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MCMULLAN AVERS FRITZ SUIT OUT

Attorney Says School Principal May Not Enter Suit Against Board

RALEIGH, Aug. 26.—(P)—R. L. Fritz, Jr., Supervisory principal of Hudson District Schools whose teaching certificate was revoked by the State Board of Education for alleged pay roll "padding," may not sue the board, Attorney General Harry McMullan ruled today.

McMullan gave his opinion when asked about the legality of Fritz's proposed effort to nullify the Board's order to revoke his certificate. Fritz's attorney, Sam J. Erwin, said last night in Charlotte that a suit would be filed against the Board if it does not rescind its action in revoking Fritz's certificate.

The court, Erwin said, would be asked for a declaratory judgment to set aside the State Board's revocation order as being contrary to law. McMullan said today that there is no law permitting such a suit. He also added that the state cannot be sued without its consent.

THREE MEN HELD ON ASSAULT CHARGE

Three men were being held in the New Hanover county jail last night under a \$1,000 bond each for assault with a deadly weapon upon Isaac G. Witty at the Cape Fear Terminal, Front and Wright streets, it was reported by police.

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City Briefs

Graduation exercises for 28 boys, members of the Tuesday and Thursday swimming classes at the YMCA, will be held Friday morning at 10 o'clock. Parents of the boys have been invited to attend the graduation exercises.

Cliff Bergere, famous Indianapolis speedway driver, will visit in Wilmington on Oct 2 and 3, it was announced yesterday by R. A. Cochran, representative of the Champion Spark Plug Co. Bergere will deliver several talks on safety while in the city. He will speak at the Exchange club meeting on October 3.

Hal Goode contact representative for the Veteran's Administration will leave Monday for a week's vacation, it was reported yesterday.

General staff nurse and head nurse positions, at salaries of \$2,644 and \$3,397 a year, will be filled from an examination announced yesterday by the U. S. Civil Service commission. Nurses are needed to fill vacancies in these positions in Washington, D. C., throughout the United States, in Alaska, and in the Panama Canal zone. Further information and application forms may be secured from the Commission's local secretary, located at the post office.

C. D. Walter, Wilmington, is one of nearly 400 field representatives who qualified to attend the Wood-Society's field conference in Chicago, September 15 to 17, Farrar Newberry, Omaha, Neb., president, announced yesterday.

Two Wilmington men enlisted yesterday for four-year periods with the Naval Reserve as apprentice seamen. They are Tommy Aaron Boone and Joshua Raynor.

"My Home Town—Wilmington," a movie of local highlights taken several weeks ago, will be previewed at the Bailey theater Thursday at 11 a. m. J. H. Farrell, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, announced. All city officials and businessmen who participated in the movie are invited.

Charles M. Johnson, North Carolina state treasurer and announced candidate for governorship of the state will be the guest speaker today at the 1 o'clock weekly session of the Wilmington Civitan club in the Crystal restaurant.

Joseph A. McEntee died June 21 leaving an estate valued at \$8,846 in personal property and \$850 in real estate, probate proceedings in his will filed in New Hanover Superior Court disclosed yesterday. The will left the estate to the widow, who was named executrix.

REALTY TRANSFERS

Robert Collins to Gussie Carothers, lot 33, Villa View. James Lyell to Irene K. Patterson, part of lot 5, block 157, City. Mamie J. Maides to Clarence McKee, part of lot 3, block 1, City. Mary Besselle to Carl Royal part lot 1, block 14, City. Walker Taylor to Frances T. Thornton, part lot 20A, 46A, Forest Hills.

MARRIAGE LICENCES

Theodore Kalnen, 30, Castle Hayne, and Thelma M. Benson, 20, Wilmington. Walter I. Beck, Sr., 56, Wilmington and Mary D. Thomas, 43, Wilmington. Clarence Nunalee, 22, Burgaw, and Eleanor Milliken, 19, Wilmington.

GENTILITY COMES HIGH NEW YORK (UP)—Baghat Chmyr Bey, member of the Higher Council of Tourism in Egypt, said he thought he would be glad to get home after his first visit to the United States. Taking off from La Guardia field, he explained: "Why, it costs \$75 to \$80 a day to live as a gentleman should in America."

