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PINEHURST GETS NEXT CONVENTION OF STATE DOCTORS

Dr. T. C. Anderson, of Statesville, Heads Medical Society This Year

SEND CORDIAL GREETING TO PRESIDENT WILSON

Wish For Nation's Chief Executive Speedy Restoration To Usual Good Health; Dr. E. K. Hays, of Oxford, Named As Secretary; Many Committees Appointed

Charlotte, April 22.—With the selection of Pinehurst as the convention city in 1921, the North Carolina Medical Society today adjourned what members said was the largest attended and most successful annual meeting in the Society's history.

Tonight every outgoing train carried the 475 physicians, the largest number ever to register at a convention, to their homes in every nook and corner of the State. Today was a busy day. In addition to choosing Pinehurst over Asheville and several other bidding cities, the Society named President Wilson a return to his usual good health and sundry other resolutions of minor importance and closed up a number of lesser matters that had been pending in the convention for several days.

Send Greetings To Wilson. The resolution addressed to the President at Washington and signed by Dr. C. V. Reynolds, the retiring president, and Dr. L. B. McBrayer, the retiring secretary and treasurer, follows:

"The North Carolina State Medical Association in annual convention assembled, sends its greeting to the distinguished head of the nation, President Woodrow Wilson, and prays for him a speedy and complete recovery from the physical afflictions which have been visited upon him, and expresses its continued confidence in the righteousness of his guiding."

Dr. Anderson President. As was forecast in the News and Observer this morning, Dr. T. C. Anderson, of Statesville, one of the oldest and most distinguished members of the Society was today elevated to the presidency to succeed Dr. Carl V. Reynolds, prominent Asheville physician, who has been at the head of the Society for the last 12 months.

Dr. Anderson was loudly cheered and congratulated when the choice of the nominating committee had been unanimously endorsed by the hundreds of physicians attending the final session. He made a brief speech, accepting the honor and pledging his best services in the fulfillment of his new duties. Dr. Anderson has been attending the meetings of the State Society for more than 40 years.

Other Officers Named. In addition to Dr. Anderson, the officers are: Dr. Lawrence, Winston-Salem, first vice president; Dr. W. P. Ward, Plymouth, second vice president; Dr. Jno. M. Manning, Durham, third vice president; Dr. E. K. Hays, of Oxford, secretary-treasurer.

The following committees were named. Public Policy: H. A. Royster, Cy Thompson, Jacksonville. Finance committee: E. S. Bullock, Wilmington, J. W. Long, Greensboro, E. B. Glenn, Asheville.

Delegates to the American Medical Association Convention: Jno. Q. Myers, Charlotte; E. E. Boyce, Rocky Mount; I. M. Taylor, Morganton.

Delegates to Virginia Society: Fred Haynes, Winston-Salem; Dr. Kendrick, Elizabeth City; B. C. Nalle, Charlotte.

Delegates to South Carolina Medical Society: D. A. Stanton, High Point; W. A. Munro, Sanford; Dr. McCain, Waxhaw.

Dr. J. F. Highsmith made a motion of thanks for the use of the Masonic temple, for the entertainment given the visitors while in the city, for press reports of the meeting and for the special work of Drs. B. J. Witherspoon and J. Q. Myers for their successful entertainment of the doctors. This was unanimously adopted, after the new president, Dr. Anderson, had been escorted to the chair by Drs. Frazer and Highsmith.

PROPOSE TO HAVE UNION OF MIDDLE CLASS FOLKS

New York, April 22.—Supreme Court Justice Govegas today approved articles of incorporation for "The People's Union, Inc." purporting to be "a growing union of middle class people" formed "to benefit in any way those who are not either organized manual laborers or high salaried executives."

Purposes of the organization also listed in the petition were "to help relieve class oppression, to protect the public by lawful means from industrial and commercial oppression; to regulate and classify all forms of voluntary service, to serve in emergency crisis and to secure representation of all middle interests in all legislative action."

