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LIGHT VOTE IN WAKE COUNTY

Lack of Interest in Result and Good Farming Weather Responsible for This Condition

LITTLE SEEMS CERTAIN

There Was Practically No Doubt At 1 O'clock Of His Nomination For State Senator—Colonel Harris Seems To Be Leading His Opponent—Underwood and Kitchin Delegates Will Control County Convention, It Appears.

Wake county's first legalized primary for both parties is being held today. Interest in the election has not been great and for that reason a very light vote, it is thought, is being polled. The contest centered here in the choice for the Democratic nomination for State senator, Mr. James Crawford Little leading his opponent at 1 o'clock, it was conceded, by a good margin.

It seemed assured later in the afternoon that Messrs. Wilbur Hunn, M. A. Griffin and Ernest T. Mills would be chosen as candidates for the house. Mr. L. H. Woodall is running well, but was thought to be behind the other gentlemen. His strength will be found mostly in the county.

A report from Berry O'Kelly's store in House Creek township, stated that Mr. Little was running strong there, and at the Soldiers' Home the same thing was reported. Kitchin delegates to the county convention Wednesday are undoubtedly carrying the day, as are also the delegates favoring Oscar W. Underwood for president. It was stated today by Kitchin leaders in this county, however, that the Simmons-Kitchin fight would not be injected in the convention Wednesday.

The convention is not expected to endorse any candidate for president, though a strong Underwood delegation will likely be sent to both the congressional and State conventions. Very few Simmons and Clark men were put on the ticket.

Yesterday afternoon and early today several candidates for delegates announced their choice for president and any man favorable to Wilson or Underwood did not have to go to the polls, but were named blindly. Many voters made inquiries as to Wilson or Underwood delegates. "Vote for me and you vote for Wilson" is the way one candidate had cards to read.

Started Too Late. Mr. Shepherd, in speaking of the voting, admitted that his opponent was leading. His late entrance in the field and the lack of an organized effort on the part of his friends is responsible, his supporters declare, for the light vote he is receiving. As far as Mr. Shepherd is personally concerned, the result is no serious disappointment to him, because he had no desire to enter the race at all. Both he and Mr. Little are first class men, but Mr. Little got a big jump on him and was never caught.

In General. Although the Australian ballot is being used in Raleigh there was little trouble in ascertaining the general result of the voting. Those interested about the polls can tell by the way a voter looks how he cast his ballot, and most people return from the booth and discuss the subject with onlookers.

Light Vote in County. Not one word has been heard from the county, but it is believed that the vote there will be very light. This was too good a day for work, and there was too little in (Continued on Page Five.)

Clark Gets the Rhode Island Vote. Providence, R. I., June 1.—Revised returns from the first Democratic presidential primary in Rhode Island shows Speaker Champ Clark victorious. A very light vote was cast. Clark received 4,105, Wilson, 1,333, and Hernant, 728. The delegates to the Baltimore convention will support Clark on at least one ballot.

Americans Leaving Mexico. El Paso, Texas, June 1.—Americans and other foreign residents are leaving the city of Chihuahua and the rebel zone in northern Mexico. The warning from Washington recently for Americans to remove themselves from the scenes of disturbance, it is believed was reiterated through American Consul Letcher.

If a man is a millionaire it is an easy matter to bring up his son so that he won't be able to support himself later.

SMALL FIRE IN GAS HOUSE

Three Men Have Narrow Escape from Flames This Morning

That the Raleigh fire department is on the job was clearly demonstrated today when the alarm came in at 10:45 from box 34, near the gas house. The department made an exceptionally good run, and it was fortunate it did, for when the companies arrived, the eastern side of the gas house was almost obscured from view by the thick black smoke that was pouring out from the basement. The fire proved to be in the boiler room, where it had started from one of the tar lines becoming disconnected and the tar had caught fire immediately from the contact with the boiler.

Three Men Escape. When the fire started, there were three men in the small room where the tar enters the boiler and they (Continued on Page Five.)

