

PRISONERS ALLEGE BRUTAL TREATMENT

INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE IS PROBING GEORGIA STATE PRISON.

FIVE WITNESSES ARE HEARD

Inquiry Conducted by Board Composed of Superior Court Judges Named by Governor.

Milledgeville, Ga.—An investigating committee of the Georgia superior court judges, named by Governor Thomas W. Hardwick to investigate conditions at the state prison, heard evidence at the first session of the commission that there had been numerous specific instances of inhuman treatment and brutality.

A state prison welfare worker, Rev. Bert Donaldson, told the commission that there had been a great change to come over the institution during the last two weeks, since charges began to come out. He said that the prisoners were being treated as human beings now, were receiving clean food and that the institution had been cleaned up.

The most sensational testimony of the day was furnished by Henry M. Bohn, a released convict from Atlanta, and W. B. Norton of Macon, who has been pardoned. The former swore to instances of brutality, some of which he said he witnessed, and the latter exhibited his helpless right arm as evidence of alleged improper use of a drug by the physician of the institution.

J. Christie, whose newspaper communications brought about the investigation, was restricted to facts regarding inhuman treatment, improper attention, laxity on the part of officials and sanitary conditions.

Christie told in detail of the fogging of R. Lee Denson, ex-service man of Atlanta, "because of something that happened on the field." Christie charged that Denson, whom he said was subject to fits, was refused treatment by Dr. Crompton, the physician of the farm.

The direct charge was made by Christie that Chairman Davison of the prison commission had direct knowledge of the "facts in the case."

Christie told of W. R. Lipscomb being sent to the farm from Atlanta in an automobile, "because he was too sick to go by train," said the witness. "And they allowed him to die with practically no attention," he added.

Christie said he had charge of the infirmary, and he swore "that men who were sick were neglected to a degree that was horrible."

W. R. Tompkins, white man, died about April 27, Christie swore, from stomach trouble and from lack of attention.

Judge W. E. H. Searcy, chairman of the investigating commission, declared that the commission men would find out the truth before it finished.

Lady Astor Welcomed Home.

London.—Viscountess Astor was hailed as a "good fellow" at a gathering of 400 at a dinner given by the English-speaking union to accord the first woman to take her seat as a member of the house of commons a welcome home after her American tour.

Mrs. Wintringham, who shares the honors of feminine representation in parliament with the Virginian, united with Lord Lee of Farnham in saying nice things about the guests of honor's work in parliament and the unofficial mission she performed recently in America.

The English-speaking union is the only Anglo-American fellowship society which admits women to membership, and they were present in force to hear the two women commissioners on the first occasion they have spoken from the same table.

Viscountess Astor was attired in a lemon colored gown with green girdles, with two ropes of pearls around her neck. In characteristic fashion she sermonized, admonished and joked for an hour. In her peroration she alluded to the Washington conference, saying:

"America had a chance to build the greatest navy in the world; she gave it up with as much grace as the greatest navy in the world gave up its long reign of the seas."

Planting Oysters in New Hanover.

Wilmington.—The state fisheries bureau will begin planting 5,000 bushels of shells in beds of New Hanover county for oyster funds. State Inspector Nelson will be here to superintend the project.

Build Hospital For Cripples.

San Francisco.—The laying of the cornerstone of the Shriners' Crippled Children's Hospital by Imperial Potentate Ernest A. Catts was the chief official event to engross the attention of the 300,000 Shriners and visitors here to attend the forty-eighth imperial session of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. This was "get acquainted" day for the multitude who trod the hot sands from far off lands to reach the oasis of San Francisco for the greatest event in Shrinedom's colorful history.

TAR HEEL STUDENT IS MENTAL PRODIGY

Cambridge, Mass.—Professors at Harvard University made known what they characterized as a remarkable achievement on the part of Chesley M. Hutchings, of Goldsboro, N. C., a student in the graduate school. In taking a three-hour oral examination in romance, languages and literature, in which he was questioned by thirteen professors and inspectors, Hutchings answered every question correctly. The professors considered 50 per cent an excellent showing in such a test.