SHOOTS SURGEON AT CHURCH SERVICE



This is Thomas W. Simpkins, the tramp printer and alleged madman, who in a sensational manner, shot and killed Dr. James Wright Marjoe, the famous surgeon, during church services in New York.

PAPERS PLEDGE TO SAVE NEWSPRINT

In Conference Assembled Publishers Promise To Keep Down Consumption

New York, April 22.—The American Newspaper Publishers' Association today pledged its members not to consume any more newsprint from May 1 to December 31, next, than they did in the corresponding period last year. Members will make monthly reports of newsprint consumption to a committee of the association.

The association decided to appoint a committee of five to prepare a blank form upon which all publishers shall make a report of all paper consumed from May 1 to December 31, 1921, and another blank form upon which at the end of each month during the remainder of 1921, the publishers shall make a report showing the amount of paper consumed each month as compared with the same month of the preceding year.

The resolution is not intended, it said, "to bind any publisher to refrain from making contracts or purchase of paper for the ensuing year of 1921, but that in making such purchases they should be guided by the amount of paper they had stored or contracted for on January 1, 1921, and limit their purchases and contracts for the ensuing year to that amount."

The committee created to supervise and secure the carrying out of the agreement is permitted, in extraordinary cases, to waive some of the requirements.

The association endorsed legislation pending in Congress for use of the navy radio for transmission of news across the Pacific at a low rate.

The association put itself on record as favoring the admission of Ottomar Mergenthaler, inventor of the linotype, to the Hall of Fame in New York University.

A committee report said that the Federal excess profits tax worked a peculiar hardship on the newspaper industry and suggested that declaration of stock dividends by newspaper corporations might furnish some relief. Besides the suggestion of stock dividends the report proposed that publishers make complete re-audits of their business beginning with 1915, thereby possibly obtaining amendment of tax returns. The association has sent a questionnaire to publishers asking for reports showing the percentages of taxes to profit for a series of years.

MORRISON DOESN'T WANT NEGRO WOMEN TO VOTE

Wilson, April 22.—Addressing an audience that filled the overflowing court house here tonight, Cameron Morrison, candidate for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination, told Wilson county Democrats that he went down in defeat with them at the State Democratic convention on woman suffrage. Although Morrison declared that those who lost can still fight against illiterate negro woman voters and he called upon the white women of North Carolina to stand together and keep the negro women from voting. Mr. Morrison will speak at Henderson Friday and Sanford Saturday.

Chauncey Depew Has Birthday

Peekskill, N. Y., April 22.—Chauncey M. Depew, former United States Senator, on the eve of his 96th birthday went through a lively set of calisthenics at his home here tonight after which he declared he felt "as spry as a youth of 55." He said he expects to live until he reaches the century mark.

HOUSE CONSIDERS PROPOSED TAX ON SALES FOR BONUS

Congressman Rainey Charges Republicans With Trying To Buy Soldier Vote

REPUBLICANS RETURN WITH SIMILAR CHARGE

Claim Retroactive Tax Designed Solely To Catch Votes; Republican Leaders Agree On Four Forms of Taxation To Raise Desired Revenue

Washington, April 22.—The fight against levying a sales tax to raise part of the money for soldiers relief legislation was taken today to the floor of the House.

Amid applause of the Democrats, Representative Rainey, Democrat, of Illinois, charged that Republicans were attempting to "buy the soldier vote" with the promise of \$1.25 a day bonus. The applause quickly shifted to the other side when Representative Tischer, Republican, of Kansas, retorted that the Democratic proposal of a retroactive war profits tax was designed solely "to catch votes."

Meanwhile, the Republican members of the Ways and Means Committee had agreed tentatively on four forms of taxes for raising \$1,500,000,000 in the next two years. While the sales tax was accepted by those committee members, added opposition to it was said to have developed, though Republican leaders doubted whether it would be eliminated as a revenue-getting scheme. The three other levies tentatively accepted by the committee were a tax on all stock exchange transactions equal to the amount of the brokers' commission an additional surtax on income probably in excess of \$5,000, and an increase of approximately 15 per cent on existing taxes on cigars and tobacco.

