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BAPTISTS GATHER FOR ANNUAL MEET IN JACKSONVILLE.

One Million Building and Loan Fund of Church is Oversubscribed; Opens Wednesday.

(By the Associated Press.)

Jacksonville, Fla., May 16.—The million dollar church building and loan fund of the Southern Baptist church, has been oversubscribed as hundreds of messages arrived here today in advance of the opening of the 66th annual session here tomorrow, it was learned today.

A formal report on the fund was made during the preliminaries of the convention by Dr. L. B. Wollen, Atlanta, secretary of the church building department of the home mission board who has just completed his work when continued eye trouble destroyed his sight several months ago.

Optimistic reports on the 75 million dollar campaign, which has seven years to run, was also expected, although no statement is to be made until later during the convention.

The convention will be in session through Sunday. The sessions will be extremely busy as over a half dozen important topics will be up for discussion in addition to considerations of financial questions. The question of appointing a committee to co-operate with the Northern Baptist convention to formulate a new statement of faith of the Baptist church in America, is expected to cause a great discussion.

Part of the Southern Baptist church will take in the world-wide Baptist conference in July 1923, the proposition to found a southern Baptist hospital in New Orleans and whether or not the convention will decide favorably on the taking over of Mercer university at Macon, Georgia, were other campaign questions which will probably be raised and decided on the floor of the convention.

The question of placing women on the various boards, will also come before the convention. A report making this recommendation will be made by W. J. McLoughlin, of Greenville, S. C.

Women have been admitted to full membership in the convention and many delegates have expressed the belief that the women will be represented on the boards. Mrs. T. G. Bush, of Birmingham, Ala., who is a member of the general educational board, is the only woman appointed so far.

Dr. E. Y. Mullins, of Louisville, Ky., completes his first year as president of the conference and he is expected to be re-elected without opposition, according to the custom. Little opposition developed today as to other general officers.

Dr. J. J. Taylor, of North Carolina, has given notice that he will oppose the re-election of H. C. Moore, of Nashville, as recording secretary on the grounds that no one connected with the general board is entitled to be an officer of the conference also.

Dr. Moore is editorial secretary of the Sunday school board. Dr. Taylor said he would propose A. S. Barnes, of Montgomery, as recording secretary.

TENTH ANNUAL SESSION CHAMBER OF COMMERCE CONVENES IN WASH.

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, May 16.—Several thousand business men, representing more than a thousand commercial and industrial organizations of the country were on hand today, when the tenth annual convention of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States was called to order by Joseph H. Defrees, president. The primary object of the convention, it was announced, was to consider European conditions and their effect on American business. At the same time, however, various committees of the chamber will take up other problems such as finance, insurance, merchant marine, foreign commerce, etc.

The morning session was devoted mainly to organizing the convention, drafting of rules, appointments of committees, reading of reports and other routine matters. Following an address of welcome by Mr. Defrees, who also in his remarks dwelt upon conditions affecting the business interests of the United States and Europe, Arthur Balfour, vice president of the Associated Chambers of Commerce of Great Britain, with headquarters at Sheffield, England, spoke on the subject, "The Economic and Industrial Situation of Europe."

Secretary Hoover and John R. Howard, president of the American Farm Bureau Federation of Chicago, were on the program for addresses at the night session.

He's Up-to-Date



Jimmie may belong to an ancient race of men, but he's up-to-the-minute in his habits. Dressed in his nightie he listens to a radio concert before retiring.

MORE BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED

Work on New Business House Began Today; Number of Homes Increasing Also.

Permits issuing today for building in Salisbury are in keeping with highwater records of the immediate past weeks. City Engineer Webb says he is busy keeping his records straight in this respect, and no sooner gets one batch of permits duly recorded and out of the way until another bobs up.

