

ARGE SERVICE TO CONNECT EASTERN CAROLINA TOWNS

Senator Simmons and Secretary Daniels Aid in Putting The Deal Through

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AT NEW BERN BACKING IT Government Will Operate Nine Vessels Until Corpora- tion Can Take Them Over; Will Run Between Baltimore and Norfolk and Several North Carolina Cities

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Washington, Sept. 22.—With the aid of Senator Simmons and Secretary Daniels, Mr. H. E. Barlow, secretary of the New Bern Chamber of Commerce, backed by the city of New Bern and other towns, put through a deal here today with the War Department that means new millions in commerce to all eastern North Carolina. The War Department has agreed through the Inland Coastwise Waterways Service to operate nine barges on the inland water route between Baltimore and New Bern. In commercial importance the achievement ranks with the expected ultimate victory of the State over the Virginia cities in the freight rate discrimination case now pending.

Through Colonel Ashburn of the Inland Coastwise Waterway Service the contract was signed and the barge service by the government joining New Bern, Beaufort, Morehead City, Elizabeth City, Plymouth and other towns along the inland water route directly with Baltimore and Norfolk will commence within a fortnight.

Retain Preferential Rates.
The New Bern Chamber of Commerce was compelled by the Cummins-Esch railroad law to ask the government to put into operation this barge service to preserve the preferential freight rates New Bern and other places along the water route must have to live and prosper. "Our preferential freight rates are now made secure," said Secretary Barlow, "and it means that New Bern as a market will be able to compete with Norfolk and Richmond. It gives New Bern the great advantage she requires as a first class tobacco and cotton market."

It is understood that the government will operate the nine barges on this route till a private corporation has been organized to take over and operate the service. Such a corporation is now being organized and to it the government will sell the barges just as soon as the service has been definitely established.

Three of the nine barges will be self-propelled, oil being the fuel. Two of these have already been completed in the government ship yard and the tonnage of these barges will be each 350 tons. Each of these three barges will tow two steel barges of 400 tons each. The trip from Baltimore to New Bern will consume from 48 to 60 hours. The distance of 285 miles. The service will be conducted just as the government is now operating a barge service on the lower Mississippi and on the inland coastwise waterways of New York and New England. Mr. Barlow said he expected the barges ultimately to be displaced by light draft ships.

Small's Dream Comes True.
The service, Mr. Barlow said, will increase the commerce at New Bern and other towns in the territory that the government will be compelled to deepen the route for steamers drawing fifteen and twenty feet of water. The terminals at Baltimore, Norfolk and New Bern have been completed and through Mr. F. C. Morris, the agent of the Inland Coastwise Waterway Service, the tariff schedules are being worked out.

Mr. Barlow says the benefits of this large freight service will be felt as far west as Raleigh and that Wilson, Goldsboro and Kinston will be greatly benefited. Norfolk can no longer grow and prosper at the expense of northeastern North Carolina, one of the naturally richest agricultural regions of the United States. Incidentally Congressman John H. Small of the First North Carolina District, sees his great dream coming to fruition right at his door when he retires from Congress.

With government dredging and churning the waters of the Neuse and the Sound, Young Barlow sees New Bern outstrip Wilmington and become ultimately a rival of Norfolk itself. All that is needed is cutting away of mud in the bottom of these rivers and boys and the barge service will bring the dredges.

Mrs. H. E. Barlow and daughter, Bettie, are here with Secretary Barlow. Also here from New Bern is W. H. Henderson, cashier of the Citizens Savings Bank.

VIENNA IS CONTEMPLATING MUNICIPALITY-OWNED MOVIES

Vienna, Sept. 23.—Municipality-owned movies are contemplated in negotiations now proceeding between the city authorities and a German producing concern. The company proposes to establish cinemas all over Vienna without paying licenses. When a certain portion of the investment is recovered the city would become a part owner and finally be permitted to buy out the entire concern.

Plant No More Tobacco Until 1920 Crop Is Sold At Profit

More Than 1,000 Tobacco Growers in Session Here Yesterday Pledge Themselves to Eliminate Crop Altogether If Satisfactory Prices Are Not Received. Permanent Organization of Tobacco Growers Effected and Judge Stephen C. Bragaw Named President; Will Co-Operate With Other States in Efforts To Bring Better Conditions; Meetings in Counties Saturday Week.