Hutchings, who is familiar with 15 languages, was taking this examination preliminary to receiving his degree of Doctor of Philosophy. He was awarded a fellowship recently to enable him to study abroad next year.

BONUS BILL BEFORE SENATE

FIRST EFFORT IS BLOCKED BY OPPOSITION OF SENATOR WILLIAMS.

Might as Well be Considered Now as in July or August, Says Senator Oscar Underwood.

Washington.—The soldiers' bonus bill was formally presented to the senate after a first effort by Chairman McCumber of the finance committee to report it at the opening session had been blocked by Senator Williams, democrat, Mississippi.

Senator Williams was absent from the senate when Senator McCumber presented the measure for the second time, but came into the chamber a few minutes afterward.

The bill automatically went to the senate calendar.

In attempting to offer the bill soon after the senate met, Senator McCumber said that "in the very near future I hope to be able to lay aside the tariff bill for a day or so for the purpose of considering and passing, if possible, the compensation bill."

Senator Underwood of Alabama, the democratic leader, said if it was proposed to pass the bill at this session, it might as well be considered now as in July or August.

"I should be very glad," he added, "if the bill went over until after the elections so that the American people might have an opportunity to voice their sentiment on the subject."

Senator Underwood said he felt "that the bonus bill, if passed, will not only work 'injury to the American people, but will in the end work injury to the men whom it proposes to help."

He estimated the bill would cost anywhere from \$4,000,000,000 to \$7,000,000,000, and said it was drawn in such a way that it would have to be paid for in the future and thus would become a burden upon the former soldiers themselves.

Informal canvasses of each side have indicated that the bonus legislation has a substantial majority in the senate, but whether the amended house bill will be approved is problematical. In any event a long fight on the measure is expected.

Huge Crops of Food Products.

Washington.—Vegetables grown in the United States in 1921 had an estimated value of \$1,104,000,000, according to the Department of Agriculture. This was 15.7 per cent of the total value of all crops. The products of market gardens, which may or may not have been productive enough to be farms within the census definition, are not included in these estimates.

The potato crop had a farm value of \$385,000,000, and the sweet potato, \$87,000,000. Together, these two crops comprised 43 per cent of the value of all vegetables in 1921. The tomato crop of 1921 had a farm value of \$60,000,000; the cantaloupe crop was worth \$17,000,000; the cucumber, watermelon and cabbage crops each had a value of about \$15,000,000.

Farm gardens are a new item in the vegetable list and had an estimated value of \$405,000,000.

The value of the vegetable crop in relation to prominent single crops and to groups has some striking ratios for 1921, a year when values of the large crops were low, the department pointed out. The total value of the vegetable crop for 1921 was 85 per cent of the value of the great corn crop; it was almost as large as the value of the hay and forage crops; it was nearly one-half as large as the value of the dairy products; it was considerably larger than the value of all poultry products; 48 per cent larger than the value of the cotton crop, and 50 per cent larger than the value of the winter and spring wheat crops.

Norfolk Girl Found in Sydney.

Sydney, N. S.—Police authorities here have in custody a girl who says she is Rosa Miguel, of Norfolk, Va., and who declares she has been a captive of a band of gypsies near here. The young woman asserts that at the age of twelve she was kidnapped from her home in Norfolk and later forced to marry the son of the chief of the gypsy band. Later she was rescued, but she was found again in Philadelphia by the band and once more carried away.

New Bureau Formed.

Washington.—Establishment of an interstate commerce bureau to handle the claims of shippers of the south coming before the interstate commerce commission was announced by the Southern Commercial congress.

The congress announced that the bureau, which will be in charge of Verne P. Simmons, formerly with the interstate commerce commission, would handle cases of alleged unreasonable charges and practices of common carriers over which the federal agency has jurisdiction.

SCORES KILLED IN NEW YORK VICINITY

VIOLENT STORM SWEEPS METROPOLITAN SECTION, KILLING AND MAIMING.