Today the list includes several houses of considerable importance, such as well the list of homes and add to the importance of the business district. On East Innes street W. D. Hartman, of the Dixie Furniture company, is breaking ground for a handsome two story and basement building to home the furniture house, and adjoining the same is another two story brick building being erected by P. N. Peacock next to the wholesale house of Simpson-Peacock company—thus filling in the gap now facing East Innes. Directly across the street the two-story building which the Wallaces are erecting is moving nicely along.

The permits also give authority for the erection of two other business buildings. The Salisbury Ice and Fuel company is building a storage warehouse at the point where the western road crosses Main street. This place is to be used for handling ice to the north of this point, delivery wagons to be re-iced there instead of returning to the plant.

Standing by this warehouse, facing the railroad will be a new plant to be erected by the Texas Oil company. This is to be quite an elaborate plant to cost something like \$15,000 completed.

Residences to be erected, for which permits are today issued are as follows:

George Ellis on Maupin avenue, a seven-room home to cost approximately \$5,000; Gilbert F. Hambley a six room home on Mockville avenue on the large open lot just this side the Mahaley farm, cost \$10,000.

The plans for the new creamery are running along smoothly and the work on this will begin within a few days. A few things relative to the exact dimensions of the building have to be worked out and then the small houses on the lot will be removed and the building begun speedily.

The lot of buildings above referred to, not counting the creamery, mean the expenditure of a sum between \$75,000 and \$100,000.

SALISBURY MEN ARE OFFICERS IN P. O. S. A.

(Special to The Evening Post.)

Charlotte, May 16.—The twelfth annual convention of the Patriotic Order of the Sons of America this morning re-elected I. T. Speaks, of Statesville, president of the organization for the ensuing year; C. M. C. Barger, of Salisbury, vice president, W. A. Daniels, of Salisbury, secretary.

Concord, Durham, Statesville and Salisbury are in the race for the 1923 convention. The place will be decided at the session this afternoon.

A parade this morning was one of the features of the convention. Last night 13 candidates were initiated into the mysteries of the order. Herman A. Miller, of Easton, Penn., national secretary, was present and gave an excellent talk upon the work of the organization throughout the country. J. E. Huneycutt welcomed the visitors to town. The president, I. T. Speaks, of Statesville, gave the annual presidential address.

PROBABLY DEBATE EVOLUTION THEORY IN NEAR FUTURE

Professors and Ministers Disagree on How Question Should Be Stated; Might Debate Wed.

(By O. J. Coffin.)

Raleigh, May 16.—Rev. Dr. W. B. Riley, of the First Baptist church of Minneapolis, who follows Rev. Dr. Jasper C. Massee, of Tremont Temple, Boston, has not only fallen heir to the controversy aroused by the latter's pronouncement that no man could be a Christian and believe in evolution, but is about to find himself with a public debate on his hands as the result of having challenged the members of the State college faculty who issued a statement resenting Mr. Massee's pronouncement.

The morning daily paper carried the challenge of Dr. Riley, who said that he wanted to discuss the query. Resolved that the evolution hypothesis is neither scientific nor spiritual. Messrs. Metcalf, Wells, Eddy, Shunk, Eckert and Martin of the State college accept the challenge, but prefer to state the length. The college pledge themselves to a demonstrated fact. The time suggested by Dr. Riley was sometime Tuesday, but the State college folk prefer Wednesday at 4:30 p. m. The place will be Pullen Hall, State college, the collegeians saying that it is a scientific discussion rather than a religious that is to take place.

Prof. Z. P. Metcalf is the representative of the scientists. He is also a member of the First Presbyterian church of this city and was first to resent the charge that he couldn't be a Christian and believe in evolution. It is proposed that the discussion be limited to speeches of half-hour length with 15 minutes for each side in rebuttal. The collegeians pledge themselves to refrain from personalities, ridicule and emotionalism and will expect the same sort of conduct from the negative.

If the debate is staged, there will be a crowd that may force adjournment to the City Auditorium. To say that the community is interested is to put it mildly. There is little comment and absolutely no betting on the outcome, but Raleigh just naturally likes an argument.