More than 1,000 tobacco growers, representing practically every large tobacco growing county in the State, in meeting here yesterday pledged themselves not to plant any more tobacco until they had sold this year's crop at a profit, organized a permanent Tobacco Growers Association, elected Judge Stephen C. Bragaw, of Washington, president, and passed strong resolutions calling upon the farmers to organize, and the Federal Reserve Bank to explain why the marketing of the crop cannot be financed.

As was the case of the meeting of the cotton growers here a week ago, the tobacco farmers were determined yesterday seriously intent upon finding out why the tobacco market is demoralized, and if there be ways to bring some sort of order out of the chaotic state into which they have fallen. The meeting was held in the City Auditorium, whither it adjourned after the crowd had grown too large to be accommodated in the Hall of Representatives. Judge Bragaw was named permanent chairman of the session.

The Association formed yesterday is destined to become a part of a National Growers Association, now in progress of formation by tobacco growers everywhere, alike concerned over the conditions that prevail in the industry. Representatives were here from Kentucky and Virginia, bringing greetings from similar organizations that have been newly formed there, and assurances that those States will stand by North Carolina in whatever steps they may take toward permanent association.

Meeting 5 Hours Long.
The meeting dragged somewhat through its five hours of session. Committees were named first thing to go out and work out some plans for procedure, and they took a long time with their task. It was 5:30 before the last of them came back with reports that were adopted with unanimous votes, except for the fact that Judge Bragaw demurred from the report of the nominating committee that made him president. Meanwhile the meeting indulged in much speechmaking, most of which was lost in the vast reaches of the Auditorium. The crowd was not big enough to arrest sounds and much went to waste through the open doors and windows.

The first committee to come back from its deliberations was that named to report on the advisability of curtailing the acreage next year. The report declared in favor of a 40 per cent reduction, with special provision for the small farmer who would not be required to plant less than three acres. The report was voted down, and in its stead, a resolution pledging the farmers not to plant any tobacco whatsoever until they had sold what they had raised this year, and at profitable prices.

Determine Curtailment Later.
John J. Barker was chairman of the curtailing committee. In making the report he declared that many farmers had advocated planting not a hill of tobacco, and many others wanted to cut the crop in half. There was vociferous cheering when he said that some wanted to not plant any. Opposition developed to the plan of saying definitely how much the acreage ought to be reduced, it being pointed out that it was too early to speak sensibly about it, and that it should not be done until it was definitely ascertained whether there is, or will be, a tobacco shortage in the world.

Several speakers pointed out the fact that any curtailment now would be an indirect admission by the growers that they had raised too much this year. The general opinion expressed was that there is not too much tobacco, but too much organization of those who buy it. "Sell the tobacco you have now, and not until you get a profit for it, and then decide if you ought to plant any next year," was the sentiment of the day.

ADD TWO TRIPS TO HARDING PROGRAM

Republican Nominee To Invade Middle Western Territory and Tennessee

Marion, Ohio, Sept. 22.—Two speaking trips, circling the Middle West and dipping as far South as Tennessee, are to be made by Senator Harding during the first half of October.
Under plans completed today at least eight formal addresses will be delivered and it is expected that in addition the Republican nominee will make impromptu speeches to crowds in various cities where short stops are scheduled.
During the latter half of the month other cities are to be visited, but the complete itinerary for that period has not yet been arranged. It was indicated here that the two swings announced today probably would constitute the longest journey to be taken and that proposals for a trip to the Pacific coast had been definitely put aside.
The first of the two trips, taking the nominee across the Middle West, will begin a week after his return on September 29 from his excursion into Maryland, West Virginia and Kentucky, leaving Marion on October 6. He will speak at Des Moines, Iowa, during the forenoon of October 7; at Omaha, Neb., that evening; at Kansas City, Mo., on the evening of October 8 and at Oklahoma City, Okla., on the evening of October 9.
After a stop of only a few hours here he will depart again on October 12, speaking at Chattanooga, Tenn., October 13, at Louisville, Ky., October 14, at Indianapolis, Ind., October 15, at St. Louis, Mo., on October 16. All of the set speeches on this trip are to be delivered in the evening.

REPAIRING DAMAGE CAUSED BY STORM ALONG GULF COAST

Tropical Hurricane Passes Into Interior Near Mouth of Atchafalaya River

NO EXTENSIVE DAMAGE TO CROPS IS REPORTED

Telephone and Telegraph Service Impaired By Storm, and Railroad Schedules Revised Because of Weak Bridges and Washouts; Gales On Coast Keep Shipping In Port

Washington, Sept. 22.—Northeast storm warnings from Cape Henry, Va., to Wilmington, N. C., and northwest warnings at Charleston, S. C., were ordered displayed tonight by the Weather Bureau. A disturbance was reported central of the South Carolina coast and evidently moving northwest. The bureau advised caution in predicting increasing northwest winds, except northerly, on the South Carolina coast.

