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SENATOR WILLIS ONE OF SPEAKERS BEFORE CONGRESS

Southern Commercial Body To Hold Convention in Washington in March. STRONG SPEAKERS WILL APPEAR ON THE PROGRAM. Many Notable Speakers Secured To Make Addresses At Big Convention; Republicans Serve Notice of Intention To Kick Out All Democrats; Marion Butler On Hand.

The News and Observer Bureau 609 District National Bank Bldg. BY JOE L. BAKER (By Special Licensed Wire.) Washington, Feb. 13.—Senator Frank R. Willis, of Ohio, President-elect Harding's successor in the Senate, will deliver the principal address at the opening session of the Southern Commercial Congress at the Willard Hotel in this city on March 1st. Senator Willis will speak on "Today's National Problems."

War On Adult Illiteracy Becomes Steady Offensive

Nearly Sixteen Thousand Adults Reached in Three Years, and Total of 5,580 Enrolled in 272 Community Schools in Fifty-Two Counties Between December 1919 and December 1920.

War on adult illiteracy in North Carolina, settling down to steady offensive since the sporadic outbreak of Moonlight Schools in 1914-15, and without the glitter and the glamor that spurred on its beginnings, has spread over half the State and has redeemed nearly 16,000 illiterates. A total of 15,276 adult illiterates of the average age of twenty-seven were enrolled and taught in community schools in North Carolina during the three years from 1917 to 1920, according to the report of Miss Elizabeth Kelly, director of schools for illiterates. A total of 5,580 illiterates were enrolled in 272 community schools in 52 counties of the State between December, 1919, and December, 1920, 184 teachers were engaged in the work, and the average monthly attendance was 3,716. Moonlight Schools. Beginning in 1914-15 with a popular wave of interest in Moonlight Schools, under the leadership of Dr. J. J. Joyner, then superintendent of public instruction, North Carolina attacked the problem of adult illiteracy long before the draft threw a glaring white light on the State's educational deficiencies. The State's educational authorities, the State Board of Education, the State Board of Public Instruction, and the State Board of Technical Education, all have been active in the work. The State Board of Public Instruction, under the leadership of Dr. J. J. Joyner, has been the most active in the work. The State Board of Technical Education, under the leadership of Dr. J. J. Joyner, has been the most active in the work. The State Board of Education, under the leadership of Dr. J. J. Joyner, has been the most active in the work.

BIG INCREASE IN COTTON EXPORTS

America Supplies 15 Per Cent of Trade As Compared With 5 Per Cent In 1920

New York, Feb. 13.—Cotton manufactures exports of the United States made a record during 1920 and the United States now supplies nearly 15 per cent of the cotton goods entering international trade as compared with about five per cent at the beginning of the World War. These facts are the outstanding features of an analysis of the cotton manufactures exports of the country announced today by the National City Bank. It shows \$400,000,000 worth of cotton manufactures were sent out of the United States last year, while only \$51,000,000 worth were exported in the year immediately preceding the war. About 850,000,000 yards of cotton goods were exported as compared with 320,000,000 yards in 1914, with prices averaging 36 a yard as against about seven cents a yard in 1914. Although the United States produces two-thirds of the world's cotton, the country had never been a large exporter of cotton goods until the war cut off the cotton goods markets of the world from their usual source of supplies when these markets naturally turned to the United States. This demand for American Cotton goods comes from everywhere and in increasing volume, the analysis states. Argentina took 45,000,000 yards compared with 1,500,000 in 1914; Brazil took 9,000,000 compared with 1,000,000, and South America as a whole took 425,000,000 as compared with 35,000,000 of eight times as much in quantity notwithstanding prices averaged approximately four times as much as in 1914. Canada increased her takings from 25,000,000 to 76,000,000 yards while Australia is also surprising her mother country by increasing her consumption of American cottons. International trade in cotton goods averaged about \$1,100,000,000 yearly prior to the war, which the United States supplied about 850,000,000 worth. Last year the world's trade aggregated \$2,000,000,000, it is estimated. Great Britain, which buys most of her cotton from the United States, still leads in world cotton goods trade, her total exports last year, at par for sterling, having been about \$1,800,000,000. American exports totaled \$400,000,000; France \$275,000,000; Japan \$250,000,000 and Switzerland \$150,000,000.

