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MILLER DID NOT RETURN NOTE

Broker Said to Have Sold Note to Thomasville Bank; Mayor Gragg Says Case Against Miller Will Be Prosecuted

Mayor W. R. Gragg stated Monday that the town's note for \$10,000, issued for the purpose of constructing a city hall, and placed in the hands of Claude E. Miller, High Point broker, for the purpose of cashing for the town, had been located in the First National Bank of Thomasville, where Miller is alleged to have sold it.

In Miller's answer to the complaint, it was stated that he sent the note to a New York broker who promised to buy it. On the strength of this promise, Miller says, he sent two checks to the town in payment for the note. Later, he says, the New York party informed him that he could not handle the note, and Miller ordered payment stopped on the checks he had sent the town.

Miller further states in the answer that when the New York party returned the note to him, he immediately mailed it to the city authorities, and claims that if they have not received the note, it has evidently been lost in the mail.

CLAUDE E. MILLER FACES YET ANOTHER CHARGE

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KRAUT FACTORY WILL OPERATE AT CAPACITY

Mr. H. Neal Blair, manager of the local sauer kraut plant, has a crew of hands busy getting all in readiness about the factory for the manufacture of kraut which will begin within the next three weeks. About forty acres of fine cabbage have already been purchased, which, if the yield is good, will practically provide capacity production for the plant during this season.

Humility Gives Way to Boasting

Extract From Address to Summer School at A. S. N. S. August 11, by Josephus Daniels, as Printed in the News and Observer

It is fitting, as we rejoice in the important and steadily increasing usefulness of this institution to recall that it did not reach its present proportions by any accident or fortuitous circumstance. It owes its high position to the spirit of many good men and women, but mainly to two men—President Dougherty, who with his brother, began to teach here as mere boys, and Capt. Lovill, chairman of its board of trustees. They and others saw that the supreme need of this mountain section was trained school teachers.

But educators alone cannot bring about the permanent structures we see to-day. Working with these teachers, this section and the whole state owes a lasting debt of gratitude to the late Capt. Edward F. Lovell, brave Confederate soldier and able legislator, who early and late gave himself to its welfare. As president of the board of trustees, he paralleled the great work done at Greenville, North Carolina by the late Governor Jarvis in laying broad and deep the foundation of a like normal institution in Eastern North Carolina, which under Dr. Robert Wright, like Appalachian and Cullowhee in the west, have made possible much of the educational progress that has caused this old state to have a new birth in the notable advance in fulfilling its obligation to all the children from the mountains to the sea.

Sometimes we make the mistake in North Carolina in giving most of the honor to progressive governors and officials for our educational awakening. Sometimes we give the distinguished service medals all to teachers. Such division of honor shows only a half realization of the recompense due. It is rather true that educators and legislators and executives and editors and other leaders have worked together and the commendation should be awarded in proper proportion to all. While the big captains, who did most in a day of comparative poverty and against great odds, were the two Charleses—Melver as teacher and Aycock as the citizen's voice crying eloquently, they would be the first to declare that their efforts would not have borne the fruit we see today if they had not been associated with like minded and unselfish men and women.

North Carolina is proud of all its educational institutions, those like this and others, the creations of the state, and those founded by churches and individuals. Speaking here today at the Appalachian my mind is upon the three youngest of our state schools—the three newest establishments to train teachers—the Appalachian here, the child of Dougherty and Lovell, helped by all progressive men and legislators of this and other sections; Cullowhee over in Jackson county, with like patronage and early friends; and East Carolina likewise blessed with the friendship of an eminent statesman and able teacher. Let us pause to do honor to Thomas J. Jarvis and Prof. Ragsdale of Greenville, who were to the institution what Capt. Lovell and Prof. Dougherty were to Appalachian; and Judge Walter E. Moore and Prof. Madison were to Cullowhee. The Greenville school was the child of Governor Jarvis' old age. He saw every brick go in the structure and its birth in the mind of Prof. Ragsdale calls an old time patriot-teacher whose memory is fresh in the minds of his section.

