

STIR CAUSED IN ASSEMBLY

Charge that Dr. Stone Was Elected Moderator By a "Political Scheme" Causes Sensation.

"ERROR IN JUDGMENT" DECLARES MODERATOR

Banishment of Liquors from White House Functions Demanded by the United Presbyterians.

Atlanta, May 19.—The Northern Presbyterian general assembly today unanimously adopted a resolution authorizing the transmission of proposals for an organic union to the supreme judicaries of all the Presbyterian churches in America. The resolution was contained in the report of the special committee on church cooperation and union.

The Southern Presbyterian assembly today decided that no amendment seeking to change the present form of the "elect infant clause" in the constitution of the church, this action was taken after several hours of spirited debate by a vote of 135 to 44 in the adoption of the report of the committee on overtures and bills. The report reaffirmed the declaration of the general assembly, which says:

"We are warranted in believing that all infants who die in infancy are included in the elect of grace and saved by Christ through the Spirit."

Atlanta, Ga., May 19.—The reproduction in Atlanta today of a story in a New York newspaper charging that the election of Dr. John T. Stone of Chicago as moderator of the Northern Presbyterian General Assembly was the result of a "deep-laid political scheme" threw that assembly into a turmoil of excitement today. Dr. Stone himself took the floor. He said he had not seen the publication and begged that the article be overlooked as an "error in judgment."

William T. Kins of Pennsylvania, who seconded Dr. Stone's nomination, denounced the story as untrue.

"If there is a particle of truth in the story that Dr. Stone's nomination was in any wise pre-arranged then, obviously, neither Dr. Kins (who nominated Dr. Stone) nor myself, is a gentleman or a sincere Christian, since we explicitly stated to the contrary. Therefore, the subject is out of the realm of discussion on my part."

After asking for the undivided attention of the assembly, Dr. Stone made the following statement:

"Gentlemen, we are here as representatives of a great church to do the work of this church. We have no right to allow any personalities or any diverging thoughts to control our time. I believe that the newspapers which have so well reported and are reporting the work of this assembly, are intending in every way to do the work of God with us. If any have erred in judgment, let us overlook it, or better still, look not at it. I have not seen the morning paper and I beg of you not to take my time in discussing any personal matters. I wish to state that all I have to say is, I believe in my lord, I believe in my brethren and I believe in doing my duty."

Dr. Stone today announced the appointment of Frederick A. Booth of New York as vice-moderator of the Presbyterian church in the United States of America.

Banishment of liquors of all kinds from White House functions and the need for an effective Sabbath law in the District of Columbia were urged in the report of the special committee on reforms, adopted today by the United Presbyterian general assembly in session here.

In regard to a Sabbath law in the District of Columbia the report strongly recommended the necessity of legislation "forbidding all unnecessary work, opening of all theaters and the playing of all games on the Lord's day."

Other recommendations of the report urged "equal rights and complete justice for all men; a single standard of purity, proper regulations of marriage, uniform divorce laws; arbitration in industrial disputes and the release of employes from work one day in seven."

Woman Fined for Customs Fraud.

(By Associated Press.)
Trenton, N. J., May 19.—A fine of \$200 was imposed on Mrs. Agnes Mangro of San Francisco, who is alleged to have landed on May 11 from the steamer America at Hoboken without declaring a proper value of goods brought by her from abroad.

Mrs. Mangro entered a plea of non-vult. Her counsel pleaded with the court to extend mercy and not impose a prison sentence.

Suburbs Invade Baseball Parks.

(By Associated Press.)
Philadelphia, May 19.—The woman strategists will begin at once here a campaign to convert the baseball "fans" to their cause. Permission has just been given some of the suffrage workers to invade the parks of both the American and National leagues. The campaign will start with the dislodgment of a "particular" entitled "Woman's Page" from the standpoints of the two leagues.

LINES TIGHTENED BY THE DEMOCRATS

Senate Caucus Adopts Strict Rules Preparatory to Putting Through Presidential Nominations—Kenyon Offers Amendment to Free List Monopolies.

By Associated Press.
Washington, May 19.—Tightening of the lines to put through President Wilson's nominations began today, when democratic senators in caucus practically decided that the old custom of pairing should be abandoned so far as executive sessions and consideration of appointments is concerned. Democrats have had great difficulty in retaining a quorum in executive sessions, but without pairs expect to keep enough senators present to conduct the fight for confirmations of hundreds of nominations pending.

BUILDING TRADES STRIKE DECLARED

Three Thousand Men of Various Crafts Out in Birmingham.

By Associated Press.
Birmingham, Ala., May 19.—Because master builders and contractors refused to grant demands of union carpenters for a raise of seven cents an hour, making the wages 50 cents, 3000 union men—carpenters, plumbers, structural iron and steel workers, painters, holsters, bricklayers and other craftsmen—went on a sympathetic strike this morning. Three skyscraper buildings are involved, an estimate being made that building work to the amount of \$5,000,000 is being interfered with.

Contractors who have signed with the carpenters are feeling the strike also.

