

9 WARREN CO. NEGROES SAFE IN PENITENTIARY; WARRENTON IS QUIET

NEGROES SHOW UGLY SPIRIT BUT WARRENTON QUIET

Five Additional Arrests Made Today Following Troubles Yesterday and Firearms Taken.

(By The Associated Press)

Raleigh, Jan. 24.—Nine negroes arrested in connection with the shooting of Traylor brothers and two other white men early Sunday morning at Norlina, arrived here at 12:45 this afternoon from Warrenton and were placed in the state penitentiary for safe keeping.

These negroes were arrested with Plummer Bullock and Alfred Williams who were taken from Warrenton county jail early this morning and shot to death by a mob.

Chas. Smith, one of the nine negroes, told the officers while en route here that Matthew Bullock was the ring leader of the negroes. Smith said Bullock came into his pressing club shortly after midnight Sunday morning accompanied by about 15 other negroes and stated, "We're fixed for the Traylor boys tonight."

Smith said the negroes were armed with shot guns and revolvers. He declared that he was asleep when the firing near the railway station started. He gave the officers the names of the negroes he said were in the party.

Warrenton, Jan. 24.—With the exception of a few groups of negroes here and there who still appear to show an ugly spirit, the scene of the lynching of two negroes brought here from Norlina last night, has settled into quiet today and no further trouble is anticipated.

The Warrenton home guard ordered out last night is patrolling the town this morning and it is not thought necessary to call for further assistance. Twenty-five citizens were deputized to patrol the town last night after the lynching.

With the imprisonment of the 13 negroes brought here from Norlina in consequence of the lynching of the two negroes, Warrenton negroes began to show signs of agitation and threatened uprising to the extent that five, apparently leaders among them, have been arrested.

All manner of fire-arms is said to have been found on them, including Winchester rifles, shot-guns and pistols.

A jury was empaneled this morning for an inquest over the bodies of the two negroes, Alfred Williams and Plummer Bullock, lynched last night. The 11 negroes left in the county jail by the mob will be taken to Raleigh for safe keeping.

The lynching which occurred shortly after midnight was the culmination of several days of ill feeling between negroes and whites of Norlina which reached a climax early Sunday in a white mob battle there in which five white men and three negroes were wounded by pistol shots.

2 o'clock this morning and now 13 negroes, charged with participation in the shooting, are in Warrenton county jail at Warrenton, in default of bonds ranging from \$200 to \$1,000.

The wounded men are: R. L. Traylor, white; Lloyd Traylor, white; H. A. Rainey, white; W. J. Upchurch, white; H. A. Ainscoe, white, Claude Jones, negro; Jerome Hunter, negro and Robert Moss, negro.

All of the white men save W. J. Upchurch and Ainscoe are in the Henderson hospital where physicians stated tonight that Traylor's condition is critical. Jerome Hunter, the negro most seriously hurt, is in a hospital at Raleigh, where small hopes are entertained for his recovery.

Robert Moss, slightly hurt, is in jail and Claude Jones is at his home under guard.

The difficulty this morning followed bad feeling which has been growing since Tuesday. On that day, according to Chief of Police S. P. Fleming, of Norlina, Plummer Bullock, negro, went into the store of J. P. Williams, a merchant of Norlina, and sought to buy ten cents worth of apples from Brady Traylor, clerk. The negro professed dissatisfaction with his purchase and wanted his money back.

The exchange was affected, after some words, whereupon the negro cursed said Traylor, it is said, and threatened him.

According to the chief of police, the Traylor received word last night that the negroes were organizing to make good Plummer Bullock's threat. Between 1 and 2 o'clock, perhaps a score had gathered at the Seaboard depot, some of them it is said, with shot-guns.

Ruby Traylor, brother of Brady, approached Matthew Bullock, apparently the leader of the negroes, and asked him what the trouble was about. While they were talking, according to evidence brought out in the preliminary hearing this afternoon, Jerome Hunter, negro, walked up and fired at Traylor from close range. The white man fell and Hunter shot him twice as he lay on his back.

