

NEGRO FARM BOSS TO BE FIRST WITNESS AT THE WILLIAMS TRIAL

He Will Relate His Version Of Death Of 11 Farm Hands. JURY BODY OF YOUNG MEN Extra Deputies On Guard At Covington, Ga., Where Sensational Trial Is Held. POSTPONEMENT IS DENIED

Manning, the State's Chief Witness. Under indictment with Williams for Murder—Wholesale Killings To Cover Up Peonage.

Covington, Ga., April 5.—Selection of a jury to try John S. Williams in Newton county court for the murder of 11 negro farm hands was completed here late today, and the state made ready to put on the stand tomorrow Clyde Manning, negro farm boss, to relate his version of the death of 11 negro farm hands, who the prosecution contends, were slain to block federal investigation of peonage conditions.

The jury, a body of rather young men, was made up of seven farmers, two merchants, a clerk, a barber and a druggist, as follows: T. L. Hill, farmer; G. W. Guber, farmer; Robert Stanton, farmer; W. A. Faye, merchant; Charles A. Cason, farmer; W. C. Moore, farmer; T. R. Starr, farmer; Byron Thacker, grocery clerk; F. G. Crowley, merchant; J. T. Denard, farmer; J. E. Rawlin, barber; J. H. Ford, and Reginald Robinson, druggist.

Extra deputies were on duty in the court and only as many persons as possible were permitted to bring forward the spectators that any "severely punished," and there was hardly an occasion for the sheriff to rap for order.

Effort by the state to prove that the death of Peterson was one of a "series of crimes," which, it was understood, would be undertaken early in the first day of evidence, was expected to bring from the defense one of its hardest fights in seeking to bar from the trial all reference to the other deaths, and to hold evidence down to the single death of Peterson, whose body was found in Yellow river, and who, the state contends, was brought into Newton county and drowned by Williams and Manning. The name being held by the instigator of the alleged murder.

Many Witnesses Summoned. Unless long arguments develop over admissibility of evidence and cross-examination of witnesses take longer than expected, it is expected that the prosecution might conclude its case tomorrow night. There are some scores of witnesses under subpoena by the state, while the defense has kept a smaller number and identified only a few witnesses, and also has declined to indicate how much time was expected to be taken up with the defense of Williams. There were indications, however, that the state concluded before the end of the week.

Appointed Head Of The Women's Bureau



Mrs. Mary Anderson, who has been named by President Harding as head of the Women's Bureau of the Department of Labor, according to reports from Washington. This is a reappointment recommended by Secretary of Labor Davis.

HARDING OPPOSES ANY PRECIPITATE ACTION IN A PEACE DECLARATION

Has Not Committed Himself On a Definite Program. TO MAKE CAREFUL STUDY Does Not Believe Versailles Pact Can Be Basis For New Association. IS A PAINSTAKING TASK

President, in Considering Peace Resolution, Takes Position That Nation Should Proceed With Care and Prudence.

Washington, April 5.—Whatever may be the expectations of Republican senators who want an early declaration of peace with Germany, it was made known authoritatively today that President Harding had not thrown the influence of his administration behind the movement, but was inclined to look with disapproval on any prospect of precipitate action.

HEARING OF SOUTHERN POWER CASES TO BE AN ANOMALOUS AFFAIR

Textile Men Will Have Nothing On Duke Interests. HARD CASE TO HARMONIZE Power Company In One Instance Says It Is Interstate, In Another Is Not.

MILLS ARGUE SAME WAY Contend For Morality of Contracts Before Corporation Commission But Likelihood That Body Is Without Authority.

The Southern Power company, which is the subject of the hearing, is a corporation organized under the laws of North Carolina, but its power lines extend into South Carolina, Virginia, and Georgia.

It is doubtful whether there has ever been such an inharmonious of positions before the court. In the recent Southern Power hearings before the commission, the witnesses for the company have shown how interdependent is the business, how much of it is in South Carolina and how much in North Carolina.

