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OLDEST DAILY IN THE STATE.

STATE ELECTION BOARD OPENS OFFICE TO PLAN FOR COMING ELECTION

Six Million Ballots, Twice the Number Used in Primary, Will Be Necessary

PRISON REFORM BODY PROBES CONDITIONS

Attention Called to Need For More Courts to Eliminate Confinement of Prisoners

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FALLS CHURCH, Sept. 22.—Reopening the doors here of the state board of elections...

While Colonel Pearsall is handling the election machinery, a force of propagandists in state democratic committee headquarters is carrying out the assignments of Chairman J. D. Norwood...

While the Republicans are doing in the way of a campaign to gather in the votes has not been brought out...

The Democrats, with a lot to boast about the administration in the state and lots to denounce of the republican administration...

The committee, now making a survey of county prison systems with the view of submitting recommendations for new legislation at the 1923 session of the general assembly...

Statistics given by Mr. Andrews show that the average person in North Carolina is accused of crime in the average year...

Mr. Andrews' table shows that 24 members of the state have criminal records...

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Peace in Near East Depends On Keeping Straits Neutral Until End of Allied Parleys

Guns May Begin to "Speak" Before Conference Agrees on Terms of Greco-Turk Settlement

ENGLAND DETERMINED TO KEEP DARDANELLS OPEN

Semi-Official Statement Declares British Government is Seeking Nothing For Herself

LONDON, Sept. 22.—(By Associated Press.)—The question of peace in the near east seems to turn tonight first upon whether the question of the future status of Thrace can be kept separate and distinct from the question of neutrality and freedom of the Dardanelles...

While there is not the slightest diminution in the announced determination of the British government to uphold the neutrality of the straits of the Dardanelles, a very significant semi-official statement issued this evening seems to indicate some modification of the British policy and its attitude toward Greece in Thrace...

This statement declared Great Britain was seeking nothing for herself, but that she would insist on neutralization of the Dardanelles and free passage of the waterway under the league of nations or some other international organization...

The silence, especially on the part of the labor party, was considered in some quarters to indicate that some explanation or concession to the viewpoint of labor was made by the premier.

According to Constantinople advices received here, Mustafa Kemal Pasha, the Turkish nationalist leader, demands within 48 hours guarantees for the evacuation of Thrace by the Greeks.

On the other hand the Greek government expresses the strongest determination to hold Thrace at all costs, and is opposed to being willing to see the Turks back in eastern Thrace...

The foreign office has no confirmation of the report that Kemal has fixed a time limit of 48 hours for the carrying out of the required guarantees...

According to the view expressed in official quarters, the issue lies in Kemal's hands. There is no secret about the strength of the nationalist movement...

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Forty-Six Victims Of Mine Disaster Buried; One Miner is Missing

in Jackson Ceases Tribute; Band Leads a of Three Processions

JACKSON, Calif., Sept. 22.—(By the Associated Press.)—The 46 bodies reaped from the Argonaut mine were buried today.

All other business and domestic activity of Jackson ceased. Even down in the depth of the mine a rescue crew searching for the 47th victim stopped its labor.

Twenty-seven bodies were borne to the Catholic church, eight to the Protestant, and 11 to the Greek Catholic in three separate corteges. The services at each church were an hour apart to permit the mourners to pay final honors to a 10-piece band playing dirges, headed each cortege.

The fate of the missing victim, William Fessel, remained as great a puzzle today as it was when it was announced that his body could not be found in 4,350 foot drift and cross cut where the other bodies lay.

The search for Fessel will be continued until he has been found or until it is determined that he has been lost beyond recovery. It was announced today by E. A. Stent, vice-president of the Argonaut mine, mine officials believe it would have been impossible for the two bulkheads erected in the death drift by the entombed men. There is no doubt, they said today, that Fessel is dead.

The distribution of relief funds to the laborers and to the victims is in the hands of the Red Cross and the compensation department of the state industrial accident commission.

C. & O. Officials and Strikers Come to Terms

Willard-Jewell Plan Used in Ending Strike

RICHMOND, Sept. 22.—The strike of shopmen on the Chesapeake and Ohio railroad, was settled early tonight by a conference of representatives of the strikers and the management, J. P. Parrish, general manager of the road, announced.

The management, however, refused to consider any adjustment with the striking clerks, Mr. Parrish said. About 1,500 shopmen are included in the settlement which the general manager stated was "agreeable to both sides."