POPE SELECTS ANOTHER CARDINAL FOR AMERICA

Rome, Feb. 13.—(By the Associated Press.) The Vatican announced officially today that the most Rev. Dennis Dougherty, archbishop of Philadelphia, will be created a cardinal at the secret consistory to be held in early March. Monsignor Dougherty will be the only new American Cardinal named at the next Consistory. Archbishop Mundelein, of Chicago, and Archbishop Hayes, of New York, although they probably will receive the Red Hat before long, will not be included in the appointments in March, even as Cardinals reserved in power, as this system only when there are weighty reasons not to publish immediately the creation of certain cardinals. Monsignor Dougherty is expected to arrive in Rome on February 28 and will be received with the honors due to his new status. An official list of all the cardinals to be appointed at the next Consistory has been postponed, owing to delay on the part of the Vatican in reply that the choice of the Pope for Spanish Cardinals are persons grata to him.

FATAL SHOOTING TAKES PLACE AT RESORT TOWN

Asheville, Feb. 13.—News has been received here of the killing Saturday night in Tryon of James Berry by Alonzo Rhodes. It is said that Rhodes came into a store drunk and flourished a pistol. He was ordered out by Berry which enraged Rhodes who started striking Berry with the gun. Berry attempted to get behind the counter where the drunken man fired, it is said, the bullet killing him instantly. Rhodes escaped and a reward of \$100 has been raised by the citizens of the town for the arrest of the murderer.

FAMOUS PIANIST THROUGH PLAYING AS PROFESSIONAL HARDING HOPEFUL OF PLEASING ALL PARTY ELEMENTS

Paderewski, The Distinguished Polish Musician, Returns After Five Years. CLOSED CHAPTER IN HIS LIFE, HE STATES. Old Age and Worry Whiten Bushy Head, Which Countless Thousands Have Seen Waving Back and Forth; Lines in His Face Deepened and Sparkle in Eye Dimmed. New York, Feb. 13.—The professional piano player career of the world famous Paderewski is at an end. The distinguished Polish musician, whose artistry at the piano has delighted the music lovers of two continents, announced his retirement from the concert stage, confirming recent cable dispatches upon his arrival here today on the steamship France. "Piano playing is a closed chapter in my life, although I may do some occasional playing for my own amusement," he said. Five years of hard manual labor in the field of international politics in behalf of his native Poland have left their imprint on his physical appearance. Old age and worry have whitened the long and bushy hair of his head, which countless thousands of persons have seen waving back and forth as he bent time with the music produced by his magic hands, while the lines in his face have deepened and the sparkle in his eyes has dimmed. The artist-statesman, who is accompanied by his wife, will spend a few days at rest here and then visit Pittsburgh, where he will address a Polish gathering on Washington's Birthday, after which he will go to his ranch in California for a long rest. Commenting on the signing of the peace treaty between Poland and Soviet Russia, the former Premier declared that "Poland expects to live as a loyal neighbor to Russia." He also asked newspapermen to convey to the American people the sincere gratitude of the Polish nation for the part America played in gaining its independence. Ignace Jan Paderewski was born in 1860 and for the greater part of the last quarter of a century he has spent on the concert stage of the American continent. Since the war his musical career and fame as a pianist have been in a measure overshadowed by his fame as a patriot and as a government leader. He has traveled from coast to coast in this country and from capital to capital in Europe in the interest of Poland's liberation and economic rehabilitation with the masses led by his selection as Poland's first Premier and its principal spokesman at the peace conference at Versailles and its first representative in the League of Nations. His ministry lasted less than a year, the pianist resigning late in 1919 and being succeeded by his friend and political co-worker, Leopold Skulski, who became head of a coalition government.

DEPUTIES SUCCESSFUL IN ELUDING ALABAMA MOB

Tallahassee, Ala., Feb. 13.—Deputies succeeded in making their way to Anniston, where they arrived early today with Teague Cunningham, negro, who late yesterday cut Congressman Eugene Hobbs to death with a razor, and who was threatened by a mob at Odean when officers attempted to board a train with the prisoner at that place. Sheriff Cornett announced today he was convinced that Cunningham alone was responsible for the officer's death, and that the story told by the negro to the effect that he held Hobbs while another negro did the cutting was untrue. Cunningham is being guarded by officers to have been drunk when the arrest was attempted.

