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\$2,000,000 IS EXPECTED TO BE PAID ON INCOMES

North Carolinians Have Two Millions On Way to State Tax Collector Watts for 1921.

(By MAX ABERNETHY)

Raleigh, March 17.—Revised estimates indicate that the State income tax return already made or in the mails will bring two millions in round number into the State treasury.

The tax experts have made their guesses which are in line with this high figure. Commissioner of Revenue A. D. Watts has given careful consideration to the question and he believes the final accounting will show two millions for the year. This amount is used by him as a basis even if the judges and the council of state members won't pay up.

There are, of course, many requests for extensions coming in to the revenue department's office even at this late date, two days after the books were ordered closed. Under the law the commission must grant the extensions and in these cases the money will not be paid until May 15. Included in the extensions granted are some of the biggest income tax payers within the state. There are also some in the individual classes, and these do not represent any great amount of the 2 millions the state is expecting to collect.

Complete and final checking up cannot be made for many days yet and it will be impossible to tell just what amount has been paid in. Commissioner Watts is depositing the checks in the banks as rapidly as the returns can be audited and it is seen that the amounts are correct. Federal collector of revenue Gilliam Grissom estimates that his department has already collected three millions. If the figures are correct it is very likely the grand total will be three, maybe four, times that amount.

The average citizen cannot comprehend such big figures; he is glad that the worry is over until March 15, 1922—12 months hence. State Treasurer Ben Lacy continues to show improvement and he expects to be able to resume his work within a short time.

Business requiring his attention is attended to from his room at his home. February fire losses in North Carolina for February were the lowest of any month within the last two years, with the exception of June and August, 1921, according to announcement by Insurance Commissioner Stacey Wade.

The total losses were only \$354,885 for February. Compared with the preceding months which are charged with over one million each, it indicates to the insurance department great improvement. This is especially true because the national fire loss for February shows an increase of three millions over the enormous January loss.

There were 132 fires in February as against 217 for January, and of these only ten are in the \$5,000 plus class. These ten make a total loss of \$289,600 against \$67,481 for the entire 122 other fires. These 10 fires are reported from (Kinston, 2; Wilson, 2; Monroe, Charlotte, Concord, White Oak, Havelock and Apex. They averaged \$28,960 each while the average for all others was only \$538.

Average daily loss during the short month was \$11,829, against an average of \$85,000 for December and January.

City or urban fires runs the total loss up to \$289,600 and of the rural and suburban losses to \$65,285. The following towns are on the department's honor roll for coming through the month without loss by fire: Rocky Mount, Beltsville, Red Springs, Benson, Belhaven, Sylva, Mount Olive, Canton and the counties of Lee and Ashe.

Defective roofs and flues and unknown are credited with the majority of the fires.

COATS FOUND GUILTY; MERCY RECOMMENDED

(By The Associated Press)

Tolbert, Ga., March 17.—The jury returned a verdict of guilty with recommendation of mercy in the case of Major Lee H. Coats, who has been on trial here for the last several days in Tolbert superior court charged with murder last fall of A. B. McNeice, former superintendent of the Tolbert county schools. Under the laws of Georgia, a verdict with a recommendation of mercy carries a sentence of life imprisonment in the penitentiary. Major Coats received the verdict calmly. Several women members of his family were in the court room when the verdict was returned collapsed and Coats tried to comfort them.

Bread distributors of Paris are almost exclusively women.

English is the common language on the island of Jamaica.

MAY LOSE HIS JOB



Dzerjinsky, the Soviet's Lord High Executioner—"The Bloodiest Bolshevik"—may soon lose his job. Moscow workers are protesting against the "Cheka," the Extraordinary Commission over which he presides. The Cheka has shot thousands of supposed enemies of the Soviet.

THEATRE COMBINE BEING PERFECTED

Chicago Paper Says Leading Theatrical Producer Will Combine to Avoid Overlapping.

Chicago, March 17.—A number of leading theatres and theatrical productions of the United States will be merged under one central management, according to the Chicago Herald Examiner which today printed what it terms plans for a million dollar combine.