New Orleans, Sept. 22.—With the passing of the tropical hurricane into the interior of Louisiana from a point just west of the mouth of the Atchafalaya river and near Morgan City, railroad, wire companies and other public service corporations in the vicinity of New Orleans tonight were making efforts to restore service.
More than a thousand telephones were out of order here tonight, telegraphic communication other than by trunk wires to the larger cities was practically impossible and railroad schedules were revised to meet conditions made necessary by weakened bridges and washed-out road beds.
Available information tonight did not seem to warrant any great anxiety regarding sugar and rice crops of that section of the State in the path of the hurricane. Reports of only minor damage at Morgan City led to the belief here that the hurricane was not of great intensity and had weakened perceptibly by the time it reached the coast.

Along the gulf coast there were a series of gales, causing considerable alarm in fishing villages.
All outbound craft, held at Port Ends by storm warnings, steamed to sea today.

THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS DAMAGE CAUSED BY STORM

Biloxi, Miss., Sept. 22.—Biloxi and Gulfport, Miss., suffered thousands of dollars of damage through the hurricane of last night. The greatest losses are the Gulf Coast Traction Company and Harrison county. The highest velocity of the wind was 50 miles an hour.

15,000 VETERANS MARCH IN BIG G. A. R. PARADE

Indianapolis, Ind., Sept. 22.—War-time enthusiasm greeted 15,000 veterans of the Civil War here today as they marched through the streets in a parade, forming the climax of the fifty-fourth annual encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Although the route was less than a mile the parade taxed the strength of many. A temperature of 85 degrees made the marchers uncomfortable and before the marchers had completed their parade many were carried to first aid stations to recover from mild heat prostrations. No serious attacks were reported.
The business session will be held tomorrow when officers will be elected and the next encampment designated.

CONVICT NEGROES OF FIRST DEGREE MURDER

Chattanooga, Tenn., Sept. 22.—The hearing the cases of Taylor Neal and C. J. Jackson, negroes, held for killing Abe Baron of this city, and attacking his companion, a young woman living in America, Ga., this afternoon returned a verdict of murder in the first degree against both defendants. Counsel for defense gave notice of a motion for a new trial. The crime was committed here on the night of August 31. The negroes confessed killing Baron, but later repudiated the confession.

MILLERAND CHOSEN AS DESCHANEL'S SUCCESSOR

Paris, Sept. 22.—(By the Associated Press.)—Premier Alexandre Millerand was chosen as a candidate for the presidency to succeed former President Deschanel, who resigned because of ill health by the joint caucus of the members of the Senate and chamber of deputies in the Senate chamber this afternoon.

Dollar Day

FRIDAY, SEPT. 24

Every Raleigh merchant will offer merchandise at unheard of price reductions Dollar Day.

Spend A Profitable Day in Raleigh Friday.

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GOV. COX'S SPECIAL TRAIN WRECKED AT PEORIA, ARIZ.; NO MEMBER OF PARTY HURT

CATTLE FOOD FROM SAWDUST



Government experts of the forest products laboratory of the Department of Agriculture in Madison, Wis., have developed a new stock food from sawdust. The photo shows the cylinder in which the food is made. Fifteen minutes cooking in this cylinder with diluted acid under steam pressure converts a part of the wood into sugar and renders the remaining digestible.

Nominee and Those Accompanying Him Badly Shaken Up, However; Engineer and Several Passengers Are Injured

SAYS TAFT SHOULD BE ASHAMED OF FLING AT LAW AND ORDER RECORD

Characterizes Charges of Ex-President That "Indisposition To Maintain Order By Use of The Militia Is Well Known To Local Union Leaders and Explains His Popularity With Them" In Dropping From The Perch of a Mature Statesman Into The Realm of Cheap Political Propaganda; Calls Taft "Water Carrier" For Old Guard Camp; Reiterates League of Nations Argument and Praises People of The West

Phoenix, Ariz., Sept. 22.—Governor Cox's presidential campaign train was wrecked about 4:30 o'clock today, 14 miles north of here, while en route to Prescott, Ariz.

The Democratic presidential candidate and party were severely shaken when an engine and four cars of the special train were derailed, but all escaped serious injury. The most seriously injured was Charles A. Nichols, the engineer of Prescott, whose leg was broken when the engine toppled over.
Spreading rails cause.

