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PRESIDENT WIRES GOVERNOR BICKETT ON SUFFRAGE ISSUE

Calls Attention To Critical Importance of Action of State Legislature

GOVERNOR WILL ASK FOR RATIFICATION

Declares He Has Nothing Further To Add To Statement Recently Made In Letter Defining His Position On Suffrage; Says Telegram Calls For No Answer

The "critical importance" of action by the North Carolina General Assembly on the suffrage amendment was called to the attention of Governor Bickett yesterday in a telegram from President Woodrow Wilson. The telegram was as follows:

"I am sure I need not point out to you the critical importance of the action of your great State in the matter of the suffrage amendment."

"I have nothing to add to what I have already said on the subject and I do not think that the President's telegram demands a reply," the Governor said yesterday afternoon. "Some time ago I stated that I would ask the special session of the General Assembly to ratify the amendment, and I still intend to do so if the amendment has not been accepted by 26 States before the Legislature meets."

Hopes to Escape Issue

The Governor is hopeful that some other State will pass the amendment before the North Carolina Legislature gets to it in July, and relieve the body of any responsibility in the matter. He feels that the General Assembly will have its hand full when it takes up the matter of revaluation, and would not like either suffrage or the tax reform to suffer from being crowded into the brief 20 days to which the special session will be limited.

The President has also called the Governor of Tennessee to call a special session of the Legislature of that State to ratify the amendment, and the hope is general among party leaders in North Carolina that Tennessee will ratify. The partial injection of the suffrage issue into the gubernatorial campaign has raised serious question as to the probability of its passage at the special session, and has certainly accentuated the bitterness with which the issue would be contested on the floor of both houses.

Will Ask Ratification.
Earlier in the year Governor Bickett announced that he, while still personally opposed to suffrage, recognized the eventual ratification of the amendment as inevitable and would ask the Legislature as a matter of political expediency, to ratify. Other party leaders in the State, including Senator F. M. Simmons, have committed themselves to ratification, and until the injection of the question into the campaign, it had been generally conceded that the State would ratify at the first opportunity.

NEGRO BOY IMPLICATED IN KILLINGS RELEASED

Fayetteville, June 25.—Preston Hobbs, 15-year-old negro boy, who was arrested on the morning following the killing of Deputy H. C. Butler and W. G. Moore near here last month, was this afternoon released on habeas corpus proceedings by Judge C. C. Lyon, under a nominal bond. A number of witnesses were examined, but none of the evidence, in the opinion of the Judge, was sufficient to connect the boy with the deaths of the two officers.

BANDITS ROB EMPLOYEES OF ST. PAUL BANK; CASHIER SHOT

St. Paul, Minn., June 25.—Five unmasked bandits held up employees of the Great Northern State Bank here today, probably fatally wounding Cashier Victor Bedman, and escaped in an automobile with \$5,000 in cash, \$5,000 in Liberty bonds and a quantity of non-negotiable paper.

ESTES SNEDECOR ELECTED HEAD OF ROTARY CLUBS

Atlantic City, N. J., June 25.—Estes Snedecor, Portland, Oregon, was elected president of the International Association of Rotary Clubs at its closing session here today. He defeated John Dyer, Vincennes, Ind., on the third ballot, 283 votes to 230.

Mrs. Daniels Expected Today

Washington, June 25.—Mrs. Joseph Daniels, who has been in attendance upon the sessions of the International Suffrage Congress at Geneva, is expected to reach New York Saturday night or Sunday morning, according to private advice received here tonight. Her son, Worth Daniels, left Washington today to meet her.

Actor Is Accidentally Shot

Chicago, June 25.—Joseph A. Hack, of Milwaukee, a traveling actor appearing at a Chicago theatre, was accidentally shot late today by Miss Kitty Gordon, actress.

Sentiment For Nominating M'Adoo Gains Momentum

Tar Heel Delegates Commingle With Convention Pilgrims From Other States and Find Universal Desire for For Secretary as the Man to Lead the Democrats to Victory

By JOHN A. LIVINGSTONE
(Enroute to San Francisco)
On Board North Carolina Convention Special, Sacramento, Cal., June 25.—Sentiment for the nomination of William G. McAdoo continues to gain momentum as delegations from the various States are picked up enroute to the Frisco convention.

The Tar Heel Special, traveling as a section of the Pacific Coast Limited, now consists of a dozen Pullmans and two dining cars and is due to reach San Francisco late this afternoon. Delegates from Colorado, Montana, Wyoming, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa and other Northwestern States are aboard and everywhere there is found a desire for McAdoo. The Tar Heels have traveled the long train from end to end to sound out feeling on the subject and are firmer than ever in their determination to put McAdoo across.