According to the newspaper, A. L. Eranger and J. J. and Lee Shubert who negotiated the merger of their respective interests here last week, are negotiating with Chauncey Zeigfeld, A. H. Woods, George G. Dillingham, Sam Harris, George M. Cohen and the Selwyns and others to join them.

The proposed merger, it was said, specifically aims at the elimination of needless building of new theatres, overlapping of existing ones, and the exhibiting in the same city similar types of attractions simultaneously. The theatres will be booked under a central management to avoid such conflicts and resulting in heavy losses.

Small cities will be allowed only one high class theatre, it is said.

OFFICERS ROUNDING UP GANG STORE ROBBERS

(By The Associated Press)

Measrs. Harry and Bernhardt and other representatives of the Belk Harry store and Salisbury Hardware & Furniture Company returned last night from High Point where they were called yesterday for the purpose of identifying some stolen goods found in that city. The High Point officers had arrested a negro man in connection with the finding of the stolen goods. Some of the loot was identified as part of that stolen from Belk-Harry and hardware stores some days ago. The man arrested was Charlie Johnson, of Salisbury. The prisoner was brought to Salisbury by a High Point officer and this morning this officer in company with representatives of the Salisbury stores went to Statesville, taking Johnson along, for the purpose of locating and identifying stolen goods there.

Bud Barnes, another Salisbury negro, was arrested last night in connection with the robberies and this morning Buddie Brown, a third negro, was locked up here.

It is said the negroes had disposed of some of their loot in Statesville. It is also believed this same gang robbed a store in Concord some time ago. There is believed to be at least one other negro man connected with the gang and the officers are endeavoring to locate him.

BANK OF ENGLAND PAYS AN UNUSUAL DIVIDEND

(By The Associated Press)

New York, March 17.—The Bank of England which has distributed a 5 per cent dividend semi-annually since 1914 has increased the rate to 6 per cent, a cablegram to a financial agency here said today. Dividends at an annual rate of 12 per cent has not been paid by the Bank of England in a whole year since 1806.

LULIAN S. CARR, JR. DIED THIS MORNING

Son of General Julian Carr, of Durham, Who is Also Ill—Was "Hosiery King."

Durham, March 17.—Julian S. Carr, Junior, president of the Durham hosiery mills and known as the "Hosiery King," died at the Pennsylvania hotel in New York City at 7:30 this morning, according to a telegram received by his family here. He has been in failing health for several months or more as a result of a nervous breakdown suffered about a year ago.

Mr. Carr was a son of Julian S. Carr, commander-in-chief of the United Confederate Veterans and whom himself has been very ill with rheumaty at his home in this city. Mr. Carr's wife and brother are said to have been with him when he died.

Mr. Carr was 45 years old and is survived by a widow, who was a daughter of the late James W. Cannon, cotton manufacturer of Concord, four children, two brothers and his father.

Julian S. Carr, Junior, eldest son of General Julian S. Carr, who is himself very ill at his home in Durham, died suddenly in New York City this morning. The information first reached Salisbury through a private telephone message from the private secretary to General Carr to Mr. A. H. Boyden. Young Carr was the head of a large chain of knitting mills and a very able business man. He married Margaret Cannon, second daughter of the late J. W. Cannon of Concord, and is survived by his widow and four children. He resided at Durham, where he had large business interests and was one of the leading spirits of that progressive business community.

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION REPORTED IMPROVED

(By The Associated Press)

Washington, March 17.—Reports from widely separated states from Michigan to Texas, New York to Kansas show an improvement in the employment situation, according to Colonel Arthur Wood, chairman of the emergency committee of President Harding's conference on unemployment.

Referring to the "unprecedented" amount of winter outdoor work and added improvements to be expected with the approach of spring, Colonel Wood said:

"There seems to be a slight falling off in the number of applicants for work at the employment bureaus with a corresponding increase in the number for whom workmen are sought by the bureaus.

RETAIL FOOD COST SHOW REDUCTION

(By The Associated Press)

Washington, March 17.—Retail food costs for the average family in the United States during February were 0.3 per cent less than during January, according to compilations made by the United States department of labor today. This decrease, combined with others since February 15, 1921, made a total reduction of 11 per cent.

