

FOR NATIONAL WATERWAYS

Senator Fletcher, of Florida, Speaks Interestingly of Need of Transportation—Two Notable Conventions Next Month.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 23.—"When the Supreme Court of the United States gave its first decision on the commerce clause of the Constitution by defining 'commerce' as 'comprehending navigation,' the way was paved for others to follow and lighted for the benefit of Congress in the enactment of future legislation and thus the first great monopoly was struck down."

Senator Duncan U. Fletcher, of Florida, made this statement in the course of an interesting discussion on the imperative need for improving the waterways of the country to keep abreast of the Nation's production. Senator Fletcher is president of the Mississippi-to-Atlantic Waterway Association, which will hold its second annual convention at Jacksonville, Fla., November 15th, 16th and 17th, terminating its sessions just as the Atlantic Deepwater Waterways Association begins its meetings in Norfolk, Va., November 17th, 18th, 19th, and 20th.

The junior Senator from Florida is an enthusiastic advocate of a broad, comprehensive and systematic policy of waterway betterments in order that the rivers, harbors and canals of the country may be preserved, developed, and maintained.

"We are face to face with a gigantic industrialism," said Senator Fletcher. "We must have a care for the producers and see that no monopoly of transportation can injure the people upon whom our prosperity must depend. We have had actual experience in traffic demoralization, and the losses and inconveniences already experienced can scarcely be calculated. Wisdom demands that something be done looking to an increase of transportation facilities, to relieve congestion and the only way relief to the producer and consumer can be brought about is through proper care of our waterways, a responsibility resting with the general government."

"It is claimed, with strong support, that the movement of traffic long distances is more rapid by water than by rail. The productions of the farms, mines, manufactures and the various other industries of the country are making tremendous gains. The problem is to reach the markets. The interchange of commodities requires increased facilities. It is a wholesome thing to add to the ways and means of communication among the people. It strengthens the republic by cementing all its parts in close business and social relation. The interior must have access to the seaboard. The various terminals at the seaboard should be accessible to each other. Our foreign trade must grow, and we should prepare for the expanding commerce, aided by the Panama Canal and other influences at work in that direction. Posterity will be the beneficiary and posterity ought and will be in position to contribute towards the cost of this utilization of natural advantages, increase national economies, enabling us to meet the commercial competition of the world."

"A commission to determine upon the scope and plan of a complete system of waterway improvement should be created and enough money should be raised by bond issue, as needed, to do the work within a period of ten years. "We can utilize our plant as it is released at Panama with a great saving in expense. This is a matter of far-reaching importance, and delay is short-sighted and wicked. "The Mississippi-to-Atlantic Waterway Association advocates a band of unity cementing the interests of the Mississippi Valley, Gulf and Atlantic coasts. While the association stands for a project, differing in that respect from the National Rivers and Harbors Congress, whose convention will be held in Washington next December, in that it favors a policy and not a project for waterway improvement the two associations have very much in common. The association of which I am President is a warm supporter of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress, for with a comprehensive policy established by the section of the country which I have the honor to represent in part, cannot help but be benefited when the work of increasing the facilities for water transportation is accomplished."

SCARE UNFOUNDED. But Few Isolated Cases of Smallpox in Franklins.

(Louisburg Times.) Upon the finding of a few cases of small pox here the past week and by the quick action of our authorities it has caused some people to become frightened and the rumors to be sent out that are damaging to our town as well as the entire public. This is all very much unfounded. For as those patients who have been found to have the disease have been placed in a quarantine station under proper guard. In answer to a direct question in regard to the danger of people coming into and going out of Louisburg, Dr. J. E. Malone says as follows: "There is at present a great scare (unfounded) about small pox in Louisburg. We have lived long enough in Louisburg to witness this state of things a good many times but the watchfulness of the proper officers of the health department has always been equal to the emergency and has nipped the trouble in the bud. A negro boy several weeks ago left Louisburg with the 'Carnival Company' and returned about 15 days ago broken out with a typical case of smallpox. He was quarantined, but before the case was discovered he had associated intimately with several people who contracted the disease. At a joint meeting of the County and Town Commissioners this morning a house was secured and all suspicious characters were placed in it with nurses to wait on them and a day and night guard to keep them in and others away. The joint board ordered that compulsory vaccination be instituted at once. The said order is being faithfully and industriously carried out."

VISIONS OF GREEN AYCOCK

The Dream Travels of a Colored "Hard Shell" Baptist in the Ways of Mystery and Hope.

Elders Gold and Lester.

Dear Sirs: It has been on my mind for some time to write and relate a dream I had when I was about eight years old.

The Lord appeared to me and said, this is Jesus Christ who was born in Bethlehem Judea and cradled in a manger; He then turned, walked away and said, follow me. He led me toward the East to a beautiful field which was all covered with tall, light colored weeds as far as I could see. He then said I must leave you here, I loved Him better than any one I had ever seen and I stood and looked at him just as long as I could see him, then I burst into tears and awoke in that condition. Then I saw myself a sinner.

