

PHONE COMPANIES CONTINUING FIGHT FOR HIGHER RATES

Present Applications From Would Be Subscriber's As Basis For In- creases

WOULD ENABLE THEM TO SUPPLY DEMANDS

Additional Information May Cause Corporation to Re- cede From First Position —Decision Expected To- day or Tomorrow

Raleigh, May 31.—The "additional information" referred to in this correspondence yesterday in connection with the petition of the Southern Bell Telephone Company for increased telephone rates in North Carolina is received by a member of the State Corporation Commission as being 5,500 applications from would-be subscribers.

These prospective telephone users are scattered throughout the State and come largely from the "backwoods" areas. They are: Wilmington, 400; Charlotte, 125; Asheville, 600; Charlotte, 540; Winston-Salem, 330; Raleigh, 500. In addition to these there are approximately one thousand applications in sight of the 25 smaller exchanges of the telephone company now operating in the State.

Want New Phones

All of the applications for new phones, said a member of the commission today are clamoring for the telephone service and are ready and anxious to pay the additional rate.

That the Commission has decided to disallow the company's petition for any increase in the larger cities as was forecast in this correspondence is admitted by the Commission. With the submission of the "additional information," however, the Commission indicates that it will recede from its first position. To deny the petition for increased rates would be denying 5,500 people the use of telephones.

So the decision fixing the rates, if it authorizes an increase in it, in all probability will be another instance of the minority ruling the majority. The order may be handed down this afternoon, the morning papers getting the first break on it.

Guard Officers Named

When the reorganized North Carolina National Guard goes into its annual fifteen day camp at Camp Glenn in July the following field officers, with Governor Cameron Morrison as commander in chief, will be in command:

Adjutant General John B. Van Mett, chief of staff; Assistant Adjutant General Gordon Smith, Col. Don E. Scott, Graham, in command of the first infantry regiment; Lieut. Col. J. Hall Manning, Kingston; Major J. W. Jenkins, Henderson; and Major Graham K. Hobbs, Wilmington.

The regimental staff officers are: Capt. C. A. Gosney, Raleigh, adjutant; Capt. Sprague Siler, Raleigh, operations officer; Capt. Charles L. Meade, Wilmington, intelligence officer; and Lieut. P. H. Gwyn, supply officer.

Major Walter G. Craven, Charlotte, quartermaster corps; Capt. B. S. Royter, Jr., Oxford, quartermaster corps and State property and disbursing officer; Major Henry C. Decker, Charlotte, judge advocate; Major T. C. Guthrie, Jr., Charlotte, inspector general; Major J. E. Carter, Mount Airy, ordnance officer; Major J. Vance McGehee, Fayetteville, medical officer.

The North Carolina guard now stands at the head of the list of State guards in the fourth corps area with the exception of Georgia. Organization of new units is going forward rapidly and the number of officers and enlisted men who will attend the encampment this summer will break all records, it is predicted.

The latest unit has just been completed at Goldsboro by Capt. Kenneth Royall who will lead the first battery of 155 Howitzers. Sixty five men have been recruited and the organization will be inspected at an early date.

PAPER MAKERS AND EMPLOYERS ARBITRATE

Albany, N. Y., May 31.—Consideration of a proposal of representatives of ten paper manufacturers to arbitrate differences which resulted early this morning in a strike of approximately 40,000 paper mill workers in the United States, Canada and Newfoundland was begun here today by the International Brotherhood of Sulphite Pulp and Paper Mill Manufacturers and shop delegates from each of the plants affected. The meetings were private and it was explained they would continue for several days.

CAVE DWELLERS IN BERLIN DISPERSED

Colony That Took to Caves and Discarded Clothes Scattered by Police

Berlin, May 29.—The colony of cave dwellers in Berlin, which took to the backwoods and dressed in primitive garb of skins, bones and animal skins, were dispersed by the police today. The colony's leader, Dr. Helmuth Goebbing, argued before a magistrate that the experiment was a complete failure of the housing and food of living problems.

The cave dwellers began by several hundreds and were dispersed by the police. They were dressed in primitive garb of skins, bones and animal skins, and were scattered by the police. The colony's leader, Dr. Helmuth Goebbing, argued before a magistrate that the experiment was a complete failure of the housing and food of living problems.

Dr. Goebbing from his abode in the "Cave of Zarathustra," issued circulars denouncing the National electric light and power plan, which was to have included efforts to return England to its old ways.

