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OLDEST DAILY IN THE STATE.

Harding Sails For Alaska First President To Visit Territory Since Purchase

Reads Tacoma Throng Steel Companies' Letter on 12-Hour Day Abolition

CHANGE WILL MEAN MANY ADJUSTMENTS

Crowds Cheer as President and Cabinet Members Wave From Henderson's Deck

TACOMA, Wn., July 5.—(By Associated Press.)—In midst of the blaring of bands and the farewell cheers of thousands of Tacoma citizens, President Harding sailed today for Alaska, the first chief executive of the nation to visit that territory since it came under the American flag, 56 years ago.

The "pledge" of manufacturers to the president said "would be welcomed by our people as a whole and would be received as a great boon by American workers."

Careful consideration has been given to your letter of June 18th instant by the undersigned directors of the American Iron and Steel Institute.

"Undoubtedly there is a strong sentiment throughout the country in favor of eliminating the 12 hour day and this we do not underestimate. On account of this sentiment and especially because it is in accordance with your own expressed views we are determined to exert every effort at our command to secure in the iron and steel industry of this country a total abolition of the 12 hour day at the earliest time practicable.

"The iron and steel manufacturers generally of the United States outside of the directors referred, are expected to concur in the conclusion reached by the directors as above stated."

President's Appeal to Patriotism.

"I have now had an opportunity of reading the full report of the committee of the iron and steel industry on the question of the abolition of the 12 hour day in the steel industry. As I have stated before, I am of course disappointed that no conclusive action has been taken."

EUROPE MERELY DRIFTING SENATOR UNDERWOOD SAYS

More Cause For War Exists Than in 1914, He Believes

WISE POLICY NEEDED NOT A WORLD COURT

WASHINGTON, July 5.—More causes for war exist in Europe today than in January, 1914, Senator Underwood, of Alabama, former Democratic floor leader in the senate, declared today in a statement reviewing conditions as he found them during a trip abroad.

"We are not a party," he continued, "to the causes of the strife as they exist today in Europe and theoretically it certainly is not necessary for our country to become involved. We must remember that in 1914 when war broke out in Europe we stood for the world and the sons of America were dying on the battlefields of Europe. I can not believe that the people of America have forgotten their pledges to aid in securing the peace of the world; that they have forgotten that our men and women said we were fighting that we might make the world a better place in which to live."

G. O. P. BOSS



"Ed" E. Smith, known as "Big Ed," who has been named by President Harding as the new national chairman of the Republican party.

POLO GROUND FIGHT OFFERED GIBBONS BY TOM O'ROURKE

Will Go on Stage in Vaudeville Manager Eddie Kane Says

CHELEBI, Mont., July 5.—(Associated Press.)—Eddie Kane, Tom Gibbons' manager, said today he had received tentative offers from Tom O'Rourke, matchmaker, for a bout for Gibbons in the Polo grounds, New York, August 2, against the first available opponent and for a return match with Chuck Wiggins of Indianapolis, whom Gibbons knocked out recently.

Several vaudeville offers also have been received and Kane declared Gibbons probably would go on the stage for a short period.

Another of the final chapters in the financial tangle connected with the title bond here was written today when an attachment was served on Jack Kearns by the manager of Ernie Sayles, Rochester, Minn., light heavyweight, who was knocked out by Jack McDonald, of Seattle, in the first preliminary round of the fight for the title from Kearns, who said he would settle the bill which he declared he knew nothing about previously.

"Our governmental arm," the statement continued, "seems paralyzed—so far as help in that direction is concerned. We seem to be standing in respect to the affairs of Europe without a policy, without courage of conviction, without anything that goes to make a man a man or a government a government. We seem to be just observing and drifting, at least so far as the public is allowed to know."

"It would not be necessary for the United States to enter the League of Nations or the world court to discharge its obligations, the Alabama senator asserted, adding that the United States, however, should have a policy looking to the ultimate peace of the world and rehabilitation of shattered financial conditions."