The shooting then became general and in it W. J. Upchurch, engineer of a switch engine, and H. A. Rainey and H. A. Ainscoe, car inspectors, were shot, as they were about their work on the railroad yards.

Matthew Bullock, said to have been the leader of the negroes, made his escape, and the round-up, made by a posse of white men formed shortly after the shooting this morning, failed to locate him. Thirteen however, were arrested and committed to jail in default of bonds, after preliminary hearing before Justice of the Peace J. C. Hardy, of Norlina, this afternoon.

BEATS MONTE CARLO



MRS. HARRY SCHWARTZ

Mrs. Harry Schwartz of New York played a lunch while honeymooning at Monte Carlo and won, she says, \$100,000. She and her husband have just returned to New York. It was her twentieth birthday and she played "20" on the wheel.

25 KILLED; MANY INJURED BY OIL TANK EXPLOSION

Twenty Frame Houses in Memphis Splintered By Force of Explosion and Burned.

Memphis, Tenn., Jan. 24.—Twenty-five persons were killed and 15 or more injured as a result of an explosion of a tank car filled with gasoline in the northeast section of this city today which set fire to a row of small houses occupied mostly by negroes. A number of whom are missing and believed to have been burned to death.

Early police estimates place the number of deaths as high as 25 while reports from various hospitals indicate that at least 50 have been given treatment for injuries.

Twenty frame houses, the length of a block were literally splintered by the force of the explosion and were set on fire, while windows within a radius of 15 blocks were broken. Virtually all of the houses were occupied by negroes.

Every ambulance in the city was rushed to the scene and volunteer rescue parties were formed to aid the police in removing the dead and injured. The fire was under control before it spread beyond the wrecked houses.

COTTON GINNED PRIOR TO JAN. 1

Washington, Jan. 24.—Cotton ginned prior to January amounted to 12,016,465 bales exclusive of linters and including 204,000 round bales and 7,900 bales of American Egyptian and 1,166 bales of Sea Island. Ginnings prior to January 1 of last year were 10,977,120. Ginnings for North Carolina this year to January 16 were 801,746.

Cardinal Barred by Revolt Dead  
Lisbon, Jan. 24.—Information has been received here of the death of Cardinal Jose Sebastiao Netto, formerly Patriarch of Lisbon, who died in one of the Franciscan monasteries of Spain where he retired after the revolution, in 1910. He received the Cardinal's cap from the hands of King Louis I of Portugal in 1883. Previously he was Bishop of Angola and the Congo, where he was a missionary.

GOVERNOR PROBE KY. NIGHT RIDERS

Appearance of Old Band in Blue Grass Section Calls for Investigation by Morrow.

(By The Associated Press) Lexington, Ky., Jan. 24.—Governor Morrow today planned an investigation of night riders in the Blue Grass tobacco belt of Kentucky, following the appearance of "riders" Saturday night for the first time in years.

Fifteen farmers in Bath and Fleming counties were visited and warned that the selling of their leaf tobacco or the planting of new crops this year would result in the burning of their barns and the destruction of other property. The warnings followed the recent closing of the burley tobacco market at which unusually low prices were offered farmers for their leaf.

SOUTHERN POWER FIGHT START TODAY

Raleigh, Jan. 23.—Lawyers representing multitudinous interests are here tonight for the beginning of testimony tomorrow morning before the corporation commission, which is entertaining the Southern Power company's petition to increase its hydro-electric rates.

The gross amount of the increase will be \$2,000,000 experts employed by the opposition say. Of this the J. W. Cannon string of cotton mills will pay \$100,000 and Ned Parker, of Graham, represents another syndicate quite as hard hit. J. Lee Crowell, of Concord, is appearing for the Cannon mills; T. C. Guthrie of Charlotte, is opposing for his clients the great increase; A. L. Brooks, Judge W. P. Bynum and R. R. King, of Greensboro, are among the protestants; T. C. Linn, of Salisbury, is resisting, and S. M. Gattis, of Hillsboro, is kicking. The city is full of lawyers, and the lawyers are full of fight.