ANOTHER HEALTHY DOCKET AT COURT

Today's Docket Vies With Yesterday's in Length Though Not in Profits

Another healthy docket, vying with yesterday's court proceedings in length if not in profits accorded to the city, faced the court today. The docket which the court disposed of was as follows:

Deborah Dunn was arraigned on a charge of reckless driving. He was charged \$10 and in addition ordered to pay \$30 damages to the prosecuting witness.

Ben Ward was charged with selling papers on an A. C. L. train, but judgment was suspended upon payment of \$2 costs in the case.

Henry Simmons was arraigned on charges of being drunk and disorderly. In answer to his charge he was released of \$12.50.

John Lofordis was charged with allowing chickens and goats to run at large. In answer to the charge he was fined \$5.

AMERICAN NOTE TO TAKE EXCEPTION TO NETHERLANDS VIEW

State Department Makes Reply to Recent Dutch Note on Oil Situation

NO MODIFICATION OF AMERICAN VIEWPOINT

U. S. Denies that Protest on Djambi Oil Discrimination Came Too Late To Be of Any Effect in Stopping Operation.

Washington, May 31.—Exception to the provisions of the Netherlands government that the United States denied its protest against the Dutch oil policy in the Djambi oil fields was taken by the American government in a new note which it was stated today had been dispatched to the Hague.

Official description of the commercial situation was withheld but it was understood it contained a general denial of assertions made in the Dutch reply of April 19 and that it makes clear to the Dutch foreign office that the United States has not altered its attitude towards its discrimination against American oil interests.

PLAN TO LAUNCH POWER PROGRAMS

National Development of Electric Light and Power Planned at Con- vention

Chicago, May 31.—Plans for the launching of a gigantic electric light and power development program, national in scope, will be unfolded at the forty-fourth annual convention of the National Electric Light Association to be held here beginning today and lasting until June 3.

Development plans will be discussed which call for the expansion of the industry and the expenditure of millions of dollars for the purpose of extending the service of electrical energy to American industry.

Electrification of steam railroads, national water power development, plans for super-power development which means the connecting of electric resources of the nation into powerful distributing systems and scores of other subjects will occupy the attention of the delegates during the four days' session.

More than 3,000 delegates and their wives are expected and they will include the leading men of the electrical industry from all parts of the country. General sessions will be held every morning and in the afternoon the convention will split up into sections at which various phases of the industry's problems will be discussed.

Marvin J. Boyd of Chicago, president of the National Electric Light association will deliver the opening address. One of the most important speakers will be the address by James E. Davidson of Omaha, who is chairman of the Public Relations National League. Mr. Davidson will outline the work of his committee in promoting a better understanding between the utilities industry and the public, legislative bodies, public utilities commissions and federal authorities.

At the same session, David Darling of New York will discuss the development of company employees or organizations a movement to result in closer relations between employer and the companies. Among the other speakers will be James A. Perry of Atlanta, president of the National Association of Railway and Utility Commissioners; R. H. Ballard, of Los Angeles, a member of the public utility subcommittee, and Alex Dow of Detroit.

EXONERATE PILOT OF ALL BLAME IN FATAL AIR WRECK

Formal Report of Investi- gating Board Attributes Wreck Solely to Storm

THREE ARMY OFFICERS MAKE INVESTIGATION

Report Is Submitted to Com- mandant of Bohling Field —All Blame for Accident is Removed From Lieut. Ames Who Was Piloting the Craft.

Washington, May 31.—Lieut. Stanley Ames, pilot of the Curtiss Eagle army airplane that crashed near Maryland, Md., Saturday night with a loss of 7 lives including Ames, is exonerated from all blame of the accident in the formal report of investigation in the report submitted today by Major M. F. Scanlon, commandant of Bolling Field.

The accident, in the opinion of the board of army officers, was absolutely unavoidable and due entirely to the storm in which the airplane crashed into returning from Langley Field to Washington. The report was submitted to Major Scanlon just before the commandant and his staff left the flying field for Washington to attend the funeral of Lieut. Ames.

Capt. William C. Ocker, was senior officer of the board and the other members were Lieut. Paul T. Wilkins and L. M. Wolfe.

ASKS ADOPTION OF STANDARD GRADES FOR COTTON TRADE

Department of Agriculture Expert Urges Single Set of Standards

WILL LAUNCH PLANS AT LIVERPOOL MEET.

W. R. Meadows Outlines Benefits of Single Stan- dard at Meeting of Amer- ican Cotton Association Held at New York.

New York, May 30.—Establishment of a single set of standards of common acceptance throughout the cotton trade of the world was urged by W. R. Meadows of the Department of Agriculture's bureau of markets in an address here today at the conference of the American Cotton Association.