Convention of Orphan Association Closes

J. J. Phoenix, of Greensboro, Is President

RALEIGH, Sept. 22.—J. J. Phoenix, superintendent of the Children's Home Society, of Greensboro, was elected president of the North Carolina Orphanage association at the closing session of its annual convention this afternoon.

Today's sessions were given over to association reports and to addresses by Dr. McBrayer, Miss Edith Thomas and Miss Mary Shotwell, of the state child welfare bureau.

OFFICERS ARE CONVICTED OF ASSAULT ON NEGRO

ELIZABETH CITY, Sept. 22.—Police Officer George Twiddy, of this city, and Ralph Cutrell, of Camden, were found guilty by a superior court jury tonight of assault with a deadly weapon on David Ovirton, 16-year-old negro, who, it was charged, they arrested April 2, without warrant and who was found four days later with a bullet wound in his back.

DAUGHTER OF SLAIN CHOIR LEADER SAYS WOMAN KILLED "MOM"

This Theory Accepted by Officers Investigating New Jersey Double Murder Mystery

CHARLOTTE MILLS GIVES NAME OF THE ACCUSED

Authorities State That Suspicion Had Centered About This Particular Woman

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Sept. 22.—(By Associated Press.)—"A jealous woman killed 'mom' and Mr. Hall."

This assertion fitting in perfectly with the theory which authorities investigating the murder of Mrs. Eleanor Reinhardt Mills and the Rev. Edward Wheeler Hall are bending every effort to prove, was made this evening by Charlotte Mills, 16-year-old daughter of the dead woman. It was the first time she had broken her silence—save before the authorities—since the tragedy stalked into the humble Mills home and left her its mistress.

"The woman I think killed 'mom,' she continued with bitterness in her voice, "was 'Mama.' She named a woman who the authorities also have admitted was the center of most of their suspicions."

"This woman isn't an ordinary woman," she went on. "She has funny eyes that make you afraid of her—sort of like a man. She hates young people. She has three times as many 'mom' as I do. 'Mom' weighed only 118. She didn't have a chance."

Charlotte admitted she had given her name, Mrs. Ella Barnhart, of Paterson, a packet before an operating lava her mother, telling her to give it to Mrs. Barnhart in the event of her death.

Charlotte is not unaware of the stories on which the supposed jealousy of her mother is believed to be founded. She has heard the gossip linking her mother's name in an unsavory way with that of the slain minister. But she believes in "mom." "Mom did a lot of good things for me," she said. "I believe in her. She should have done in Mr. Hall's church."

The jealousy theory was strongly supported by several developments of the case. Assistant Prosecutor Toolan, who has been directing the Middlesex county investigation, declared there was no doubt left in the minds of the investigators that jealousy was the motive. An arrest might be expected momentarily, he said.

Entire Personnel Of Railroads Asked For Concentrated Drive

Harding Appeals to Men to Bend Efforts to Provide Adequate Transportation

WASHINGTON, Sept. 22.—The entire operating personnel of the railways of the country was called upon today by President Harding for a "concentrated drive" for 30 days to provide the transportation facilities necessary to meet the national coal emergency.

The President suggested that Mr. Spens take up with the governors of the various states the question of prevention of extortion in the new act in connection with the coal emergency.

"On the other hand, I wish you to set such agencies as will vigorously follow up individuals using facilities of interstate commerce in defiance of the act, in order that we may have relief from such practices at the earliest moment."

TWO CASES AGAINST JAMES F. BARRETT ARE CONTINUED

SALISBURY, Sept. 22.—The two cases against James F. Barrett, former president of the North Carolina Federation of Labor, and editor of Charlotte and Asheville labor papers, in which he is charged with being drunk and disorderly and carrying a concealed weapon, were continued in superior court here today until October 3.

BOTH HOUSES OF CONGRESS ADJOURN AFTER DEFICIENCY MEASURE PASSES IN SENATE

WASHINGTON, Sept. 22.—Congress adjourned sine die today with leaders generally expecting a call from President Harding for a special session November 15, preceding the regular December session.

The President was in attendance today for a few minutes before the final gavel dropped, to sign the usual sheaf of eleven hour bills. The only important measure to be signed on the last day was the deficiency appropriation bill, the administration Librarian loan bill and the Dyer anti-lynching measure going over to the next session.