County and city superintendents of schools are having their attention called by State Superintendent Brooks to their budgets for next year. First of the local school men are reminded that the special session of the General Assembly foresaw that the state fund would not be sufficient to pay any part of the salaries of the county superintendents, their assistant superintendents and principals of elementary and high schools for the year 1923. Therefore all counties not participating in the equalizing fund must provide in their budgets for this expense.

No county not drawing from the equalizing fund during the current school year will be entitled to draw therefrom next year. The same tax-rate levied in 1921 must be levied again by any county before participating, and county authorities are warned not to think of the 30-cent rate as the maximum rate in those counties designated by law.

Two teachers are to be allowed for not less than 38 pupils in average daily attendance, three teachers for 65 pupils, four for 100 pupils and one additional teacher for every 30 additional pupils. It will be safe for the counties to adopt forty pupils as a basis for the first two teachers.

LEGION COMMANDER TO VISIT SALISBURY FRIDAY, MAY 19TH

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, May 16.—Indications given at the White House today were to the effect that the United States would not accept the invitation extended by Great Britain to have representatives on a commission appointed to investigate the alleged atrocities by the Turks in Christian territories, the investigation following reports by American Relief workers.

Five is the sacred number of the Moors. Astrakhan fur is made from the skin of new-born Persian lambs. Valuable new drug plants have been found by explorers in the Amazon River basin.

Hanford MacNider, national commander of the American legion, will stop in Salisbury for about half an hour Friday morning enroute from Asheville to Charlotte for the May 20th celebration. Mr. MacNider is to be one of the honored guests at the Charlotte celebration along with General Pershing and Governor Morrison.

Mr. MacNider will be accompanied by Salisbury by State commander Thomas W. Bird, of Asheville, and other prominent legionnaires of the state. His train is due to arrive in Salisbury at 11:30 from Asheville Friday, May 19, and will remain here for thirty minutes.

The Samuel C. Hart post of the legion began plans today to entertain their distinguished commander while in the city. The information that Mr. MacNider will be in the city came this morning in a telegram from Department Commander Bird.

James I found money for the colonization of Virginia by means of a lottery.

AMERICA'S ANSWER TO NOTE REPORTED TO BE NOT FINAL

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, May 16.—The American note of yesterday declining to participate in the proposed meeting at the Hague next month for the discussion of Russian conditions was intended to leave the door open for further considerations, it was said today at the White House.

Beyond this interpretative construction placed on the note by the state department today by Lloyd George, no comment on the situation at Genoa or American attitude toward participation in the discussion at the economic conference was made.

WORLD'S BIGGEST SHIP REACHES U. S.

The Majestic, Biggest Liner Afloat, About to Enter United States Port.

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, May 16.—The Majestic, the world's largest ship, was rolling down from Nantucket to Sandy Hook today on its last lap of its maiden voyage across the Atlantic.

Shortly before daybreak, all arrangements had been made to give the new entry a triumphal entry. The Majestic is a 56 ton displacement and is not only the largest but probably the speediest passenger ship now afloat, the ship making 25 knots an hour easily, with her new engines still stiff.

The Majestic was built in Germany for Bismarck and was laid up in Hamburg during the war and then sold to England by the Reparation commission.

The liner can accommodate 4,100 passengers, more than the largest hotel in New York can handle overnight.

MR. BLACKMER THE GUEST OF THE ROTARY CLUB

Sidney Blackmer and his manager Charles L. Wagoner were guests of honor at the noon luncheon of the Salisbury Rotary club today, and each made a brief talk to the club, each a very intimate little talk which was especially enjoyable to the members. There was no business program at the today's luncheon and after hearing from a number of committees in a hurried report the two guests were presented by Rotarian Arnold Snider. Mr. Wagoner made a very happy little talk and in a very intimate and friendly way referred to many things out of his experience as manager that were very pleasing. Following the short talk of his manager Mr. Blackmer talked for ten minutes and what he said was just a little homey talk to Salisburyans of whom he is one and glad to proclaim the fact.