James Buchanan Duke, president of the Southern Power company, will be down tomorrow night, the lawyers said. E. T. Cansler came this afternoon to fight the battle for the Southern Power. Z. V. Taylor is expected later tonight.

The Southern Power company's course in asking to increase the rates is regarded a virtual breach of all existing contracts with the consumers of power. Many mills and manufactories have long time agreements which will be destroyed, and when this is done every power company in the state is expected to follow the Southern's example.

COUNTRY CLUB MEETING TONIGHT

Stockholders of the country club of Salisbury will meet tonight in the community building at 8 p. m. for the purpose of electing officers and discussing improvements to be made on the grounds.

The board of directors will have a plan to submit for the approval of the stockholders whereby the club can make needed improvements at once without increasing the dues of the club.

CHARGED WITH FORGERY.

White Man Bound Over to Superior Court Charged With Having Forged a Check.  
Carl Harris, a white man who gives his home as Danville, Va., was arrested Saturday afternoon charged with having forged a check for \$20, signing the name of Mr. T. B. Brown, and attempting to have the same cashed at the Salisbury Bank & Trust Company. He waived examination in county court, this morning and his case went up to the February term of Rowan Superior court.

Harris is said to have called on Mr. Brown and asked him to endorse a check on a Greensboro bank but was refused, and afterward he is alleged to have secured a check on the Salisbury Bank & Trust Company and made it out for \$20, signing the name of Mr. Brown. However, the check was not honored but inquiry was made, resulting in the arrest of Harris.

MAYOR CALLS MEET SCHOOL BD.

Board Meets This Afternoon to Consider Plans for Bond Issue to Provide Facilities.

Mayor W. B. Strachan, who is ex-officio chairman of the city school board, today called a meeting of this board to be held this afternoon at 4 o'clock at which time he will submit plans for a proposed bond issue to secure funds to provide necessary additional buildings and the improvement of some of the present school buildings in the way of enlargements and otherwise and for the erection of a high school building, also for the establishment of a tax rate to cover the operating expenses of the city public schools.

These matters will have to be submitted to a vote of the people and as soon as the necessary authority can be secured from the legislature and it is found what action this body will take, it is hoped by those charged with the duty of seeing that the city schools are operated that the people of Salisbury will support any progressive plan to take care of the schools.

As previously stated Mayor Strachan has already requested the services of the state architect to make an investigation and survey to see what can be done in the matter of enlarging several of the present school buildings. There is not at present sufficient room or equipment to properly care for the children, this condition arising from the fact that the enrollment at all four of the schools has increased by leaps and bounds and so taxed the capacity of the buildings that it is now necessary to operate the lower classes in morning and afternoon shifts, thus depriving all of these children, the beginners, of something like half or at least a third of the time in which they ought to be in school.

It is also taxing the teachers and in other ways retarding the efficiency of the schools and something must be done and that at the earliest possible time, and it is to plan for relieving the situation that the meeting of the school board is being held this afternoon.

NORFOLK OFFICERS ON A MAN HUNT

Norfolk, Va., Jan. 24.—With officers scouring the country around Portsmouth and Port Norfolk feeling is high against an unidentified negro who made a brutal assault on a white woman, a member of a well known Norfolk county family.

The county authorities are prepared to take precaution to protect the negro from violence at the hands of enraged citizens in the event of his capture. Bloodhounds have been on the trail of the negro since Saturday when the woman was attacked while driving alone thru a narrow roadway.

COOLIDGE COMING SOUTH TOMORROW

New York, Jan. 24.—Vice-president-elect Calvin Coolidge will follow the example of president-elect Harding by taking a vacation in the South, beginning next week after he addresses a conference of business men in Atlanta the latter part of the week, after which he will go to Asheville to rest until the middle of February. He will leave here tomorrow for Atlanta.