Mr. Meadows said that steps be taken towards the world conference to be held at Liverpool next month and to be attended by Chester Morrill, assistant chief of the bureau of markets, W. L. Pryor, also of the bureau, and Mr. Meadows.

The expected step forward, Mr. Meadows asserted, consists of an agreement between the department of agriculture and the Liverpool cotton association with respect to grades and staples for American upland cotton. If such an agreement could be reached, Mr. Meadows continued, there would result a single set of standards on which American cotton could be handled throughout the world.

English Industrial Peace Seems Nearer

London, May 31.—Another step towards industrial peace in Great Britain was taken today when the locomotive engineers called off their embargo on impaired or what had been known as "stinted" coal. The embargo was declared for the purpose of supporting the strikers' coal miners.

VIRGINIA HONORS THOMAS JEFFERSON

Noted Educators Join at University of Virginia For Founder's Program

Charlottesville, Va., May 31.—Educators from all parts of the country and from many foreign nations joined today in the celebration of the one-hundredth anniversary of the founding of the University of Virginia by Thomas Jefferson. The four days' program opened with exercises commemorating the influence of the University in the religious life of the nation.

The guests, who included several thousand graduates of the university, were welcomed by Governor Westmoreland Davis and Dr. Erwin A. Alderman, president of the University. The Rev. William Alexander Barr, D. D., dean of the Christ Church Cathedral, New Orleans, was the principal speaker at the opening exercises. He was graduated from the university in 1892.

Answering the criticism of historians who attributed Jefferson's tenacity toward liberalism in religion as a desire to break away from the established faith of the church, Dr. Barr said that in founding the university Jefferson "aimed no blow at any religious influence that might be fostered by it."

"The blow was at sectarianism only," he said, "at the religious tests and the shibboleths which he conceived as obstructing the most effective work of an educational institution."

Fifty-three classes were represented at the exercises today, answering the call of "back to the old ROTUND." They were led by the members of the class of 1853, of which there are thirteen survivors. The graduates, called in a body on Dr. Francis H. Smith, professor emeritus of natural philosophy, and said to be the oldest living member of Phi Beta Kappa in the United States.

DEMPSEY IS TAKING FOUR DAYS LAYOFF FROM ALL TRAINING

Brief Rest for Champion Is Prescribed by His Man- ager Jack Kerns

CARPENTIER BACK AT WORK AFTER LOAFING

French Challenger Appears Eager for Work After His Two Days Rest—Does Road Work in Morning and Ring Session in Af- ternoon.

Atlantic City, N. J., May 31.—Jack Dempsey is today enjoying the first of a four-day lay-off prescribed by Jack Kerns, his manager. For the first time since he began training here two weeks ago, Dempsey dropped all training activities. He will not until next Saturday when he will begin intensive training for three weeks to put himself on edge for his world's championship contest with Georges Carpentier in Jersey City July 2nd.

For the next four days the champion intends to do a lot of reading. Mating will occupy the champion's attention during some of his leisure time. Manager Kerns believed the lay-off will enable Dempsey to build himself up to around the 200 pound mark. Although the champion weighs about 190, although his weight has not been publicly announced.

Carpentier Refreshed

Manhasset, N. Y., May 31.—Refreshed by his two day lay-off Georges Carpentier sailed into work today with a good and seriousness that surprised even the easy going manager Desamps and took the breath out of some of the sparring partners. Soon after a hearty breakfast—Georges has acquired a huge appetite—the challenger took Italian Joe Gans and Paul Journee for a grueling test over the roads in the large estate across from the camp. Georges notified the camp to prepare for a ring session in the afternoon as he was eager to do some real work. Willie Lewis, one time possessor of a walloping right, volunteered his services and was anxious to work with Carpentier at the first minute he was ready.

Opening of Summer School, June 1, 1921

All pupils desiring to make up work in the following subjects will report at East School between the hours of 8:30 and 11:00 a. m.

10th grade Geometry, 8th grade Algebra, 9th grade Algebra, 8th grade Arithmetic, 10th grade French, 9th grade Latin, 7th grade English.

The charge for the six weeks of the summer school will be \$10.00 per subject. Pupils will not be allowed to enter classes after the period of registration is over.