It is only in recent years that we have come to give the recognition deserved to the men who had the visions which have been translated into modern educational institutions. We gave high sounding names of the great of other commonwealths to the halls and school rooms, neglecting honor to whom honor is due of these among us who carried out the vision splendid. Now nearly all towns are naming their school building for home men who led in progress, and we are doing the same in our state institutions. We have fewer Washington and Lee and Lincoln schools and more Melver and Aycock schools, and Moore and Madison and Lovell and we will have buildings named for Wright and Dougherty and Hunter and or heads of our three newest teacher-training schools who are doing in their day and generation what will do much to make the North Carolina of the future greater than those of us now living can vision or prophecy. If it is true—as I verily believe—that the present "outburst of industry" is largely due to the improvement in public education as Aycock predicted would be the case, how much greater will be that organized and growing industrial North Carolina due to the trained minds and hands going out every year from our crowded educational institutions.

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POLITICAL EVENTS OF THE PAST WEEK

Highlights of Political Activity Both Major Parties Summarized From Recent News Dispatch From Over the Country

Prohibition Candidate Assails P. Enforcement Record
Rockville Center, N. Y., Aug. 12.—In accepting the Prohibition nomination for the presidency, tonight William F. Varney accused the Republican administration of wilfully betraying the 18th amendment. He did not challenge the sincerity of the Democratic party as a whole, saying this was impossible because it was not in control of the government, but he said he could see nothing in the record of its standard bearer, Governor Alfred E. Smith, to justify a belief that his election would result in improved enforcement of prohibition.

Republicans of Allegheny Meet at Sparta
Sparta, Aug. 9.—A large crowd assembled at the courthouse in Sparta Monday afternoon for the Republican county convention. Mack Vanhoy, candidate for the state senate and chairman of the Republican county executive committee, presided over the meeting.

Republicans Not To Launch Active Campaign Till Democrats Open
Washington, Aug. 11.—The Republican campaign is officially on its way, lifted from six weeks of silent preparation by the Hoover notification ceremonies today in California.

To Name Simmons' Successor
Chairman Odus M. Mull has issued a formal call for a meeting of the Democratic state executive committee in Raleigh Friday night, August 24. The business of the meeting is to select a successor as national committeeman to Senator F. M. Simmons, who resigned July 24, those whose names are most frequently mentioned for the vacancy are former Governor Cameron Morrison and Josephus Daniels, Raleigh publisher. The committee will also deal with the resignation of J. Allen Taylor, of Wilmington, from the executive committee, following a declaration that he could not support the Democratic presidential nominee.

COVE CREEK NEWS NOTES

Sugar Grove, Aug. 15.—Miss Annie Sherwood, who has been teaching at the Asheville Normal during the summer session, is home for a few weeks vacation.

Hoover Outlines G. O. P. Position on Issues of the National Campaign

HIGHLIGHTS IN HOOVER'S ACCEPTANCE SPEECH

Highlights in the acceptance speech of Herbert Hoover Saturday were:—
Opposition to the repeal of the prohibition amendment and a pledge for enforcement of the laws enacted under it.
Firm relief through tariff protection, development of inland water transportation and federal aid for farm stabilization corporations.
An honest campaign with public accounting of all expenditures.
Repeal of the "national origin" basis of the immigration laws.
Endorsement of the principle of collective bargaining and freedom in labor negotiations, with a pledge to curtail the excessive use of injunctions in labor disputes.
A comprehensive and co-ordinated plan for waterway improvements, flood control, development of hydro-electric power and irrigation.
Further economy in government by reorganization and grouping of governmental agencies dealing with the same general subject.
Co-operation between government and business on a voluntary basis for the benefit alike of producer, distributor and consumer.
A foreign policy dedicated to bringing about world peace, but with the retention meantime of a navy adequate for national defense.
Honesty in government with no place for cynicism in the creed of America.
A declaration for religious tolerance.

Stanford University Stadium, Calif., Aug. 11.—His voice heard around the world, Herbert Hoover today enunciated the principles upon which he asks the American people to send him to the White House as the third successive Republican president.

He reiterated his stand against repeal of the 18th amendment and the rigid enforcement of enabling acts under it; proposed farm relief through a three-fold plan; declared for religious tolerance and promised the direction of economic progress in support of the moral and spiritual progress of the nation.