In the absence of a final agreement on the revenue-producing methods, Republicans who had forced the call of a party conference for tonight agreed in conference with the Republican Ways and Means committee to postpone until April 23, when the complete majority program on soldier relief legislation is expected to be available for discussion. Final action on the revenue plans, committee members said, would be taken this week.

Representative Rainey, in bringing up in the House the fight over the means of obtaining the money, charged that "the Republican millionaire steering committee" sought to "readily cash" for those made immensely rich by the war. His charge that the Republicans sought by the legislation to buy the soldier vote was termed an "insult" by Representative Campbell, who demanded that the Democrat "proceed in order." Replying to Mr. Campbell, Mr. Rainey said he would "state facts and let the country judge."

WANT LAND SETTLEMENT FOR EX-SERVICE MEN.

Indianapolis, Ind., April 22.—The American Legion will present "the strongest possible opposition" to any plan by Congress to eliminate the land settlement, home aid and vocational training options from the legion's compensation plan, according to a statement today by Franklin D. Oiler, national commander.

BIG DEMAND EXISTS FOR READY-MADE HOUSES

Wilmington, April 22.—Capacity of the Aladdin plant at Wilmington will have to be doubled, was the announcement made today by the general manager of the corporation, who is in the city now for the purpose of inspection. Orders are booked at present for all of the ready-to-inhabit houses which the plant can turn out within the next three months. The manager stated that work of enlarging the plant will begin almost immediately.

SENATOR COLLAPSES IN THE SENATE CHAMBER

Senator Swanson, of Virginia, Suffers Attack While Engaged In Debate

Washington, April 22.—Senator Swanson, of Virginia, collapsed into a chair in the Senate chamber late today and was carried out by colleagues and attendants while the Senate adjourned. He recovered almost immediately. The attack was said to be due to a heart weakness of long standing.

A passage in Senate debate on the river and harbor appropriation bill involving an amendment which he had introduced preceded the collapse. Senator Foner, Democrat, Ohio, presented a statement from a constituent asserting that the amendment, which provided for a government survey of the Northwest river, between Virginia and North Carolina with a view to determining the work necessary to make it navigable would not benefit commerce but would benefit private land owners materially. Senator Foner said he had absolved the Virginia member from having any such purpose in mind, and Senator Swanson asked permission to insert in the record all his correspondence on the matter. As he turned to leave he dropped into a chair.

Two Women Burn to Death

Wichita Falls, Texas, April 22.—Two young women were burned to death and three blocks of frame buildings at Newtown, in the Burk Bennett Oil field, were destroyed by fire today. The loss is estimated in excess of \$250,000.

SENATE CONVICTS FORMER PREMIER OF FRENCH NATION

Joseph Caillaux Found Guilty of Putting Ambition Above His Country

ESCAPES CONVICTION OF BEING TREASONABLE

First Verdict of Sort Rendered In Any Allied Country Since World War Began; Former Minister of Finance Must Serve Prison Sentence or Undergo Banishment

Paris, April 22.—(By the Associated Press.)—Joseph Caillaux, former Premier of France and twice Minister of Finance, stands tonight convicted of having placed his personal political ambition during the war higher than the interests of the country that honored him and gave him birth. Caillaux while escaping conviction for high treason, was found to have been recklessly imprudent and very close to treasonable ambitions, for such is the interpretation of the verdict of "guilty of commerce and correspondence with the enemy" which was rendered today against him by the French Senate.

This is the first verdict of the sort rendered in any of the allied countries since the war began—"commerce," as interpreted by the Senators who were the judges not meaning financial trading, but this particular case is employed in the sense of association. Senate Begins Debate. The Senators entered Luxembourg palace this afternoon with the determination to have finished with the affair, which has taken up their time during the past three months. They began the discussion in a vigorous but less like manner, presenting a strange contrast to their hitherto attitude during the closing days of the trial. No one, however, took seriously the prediction that the verdict would be reached this evening. But after the court had disposed of the high treason charge and that of "intelligence with the enemy," and had declared "its own sovereignty in less than four hours, word was passed that a decision was impending and Luxembourg gardens were filled to overflowing in the neighborhood of the palace by dense crowds, and police reserves had to be called out.

