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R. R. OFFICIALS PROTEST AGAINST UNDERPASS LAW

City to Fight Proposed Raise of Gas and Telephone Rates—City Engineer Webb to Quit.

The two outstanding features of the meeting of the board of aldermen last night were the announcement that the city will fight the proposed raise of gas and telephone rates and the appearance of a number of railroad officials before the board to protest against the ordinance requiring the Southern to build an underpass at the Jackson crossing.

This meeting was to have been held Tuesday night of last week but was postponed on account of election night. All members were present except Alderman Bean of the East Ward and Alderman Feamster of the North Ward, with Mayor Strachan presiding.

The railroad officials were headed by Superintendent Keister of the Midland division, whose headquarters are in Knoxville, and among those present were officials from other points including Capt. R. L. Avery, Greensboro, and Superintendent Rickmond of Salisbury. Mr. Keister stated that the proposition was one that his company could not put through at this time. He had his engineer and blue prints on hand and showed that the project would necessitate an outlay of \$150,000.

In brief his plea was that the company was not financially able to undertake this work now and stated that the ordinance requiring it be rescinded. Other officials made the same claims as the Midland superintendent.

Mr. Keister did say that a better crossing was needed at the Jones street crossing and made a proposition that the street here be widened and a board crossing put down, similar to the one at the Fulton street crossing and the approach made more accessible. This matter went over to a committee to take the same up and report to the board at its next meeting.

In regard to protecting the Fulton street crossing the railroad official said they would keep the siding at this point clear at the west end and not permit the parking of cars nearer the east side of the crossing than 200 feet, in order to give a view either way to parties approaching the crossing.

Mr. H. A. Rouzer asked the board to extend the sewer main on West Liberty street in order that he might get connection from the rear of his new garage now in course of construction. There were several other petitions for sewer extensions as well as street paving and all of these went over for a time.

There was a petition from citizens for the opening up of South Lee street, from Monroe to Military avenue, and this was referred to the proper committee.

The board voted to pay the cost of new uniforms secured at the policemen and also two members of the fire force who remain on duty at the city hall.

The committee named some weeks ago to take up the matter of the request of the Public Service company for a raise of its gas rates recommended that the request be not granted. However, it was stated that this company had made application to the authorities at Raleigh for such permission and it was voted by the board that the city protest against the same and that the mayor and city attorney go to Raleigh at the hearing and make a fight against the proposed raise. This also applies to the proposed raise in telephone rates at which hearing the mayor and city attorney will also be present.

The report of the building committee showed that building permits issued during the month of October amounted to \$44,000.

Chairman Heilig of the street committee was empowered to make exchange of the city horses for mules, the horses not being needed at the fire station now that the city has two motor fire trucks.

Efforts are also being made by the fireman to have the stock removed from the city hall and kept at the stables along with the other stock.

A recommendation was read from the health board that the city purchase and install an incinerator. No action was taken on this at this meeting.

Alderman Heilig, who was on a special committee relative to armistice day and the German, gun reported that everything was in readiness for the celebration and it was the sense of the board that the city officials be present at the exercise tomorrow in a body.

Alderman Rideout made a request that the health officer attend the meetings of the board and give it the benefit of his observations from a health standpoint and advise with the board.

Mr. John I. Shaver made application to be reinstated as janitor at the city hall but this matter was deferred to another time.

The salary of Street Superintendent Weant was placed at \$150 a month to date from July 1st.

KIWANIS CLUB FOR SALISBURY

Organization Will Be Perfected Monday at Luncheon By Organizer For Five States

The Kiwanis club is to establish a chapter here next Monday at a luncheon. District Organizer E. T. Selig, of Knoxville, has interested a number of local business and professional men by his visit this week and will return Monday to put it over.

At a meeting yesterday, C. I. Jones was named temporary chairman of the organization and T. W. Summersett temporary secretary. Other local men interested in the organization are, Mayor W. B. Strachan, J. H. Deas, Hunter Kerr, Locke McKenzie, W. T. Busby and W. C. Maupin.

The motto of the organization "We Build" explains the purpose of the club. It is an organization to build up local organizations and the town. Kiwanis is a translation of two Latin words meaning "Good Indians."

