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ANOTHER DAY OF RESOLUTIONS

Want Better Pay for Post-office Clerks

AND PARCELS POST

American Federation of Labor Has in Its Treasury \$19,369 More Than at Same Time Last Year—Work of Yesterday's Session.

—ANOTHER DAY (By the Associated Press.)

Norfolk, Va., Nov. 15.—The American Federation of Labor today approved the annual report of its Secretary, Morrison, which showed a balance on hand October 1st, 1907, of \$127,910, this being an increase of \$19,369 over the year 1906.

The Federation adopted resolutions as follows: Directing its legislative committee to use every influence to bring about action in the Sixtieth Congress for the increase of post office clerks pay.

Starting a campaign to expedite and systemize the regulation of convict labor.

Calling upon Congress for a small parcel post law as a relief from the "express company monopoly."

Authorizing the executive council to deal with the question of appointing telegraph messengers immigrants in their own language the ideas of Unionism and asking that the "theoretical syndicates" be included as amendable under the anti-trust laws.

Resolutions calling upon Congress to give Navy Yard employees injured while in pursuit of their duties the same remedy as laws in damages as enjoyed by persons in private employ and those calling for the legalizing of Saturday half holidays for Navy Yard employees.

September of each year was referred back to committee for revision so as to include all classes of government employees.

The Federation reiterated the resolution calling for the building and repairing of all government owned vessels in Navy Yard.

New resolutions presented call for 12 hour work only out of each 24 by all masters, pilots and engineers on American vessels, an investigation of the telegraph company's financial officials to have charge of all national campaign funds, States to defray all important election expenses, debarring from labor union membership Federal officials to have charge of all national campaign funds.

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Sunday afternoon. Elder Demoron was a minister of the Primitive Baptist church for a number of years. His widow and several children reside here.

MUST HAVE BEEN FOUL PLAY. MUST HAVE BEEN FOUL PLAY.

Luther Smith Arrested as Result of Finding Woman's Dead Body in His House.

(Special to News and Observer.) Wilmington, N. C., Nov. 15.—Luther Smith, colored, 35 years old, a freight handler at the Champion compress, was held without bail by a coroner's jury here yesterday evening.

Smith was arrested as a result of the discovery of a woman's dead body in his house at the extremity of North Eighth street yesterday morning. She had been dead two days and the coroner's jury attached suspicion to him.

The coroner went over to investigate and found bruises on the woman's back and a superficial laceration on her forehead. There were also evidences of internal hemorrhages. Smith was arrested at his work at the compress, where he was proceeding as usual when the discovery was made.

The evidence at the inquest showed that Smith had been living illegally with the woman for some weeks, since the death of his first wife three months ago. They frequently quarreled and fought and the woman was frequently drunk.

NORTON REFUSES TO TALK. Now in Jail at Marshall—Will Plead Self Defense.

(Special to News and Observer.) Asheville, N. C., Nov. 15.—A telephone message from Marshall this afternoon said that efforts to secure a statement from Clark Norton, the 18-year old slayer of Ben Franklin, now in the Marshall jail, has been futile, that Norton's attorneys had advised him not to talk.

It is understood that the accused will plead self defense. Norton shot and killed Ben Franklin Sunday evening at the home of George Franklin in Madison county.

He had gone to Franklin's home for the purpose of marrying a young lady at the house, and there met Ben Franklin.

Norton, ensued and Norton killed Franklin, afterwards and during the night carrying out his previous intentions and marrying the young woman of his choice.

AS SEEN BY DINN'S Some Relief Felt in New York But Scarcity of Currency in the Interior

(By the Associated Press.) New York, Nov. 15.—R. G. Dun & Company's weekly review of trade conditions shows that the interior is feeling the scarcity of currency, and commercial activity is retarded to some extent.

Dispatches from leading cities indicate conservatism in the interior. Collections with most favorable news from agricultural sections in which the crops are being marketed as freely as the supply of money will permit.

Return to normal conditions will be hastened by large exports of farm products supplying credit abroad upon which the much needed gold may be imported.

Primary markets for cotton goods are quiet although the mills are still well occupied filling old contracts.

Being to the closing of woolen mills should not be given undue significance, more or less idle machinery being customary at this time of the year, and no additional new business is to be expected until clothiers begin to send duplicate orders.