Leaders and rank and file now "go to the country" on the road, entering a fall campaign. Trains and automobiles leaving Washington carried several congressmen released for the campaign. Statistical sharks were tonight calculating the work of the session, prominent of which was the enactment of the tariff law and passage of the soldiers' bonus bill with its death after the President's veto.

Chairman Hull Terms Late Congress Failure; Adams Gives It Splendid Record

Heads of Two Major Parties Differ Widely As to Accomplishments of Sixty-Seventh Congress

RECORDS ARE PICKED TO PIECES BY BOTH

WASHINGTON, Sept. 22.—Opinions as opposite as the poles regarding the record of the 67th congress were expressed tonight in formal statements by the national chairmen of the two great political parties.

Speaking for the Republican organization, Chairman John T. Adams declared that "no congress in time of peace ever accomplished so much."

"It enacted the budget law, under which the economies of this administration were made permanent. It reduced public taxes \$18,000,000. It insparingly cut public appropriations."

"It found 5,000,000 idle. To prevent further aggravation of the unemployment, it enacted the restrictive immigration law. It re-established peace with Germany and Austria-Hungary."

"It enacted the Sweet law, which created the Federal Bureau and gave the bureau more funds than any other department of the government."

"It enacted the maternity act requested by the women of the country. It created a refunding commission to get our foreign loans on a business-like basis."

"It enacted a permanent tariff which insures industry and agriculture alike protection and the working man steady employment at a good wage."

"It granted liberal aid for public roads, strengthened the enforcement of the federal prohibition amendment, created more federal courts to relieve the congestion of business and expedite justice and created a commission to investigate the coal industry."

later, having to stop the clock briefly while necessary bills were entered for submission to President Harding, waiting in his room off the senate chamber. A few political speeches marked the closing hours of the session—the session of the 67th congress. Representative Mondell, Republican leader in the house, and Senator Smoot, in the senate, praised the dominant party's record, which was attacked in brief speeches by Senator Harrison, of Mississippi, and McKellar of Tennessee, Democrats.

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Theatre Floor Gives Way and Fifty School Children Are Injured

Only One Death Reported, But a Number, Including Theatre Owner, Badly Hurt

PITTSBURGH, Sept. 22.—(By Associated Press.)—Fifty chattering school children, most of them less than 12 years old, were massed in the lobby of the Strand, a new motion picture theatre in the East Liberty district, late today, awaiting admission to a free show, when the concrete floor cracked from end to end and dropped the little ones to the basement.

The body of eight-year-old Madalene Kunkle, dressed in holiday garb, was removed from the debris. The injured, 38 children and the theatre proprietor, were placed on cots in a nearby hospital at approximately the minute the performance should have started.

Sol Seizek, theatre owner, who fell with his guests, and four of the children, were in a serious condition tonight. A dozen boys and girls were unconscious when they were dug from the powdery mass of stone and cement.

Physicians at the Pittsburgh hospital rendered first aid to the injured before the institution was reached by a score of hysterical mothers. Victims who escaped grave injuries were permitted to go home.

City officials began an investigation as soon as the injured were removed. The crash and cries of the frightened children were heard two blocks away. Policemen and civilians who made a first rescue said some of the children were buried "three deep."

Robert L. Cochran, city superintendent of building inspection, after a minute examination of the theatre tonight, reported that the floor was not properly constructed and that several of the timber-supports were rotted.

Revolution in Germany Expected This Winter

WINSTON-SALEM, Sept. 22.—In an address today to a local civic club, Dr. J. Kenneth Pohl, pastor of Home Moravian church here, who has just returned from a church mission to Herdring, in Germany, said that he rode 700 miles of the German railway for \$2.53 in American cash; that his hotel room cost him 27 cents a night and that the 3,000 marks received by a railway conductor as wages was barely enough to buy his child a pair of shoes.

"Germany's only hope for getting again on its feet is for some power on the outside to help the German government. Unless there is a speedy change, declared Dr. Pohl, there will be a revolution in Germany in December or January, as the government cannot withstand the wrath of a starving people when winter comes."

ACCIDENT TO ARMY BLIMP DELAYS FLIGHT AT NOGALES NOGALES, Ariz., Sept. 22.—While attempting to leave the aviation field here late this afternoon the army dirigible C-2 suffered an accident to its gas bag and as a result, the big balloon will not get away on the next leg of its flight until tomorrow morning, it was announced. The C-2 will leave for Yuma, Ariz., tomorrow, flying over Tucson enroute, its commander stated.