Mr. Blackmer and Mr. Wagoner leave tonight for New York after a few days in the city the guests of Mr. Blackmer's father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Blackmer on West Horah street.

ASKED ABOUT MERGER.

(By the Associated Press.) New York, May 16.—Moses Taylor, chairman of the Lackawanna Steel company and Eugene G. Grace, president of the Bethlehem corporation, were summoned late today before the Lockwood legislative committee for examination Thursday concerning the merger of the two concerns which report had been ratified during the earlier part of the day by the board of directors.

DECLINE INVITATION.

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THE EVENING POST Advertising Dept.

LLOYD GEORGE IS STILL HOPEFUL OF U. S. COOPERATION

Schanzer of Italy is Surprized at Quickness of U. S. Refusal to Sit at the Hague.

Genoa, May 16.—Prime Minister Lloyd George does not feel, it was indicated this afternoon that the American refusal to participate in the commission to sit at the Hague on Russian affairs is her final word as the document indicates great American interest in Russia's economic reconstruction and the reply is regarded as one forming the basis for further correspondence.

Schanzer Surprised. Foreign Minister Schanzer, of Italy, on learning today that the United States would not join in the proposed commission on Russian affairs at The Hague expressed great surprise, especially at the rapidity with which the decision was taken which may have great influence on further discussions at Genoa.

Great disappointment at the American decision was expressed generally in conference circles as the belief has been gradually forming here that the United States was ready now to join the other powers in dealing with the Russian economic problem.

League Shuns Soviet Problem. Geneva, May 16.—The council of the league of nations refused today to take up the Russian problem and referred to the Genoa conference the Norwegian government's request for an immediate inquiry by the league into the general situation in Russia and the effect of the famine on economic reconstruction in Europe.

LIQUOR SHIP CASE UP IN WILMINGTON

Judge Connor Will Decide Whether to Dump Whiskey Into Ocean or Let it Leave U. S.

Prohibition Director R. A. Kohless and Attorney A. H. Price, of the prohibition director's staff left last night for Wilmington to appear before Judge Connor in Federal court there in connection with the disposition of the Message of Peace, the liquor ship captured off the North Carolina coast.

Captain Coleman has been convicted of disposing of part of his cargo and is out under bond. The question now to be decided by Judge Connor is whether the ship and cargo can be held by the United States or whether under the terms of International law, it must be permitted to proceed to its destination.

In the first trial, Captain Coleman pleaded that under the International law, a captain of a ship could dispose of a part of his cargo duty free to meet the expense incurred in the port in which he sought refuge. Judge Connor held that such was the case provided the cargo was not contraband.

Should Judge Connor decide that the Message of Peace is subject to seizure, then he will decide what disposition is to be made of the liquor. If he should decide that the ship should be permitted to proceed to its destination under terms of International law, then Mr. Price is likely to proceed to collect wholesale and retail taxes due the government. However the judge may decide, Captain Coleman's troubles are not over, he still has to serve time and may have to pay out a neat little sum in licenses and taxes before his ship can proceed.

Latest reports from Wilmington say that Captain Coleman will file a counter suit against the government to recover part of his liquor cargo alleged to be short. The ship was seized at Portsmouth and turned over to the customs officials and taken to Wilmington under convoy of the cutter Seminole. The liquor has been in the hands of customs officials pending the outcome of the trial.

The ship's manifest showed 1,036 cases of whisky. But only 799 cases it is alleged, were checked in at Wilmington at the customs house and now the British consul at Savannah, Joseph Roach, says the British law considers this particular cargo the property of a British subject and will expect the United States government to make good any part of the cargo unaccounted for. When Coleman was convicted of selling liquor by Judge Connor, the British consul at that place ceased to be interested in his case, it is said.

Efforts of a Wilmington paper to have officials tell how many cases

Goes to Jail to "Free Soul"



John Weber, San Francisco, turned thief and begged to be jailed so he could play his violin without worrying about making a living. He was accommodated.