"Distressed economic conditions in the European states," Mr. Underwood predicted, "will sooner or later, unless they are remedied, bring distress and disaster to our people at home. Most of this might have been avoided if we had closed our port when the great treaty of Versailles and have let nothing in its place. We might have been far on the highway to permanent peace and restored business and industrial conditions if we had thrown the predominating forces of our political powers in favor of permanent stabilizing and rebuilding program for the rehabilitation of Europe."

HOOCH RAID TRIAL AT LUMBERTON HAS SENSATIONAL EVIDENCE

Lawyers for Defense Attack Burns Operative in Cross-Examination

INDIAN WOMAN IS SAVED BY CHILDREN

Two Detectives Posed as Horse Medicine Agents in Getting Evidence

LUMBERTON, July 5.—The first cases resulting from the wholesale hooch raid conducted in Robeson county Saturday were heard in recorders court today when Rhodes Pittman, a white man of Britton township, was found guilty of selling intoxicating liquor, and Eliza Jane Oxendine, an Indian woman of Pembroke submitted to charges of selling and possessing.

Pittman was sentenced to eight months in the reformatory and Oxendine, a widow with five children, was let off with a \$25 fine and a continued judgment upon agreement of the prosecution.

Notice of an appeal was given in Pittman's case. Cases against Troy Thomas, M. L. Lowery, Oscar Charley, J. R. Thomas, John Barnes, Danzy Lowery, Montgomery Desse, Donie Oxendine, Beatrice Oxendine, Annie Woods and N. A. Revels were continued until tomorrow.

This action was taken when counsel for the defendants declared the state had taken undue advantage of them by issuing blanket warrants and not specifying dates upon which the whiskey was alleged to have been sold.

Stephen McIntyre who appeared for Pittman delivered a scathing arraignment of the county commissioners for spending the county's money for what he termed "bought" evidence.

FORECAST BY STATES

Virginia: Partly cloudy Friday and Saturday; probably light thunder showers; no change in temperature.

North and South Carolina and Georgia: Partly cloudy Friday and Saturday; scattered thundershowers.

Florida: Excessive northwest Florida; partly cloudy, local showers Friday and Saturday.

Alabama and Mississippi: Partly cloudy Friday and Saturday; scattered thundershowers; no change in temperature.

HIGGINBOTHAM CAN REST

LAKE CITY, Fla., July 5.—A sick juror caused the trial of Thomas W. Higginbotham, former convict, on the charge of murdering a man, to be postponed until tomorrow.

WASHINGTON, July 5.—Arguments on the general principles involved in the federal valuation of railroads—now nearing completion—opened today before the interstate Commerce commission with an attack on the method of the commission in arriving at its conclusions by D. R. Richberg, counsel for the national conference on American railroad valuation.

HIT BY COAST LINE TRAIN

NORFOLK, July 5.—L. Johnson, a middle-aged farmer of Crittenden, Va., and his wife, had a miraculous escape from death today when an Atlantic Coast Line passenger train at a crossing near Suffolk.

Mr. Johnson, dazed, but little injured, was sitting on the running board of the engine, and his wife was perched on the locomotive's cow catcher when found.

IS AUTHOR OF BILL DEMANDING REPEAL

CLARK PAYS TRIBUTE TO HEROES OF STATE

Ninety-two Thousand Men at Front Backed by Half Million at Home

BLOWING ROCK, July 5.—Walter Clark, Jr., of Charlotte, spoke before the convention of the North Carolina Bar association here today on the subject, "North Carolina in the World War."

"Five years ago," he said, "32,000 North Carolinians in the khaki of the army and the blue of the navy were in America's first line of defense against German aggression. Two and one-half millions of North Carolinians at home, with their substance and their time, were in America's second line of defense."

"Five years ago, out of every eight North Carolinians alive, one of eighteen years, one was wearing the uniform of honor—soldier, sailor, or marine—and wearing it with honor."

"Five years ago, North Carolinians started the world by smashing through the Hindenburg line at Bellefleur, and five years ago North Carolinians were partakers in the glories of Chateau Thierry, San Mihiel and Meuse Argonne. Five years ago, North Carolinians proved themselves worthy descendants of the men who were first at Bellefleur, farthest to the front at Gettysburg and Chickamauga and last at Appomattox."