Plans to perfect the organization of the club here were under way some months ago but were postponed. There are 20 Kiwanis clubs in North and South Carolina, two of five states in which Mr. Selig has charge of the organization.

The Kiwanis appeals to the younger men of a city, the average age of Kiwanians in the United States is 33 years. The organization will accept for membership only two men from any one business or profession. However, professions are divided along liberal lines. For instance, the club would take for membership, two general practitioners among the doctors, two dentists, two eye, ear, nose and throat, etc.

CONGRESSMAN JAILED FOR NIGHT

(By The Associated Press)

Washington, Nov. 10.—After spending the night in a precinct police station Representative Garrett of Tennessee was in police court this morning to answer to a charge of colliding and operating an automobile while under the influence of liquor. The congressman, who was in charge, knocked down Miss Alice M. Schofield of this city last night, resulting in a compound fracture of the hip. Congressman Garrett was arrested immediately afterward.

The police said the congressman's bail was fixed at \$500 but he declined to furnish it. When the case was called today it was continued to November 24th, pending the outcome of Miss Schofield's injuries. Garrett was released on a \$500 bond.

BOYS PLAY WITH DYNAMITE ONE DEAD

(By The Associated Press)

Rocky Mount, Nov. 10.—A three-year old son of Stephen Winstead who lives near Sand Cross, six miles from here, is dead and a five-year old brother is in a local hospital in a serious condition with one hand blown off and the other badly torn as the result of the explosion of a stick of dynamite with which the children were playing late yesterday afternoon.

The children found the dynamite under the barn where it had been hidden after some had been used blowing up stumps. The barn was wrecked.

KAISER NOW A COUNTRY GENT

(By The Associated Press)

Dorn, Holland, Nov. 10.—Two years ago tonight William Hohenzollern arrived at the Dutch frontier, a refugee Emperor. Today he is leading in this little village the life of a Dutch country gentleman, doing just about as he pleases and going almost where he desires, about the countryside, so long as he stays within the territorial limits prescribed by the Dutch government.

The Associated Press correspondent has been told by those in close touch with the former Emperor that during the past few months William has found much contentment in the life on his new estate here. He is said to feel certain that no further demands for his surrender will be made upon the Holland government.

METHODISTS PLAN ACTIVE CAMPAIGN

(By The Associated Press)

Presiding Elders of Western N. C. Conference to Push Centenary Work—Have Meeting in Salisbury

The presiding elders of the Western North Carolina Methodist conference met in the parlors of the Empire hotel yesterday afternoon, all the elders being here but two. Rev. Dr. Ricks, former pastor of Tulip Street church, Nashville, met with the elders as did also R. M. Courtney, conference missionary secretary, and Rev. R. J. Parker, returned missionary from Cuba.

After a full discussion the elders decided to put on a campaign throughout the conference for full collection on the centenary. The week of December 5 to 12 will be pay-on-week on the station charges and the whole month of December for rural churches.

There is due to date in this conference on centenary pledges \$638,745 and of this amount there has been paid in \$373,284. Each elder present at yesterday's meeting resolved to throw himself vigorously into the campaign.

SHIPPING BOARD PLAYED FAVORITE IT IS CHARGED

Allocated Ships to Inexperienced and Unfinished Parties in Preference to These able to Handle.

(By The Associated Press)

New York, Nov. 10.—Individuals and corporations of no financial standing and no experience in maritime affairs have been allocated United States shipping board vessels for operation, J. F. Richardson testified here when the Walsh congressional committee resumed its investigation of alleged irregularities in shipping board affairs.

Mr. Richardson, who is secretary and statistician to the Walsh committee, and who in this capacity conducted the investigation of facts regarding the board's operating methods, declared irresponsible individuals were favored while established steamship companies complained of inability to secure any tonnage whatever from the government.

Such allocation, the witness asserted, has been performed at will by a "director of operation" under the shipping board who "commandeered" vessels from established transport lines and reallocated them to private companies. Ships, he said, have been turned over to companies with which relatives of men connected with the shipping board are financially interested.

Competence of applicants for ships, Mr. Richardson stated, was investigated only thru facilities provided by financial agencies. He added that those who have purchased outright vessels from the board complained that they cannot compete with companies financially and equipped by the shipping board. Others, he said, felt that they had cause for dissatisfaction when the board took back and reallocated vessels turned over to them.

