

Fair Tonight and Tomorrow--Cooler

PLEA OF THE ALLENS FOR A NEW TRIAL IS DENIED

Floyd and His Son Claude Lose in Their Appeal to Supreme Court, and Both Must Die in the Electric Chair Next Friday Unless Gov. Mann Intervenes.

Richmond, Va., Nov. 18.—The State Supreme Court yesterday refused to grant a new trial for Floyd Allen and his son, Claude Allen, convicted of participation in the Hillsville court murders.

They were sentenced to death in the electric chair at the penitentiary here Friday, November 23.

Governor Mann, it is believed, will not interfere with the execution of the court's judgment.

Floyd Allen was convicted May 17, specifically for the killing of Commonwealth's Attorney William Foster. His son, tried on the charge of killing Judge Tornton L. Massey, was convicted and sentenced to fifteen years in the penitentiary. A second trial on an indictment for the killing of Attorney Foster resulted in a conviction for murder in the first degree, July 27.

The appeal to the Supreme Court for new trials, decided adversely today, had been pending for some time but Virginia officials have proceeded with arrangements for the execution of the men, believing that no clemency would be shown.

The Hillsville court house shooting in March, when the Allen clan resented the conviction of Floyd Allen on a minor charge by killing five persons in the court room, is still holding attention in Virginia because of the trial of Sidna Allen, the clan leader, now under way at Wytheville.

PRESIDENT TAFT TO DELIVER OPENING ADDRESS

Washington, D. C., Nov. 19.—The ninth annual convention of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress which meets in this city on December 4 to continue in session three days, gives abundant promise of being the most largely attended convention this association has had since its reorganization at the old Arlington a decade ago.

President Taft will deliver the opening address and is expected to still further emphasize his position looking to a broad and statesmanlike policy by the national government, in the treatment of the waterways of the country to the end that all streams susceptible of navigation may be made navigable.

And after the present administration is ended progressive citizens in all the states will look to a democratic administration to carry on the work of river, harbor and canal improvement now under way on the ground that the platform of the Democrats is even stronger than the platform of other parties with respect to this very vital question.

The result of the general election, which it does not affect the advancement of sentiment for waterway improvement in harmony with the doctrines of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress, has in a number of instances changed the personnel of the committees of both houses having to deal with river and harbor appropriations.

The Senate Committee on Commerce, which consists of seventeen members, lost two—Messrs. Borah of Oregon, Republican, and Percy of Mississippi, Democrat—while the House Committee on rivers and harbors, consisting of twenty-one members, lost eight—three Democrats, Messrs. H. C. Wood of Louisiana, Elbert of South Carolina and Boehne of Indiana, Lawrence of Massachusetts, Davidson of Wisconsin, Burton of Ohio, Burnham of New Hampshire, Crawford of South Dakota and Oliver of Pennsylvania, Republicans; Martin of Virginia, Simmons of North Carolina, Newland of Nevada, Bankhead of Alabama, Fletcher of Florida and Reed of Missouri, Democrats.

Now that the Democrats are practically assured of control of the Senate, Mr. Nelson will be retired from the chairman ship of the commerce committee to a Democrat, the membership of the committee being increased by the addition of four to make up the ten, the appointment accorded to the majority party. There are also Republican members of the committee holding over, two of whom would have to be eliminated, and six held-over Democrats.

NO SQUATTERS TO GIVE ANY TROUBLE

Washington, D. C., Nov. 18.—A report was circulated recently that the presence of squatters on the banks of the Chesapeake and Albemarle canal had caused the war department to hold up the purchase of the property until the title could be fully investigated. An appropriation of \$500,000 was made at the last session of Congress for the purchase of the canal to become a part of the Norfolk to Beaufort inland waterway.

Representative Small, a member of the rivers and harbors committee of the House which drafted the bill providing for the purchase of the canal and for the consummation of the great project for which no had labored incessantly for many years, first introduced inquiries to determine the source of the report and the real status of the project.