Of 37 articles of food entering into the average diet the reductions ranged from 28 per cent during the year on granulated sugar down to 2 per cent on canned peas. Increases were found to have been made in the prices of seven other articles included in the general diet, amounting to as much as 179 per cent for onions and 1 per cent for fresh eggs.

Wholesale prices in February, however, showed a tendency to increase, and the weighted index number which the department has prepared to indicate the general price level was placed at 15 per cent, a gain of 2 per cent over level in January.

CARLOAD OF WHISKEY SEIZED IN FLORIDA

(By The Associated Press)

Miami, March 17.—A carload of liquor camouflaged by grape fruit packed around it was seized this afternoon 26 miles South of Ft. Pierce by J. D. Lockridge, special agent of the Florida East Coast Railroad. There were 437 cases of American whiskey in the shipment which was billed from Daunsling, Fla., to Chicago. The whiskey was brought in from Nassau in the Bahamas, Mr. Lockridge said. The car was taken to West Palm Beach and turned over to Sheriff Baker.

A BASEBALL LOTTERY.

(By The Associated Press)

St. Louis, March 17.—The creation of a nation wide baseball lottery with headquarters in Cleveland is indicated, police said today, by the arrest of a man believed by the police to be a local agent.

Tourniquet was invented by a French surgeon, Morel, in 1874. Mount Vesuvius is the only active volcano in Europe. Sun dial is supposed to have been invented about 556 B. C. To combat the wave of crime all Paris is being thumb-printed.

R. R. COMMISSIONERS AND I. C. C. CONFER

(By The Associated Press)

Washington, March 17.—State railroad commissioners and members of the inter-state commerce commission today entered on a conference to consider what changes in railroad regulative policies shall be made in view of the recent decision of the supreme court in the Wisconsin case holding states rates to be within the jurisdiction of the federal commission.

Chairman McCord and Commissioners Hall, Each, Lewis and Eastland represented the federal commission while among the state commissioners present were Carl D. Jackson, of Wisconsin, president of the National Association of Railroad and Utilities Commission, and Alexander Howard, of Virginia.

HUGHES DRAFTING NOTES TO ALLIES

(By The Associated Press)

Washington, March 17.—Secretary Hughes was engaged today in drafting the identical notes to be sent to the allied governments setting forth his views of the United States on its demand for payment of the \$241,000,000 costs of the army of occupation in Germany.

While no intimation was given concerning the text of the notes it is said at the state department the forthcoming communication will show that the United States expected its rights to payment to be fully recognized. It also was said the notes set forth that American is willing to a reasonable settlement of its claims and that the American government was endeavoring to act without undue harshness in the matter of payment. The notes it was said would go forward at the earliest possible date, but pending the announcement of their transmission, an agreement of their transmission, the American government could add nothing to what had already been reported.

Should Insist on Payment.

Washington, March 17.—Declaration that the United States should insist on the payment of its bill for \$241,000,000 in keeping American soldiers in Germany were made in the senate today by both party leaders—Senator Lodge, of Massachusetts, and Senator Underwood, of Alabama—and also Senator Borah of Idaho, Republican. Senator Underwood also urged the appointment of an American representative on the allied reparations commission. Both Senators Lodge and Underwood charged the allies with attempting "by technicalities" to oppose the payment of the bill for the American troops, while Senator Borah said the allies attitude was "entirely unwarranted."

Senator Underwood asserted that the Republicans were responsible for not having a member on the reparations commission. This, the Democratic leader asserted, was the only way by which the occupation claim could be collected. Senator Lodge and Senator Poinceter, Republican, of Washington, denied this contention, declaring that the obligation to pay for American soldiers rested on the armistice agreement and not either the treaty or Berlin or that of Versailles.

Senator Borah brought up the question in the senate. He called attention to reports that Premier Poinceter of France had declared that America has no legal right to collect for the keeping of American troops in Germany.

HANGED FOR MURDER IN WASHINGTON, L. C.

(By The Associated Press)

Washington, March 17.—John McHenry, aged 24, former New London, Connecticut youth, was hanged in the District of Columbia jail today for the murder of a Washington city detective and an automobile dealer. Efforts to obtain commutation to life imprisonment for the youth continued up to the last but failed. President Harding having failed to intervene. McHenry was found guilty of killing the automobile dealer while attempting to rob him and killing the detective in an endeavor to escape.