EIGHT BODIES RECOVERED

Wind Reaches Velocity of 88 Miles an Hour, Causing Enormous Property Loss.

New York.—Thirty-eight persons are reported to have been drowned off City Island Sound, when the mad storm that hit that city capsized scores of small pleasure craft. Eight bodies have been recovered and 30 more are reported missing.

A violent storm, accompanied by shifting winds that reached a velocity of 88 miles an hour, took the lives of at least 24 persons, injuring more than a hundred, and caused an enormous property loss in the metropolitan section.

Twenty thousand holiday makers went to City Island and half went out on the waters of Pelham Bay. It was jammed with boats of every description when the storm hit it. Few had opportunities to get ashore.

The known casualties occurred off Execution Light, which is about six miles east of City Island; Rat Island, about three miles east, and another island nearby.

Six persons were killed and more than 40 hurt when the wind caught a huge ferris wheel at the Clason Point Amusement Park, and it crashed to the ground.

A woman and her seven-year-old daughter were crushed to death and several other persons injured when an oak tree, blown down by the wind, crashed through the roof of the crowded dining room of the Red Lion Inn, on the Boston post road, carrying with it an old-fashioned stone chimney.

The bodies of eight canoeists caught in Long Island Sound, off City Island, at the height of the storm, were washed ashore after nightfall.

Miss Edda Smith, 17, walking with a companion, along the reservoir road at Ossining, was blown into the water and drowned.

Charles Emerson, New Rochelle manufacturer, was rowing in Echo Bay with his wife and three children when the storm broke out. He managed to row to shore and then died from a heart attack.

A tree fell across a party of motorists seeking shelter on the Brookville road, near Locust Valley, Long Island, killing Harry Halloran, of Oyster Bay, and seriously injuring his three male companions.

Unable to reach shore in the stiff wind, Jack Lownenthal, 20, was drowned while swimming in East river.

Concetti Bastiatto and his 10-year-old son, Anthony, of Mount Vernon, were killed when a tree under which they had found shelter in the Bronx, was struck by lightning.

Coney Island, where a throng of 350,000 had gathered, including 100,000 bathers, fortunately received only the tail end of the storm. Nevertheless the confusion at the resort was intense when the startled crowds rushed for shelter.

Majority For Soldier Bonus.

Washington.—Informal canvasses made by leading opponents of the soldiers' bonus bill were said to have disclosed a senate majority for the measure of practically three to one. This compares with the nearly five to one vote by which the bill passed the house.

Both sides in the impending fight were understood to have found some satisfaction in the result of the canvasses. Opponents said defeat of any cloture rule to limit debate on the bill practically was assured while some proponents pointed out that if a three to one majority could be held there would be enough votes to pass the measure over President Harding's veto, should he disapprove it as some opponents contend that he will if passed in its present form.

Thirty senators were listed as definitely against the amended house bill with this number possibly to be augmented by one senator, who is absent from Washington and whose position has not yet been definitely established.

Five Men Arrested.

Texarkana, Ark.—Five men were arrested and placed in jail here charged with murder in the first degree in connection with the lynching of Huley Owens, a negro on May 19.

Want Protection For Armenians.

Washington.—An appeal to the churches and their members to urge upon Congress that the American government take necessary steps to ensure permanent protection of Armenians and other Christians under Turkish rule, was announced by the Federal Council of Christ Churches in America. The council's letter to the church pastors favors among other things that the United States extend financial support to whatever body assumes the trust of organizing the administration of Armenia.

GUARDS SEIZE LIQUOR ON NAVAL VESSELS

Norfolk, Va.—Approximately 1,000 quarts of liquor valued at \$10,000, were seized by marine guards of the navy yard in a raid on the naval transport Sirius, under orders of Rear Admiral Philip Andrews, commandant of the Norfolk navy yard. Officers and men of the ship are confined to their ship under guard.