Test of Strength Coming

Indications today are that there will be a test of strength between the Cox and Palmer forces, after which the convention will swing to McAdoo as the man who can lead the Democrats to victory.

The Tar Heel delegation reached the California capital at noon today after an eventful trip over the Sierra Nevada mountains. This morning the delegates, traveling over the Southern Pacific from New Orleans in a special car, are due to arrive in the convention city late tonight and the North Carolinians will get together for a meeting sometime tomorrow.

THREE DEAD AS RESULT OF AIRPLANE ACCIDENT

Machine Crashes To Ground at Parris Island From Height of 400 Feet

Savannah, Ga., June 25.—In an airplane crash at Parris Island this afternoon Lieut. Frederick Malthen, Lieut. S. E. St. George and Capt. Gustave Karow, of Savannah, were killed, according to a long distance telephone message from the Parris Island Marine barracks tonight.

The machine was about four hundred feet in the air when it was observed to be in trouble. While descending and within a hundred feet of the ground the airplane burst into flames and crashed to the earth. Captain Karow was a native of Savannah.

CROWELL RESIGNS JOB AS ASST. SECRETARY OF WAR

Washington, June 25.—Benedict Crowell, Assistant Secretary of War, has resigned, effective July 1. He plans to enter private business.

The resignation has been accepted by President Wilson.
Mr. Crowell, whose home is in Cleveland, entered the army as major of ordnance early in the war and was assigned to duty in connection with the creation of facilities for the manufacture of arms. Later he was appointed Assistant Secretary of War, he was given practically complete charge of the munitions program. Since the armistice he has directed industrial demobilization and supervised settlement of war claims and contracts.

In his letter of resignation to President Wilson, Mr. Crowell expressed appreciation for "the generous support which I have constantly had from you, both in my own office and as Acting Secretary of War when I have been called upon so to act."

NEGRO RUSHED HERE AS MEASURE OF SAFETY

New Bern, June 25.—John Wesley, colored, who confessed to being implicated in the robbery of the Independent Steamboat Company's safe last night after the cashier, William P. Rue, had been struck on the head with a piece of iron, was this afternoon rushed to the State prison for safe keeping after Mayor Dill had remanded him to jail without bond. Wesley this morning confessed to the crime and implicated another negro, but later repudiated the confession. Mayor Dill considered that it would not be wise to keep Wesley in New Bern or vicinity and rushed him out of the city in an automobile to a station some miles up the road. The officers who had the man in charge left the car and continued their journey by rail. Rue, whose skull was fractured in two places, is getting along very well under the circumstances.

TWO MEN CONVICTED OF MURDER OF MRS. NEASON

New Orleans, La., June 25.—Felix J. Birbiglia, aged 21, dishonorably discharged from the United States Navy, and Charles Zelenka, aged 19, his friend and accomplice, late today were found guilty in criminal district court of the murder, April 21, of Mrs. Bertha Neason.

According to confessions introduced as evidence by the State, the two young men induced Mrs. Neason, whose husband was on duty on a Naval transport, to accompany them on a ride to a lonely spot on the "Turtle Back," road near the Orleans Canal, where they shot and killed her and after stripping valuable diamond ornaments from her, threw her body in a pool of water.

ENTIRE POLICE FORCE HAND IN RESIGNATIONS

Mount Airy, June 25.—Last night the entire police force, including chief of police J. H. Maigne, handed in their resignations to the Mayor, when the Board of Town Commissioners finally refused an increase in wages as demanded two months ago. Today this city is absolutely without police protection and no relief is in sight, as the members of the force are seeking other work.

MISS SUE WHITE SAYS BICKETT'S LATEST SUFFRAGE UTTERANCE IS "THE LIMIT"

May Halt Opposition of Federal Officers

Tennessee Legislature May Not Meet Until Late In August, Thus Giving N. C. Assembly First Chance; Opposition of Officeholders To Receive Official Attention

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(By Special Licensed Wire.)
Washington, June 25.—Suffrage developments in Washington today ranged from Miss Sue White's blunt declaration that she regarded Governor Bickett's latest utterance as "the limit" to the intimation from Joseph P. Tumulty, private secretary to the President, that "we'll see what can be done" about the reported active opposition of Federal officeholders to favorable action in North Carolina.

