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GOUGH URGED TO ENTER RACE FOR CONGRESS

Former State Senator is Considering Entering Race Against Godwin.

Former State Senator Frank Gough is being urged by men from every county in the Sixth district, as well as many from outside the district, to enter the race for the seat held by Congressman Godwin. While Mr. Gough is considering the matter of "coming out," he has not made the final decision.

Mr. Gough is not a lawyer and that is given as a reason why he should make the race by many who have urged him to enter. He is a large farmer, successful merchant and all round business man, and should be able to offer other candidates, of which there are indications of many, will have plenty of entertainment.

OXENDINE BOUND OVER.

Recorder E. M. Britt Sends Case to Higher Court for Disposal—Exonerated by Coroner's Jury.

J. V. Oxendine, Indian, who shot and killed Hub Hammond, another Indian, three weeks ago, was bound over to Superior court Thursday by Recorder E. M. Britt when given a preliminary hearing on a warrant sworn out by Hammond's wife, charging Oxendine with murder. He was placed under a \$1,000 bond, which he made.

As has been stated in The Robesonian, the coroner's jury exonerated Oxendine of the killing, rendering a verdict of "Justifiable homicide."

HIGH PRICES FOR TOBACCO.

Rowland Stephens Sold One Barn For \$919.77.

Mr. Rowland Stephens of Orrum section sold one curing from six acres of tobacco at the Star warehouse here Thursday for 64 1-2 cents the pound. The load weighed 1,426 pounds and brought a total of \$919.77.

Mr. Homer Barnes of R. 1, Orrum, sold a curing from one acre Thursday for \$112.20, clear check.

Several farmers sold large piles of tobacco for above 60 cents the pound last week and all who have good tobacco are highly pleased with the prices being for the "weed."

KILLED BY TRAIN.

Woody Hester of Clarkton Killed Saturday Night—Same Engineer On Duty When Hester's Brother Was Killed Some Ten Years Ago.

Woody Hester, a white man, was struck and killed at Clarkton Saturday night by the passenger train that passes Lumberton for Wilmington at 10:04 p. m. A brother of the deceased was killed by a train at or near Clarkton some ten years ago and the engineer that was running that train was running the train Saturday night.

Recorder's Court.

Ed Miller, colored, was found guilty of carrying concealed weapons and was given a three-months road sentence.

Geo. Lumdy was given a 2-months road sentence on the charge of larceny. Lumdy was found guilty of taking a ring from the office of Messrs Johnson & Johnson.

Chas. Dillard, colored, was found guilty of being drunk and judgment was suspended upon payment of cost.

Operating Special Tobacco Trains

In order to move the tobacco being sold on the Lumberton market the Virginia & Carolina Southern has been operating special tobacco trains from Lumberton to Hope Mills. A solid train load of 14 cars of tobacco was shipped at one time recently.

HOME FROM THE WAR.

Mr. Gilbert Taylor, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Taylor, of R. 5, Lumberton, arrived home yesterday from Germany, having been a member of the U. S. army of occupation for several months.

Mr. M. G. McKenzie went Saturday to Jackson Springs, where he will spend several days visiting friends.

Miss Louise Townsend has returned home from Chapel Hill, where she attended a summer school for teachers.

Mrs. K. M. Biggs and daughter, little Miss Margaret, went last week to Ridgecrest, where they will spend some time.

Mr. J. T. Norsworthy, the book man, Mrs. Norsworthy and their son, Mr. Paul K. Norsworthy, are spending some time here.

Mrs. Stinson Powell and two children, Jane Page and Majorie, went Friday to Wrightsville Beach, where Mrs. W. A. McPhaul.

Misses Anna Thompson and Ruth Pope returned home Saturday evening from Wrightsville Beach, where they spent several days.

MARVIN BARKER ELECTED CHIEF OF POLICE

Salary of Street Foreman Roosevelt Increased from \$80 to \$100 the Month—Street Paving Notes Must Be Met—Dr. W. A. McPhaul Elected Town Health Officer—Dog Ordinances Must Be Enforced.

Mr. D. Marvin Barker was elected chief of police, succeeding Mr. E. L. Hanna, who resigned, by the mayor and board of town commissioners at a special meeting Friday afternoon. Mr. Barker will receive the same salary paid Chief Hanna—\$100 the month. Chief Hanna's resignation went into effect August 1. He came to Lumberton from Red Springs more than a year ago and returned today with his family to Red Springs to accept his old position as chief of police. Mr. Hanna made a good officer and has many friends here.