MEAT PRICES CAUSE TALK

May Result In An Investigation By the Federal Government

Washington, D. C., June 1.—High prices of meat probably will be investigated soon by the federal government. An inquiry to supplement previous investigations is being planned at the department of justice. The soaring meat prices and the question as to whether the country's meat supply may be controlled in violation of the Sherman law was called to the department's attention by Representative Edwards' bill directing the attorney general to make an investigation. Since the porkers were acquitted at Chicago of the crime of violation of the Sherman law the department has been keeping in close touch with the meat situation. Attorney General Wickham has had under consideration a civil suit for the dissolution of the National Packing Company, United States Attorney Wilkerson, at Chicago, has been receiving the evidence at the criminal trial, and Oliver Pagan, government special attorney, has been studying the situation. It is intimated that the federal grand jury recently empaneled in Chicago might investigate some of the charges regarding the testimony of certain witnesses in the criminal suit.

MASON CRITICISES ROOSEVELT.

Says He Has Disregarded Brotherly Obligations in Treatment of Taft. New York, June 1.—J. H. Johnston, until recently a warm supporter and a friend of Theodore Roosevelt, has sent to President Taft, a fellow Mason, the following letter: "I've been a thirty-second-degree Freemason for many years, and remember well when it was announced that you had joined the fraternity. I likewise remember when Mr. Roosevelt was running for the vice-presidency, and while he was still governor of the State of New York, he became a member of the Masonic fraternity, as every President of the United States has from Washington down.

"I, as a Mason, do not forget that certain brotherly obligations are imposed upon us, which Mr. Roosevelt has utterly disregarded in his treatment of you of late, and inasmuch as I have seen no allusion to it in any of the newspapers, I beg to suggest that if the fraternity were reminded of it, it might be of great value to you at this very important juncture."

Witness Against See Repudiates Testimony. Chicago, Ill., June 1.—Stephen Bridges, the principal witness against Evelyn Arthur See, leader of the "absolute life" cult, in the latter's trial for contributing to the delinquency of a young girl, made affidavit repudiating his testimony. See is now a prisoner awaiting a review of the case by the Supreme court.

Franklin Still On The Stand. Los Angeles, Cal., June 1.—The cross-examination of Bert H. Franklin, one of the state's principal witnesses in the Clarence S. Darrow trial for alleged jury bribery, occupied most of today's session. Franklin may not leave the witness stand before next Wednesday.

No man is a hero to his wife's mother.



HEAD OF ARMY TO BE DEPOSED Major General Leonard Wood, whose tremendous rapid rise to head of the United States army has been credited to the fact that he was a favored friend of ex-President Roosevelt, Washington official circles are buzzing with gossip over the news that senate and house committees have agreed to legislate him out of office as chief of the general staff on March 1, next.

NO MARINES YET LANDED

But they are Ready to Land If Needed and their Presence Is Having Effect

Santiago, June 1.—A battle at Masira, near Palma Soriano, yesterday resulted in a complete victory for the government troops under General Mendive. Mountain artillery was used with terrible effect. One hundred and twenty-seven Rebels and 18 women who encamped with them were killed.

Fight All Day. Havana, June 1.—The government has received a dispatch from Santiago stating it was reported there that columns under Colonel Valiente and Colonel Valliant struck the rebels yesterday morning, the fight continuing into the evening. The artillery wrought havoc among the insurgents. The losses and scene of battle were not given.

Marines On Hand. Washington, June 1.—No marines have yet been landed at Daiquiri, according to State Department reports. Commander Mitchell of the gunboat Paducah, which is standing off there, is acting under orders to land and force whenever it becomes necessary to protect American life and property, and is free to act on his own discretion. With an American warboat stationed on each side of the eastern end of Cuba, prepared to land forces at a moment's notice and ready to hasten to the nearest point where foreign interests may be threatened by insurrectionists in Orient, it is believed here there is now not so much danger of molestation of American-owned plantations and mining properties.

DURHAM MEN GIVE MONEY TO AID Y. M. C. A. FUND. General Julian S. Carr and Mr. George W. Watts, two philanthropists of Durham, have given \$250 and \$100 to the A. and M. College Y. M. C. A. fund. Rockefeller gave \$20,000 on condition that a life annuity was raised by friends of the institution.