As he read slowly and concisely the 8,500-word message accepting the nomination voted him by the Kansas City convention two months ago, the adopted son of California banked tier upon tier in the huge amphitheater who received his declarations with noisy demonstrations.

Hoover chose this setting, here upon the rolling campus of the university where he enrolled as a first student, and his fellow citizens responded with perhaps the greatest outpouring that ever had attended a notification ceremony in any state in the union. More than 75,000 people were gathered in the stadium, almost filling it to capacity.

Loud speakers, perched high upon a column that towered above him as he read, carried his voice to the furthest reaches of the bowl. Broadcasting apparatus transmitted his voice to more than 100 stations in this country, a network reaching from border to border and coast to coast, while his utterances were taken across the seas on short wave lengths to Great Britain, Australia, the Hawaiian islands, the Philippines, in fact everywhere the English language is spoken.

Just as Hoover had set out to make this rather unique campaign, so his fellow citizens of California strove to make this occasion different from any of the kind that had gone before. Marching bands, stunting airplanes and brilliant day-light fireworks furnished the forerunner of the speech making.

MRS. J. K. BROWN RUN DOWN BY CAR

Is in Serious Condition in Watauga Hospital, While Four Boys are Held in Jail Without Bond Pending Outcome of Her Injuries

Mrs. John K. Brown is in the Watauga hospital, seriously injured, after having been run over by an automobile while walking on Highway 17, just within the city limits Saturday night. Four boys, the occupants of the car, are in the county jail without bond. They gave their homes as Lenoir and their names as Coy, Shoemaker, Arnold, Sechrist, James Nelson and Earl Smith.

Mrs. Brown was walking along the highway in the direction of Boone just east of the Winkler filling station when the accident occurred. She was carrying her infant grandchild, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vilas Moretz, in her arms and it is said she was as far as ten or twelve feet off the edge of the hard surface when the car struck her. Aside from minor cuts and bruises the baby was not injured, while both of Mrs. Brown's legs were broken, one of them being crushed so badly it was at first thought amputation would be necessary, three ribs broken and tears are still held that internal injuries may develop.

Police Chief Gariand and Deputy Sheriff Wyke were on the scene of the accident within a few minutes and found that the wild driver had run from the highway a short distance away and had deserted the car. Three of its occupants were found proceeding on foot toward Boone while the fourth fell from the highway embankment near the auto, and was unconscious. Thinking perhaps he had sustained injuries, he was taken to the hospital, where it was found that he was drunk, and he promptly joined his companions in the county jail.

MISS MARY HOLSHOUSER

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday afternoon in the Presbyterian church here for Mary Holshouser, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Holshouser, whose death occurred in a Washington hospital on August 6, one day following her 23rd birthday, and following a baffling illness of several weeks.

Members of the Christian Endeavor, who had been Miss Holshouser's associates and friends in that organization, carried the floral tributes to the church and to the cemetery. These were Dorothy and Polly Hayes, Margaret Sudderth, Elizabeth and Helen Sudderth, Mary Robbins, Penn Robbins, Corvin Knight, Lois Klutz, Cora Greene and Anne Greene.

High Williams, Ben Greene, Dewey Storey, George Robbins, Spencer Greene and Max Cannon were pall bearers.

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At about the same time a car driven by a Mr. Will Hodges was struck by another within 100 yards of the scene of the first accident. Mr. Hodges was severely cut about the head and face by the glass from the windshield, but suffered no serious injuries. The car which wrecked his Ford made a complete getaway.

The Lenoir boys, aside from facing charges growing out of Mrs. Brown's injuries will be held accountable for driving an automobile on the public highways while under the influence of whiskey.

HOVER LEAVES DOOR OPEN ON PROHIBITION QUESTION

Stanford University, Calif., Aug. 12.—Literally deluged with telegrams, many of them from persons unknown to him, Herbert Hoover today was receiving the first reaction to his address of yesterday accepting the Republican nomination.

The general tenor of the message was of such character as to bring gratification to the nominee, but he was awaiting editorial expressions from the newspapers and other evidences before undertaking to assess the effect his speech may have had upon the country.

Just as it was given the greatest attention by the seventy odd thousand people who were gathered in Stanford university stadium, the prohibition declaration apparently attracted the greatest attention throughout the nation.