LIQUOR CASE NOT TO BE REVIEWED

Washington, Jan. 24.—Conviction in Richmond, Va., of Chas. Sichel of bringing liquor into the State was virtually sustained by the United States supreme court today.

Sichel brought an appeal on the ground that section 39 of the Virginia prohibition act of 1916 was invalid. He had been sentenced to pay a fine of \$50 and serve one year in jail.

Harding's Vacation Pals



Grouped about President-elect Harding here are the men invited to accompany him to straw-hat land for the pre-inauguration vacation. The map shows St. Augustine, Fla., first destination. Here Harding will board Senator J. S. Frelinghuysen's yacht for a cruise (in the water indicated by the half-circles) where job-hunters can't reach him. Frelinghuysen is shown in the center below Harding. On the left (top to bottom) Senator A. B. Cummins, Miles C. Cahill, secret service guard, and Senator Frederick Hale. Right, Senator A. R. Fall (above) and George B. Christian, Harding's secretary.

ALL BELGIAN LOAN FLOATED TODAY

New York, Jan. 24.—J. P. Morgan & Co. and the Guaranty Trust Company announced this morning that the subscription books for the \$30,000,000 Belgian loan were opened at 10 o'clock and immediately closed.

The announcement was taken to mean that the loan had been successfully voted and that it was oversubscribed, although it was said the amount of oversubscription could not be determined for several months.

CORK LORD MAYOR NOW IN NORFOLK

Norfolk, Va., Jan. 24.—Donald O'Callaghan, lord mayor of Cork, late this afternoon will be succeeded by the chief inspector of immigration at this port. He is now in custody of Judge Lawless, his counsel, who will carry out the orders of the state department for the cancellation of the lord mayor's parole.

RESIDENCE OF CHRISTIAN, NEXT TO HARDING, BURNED

Marion, O., Jan. 24.—The residence of George B. Christian, Jr., next door to the home of President-elect Harding, and used by him as his headquarters, was destroyed by fire this morning. All campaign documents stored in the building, although somewhat damaged by water, are thought to have been saved. The desk at which the President-elect met in conference with the "best minds" of the country also was removed from the burning building but slightly marred by the flames.

The fire started from an overheated furnace. The house was unoccupied.

AIRPLANE MAIL FOR NEW ZEALAND

New York, Jan. 24.—New Zealand will soon inaugurate an airplane mail service modeled after that in use by the United States Postoffice Department, according to J. B. Murphy, of Timaru, New Zealand, who came here to see demonstrations of various aircraft.

MORSE TESTIFIES BEFORE COMMITTEE

New York, Jan. 24.—Perley Morse, whose accountant firm audited the books of the Bethlehem Shipbuilding Corporation, appeared today before the Walsh committee investigating the affairs of the United States Shipping Board and corroborated the testimony of Col. E. H. Abadie, former general controller, concerning the discovery of a voucher for \$360,000 alleged to cover personal expenses of Chas. Schwab over 1918.

100,000 QUARTS IS SOME PROBLEM

Stacked Up Like Cordwood, With Two Hundred Barrels of Alcohol Laying Around.  
Lansing, Mich., Jan. 22.—Two hundred barrels of alcohol, more than 100,000 quarts of bottled in bond whiskey, gin, cordials and other liquors, stored away by the state constitute a problem for Fred L. Woodworth state food and drug commissioner.

The intoxicants have been seized by state authorities since Michigan became dry May 1, 1918. The more than 100,000 bottles are piled like cord wood in the basement of a building here and about them are grouped the 200 barrels of alcohol. The basement where the state liquor store is kept is harder to break out of than Jackson prison is to break out of. There are bars over the cellar windows and great locks on the doors.

More than 200 different kinds of whiskey are represented in the 100,000 or more quart bottles piled about the cellar.

About 20 stills a day, ranging in size from the kind that are lifted by means of derricks to those that may be carried easily by one man, are received at the building and stored away in the dark recesses of the basement.