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MAYOR WELCOMES BUS OPERATORS

Lauds Service Companies Giving People; Program Announced

WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH, Aug. 26.—The North Carolina Bus association tonight opened a three-day convention here with an address of welcome by Mayor E. L. White of Wilmington.

In his short talk, Mayor White praised the bus companies for the efficient way in which they have served the communities of the state and added that many persons of the state had come to rely upon the service of the companies for much of their transportation needs.

J. Ed. Butler, president of the Association, presided and the response to the address of welcome was made by J. Nat Hamrick, Rutherfordton.

The full program follows: Wednesday Morning, Aug. 27th 10:30 a. m. — Meeting of Officers and Directors, room No. 109, hotel.

11:00 a. m. — J. Ed. Butler, President, presiding. Meeting of all guests and members, Anchor room. Call to order — Marshall C. Kurfess, Exec. Sec. Address by J. Ed. Butler, President. Report of Treasurer — W. Harry Keeter. Report of Executive Secretary — Marshall C. Kurfess. Appointment of nominating committee for election officers and directors for 1947-1948. Introduction of manufacturing representatives.

1:00 p. m. — Adjournment. Wednesday Afternoon, Aug. 27th 3:00 p. m. — Informal get-together, in hotel lobby starting point for planned sight-seeing tour for all guests and members. Tour will include Carolina Beach. Transportation furnished courtesy of, Transit Bus Sales, Inc., Washington, D. C., Reo Motors, Inc., Lansing, Mich., Superior Coach Corporation, Lima, Ohio.

Return to Ocean Terrace Hotel, 6 p. m. Wednesday Evening, Aug. 27th 7:00 p. m. — Dinner in dining room of hotel, all members and guests. Introduction of speaker—Mayor E. L. White, Wilmington. N. C. Guest speaker — Honorable Charlie Johnson, State Treasurer, Raleigh, N. C. Entertainment — N. C. Orchestra, featuring Little Charlie Smith, Asheville, N. C. Motion Picture Firm, courtesy — Rohm & Haas Co., Philadelphia, Pa., entitled "Plexiglass."

Thursday Morning, Aug. 28th 11:00 a. m. — Meeting of all members and guests, J. Ed. Butler, President, presiding. Call to order—Marshall C. Kurfess, Exec. Sec. Report of nominating Committee. Election of new officers. Talk by well known authority on cost plus operation of buses. Round Table Discussion. Safety Program — N. Carl Barefoot, Safety Director, Va. Mutual Auto Insurance Company, Richmond, Va.

1:00 p. m. — Adjournment. Thursday Afternoon, Aug. 28th 5:00 p. m. — Cocktail party—Ball room of hotel. All members and guests. Courtesy, Transit Bus Sales, Inc., Washington, D. C. "Bill" Combs, Host.

Thursday Night, Aug. 28th 7:00 p. m. — BANQUET—Main Dining Room, Ocean Terrace. In production of Honor Guests — Marshall C. Kurfess. Presentation of Guest Speaker—J. E. L. Wade, Wilmington, N. C. Guest Speaker — Honorable Wm. B. Umstead, U. S. Senator. Entertainment—Radio Stars, Miss Erling King, Soloist, Joe King and Brandwynne. Banquet humor — Pat Ormsby.

No other planned activity, we hope everyone has had a good time.

APPEAL IS MADE TO WEED FARMERS

Farm Bureau Head Urges Growers To Take Advantage Of Loans

Special to the Star WHITEVILLE, Aug. 26.—An urgent appeal to tobacco farmers of Columbus county to take full advantage of government loans through the Flu-Cured Tobacco Cooperative Stabilization Corporation, was made today by B. H. Small, president of the Columbus County Farm Bureau.

Small said that many farmers are now selling their tobacco below the 40-cent per pound average guaranteed support price which is made on a pro-rated grade test basis. This is in keeping with the government's commitment to support tobacco prices at 90 per cent of parity as of June 15 preceding market opening.

The tobacco grower, the actual owner of the tobacco, is the only person who can authorize tobacco to be turned over to the Stabilization Corporation for loan purposes.