Mr. Robert McMillan Not Improved. (Special to News and Observer.) Chapel Hill, N. C., Nov. 15.—The condition of Mr. Robert McMillan, of the infirmary with pneumonia, is not improved today. His physicians give out hope that he will recover.

His sister as by his bedside, together with several of his many friends in the University and in the village.

Mr. McNeill, a young man about 21 years of age, and a member of the Junior class in the University, the A. T. O. fraternity and several other organizations.

Owing to the serious illness of Mr. McNeill, the dances which were to have been held tonight have been postponed one week.

Several of the young ladies who were not notified in time, came in last night and today. They will probably remain until Monday.

Comparative Cotton Statement. (By the Associated Press.) New York, Nov. 15.—For the week ending Nov. 15, 1907, net receipts at all U. S. ports during week 349,124; net receipts at all U. S. ports same week last year, 406,231; total receipts since September 1st, 2,624,293; total receipts at same date last year, 3,484,080; exports for the week, 227,585; exports for same week last year, 259,108; total exports since September 1st, 1,824,772; total exports same date last year, 2,277,257; stock at all U. S. ports 770,434; stock at all U. S. ports same time last year, 1,029,417; stock at all interior towns, 228,074; stock at all interior towns same time last year, 496,664; stock at Liverpool, 228,000; Stock of American afloat for Great Britain last year, 449,000.

Dr. James S. Gardner Dead. (By the Associated Press.) Winchester, Va., November 15.—Rev. Dr. James S. Gardner, one of the oldest members of the Baltimore Conference of the M. E. Church South, died at his home at Middletown today aged 78. Dr. Gardner had filled many important charges in his conference.

LIVING IN POVERTY DAYS

History From Meandering Conversation

SHARPER'S BAD BREAK

Merchants of Greensboro Were Scared Before They Were Hurt by "Panic"

—Encouraging Conditions in Banking Circles—Suit From Rudd Wreck.

By ANDREW JOYNER. Greensboro, N. C., Nov. 15.—Merchants here are glad to find that the money stringency is not hurting their local trade to the extent they had feared, and everybody likes script.

A comparison of business this year with the corresponding weeks in November of last year shows, they say, the gratifying fact that trade is better than then.

In banking circles there is also an encouraging condition. Withdrawals of cash for the past week have not equalled the cash deposits each day and for the past two days cash has been coming in more freely from outside debtor banks.

Assurance was received here yesterday from New York that all the credit local banks might need could be extended now from that source, and in a few days when the currency needed could be supplied.

The so-called panic seems not to have affected prices of country game here. Farmers are bringing in rabbits and charging 25 cents apiece for them, while contraband, or confiscated, small game at the station here is being sold at auction for about the price of the market.

The law forbidding shipping them out of the State, are bringing 18 cents apiece. But after today when the open season begins in Gulf birds will be cheaper.

A superior court judge who lives at a small town close to the "source of supply," where, living is supposed to be cheaper, said this idea was a mistake. He said it used to be so but on account of better transportation or something, produce was about as high in the country as in the city.

He said money did not go more than one-third as far in purchasing the necessities of life as it did in the city. Last week he said he bought from the very same grocer two chickens and paid \$1.20 for them. He then remarked that people who thought that money was scarce, had not increased in recent years, could make their own calculations from this real fact.

Another gentleman chimed in by saying that ten cent cotton was not now equal to six cent cotton ten years ago. He said that he was buying chickens at fifteen cents, and other necessities in proportion to the rents from his stock about the same. He said that he was able to lay aside four hundred dollars of it a year. Now with his family making their own money and his other work more remunerative than it was then and his farm income amounting to nearly double each year, he took about the same amount of increased taxation, vastly increased prices for shoes, dry goods, groceries, etc. Replying to the suggestion that he lived more expensively than he did formerly now than then, the speaker declared he really practiced more economy in comparison to the scarce money of ten years ago.

A bald-headed member of the group said he didn't know how it was about the price of chickens now or ten years ago, but he did know that in 1870 he helped to eat three chickens and paid \$3 apiece in the small town of Mebane at that time but now a great manufacturing center. Explaining the circumstance he said that he had "hooked" three chickens from Mr. Nick Mebane one night and ate them, and they were very good. He said that he had stolen three fine game chickens Mr. Mebane had just received and for which he paid \$3. It is often by mistake, some times profitable to follow the meandering course of a casual conversation in a congenial group of even busy serious prosaic business men and given the result is not an exceptional conversation at all.