The ballots followed one another with great rapidity. The partisans of the former Premier were thrilled with joy and hope when the treason charge was so promptly eliminated, confidently predicted acquittal and began to applaud themselves the portfolios in the cabinet which Caillaux was expected to form within six months after his release.

When they attempted to have the Senate refrain from establishing itself as the highest constitutional authority, with power to find the accused not guilty as charged, but guilty of a lesser offense, their enthusiasm waned.

Bedlam Breaks Loose.

The doors of the deliberation chamber were closed, almost sealed. Two ushers stood by each for the purpose of apparently warding off inquisitive newspapermen. But occasionally a disheveled, perspiring Senator would rush out of the chamber and make a direct line for the Senate bar, where he was immediately surrounded by correspondents offering to purchase for him the best vitages in France if only he would talk.

At times the noise—shouts and the ringing of bells—heard within the chamber was deafening. It seemed on several occasions as though the deliberations might degenerate into a free-for-all fight. It was a stormy scene, a juror's room in a criminal court-building multiplied by twenty.

The verdict may mean a sentence of five years banishment for Caillaux, which may, however, be diminished to one year, according as extenuating circumstances are found. Incarceration (Continued on Page Two.)

QUIET IN COPPER MINE REGIONS AFTER CLASH

Guard In Newspaper Publishing Plant Accidentally Killed By Another

Butte, Mont., April 22.—Butte, where the Metal-Mine Workers Union No. 800, I. W. W., called a strike on mining properties Sunday night, was quiet today following yesterday's clash between deputy sheriffs and strikers, and the killing today at the office of the Butte Daily Bulletin of a youth who was guarding the newspaper office.

Quarters have been prepared for Federal troops reported to have left Fort George Wright, near Spokane, for Butte early today. The mines which have not hoisted one since Monday because of the strike, are expected to resume work tomorrow with full protection, according to John Gillie, manager of the mines of the Ansonoda Copper Mining Company. The strikers demand \$7 a day, a six-hour day and release of "political prisoners."

Hugh B. Haran, who was shot and killed today, was stationed in the press room of the Bulletin with other men as guards. Joseph Tapp, another guard, admitted to the police he accidentally shot Haran. No attempt was made today to picket the mines and only one clash between strikers and men desiring to work was reported. The list of casualties from yesterday's shooting was increased to 16 today when it became known that George Martin had been shot through the hand. Four of the 16 who were wounded, were reported to be in a critical condition.

CRAZED BY SHORTAGE, MOTHER POISONS HERSELF AND CHILDREN

Twenty-four Year Old Postmistress At Lupton In Carteret County After Drinking Concoction Slashes Her Throat To Hurry Death; Not Expected To Live And One Child Already Dead.

Morehead City, April 21.—Demented because of an alleged shortage in her accounts, Mrs. Neva Gaskill Spencer, age 24, postmistress at Lupton, in Carteret county, poisoned her two children yesterday morning, drank a quantity of the poison herself and then tried to hurry death by slashing her throat. The three were brought to the Morehead City Hospital last night, the youngest child, Mildred, age 4, died this morning. The mother's death is expected hourly. Edward, age 7, will live.

A concoction of coca-cola and lye was served the children by the mother, who made use of it herself, then cut her throat with a butcher knife, a gash clear across the neck to the bone being made.

Less than fifteen minutes after the rash act had been committed the unfortunate victims were found by Mrs. Spencer's brother, Mr. Luther Gaskill, who carries the mail. The mother was found lying on the floor and the little girl beside her. The other child, Edward, had left home to play with some children on the street. His mouth was badly burned by the lye, but he said nothing of what had happened until his sister and mother had been found in their terrible condition. A local doctor was summoned and upon his advice the victims were brought here.