The Sirius is commanded by Commander W. J. Kelton, U. S. N. R. F., and Ensign Harry C. Mechtold, paymaster in charge aboard the Sirius. Both Commander Kelton and Ensign Mechtold were among those confined to the ship at the time of the raid, but Admiral Andrews announced that they, with some other officers and men, had been permitted had been permitted to leave the vessel.

Both Admiral Andrews and Admiral Rodman, commandant of the Fifth naval district, announced that a searching investigation would be made under the direction of Admiral Andrews.

HARDING IS HAILED AS MAN OF COURAGE

PRESIDENT DEDICATES MONUMENT TO GEORGE WASHINGTON AT PRINCETON.

GIVEN HONORARY DEGREE

Dean West Hails President as Man of "Immense Patience and Self-effacing Modesty."

Princeton, N. J.—President Harding dedicated a monument to the achievements of George Washington in Princeton and heard himself hailed as a man of "quiet courage" and "intense patience and self-effacing modesty" in his own policies towards current and controversial political issues.

The words came from Dean West, who used them in mention of the President's stand against the veterans' bonus, and his votes for anti-strike laws as a senator, as he recited the reasons which induced Princeton university to give the President an honorary degree as doctor of laws.

Twice the stimulus of an intent audience caused President Harding to break away from prepared manuscript in speech-making.

Before the Princeton student body, stirred evidently by the high praise of the citation of himself, he almost disregarded preparations to lay down some standards of valuation of men. "I care not what position I may momentarily be in," he exclaimed, "you can measure his standard of usefulness to America by the service he renders the community in which he resides."

"Less than a century and a half has this republic endured. The founding fathers who gave us America no more dreamed of what 125 years would bring them than we today can dream of the possibilities of the future.

"When I realize what has happened in that time I dare not lift the cup of optimism to my lips. There are such limitless possibilities; we have seen such incomparable contributions to mankind's progress in our generation, we can little imagine what time will bring.

"Doctor —" The President turned to Dean West and President Hibben of Princeton—"I thank you for your earnest wishes. I care not who one is, if he can only expand his power in righteousness, he shall not have lived in vain. We can only ask God to let us make our way in righteousness, and if, in that making, we can make our way religious, we'll be a little better for that."

Rotarians Adjourn Convention. Los Angeles.—Raymond M. Havens of Kansas City, Mo., was chosen president of the International Association of Rotary clubs at the final business session of the 13th annual convention of the organization.

Directors elected to the international board were Harry Bert Craddock, of Minneapolis, Minn.; Ralph Britol, of Orden; Herbert C. Wilson of Worcester, Mass.; John Turner, of Tampa, Fla.; Robert Patterson, of Dayton, Ohio; Alexander Wilkie, of Edinburgh, and R. Jeffrey Lydiatt, of Calgary.

Lasker Investigating Seizure.

Washington.—Investigation by Chairman Lasker of the Shipping board, of the circumstances surrounding the seizure by British authorities of the vessel Seattle Spirit in Tralee Bay, on the ground that it had war munitions, disclosed that a shipment ostensibly of 40 barrels of lard provided to be 40 barrels of munitions.

The shipment, it was announced by the shipping board, was made by the Manhattan Oleo Agency of New York through the Barr Shipping Company, as brokers, and was consigned to the Manhattan Oleo Agency in Ireland. Moore and McCormick, managing agents for the shipping board of the vessel, have been asked by Chairman Lasker to institute a thorough investigation and on receipt of full particulars the evidence will be turned over to the department of justice by the shipping board for proper action.

Says Alimony For Husband Illegal. Olympia, Wash.—Legally, alimony for a husband is an unheard of thing, according to the Washington supreme court.

The wife cannot be held liable for temporary suit money, temporary alimony's fees and temporary maintenance as husbands can when conditions are reversed, said the court.

The supreme court even went to the length of declaring that under the common law no husband has a right to alimony.

Expect Arrests in Dope Case.

Atlanta, Ga.—Arrest of persons involved in smuggling "dope" into the Atlanta Federal penitentiary are expected within a few days by agents of the Department of Justice who are conducting an investigation of an alleged "dope ring" at the prison.