It was announced today from the White House that the President had called upon Senators Simmons and Overman and Governor Bickett to use their influence in behalf of ratification by North Carolina. It was known yesterday that the President had communicated with the senior Senator, and it was thought that the White House was relying in much measure upon the active support of Senator Simmons.

Mr. Tumulty indicated today that other friends of the President in the State will be asked to get busy in view of the more or less embarrassing situation in which Senator Simmons stands himself.

N. C. Chances Brighten

North Carolina's chances for acting on the amendment are brightened again today after their fall of yesterday with the announcement from suffrage headquarters that the governor of Tennessee is in a primary campaign himself and does not want to call any special session of his legislature until after August 5, the date upon which he will know his fate.

Miss White is chairman of the Tennessee ratification league, and to her is due the credit for obtaining the constitutional opinion which will make it possible for the governor to call the legislature together. She was recently in Raleigh and other parts of the State conferring with suffrage leaders and was amazed, she said, when she read Governor Bickett's statement as carried by the Associated Press.

Bickett's Statement "The Limit"

Sometimes ago the governor seemed to think that this "limit" referred to the statement of the President in the State will be asked to the News and Observer correspondent.

The new development in the Tennessee situation, which may mean that Governor Roberts will not issue a call for a special session until after August 5, embracing the suggestion that the date for convening may be a good bit later, has led to redoubled efforts with respect to North Carolina. North Carolina's gubernatorial race is seen at the starting block to more activity on the part of State leaders, and to recover from the temporary loss by reason of his situation, the President will deal personally with some administration friends in the State right away.

To Go After Office-Holder

It was said at the White House today that steps will be taken to halt in some measure the very active and open opposition of Federal officeholders in North Carolina, particularly agents of the internal revenue department, the seriousness of which has been brought both to the attention of Secretary Tumulty and to the Commissioner of Internal Revenue Williams. To this end Mr. Tumulty indicated today that he would communicate at once with the proper department heads.

The President Will Take Up With Col. W. H. Osborne of Greensboro and Other Friends in the State "The Critical Importance" of the Situation as it Affects the Democratic Party; One of the Chief Hopes of which Party is to Deliver to the Suffragists the Thirty-sixth and Final State Necessary for enfranchising the women.

The report from Miss White that the anti-planned to defeat any action on the amendment by a resolution barring any business but that dealing with the revaluation act was characterized by a Democratic leader of North Carolina today as folly.

Such an issue cannot be disposed of by prosluggish tactics," he said. "The Republican party is desperately in earnest to prevent the women from voting in the fall elections because of the League of Nations issue. The President is earnestly lending his influence to the cause that they may vote."

Success of a Democratic Ticket This Fall is Certain, if the Democratic Party is Able to Accomplish Ratification of the Suffrage Amendment. It is to be Hoped that a Party Contest of Chiefly Local Significance Will Not be Paramount to the National Interest of a Great Party Upon a Question that Has Long since Been Settled. Woman Suffrage is an Accomplished Fact and it is Like Sweeping the Ocean Tide Back with a Broom to Obstruct It.

Judge Ferguson Better

Friends in the State will be interested to know that ex-Judge Garland S. Ferguson of Wayneville, who is now at Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, recovering from an operation, is rapidly improving. Garland S. Ferguson, Jr., returned here today from Baltimore with the news that his father is doing fine and will probably be able to return home within three or four weeks.

George B. King, Jr., former Tar Heel

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Committee Agrees To Urge A Special Session In Tenn.

Suggestion of Chairman Cummings That Telegram Be Sent to Tennessee Governor Urging Special Session to Ratify Suffrage Amendment is Unanimously Adopted; Reed Contest May Be Placed in Hands of a Sub-Committee.

Auditorium, San Francisco, June 25.—The Democratic National Committee today unanimously agreed to send a telegram to the Governor of Tennessee urging a special session of the Legislature to ratify the Federal suffrage amendment.

The committee met late today to make up the temporary roll of delegates, to consider contests and to dispose of other business preliminary to the opening of the convention next Monday. Homer S. Cummings, chairman of the committee, presided.

Probably the largest number of women that ever attended a meeting of the committee was present. Among the early arrivals was Senator James A. Reed, who claimed a seat in the convention as a delegate from the Fifth Missouri district. Representatives of the two groups of delegates contesting for Georgia's 26 seats were also on hand.

There was vigorous applause when Chairman Cummings suggested the sending of a telegram to Gov. Roberts, of Tennessee, urging him to call a special session of the Legislature to ratify the Federal suffrage amendment. The suggestion was unanimously adopted.