"Sharks" Made Good Their Escape. Nothing further has been heard of the whereabouts of Mr. Smith, the ostensible millionaire pork packing rival to Armour, who swindled some of our good citizens here Tuesday. After his escape from the officers at Washington Tuesday night he seems to have gone into hibernation. He is a pickle drummer who flaked several grocers here Tuesday. He was introduced to testify to the circumstances that she had told him some six months before the tragedy Monday night. He was asked if he did not legitimize her, children by marrying her. Another witness from that city told of two efforts by Mrs. Bradley to invade Mr. Brown's house supposedly with hostile intent. Max Brown, the son of the deceased Senator, was on the stand for a few moments during the trial.

The court adjourned at two o'clock next Monday. It is understood that when the trial is resumed the State will stubbornly antagonize Mrs. Bradley's plea of insanity and that much rebutting testimony be introduced.

THE WEATHER.

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ASHVILLE WILL ENTERTAIN NEXT

Eighteen Ministers Advanced to Second Year

SIX WERE CONTINUED

A Busy Day in the Session of the Western North Carolina Methodist Conference—Addresses by Dr. Chappel on Sunday School Work.

(Special to News and Observer.) Salisbury, N. C., Nov. 15.—At today's session of the Western North Carolina Methodist conference, which opened here on Wednesday, it was decided that the session of 1908 shall be held in Asheville. Invitations were prepared from the Charlotte, Salisbury and Asheville churches, but when the vote was taken Asheville won by a large majority.

Conference met in Asheville in 1897, with Bishop Joseph Key, presiding, and the opening of conference this morning, Bishop Morrison presiding, the following were admitted on trial: N. S. Ogburn and J. F. Stearns, from the Charlotte district; T. E. Lewis, Greensboro district; O. J. Jones, Morganton district; G. A. Stamer, Salisbury district; J. E. Harmon and A. C. Stanford, Salisbury district; T. S. Coble, Statesville; E. O. Cole and J. W. Williams, Waynesville.

On recommendation of the committee on examinations a class of eighteen young ministers was advanced to the second year, and six were continued in the class of the first year. S. A. Stewart, now serving as a missionary in Japan, was advanced to Deacon in order. At his own request J. G. W. Holloway, of Mt. Airy, was discontinued from the class of the first year.

In answer to the question, "Who are received into the conference?" the following names were passed: W. E. Abernethy, D. C. Ballard, W. L. Dawson, R. L. Doggett, J. H. Green, J. P. Hipps, R. H. Kirkpatrick, W. DeLeon, W. O. Rudell and D. P. Waters. At the morning session Dr. E. E. Chappel, Sunday School editor of Asheville, spoke on the work of Sunday Schools.

Dr. Chappel, in his address, spoke on the work of the church in the South. The church in the South is an orphanage to be established this year. The board is composed of G. T. Rowe, E. L. Bain, F. L. Townsend, H. K. Boyer, N. R. Richardson, Ira Erwin, J. H. Brown, R. E. Newton, T. H. Hattecock, J. H. Allen and B. F. Davis.

The conference today named a board of trustees for the church in the South. The board is composed of G. T. Rowe, E. L. Bain, F. L. Townsend, H. K. Boyer, N. R. Richardson, Ira Erwin, J. H. Brown, R. E. Newton, T. H. Hattecock, J. H. Allen and B. F. Davis.

The night session was a great occasion and was largely attended.

NEGRO IN TROUBLE FROM RUNNING.

"The Wicked Runeth When No One Pursueth."—Rev. J. T. Jenkins to Assist in Revival.

(Special to News and Observer.) High Point, N. C., Nov. 15.—Rev. J. T. Jenkins will assist Rev. O. L. Felt, pastor of the First Baptist church, in a series of meetings, beginning next Monday, November 18th. Dr. White, of Besenmont, Texas, was to assist in the meeting, but could not come on account of sickness.