DR. MILTON IS ELECTED NATIONAL COUNCILMAN OF EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Selection of Wilmington Man Comes at Session of House of Deputies in Portland

STAND ON POLITICAL QUESTIONS IS DEFINED

Fair and Equitable Treatment Should Be Accorded Disabled Ex-Service Men

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 22.—The national council of the Protestant Episcopal church was completed today with election by the house of deputies on its quota of members and ratification by that house of the members chosen earlier by the house of bishops.

The members elected by the deputies were: Rev. Dr. James E. Freeman, Washington, D. C.; Rev. Alexander Mann, Boston; Rev. Dr. W. H. Milton, of Wilmington, N. C.; Rev. Dr. E. M. Stires, of New York; Stephen Baker, New York; John W. Bryan, Richmond, Va.; Burton Mansfield, New Haven, Conn.; Samuel Mather, of Cleveland; Philip Parker, Brookline, Mass.; George W. Porter, Philadelphia; Harper Bley, Rochester, N. Y.; H. C. Wyckoff, Watsonville, Calif.

The house of bishops elected members of the national council as follows: Bishop W. C. Brown, of Virginia; Bishop E. T. Lines, of Newark; Bishop W. T. Manning, of New York, and Bishop Coadjutor T. I. Reese, of southern Ohio.

Resolutions adopted by the house of bishops defining the stand of the church on relations of capital and labor and world peace were adopted by the deputies.

The convention voted an appropriation not to exceed \$5,000 to aid the christian church organization in China. That sick and wounded ex-service men should receive "fair and equitable treatment" and that clergymen should do everything possible for them, were declared in other resolutions adopted by the deputies.

Resolutions thanking the press of the country for full and accurate reports of the proceedings of the convention were adopted by both houses.

Some consolation was held out to the women by the bishops late today in a recommendation that women should be given an equal voice in the church's affairs as they have in the affairs of the nation.

Harding Assailed By State Legion Leader

CHARLOTTE, Sept. 22.—Declaring that under the administration of President Harding, the Ottoman empire had been re-established and denouncing the executive, James A. Lockhart, recently elected state commander of the American Legion, tonight in the action of the administration policies in an address before the "Hornet's Nest" post here, Mr. Lockhart said that the President had broken every promise made to the American veterans and had failed to provide for the disabled soldier. He declared that Brigadier-General Charles A. Sawyer was blocking the American Legion bill for care of the disabled soldiers.

CHARLES SLOAN of Asheville, editor of Oteen Echo, official publication of the North Carolina legionnaires, also spoke and attacked the treatment accorded disabled veterans.

UNMASKED MEN KIDNAP AND FLOG FRANKLIN MAN

RALEIGH, Sept. 22.—Ten white men, none of whom were masked, Thursday night took S. Joe Turner Pulley from his home near Marshall's Mill, six miles to Harris cross roads in Franklin county, and there in a churchyard whipped him unmercifully, according to reports made to Solicitor Herbert E. Norris today.

Pulley, it is said, stated that he knew none of the men. According to reports of the affair made to Solicitor Norris, Pulley, who is 53 years old and has a wife and two children, was called from his bed to his home by the thrashing in the early morning. He was seized by ten men, who were unknown to him, but who automobile six miles to the Harris cross roads. After the thrashing he was left barefooted to walk back home. His injuries, which are severe, were treated by a physician at Rolesville.

ASHEVILLE SOON TO HAVE NEW MILLION DOLLAR HOTEL

ASHEVILLE, Sept. 22.—Incorporation papers for the proposed million dollar hotel to be erected here by the Citizens Hotel corporation, of Asheville, will be mailed to the secretary of state tomorrow. A number who are arranged to become stockholders met this morning for the purpose of beginning the execution of plans for the hotel, and a permanent organization will be formed as soon as a charter is received.

JAPAN REFUSES TO EVACUATE AND NEGOTIATION TO FAIL

CHANG CHUN, Manchuria, Sept. 20.—(By Associated Press.)—An abrupt break-up is imminent in the negotiations now going on here between Japan, the Moscow Soviet government and the far eastern republic of Siberia, owing to the Russian demand that Japan immediately evacuate the northern half of the island of Sakhalin. Both delegations, while awaiting final instructions from their governments, announced today that they were prepared to depart.