Spreading rails were assigned by railroad men as the cause of the wreck, which compelled the governor and his party to return here tonight and cancel his evening address at Prescott. His future itinerary also was upset.
The accident occurred a half mile out of Peoria, a village on the Santa Fe railroad. After delivering several speeches here, the train, consisting of six cars and drawn by two heavy engines, needed for the upgrade to Prescott, left here at 4 o'clock. About a half hour later while running at a speed between 25 and 40 miles an hour the train jarred suddenly, as if in collision, and then application of the emergency brakes, bumping over broken rails and ties, and the careening of cars, told passengers the story.
The four forward cars were derailed. The Governor's private car at the rear and the adjoining compartment car of newspapers, except for its forward truck, remained on the rails.
A baggage coach jumped the track about 15 feet and turned over. Two passenger coaches and another compartment car behind also slipped ten feet from the track and partly toppled over.
Second Engine Derailed.
The first engine of the double-header, Engineer F. C. Sutton, of Prescott, said, left the rails first and then jumped on again, but the second engine toppled over amid a cloud of escaping steam.
All of the passengers on all cars were thrown topsy-turvy. Some suffered bruises and cuts from flying glass. In the rush to escape, several women passengers in the coaches were put through broken windows.
Governor Cox was in the dining room of his private car going over papers with Dr. Robert C. Goldsmith, his assistant on the League of Nations question, when the crash occurred.
Nominee Helps Injured
"What's that?" he shouted, being thrown heavily across the car. He was shaken up, but rushed out to assist the injured and afterwards, smoking a pipe, waited for a wrecking train to arrive and take him back to Phoenix.
The railroad track was torn up for 400 feet with bent rails, broken ties and glass scattered about.
Rumor Not Credited.
The line is not a main artery, but a branch of the Santa Fe system, and the rails, it was said, were not of the heaviest type. A rumor was current among the railroad people and others who gathered soon after the wreck that a man had been seen running along the road beside the track just before the train left the track, but the rumor lacked confirmation and was not credited by Governor Cox, members of his party or railroad operatives.
DECLARES TAFT SHOULD BE
ASHAMED OF HIS CHARGES.
Phoenix, Ariz., Sept. 22.—A statement declaring that former President Taft should be "ashamed of himself" for his statement regarding use of militia in Ohio during the Cox administration was issued today by Governor Cox, Democratic nominee, during his Arizona campaign.
Commenting on Mr. Taft's recent article, which said that Governor Cox's "indisposition to maintain order by use of the militia is well known to local union leaders and explains his popularity with them," Governor Cox made the following statement:
"It has been apparent for some time that Judge Taft's newspaper articles, which were intended to be the reflections of a mature statesman, have been turned into a cheap political propaganda. He ought to be ashamed of himself for the statement that law and order have not been maintained in Ohio. I would like to have him tell me the instances in which he would have used troops where I did not."
"I challenge him to cite the opinion of a single member of the supreme court of Ohio, on a matter where his politics might be, in support of his absurd accusation. I have no objection to Judge Taft's becoming a water-carrier

Committee Resumes Probe Into Campaign Financing

Little Additional Information Brought Out During Rather Stormy Session

BARNES AND CARROLL BOTH ENTER DENIALS

Letter Asserts Lignor Interests Not Financing Governor Cox's Campaign

Washington, Sept. 22.—The Senate investigating committee again plunged into the sea of Republican and Democratic campaign financing today, but the record had little affirmative information on party funds at the close of the session to add to what had previously been disclosed.
Two flat denials connected with charges that have figured in previous testimony were produced, however. One was entered by William Barnes, Jr., who asserted that the book, "Republicanism in 1920," published by his company, the Albany (N. Y.) Journal, had no connection with the Republican National committee, and was a private commercial venture. The other denial was made by George T. Carroll, of Elizabeth, N. J., president of the National Retail Liquor Dealers of America and of the Federated Liquor Industries of New Jersey, who said that such support as the organizations had given the candidacy of Governor Cox for the presidency was in no way connected with Democratic party financing.
Barnes Challenges Denial.
Mr. Barnes carried his denial to the extent of challenging the committee's right to demand subscription lists for the book published by his concern. He questioned its authority to call for an account as to a private business venture, contending that the explanation he made showed the work not to be a campaign document. After an argument with Senator Reed, Democrat, of Missouri, who insisted that a form of subscription contract differing from those produced by the witness was already in the record, completion of Mr. Barnes' examination went over until tomorrow. Exhibits filed with the committee during his Chicago sessions will not be available until then.
Carroll Recalls Letter.
Mr. Carroll acknowledged having authorized the sending out from his office of letters urging liquor dealers in the national association to aid the Cox and Roosevelt ticket. The letter before the committee, he said, had been read to him over the telephone for approval, but he said he did not recall the paragraph specifically urging that the Democratic candidates be supported. No official action had been taken by either organization, of which he was head, to endorse a presidential ticket, he said, although it had been decided to urge election of a "liberal Congress, regardless of what party they represent."