Internationalism as the keynote of Rotarian activities for the coming year was emphasized by the new president. Parting addresses by delegates from France, Canada, the British Isles, Hawaii, South America and Australia accentuated the world-wide significance of Rotary.

CONDENSED NEWS FROM THE OLD NORTH STATE

SHORT NOTES OF INTEREST TO CAROLINIANS.

Goldsboro.—Another fire of mysterious origin occurred here. A three-story frame tobacco factory on North George street, near Vine, was totally destroyed, also a small dwelling next door. The building is owned by Well Bros. and was vacant.

Wake Forest.—The annual Wake Forest summer law school was officially opened and classes have gotten under way with mid-season regularity. Thirty students constitute the number of registrants for the first day's enrollment.

Wilmington.—Carpenters began remodeling the offices at North Front street that will be used as local headquarters for the Carolina Steamship company. The Carolina company will conduct regular sailings between this port and Europe.

Asheville.—Gilbert Smith, of Old Fort, was instantly killed and Elsie Lester and Sidney Carter of Salisbury injured, when Southern freight train No. 82 was derailed at Dendron, the engine and eight cars leaving the tracks.

Greensboro.—Governor Morrison made a brief talk at the Greensboro Pure Food Show. He told the audience what a great aid to health pure food is. Then he told of the progress made in the state and asked the efforts of his hearers to make it continue.

Washington.—Miss Mattie Nichols who has been a patient in the Fowle Memorial Hospital since last January, died in that institution this week. The remains were taken to Scotland Neck, where the funeral took place from Trinity church.

Farmville.—For several successive days, almost three weeks in succession, this section has been deluged by heavy rains. The crops have been seriously damaged, especially the tobacco crop. If the rain does not cease hundreds of acres of the golden weed will be completely drowned.

Lumberton.—Carson Lowry, Indian, was shot and killed in Smith township, Robeson county. He was shot through a window in the home of Nora Locklear, the load from a shotgun entering the back of his head and blowing out his brains. Brittan Locklear, another Indian, is in jail here charged with the shooting.

Wilson.—N. L. Finch, former manager of the L. S. Tomlinson Company (Inc.) chain of stores in Wilson and adjoining counties, was arrested here on a warrant sworn out by L. S. Tomlinson and K. S. Watson, charging misappropriation of funds variously stated to be between \$128,000 and \$600,000.

Apex.—Four hundred farmers and business men filled the auditorium here to hear C. E. Marvin, of Kentucky, tell how co-operative marketing is working in that State.

Salisbury.—Dr. Charles J. Smith, president of Roanoke College, Salem, Va., preached the baccalaureate sermon to the graduating class of the Salisbury High School at the Ellis Street school auditorium.

Wilmington.—Steps and platform of the dancing pavilion at the Oceanic Hotel, Wrightsville Beach, gave way while delegates to the Southern Textile Convention were having their picture taken, injuring a hundred people, at least one seriously.

Wilmington.—Inauguration of regular steamship service between Wilmington and Liverpool, Manchester, Bremen, Hamburg, Antwerp, Ghent and Amsterdam was announced by officials of the Carolina steamship line.

Charlotte.—The special train of 13 coaches bearing 226 Shriners and ladies from Charlotte and Western North Carolina left the Southern Railway station on the first stage of its journey to San Francisco, where the Shriners will attend the sessions of the Imperial Council June 13, 14 and 15.

Hickory.—The Catawba strawberry crop brought in more than \$200,000, according to W. J. Shuford, local business man, who has handled more of these berries than any other shipper, and the raspberry crop, just now coming on the market, promises to be better than last year.

Salisbury.—The fortieth commencement of Livingstone College, Salisbury's well known negro institution, has just come to a close. This college had 62 graduates from its different departments this year.

Kinston.—Prominent Episcopal laymen from many parishes, together with a number of clergymen, are expected to assemble at Beaufort June 12 for a week's conference at which clerical and lay readers will be trained for the fall and winter work of the church.

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