

Five Known Dead and Many Wounded as Result of Trouble Between Races in Florida Town

Two White Men, Two Negro Women and one White Man Killed During Race Riots in Florida Village.

VILLAGE BURNED BY MEN OF MOB

Trouble Started When White Men Began Searching for Negroes Wanted for Attack on White Woman.

Otter Creek, Fla., Jan. 5. (By the Associated Press.)—Two white men, two negro women and one negro man are known to be dead while it is believed there are many other casualties as a result of the race trouble last night and early today at Rosewood, 12 miles from here.

A party of citizens of Sumner went to Rosewood late last night to investigate reports that two negroes sought in connection with an attack upon a young white woman at Sumner Monday were concealed in a house there. Upon the approach of the party the negroes without warning opened fire, killing outright two persons and wounding four, one of them probably fatally.

It later developed that 21 heavily armed negroes were in the house and citizens immediately established a cordon around it and opened fire with every conceivable kind of firearm.

At 4 o'clock this morning, according to information here, the ammunition of the attackers became exhausted and the departure of many for fresh supplies gave the beset negroes an opportunity to escape.

The vacated house contained the bodies of two negro women and one negro man who had been killed by bullets which penetrated the walls or entered the house through windows.

Blood stains indicated that several of those who escaped were wounded. Immediately afterward, according to reports received from Rosewood, a mob began firing the buildings in the village and every structure except the grocery store, the residence of the grocer, and the residence of another white man was destroyed.

About 20 families resided in Rosewood, many, if not the majority of them, negroes.

The known white dead are: Polly Wilkinson, of Sumner, 45, a merchant; Henry Andrews, 43, of Otter Creek, superintendent of a lumber company. Wilkinson and Andrews were shot to death when they attempted to enter the negro house late last night in search for Sylvester Carrier.

The negroes barricaded in the place at the time opened fire on the white men. The bodies of the two men lay throughout the night where they fell. The dead negro was a brother of the man in jail in connection with the assault upon a young white woman several days ago. Jesse Hunter, an escaped negro convict, was believed to have committed the crime, is still at large.

Shouting to Phantom Pony a Veteran Jockey Rides Into Another World.

Carlinville, Ill., Jan. 4.—Catching imaginary reins, feebly shouting encouragement to the last his old pony whip J. A. Sweeney, 66, veteran jockey, yesterday dashed past his last goal, a winner—dying in the role he had often lived—leading the field.

Upright in his bed, and staring fixedly before him, the veteran rode boldly ahead into another world—a world in which he had often said he hoped there would be horses. His wife, comrades of his horse for horses played an heroic role in his last scene.

With her arms about his frail body, she supported him, assuring him that there was no mistake, all was ready, his horse was waiting. She continued the pathetic play to the end even simulating for him the clang of the starter's bell.

Mr. Sweeney, several years ago at his own request, left the house in which he lived for a room in the stable.

CRISSINGER SLATED FOR HIGH HONORS

Will Be Named Governor of the Federal Reserve Board, Says Report.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, Jan. 5.—D. R. Crissinger, present Comptroller of the Currency, will be nominated as Governor of the Federal Reserve Board within a few days, according to information in high administration circles today. Mr. Crissinger will succeed to the place made vacant by the retirement of former Governor W. P. G. Harding.

THE COTTON MARKET

Offerings Were Light and the Market Showed Generally Steady Tone. New York, Jan. 5.—There was some further scattering commission house liquidation at the opening of the cotton market today which was attributed to European political news. On the whole, however, offerings were comparatively light, and after opening unchanged to 7 points higher the market showed generally steady tone on bullish Southern spot advances and relatively steady Liverpool cables.

Cotton futures opened steady; January 28.5; March 28.75; May 28.55; July 28.35; October 24.55.

RESIGNS FROM THE STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION

Governor Appoints A. M. Kistler to Succeed J. C. McBee. Raleigh, Jan. 5.—Governor Cameron Morrison today accepted the resignation of John C. McBee, republican, of the state highway commission, and appointed in his stead A. M. Kistler, republican, of Burke county. The resignation of Mr. McBee was tendered last night after a committee had brought charges that he had discriminated against several counties in his section in favor of Mitchell, his home county.