When morning came I had an impression to pray. So I went to a thick place in the woods and fell on my knees and said Lord be merciful to me a sinner.

My next serious trouble was when I was about 14 years old. One morning the impression came to me to sing the song, "Free Grace," and I sang the words, and bursted into tears again, and I soon decided I had not sinned but two years and I could soon get clear of that. So then God appeared to me and said I am God, I will show you when you become a sinner. You were in Adam and when Adam sinned you sinned in Adam. Then I was taken to the place where I saw divine justice and she said pay what thou owest. She said you are ten thousand talents in debt and nothing to pay with. And Jesus appeared on the cross and I saw the Roman soldier with the spear in his hand and he thrust it into Jesus' side and the blood and water poured out of his heart. Divine Justice stood back and said, I am satisfied.

Years after this I had a vision. Brother Gold, Brother Wm. Woodard, Brother James Woodard and myself, besides several other preachers were tried, some were white and some were black. Brother Gold, the two brother Woodards and myself were found sound while some of the white and some of the colored preachers were not found sound. I was the last that was tried and I was found sound. After that I traveled on and when I reached a certain place I was commanded to look up. I saw a man between the heavens and the earth and under his feet was pure gold and a voice said to me, this your brother, James Woodard, shod with the gospel. Then I awoke.

Here are some of the texts that were given to me to quote to the preachers several years ago: 48th Psalm, 12, 13 and 14th verses, Luke 10:2.

Brother Gold, if you think best you can publish this, and if not please send it to Brother Wm. Woodard and Brother James Woodard, for I want them to read it.

Your brother in hope of eternal life, GREEN AYCOCK (Col.) Pikeville, N. C.

McCARREN'S GREAT CAREER.

A National Figure in Politics—Remarkable Romance in His Life. New York, Oct. 23.—Senator McCarrren, who passed away in New York yesterday morning following an acute illness, first became recognized as a B. Hill was at the height of his power. In 1903 he wrested the leadership of Brooklyn from Hugh McLaughlin, who had held it for 40 years. Since that time the senator had won all primaries, though his political death was predicted each year. At the Democratic National Convention which nominated Alton B. Parker the task of inducing Sutherland leaders to remain in line following the arrival of the famous, "Gold" campaign fell on McCarrren's shoulders.

McCarrren's opposition to the candidacy of Mr. Hearst for governor led to charges of treason against him, and his delegates were excluded from the party convention in April of last year. He appeared there with delegates and was rejected. His downfall was then confidently predicted, but only last month he received what he regarded as final vindication when he won nineteen out of twenty-three districts of his borough. Physically Senator McCarrren was very tall and lank. His face was almost funereal when in repose. In manner he was courteous and generous of attention, but niggardly of speech. The qualities which in the opinion of his friends contributed most to his success in politics were keenness, tenacity of purpose, personal fidelity, perfect self-control and patience. He was sometimes called a "hard man devoid of sentiment." "I had a romance once," he said to a close friend. "When I was a young man I fell in love with a girl and we were married. We lived very happily. We had five children. When I was 31 I had buried my wife and five children."

BLIND SENATOR'S ADVICE.

Tells Pupils of Blind School, "Ask No Quarter and Ask No Favor." Boston, Mass., Oct. 22.—"Ask no quarter and ask no favor," was the advice which United States Senator Thomas P. Gore, the blind statesman of Oklahoma, gave to the pupils at the Perkins institution for the blind in an address today. "When you go out into the world," he said, "you will find that struggle for existence is fierce. Qualify yourselves for this battle and fight it honorably." Senator Gore was warmly applauded by several hundred blind boys and girls.

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Dead or not dead," said the shifter, "me hot supper's waitin' fur me."

Almost Too Cruel.

A New York lawyer said at a dinner, apropos of a certain legal decision: "It was a cruel blow, as cruel as that which a Bayadee cook served on a tramp. This filthy tramp, knocking at the kitchen door, whined: "I'm terrible hungry, lady. Could ye gimme a small wedge o' fresh pie?" "We're just out of pie," said the cook, "but here's a cake for you!" "And she handed the tramp a cake of soap."

One's Difference.

One of the differences between love and a puppy is that a puppy ceases to be blind when it is about nine days old. Sometimes it takes love a little longer to get its eyes open.—Chicago Record-Herald.

News in the Zoo.

"Were you a bull or a bear in Wall street?" "Neither," answered the cautious man. "Not having funds to invest, I was a giraffe. I just rubbernecked."—Exchange.

One Is Enough.

"Before she married him, you know, she used to say there wasn't another man like him in the world." "Yes; and now she says she'd hate to think that there was."

The Worm.

The Henpecked Husband—Is my wife going out, Elsie? "Yes, sir." "Do you know if I am going with her?"—Exchange.

Deferred.

The Pessimist—We'll pay for all this fine weather later on. The Optimist—Well, cheer up! That's the regular time for paying for things, isn't it?—Puck.

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