Chief Barker is a Lumberton man, having recently returned from France, where he spent almost a year with the American army. He entered upon his new duties Friday.

The salary of H. B. Robeson, sanitary officer and street foreman, was increased from \$90 to \$100 the month.

Messrs. R. H. Crichton and E. M. Johnson, members of the board, and Mr. Ira B. Townsend, town clerk and treasurer, were appointed a committee to determine the advisability of selling two horses and two mules belonging to the town, with authority to act.

The board passed an order which requires that where new building are wired meters shall be placed on the back porch of residences. This order was passed in order that the meters might be read without entering the house.

The town clerk and treasurer was instructed to advise all who owe notes for street paving that if same are not paid in 15 days after notification that the matter will be placed in the hands of the town attorney for legal action.

The light and water committee was advised to investigate and determine the advisability of placing meters on all street lights and in all school and municipal buildings in order that the charges of the Yadkin River Power Co. for current used may be checked.

Dr. W. A. McPhaul, county health officer, was elected town health officer at a salary of \$200 the year.

It was ordered that the town's fire insurance be equally distributed among the several agencies operating in town.

The police force was instructed to see that the ordinance which says all dogs running at large in town between May 1 and October 1 be muzzled be strictly enforced.

BRIEF ITEMS OF NEWS

General News Items of Interest in Brief Form Clipped From This Morning's Papers.

Washington, August 3.—Speeding-up of legislation with high cost of living and railroad employes wage demands, as new and pressing problems, tonight appeared to be a probable result from abandonment, at President Wilson's request, of congressional recess plans. Leaders began revision of their programs, both personal and legislative, and the opinion spread that courts now would be concentrated toward rushing through important matters in the hope of a sine die adjournment early this fall of both houses to give members a rest before the regular December session.

Washington, Aug. 3.—Definite steps toward reducing the high cost of living are expected this week. While all government departments are working toward the end of alleviating unrest by restoring a normal level of prices, interest centers in the meeting Tuesday, of the conference called by Attorney General Palmer to consider the best method of procedure, especially with respect to profiteering.

JAPS AND CHINESE CLASH.

Washington Dispatch, July 31.

Sixteen Japanese officers and men and three Japanese policemen were killed and 17 Japanese soldiers more or less seriously wounded in a clash with Chinese troops at Kuangchenku July 19, according to an official report received by the Japanese Embassy here. The losses of the Chinese were not given.

The clash was said to have followed an assault on an employe of the South Manchuria Railway Company by about 20 Chinese soldiers. The report said the Chinese Government expressed regret over the incident and dismissed from office the commanders of the Chinese division, brigade and battalion concerned, and reprimanded Gen. Meng Un Yuan, Governor-General of Kirin Province, in which Kuangchenku is located.

COMPLETE TIE-UP OF RAILROADS PROBABLE

Union Official Declares Strike is Spreading Rapidly and That Railroad Schedules and Industry Will Be Seriously Crippled in Few Days.

A complete tie-up of the railroads of the country is probable, in the opinion of M. L. Hawver, president of the Chicago district council of the Federated Railroad Shopmen's union, which called a strike of shop chaffs Friday.

He returned from Washington Sunday, states a Chicago dispatch, and declared the strike is spreading rapidly and that the unrest among railway workers is so general that the movement has overwhelmed the international officers of the various unions involved.

Advices yesterday from Cleveland were that the executive board of the American Federation of Railway Workers with a membership of 26,000, chiefly unskilled labor in Cleveland and the east, had decided to strike today, according to Mr. Hawver.

The Maintenance of Waymen's union also is preparing to strike, it was said.

With more than 250,000 shopmen on strike and the number increasing, both President Hawver and Secretary, John D. Saunders declared railway schedules and industry would be seriously crippled within a few days. Already steel mills at Gary and other points in northern Indiana and in Chicago have begun to feel the effects of the strike, according to union leaders, and when the strike is more complete factories and mills will virtually be forced to close down for lack of ore, coal and other essentials.

SEABOARD MECHANICS STRIKE

Raleigh Dispatch, Aug. 1.

Between 500 and 600 shop employes of the Seaboard Air Line and the Norfolk-Southern went on a strike for higher wages this afternoon at 6 o'clock.