Mrs. Spencer took charge of the post-office at Lupton on the first of last month, succeeding W. R. Stryon, resigned. In letters written to relatives she gave as her reason for taking the life of her children and her own that she did not care to live longer, fearing the shortage would be held against her, and by ending the lives of her children they would not be thrown upon the mercy of the world. Her husband died last year of influenza.

So far as known here no formal charges of a shortage had been made against Mrs. Spencer and it is presumed that her inability to make her accounts balance at the end of the month caused her demented condition that resulted in her rash act.

PALMER CARRIES GEORGIA SAFELY

Supporters of Attorney General Expect To Secure Entire State Delegation

Atlanta, Ga., April 22.—Interest in Georgia's Presidential preference of April 30, centered tonight in the Democratic State convention which will be held here May 18, to elect delegates to the San Francisco convention. On the face of complete unofficial returns Attorney General Palmer won 142 votes in this convention, Thomas E. Watson, 132 and United States Senator Hoke Smith 110. J. J. Flynt, chairman of the State Executive committee, announced tonight that under the rules of the primary he would appoint two Palmer delegates for Wilkinson county, the only one of the 135 that did not hold a primary.

The two additional delegates would give Mr. Palmer 144 votes but not a majority, and B. M. Biskburn, local spokesman for Mr. Watson, in a statement today said it would be "utterly unfair and ridiculous for a minority of delegates to control the convention." He added he did not concede that Palmer had even a plurality, pending the official count, but stated "the convention is a law unto itself."

Palmer supporters have cited an excerpt from the regulations announced when the primary was authorized, which provided that the candidate getting the highest county unit vote should be given the Georgia delegates. Senator Smith, in a statement published here, had nothing to say regarding conditions that might arise in the convention, except that he had no idea the convention would consider itself bound by any rules except its own.

The complete popular vote, as announced by the Atlanta Constitution today, shows "Watson, 51,974; Palmer, 48,460; and Smith 45,268. At the same time it was announced that revised returns took two convention votes from the Smith column, and gave them to Palmer.

BRYAN CONTINUES GAINS IN NEBRASKA PRIMARIES

Omaha, Neb., April 22.—With a little more than two-thirds of the precincts of the nebraska board from and tallied by the nebraska bureau, Senator Hiram Johnson is leading Major General Leonard Wood in the Republican preference primary by 14,241 votes. The result of the tabulation of 1,265 precincts out of 1,849 in the State, including Douglas county (Omaha) shows the following vote: Johnson 47,888; Wood 33,647; Pershing 21,591.

William Jennings Bryan, who is running in fourth place for delegate to the San Francisco convention, continued to show slight gains over Berge, a Bryan candidate, who is in fifth place. On the face of returns thus far received, Neville and Shallenberger, Hitchcock delegates, lead the field of eight candidates with Stephens, the high man of the Bryan candidates, in third place.

No More Irish Potatoes.

Atlanta, Ga., April 22.—Irish potatoes have been removed from the menus of thirty Atlanta hotels and restaurants "until the prices are more nearly normal," it was announced today. The tubers were quoted at \$16.50 a hundred and fifty pounds and fifteen cents a pound retail in some stores, today, the announcement said.

NEW YORK CLOTHING HOUSE REDUCES PRICES ON ALL ITS SUITS AND OVERCOATS

New York, April 22.—One of New York's large ready-to-wear clothing houses, in advertising today reductions to \$37.50 in the price of suits and overcoats ranging as high as \$85 and reductions to \$57.50 on those priced as high as \$75.00, announced the drop as a "deliberate cutting of our own profit for the purpose of helping the movement to force down the high cost of clothing."

Thousands of New Yorkers reading the announcement contemplated what the profits at original prices must have been. The advertisement was headed "Why war overalls?" and explained the reduction was the firm's "contribution to the National drive to cut the high cost of clothing."