A total of "less than \$2,500" had been received in response to the circular letters, Carroll said, adding that no campaign literature had yet been put out, although it was in preparation.
Senator Edge, Republican, New Jersey, asked if any Democratic party official had ever sought to have the liquor men "desist" from this activity in behalf of the Democratic ticket. Carroll replied in the negative and the Senator then asked if the work had not been "accepted" by the Democrats.
Challenges Question.
Senator Rorer, Democrat, of Ohio, challenged this last question as unfair and Senator Reed finally broke into the discussion with the declaration that the single subscription of John D. Rockefeller to the Barnes book was larger than the whole fund raised by the liquor men. He insisted that such a subscription was shown in the committee records and was disputing this with

REPORT EPIDEMIC OF "BOMB THREATS"

Four Workmen Furnish Only New Clue To Mystery of Wall Street Explosion

New York, Sept. 22.—While the latest development today in the investigation of Wall Street's mysterious explosion last Thursday pointed to an accident rather than a plot, news despatches from other cities indicated that a mild epidemic of "bomb threats" had broken out throughout the country.
Cleveland, Boston, New Bedford and Trenton were among cities which reported anonymous warnings of dire misfortune. Although authorities professed to regard these messages as the work of some practical joker or crank, nevertheless, in every instance extra precautions to prevent outrages were taken. The fact that New York's custom house still stands unshaken after the fake warning of an explosion to have occurred yesterday did not cause either Federal or local officials to relax their vigilance.
The witness in the investigation of the disaster here last Thursday came unthought. While various investigating bodies were tracking clues all over New York and New Jersey four men employed by a house-wrecking concern working in the financial district, walked into the municipal building on their own account and reported that ten minutes after the blast they had been talking with the driver of the death wagon, which is believed either to have carried a bomb into Wall Street or to have been hit there by an automobile while conveying explosives across the city.
The workers said that the driver had rushed up to them and declared his wagon had been blown up while he was telephoning his employer for an address to which he had been ordered to take some building materials. Then he is said to have disappeared.
Assistant District Attorney Talley indicated tonight that the September grand jury investigating the disaster would be particularly interested in the story of these four men, as the jurors had been charged to look for criminal negligence as well as conspiracy. A list of the former was given by the workers, who declared to reporters that some contractors frequently carried explosives in any sort of vehicle without bothering to obtain a permit. Mr. Talley said he would summon the four workmen to appear at his office tomorrow.
When the grand jury adjourned this afternoon, its foreman ordered that subpoenas be issued for drivers and superintendents of explosive companies in this city. The subpoenas are returnable tomorrow morning. Several witnesses who claimed to have seen a powder wagon in the vicinity shortly before the explosion already have been heard.

Paralyzed As Result of Hazing.

Emporia, Kan., Sept. 22.—Andy McCoy, of Wichita, Kan., a freshman in the college of Emporia here is paralyzed below the waist, as a result, it is said, of hazing by upper classes. He was struck with a paddle.

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BICKETT ATTACKS SENATE OLIGARCHY

Says Republican Senators Broke Faith With Hero Dead; Discusses Taxation

Kinston, Sept. 22.—Governor Bickett, addressing a large audience here tonight, declared the Senatorial Oligarchy in choking to death the league of nations covenant March 9 last, "Black Friday," broke faith with the American dead sleeping in Flanders field. A night shout rang through the "regions of the damned and all the imp of hell shouted with joy," then he said.
Governor Bickett then invoked a "voice from the dead." He read the remarkable letter of a 30th division captain to his North Carolina mother written two weeks before his death at the Hindenburg line, the epistle of an unsuspecting literary genius. It typified the spirit of America in the world war, the governor asserted, saying the nation had gone into the conflict to end war for all time and that the masses knew that to be its purpose.
"The Republican Senators imposed a lasting curse upon their rule by their conduct," he declared. "The whole world looked to America for guidance and the Senate majority made of America a millstone hanging from the neck of humanity."
The executive called upon the women in the audience to vote as the American heroes in France had shot, to the end that wars might be ended for all time. He reviewed the achievements of the present state administration and re-

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