The strike is in line with similar action at other points on the Seaboard system.

Labor leaders said here that allied craftsmen at other points in North Carolina would quit work as soon as they could be communicated with. It was a 100 per cent strike here.

The men finished the day, stopping at the regular time. At a meeting held late it was voted not to go back Saturday morning. The local union of railroad mechanics declare that they were not represented at the Atlanta meeting, which decided to call off the strike and therefore decided not to heed and rescind the general strike order.

The railroad officials have made no statement about the strike here, waiting until some general policy in dealing with the situation is decided upon.

HOUSE ABANDONS RECESS AT REQUEST OF PRESIDENT

Threatened Crisis Caused By High Prices Leads to Quick Government Action.

Washington Dispatch, Aug. 1.

A new labor crisis, growing out of the high cost of living, is facing the railroad administration.

So pressing are the demands of the railroad employes for more pay to maintain their standard of living that President Wilson, following extended conferences with Director General Hines, today asked the house of representatives to abandon a proposed recess of five weeks beginning tomorrow and remain in Washington to consider the creation of a commission which would determine all questions concerning the wages of railway workers.

The house tonight, on the eve of its planned recess, voted to comply with the President's request, which previously had been endorsed by the republican legislative steering committee at a special meeting.

The President took a new step in railroad legislation in suggesting to congress that the act to create the commission should "make the decisions of that body mandatory upon the rate-making body and provide when necessary increased rates to cover any recommended increases in wages and therefore in the cost of operating the railroads."

HE IS HUSBAND NO. SEVEN.

Wellsburg, W. Va., Dispatch, July 31.

Jesse Perry has sued Mrs. Della May Holt Perry for divorce. He is her seventh husband. Mrs. Perry is being held on a charge of bigamy. Perry avers in his petition that he was married to her on May 16 of this year, and that at that time she had another husband living from whom she had not been divorced, having married Charles Graham, of East Liverpool, Ohio, April 3 of this year.

Perry alleges that after living with him for a week and securing a large amount of clothing and money she deserted him.

NEGROES WOULD COME SOUTH AGAIN

Chicago Newspaper Asks Governor Bickett How Many State Can Absorb.

(Cleveland Dispatch, Aug. 1.)

Chicago would welcome the return of many negroes to the southern states, according to the tone of a telegram received by Governor Bickett today from The Chicago Herald-Examiner. The telegram says: "Many negroes who came here for war work are anxious to return south if the south needs them. Their spokesman asks us to inquire how many your state can absorb. They are of the most industrious class, distinct from the bad element responsible for difficulties here. Please rush answer."

The governor is out of the city, so no answer to the telegram has yet been made.

DETERMINATION SUCCEEDS.

Plucky Farmer Carried Wood to His Tobacco Barn at Night on His Shoulders.

One of the plainest instances of the truth of this assertion comes to The Robesonian through information given by Messrs. R. D. Caldwell & Son in connection with one of their customers in handling his tobacco crop, as follows: A few days ago he was very much pushed to complete gathering and placing in barn for curing the cropping of tobacco ready for curing.

The filling of the barn was not completed until after nightfall and when fires were to be started it was found that there was not a sufficient quantity of wood to fire the barn during the night. He could not haul the wood in darkness with wagon, so what did he do? He went into the woods nearby and brought the wood to the barn on his good strong shoulders. He sold that barn of tobacco in Lumberton Thursday, weighing over 800 pounds, at 54 cents per pound, or \$419.

PERSONALS

Mr. L. R. Edens of Rowland, is a Lumberton visitor today.

Mr. Wallace Norment spent yesterday at Wrightsville Beach.

Mr. Dock Lewis of Bladenboro was a Lumberton visitor Saturday.

Mr. Joe Barrington spent the week-end at Wrightsville Beach.

Miss Elizabeth Sheehan of Wilmington is the guest of Miss Carrie Edmund.

Mrs. R. T. Allen and two children, Amanda and Henry, are visiting at Forest City.

Mr. W. J. Ward of Tobermory, Bladen county, was a Lumberton visitor this morning.

Messrs. Foster Walters and Joe Bass of Barnesville were among the visitors in town Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hickman and daughter, Miss Monie, of R. 1, Lumberton, were in town Saturday.

Miss Nina Beber returned home last night after spending some time at Taylorsville visiting relatives.

Misses Ethel and Ada Pittman went Friday to Wrightsville Beach, where they will spend some time.