DENIES EFFORT MADE TO GET M'ADOO NOMINATED

Washington, Feb. 13.—Denial was made tonight by Robert W. Woolley, former interstate commerce commissioner, that the members of the Democratic national committee, petitioning Chairman George White to call a meeting of the full committee were engaged in a movement to bring about the nomination of any one candidate for the Presidency in 1924. Mr. Woolley, who drafted the petition sent to Chairman White a week ago, in making the denial in a formal statement, said that "an analysis of the petitioners' preferences as to candidates prior to the San Francisco convention discloses the fact that among them are to be found a number of former supporters of each of the three leaders for the nomination." Alluding to charges that the petitioners were acting in behalf of William G. McAdoo, Mr. Woolley added that "several distinguished admirers of the man in whose interest the movement is alleged to be for, have publicly expressed their disapproval of holding a meeting of the national committee at this time."

ATTEMPTED HOLD UP OF SAILORS, REPORT SAYS

Manilla, Feb. 13.—The American sailors who were fired on at Vladivostok were attacked by a party of Russians probably for purpose of holding them up, according to advices received today by Admiral Strauss, commanding the Asiatic fleet. The sailors were visiting outlying districts of Vladivostok when they encountered a group of Russian officers, believed to be former army officers, according to the report. During an argument and an attempted holdup the Americans were fired on and two of them wounded. Russian police arrested a number of civilians who were believed to have instigated the trouble. The affair has no international aspect warranting the presence of Admiral Strauss at Vladivostok, his report said. Naval officers here said the affair was considered closed. Admiral Strauss departed tonight for Olongapo for inspection of naval stations.

SUPREME COURT JUDGE DIES IN SOUTH CAROLINA

Chester, S. C., Feb. 13.—Associate Justice George W. Gage, of the South Carolina Supreme court, died at his home here at 6 o'clock this evening after a long illness. Justice Gage is the second associate justice of the South Carolina Supreme court to die in less than one month, Associate Justice Daniel Hydrick having died January 15.

KANSAS MOB THREATENS TOWN CHIEF OF POLICE

Wichita, Kan., Feb. 13.—A mob estimated at 300, has formed at Augusta, Kansas, with the intention of taking Chief of Police C. C. Wheat who is alleged to have unlawfully shot and seriously wounded a man there Saturday night, according to reports received here. Reports indicated firing has already begun. Telephone operators in Augusta have confirmed reports that shooting is in progress, but owing to the confusion that prevails they do not know whether anyone has been killed. Details are lacking and efforts to locate a number of prominent Augusta men by telephone have failed. The telephone operators declare Chief Claude C. Wheat had shot an oil field worker and a crowd of 300 had gathered for the purpose of mobbing the Chief.

CONGRESS MAKES HEADWAY SLOWLY

Only 15 More Working Bills and Regular Appropriation Bills Passed

Washington, Feb. 13.—Only fifteen working days are left before Congress before adjournment since the passage of the regular appropriation bills has been finally enacted and practically all important legislation is in the air. Passage of the House bill for the reorganization of the Federal Reserve Bank, however, is expected to break the jam at least, the appropriation measures. Leaders believe that it still is possible with night sessions to get through all of the money bills, with the exception, possibly of the army and navy appropriations. The emergency tariff bill is to be given exclusive right of way tomorrow in the Senate after a calendar call of bills for passage by unanimous consent, and a vote on it is expected by Tuesday or Wednesday. The House plans to pass the last two appropriation bills the naval and fortifications budgets, early this week and clear the way for other legislation and conference reports. A half-dozen appropriation bills are waiting for the Senate to consider but protracted discussion of the naval supply measure is in prospect with the controversy over reduction or suspension of the building program, imperiling its enactment. Miscellaneous measures before the special committee to investigate the escape of Grover Cleveland Bergdoll, draft dodger. Adoption of the resolution early this week is expected. The peaker control bill, the Sheppard-Towner maternity and infancy aid bill and the Smith-Towner measure for a federal bureau of education of other important measures on the House Calendar which have been made subjects of great pressure by supporters and opponents.

APPEALS TO PRESIDENT TO AID IN TYPHUS FIGHT

Inadequate Protection For Port of New York, Says Health Commissioner. New York, Feb. 13.—Asserting that there is something defective in our immigration methods, Dr. Royal S. Copeland, health commissioner of New York City, today telegraphed Joseph P. Tumulty, President Wilson's secretary, asking assistance to exclude vermin-infested immigrants from landing on American soil. Dr. Copeland declared immigrants had been passed by the immigration authorities, and that subsequent examination by city officials revealed the presence of vermin, which are carriers of the typhus germ. He complained that during the last two weeks two immigrants with incipient typhus, had been permitted by immigration authorities to land here. "It is neither safe nor decent to admit to the United States vermin-infested aliens," the telegram said. "Please ask the President to investigate and to take steps to protect our congested city and the country at large."