PALMER FORCES TO CONDUCT FIGHT IN NORTH CAROLINA

Western North Carolina Business Man Stated As Manager of Campaign Here

TALK OF RE-ESTABLISHING TWO REVENUE DISTRICTS

Sheriff Manly McDowell May Be Placed In Charge With Headquarters In Winston-Salem, Washington Hears; Vice-President Marshall To Address Bankers of State

The News and Observer Bureau, 603 District National Bank Bldg. By R. E. POWELL. (By Special Leased Wire.)

Washington, April 22.—As indicated in the News and Observer several days ago, an effort is being made to stimulate sentiment for and capture North Carolina delegates to the San Francisco convention by supporters of Attorney General A. Mitchell Palmer in spite of the fact that the Democracy of the State has unqualifiedly endorsed Senator F. M. Simmons as the "favorite son."

Palmer backers are encouraged in their determination to fight for part of the preference vote by reason of the returns from Georgia where, it appears now, the Attorney General will be able to control the convention unless Senator Smith and Tom Watson, ancient enemies, bury the hatchet and combine to defeat Mr. Palmer.

To Make Aggressive Fight. According to reports just reaching Washington from the State, W. F. Decker, a native of Pennsylvania now engaged in the tanning business in Western North Carolina, is going to manage the Palmer campaign in North Carolina, and make an aggressive fight for the Keystone man. Mr. Decker is among the prominent Democrats of Western North Carolina and is enthusiastic about his native son candidate.

In view of the fact, however, that Senator Simmons will only be placed before the San Francisco convention for a complimentary vote there is little belief here that any appreciable opposition to his candidacy will be developed in North Carolina. It is considered possible, however, that the backers of Governor Edwards might be able to line up the so-called "wet" vote in the State.

May Have Western District.

The visit here today of Sheriff Manly McDowell, revenue agent in charge of North Carolina, has lent color to the suggestion broached several times in the past few weeks that the collector's office for the western district of North Carolina will be re-established in the near future.

In fact, it is understood from the best authority that Internal Revenue Commissioner Williams is seriously considering the matter with a view of putting the office at Winston-Salem, a town that pays more revenue to the government than any single district in the United States, not excepting the three large districts in New York State.

Sheriff McDowell came here primarily to take up with the commissioner the matter of securing additional deputies for the income tax work in the State and he feels reasonably satisfied that he will be successful in getting more men as well as procuring a raise in salary for the ones now on his staff.

During his conference with the commissioner, it is said that the matter of re-establishing the western district was broached. The large tax paying interests in Western North Carolina are extremely dissatisfied with the present arrangement. The entire plant of the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company at Winston-Salem, it is pointed out, has to shut down for 24 to 48 hours at a time because of inability to get stamps from the collector's office in Raleigh. This is the statement of an official of the company.

Marshall to Make Address.

Vice President Marshall has accepted an invitation to deliver an address before the North Carolina Bankers Association at Rocky Mount on June 8, it was announced after the office of Senator Simmons late last night.

The vice president will doubtless discuss the problem of getting rid of the "Reds" in this country and expound somewhat on his theory of "old fashioned" Democracy.

United States Senator Lee Slater Overman will have little, if any opposition to his renomination in Cumberland county, says Henry Lily Cook, well known Fayetteville lawyer, who is in Washington today in connection with winding up his job as supervisor of the census in the Sixth district.

Likewise, says Mr. Cook, Cameron Morrison's chances are getting better all the time. He says there were few Morrison supporters at Chapel Hill until after the Charlotte man made his Chapel Hill speech and offered a sound solution for the problem of revaluing property in North Carolina.

Eastern North Carolina needs more than anything else, Mr. Cook says, to develop some water power. The upper Cape Fear is potentially wealthy in this respect, he says, and nothing could be done that would boost industry quite as much.

HOME PROPI F WANT GILES FOR SUPERINTENDENT

Charlotte, April 22.—D. F. Giles, of Marion, a member of the State Board of Examiners, was enthusiastically endorsed for State superintendent of public instruction at a mass meeting of McDowell county citizens tonight, according to dispatches to Charlotte newspapers. Giles, who has made known his willingness to run, was at one time superintendent of the Wake county schools and served in the State legislature in 1915.