Subsequently Representative Small has given the following statement of the status of the project up to date: "The purchase of the canal as authorized at the last session of Congress has been placed in the hands of Major Winslow, who is the district engineer at Norfolk. The search of the title is being made under the department of justice. The canal property is divided into two parts, one known as the Virginia cut and the other known as the North Carolina cut. The search of title to the property in Virginia has been placed in the hands of Mr. Lawrence Groner, United States district attorney, Norfolk, and for the North Carolina cut in the hands of Mr. H. F. Sewell, district attorney for eastern North Carolina, whose postoffice is Carthage.

"As preliminary Major Winslow required the company to mark the boundaries of the right-of-way with substantial cement monuments. Mr. Burwell, manager for the company, has already located the monuments for the North Carolina cut and hopes to complete those for the Virginia cut by November 20. Both district attorneys either are engaged or will soon be engaged in searching the title to the property. It appears that there are no squatters who will give any trouble. As soon as the two district attorneys report the titles satisfactory, the deed will be prepared and the money paid, but the date of consummation is indefinite.

"I will express the opinion that the work ought to be completed and the title passed by December 15."

As the election did not change the party complexion of the House, the apportionment of the Rivers and Harbors Committee will remain the same, with Mr. Sparkman, of Florida, as chairman. The new members, assuming the present members re-elected will be reappointed, there will be three Democrats and five Republicans.

Re-elected chairman, the re-elected Democrats are Burgess of Texas, Humphreys of Mississippi, Taylor of Alabama, Edwards of Georgia, Small of North Carolina, Booher of Missouri, Gallagher of Illinois, Driscoll of New York, Donohoe of Pennsylvania and Scully of New Jersey, Democrats; Humphreys of Washington and Barchfield of Pennsylvania, Republicans.

"IT NEVER RAINS BUT IT POURS"



SERVIANS CAPTURE TURKISH STRONGHOLD

London, Nov. 19.—Buller's received from several British correspondents near the front agree that the long expected battle at the Tchatalja lines is progressing. The cannonading is clearly heard in Constantinople.

An official communication says that an attack by the Bulgarian right wing at Blyuk Chekmedye has been successfully repulsed. Another message says the Bulgarian left wing has been repulsed.

The French ambassador telegraphed at 4 o'clock that the battle was still raging.

Another message sent about 4 o'clock in the afternoon said that in view of the heavy cannonade all land detachments of bluejackets from the foreign warships to guard the streets leading to Pera. The small German warship Loreley was assigned to protect the railway station.

According to the same message perfect order prevails in Constantinople.

Great Battle Opens.
Constantinople, Nov. 19.—(4:45 p. m.)—The great battle between the Bulgarians and Turks is on all along the line of the Tchatalja fortifications. Nasir Pasha, the Turkish commander-in-chief, sends the following dispatch:

"The battle which commenced yesterday morning with an attack by Bulgarian infantry lasted until one hour after sunset. The enemy, who advanced chiefly facing our right wing and our center, was repulsed by our infantry and artillery fire. Three Bulgarian batteries were destroyed."

All through the day the sound of the heavy guns was heard in Constantinople. It ceased only with darkness. The firing along the en-

NEXT MISTRESS OF WHITE HOUSE ACCEPTS

Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, the next "Mistress of the White House," has accepted the position of Honorary President of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Southern Commercial Congress.

Mrs. Wilson accepted the position on October 16, in Philadelphia, when she and Miss Jessie Wilson held a conference with Dr. Clarence J. Owens, managing director of the Southern Commercial Congress, relative to the purposes of the Congress and the plans for the Woman's Auxiliary.

Mrs. Wilson is a native of Georgia and is intensely interested not only in the development of the South, but also of the nation along lines of general education, vocational education, and in the solution of all economic problems, both urban and rural, as they relate to the home as well as to the business world.

The first congress of the women of the South will be held in Mobile, Alabama, at the time of the fifth annual convention of The Southern Commercial Congress and both will be coincident with the opening of the Panama Canal.

The full Cabinet of national officers will be announced in a few days. It will include the following, viz: Active President, Vice-Presidents, Treasurer, General Secretary and an Executive Committee.

President Duncan U. Fletcher will appoint State Presidents for the sixteen states included in the territory of the Congress. These will in turn appoint their cabinets and county presidents. The county presidents will organize clubs of fifty, one club for a county.