Salisbury May Change Form of Government

Salisbury, Jan. 4.—Charles A. Hines and E. P. Wharton, of Greensboro, were heard by local Rotarians and special guests on the advisability of Salisbury changing her form of government to that of managerial. Mr. Wharton spoke as a convert to the new system, saying he had opposed it before Greensboro adopted it but was now in favor of it. Mr. Hines made the principal address of the occasion and set forth many reasons for changing from aldermanic to managerial form for city government.

John Heisman Signs to Coach the W. and J. Football Team

Washington, Penn., Jan. 4.—John W. Heisman, former University of Pennsylvania and Georgia Tech football coach, has signed a three-year contract to coach the Washington and Jefferson gridiron squad today was announced here tonight by R. M. Murphy, graduate manager of athletics at W. and J. He succeeds Earle A. Newell, the big league baseball star.

The trouble with the average breadwinner is that he wants cake.

MOREHOUSE PARISH HEARING IS BEGUN

Charges of Masked Band Depredations Will Be Tried Before District Judge Fred L. Odum.

(By the Associated Press.) Bastrop, La., Jan. 5.—Hearing of charges of masked band depredations in Morehouse parish held by Governor John M. Parker at the door of the Ku Klux Klan of the parish, looked to be the climax of more than three months of investigation by the Department of Justice Agents and state investigators was formally opened here today before Judge Fred L. Odum, of the 6th judicial district. Judge Odum immediately summoned the sheriff and instructed him to have all persons entering the court room searched.

After Judge Odum concluded a statement outlining the purpose of the investigation the hearing was adjourned until 2 o'clock.

WANT MONUMENT TO LATE WALTER H. PAGE

The Spectator Wants Monument in Westminster Abbey. London, Jan. 5. (By the Associated Press.)—This week's issue of The Spectator will contain a signed article written by John S. Stretcher, its editor, paying tribute to the "unforgettable service of devotion" by the late Walter Hines Page to the British empire while he was ambassador to the Court of St. James.

The article suggests as testimony of the love and gratitude of the empire for Mr. Page that a monument to him be erected in Westminster Abbey. Mr. Stretcher thinks a monument in some London street as a memorial to Abraham Lincoln would be insufficient.

"We want something intimate; something that will show the endearment of the man to us in our day of anguish and adversity," Mr. Stretcher declared.

Rowan Will Profit by Revaluation Decision

Salisbury, Jan. 4.—The decision of the United States Supreme Court in the North Carolina revaluation case means much for Rowan county. It is stated that the Southern Railway Company is due the county \$18,302.25 in back taxes, which were held back owing this decision of the high court, and that the county will begin to proceed to collect this amount.

Cotton Meeting at Memphis Soon

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, Jan. 5.—Announcement of a cotton conference at Memphis, Tenn., early next month to consider the use of calcium arsenate and other means in fighting the boll weevil was made today by Secretary Wallace, of the Department of Agriculture through Senator Harris, democrat, of Georgia.

The condition of Mrs. Arthur Fink, who has been ill for the past week, is reported today as unchanged.

Legislative War Begun Against Ku Klux Klan

(By the Associated Press.) Raleigh, Jan. 5.—The first gun in the expected legislative war against the Ku Klux Klan in North Carolina was fired in the Senate today when Senator J. R. Baggett, of the 12th district, introduced a bill making it a felony for a person to appear on his premises disguised so as to destroy identity, and at the same time announced that he had received a number of abusive letters since it became known he would attack the organization.

The House joined the Senate in introducing a bill in the form of a resolution through a bill introduced by Representative J. E. Miliken, of Union County, which would provide punishment for any person appearing in public places wearing masks.

The Senate session was brief. Only four bills were introduced and one resolution. In the House 21 bills and one resolution were introduced.

Important among the House bills were those which seek to create a division in the State Department of Labor and Printing for the deaf, with a deaf person at its head; to reduce personal property tax exemption in North Carolina; to ask Congress to support Henry Ford's Muscle Shoals proposal; and to amend the act relating to alimony without divorce.