Cincinnati Strike Settlement.
Cincinnati, O., May 19.—Announcement of the settlement of the street car strike was expected today as the result of conferences between officials of the Cincinnati Traction company and representatives of the union organization. Just what was accomplished at yesterday's meeting could not be learned except that progress had been made and that the prospects of the strike being called off had brightened.

MILITIAMAN FINED \$25 FOR DISOBEYING ORDERS

Private Court Martialled for Disrespect to His Commanding Officer.

Special to The Gazette-News.
Raleigh, N. C., May 19.—Private M. E. Farmer of Rocky Mount has been sentenced to pay a fine of \$25 by a court martial for behaving with disrespect toward his commanding officer for disobedience of orders. The court martial placed a fine of \$10 and gave Farmer a jail sentence, but Governor Craig commuted the sentence to a fine of \$25, which is not to be taken as looking to leniency, the governor says.

First Lieutenant Edward Parish of Raleigh is to be publicly reprimanded and required to apologize to his commanding officer in the presence of his company for making alleged false statements.

ARTHUR G. RIPLEY

Native of Michigan, Resident of Asheville for 11 Years, Died Saturday.

Capt. Arthur G. Ripley, who had been a resident of Asheville for the past 11 years, died Saturday at his home on Bingham Heights, at the age of 31 years. Before coming here Capt. Ripley was a resident of Michigan. He survived by a wife and one daughter.

The funeral services were conducted from the residence yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Dr. Rodney Rush Swopes, rector of All Souls church, officiating. Interment was made in Riverside cemetery, the following acting as pallbearers: Richard Patterson, T. G. Bates, Charles H. H. Adams, Emerson E. H. and P. O. Harrison.

BIG MILL MAN PUT ON TRIAL

W. W. Wood, American Woolen Company's Head, Is Charged with Conspiring to "Plant" Dynamite.

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BAPTISTS TO TAKE UP SOCIAL SERVICE

Southern Convention Decides to Enter New Field of Endeavor.

By Associated Press.
St. Louis, May 19.—The Southern Baptist convention decided before final adjournment this afternoon to enter social service work and appointed a committee for that purpose, which will co-operate with the committee from the Northern Baptist convention.

The southern committee includes W. L. Poteat, of Greenville, S. C.; Z. T. Cody, Greenville, S. C.; T. B. Ray, Richmond, Va.; J. T. Henderson, Bristol, Va.; A. C. Cren, Atlanta, Ga.; and Boyce Watkins, and J. N. Prestige, Louisville.

A. J. Dickinson, of Birmingham, said the Baptists could not afford longer to keep out of social service work.

"HAPPY JACK" MULRANEY DIES IN ELECTRIC CHAIR

Doomed Man Claimed He Was Victim of "Crooks' Code of Honor."

By Associated Press.
Oswining, N. Y., May 19.—John Mulraney, who was to have been put to death as a murderer on March 17, but won a 60 days reprieve by declaring in a personal appeal to the governor that he was going to his death as the martyr of a criminal "code of honor," was electrocuted at Sing Sing prison today. "Happy Jack," as he was known to his comrades, wore to the last the smile "hat had won him his nickname and called back to the other inmates of the death cells a cheerful 'goodbye.'"

Charles Becker, the former New York police lieutenant and the gunman involved with him in the Rosenthal murder, were among the 14 who answered.

The murder of which "Happy Jack" was convicted was that of Patrick McGreen, known as "Paddy the Priest," a New York saloonkeeper who was shot while standing behind his bar on the night of October 2, 1911. John J. Dowling, who died before he could be tried and Mulraney repudiated his admissions, claimed an alibi and asserted he had accepted the conviction following a "crook's code of honor not to sue or sue on the other fellow." Justice Rosalby of New York decided, however, that there were no grounds for a new trial.

SCHWAB WITNESS FOR STEEL COMBINE

Former Head of Trust Describes Famous Dinner at which He Proposed the Great Consolidation to J. Pierpont Morgan.

By Associated Press.
New York, May 19.—Charles M. Schwab, president of the Bethlehem Steel corporation and first president of the United States Steel corporation, took the stand today as a witness for the defense in the government suit to dissolve the latter corporation.

TRIED TO DISCREDIT LAWRENCE STRIKERS

Alleged Accomplice Committed Suicide When Grand Jury Investigation Involved Him.

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SLOW-WORKING POISON TAKING BANKER'S LIFE

B. Sanders Walker of Macon Swallows Fatal Dose for Headache Powder.

By Associated Press.
Macon, Ga., May 19.—B. Sanders Walker, prominent banker and real estate dealer of this city, who swallowed poison by mistake last Wednesday night was able to be up and about early today and experienced no pain, although physicians declare he cannot live.

Messages from all parts of the country have been received by Mr. Walker, some from surgeons and physicians, who offer their services to assist him in his fight to overcome the effects of the poison. Mr. Walker swallowed the poison mistaking it for a headache powder. When told by physicians that he could not live Walker resigned himself to his fate and left his bed, dressed and held a reception to his friends at his home.

Refined Sugar Price Reduced.
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