Dr. Owens made the announcement of the selection of Mrs. Wade Hampton for the office of General Secretary. Mrs. Hampton is the daughter-in-law of General Wade Hampton, of South Carolina. She will be located in the Southern Building and will work in co-operation with Managing Director Owens, of the Congress.

The aims of the Woman's Auxiliary will be the same as for The Southern Commercial Congress. The power of organized effort of the women of the country will be brought to bear on the questions the Congress is now endeavoring to solve. A few of these problems are national as Vocational Education in the United States, the investigation of the European systems of co-operative agricultural credits and the relation of the United States to the Panama Canal and the Latin-American countries. This last subject has become international in its scope. With respect to the foregoing, The Southern Commercial Congress is recognized by departments of the federal government and by many national organizations, as holding a position of national leadership.

Other activities of the Congress are with respect to the following: Morgan Memorial at Panama; Southern Exhibit; Drainage; Uniform Tax Laws; Breaking Up Large Plantations; Publicity; Waterways; Forestry and Vital Statistics.

The Southern Commercial Congress called the conference on vocational education.

MEMBERS OF CORN CLUB SHOULD HEED NOTICE

To the Members of the Boy's Corn Club of Beaufort County:

Notice is hereby given that I have arranged with the Aurora Fair Association to have boy's corn judging and prize awarding day at Aurora in connection with the Aurora Fair on Thursday, December 5th. I want every boy in the club to be in Aurora on that day and bring 10 of the very best ears of corn that he may be able to select from the corn grown on his acre. These exhibits will also be allowed to enter for premiums offered by the Aurora Fair Association. Boys do not fail to send your reports to me at once or to Mr. W. L. Vaughan.

Yours for successful farming,
JOHN F. LATHAM,
Collaborator.
Jessama, N. C.

GONE TO NORFOLK.
Mrs. J. C. Rodman left this morning via the Norfolk Southern for Norfolk, where she expects to spend several days. While there she will be the guest of Col. and Mrs. W. B. Rodman.

CAPTAIN FALLS SENSELESS ON HIS STEAMER

Captain Robert Burrus, of the steamer *Blanche*, plying between Washington and Bethaven and Sladesville on yesterday while sitting in the main saloon of the steamer talking to friends, fell to the floor in an unconscious state. He was brought to this city and carried to the Fowle Memorial Hospital, where his condition is still precarious. The late reports from the hospital this morning are that he is still in a coma. Dr. Rodman is his attending physician. His many friends wish him a speedy recovery.

PURCHASING STOCK.
Messrs. H. H. Carrow and Claude Carrow, of the Hassel Supply Company, are now in St. Louis purchasing horses and mules for the stabling here.

FOR WESTERN MARKETS.
Mr. Howard Winfield is now in Western markets purchasing a carload of horses and mules. Due announcement of their arrival will be made through the Daily News.

NOVEMBER 27TH OBSERVED AS TRASH BURNING DAY

Woman's Betterment Association to Clean up City Prior to Thanksgiving Day. Plans Devised.

As indicated in yesterday's paper Wednesday, November 27th, will be observed as Trash Burning Day.

The Woman's Betterment Association desires to clean up the town before Thanksgiving Day and asks every citizen and property holder to aid in the work.

The following plan will be followed to attain this end:

A prize of five dollars will be offered to the white boy who contributes the largest pile of trash; one of three dollars to the one who contributes the second largest, and one of two dollars to the one who contributes the third largest.

Each boy who desires to help in the work and get the prize money should get busy right now. Go to each merchant and householder and secure from them the right to get all the trash, old papers, boxes and other inflammable matter on their premises on the 25th and 26th of November. Then make arrangements to get a horse, pony, ox or goat and cart suitable to the load obtained for those afternoons to haul the trash se-

cured. Haul all of this to the farm of Dr. S. T. Nicholson, located back of Mr. B. B. Nicholson's residence on Market street, and place in a pile. A committee of the Woman's Betterment Association will have charge of piling the trash so that each contestant will be protected and his trash properly labeled. Each citizen and property owner is requested by the ladies to have all trash and inflammable material on his lot or in his house collected and placed in a convenient place on those dates so that the boys may get it conveniently.

The trash collected by the colored boys will be placed in a separate place in Dr. Nicholson's field and the same amounts offered in prizes to the white boys are offered to the colored boys.