WARRANT ISSUED FOR THOMAS E. WATSON

Macon, Ga., June 1.—A warrant for the arrest of Thos. E. Watson, once a candidate for president on the Populist ticket, was issued by United States Attorney Akerman. The warrant charges Watson with sending obscene matter through the mails. Watson is expected to be arrested today at his home, Thomason, and taken before the federal commissioner at Augusta. The warrant is the outcome of an article in Watson's Magazine, alleged to reflect on the Catholic religion.

Congressman Hamilton Has Fourteen Children. Parkersburg, W. Va., June 1.—The birth of his fifteenth child last night probably gives Representative John M. Hamilton the largest family of any member of three lower houses of congress. Fourteen children are living. The latest member is a daughter.

WILL UNVEIL MONUMENT

To Surpass Inauguration Demonstration and Crowds

Washington, June 1.—A ceremony that will surpass even a presidential inauguration in numbers of attendance, is scheduled to take place here this week when the \$100,000 Columbus memorial is unveiled on Saturday, June 8. The celebration which will commence with a military drill and terminate with a military ball, will be presided over by Secretary of State Knox, and the Hon. Charles Fair, representative from America's (Continued on Page Seven.)



TO BLAME FOR TITANIC LOSS OF LIFE. Captain Stanley Lord, commander of the steamship Californian, the nearest ship to the Titanic when that great vessel went to the bottom with 1,500 passengers, who was scathingly rebuked by Senator William Alden Smith when the report of the findings of the senatorial committee appointed to investigate the direct causes of the Titanic disaster.

MRS. M'CALL ON THE STAND

Wife of Abe McCall Tells of Her Relations With Hawkins Girl

Asheville, June 1.—The feature of the morning Hawkins trial was the testimony of Mrs. Beatrice McCall, wife of Abe McCall, a daughter of Dan McCall, and the closest friend of Myrtle Hawkins. She denied all knowledge of Myrtle's death and that she knew of her condition before the body was found. When court recessed the room was crowded with people as it was known the defendant would go on the stand. Mrs. Don McCall was recalled and in reply to questions said she became aware of Myrtle's condition on Sunday before her disappearance. She suspected it about a week before.

Sympathetic extracts from letters from the witness to Myrtle were read, but she denied that they were private to Myrtle's condition. One extract was "When I go your letter I am crying my eyes out for you poor Myrtle, that I love you next to me."

May Restore Battleships. Washington, June 1.—Two battleships eliminated from the naval appropriation bill in the house may be restored to the list in the senate. The naval affairs committee will support the plan. The committee began consideration today.

Noted Architect Dead. Chicago, June 1.—O. C. Burnham, a noted architect, died in Heidelberg, Germany, according to private advices.

FINAL TRIBUTE PAID TO WILBUR WRIGHT

Dayton, Ohio, June 1.—Thousands of citizens and hosts from distant places paid final tribute to the memory of Wilbur Wright today. The body lay in state three hours at the First Presbyterian church. Throngs viewed the remains of the dead aviator. During the funeral this afternoon all street car and steam road traffic was suspended for five minutes. Another tribute was the tolling of church bells throughout the city.

Army-Navy Game This Afternoon. Annapolis, June 1.—The annual baseball game between the West Point cadets and Annapolis midshipmen will be played here this afternoon. Included in the record-breaking throng, gathered to witness the contest, are many dignitaries, including officers of both arms of the service. Both teams are in line shape.

THOUSANDS OF WAITERS OUT

Leaders Declare There Will Be a Complete Walkout of Hotel Help

New York, June 1.—The strike of three thousand waiters, affecting twenty-five hotels, restaurants, and clubs, threatens to spread far and wide. The strike leaders declare that unless the employers will agree to other terms they will call out the kitchen crews in some hotels this week. The men say before they will re-accept the strikers' union they will shut down their establishments. The strike is being called out by the waiters' union, and other hotel employees may be called out. The strikers' plan being filed by the union is to have the hotel owners agree to a 10 per cent increase in wages, and to have the union represent them in all matters relating to their working conditions. The strike is not intended by any means to be a general one.