The Southern Power company agrees with the textile interests when they are not talking in a justifying way. The commission building, it is said, is not talking in a justifying way. The commission building, it is said, is not talking in a justifying way.

MORRISON AND STATE TREASURER ARE TO GO IN SEARCH OF FUNDS

They Will Try To Borrow Money With Which To Pave Roads. COUNTIES TO LEND MONEY Resolution To Pave Highway To Winston-Salem Highway Is Adopted.

Winston-Salem, April 5.—The county proposals were easily the feature of today's meeting. Both such centered about Guilford and Forsyth. The first was run by Winston-Salem and High Point, and the second between Greensboro and Gibsonville.

Mr. Cox offered the following resolution, which was adopted: "Whereas, there is an important state highway in the counties of Guilford and Forsyth, connecting the towns of Winston-Salem and High Point, a distance of about 18 miles, and, whereas, a portion of said road in the county of Forsyth has been built, and whereas the counties of Guilford and Forsyth have each expressed a desire to aid in the early construction of a hard-surfaced road under the direction and approval of the state highway commission, and the like, and to advance sufficient money to construct such road in their respective counties;

Therefore, be resolved, that the state highway commission shall repay to each of said counties the amount of money expended by the counties in the engineering, location and construction of said road, but nothing for the right of way, and that the amount of the kind and character to be determined by the state highway commission and the contract for the construction of said road shall be under its plans and specifications and the money to be repaid by the state highway commission at such time as its judgment should be right and equitable, and when paid such portion thereof as shall be repaid on that portion of the road in the seventh district shall be charged to that district."

Herford county raised \$150,000 and Lenoir half broke. All over the state are counties which can do the very thing that Mr. Cox proposes. It is possible that five millions will be available to the state and will lead it to the state and the state will spend it. But the state can get it elsewhere.

This committee represents potentially twenty-five engineering districts which will be organized in each district. There will be a chief engineer over these all. They will probably be chosen at this board meeting, but the action will not be an untimely one.

Knox Peace Resolutions Has Divided Republicans

Party Is Split Into Three Groups At Least Momentarily, Each Pulling In Separate Direction On Peace Question—President and Secretary Hughes Want Delay While Knox and His Supporters Are Urging Prompt Action.

Washington, April 5.—You get as many versions of the Harding policy with respect to the Knox resolution as there are groups in the party. And all these versions appear in the press. One side insists that the Knox resolution will be passed at once, with Harding's approval. Another that it will be delayed three months by Harding's orders. A third that it will be the first item of the Harding program and that it will be passed "early," at some vague date, not immediately and not three months from now.

The month is at the President and Secretary Hughes favor delay with regard to the Knox resolution and they are likely to have delay unless some development causes them to change their minds and accept the early passage of the resolution. But there is opposition in the senate and especially in the senate foreign relations committee. The opposition to delay there is much stronger than it was represented to be by the President's friends yesterday.

The fate of the Knox resolution has split the party at least momentarily. There are in the senate and elsewhere in Washington, three groups of Republicans. One is the so-called irreconcilable group in the senate which insists upon the immediate passage of the Knox resolution. This group points to President Harding's speech of acceptance and its promise to make peace with Germany by resolution. This group claims to have the President with it, committed to immediate peace by resolution. Its propaganda represents Mr. Viviani as highly satisfied with the Knox resolution. According to the irreconcilables no reason exists why the Knox resolution should not go through immediately after the adoption of the Columbus treaty.

Another group, much smaller, is sure that the Knox resolution will never be passed. These people advocate its adoption, with amendments, with a broad reservation against the immediate separate peace with Germany. Conditions are helping them, for the Knox resolution is considerably weakened by the change of program which takes it out of first place among the Harding measures, that still the chances are rather against the ratification of the treaty.