PRIZES AWARDED IN NAME CONTEST

Harding Name Selected For the New Rowan County Town.

The Evening Post carried some days ago the story of the naming of a new town in Eastern Rowan for the newly elected president. A letter from Mr. J. D. Johnson, founder of the new community, announces that the splendid little community, 16 miles from Salisbury, 16 miles from Albemarle and one mile from Gold Hill, has been christened "Harding," and the name was suggested by seven widely scattered American citizens. An award of \$25 was offered for the one suggesting the name to be chosen and accordingly the prize has been equally divided between these seven. Among them is James M. Wagoner, of Winston-Salem, R. F. D. 5. The other winners are Mrs. S. H. Wiley, 209 Bank street, Salisbury; Mrs. T. L. Norwood, 205 N. Hamilton street, High Point; Mr. Richard Beaton, Tyrone, Pa.; Mrs. W. H. Crumpler, Route 3, Box 2, Pikeville; Miss Addie White, Hamptonville; Mr. Kemp Alexander, Gold Hill.

In his letter announcing the winners Mr. Johnson writes: "In your issue of August 8 we advertised an award of \$25 for a name for our town. The result was very satisfactory, as we received several hundred suggestions of names. We would appreciate an announcement of the effect that our new town will be known as 'Harding, N. C.'"

S. C. BANKER IS SAFE IN ATLANTA

Columbia, S. C., Nov. 10.—Thomas B. McLaurin, of Bennettsville, a banker who disappeared Monday after the discovery of a note near Blewitt's Falls intimating that he had committed suicide, wired his wife from Atlanta last night that "everything was all right; not to worry," according to members of the family. Relatives of McLaurin have gone to Atlanta to locate him.

JACKSON BOARD TO CANVASS TODAY

(By The Associated Press)

Asheville, Nov. 10.—The Jackson county board of elections will canvass this afternoon at Sylva to canvass the ballots cast in the general election November 2nd. The meeting of the board had been postponed several times on account of trouble which arose at the first meeting. No further trouble is anticipated.

THE HOUSING PROBLEM

Chicago, Nov. 10.—With the arrival of United States Senator Calder and party from Cleveland the senate special committee on reconstruction and production opened its Chicago sessions today. Investigation of the housing situation in the Middle West is expected to bring forth suggestions helpful to home builders from railroad presidents, real estate dealers, architects, club women, engineers, contractors and labor union heads.

Baseball War Nears End

Kansas City, Nov. 10.—Peace is in sight in the major league baseball war. This is the statement of Garry Herrman, representing the national association of minor leagues. He said an informal meeting of the 16 club owners of the National and American league would be held in Chicago Friday.

BACK OF CAR SHORTAGE HAS BEEN BROKEN, REPRESENTATIVE SAYS

Efforts of the Railroad Operators and Employees With the Assistance of Shippers is Successful.

(By The Associated Press)

Washington, Nov. 10.—The back of the car shortage has been broken, Clyde B. Atchison, of the Interstate commerce commission, declared today before the annual convention of the National Railway Association and Utilities Commissioners.

As a result "of the effort of railroad operators and employees with the assistance of shippers and under a policy laid down by the commission," Mr. Atchison said, "we are now facing the possibility of a surplus of equipment."

Mr. Atchison declared the general public had never known "how close the rail and water transportation of the United States came to a complete cessation of functioning in the industrial part of the country as a result of strikes begun in April and continuing in diminishing force to summer."

"The present financial situation," Mr. Atchison asserted, "coupled with the apparent downward trend of construction costs makes it seem prudent not to engage upon any undue or avoidable constructive program until conditions become more normal and seemingly there will be no letting down in intensive use of equipment to make the existing transportation machine operate at 100 per cent load factor."

James A. Perry, of Georgia, was today elected president of the National Association of Railways and Utility Commissioners for a term of one year.

A SPENCER MAN BADLY INJURED

Mr. Joe Thomas Injured by a Fall From a Pony—Many New People Being Brought to Spencer by the Southern Road.

(By The Associated Press)

Spencer, Nov. 10.—Mr. Joe Thomas, a well known young Spencer man, was painfully injured at late Tuesday afternoon in a runaway accident, a pony which he was driving taking a dash when the shafts became detached from the buggy. The vehicle was turned over on Mr. Thomas who was taken to his home for treatment. No bones were broken and it is thought he will soon be out again.

