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## WOULD EXPUNGE RECORD REFLECTING ON ABERNETHY

### Legislative Investigating Committee in Carter-Abernethy Case Files Findings and Recommendations With Governor.

#### NOTHING IN CHARGES OF IMMORALITY

Committee Finds Judge Carter Acted Harshly and Dictatorially Upon Occasions and Used Intemperate Language. No Act of Corruption Was Found; Solicitor Abernethy Adjudged in Contempt But Was Superindued By Action and Conduct of Judge Carter

That such parts of the record of Craven county court reflecting upon the official conduct or private character of Solicitor Charles L. Abernethy be expunged, if such can be done by the exercise of constitutional authority, and that no further action be taken in reference to House resolutions under which the committee worked, were the essential recommendations of the Carter-Abernethy Investigating Committee filed in the office of Governor Locke Craig yesterday afternoon at four o'clock. The charges of immorality against Judge Frank Carter are in no wise sustained, according to the report, but it is judged that rumors were of sufficient persistence and general enough to warrant an investigation. The committee trusts that these rumors are now set at rest and are the words of the report. On the other hand the findings read: "The evidence shows and the committee finds that Judge Carter acted harshly and dictatorially, and unwisely exercised his judicial discretion, and also that he lost his temper and used intemperate language, during his conduct on the bench. But in no instance did he act corruptly," the committee adds. At the same time, the committee found Solicitor Abernethy in contempt but Judge Carter was responsible.

The report of the committee consists of thirty-seven typewritten pages and goes into each of the charges fully and completely, outlining the findings concerning those charges. In this, the committee fully discharged its duties under the law, but the last chapter in the celebrated case is yet to be written; that being the actual expunging of the records. In this part of the report the committee emphasizes, "constitutional authority." It appears that there is difference of opinion as to how to proceed under this. The question lies between the courts and the legislature. It has been advised, however, that under the law the records may be expunged by the judge holding court in the district after a service of summons on Judge Frank Carter to show cause why said records should not be expunged.

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## The House of Representatives Investigating Committee

### The Seven Men Who Had in Charge the Investigation of the Conduct of Judge Frank Carter and Solicitor Charles Abernethy



Top row, left to right—A. R. Dunning, of Williamson; J. C. M. Vann, of Monroe; R. S. Hutchinson, of Charlotte. Bottom row, left to right—H. P. Grier, of Stateville; R. A. Doughton, (chairman), of Sparta; L. H. Alfred, of Smithfield; W. P. Stacy, of Wilmington.

## WINGS OF DOVE OF PEACE RUFFLED

### Belgian Woman Wants War to Continue Until Belgians' Wrongs Are Righted

#### PART OF AUDIENCE CHEERS

### Belgian Delegates Invited to Platform Welcomed By Miss Jane Addams, But There Was No Handshaking With The German Delegates; English Woman Also For War

The Hague, April 30. (via London).—The wings of the Dove of Peace were ruffled today at the session of the International Congress of Women, when at the instance of Dr. Augustin, of Munich, the entire Belgian delegation was invited to the platform. They were welcomed by the chairman, Miss Jane Addams, of Chicago, with both hands, but there was no handshaking with the German delegates.

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## ALLIES GET HOLD AT DARDANELLES

### British Troops Establish Themselves On The Gallipoli Peninsula

#### FRENCH HOLD KUM KALEH

### Progress Made After Sermons Fighting and Stubborn Resistance By Turks; Germans Shell Dunkirk; France; Russian Cavalry in Russian Baltic Provinces

London, April 30.—After serious fighting, in which the Turks offered a stubborn resistance, British troops, according to an official statement issued today, have established themselves on the Gallipoli Peninsula and advanced a considerable distance toward the Narrows of the Dardanelles, while the French have cleared Cape Kum Kaleh, on the Asiatic side of the straits, of Turks.