JURY EARLY THIS MORNING RETURN A MEANS VERDICT

Jury Decides Mr. Dunham is Entitled to Recover Nothing for Death of Child.

A jury in Rowan superior court early this morning, after deliberating over night, returned a verdict in favor of the defendant, in the Means case which has attracted considerable attention throughout this part of the state. According to the verdict, G. E. Dunham, of this city, who was plaintiff, is entitled to recover nothing from B. W. Means and wife, of Concord, for the death of Mr. Dunham's child, which was recently killed when struck by an automobile driven by Mrs. Means.

The case consumed almost two days in Superior court. It was given to the jury yesterday afternoon, following the argument of the attorneys and Judge Ray's charge.

Three issues were submitted to the jury to decide the matter of \$10,000 damages which were asked by the plaintiff. All were answered in the negative, the third being that the plaintiff was entitled to recover nothing.

The first vote taken by the jury immediately upon retiring was 9 to 3 for the defendant. The second was 11 to 1 and the third was unanimous.

Representing the plaintiff were Attorneys R. L. Wright and C. L. Coggin; defendant, L. P. Hartsell, T. D. Maness, of Concord, and H. Clement.

WATCHING COAL PRICES.

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, May 16.—Steps were being taken by the government to forestall tendencies toward rising prices of bituminous coal, it was said at the White House today. Secretary of Commerce Hoover, has the investigation in his charge, it was said.

NOT TO CHANGE NAME.

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, May 16.—President Harding has requested the shipping board to modify its decision and retain the name of Leviathan for the big liner taken over from Germany during the war, it was said today in administrative circles. The board had planned to change the name of the ship to President Harding.

In Kurdistan music of any kind is looked upon as immoral. Granite paving blocks are manufactured in a great variety of sizes.

A count would disclose has been denied as being against the rules. Director Kohless showed a receipt from the chemical bureau at Washington for nine quarts, which he took from the ship at Portsmouth, to the court in the trial of Coleman. No one else, it is believed, had any right to take any of the cargo, but it was in charge of different parties from the time of its capture to date, and it is not thought improbable that some of the liquor is missing.

But that would appear a minor matter should Judge Connor decide to dump the whole cargo into the Atlantic ocean.

CAPTURE A RUM SHIP WITH 2,000 CASES OF WHISKEY

A Rum Exchange Has Been in Existence Off New Jersey Coast, it is Believed By Officials.

(By the Associated Press.) New York, May 16.—The prohibition navy brought a prize into New York harbor today. It was a 125 ton displacement and was loaded with 2,000 cases of whisky. The prize was captured off the coast of New Jersey. The members of the crew were placed under arrest.

Talking to the captain of the ship, and other members of the crew, it was learned that a rum exchange has been existing off the New Jersey coast for some time. It is claimed that vessels of bootlegging tendencies have been congregating just off the New Jersey coast and there disposing of their wet goods on other ships.

EPISCOPAL ANNUAL CONVENTION BEGINS

(By the Associated Press.)

Raleigh, May 16.—The 106th annual convention of the Episcopal diocese of North Carolina opened here today with 200 delegates present. It will continue through Thursday of this week. A sermon by Rev. Alfred Lawrence featured the initial session.

This afternoon, at a business session, the election of a secretary, appointment of committees, reports and nominations will be the principle items to come before that body.

At 4 o'clock this afternoon, Rev. Benjamin T. Kemmerer, of New York, will speak at 4 o'clock on the nationwide campaign.

Tonight at 8 o'clock Miss Joseph Fisher will deliver an address.

PLAN BIG DEAL

(By the Associated Press.)

New Orleans, May 16.—In what was said to be the largest railroad deal in the south during the past 25 years is understood to be underway between William Adenborn, owner of the Louisiana railroad and navigation company and the management of the Missouri and Texas railroad company it was said here today.