Small quoted from a statement by Carl T. Hicks, president of the corporation, in appealing to Tar Heel farmers to get a fair and stable price for this year's crop. "Many farmers do not remain with their tobacco until sale is completed. Warehousemen will cooperate by setting the time of sale to enable the farmer to be present. He can then arrange for his tobacco to be placed under loan if the price falls below the support level."

To eliminate confusion on the warehouse floor, farmers may join Stabilization Corporation prior to taking tobacco to market. Memberships may be obtained at the local tobacco warehouse or the Stabilization Corporation office, in Raleigh.

BABY SITTER SURPLUS NEW YORK (UP)—Male baby sitters are not popular these days, according to City College's placement bureau, Robert J. Shoter, bureau auditor, said he had a surplus of 45 male baby sitters who are never called. "Mothers don't hire them with their children, even though many of them are married," Shoter said.



MEDAL PRESENTATION — William S. Southerland, veteran of six years, seven months service, was presented the World War II Victory Medal and the American Defense Medal by Edward C. Snead, department commander, Veterans of Foreign Wars, yesterday afternoon at the Army recruiting offices in the Postoffice building. Shown above, left to right, Stanley C. Zalkiewicz, service officer, James A. Manley Post, VFW; Commander Snead, William S. Southerland, and Lieut. Charles J. Markus, recruiting officer. Southerland was captured in the Philippines and was a prisoner of war for 42 months. (STAFF PHOTO)

Hotel Managers Prepare For Legion Convention

NEW YORK, Aug. 26.—(P)—There are two kinds of hotel managers in New York this week—the cynical and the trusting — and they won't know until after next Sunday whether the honor system or the "take-no-chances" method was the right one.

The management of the Hotel Pennsylvania, where the American Legion has its headquarters, is one of the cynical ones. Although the four-day convention doesn't start officially until Thursday, the Pennsylvania lobby is already bare. All lamps, chairs and sofas are in storage.

But at the Lexington Hotel where about 800 Legionnaires are to be guests the manager summed up his plans for the invasion in one word—"Nothing."

He said he thought the fear of horseplay "rather mythical and believed the destructive element among the Legionnaires would be small. "After all," he said, "they are all human beings."

Manager J. T. Harper at the Hotel Edison was unconcerned, but not so trusting. He said he was moving the furniture out of the lobby to make room for bands that may come in and parade around.

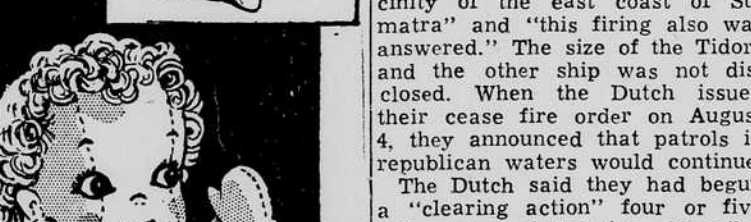
"Nothing spectacular," he added. "Just the same thing we do on New Year's eve."

The Pennsylvania and the Hotel New Yorker got together on the pillow and telephone book situation and worked it out like this: Since the Legion's parades don't pass the Pennsylvania, the latter will leave the pillows and phone books in the rooms.

But the 40 and Eight parade does pass the New Yorker, so during certain hours there will be no pillows or telephone books in the rooms. Any one who wants to throw confetti will have to smuggle it in.

Gideon Bibles, however, will stay in all rooms at both hotels.

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Obituaries

MRS. ARTHUR I. KELLER

Funeral services for Mrs. Arthur I. Keller, 69, who died at her residence, 102 Woodlawn Ave., Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock, will be held today at 11 a. m. from the Chapel of Yopp's Funeral Home. The Rev. G. Carl Lewis will officiate and interment will follow in Oakdale cemetery.

Mrs. Keller was born in Providence, R. I., February 14, 1873, and was the librarian at the New York Post Graduate School of Medicine for 20 years. She was a member of the Colonial Dames in Rhode Island and her mother, was the founder and first president of the Rhode Island chapter.