Mr. Woodworth has a collection of ingenious articles used by bootleggers to smuggle whiskey from one city to another large enough to start a small museum. There are about 400 hot water bottles, a violin case concealing a tank to carry a gallons, milk cans with compartments for whiskey, and dozens of other articles that in their time served the purposes of whiskey smugglers.

LABOR WILL TRY TO DEFEAT TWO WORKMEN'S ACTS

Governor and Good Road Association at Loggerheads as to How to Raise Road Money.

Raleigh, Jan. 24.—Expecting discussion during the present week in one or both branches of the general assembly over the two proposed workmen's compensation acts, organized labor today announces its decision to have both of the measures defeated.

This announcement is made here today by W. F. Moody, president of the State Federation of Labor, who says he has studied both the Delaney bill and the Young bill and has found them wanting in many particulars. Organized labor in North Carolina, says President Moody, will have nothing to do with either measure except to secure their defeat if possible, and the union's head thinks this can be done.

The announcement sent to the state papers last week aligning the unionists back of the Delaney bill and in opposition to the measure drafted by the commission appointed during the Bickett administration and introduced by Representative Young was before it became known that the State Federation of Labor had deserted the Delaney senator. The laborers did intend to urge support for the Delaney bill, saying that it was their understanding that it would be vastly different from the commission's draft. Now they take the position that the measures are well nigh one and the same.

Senator Delaney said today that while there was no radical difference in the proposed bills he believed the bill he had drafted and introduced would be more satisfactory to organized labor than the Young law.

"In drafting my bill," said Senator Delaney, "I did not attempt to unduly discriminate against the employer nor to show partiality to the employee, but I did try to strike a happy medium between the two so that the bill would have some chance of passing. However, it's up to the laboring men; if they don't want to give and take I fear that North Carolina will not have any kind of workmen's compensation law during the next two years."

Members of the house and senate express the opinion that unless the State Federation of Labor lends its support to one of the proposed bills both will be defeated since, it is pointed out, the legislation is intended to provide relief for the man who works with his hands and is injured while so doing. The sage prediction is that neither bill will pass muster.

Busy Week Expected  
Governor Morrison's intention of going before the legislature either Wednesday or Thursday to deliver his taxation message which will have an indirect bearing upon road legislation is taken as the cue that the present week's session will be one of the busiest so far.

At loggerheads with the program the North Carolina Good Roads lobbyists are advocating the governor's message is looked for with much interest at the capital. The good roads' lobbyists are insisting that an ad valorem tax be levied to finance the road building program while Governor Morrison holds out that no general property tax be levied. The governor would raise the money from a bond issue, paying the interest with the automobile licenses and gasoline tax.

Then the question of maintenance seems to be pestering the life of everybody. There are those who think the state should build and maintain the highways; the governor's plan is for state and federal construction with county maintenance under rigid inspection.

The Morrisonian plan is for 3,000 miles of hard-surfaced roads, to be constructed by county seat to county seat with money furnished by the sale of the state bonds in as big amount as is necessary. The good roads association differs with the governor again on dirt roads. Governor Morrison is eternally opposed to spending a dollar of the state's money on sand-clay or "mud" roads. He wants them all hard-surfaced. The good roads association's bill provides for state maintenance of several thousand miles of dirt roads.

As told in this correspondence for the first time the governor is being opposed in his road building program by the good roads organization. Unless all factions unite on some plan it is feared that the state will not get the kind of road construction everybody wants. As one member of the legislature expresses it, "There are too many pet ideas in the heads of the good roads folks. They all want the same thing but are not willing to surrender their personal views."

Geddes Arrives in London  
Liverpool, Jan. 24.—Sir Archibald Geddes, British ambassador to the United States, who was called to London ten days ago, is here at 8 a. m. today. He is expected to receive newspaper correspondents.

Rowell Leaves Shipping Board  
Washington, Jan. 24.—Chester Rowell, of California, today resigned as a member of the new shipping board effective immediately. It was announced at the White House that he was leaving the board to become a member of the California railroad commission.