COTTON MARKET

New York, May 16.—An opening advance of 4 to 19 points was manifested in the cotton market today, fresh buying in bullish Liverpool cables and unfavorable weather news from the southwest being responsible for the increase. The weather news was a little less bullish than anticipated, July bringing 20.50 and October 20.48.

Opening Steady. New York, May 16.—Cotton futures opened steady: May 21.20 July 20.45 October 20.48 December 20.43 January 20.50

Concord Market. Concord, May 16.—Cotton sold for 19 cents here today.

Salisbury Market. Cotton brought 18 1/2 cents on the local market today, several bales being sold.

CHI. SLAYERS AND BOMBERS CONFESS POLICEMEN CLAIM

Three Big Labor Leaders of Chicago Distantly Connected, Policemen Declare.

Chicago, May 16.—Evidence distantly connecting bomb throwers and slayers of two policemen with the "big three" Chicago labor leaders was claimed today by policemen and state's attorney who have worked untriflingly since Terence Lyons, acting lieutenant, and Thomas Clark, patrolman, were shot down a week ago after two buildings were bombed in the so-called labor war.

Four men have been identified positively as the slayers of the policemen and three of them have confessed, the police said, while John Miller, bartender and owner of the motor car from which the fatal shots were fired, has been identified through many fingerprints on the automobile door. Two men who rode with him were arrested when they applied for medical aid, the police said, one having a body wound and the other a bullet through the shoulder. Under questioning they broke down and one made a complete confession.

Miller himself confessed early today under constant questioning, the police said, and he was removed speedily to an outlying police station because of attempts to poison him. Police said one dish brought him from a cafe contained a quickly acting poison.

Through these alleged confessions and other information, according to police and prosecutors, evidence has been obtained to connect the work of the bombs and killings with "Big Tim" Murphy, head of the gas workers' and street workers' union, former member of the state assembly and congressional secretary; John Shea, of the theatrical janitors' union, and "French" Madden, president of the Chicago garment trade council.

History of Chicago War. Chicago, May 16.—The Chicago labor war, now on in full blast, has been waged in more or less violent fashion for 12 years. Causes behind the present trouble are these:

Refusal by 10 of the 13 building trades unions to accept the conditions laid down in the Judge Landis award, cutting building trades workers' wages approximately 12.5 per cent.

Reputation by the 10 unions of their agreement to the Landis award.

Employment of outside non-union labor by the Chicago Citizens Committee, which has taken hold of the labor situation purely for the sake of getting the \$110,000,000 belated building program underway.

Refusal of the Citizens Committee to recognize or deal with either officers or men of the insurgent 10 as a union group as punishment for failure to live up to their agreement to the Landis award.

Public disapproval and demands for inquiry into the trials of union leaders who were freed from criminal charges under unusual circumstances.

Began in July. The present disturbances date back to last July. Up to that time officials believed that the long years of labor wars would come to an end following the seemingly satisfactory magna charta of new working conditions handed down by Judge Landis, formerly on that federal bench.

But the 10 unions rebelled against it. These 10 were: Carpenters, sheet metal workers, cement finishers, hoisting engineers, fixtures hangers, lathers, plumbers, laborers, composition roofers and slate and tile roofers.

The remaining 22 union crafts abided by their acceptance of the agreement.

Even as far back as early spring Fred Mader, president of the Building Trades Council, issued a public warning that after April 1 he did not see how he could any longer keep his men in check or prevent them from committing acts of violence unless conditions were altered.

Denunciation By Judge. Chief Justice Kitcham Sealant, elected on a labor platform and always a champion of unionism, sprang a surprise at about this time by making an address to the jury in open court in which he charged that some of Chicago's unions were controlled by ex-convicts and gun men, making conviction of some labor leaders impossible. He charged that honest men in these unions have been terrorized by the gun men leaders.

Judge Sealant's charges followed acquittal of two Chicago union leaders, one of a murder charge following a killing in a saloon fight, and the other of graft and extortion charges in connection with labor troubles.

What Leaders Say. Union officials deny charges of

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