"Perhaps as General Pershing said in Charlotte on the 20th of May, 1922: 'It is needless to say anything about the splendid record made by North Carolina during the World War, for every one well knows the loyal support and co-operation of her citizens and the magnificent records made by the 30th and 51st Divisions so largely composed of North Carolinians.'"

The speaker cited the record of North Carolina from the outset of the World War. So universal was the answer in the state to the call of America, he said, that every class responded so that now for the few laggards who evaded the call of their country, there is only pity and sorrow; pity that they were through life marked as men who failed their country in its time of need; and sorrow that their descendants can never say that their fathers served their country in the greatest war of modern times."

"Of the 32,000 North Carolinians in the service," said the Charlotte attorney, "not all were white, 20,000 were colored and what were the penalties exacted of these 32,000 North Carolinians who served their country? Six hundred and forty-eight were killed outright on the field of battle. Many others died of their wounds. 4,812 North Carolinians were killed or wounded in battle. And in addition to that, 1,981 North Carolinians died on various causes while in service."

HUNT NEGRO MURDERER

NEW YORK, July 5.—The police tonight were seeking a negro who had fled inside out, who is suspected of having murdered Dorothy Kauffman, a governess in the home of Magruder Craighhead, in the fashionable suburb of Scarsdale last Tuesday.

FARM-LABOR PARTY BORN

CHICAGO, July 5.—(By Associated Press.)—The federated farmer-labor party with a platform under the leadership of the workers' party of America, was born here tonight, but in which the farmer-labor party refused to participate. A substitute to the organization's committee platform was submitted by the caucus of the farmer-labor delegates, but was tabled by thunderous vote. One of the substitute's sections provided that no organization affiliated with the Third International at Moscow could be a group to the party.

SOUTHPORT FOR COAL STATION

WASHINGTON, July 5.—A movement led by Brigadier General E. F. Glenn, retired and others would make Southport a coal station. General Glenn said it is the only place along the coast with a harbor deep enough.

GEORGIA DRY LAW AGENT DENIES POOR ENFORCEMENT

Representative Arnold Makes Charge State Officials Are Lagging

IS AUTHOR OF BILL DEMANDING REPEAL

ATLANTA, July 5.—(Associated Press.)—"Prohibition in Georgia has not been in failure and we desire to continue in cooperation with county officials," Fred A. Dismuke, state prohibition director tonight declared in reply to a statement made by Representative Craig Arnold, Lumpkin, author of the bill now before the general assembly designed to place enforcement of the Volstead act in this state entirely upon the government.

GOVERNOR WALKER WRITING MESSAGE ON NEW TAX LAW

Would Shift Burden From Realty to Intangible Property Owners

INCREASE SYSTEM AND INCOME LEVY

Urges Real Economy in State, County and City Governments of Georgia

ATLANTA, Ga., July 5.—Governor Clifford Walker today presented to the legislature what he termed a "suggestive message" dealing with the problem of taxation. Without making any recommendations which have come to him from various sources, commanding them to the earnest attention of the assembly.

The message presented several systems of taxation, including income tax classification and stamp law, for the consideration of the legislature and the executive recommended "real economy" in state, county and municipal government, the repeal of the tax equalization law, and the adoption of an increase system which will relieve the undue burden now born by the owners of real estate by placing a fair share of the expense of government upon the owners of intangible property and other property not now on the tax books."

Governor Walker asserted that many economies might be effected in the state government. He pointed out that Georgia is one of the only four states having annual sessions of its general assembly.

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Star's Negro Editorial Causes Great Commotion At Boston Celebration

DAWSON'S FRIENDS HOPEFUL OF CHOICE

O. Max Gardner and Senator Simmons For Speaker as Democratic Chairman

Prospects for John G. Wawson's selection as chairman of the Democratic state executive committee when the committee meets here July 11 to receive chairman J. D. Newwood's resignation grew more promising today, his friends assert, when O. Max Gardner issued a statement advocating him.