The bill introduced in the Senate by Senator Baggett relative to masks contains four brief sections. The first recites that "it shall be unlawful for any person to be off his premises masked or disguised in such a manner as to destroy his identity." The bill exempts minors under the age of 18 who might be attending "properly conducted" Halloween parties.

ANNUAL BANQUET OF CONCORD MERCHANTS

Banquet Sponsored by Merchants' Association Held at Y Thursday Night, With About 50 Present.

NEW OFFICERS ARE ELECTED

A. H. Jarrett is New President.—J. P. Leonard and J. L. Williams Were the Principal Speakers.

Election of officers for 1923, reading of the report of the Secretary for the past year, short talks by J. P. Leonard, Secretary of the State Merchants' Association, and J. L. Williams, executive secretary of the Charlotte Associated Merchants, and a fine turkey dinner were the high lights in the annual banquet of the Concord Merchants Association, which was held Thursday night at the Y. M. C. A. About fifty men were present, and the banquet was easily one of the best and most enthusiastic the local association has ever held.

J. E. Davis, the retiring President, was thanked, and he conducted the business of the meeting, even after the new President was elected. The banquet was planned and arranged by Mr. Davis and W. A. Overcash, secretary.

The following officers were elected to serve during 1923:

President—Hal Jarrett. Vice President—E. M. Richmond. Treasurer—John M. Cook. Directors in addition to officers: C. M. Ivey, Julius Fisher, J. E. Davis, Frank Sibley and E. H. Brown.

The selection of the secretary was left to the officers and directors. The nominations were made by A. F. Hartwell and no other candidates were mentioned, the entire set of officers being elected together.

Mr. Jarrett and Mr. Richmond made short talks after being elected. The new President declared that the Merchants Association should be the most potent financial factor in the building of Concord, and he asked the cooperation of the members. Mr. Richmond declared that the office of Vice President was the only one he could hold, as this office has nothing to do. He pledged his support to any policies the new administration might sponsor, and expressed faith in the future of the organization.

The Secretary's report brought out the following facts:

That business in 1922 was generally good. That the mills are running at full time and that the farmers have made enough money to pay most of their 1922 debts.

That the Made-in-Carolinas Exposition was given the financial backing of Concord and Cabarrus merchants and manufacturers, and that the Exposition was a great success.

That the Association protested vigorously against the practice of the American Railway Express Company which sent express packages from the east to Concord by circuitous routes; that the Association entered a protest with Senator Simmons and had copies of The Concord Tribune which published the letter to the Senator sent to Attorney General Daugherty and other high federal officials; that relief from the present condition is expected soon.

That employment was found for a number of local people as well as a number of strangers.

That the two good Dollar Days were held last spring, backed by the Association.

That the Association has been in communication with a number of northern capitalists relative to erecting manufacturing plants here, that Concord has a good chance to get some of these enterprises if everyone will pull together.

That Concord needs a new hotel, more homes, more business houses and an apartment house.

The Secretary also read a financial report, showing that the Association has made financial gains during the year.

JANUARY MEETING OF BOARD OF ALDERMEN

Board Was in Session for Several Hours, and Much Discussion Featured the Meeting.

The aldermen of Concord were in session until 11 o'clock at the city hall Thursday night, and at that hour all business that was presented had not been acted upon, so the board adjourned to meet next Thursday night. Action on several matters was taken by the board, but one subject—the widening of Means Street—created so much discussion that several other important matters had to be postponed.

Argument over the widening of Means street continued for about an hour. Messrs. W. W. and Z. A. Morris, who own property on the street, asked the board to widen it, by taking the present sidewalk on the north side of the street and add it to the street. Such action would require the new building to be erected by the Cabarrus Savings Bank to be moved back five feet from its proposed site.

The bank officials would not agree to the proposed plan. The city was unwilling to condemn the property and bear the total expense, so the board took no action. It was proposed by the City Attorney that the Morris brothers, the bank officials and Dr. R. M. King, who owns the property adjoining the bank property, get together and try to perfect some compromise. The matter will be taken up again next Thursday Thursday night.