ASHEVILLE PRIEST GIVEN APPOINTMENT A. ROME

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ROADS, TICKS AND CENSORSHIP HOLD STAGE THIS WEEK

Doughton-Connor-Bowie Road Bill Likely To Pass Tomorrow Night. THOMAS DIXON TO SPEAK ON CENSORSHIP THURSDAY. Strenuous Battle Will Rage Over Matthews' Measure To Establish Censorship Board; Indications of Party Caucus. es Thursday Night Over Neal Redistricting Bill.

Roads, moving picture censorship, stock law, cattle ticks and oysters will be the principals in the legislative comedy-drama during the week beginning tonight at 8 o'clock. Roads will take precedence over the other actors in the piece after a brief prologue to night and tomorrow morning when the Doughton-Connor-Bowie bill comes up on special order in the House Tuesday night at 8 o'clock. The week's work is about evenly divided between committee hearings and battles, that will be waged on the floor of the House. The Senate does a considerable amount of work with nothing more than a brief prologue to the Doughton-Connor-Bowie bill for the election of school superintendent in Northampton county, and a second effort to have the upper House concur in the abolition of the Ashe county treasurer.

Little Opposition Seen

The road bill appears likely to pass the House with a comfortable margin of votes, although its adoption will be by means of acclamation. Opposition to some of the provisions has broken out in various quarters, but organized move has been disclosed against it. There will be a considerable amount of oratory used up, and the House will likely pass it on its second reading Tuesday night and its third Wednesday morning. It will get to the Senate by Thursday, if the plans of its proponents fall through. The road matter is the only special order on the House calendar through the week, but sundry committee hearings set for every day in the week except today promise interest, and excitement, with the largest lot of bill going to the Joint Education committee Thursday afternoon when the moving picture censorship bill comes up for a looking over. State-wide stock law that has an inning before the Senate will be taken up on Friday night. Censorship will precipitate a battle before committee, and if it goes beyond the committee, a fight in the House that will go down in the history of the session as one of the bloodiest. Picture exhibitors have lined up in a solid phalanx against the measure and a crusade that had its beginnings years ago will concentrate on the General Assembly to kill the measure.

Thursday Big Day

Thomas Dixon, one of the State's most noted citizens, author of book that has made him a millionaire, and producer of the moving picture that is used as the standard of excellence the world over, will be here for the hearing, and will speak. Telegrams received from him yesterday by H. G. Allen, owner of the Superby theatre, said that he would arrive Thursday morning, and would address the committee against censorship. Besides Mr. Dixon, scores of other men of distinction in the moving picture industry will be here to protest against the measure. Men and women well known in the public life of the State will be here to speak for the bill, among them educators, preachers, club women and others who will be before the committee. On the face of things, it appears that the Hall of Representatives will be entirely inadequate for the accommodation of the throng.

The Irrepressible Tick

Although apparently smitten a mortal blow, tick eradication will poke its head into the legislative midst during the week, with the Senate calling the insect out for discussion Wednesday. The House killed the measure, but a motion to reconsider has been lodged and will be taken up if the Senate is favorably disposed to it. Stock law, passed by the Senate, may pass the House, if the Senate will kill eradication. No definite arrangement to this end can be seen on the surface, but from indications, that is what is scheduled to happen. The General Assembly still has before it some political and semi-political measures that will probably require a caucus before the end of the week on the part of both majority and minority. The Neal redistricting bill is due for consideration shortly, and two short ballot measures that have been offered in the Senate. Neither measure has thus far been reported out of committee, and some dissatisfaction over the line-up of the new senatorial districts must be ironed out. The Republicans are bitterly opposing the measure.

Short Ballot Unsettled

The sweeping changes that have been made in the senatorial complexion of the State in the Neal bill have had a disturbing effect upon many counties which find themselves in strange company. They like not the shifts, and are preparing to fight the matter out. Wherefore the caucus, which is tacitly agreed for Thursday night. No call has been issued, but the talk about the lobby is of a gathering of the members together to talk the situation over. No intimation is made of a secret caucus. Still pending is the matter that called for the last caucus of the majority, that of abolishing the office of county treasurer in Ashe. The House voted to abolish it a few days ago, the campaign promises of the member from Ashe, but the Senate balked and declared that the office should cease at the expiration of the term.

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