DELEGATES FROM SOUTH

Will Stand Firm for President Taft, He Learns in Conference Today With Leaders

Washington, June 1.—President Taft, through conferences with representative republicans, from the southern states, is seeking to learn at first hand what ground there is for the rumors that there will be delegates to Roosevelt from the southern states, pledged or instructed for president. He talked with leaders from Florida and Virginia. His luncheon guests were H. S. Chubb, national committeeman, and W. R. O'Neal, and Henry W. Bishop, delegates from Florida, and Representative C. B. Slemm and the state chairman, and L. P. Summers, delegates from Virginia, and Judge J. B. Gaston, delegate from Georgia. After luncheon Summers said Virginia's 24 votes would stand firm for the president. Speaking for Florida delegation's loyalty to Taft, Chubb said: "It is not a question of dislike for Roosevelt, but one of personal honor and integrity, they come first."

ASSETS OF SEABOARD CO.

New Jersey Justice Signs Order Offering Plan of Distribution

Newark, N. J., June 1.—Vice Chancellor Stevens of the New Jersey chancery court, signed an order today approving a plan for distributing the assets of the Seaboard Company. The holding company of the Seaboard Air-Line Railway Company, The Seaboard Company, had about \$2,000,000 stock outstanding. The order requires the liquidation of shares of first preferred stock of the Seaboard Company by payment of cash at the rate of \$101.75 per share. The order provides for an open exchange of second preferred and common stock of the Seaboard Company for second preferred and common stock of the Seaboard Air-Line Railway Company. If this stock is not exchanged, it is to be sold to trustees on either the stock exchange of New York or Baltimore, the proceeds to be paid to the bondholders. The report filed by the trustees showed they handled \$2,020,913 in cash.

LOW DEATH RATE. Raleigh Had Only 21 Normal Deaths During Last Month—Statistics. The death and birth report has been completed by the health department for the past month and the cases and causes show that the city is a healthy place. The report shows that there have been 60 deaths during the last month, but from this still needs to be taken 25 that died in the state and county institutions, those coming here from all over the state. The people that died over the age of 70 years are not included in the death rate. These being the death rate of Raleigh down to 21 deaths. This being a healthy rate for a city of this size. There were 2 deaths from tuberculosis, one from whooping cough and six from pneumonia and one from influenza. There were five cases of typhoid, a case of measles and one of smallpox reported. There were three deaths in Rex Hospital, one in St. James, and one in General Hospital in the Soldiers' Home and two in St. Luke's Hospital, one in the State hospital, and two in the State prison. There were two white and two colored children of the three years and ten. The birth rate showed thirteen white and twenty-five colored births last month.

TEAM SHAKE UP. Doyle Lets Several Patriots Loose—New Players Signed. Greensboro, June 1.—There has been a sharp shakeup in the Patriot team of the Carolina Association. Manager Doyle yesterday released pitcher Martin, outfielder Tomlin and infielder Davis. The shaking made by the Patriots has not been satisfactory to the local fans and Doyle is determined to strengthen his team. He has signed Tomlin, of Guilford College, as an infield player and Magberry, of Oak Ridge to the pitching staff. Maloney, who came with the Patriots a few days ago, is assigned Lenon's place in the outfield.

Jury Has Allen Case. Wytheville, June 1.—The Claude Allen case went to the jury this afternoon after Prosecutor Wylor finished his address.

GERMAN SQUADRON IN THE CHESAPEAKE

Norfolk, Va., June 1.—The visiting German squadron is anchored in Lynnhaven Roads, lower Chesapeake. The squadron proceeds in to Hampton Roads Monday and will be welcomed by President Taft and Secretary of the Navy Meyer. Following Taft's visit, the squadron's officers go to Washington to be entertained at the White House Tuesday.

Charlotte Company Chartered. A charter was issued today to the Piedmont Granite and Quarry Company, of Charlotte. The authorized capital is \$125,000, with \$9,000 paid in by W. J. Crowell, J. A. Umberger and E. T. James.

Will Present Baldwin's Name. New Haven, Conn., June 1.—Governor Simon E. Baldwin's name will be presented to the Baltimore convention by Dean Henry W. Rogers, of Yale law school. Rogers will sit in the convention as a proxy.