Reverend Ira Long, city engineer, submitted a map showing an increase to the corporate limits of the city near the old furniture factory. The map was accepted and the city went on record as favoring the extension of the limits. About 21 families will be taken into the city under the proposed plan.

The following streets were ordered paved by the board: Cedar, from Beech street to Franklin Avenue. North Crowell, from Franklin Avenue to Duval and Cedar streets. East Marsh, from Union to Church streets. Loan, from Union to Church streets.

Jobs Secured for Many During December

(By the Associated Press.) Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 5.—Approximately 1822 persons were placed in positions in North Carolina by the state and federal departments of labor during December, according to the monthly report of M. L. Shipman, commissioner of labor and printing, made public tonight.

Asheville: Skilled 41; unskilled 188; clerical and professional 13; domestic 55; industrial 0; total 297. Charlotte: Unskilled 252; skilled 38; clerical and professional 32; domestic 14; industrial 2; total 338. Greensboro: Skilled 3; unskilled 72; clerical and professional 11; domestic 16; industrial 0; total 102.

New Bern: Skilled 109; unskilled 188; clerical and professional 13; domestic 22; industrial 0; total 329. Raleigh: Skilled 48; unskilled 75; clerical and professional 51; domestic 31; industrial 0; total 205.

Wilmington: Skilled 230; unskilled 270; clerical and professional 13; domestic 17; industrial 8; total 447. Winston-Salem: Skilled 25; unskilled 94; clerical and professional 23; domestic 35; industrial 3; total 155.

Totals 1821 males; 271 females. Grand total 2092.

Three Whites and Three Negroes Killed in Riot

Gainesville, Fla., Jan. 4.—Three white men and three negroes were dead and a number of white and blacks injured as a result of an outbreak at Rosewood, three miles from Sumner, Levy county, late today and early tonight, according to reports received here late tonight by the telephone from Cedar Key.

The reports added that the population of Cedar Key was aroused and that many armed men from were were planning to go to Rosewood. The Gainesville Sun was requested to ask Sheriff Ramsey, of this, Alachua county to go to the scene with as many men as possible, as it was feared the situation apparently already beyond the control of the Levy county authorities, would grow worse.

Reparations Move by U. State Library Probable

NO ACTION NOW ON ROBINSON PROPOSAL

Senate Foreign Relations Committee Wants the President's Views First.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, Jan. 5.—The senate foreign relations committee today decided to obtain the opinion of the administration on the resolution of Senator Robinson, democrat, Arkansas, authorizing the President to appoint of fiscal American representatives on the reparations commission before proceeding with consideration of the measure.

Senator Lodge, Massachusetts, republican leader and committee chairman, was directed by the committee to confer with Secretary Hughes of the State Department, regarding the Robinson proposal, and also to obtain for the committee all the department's available information on the reparations negotiations.

FISH AND GAME LAW UP TO THE LEGISLATURE

Interested Persons Will Probably Ask For a Statewide Law Instead of the County Laws.

(By the Associated Press.) Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 5.—The question of state game laws for the preservation of game and fish which would take the place of, or reinforce, the various local laws, was brought before the senators and representatives of the state legislature here today through letters and manuscripts from various organizations, which recently have been formed for this purpose. It was learned in legislative circles here today.

Chief among the seekers for protective fish and game legislation is the North Carolina State Game and Fish Development League which was recently formed in Charlotte. Plans have been made by the league to have George A. Lawyer, chief of the government's game conservation bureau, to lead active aid toward urging what is termed "necessary legislation which will bring North Carolina on a par with other states in this field."

Representative H. D. Townsend, of Davidson county, has announced his willingness to support such a bill. He is the first democrat to represent his county in ten years.

According to tentative plans, the bill would be framed to give a general protection to all wild game and fish, provide certain seasons for hunters which would be uniform in all counties, and build up the state's resources in this respect.

Several senators and representatives have said that such legislation would be a vast asset to the state in view of the fact that proper conservation of the fish and game would mean a great annual saving in food values to the citizens of the commonwealth.