Tuesday Senator F. M. Simmons gave and in interview to the Raleigh News and Observer in support of Mr. Dawson, and Mr. Gardner's statement today brings two leaders of rival factions together on the Kinston lawyer and speaker of the house of representatives. It is asserted that Mr. Dawson's selection would also prove acceptable to McLean and Bailey, the principals of the forthcoming gubernatorial battle.

"It is my opinion that the welfare of the party demands the recognition of the younger element," Mr. Garner said, adding that "there is no better material anywhere out of which to make a great chairman."

Mayor Snatches Declaration From Colored Boy Before Great Crowd

DISCHARGES OFFICIAL FOR DELETING PAPER

Southern Protest Given as Real Reason For Incident by Chairman Charles Read

BOSTON, Mass., July 5.—Due to his promise made at Faneuil hall yesterday afternoon, James Michael Curley, mayor of Boston, lost no time in reaching his desk today in discharging Charles F. Read, secretary and treasurer of the Bostonian society, from his position as director of public ceremonies. Mr. Read, one of Boston's leading citizens, many times official of the Bostonian society, president of the Massachusetts Society of Colonial Wars, the Sons of the American Revolution, the Society of the War of 1812, the Brookline Historical Society and the Bunker Hill association and member of numerous other patriotic organizations, the mayor explained of a responsive audience that Read yesterday had given Charles C. Dogan, the negro school boy chosen by him in honor to read the Declaration of Independence from the old statehouse balcony and at Faneuil hall, a copy of that instrument from which had been marked for deletion all the charges in the original document drawn up by Thomas Jefferson.

Mayor Curley charges that Read's action was pro-British and demands a drastic investigation be made of that gentleman's conduct. Mr. Read on the other hand calmly denies the charges and declares that the southern protest over the choosing of a negro to read the instrument, backed by considerable public sentiment here, really the cause of the bitter controversy.

The protest of two prominent North Carolina citizens, natives of Boston, over the choice of a negro youth to read the document, Mayor Curley's bitter reply and the scathing criticism heaped upon his official head by the editor of the Wilmington (N. C.) Star, all of which received widespread publicity here, brought forth an unprecedented throng to the annual reading.