PROFESSOR BEAT HURRIED RETREAT

High Point Residents Make Effort to Get Money Back From Faith Healer

Those who recall the activities of Prof. B. A. Coley, "faith healer" who has made several trips to the city and on each occasion has done a "thriving business" will be interested in learning of his sudden departure from High Point last week. The occasion for his hurried getaway, as told a news story sent out from that city, being the determination of his erstwhile patients to get their money back. The correspondent at High Point gives the following account of the affair:

Traveling in his own automobile, Professor B. A. Coley, of Columbia, S. C., who claims to be a psychologist and healer, shook the High Point dust from his heels early today and left for the South Carolina city, carrying with him thousands of dollars, which he is alleged to have acquired during the two weeks operations of his "faith" in this vicinity. Following the "Professor" when he left the city were local citizens in automobiles apparently bent on putting a stop to the practices of the South Carolina man. The machines returned to High Point after giving chase for several miles.

Professor Coley came to this city two weeks ago and during his stay here he is said to have "treated" scores of citizens among them were many prominent High Pointers.

STATE'S RIGHT IS TO FEATURE FIGHT ON TOWNSEND BILL

Southern Senators Will Car- ry Opposition to Bill to Floor of Senate

OPPOSE VETO POWER FOR NEW COMMISSION

Debate on Issue Has so Far Been Confined to Com- mittee Hearing on Pro- posed Federal Highway Construction Bill.

Washington, May 31.—The issue of the rights of the States as opposed to those of the Federal government promises to become the subject of debate in congress on the subject of highways.

The issue thus far has reached the stage of discussion only in the Senate Post office and Post roads committee at hearings soon to be completed on the Townsend bill to establish an interstate highway system and to create a Federal highway commission. Members of the committee from the Southern States have indicated, however, that the question of authority as between the States and the Federal government will be raised when the Townsend bill reaches the Senate.

Provisions of the Townsend bill giving the proposed highway commission of five members power to pass finally on the roads to be constructed with the \$100,000,000 federal aid appropriation have raised the State's rights question at committee hearings.

Questions put to witnesses by Senator Heflin of Alabama and other Senators from the South sitting on the committee have indicated an intention to attack the bill on the ground that it would provide a Federal agency with a veto power over highway routes to be selected by the highway commissions of the several states.

JUNIOR ORDER IS MEETING IN CITY

Large Number of Visitors Here for District Meet- ing This Afternoon and Night

With approximately 200 visiting delegates in attendance, the twenty-third district meeting of the Junior Order of United Mechanics convened in the Masonic temple here this afternoon at three o'clock to hold both afternoon and evening sessions. The territory embraced in this district includes Edgecombe, Martin and Wilson counties.

The program for the session was prepared and issued by E. V. Harris, of Tarboro, district deputy and state councillor, while all the local arrangements and entertainment features have been left in the hands of a special committee from the Rocky Mount council. The only event to mar the complete success of the meeting was the sudden death Sunday of G. C. Robb, one of the members of the two local committees and a prominent figure in State Junior Order circles.

The session got underway this afternoon at three o'clock with District Deputy Harris presiding. After the formal opening with a prayer and an ode, there was the roll call and reports of councils, the reports reflecting growth and activity. General business matters of interest to the order were taken up informally, after which there was a short talk by G. P. Hood, Tarboro Council No. 113, on "How We Increased our Membership from 100 to 290 since January 1, 1921." Mr. Hood traced the rapid growth of the Tarboro council and outlined the steps by which this growth was accomplished.

Following the adjournment of the afternoon session, the visitors will be given an automobile ride over the city before the evening session is called to order at eight o'clock with Paul Jones, P. S. Councillor, as master of ceremonies. After the opening formalities there will be an address of welcome by former Mayor T. T. Thorne, while the response will be delivered by R. E. Sentele. The evening's program includes short talks on "How to Create and Keep Interest in the Council" by J. P. Keesh, "What Does a Junior Order Mean to a Community?" by W. F. Barker, "The Orphanage" by D. W. Cobb, state councillor, and "Why I Am a Junior" by D. C. Holt. At the completion of the program, the concluding session of the session will be held.

Cotton Market

New York, May 31.—Cotton futures opened steady, July, 12.94; October, 13.67; December, 14.10; January, 14.20; March, 14.50.

The cotton market showed the influence of an expected bullish report from the government Thursday and after opening steady at a decline of 3 points to an advance of 3 points and sold 3 to 6 points net higher. Reports of good weather in the south and the failure of over holiday developments on settlement of the British loan troubles caused a sharp decline.

Stock Market

New York, May 31.—A firm tone accompanied the resumption of trading on the stock exchange today although industrial developments over the prolonged recess favored the short account. Some of the rails equipments and steel averaged gains of 1 point and notably Chesapeake and Ohio, American Car Middle West Street. Motors reflects further price readjustments in the trade and European Oils retained their recent heaviness.