Many organizations have been formed over the state which seek to have this matter presented to the legislature. Sportsmen far and wide have shown their interest by taking a personal hand in seeking a statewide conservation law.

Young Man Injured in an Auto Accident

Salisbury, Jan. 4.—Francis Price, young son of A. H. Price, well known attorney of this city, is kept in his room suffering as a result of being struck by an automobile, one leg near the ankle is badly hurt.

The accident happened while young Price was delivering envelopes for his church and the identity of the person driving the car that struck him is not known.

This is the second time the lad has been injured by automobiles, the same leg that was hurt this time having been hurt several years ago.

Fall River Company Will Buy Mill in Charlotte

Fall River, Mass., Jan. 4.—The Sagamore Manufacturing company is contemplating the purchase of a southern mill as an adjunct to the local plant, it was announced today by Treasurer William L. S. Bratton.

He said the corporation already had the plans of two plants of 50,000 spindles each located within 30 miles of Charlotte, North Carolina, and it is assured that one of them would be purchased in the near future.

High Official in National Capital Says United States Has Already Done All Possible.

NO CONFERENCE TO BE CALLED

Poincare and Bonar Law Hold Conference but Reparations Question is Not Discussed.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, Jan. 5.—The United States government has already done all it can do to point a way to a solution of the reparations crisis, it was said authoritatively today. Secretary Hughes' suggestion contained in his New Haven speech made in the friendliest spirit, it was stated, is before the French government, from which any action to take up the financial commission plan must come of necessity.

It was made clear that the Washington government could not issue an invitation for the creation of such a commission because control of the reparations situation is not in America's hands, but in those of the allies. There is no disposition in Washington, it was stated, to seek to force the financial commission or any other plan upon the allies.

An administration spokesman made it plain that the American government could go no further than it has gone in the reparations situation. It was pointed out that the allies, even before the Paris meeting of premiers assembled, had been fully advised as to America's views and willingness to help through the medium of Secretary Hughes' speech recently at New Haven.

Says Washington Will Call Conference

London, Jan. 5. (By the Associated Press.)—The Berlin correspondent of the Central News says he learns from a well informed source "that in accordance with a request made by the British on Wednesday, the United States government intends to call an international conference in Washington next week to consider the reparations deadlock."

The correspondent points out that such a conference would come in time to save the French from the necessity of taking separate action.

The British foreign office this afternoon denied that it had requested the United States to call an international conference on reparations as reported by the Central News correspondent.

Poincare and Bonar Law Confer.

Paris, Jan. 5. (By the Associated Press.)—Although divided by the German reparations issue upon which Great Britain and France split at yesterday's allied conference, Premier Poincare and Prime Minister Bonar Law met today for a discussion of other questions on friendly terms.

The French Premier called on the British Prime Minister and the two were together for a half hour discussing the Near Eastern situation and fields of action on other than reparations in which France and Great Britain may co-operate. The conversation was described as friendly and it was indicated in British circles that the French and British delegates would continue to work together at Lausanne.

The two Prime Ministers had another 20-minute talk on the railway station platform just before the midday train left with the British delegation for London on board.

Important Committee Meeting.

(By the Associated Press.) Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 5.—A meeting of the executive committee of the North Carolina Education Association has been called to meet in Raleigh on January 20, according to an announcement today by Miss Elizabeth Kelly, president.

"This is the annual meeting of the committee," she said, "and important business will come up for consideration. A decision on the program for the year must be reached and submitted to the local units."

There are many eight-hour men with sixteen-hour wives who ought to unionize their homes.

TO OWNERS OF MATURING WAR SAVINGS STAMPS. All War Savings Stamps due January 1, 1923, both registered stamps and those not registered, will be accepted for deposit by this bank as cash. A New Interest Period Beginning in our Savings Department. All deposits made on Savings Accounts on or before January 10th bear interest from January 1st at four per cent, compounded quarterly. To those having funds for deposit this offers an excellent opportunity to secure the maximum interest return. CITIZENS BANK AND TRUST COMPANY. CHAS. B. WAGONER, President. A. F. GOODMAN, Cashier.