A new concern for Spencer is the Spencer Vulcanizing Co., which is owned and will be operated by Messrs. J. B. Orr, W. E. and Herman Hardiman. It will be located on Salisbury avenue near Fourth street where modern machinery and equipment for vulcanizing of all kinds is being installed. The new concern, the only one of the kind in this place, will be ready for business in a short time.

The Southern Railway is employing numbers of new workmen in the various departments at the Spencer shops and almost every train brings new citizens for Spencer. Many have come here in the past few weeks from other roads where work is light and where men are being laid off. While there has been a slump in freight traffic over the main line of the Southern the movement is still very heavy, considerably above normal as compared with pre-war conditions. The influx of new citizens has caused a congested condition in regard to homes and boarding places for the new comers in Spencer. All lodging and boarding places are crowded to the limit and it is a common thing for persons to either leave town or remain up all night in an effort to secure lodging. Numbers have found board in the country and many drive into Spencer daily to perform their tasks at the shops, causing all roads within a radius of five to ten miles to be crowded with workmen both night and morning. The Spencer Y. M. C., where many are cared for, has been feeding and lodging from 400 to 500 men daily.

Good progress is being made on the new home for the Peoples Bank of East Spencer. The structure is being built of brick and the walls are now nearing completion. With good weather it is expected the building will be ready for occupancy and that the new bank will be opened for business on January 1st. The president is W. J. Hatley, an East Spencer merchant and postmaster, and the cashier has not been chosen.

East Spencer is arranging to erect a new school building at a cost of \$45,000. Plans have been adopted by the school board and work on the building is to be started at an early date with a view of completing it in time for the next term of school. The present building will become an annex to the new building.

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STATE DEPT. IS SLACKENING ITS DIPLOMATIC WORK

As Foreign Policy of New Administration is Unknown it is Useless to Continue.

(By The Associated Press)

Washington, Nov. 10.—As a result of the election and impending change of administration the state department has begun to relax its attitude in some of the diplomatic problems with which it has dealing.

This was made clear at the state department today with statements by high officials that the question of Fiume and the Adriatic settlement in which the United States has played a prominent part in the past was likely to be relegated into the background of affairs in which the State Department was likely to concern itself.

The statement has already been made in case of problems presented by the creation of Spheres of Influence in Turkey by the allied powers. It is doubtful whether the United States would find it possible to arrive at a basis for objection because of the uncertainty as to the part America will play in world affairs under the new Republican administration.

The impending change of administration however will not have any effect on the negotiations with the Japanese government regarding the California alien land law. These negotiations are now nearly complete and a new treaty will soon be drawn.

LUXURIOUS BATHS FOR NEW SENATE

(By The Associated Press)

Washington, Nov. 10.—The Graeco-Roman baths of the United States Senate installed nearly eight years ago but never put into service are now being cleared of cobwebs and put into shape for a luxurious steam plunge, shower and electricity to members of the new senate when it assembles. Charges of extravagance were made in the congressional debates but when the power of the administration at last swung from Republican to Democratic the baths installed in the then new senate office building were shorn of their expensive fittings and left to gloom.

Now, however, the baths are coming back but under a new plan. Members of the Senate will pay a large part of the operating expenses and a special unofficial committee has taken charge of assessment which will be levied against each user in proportion to the service he exacts.

SILENT TRIBUTE FOR U. S. DEAD

(By The Associated Press)

Chicago, Nov. 10.—Plans for armistice day tomorrow were announced today with a proclamation issued by the mayor calling upon citizens to observe the anniversary. At 10 o'clock in the morning the city will pay one minute silent tribute to the American soldiers who died in the war. At the signal of traffic police all vehicles and street cars will stop moving and pedestrians will halt and face the east. Buglers scattered about the downtown district will advance to the middle of the street in corners and sound taps.

BUSINESS SESSIONS OF D. A. R. TODAY

(By The Associated Press)

Asheville, Nov. 10.—The preliminary business sessions of the General convention of the United Daughters of the Confederacy are being held this morning with the memorial session scheduled for this afternoon. The report of the president General Mrs. Roy W. McKinney, of Paduca, Ky., will be made at the business session.