Mr. Robert Davis of the Barnesville section, was among the callers at The Robesonian office Saturday.

Mr. E. Odum and grand-daughter, little Miss Esther O'Nealy, of Buie, were Lumberton visitors Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Tyner went Friday morning to Wrightsville Beach, where they will spend a few days.

Messrs. F. E. Branch, Haynes Branch, Neal and Ansel Pittman of Boardman were among the visitors in town Friday.

Misses Hilda, Miriam and Mildred Weinstein left this morning for Wrightsville Beach, where they will spend two weeks.

Misses Henrietta Ammons and Sue Neill Thompson returned Thursday afternoon from Wrightsville Beach, where they spent several days.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Epps of Farpou Springs arrived Saturday and will be guests for some time of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Epps, Pine street.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Gaddy and two daughters, Misses Besse and Neva, and son, Mr. Yates, of a Farmout, R. 1, were Lumberton visitors Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Britt and three children and Miss Bettie Arnett of East Lumberton, spent the week-end at Wrightsville Beach.

Mrs. T. M. Burney and four children left Friday for Rockingham and Jackson Springs, where they will spend two or three weeks visiting relatives and friends.

Mrs. S. D. Townsend of Charlotte is visiting her uncle, Mr. W. C. Townsend, of the Raft Swamp section. Mrs. Townsend will visit at Red Springs and Wakulla before returning home.

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. S. McNeill and two children, John Jr., and Donald, are spending some time at Laurinburg and Laurel Hill visiting relatives. They are expected home Wednesday.

GENERAL PERSHING MAKING FAREWELL VISIT

Paris, August 1.—Prior to his departure for Coblenz tonight where tomorrow he is to begin his "valedictory" tour of German occupied territory, first visiting the American troops and then the French and British soldiers, Gen. John J. Pershing this afternoon received the American newspaper correspondents in his Paris home.

General Pershing talked with the correspondents on various subjects—the American dead, buried in France, against the removal of which he said he would advise; the preparations that are being made for the American troops to leave France and concerning the release of the 48,000 German prisoners held by the American army.

After his reception of the correspondents, General Pershing reviewed the famous American composite battalion which represented the American expeditionary forces in Paris in the Bastille Day parade and in London at the victory day celebration. The review which probably will prove the last official American military ceremony in France took place on the famous parade ground in the Bois de Vincennes. Large crowds viewed the evolutions and accorded the troops a hearty reception.

General Pershing's trip tomorrow which will be made by automobile from Belfort, near the entire western Swiss border, to Nieuport on the Belgian coast.

LABOR CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD IN OCTOBER

Senate Authorizes President to Call Meeting to Be Held in Washington.

Washington Dispatch, Aug. 1.

So that the first meeting of the International Labor conference created by the Versailles treaty, may be held in Washington next October, regardless of whether the treaty is ratified, the senate unanimously adopted today a joint resolution authorizing the President to call such a meeting but giving no authority for American representation "unless and until" the treaty's ratification has been accomplished.

The action was taken after Secretary Wilson of the labor department had told the foreign relations committee that even if the treaty were rejected here, its acceptance by other powers would validate the request it contains that the president call the first conference to meet here in October.

In committee the resolution, introduced by Senator Kenyon, Republican, Iowa, was stripped of all reference to the fact that the conference was created under the treaty, the authorization as finally framed merely referring to "an international labor conference." Unanimous consent for consideration of the measure in the Senate was secured only after Chairman Lodge had assured treaty opponents that action in the matter could have no effect whatever "toward going assent to the treaty."

Action on the resolution by the house is necessary before the president's authority is complete.

FREE COOK BOOK NOW READY FOR DISTRIBUTION

Raleigh, August 2.—When one's knowledge of foods and cookery passes the stage of drudgery and becomes a science, immediately its performance becomes a pleasure, is how Mrs. Corneja C. Morris introduces her new cook book which she has recently prepared for the Home Demonstration division of the Agricultural Extension service. Mrs. Morris' new bulletin, "A Study in Foods for Home Demonstration Clubs," consisting of 35 pages of condensed information about the kitchen, cookery, the uses of foods, and recipes for preparing different dishes with different foods, has just been received from the printer in an issue of 25,000 copies, and is now available for distribution.