Telegram To Gov. Roberts

Following is the telegram sent to the Governor of Tennessee:

"The Democratic National Committee at its meeting held today by unanimous vote directed me as chairman of the committee to send you the following message:

"We most earnestly emphasize the extreme importance and urgency of an immediate meeting of your State Legislature for the purpose of ratifying the proposed nineteenth amendment to the Federal Constitution. The eyes of millions of women throughout the country

WAGE AWARD TO BE MADE NEXT MONTH

Announcement To This Effect By Chairman Barton; Ends Strike Danger

Chicago, June 25.—A decision on the demands of railroad employees for wage increases will be made on or before July 30 by the Railway Labor Board, Judge R. M. Barton, chairman, said in a statement late today. The award will be retroactive to May 1, the statement said.

According to W. G. Lee, president of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen and spokesman for union leaders who gathered here today, the board's declaration would end all danger of a general railroad strike.

Mr. Lee said that plans had been made by a disaffected union element to spread the strike through the country, because of the continued delay in announcing the wage ruling.

"The men would have quit at midnight tomorrow night," Mr. Lee said. "It was impossible to hold them longer. Men of my organization have been waiting patiently for nearly a year."

The railway board's statement declared that an agreement on a method of working out the wage problems had been arrived at and that no time would be lost in reaching a conclusion.

Lee and other representatives of the organized railroad brotherhoods, who met here today to discuss the railroad wage situation, said there was no doubt the men would be satisfied with the promise of a decision to relieve their impatience.

HAILSTONES AS LARGE AS APPLES WRECK BUILDINGS

Cheyenne, Wyo., June 25.—Hailstones as large as apples crashed through roofs at Hillsdale, twelve miles from here, last night, and reduced two farm buildings near there to kindling wood, according to telephone reports early today. No casualties were reported but searching parties were sent out from Hillsdale to the storm-swept area.

Some of the hailstones were said to have been 18 inches in circumference. Motorists caught in the storm crawled beneath their machines, the tops affording no protection, the reports said.

NEGRO DINING CAR COOK SENTENCED FOR ROBBERY

Richmond, Va., June 25.—John Brown, negro dining car cook on the Atlantic Coast Line railroad, who was placed on trial in the Hastings court yesterday in the charge of robbing Pullman passengers while they slept, has just been sentenced to serve eight years in the penitentiary.

TURKS REFUSE TO SIGN PACT TAKING AWAY SMYRNA DISTRICT

Constantinople, June 25.—(By the Associated Press.)—The Turkish peace delegation in Paris has been instructed from Constantinople that the Turkish government will unconditionally refuse to sign any peace treaty which deprives Turkey of the Smyrna district, Adrianople or eastern Thrace. In the main, it is indicated the government agrees with the other territorial limitations fixed by the suburbs.

WILSON'S FRIENDS ASSUME CHARGE OF FRISCO MACHINERY

Administration Forces in Control As Preliminaries of Convention Begin

ANTI-ADMINISTRATION CROWD FAR IN MINORITY

Ascendancy of Wilson Supporters Shown In Program of National Committee To Keep Out Reed and Hardwick, and Also In Collapse of Fight Against Senator Carter Glass

San Francisco, June 25.—So far as suffrage indications were concerned, at least, the friends of President Wilson and his administration appeared in complete control of the political machinery of the Democratic party today as the actual preliminaries of the national convention began. Their domination was not without its complement of grumbling and complaints among scattering insurgent elements, but there was every evidence that on a show-down the anti-administration forces not only were far in the minority, but were lacking in organization and leadership.

The ascendancy of the Wilson supporters showed itself in striking fashion in the program for the national committee, meeting to decide between contesting delegations. The committee met with the stage set for a ruling calculated to keep out of the convention Senator Reed of Missouri, and former Senator Hardwick of Georgia, two of the bitterest critics of the Wilson policy.

Fight Against Glass Stops

Another development pointing in the same direction was the apparent collapse of a fight against Senator Glass of Virginia in his candidacy for chairman of the resolutions committee, a post for which he is commonly reported to have been selected by the President himself.

In addition, there was accumulating evidence that Wm. J. Bryan would find the cards against him in his attempt to put into the platform a League of Nations plank in disagreement with the President's view, and a prohibition enforcement plank framed without the acquiescence of the administration.