The Big Fire will take place on Wednesday afternoon, November 27, at 3 p. m.

The Woman's Betterment Association desires it to be the biggest fire ever seen in the neighborhood of Washington.

GREAT SHOW AT THE LYRIC THEATER

Among the features on the program at the Lyric last evening the "Wilson & Frankford" act in a high-class singing talking and feature dancing was a novelty, opening for a three day's engagement and was well received by the audience.

Miss Frankford's dancing was one of the main features and was exceedingly clever and pronounced to be one of the best dancers booked here and her costumes were beautiful, the little artist wearing a Harem skirt different from the majority of acts, but rendered a blend to the act that was very high-class and entertaining.

Mr. Wilson's songs were very good, however we have heard better, but taking the act as a whole no criticism can be said. The motion pictures were another feature well worth mentioning and some of the best we have seen in some time. Today's program offers an entire change of program in vaudeville and pictures.

PLANT RUNNING DAILY.
W. S. D. Eborn, manager of the Farmers Ginning & Milling Co., of Bunyan, N. C., announces to the public that the new ginning plant is running every day and they are prepared to gin for all that come promptly. They have ginned 80 bales and every one is pleased with his turnout. Highest prices paid for lint cotton and cotton seed.

MRS. PHILLIPS INDISPOSED.
The many friends of Mrs. T. W. Phillips will regret to learn of her indisposition. She is now confined to her home on West Second street and her condition is thought to be precarious.

national education, held in the Senate office building last December that federated the national federations on this subject and has actively conducted the campaign since.

The Southern Commercial Congress called the conference on Rural Credits held in Nashville, Tenn., last April, presided over by Hon. David Lubin, of Rome, Italy, which has resulted in the plan now fully worked out to send a commission to Europe next May to make a study of the systems in operation with the view of solving this question for the American farmer. Many national organizations have given endorsement to the plan. The commission will go from New York, April 26.

The Southern Commercial Congress will hold its fifth Congress at a time to enable the thousands of delegates to go to the Canal for the formal opening ceremonies. In these plans the Congress has the endorsement of the Department of State of the United States and of the Pan-American Union. Secretary Knox and Director General Barrett are giving active co-operation.

CHRISTIAN CONVENTION IN SESSION AT FARMVILLE

The annual conference of the Blue Ridge Atlantic Conference of the M. E. Church will convene at Marshallburg, N. C., to-morrow and will last for one week. Bishop Theodore Henderson, of Chattanooga, Tenn., will preside.

There will be about one hundred preachers present and at last two hundred laymen and visitors. Among those attending the conference from Washington will be Rev. J. H. Warren; Rev. E. A. Lowthar, D. D., of St. Stephen's M. E. church, New York, the proposed president of the college to be established here; Mr. P. H. Warren and wife, of Asheville, who are the guests of Rev. J. H. Warren. This evening at Morehead City, Rev. Dr. Lowthar will preach. Bishop Henderson was to have been the preacher, but he could not reach the town in time to fill the appointment.

IN THE CITY.
Rev. H. E. Tripp, of Farmville, N. C., was here yesterday en route to Aurora, N. C., to visit relatives and friends.

RETURNS HOME.
Mrs. Charles Allgood left yesterday for Hyde county, where she expects to make her future home.

BOSTONIA SEXTETTE CLUB.
This number is the attraction at the Public School Auditorium tonight, being the second number of the Lyceum Course.

REGULAR COMMUNICATION.
There will be a regular communication of Orr Lodge, No. 104, A. F. and A. M., at their hall this evening, corner of Third and Bonner streets at 8 o'clock. All visiting brethren cordially invited to be present.

COTTON MARKET.
Lint Cotton, 12 cts.
Seed Cotton, \$4.60.
Cotton Seed, \$20 per ton.

Poor food or lack of nutritious food, food not properly prepared, and overwork and underfeeding foster consumption.

- NEW ADVERTISEMENTS IN TODAY'S NEWS
- Hallett & Davis Piano Co.
- Lyric
- Boston Rubber Shoe Co.
- Southern Distilling Company.
- C. Hathaway.
- J. K. Hoyt.
- J. W. B. Clark.
- Wilson Frackle Cream.
- J. L. O'Quinn.
- Capudine.