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## POSTMASTERS FOR NORTH CAROLINA

### President Makes Recess Appointments and Fourth Class Officials Named

#### POINTS FOR VANCE STATUE

### Sculptor Borglum Calls On Secretary Daniels Who Gives Him Letter To Peter Wilson Who Knew Senator When in Height of Power; Suffrage Activity in Dixie

Washington, D. C., April 30.—The following appointments of North Carolina postmasters were made by President Wilson today: D. P. Stowe, Belmont; J. H. Aiken, Hickory; N. A. Brown, Red Springs; Annie M. Moore, Warrenton.

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## VOTERS DENOUNCE FRAUD IN MUNICIPAL PRIMARY

### Rousing Mass Meeting of Citizens Agrees to Watch at the Polls on Election Day.

#### SECRETARY BRYAN URGES TOTAL ABSTINENCE

He Says Bombs Nor Torpedoes Are More Dangerous Than Schooner That Crosses the Bar.  
New York, April 30.—Secretary Bryan, urging total abstinence, declared in an address under the auspices of the National Abstinence League here tonight that the European war had shown that patriotism was no match for the appetite which alcohol cultivates in its victims.

#### SOME ONE MAY WEAR STRIPES IS SLOGAN

### Statement of Commissioners in Answer to Affidavits Charging Fraud Criticized; N. A. Dunn Presides; W. H. Pace, Walter Watson, B. C. Beckwith, and J. M. Broughton, Jr., Make Speeches; All Charge Fraud and Go On Record For Clean Election

A rousing mass-meeting of the voters of Raleigh in the Hasey Hall last night in scathing terms denounced the City Administration for alleged fraud in the primary, and to a man the crowded hall promised to spend the day at the polls on Monday next to prevent a repetition of the occurrence.

#### LEAPED FROM TRAIN TO KILL HIMSELF

Man Who Went Through Car Window Walks Into Salisbury.  
Salisbury, Apr. 30.—The white man who started passengers by leaping through a window on the western train when it was near Salisbury last night walked into town this morning and is now in jail while officers are trying to locate his people and ascertain why he acted so queerly.

#### NO OFFICE AT CORNISH FOR PRESIDENT WILSON

Chief Executive of Nation Will Remain in Washington During Summer.  
Washington, April 30.—President Wilson plans not to establish an office at the summer white house at Cornish, N. H., but to spend most of his time in Washington. He will make several brief trips to Cornish to visit his family and short courses in the yacht Mayflower.

#### GERMAN DROP BOMBS AT AMERICAN VESSEL

The Cushing Upon Arrival at Rotterdam, Reports Experience.  
London, April 30.—A Reuter dispatch from Rotterdam says the American steamer Cushing from Philadelphia arrived at Rotterdam today and reported having been attacked by German airmen in the North sea last Wednesday.

#### EXPLOSION IN RUSSIAN AMMUNITION FACTORY.

Number of Persons Killed and Much Damage Done.  
Petrograd, Apr. 30, via London.—A number of persons were killed, many others were injured and much material damage was done as the result of an explosion in an ammunition factory in the suburb of Okhta tonight.

"If you'll do this," declared Mr. Walter L. Watson, addressing the mass-meeting, "they'll never enjoy the fruits of this election and some of them will sleep behind the bars when it is over."

It was essentially a good government mass-meeting. Called by the men who have stood by the principles of fair play and good citizenship, it went on record enthusiastically for a clean election, and against the methods of the city administration in paying the road to perdition would, if spent for good roads, soon lift the mud embargo from the entire country.

"I am surprised," he continued, "that Mayor Johnson has not lifted his feet at the polls under his own observation. In all my experience and in all my observation around the polls, I have never yet experienced anything to compare with it. A man stood no more than he should stand than if he had no election."

As to the alleged contradictory statement published in an afternoon paper of Raleigh yesterday, purporting to be a counter affidavit by Mr. Barefoot to one in which he had previously alleged fraud in the election, Mr. Dunn left the mass meeting to decide for itself.

"Here we find that Barefoot was an advocate of Anderson, Byrne and Gooney," said Mr. Dunn, "and that frauds were carried on by him and that the other two registrars went off and turned the whole thing over to him."

"As hard as I tried to get even one of our men as pollholders here is one place that they went off and left the whole thing to us."

of New Bern. One of the Principals in the Controversy Which Begun in the Court House in New Bern.

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