Active pallbearers will be William S. Cheeves, the Rev. E. C. Chamblee, H. S. Key, Earl N. Page, Arthur Holden, and Earl Jones.

Mrs. Keller is survived by three daughters, Mrs. W. O. Page, Jr., of this city; Mrs. William R. Howell of Middletown, N. Y.; Mrs. Paul E. Johnson of New York City; one son, David G. Keller of Dover, N. J.; one sister, Mrs. Robert T. Merrill of Washington, D. C.; one brother, L. G. Mason of Atlanta, Ga.; one step-daughter, Martha Keller of New York City; one step-son, Edward Keller of Ellenville, N. Y.

VICTOR T. BOATWRIGHT

Funeral services for Victor Tallaferro Boatwright, 70, who died in Portsmouth, Va., Saturday were held from St. John's Episcopal church at Portsmouth, Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock.

ARCHIE MCPHATTER

LUMBERTON, Aug. 26.—Archie McPhatter, 89, of near Orrum, died Monday morning in a local hospital where he had been a patient for six weeks.

The funeral was conducted from Stephens Funeral home yesterday at 2 p. m. by the Rev. I. P. Hedgpath, pastor of Big Branch Baptist church, of which Mr. McPhatter was a member. Interment was in Allenton cemetery on Route five.

Mr. McPhatter was born near Orrum on October 7, 1857, son of the late Billy and Margie Hardin McPhatter. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Jane Nance McPhatter; two daughters, Mrs. Mike Herring of Lumberton, and Mrs. Leveda Lawson of near Orrum; three sons, W. J. McPhatter, of Lumberton, and Waycross, Ga., D. E. and Linwood McPhatter of Concord; eight grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren.

DAVID G. WORTH

SEBRING, Fla., Aug. 26.—(P)—David G. Worth, 52, Highlands county vocational agriculture teacher, died today of heart attack.

A native of Wilmington, N. C., he came here in 1943. He was a University of Florida graduate.

Among survivors are his widow, Mrs. Marilee Worth; a daughter, Joan, 11; and his mother, Mrs. Joseph Worth, of Linden, N. C.

JOHN HENRY KUCK

John Henry Kuck, 82, Wilmington businessman, 711 Market street, died yesterday at the summer home of his daughter, Mrs. E. B. Borden, III of Morehead City, after a lingering illness.

Mr. Kuck is survived by his widow, Mrs. Dena B. Kuck of this city; two daughters, Mrs. E. B. Borden, III of Goldsboro; Ms. W. J. Chandler of Chapel Hill; and five grandchildren.

Funeral arrangements will be announced later by Ward's Funeral Home.

ROBERT WESLEY RABON

HAMLET, Aug. 26.—Robert Wesley Rabon, 72, died at his home at 113 Wilmington St., Monday afternoon after a lingering illness.

Funeral services will be conducted from the All Saints Episcopal church at 4 p. m. Wednesday afternoon, by his pastor, the Rev. R. Nugent Cox.

He is survived by his wife, the former Bessie Marie Jones; four daughters, Mrs. C. M. Hale of Littleton; Mrs. H. B. Hamilton of Hamlet; Mrs. Robert A. Huggins of Raleigh; Mrs. C. B. Huggins of New Orleans, La.; three sons, R. R. Rabon of Shelby; C. O. Rabon of Clermont, Fla.; T. E. Rabon of Wilmington; two sisters, two brothers, 13 grandchildren and one great grandchild.

RALEIGH PREACHER'S CONDITION CRITICAL

RALEIGH, Aug. 26.—(P)—Dr. Carl M. Townsend, pastor of the Hayes-Barton Baptist church here, was reported tonight to continue in a critical condition at Rex hospital.

Dr. Townsend suffered a broken back and ribs and injury to his spinal cord, when he fell from a pear tree in the yard of his home yesterday morning.

STATE FACED WITH SMALL CORN CROP

RALEIGH, Aug. 26.—(P)—Faced with the smallest U. S. corn crop since 1936, North Carolina's 20,000 commercial dairymen may be forced to stand idly by the fall and winter as resulting decreases in milk production affect the price of milk.