Mrs. Jane S. McKimmon, Chief of the Division feels that this bulletin is one of the most important recently issued. For some time there has been a need in the State for some elementary text on the care and preparation of food so that the home demonstration workers might use this in carrying out their program of work with the girls and women of the State.

The purpose of this new bulletin, therefore, is to set before the club members and such rural teachers as may desire, information in proper methods of preparing and caring for food, a knowledge of its use in the body, and to teach the value of a balanced meal. It also demonstrates the value of home conveniences and a properly arranged kitchen, and stresses the necessity for sanitation and a convenient water supply in the house.

Copies may be had by interested housewives by dropping a card to the Agricultural Extension service, Raleigh, N. C.

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BRIEF ITEMS LOCAL NEWS

—I. O. O. F. meets Thursday evening. Work in second degree.

—Mrs. J. F. Meares left Friday for Burgaw, where she will make her home.

—The U. D. C. will meet in the municipal building Thursday afternoon at 5 o'clock.

—Mr. Joe Biggs of the Saddletree section is undergoing treatment at the Thompson hospital.

—The Robesonian has received from Mr. C. H. Odum of Fairmont the first open cotton boll of the season.

—Mr. Harry Green went today to Raeford, where he will take charge of a Ford garage and agency for Mr. H. A. Page, Jr.

—Regular communication of St. Alban's Lodge No. 114, A. F. & A. M., tomorrow evening at 8:30. Work in second degree.

—License has been issued for the marriage of Geddie Tatem and Annie Davis; Wm. B. Baxley and Emily Dean; Floyd Jackson and Ella Cain.

—Mr. Grover T. Page returned Friday night from a two weeks' visit to relatives at Elmira, N. Y. He also visited Niagara Falls and several other points of interest while away.

—Mr. R. M. Phillips of the Globe from Charlotte, where he recently Swamp section returned home Friday underwent an operation at the Charlotte sanatorium. His condition is somewhat improved.

—Prof. R. E. Sentelle, former superintendent of the Lumberton schools, spent Saturday here looking after business interests. Prof. Sentelle is conducting a summer school for teachers at Asheboro.

—Friends of Mr. Forrest McGill of Lumberton will be interested to know that he has recently been transferred from Camp Jackson, where he was in the postal service, to Camp Gordon, Atlanta, Ga., and is now field clerk.

—Mr. L. McK. Parker, who recently returned from France, where he spent almost a year with the A. E. F., has accepted a position as bookkeeper in Mr. L. H. Caldwell's department store. He began work August 1.

—Dr. W. A. McPhaul, county health officer, returned Friday from Lincolnton, where he was a character witness in a case in which J. A. Raine, formerly of Lumberton, was charged with false pretense. Mr. Raine was found not guilty.

—A small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Collins, who live on East Second street, was bitten by a dog thought to have been rabid Friday morning. The dog attacked the child while playing near her home. The child was taken Saturday to Raleigh for treatment. The dog kept going after biting the child and it is not known to whom he belonged.

—Mr. J. A. Sharpe, editor of The Robesonian, Mrs. Sharpe and their two children, little Miss Anna Courtney and J. A. 2nd, returned last evening from Wrightsville Beach, where they went last Wednesday to attend the annual convention of the North Carolina Press association, which closed Friday night. Some report of the convention will be given in Thursday's Robesonian.

—Miss Lillie G. Epps returned Thursday from Fort Mills, S. C., where she spent some time visiting relatives and friends. She was accompanied home by Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Mills, Misses Elizabeth Mills and Martha Dyches and Mr. Ladsons Mills of Fort Mills, who spent a few days here visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Epps. Miss Elizabeth Mills is still here. Others in the party returned home Saturday, making the trip in Mr. Mills auto.

—Mr. W. H. M. Brown of Buie was a caller at The Robesonian office Saturday. Mr. Brown returned from Sanford yesterday was a week ago where he spent the week-end and heard Evangelist B. F. McLendon preach three forceful sermons. Mr. Brown says all the churches of Sanford are supporting Mr. McLendon and a great meeting is in progress and much interest being shown. The meeting is being held in a large tent and capacity crowds are attending all services, according to Mr. Brown.

—Mrs. Robert Belch went Saturday to Wrightsville Beach, where she will spend several days.

—Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Lawrence returned Saturday from New York, where they spent several days.

—Mr. M. F. Cobb, cashier of the National Bank of Lumberton, spent the week-end at Wrightsville Beach.

DR. WILLIAM W. PARKER
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