John Duval Dodge to Spend Five Days in House of Correction, Damage Suit.

(By The Associated Press)

Detroit, Mich., March 16.—John Duval Dodge, millionaire son of the late John F. Dodge, the Detroit automobile manufacturer, was sentenced to five days in the house of correction and fined \$100 by Judge Charles H. Barrett, in recorder's court here today when he admitted driving his automobile 23 miles an hour—three miles in excess of the speed limit. He was immediately taken to jail.

Judge Barrett also recommended that Dodge's driver's license be revoked for a year. Mrs. Dodge wept when sentence was passed.

Start Damage Suit

As Dodge was being escorted to the county jail to spend the night, preparatory to being transferred to the house of correction tomorrow, he as served with a summons in a damage suit for \$10,000 instituted in behalf of Edwin Schultz, 12-year-old newsboy, who is said to have been run down by Dodge's automobile several weeks ago.

The speeding charge was filed against Dodge March 5. His counsel today asked for a continuance, saying his client was unavoidably detained in Kalamazoo, where he was arrested Monday charged with driving an automobile while intoxicated and illegally transporting liquor.

Judge Bartlett refused, announcing a bench warrant would be issued for Dodge if he failed to appear.

(By The Associated Press)

Faces Another Charge The Kalamazoo case is the outgrowth of a ride following a dance early Sunday in which Dodge, Rex Earl, of Kalamazoo, and three girls students of Western State Normal participated and which resulted in Emmeline Kwakerneck, one of the girls, jumping from the automobile and sustaining serious injuries. Dodge is under \$7,000 bond for hearing there March 21.

Maize is cultivated by the Peruvians 7000 feet above the sea.

2 WOMEN LEGALLY MARRIED TO MAN, FIGHTING FOR HIM

First Wife Shows Up and Claims Husband After Three Years, Number Two After Him.

Cleveland, March 17.—Two women, both legally married to the same man, are fighting each other for the possession of a husband!

Manuel Levine, common pleas judge, faces a modern judicial tangle equal to that which confronted Solomon of old. The man for whose name the two women are struggling is Russell McFarland, Washington writer. The women are Mrs. Rose McFarland and Mrs. Bessie McFarland.

McFarland married Rose in Detroit in 1916, according to testimony. Later McFarland applied for a divorce, declaring he had not seen his wife in three years.

Weds After Decree

Having received a decree, McFarland married Bessie, wife No. 2, according to court testimony. Meanwhile Rose, wife No. 1, appeared before Judge Levine and applied for a setting aside of McFarland's decree, declaring it had been obtained without her knowledge though McFarland knew where she was.

Judge Levine set the decree aside. And that's why McFarland has two legally wedded wives. Bessie, McFarland's second wife, has made a strong plea for her unborn babe, declaring the child will be nameless if Judge Levine adheres to his earlier action in setting the divorce aside.

"First Wife's Plea" "I want a home," pleads Rose, McFarland's first wife. "I've been wandering about the country like a gypsy because of this trouble."

"My husband and I loved each other. He always talked of the great writer he would become. I sacrificed to aid him in attaining his ambition."

"Then when success was near, he divorced me without warning."

But Bessie, second Mrs. McFarland, pleads that her husband's first marriage was the outgrowth of a youthful love affair and that McFarland really loves her. The two women, faces drawn with anxiety, sit opposite each other in court here. McFarland is in Washington now, his second wife says, he is ill with influenza.