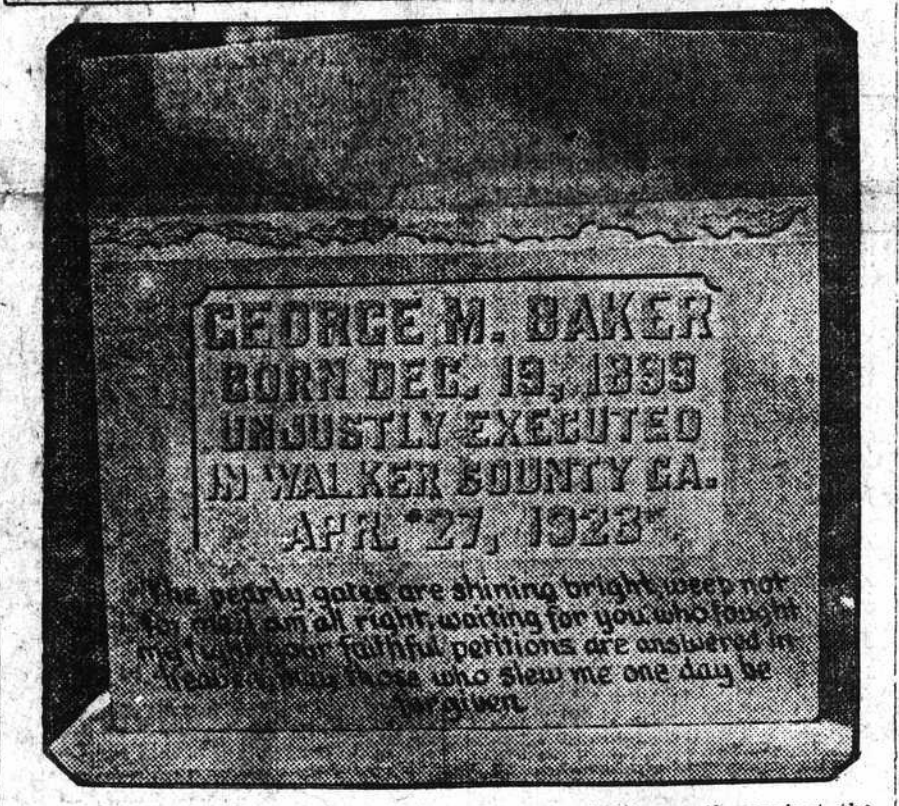
Mayor Startles Audience

The reading was about to take place in the old statehouse balcony when Mayor Curley discovered the alleged deleted document. In sudden rage his honor bent forward and snatched it from the hands of the frightened negro youth, ordering that he be furnished with a complete copy and then announced to his applauding audience that he would not only discharge Mr. Read from his municipal position, but demand his removal as custodian of the statehouse, and prefer drastic charges against him.

His honor made much of the incident which startled the old statehouse through. He declared that when the Declaration of Independence was handed to the negro he was requested to eliminate the clauses and confine himself to the preamble and conclusion; that he refused to permit the reading of the document in emasculated form. He declared that when the Declaration of Independence was handed to read it in its entirety, which was done. The mayor then proceeded to discuss the propaganda which, he said, had been disseminated by the negro.

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IS THIS "CONTEMPT OF COURT?"



This is a father's protest, causing a controversy in the south, against the state that took his son's life. It's over the grave of George M. Baker, who died on the gallows in LaFayette, Ga., April 27, for the murder of Deputy Sheriff J. W. Morton. His brother, Ralph, 15, now is serving a life sentence. The father moved to Tennessee, soon after the execution saying he could live no longer in "unjust Georgia." The grave is at Ryall Springs, Tenn.

MORSE ATTORNEYS DEMAND ACQUITTAL

Enumerate 35 Reasons Why Federal Indictments Should Be Dismissed

WASHINGTON, July 5.—Counsel for Charles W. Morse, his three sons and four others on trial on charges of conspiracy to defraud the government wartime shipping contracts filed motions today to dismiss the indictments and direct acquittal of the accused. Justice Stafford took the motions, made after the government had announced it had rested its case, under advisement.

The defense enumerated 33 reasons why the indictments should be dismissed and 14 reasons why the court should instruct the jury to acquit the defendants. None of the argument on the motions was before the jury. Justice Stafford having dismissed the motions for the day when the prosecution concluded its case. The trial has been in progress for eleven weeks.

The defense contended that the government had failed to establish beyond reasonable doubt that there was any conspiracy or agreement on the part of two or more of the accused to accomplish a criminal act. It also was asserted that the prosecution had developed only that a series of controversies existed between the Morse Corporation and the emergency fleet corporation such controversies having been civil and not criminal in nature. Attacking the validity of the indictments defense counsel charged they failed to allege a crime against the United States. During the argument on the motions Justice Stafford asked government attorneys to explain various charges in the indictments and to give their interpretation of just what constituted the alleged conspiracy.

"Bugs" M'Gowan Plunges To Death While Flying In Plane At Charleston

He Was Performing Dare-Devil Stunt at Isle of Palms

THRILLED CROWDS AT LOCAL BEACHES

Was Doing Nose Spin and Failed to Straighten His Machine

Plane Was Old Machine

The plane, it was stated, was an old one, and was to be deliberately destroyed to complete the sensational stunt. After his ascension, which was accomplished without mishap, Mr. McGowan was his custom, had encircled the pavilion several times. The crowd watched anxiously for the beginning of the stunt which was never to be accomplished.

The aviator was prefacing his main stunt with a nose spin when the plane fell. He was unable to straighten out the machine after going into this nose-spin. It is thought that the engine failed to function and that this caused the accident, which occurred about one mile north of the pavilion. The plane fell into the sea about 150 yards out from the beach. Hundreds, excited and almost dumfounded, rushed to the scene. The plane had disappeared entirely from sight. Portions which had been torn loose by the impact of the machine striking the water floated on to the beach. A number of people swam out to where the plane had dropped and saw gasoline on the water; but no other trace of the machine and its operator.