred to Lieutenant Steele," Wild seemed nervous. That was all I noticed."

The audience again took occasion to applaud, showing their sympathy with the private. The prosecution here rested the case and defense asked for a moment which to prepare for the presentation of their case. The court was accordingly adjourned until tomorrow, when it will meet at 11 A. M. in the same place.

POOK JACK AT SEA.

Charge of Cruelty Now Made Against Several of the Enterprise's Officers.

NEW YORK, March 18.—At the investigation of Commander McCalla to-day Fireman Jeremiah Shay and Michael Murphy, coal heaver, charged Lieutenant Mulligan, of the Enterprise, with putting them in irons and striking them. Michael Keavy charged Lieutenant Mulligan with having gagged him with a bayonet. The Lieutenant admitted that he had not had orders to do this. Eugene Kline said he saw Lieutenant Ingersoll strike Keavy.

Seaman A. C. New testified that at Greenstadt he was ironed, and was for several days compelled to clean bright work. He had wanted to make a complaint and Lieutenant Ingersoll would not let him do so, but picked up a bayonet pin and held it over the head of witness, and then threw it away and hit him in the mouth. Witness was then placed in the brig kept on bread and water for five days. Barry Sanford, E. P. McDonald and James Hoenig corroborated New's statement. Paul McCombs was the next complainant. He was chained to two other men by the waist and compelled to stand.

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Cecil Alley Widening.

The Assessments and Damages Allowed by the Board of Viewers Yesterday.

The Board of Viewers yesterday morning made its final report on the Cecil alley widening. The Fifth avenue property holders put in their objections to being assessed, but the objections were overruled. It is understood, however, that the courts will be asked to decide on the subject. The following is the list of assessments and damages:

DAMAGES—CECIL ALLEY.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Amount. Includes Citizens' Trac, Henry Phillips, J. H. Hester, etc.

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