JUDGE SENTENCES MILLIONAIRE SON

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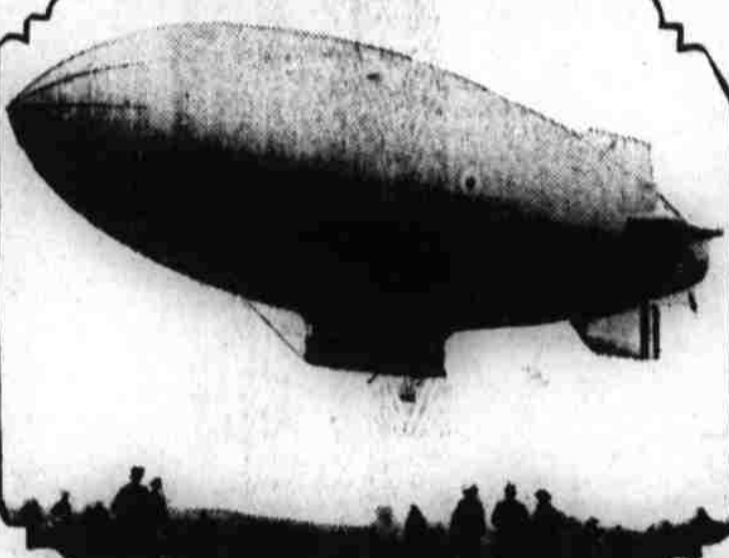
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Army Banks on New Balloon to Clear Dirigibles' Name



NEW ARMY BALLOON WHICH EXPERTS HOPE WILL SAVE REPUTATION OF DIRIGIBLES.

Dayton, O., March 17.—Army experts hope that a new army balloon, not yet christened, will not only escape the fate of the Roma but will prove the practical value of the dirigible balloon, given a great setback by the Roma disaster.

The new balloon was built at Akron, O., for the War Department. It soon will be brought to McCook Field here to be put through its paces. On a short trip recently the ship lived up to all expectations. This new craft has many new features not found in any other aircraft in the United States.

Cigar-Shaped Bag The silken bag is cigar-shaped and has a gas capacity of 108,000 cubic feet. It is 170 feet long and 48 feet in diameter.

Attached to the envelope is an entirely enclosed cabin, equipped with windows. In it is the power plant, consisting of two aero-marine engines, connected with the propellers by means of gears. This innovation makes it possible to drive the big ship forward or backward.

In the cabin are sleeping quarters for the crew and a kitchenette from which a lunch or a regular meal may be served. Within the cabin also are storage tanks for fuel and oil of sufficient capacity to carry the ship a distance of 6000 miles. The two motors can drive the ship at a speed of 50 miles an hour.

FORD CAUSES TWO SCHOOLS TO BOOM

(By Hal Cochran)

Kentonia, Ky., March 17.—Buried in a hollow of the Big Black Mountains of Kentucky are two isolated schools which were surprisingly similar, in conditions and methods, to the centralized schools to be found all over the United States.

These two schools are where miners' children learn their reading, 'rithin' and 'rithmetic. They are far above the ordinary hill schools in Kentucky, which is due, mainly, to their being located at the two mine camps that Henry Ford owns.

They are Kentucky county schools located two miles apart; one at each Ford camp. The daily attendance in each school is 97 pupils.

Attendance Picks Up

A year ago it was far below that. This because the compulsory school law was lax in enforcement and because, so Ford mine officials state, the grade of teachers was low because of small state pay.

When Ford took over his two mines, one of the main outside interests was turned to the children of miners. Pressure was brought to make every child attend class. To the \$50 a month, for a six months term, allowed by the state, the mine added another hundred and hired a first class superintendent. Then another \$100 was put up by the mine for an assistant teacher.

This was for a six months period. The schools run nine months, however, and the mine pays all of the salary for the other three months. Now both mine schools have a superintendent and an assistant.

Teaches Four Grades

W. D. Wilson superintendent of the school at mine camp Number One, teaches the top four grades. Miss Myrtle Bennett, his assistant, teaches the first four. The same plan is worked at Camp Number Two.

"I aim of Henry Ford to see that the miners' children get an education," says Abner Lunsford, general manager of the Ford mines.

"We do not want to contribute to the already swollen ranks of illiterates in this state."

And the kids themselves? Conditions have been made such that a truant officer has a soft job down here. The kids really enjoy their school now.

ASSERTS MILLION MEMBERS K. K. K. WANT BULLOCK

Lecturer of Klan in Address at Hickory Says He Will Be Brought to U. S. in 90 Days.