And third is the administration group which wants the Knox resolution delayed for perhaps three months until Mr. Harding and Mr. Hughes can work out their international policy. There is little doubt that this group will prove its way if Mr. Harding stands firm.

The propaganda of the irreconcilables, the announcement that the Knox resolution will pass at once, is all directed to influencing the President to abandon his desire for delay. The intent of it is to impress Mr. Harding with the strength of the demand for an immediate separate peace with Germany, among the senators. The President is a little uncertain upon this subject. Once he was for the prompt making of peace by resolution. Today he wants to know how much this is due to certain procrastinating tendency on his part, a certain shirking from making important decision and how much to his own policy. He apparently does not want to take steps

MEYER PREDICTS THAT AGRICULTURE WILL BE STIMULATED IN SOUTH

Foresees This As Result Of Cotton Conference. TO ENACT HELPFUL LAWS Allow Trade Corporations To Begin Business Before All Capital Is Raised. M'LEOD HEADS NEW BANK

Lumberton Men Will Be President of Cotton Docks Institution Which Soon Will Begin Business in Washington.

Washington, April 5.—The prediction that agriculture in the south would be stimulated as a result of the conference held here between southern bankers and members of the war finance corporation was expressed today by Eugene Meyer, Jr., managing director of the reconstructed corporation. In taking the initiative in calling a conference of bankers and officials, Mr. Meyer suggested that the government had answered a statement too often made that the "government shows little interest in the foreign trade of the country."

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The southern bankers are also to be aided in the creation of exporting associations under the Webb-Pomeroy act which authorizes the co-operative handling of export business without regard to the provisions of the Sherman anti-trust law.

Before leaving after the conference here the bankers named a special committee of five, headed by Robert F. Maddox, of Atlanta, to take direct charge of working out a program with government officials for the relief of the cotton growers and financial institutions handling their obligations. This committee will begin the mobilization of the banking resources of the south and these resources are to be used in co-operation with government agencies in increasing exports of cotton and other agricultural products.

CHARLES BIDS HUNGARY FAREWELL LAST TIME

It is Generally Believed He Has Given Up His Chances of Reascending the Throne.

Special Cable to Daily News. Berlin, April 5.—The general belief in diplomatic and German circles is that ex-Emperor Charles, when he left the Hungarian frontier this morning, had for the last time to Hungary and his chances of reascending the ancestral crown.

GREEK HOSPITALS ARE FULL TO OVERFLOWING

They Have Forced the Greeks To Their Former Defensive Positions.

Special Cable to Daily News. Athens, April 5.—The foreign dispatches from Constantinople are unanimous in their opinion that the Greek army has retreated to its former defensive positions near Bursa.

MRS. VAUGHN PAROLED IN CUSTODY OF FRIENDS

Admits Husband Is Man Who Escaped From South Carolina State Insane Asylum.

Tampa, Fla., April 5.—Mrs. T. U. Vaughn, formerly a nurse in the state insane asylum, is being paroled today by her husband, T. U. Vaughn, a fugitive from that institution, who was paroled in custody of friends by the police today.

FIVE DORMITORIES AT UNIVERSITY PROBABLE

Officials of State Institution Will Also Erect Two Classroom Buildings.

Chapel Hill, April 5.—Faced with the responsibility of expending wisely the largest appropriation ever granted them by the general assembly, officials of the University of North Carolina, both local and on the board of trustees, are making thorough plans for the erection of five dormitories and two classroom buildings.

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STRIKERS IN ENGLAND HOIST THE RED FLAG

Police Attack Strikers With Batons and Strikers Besiege Police Station.

London, April 5.—Rioting broke out tonight in connection with the coal strike in Cowdenham, Essex, Scotland, according to a central news dispatch from Dunfermline.

Forecast By States. Washington, April 5.—Virginia: Generally fair Wednesday and Thursday, continued mild temperature. North and South Carolina: Generally fair Wednesday and Thursday, little change in temperature.