Social events include a reception by the board of trade for the officials and delegates tonight. The historical session Thursday night will conclude the convention.

HARDING DESERTS GOLF FOR FISHING

(By The Associated Press)

Point Isabel, Texas, Nov. 10.—President elect Harding deserted golf for tarpon fishing today when he cancelled a tentative appointment to remain on the water all day trying his luck with the rod and reel.

Yesterday's try at tarpon angling made him a staunch devotee of the sport and friends predicted that during the remainder of his vacation he would give little time to any other form of recreation.

To Attend Underpass Hearing A number of Spencer and East Spencer citizens are contemplating going to Raleigh November 26 to be present at the hearing before the state corporation commission relative to an underpass at the Spencer depot. Numbers of citizens of the two towns are greatly interested in this matter and it is expected that a large delegation will be present when the same is brought before the commission at Raleigh.

150,000 CLOTHING WORKERS ARE IDLE

Numerous Clothing Manufacturing Firms Shut Down Asserting That Business is Slack.

(By The Associated Press)

New York, Nov. 10.—Nearly 150,000 members of the United Hebrew Trades in New York State have been thrown out of work in the last three weeks of "steady business recession," Morris Feinstein, associated secretary of the organization, announced here today.

Of these 90,000 are tailors and cloth and dress goods makers, mostly in Greater New York. These figures include about 75 per cent of the tailors and cloth and dress goods workers in the union, Mr. Feinstein said, adding that the Hebrew trades include more than 250,000 men and women throughout the State.

"Employers say business is slack," Mr. Feinstein said. "Some of them have closed their factories and later requested their employees to return to their job at a lower wage scale, asserting that if labor costs are less, every trade is affected by the slump in business," Mr. Feinstein said, adding that "none of our people are going to accept lower wages until the cost of living has gone down, so they can do so without lowering the standard of living."

SELLING ORGANIZATIONS.

Nation Wide Plan to Dispose of Farm Products if Farmer Does Not Receive Proper Pay.

(By The Associated Press)

Boston, Nov. 10.—The establishment of nation wide organizations which will fix the price of farm products "if the farmers do not receive the same pay for some hours work that others receive" was predicted today by Sherman J. Lowell, of Fredonia, N. Y., master of the National Grange Patrons of Husbandry in opening the annual convention of the grange.

GOVERNMENT TAKES HAND IN STRIKE

(By The Associated Press)

Mexico City, Nov. 10.—Government intervention in the situation at Vera Cruz, where dock workers and stevedores are on strike, will begin today it was announced. All operations at the piers of that city will be conducted by the government and it is believed the situation which threatens a general strike will be averted.

PENROSE RELAPSE REPORT DENIED

(By The Associated Press)

Philadelphia, Nov. 10.—Published reports that Senator Penrose who has been ill for about a year had a relapse were denied today by one of his physicians who said there was no material change in the Senator's condition.

Senator Penrose is making preparations to return to the Senate after an absence since last November.

FORTY-EIGHT ARE BELIEVED DEAD

(By The Associated Press)

Manila, P. I., Nov. 10.—Forty-eight persons are believed to have perished when the coastwise steamer San Ballice was struck by a typhoon last Wednesday en route to Puerto Bello, South Philippines, according to survivors who reached here today. Fifteen of the survivors reached Cebu. There were 64 persons aboard the vessel.

CATHOLIC PARISH HOUSE DYNAMITED

(By The Associated Press)

Struthers, O., Nov. 10.—The parish house of Holy Trinity Czechoslovak Catholic church was dynamited early today, the porch being blown off. No one was injured.

The house was occupied by the Rev. John Frens, recently installed as priest and against whose appointment protests were made by the members of the church, who for a time maintained an armed guard to prevent his taking possession.

REGARDING PRICES ON SUGAR TUESDAY

(By The Associated Press)

Low Price Quoted Yesterday Was For Raw Sugar and Does Not Directly Affect the Retail Price On Refined Sugar.