That was the outlook observed today by J. A. Arey in charge of dairying for the N. C. State College extension service. He said this scarcity of corn and its influence on feed prices, coupled with extremely high labor costs, will cut the flow of bulk milk to major outlets at a time of year when local production is "already too low to meet the demand."

Few North Carolina dairy farmers grow enough grain feed for their own requirements, Arey said. Thus a corn crop nearly one-fourth short of last year's production will strike this 65-million-dollar-a-year industry a serious blow, he said.

As a measure to offset this grain shortage, Arey urges that a large crop of temporary grazing be seeded early this fall.

LUMPKIN LEADING MISSISSIPPI RACE

Piles Up Commanding Lead In Run-Off For Lieutenant Governor

JACKSON, Miss., Aug. 26.—(P)—Sam E. Lumpkin of Tupelo, top man in the first primary for Democratic nomination as Lieutenant Governor of Mississippi, piled up a commanding lead today in a peculiar run-off against the man who ran fifth and last in the previous voting.

Returns from 719 out of the state's 1,714 precincts gave Lumpkin 82,915 votes to 18,468 for the Rev. Charles G. Hamilton, Episcopal Minister of Aberdeen.

Lumpkin, former Speaker of the State House of Representatives, polled 157,827 votes in the August 5 primary while Hamilton got only 19,842.

Today's odd run-off came about because the candidates who ran second, third and fourth of August 5 withdrew from competition rather than force a second primary in view of Lumpkin's large vote.

Under Mississippi law, the privilege of entering a second primary then descended to Hamilton, who declared he would oppose Lumpkin again "if none else will."

PRESIDENT JIMENEZ PROBES AMMUNITION FOUND IN PANAMA

BALBOA, C. Z., Aug. 26.—(P)—President Enrique Adolfo Jimenez said tonight his government was investigating the transfer of ammunition in Panama and disclosed that 3,000 dumdum bullets had been found on lonely Patilla beach near Panama City.

The government learned, Jimenez said, that large quantities of ammunition were being taken into the interior of Panama. Police now were stopping and searching all automobiles traveling in the interior, he added.

The packaged ammunition found on the beach was of German manufacture and not of the type used by the United States Army, which has extensive facilities in Panama, the president said.

Barboursville, W. Va., is of historic interest as the scene of a conflict in the U. S. Civil war, July, 1861, which ended in a Federal victory. Barboursville became a town in 1813, and was incorporated in 1867.

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BANK ROBBER BUNGS RIDE WITH POLICE

Cop Picks Up Hitch-Hiker Who Admits Part In Bank Holdup

JACKSON, Miss., Aug. 26.—(P)—Billy Dean Bramlett, 23, made the mistake of hitch-hiking a ride in a police patrol car today and two men companions are in jail here, charged with armed robbery of the bank at Lake, Miss.

Highway patrolman Ray Gentry was cruising last night along the highway north of Carthage, searching for the bandits, when his headlights splashed a man with a battered-looking man alongside the road.

The man started to thumb a ride then quickly dropped his hat when he saw that the automobile was a police car. Gentry steamed on the brakes, and motioned Bramlett to climb in.

Gentry said Bramlett's trousers were torn and that it developed he was carrying a gun. Hitch-hiker today, Bramlett not only admitted his own part in the bank holdup, but gave information as to the whereabouts of his accomplices, Gentry said. Shortly afterward the others were captured at a nearby cornfield.

The other men, run down with the aid of bloodhounds, were 26-year-old James Frederick, who the Bramlett lives in Jackson, and 25-year-old Marvin D. Anderson of Georgia, who officers said is a parole violator from that state.

GUARDS WOUNDED

GUATEMALA, Guatemala, Aug. 26.—(P)—Two guards were seriously wounded Sunday when 400 Indians armed with machetes, farm tools and a few firearms entered the city hall at Solola and attempted to seize title records of the Municipal San Mills, it was announced tonight.

NO PLANS

HAVANA, Cuba, Aug. 26.—(P)—President Ramon Grau San Martin has no plans to visit the United States in the near future, the Presidential secretary said today in denying Miami reports that the president was planning a week-end visit to Florida.

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