(By The Associated Press)

Hickory, March 17.—One million members of the order of Ku Klux Klan, from Maine to Texas, are pledged to see that Matthew Bullock, negro wanted at Norfolk, N. C., on a charge of attempted murder growing out a race riot, is brought back to North Carolina for trial. Dr. Arthur Talmage Abernethy, of Asheville, lecturer of the Klan, declared in an address at a public meeting here last night, he said that Bullock would be brought back to North Carolina within 90 days but did not say how this was to be accomplished.

Bullock, who escaped to Canada after the trouble at Norfolk, was arrested at Hamilton, Ontario, some weeks ago. North Carolina authorities, through the state department at Washington, attempted to have the negro brought back to this state but he was released unconditionally by Judge Snider of Hamilton when Governor Morrison refused to send witnesses to Canada to testify at his extradition hearing.

LIQUOR AND SCHOONER CAPTURED AFTER FIGHT

(By The Associated Press)

New York, March 17.—Fifteen special agents today arrested 24 men after a pistol battle aboard a two-masted schooner in East river this morning. The schooner was loaded with contraband liquor. More than thirty shots were exchanged. The schooner with her cargo of liquor said to be worth nearly a half million dollars was seized together with two sails and a large moving van which the authorities said had been used in transporting the contraband.

According to federal agents the schooner originally was the Viking, of Gloucester, Mass., but the name had been painted out and "Clara" substituted. The captain gave his name as John Johnson, of New York, but papers found in his possession bore the name of Heffner. The raid, which was made shortly before dawn, was spectacular. Customs men commanded by Inspector Hakoner left headquarters in a large motor boat and the launch moved up the East river. Reaching the Bronx they spied movements on the shadowed shore and then flashes from automobile lights. Outposts were assigned and the rest of the agents swooped down on the suspected rum runner. Firing immediately started and pistol flashes pierced the darkness.

DOCTORS RENT IN WRIGHT BUILDING

(By The Associated Press)

A number of doctors are taking rooms in the new Wright building on West Innes street, on the second floor which is given over to office rooms entirely. Dr. Edwin Clement, who is to return to his home town, is to locate in the Wright building and do a special practice of the eye, ear, nose and throat. Drs. Newman, Ellis and Spencer will also be on the same floor.

The third floor of the new Wright building is leased to the Pythians and it is being built to their special order, a club room, a lodge room, while ample other departments needed with club and lodge rooms are to be included in the sub-division.

The first floor is divided into two store rooms. The upper room will be used by the Wright undertaking department and the other is to be occupied by some other tenant not arranged for. The Wright building is nearing completion and is far enough along to give one an idea as to what it is and will be. From the outside it is easily one of the most attractive buildings in the city. The inside is going to be finished in modern manner.

20 NATIVES KILLED

(By The Associated Press)

London, March 17.—Twenty natives were killed and thirty wounded at Nairobi, British East Africa, yesterday in fighting which followed demonstrations over the arrest of the Indian agitator Thuku, says a Central News dispatch.

ROTOS AND KIWANIS TO PLAY BASEBALL

(By The Associated Press)

The Kiwanis Club at its weekly luncheon today accepted a challenge of the Rotary for a baseball game and an invitation of Miss Edna Edwards to hold a meeting at Mill Bridge with the residents of that community.

Miss Edwards told the club of the work of the home demonstration in the county and then extended the invitation to become acquainted with the good people of Mill Bridge. The Kiwanis second drum and bugle corp will be invited to attend. The date was not fixed.

SENATORS TO START ON MUSCLE SHOALS TRIP

(By The Associated Press)

Washington, March 17.—The senate agricultural committee decided today to start on the trip of inspection of the Muscle Shoals, Alabama, water power and nitrate project March 25. The tour, Chairman Norris said, probably would occupy five or six days. It has not been ascertained by Mr. Norris how many senators will make the trip but David Barry, sergeant-at-arms of the senate who is in charge of arrangements, stated that "two thousand dollars worth of senators" would go, there having been that amount of money set aside for expenses.

Opening Steady

(By The Associated Press)

New York, March 17.—Cotton futures opened steady. March 18.03, May 17.93, July 17.85, October 16.90, December 16.73.

Concord Market

Concord, March 17.—Cotton sold for 17.00 cents on the local market.