The officers here who have a negro in the lock-up who is evidently wanted somewhere for a crime. Yesterday the officers were looking for a white man, and learning that he was in the north part of the city, went to that locality, passing the man they wanted on a wagon with two negroes. They had passed some distance before the officers started to charge against him. They wanted the white man they wanted was on the wagon. Retracing their steps in the direction of the man they wanted, they had come almost upon the wagon, when a negro jumped and ran across the street. The officers thought nothing of this at the time, thinking the negro had jumped off the wagon to go home. But a few feet further on they saw the negro jumping from the wagon and darted off. A gentleman behind on horseback was told to help catch the fleeing negro, and the officers gave chase. Catching the negro and bringing him to the lock-up. The white man was arrested further down the street and taken to the lock-up. He was charged with him, that of seduction under promise of marriage. A fine of \$10 and costs, and \$50 was allowed the woman in the case. The white man was unable to pay the amount of the fine and was likely to be sent to the road. The negro, who was captured in the raid is still in the lock-up and the officers are expecting to get some clue as to his whereabouts and eventually bring him to justice, as he evidently is wanted for some crime.

President Finley, of the Southern Railway, stopped off here today on his way to Charlotte, to make a social visit to the manufacturers and business men of the city, who met him at the Manufacturers' Club, and entertained him for an hour or more. Mr. Finley was in his private car. The manufacturers and business men were very friendly and called from the head of the Southern.

Miss Elizabeth Moore, who is directly from the Nation's Convention of the W. C. T. U., at Nashville, Tenn.,

INSANITY TO BE WOMAN'S PLEA

Mrs. Bradley Was Under Sen. Brown's Control

WOULDN'T MARRY HER

He Gave Her the Pistol With Which She Killed Him—But It Was to Kill His Wife—Court Adjourns to Monday.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, D. C., Nov. 15.—That the defense of Mrs. Annie M. Bradley on trial in criminal court No. 1, on the charge of murdering former United States Senator Brown, would be insanity, was made evident beyond question by the preliminary statement made to the court today by her attorney, Mr. Hoover.

The prosecution consumed the entire forenoon in concluding the examination of its witnesses in chief to prove the facts of the killing and when it rested the case Mr. Hoover followed with his preliminary outline of the case for the defense. He detailed the principal events of Mrs. Bradley's life and entered minutely into the circumstances of her intimacy with Mr. Brown, who was to assist in the trial. He said that she was completely under his domination and forecasting testimony, which would be adduced to show that she was mentally irresponsible when she fired the fatal shot. He also said it would be shown that Mr. Brown had performed more than one criminal act upon her with his own hands and he had presented her with the pistol with which she killed him, telling her that she should use it upon him if she was ever troubled. According to Mr. Hoover's statement it will also be shown that there is a taint of insanity in Mrs. Bradley's family. The testimony presented today by the prosecution was all intended to show premeditation on the part of Mrs. Bradley in killing Senator Brown. It was stated that the jury had found Mrs. Bradley guilty of the crime. She had not acted upon any sudden impulse, and she was given time to consider the act. She was introduced to testify to the circumstances that she had told him some six months before the tragedy Monday night. He was asked if he did not legitimize her, children by marrying her. Another witness from that city told of two efforts by Mrs. Bradley to invade Mr. Brown's house supposedly with hostile intent. Max Brown, the son of the deceased Senator, was on the stand for a few moments during the trial.

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FINLEY WANTS BETTER FEELING

Between People and Railroads--In Federal Courts

CHARLOTTE BANQUET

The President of the Southern Railway the Guest Last Evening of Greater Charlotte Club—Gaid Nico Things About the City and State.

(Special to News and Observer.) Charlotte, N. C., Nov. 15.—President W. W. Finley, of the Southern Railway arrived in this city at 4:30 o'clock on Saturday evening, from Washington and was met at the depot by Mayor T. S. Franklin, representing the city; Mr. D. A. Tompkins, representing the Manufacturers' Club, and Mr. W. F. Harding, representing the Greater Charlotte Club. The president was shown over the city in an automobile immediately upon his arrival and then went to the Manufacturers' Club, where the reception was held from five to six o'clock. The Greater Charlotte Club tendered a banquet to about three hundred business men, members of the club beginning at 7:30 tonight, at which President Finley was the principal speaker. The banquet was held at the Sewly hotel and Mayor T. S. Franklin acted as toast master. Members of the club made an address on the progress and growth of the club, while Mr. Finley was introduced by Hon. D. A. Tompkins.