Local dealers say that the Associated Press report on decline in raw sugar yesterday carried in the Evening Post along with other A. P. newspapers is misleading and causing buyers to expect lower prices than the conditions warrant. The New York story carried in this paper yesterday recording a drop of 17 cents on raw sugar is being taken to mean a lowering of the price of refined sugar. The yesterday's market on refined sugar was given as without change, ranging around 11 cents, which quotation is for movements in large quantities from the producers. There is a wide difference between quotation on a raw article and the refined at retail, and buyers should not be misled by these figures.

Crimean Peninsula Penetrated.

(By The Associated Press)

London, Nov. 10.—Penetration of the Crimean peninsula is claimed in the Russian Soviet official statement of Tuesday, received here today by wireless.

MAY LAUNCH MOVE TO REVOLUTIONIZE N.C. PUBLIC SCHOOL

Teachers Assembly, It is Believed, Will Ask That Present State System Be Abandoned.

(By MAX ABERNETHY)

Raleigh, Nov. 10.—A movement to revolutionize the present State school system will in all probability be launched at the annual meeting of the North Carolina teachers' assembly which convenes at Asheville Thanksgiving day.

Just what the plan may or may not be understood by those on the outside but it is believed that at the Asheville meeting recommendations will be made urging that the state system be abandoned for one similar to the present city system. If this is done, of course, the idea is to have the superintendent of public instruction for the state chosen by the board of education rather than nominated and elected by popular vote.

There are other changes, it is understood, that will be recommended but interest will center in the movement to take the superintendent of public instruction's election out of the hands of the people of the state. Friends of the present plan admit that the theory of such a change is plausible. In a popular election there is always the possibility of an inefficient man being chosen when an expert in educational matters should be given the position. But they do not believe that the movement, which contemplates a radical departure from the system in vogue, will meet with favor in the state.

While there has been no formal announcement made from any source outlining the substitute plan it is understood that F. P. Bachman representative of the National Bureau of Education, is back of the movement.

Workmen's Compensation Bill.

The naming of a special commission at the special session of the 1920 general assembly to investigate and report at the regular session of the legislature next January on a workmen's compensation bill, it is believed, will give North Carolina such a law.

Col. James R. Young, state insurance commissioner, who has urged a compensation law heretofore has obtained copies in pamphlet form of all southern state laws and also a digest with annotations of all such laws in the United States. These are at the disposal of the commission and will be given the members constituting the commission by Deputy Commissioner Wade, who succeeds Colonel Young.

This joint commission is composed of two senators, Lindsay Warren, of Washington, and Dorman Thompson, of Statesville, and three representatives, Luke H. Young, Leicester, R. B. Redwine, Monroe, and Brownlow Jackson, Hendersonville.

It is predicted that the incoming legislature will write into its law, if one is enacted, provisions contained in such laws in Virginia and Georgia. Every state has passed a workmen's compensation law except North Carolina, Florida and South Carolina.

Doughten Elected.

Former lieutenant-governor W. C. Newland, of Lenoir, who is a visitor at the capital, is of the opinion that Congressman Bob Doughten's re-election from the eighth district is certain beyond a doubt. He is confident that while it is true that Mr. Doughten carried only three counties, Alleghany, Iredell and Rowan, his majorities in these counties along with the vote he received in the others will run his majority to about 2,000.

The mountain women, the former lieutenant governor thinks, did not vote the Democratic ticket as was expected. This fact is given as reason for Mr. Doughten's small majority. The Republican women voted nearly their full strength, he thinks.

Pardon Granted.

Governor Brackett's office today announced the conditional pardon of John Moon, High Point man, convicted of bigamy and a serving ten years in the State penitentiary. Reasons for the man's pardon are lacking but the governor is expected to make them known upon his return to his office the last of the week.

COSTS MORE TO MARRY SATURDAY THAN MONDAY

The Hague, Oct. 22.—The cost of getting married in The Hague still depends on the day of the week. For some reason that has never been explained Monday is society day and marriages on that day at the City Hall, where every couple must go for the official ceremony, cost 60 guilders, (nominally equivalent to 40 cents each). On Saturdays the charge is five guilders, or nothing at all, depending upon whether the couple wish a separate ceremony all for themselves or be married in groups of twenty couples at a time.

At these group marriages, the officiating clerk reels off in 30 minutes the marriage formula, all the couples listening in, chorusing "yes" at the proper time, and then all file in and sign the book. Thus they are married.