Uncertain as to Dry Plank.
With regard to prohibition, however, the situation remained in a state of considerable uncertainty with the trend apparently toward exclusion from the platform entirely. Those who want a liberalization plank continued an active campaign, and some members of the New York delegation declared they would carry their fight to the floor of the convention itself, but a falling grid of headway that in the end both Mr. Bryan's bone dry declaration and that of the anti-bone dries would be voted down.

Wilson's Stand Not Clear

Just where President Wilson stands on that subject has not been made clear, but increasing significance was attached in the day's conferences to the absence of any reference to prohibition in the Virginia Democratic platform, unqualifiedly endorsed by the White House.

Neither has the administration tipped its hand in regard to presidential candidates and tonight the relative standing of aspirants remained apparently unchanged. Attorney General Palmer arrived today to take personal charge of his campaign and by tomorrow the gunning of candidates and their managers among the uninstructed delegates is expected to be at its height.

Shaw-Riggs

Asheville, June 26.—A simple but pretty wedding took place a few days ago at Grove Park Inn, when Miss Vivian Izona Riggs, of Moriah, and Mr. Henry O. Shaw, of Miami, Fla., were quietly married. The ceremony took place in one of the drawing rooms at the Inn and was performed by Rev. Dr. William F. Powell, pastor of the First Baptist church, in the company of a few friends. The room was most artistically decorated for the occasion with quantities of pink Killarney roses and ferns. Miss Mattie Riggs, sister of the bride, was the maid of honor and only attendant. She wore a navy blue tulle frock embroidered in French blue and carried Killarney roses. The bride was gowned in a handsome dress of blue georgette crepe over blue satin and a large picture hat of blue with French blue plumes. Her bouquet was an exquisite affair of bride's roses and sweet peas. Immediately after the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Shaw left by motor for Knoxville, Tenn., after which they will go to the Rocky Mountains. They will make their future home at Miami, Fla.

Candidate Makes Usual Speech Urging Devotion To The Democratic Party

Clinton, June 25.—Cameron Morrison was held in Sampson county courthouse here this afternoon by a crowd which taxed the court room to its capacity and which came from throughout this country and surrounding counties. Mr. Morrison made his regular Democratic speech appealing to: Sampson county Democrats to redeem their county and to the people of North Carolina an dthe United States to keep the State and nation Democratic.

Mr. Morrison spoke in Raeford last night before an audience which overflowed the spacious auditorium of the handsome school building. The crowd was declared to have been one of the largest ever to attend a political meeting there despite a downpour of rain at the hour of assembling and the delay of half an hour in arrival on the part of Mr. Morrison, the trip from Jonesboro where he spoke yesterday afternoon, to Raeford, having been made by auto.

Before leaving Aberdeen yesterday morning for Jonesboro Mr. Morrison was much gratified by the assurance of warm support by J. R. Page, president of the Page Trust Company and a brother of Robert N. Page, who was eliminated as a gubernatorial candidate in the first primary. Mr. Morrison drove from Raeford to Fayetteville following the meeting at the former place last night and drove here this morning. He left following his address for Burgaw a week ago.

AMERICAN PLAYERS AGAIN WIN IN TENNIS MATCHES

Wimbledon, June 26.—American tennis players, with the exception of those who participated in the mixed doubles, won all their matches in today's play for the British lawn tennis championships. The American Davis Cup player, Wm. M. Johnson, of California, who is out of the running for the singles, and Wm. T. Tilden, of Philadelphia, who yesterday won from the British expert, J. C. Parke, combined their skill in the doubles today and in a brilliant match defeated Andre Gobert and Wm. M. Laurents, of the French Davis Cup team. The score was 6-2, 6-0, 4-6, 9-7.

The Weather

Local Office, United States Weather Bureau.

FORECAST
Raleigh, N. C., June 25.
North Carolina: Fair weather and mild temperature Saturday and Sunday.

TEMPERATURE
Highest temperature 80
Lowest temperature 60
Mean temperature 70
Deficiency for the day 7
Average daily deficiency since
Jan. 1st 1.9

PRECIPITATION (in inches)
Amount for the 24 hours ending
at 8 p. m.50
Total for the month to date 4.33
Excess for the month 0.95
Deficiency since Jan. 1st 1.94

HUMIDITY
8 a. m. 12 m. 8 p. m.
Dry bulb 66 74 74
Wet bulb 63 65 65
Rel. Humidity 82 79 85

PRESSURE
(Reduced to sea level)
8 a. m. 10 a. m. 3 p. m. 8 p. m.
Barometer 30.14 30.15 30.15
Sunrise 4:58 a. m. Sunset 7:58 p. m.