President Finley made an address which was a tribute to the industrial growth of this section of the State. He declared that North Carolina was far surpassing New England in cotton manufacturing, and that the comparison was decidedly in favor of the Southern States.

Touching upon the fight over the passenger rate question, President Finley expressed a strong opinion in relation to the relationship between the railroad and its clients and the business men of the State. He thought that the Southern was justifiable in appealing to the United States for a ruling in its contention.

Mr. Finley met a large number of business men here and expressed his opinion as to the growth of the city and thought that the adjustment of differences should be arrived at.

THE ELKTON MAKES ITS BOY.

(Special to News and Observer.) Elkton College, N. C., Nov. 15.—The first annual meeting of the Elkton College, N. C., was held at the Elkton Hotel last evening. The program was a most interesting one, and the attendance was very large. The college is a most successful one, and the students are well prepared for the work of the future.

PURPOSE OF THE CONTEST SAYS FISH

Want to Give to Him With the Union Pacific Directors said Their Address, Absolute Control of Illinois Central.

(By the Associated Press.) New York, Nov. 15.—Stuyvesant Fish has addressed a letter to the stockholders of the Illinois Central Railroad Company regarding the adjourned meeting of the company set for December 18. After reviewing the contest at the last meeting, Mr. Fish says in part:

"It is significant that up to this date no effort has been made by the Union Pacific to dissolve the injunction as to its holding or that of the Railroad Security Company, although the Mutual Life Insurance Company, with a relatively unimportant holding of only 5,500 shares, has asked to be relieved of the restraint."

"This motion does not involve the main issue, as the case of the Mutual Life turns upon fundamentally different questions of law and of fact from those involved in the case of the Union Pacific and the Railroad Security Company."

"The contest now being waged is for the purpose of ousting the board of directors, of which I have been a member for thirty years, and of electing four directors dominated by E. H. Harriman, thus giving to him, with the Union Pacific directors and their adherents already in the board, the absolute control, permanent, not only of the policies of the Illinois Central Railroad, but also of its physical and financial assets and possibilities for all time."

"Our colleagues and I will continue our efforts to maintain the integrity and independence of the Illinois Central Railroad Company, to prevent its absorption by interests alien to those of the stockholders and to prevent its relegation to the position of a subsidiary and servile feeder and fattener to other railroads dominating it, and to preserve for its proprietors the benefits of its present prosperity and future boundless possibilities."

NO CONTEST EXPECTED.

As the Liquor Men Had Charge of the Machinery of the Scotland Neck Election.

(Special to News and Observer.) Wilmington, N. C., Nov. 15.—Rev. A. J. Parker is back from Scotland Neck, where he assisted in the prohibition campaign, which closed with victory for the anti-liquorists Thursday. He assisted Rev. J. E. Holden in a series of meetings there coincident with the campaign, and took part in the singing of several of the hymns. He describes campaign conditions there as having been acute, and rejoices that the election was won. He says he hardly thinks the liquor men will contest the election as they were in charge of all the election machinery and are not in position to claim irregularities.

HOMICIDE IN MITCHELL.

Burnsville, N. C., Nov. 15.—At Burnsville, in Mitchell county, on October 29th, James Hollman killed William Conley. They were partners in a store and the killing resulted in trouble which came up over a settlement in the affairs of the business. Hollman made his escape and has not been heard of since the killing.

CIVIL WAR—MEMORIAL IV.

Protest Received By United Daughters of the Confederacy.

(By the Associated Press.) Norfolk, Va., Nov. 15.—The national convention of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, which is in session at the Hotel Richmond, today show splendid work for the past year.

Mrs. Montague, of Virginia, made an appeal for Confederate "Civil War" Home at Richmond.

Protests were received against women using the expressions "Civil War" and "disunion day." A report from Mexico received today was the first from that country in the history of the United Daughters of the Confederacy. Miss Sanford represents Mexico at this convention.

THE LYNCHING IN REAR OF RECEIVERS

(By the Associated Press.) Norfolk, Va., November 15.—The Lynchman Hotel, owned by the Norfolk City Realty Company incorporated, was today placed in the hands of John Kavan Public and James E. Heath, as receivers.