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$1,000,000 FOR INLAND WATERWAY IS ADOPTED

SENATE PASSES MEASURE FOR WATERWAY BETWEEN NORFOLK AND BEAUFORT.

VOTE OF 35 TO 20

Engineers Estimate Appropriation Will Complete Canal from Norfolk to Albemarle to Depth of 12 Feet; Bottom Width of 90 feet.

The item in the River and Harbor bill of $1,000,000 for the Inland Waterway from Norfolk to Beaufort was adopted today in the Senate. The fight upon this item was probably the most vigorous that has been made up to this time against any item in the bill. Senator Simmons defended the item with much vigor, and upon a vote it was approved by 35 to 20.

The engineers estimate that this appropriation will complete the canal from Norfolk to Albemarle Sound to a depth of twelve feet, and a bottom width of ninety feet.

The completion of this canal will give immediately a free waterway from Norfolk to Beaufort of ten feet depth. The project contemplates opening the route to the same depth as that of the Chesapeake and Albemarle Canal so as to give a minimum depth throughout the whole route of twelve feet.

The above item, which is of special interest to the citizens of this section, was sent this morning to the Daily News by Joseph F. Tayloe, chief clerk of the Senate finance committee. The passing of the appropriation in the Senate is of special importance to this part of the State. Mr. Tayloe has kept in close touch with the project and, realizing how vital it was, he lost no time in giving the news to the readers of the Daily News.

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TO COMMENCE WORK ON PLANT BY NEXT WEEK

PLANS HAVE BEEN COMPLETED FOR LARGE REDRYING PLANT TO BE LOCATED HERE.

BUILDING 60 BY 80 FT.

Will Be Located in Front of Storage Warehouse on the Coast Line. Plant Will Be Completed by the First of September.

One of the principal topics of conversation among the business men of the city today was the discussion of the coming of the new tobacco redrying plant to Washington, which will be put in by Ficklen & Webb, now located at Kinston and Greenville. Everyone is greatly pleased with the action of this firm in making this the location for their plant and the highest optimism is felt for the success of the Washington market.

The plant will be located in front of the storage warehouse on the Atlantic Coast Line. A switch will run right up to the door of the house. The building will be built in a most substantial manner, two stories high and with a concrete floor. It will be 80 feet long and 60 feet wide. The plans have been completed and active work on the construction of the building will begin next week.

It is generally believed that considerable more tobacco will be brought to the local market this season on account of the plant being located here. A large quantity of the weed will also be shipped here from neighboring smaller markets for redrying.

613 CARS STRAWBERRIES FROM NORTH CAROLINA

(By United Press)

Washington, May 25.—Telegraphic reports to the Department of Agriculture show that 613 cars of strawberries have been moved from North Carolina up to May 21. 160 carloads and a liberal shipment by boats, have moved from Virginia and the Gulf States. The season is closed.

GERMANS ARE REPULSED BY THE FRENCH

HAS BEEN NO CESSATION FOR THIRTY-SIX HOURS IN CANNONADING AT VERDUN.

FRENCH REGAIN TRENCH

Attacks of Germans on West Bank of Meuse Repulsed. Further Gains Reported by the French on East Side of the River.

(By United Press)

Paris, May 26.—The French today repulsed a new violent German attack on the west band of the Meuse, northwest of Verdun. Gains on the east bank of the Meuse are also reported by the war office.

By smashing counter attacks the French today also recaptured the trench which they lost yesterday near Thiaumont. There has been absolutely no cessation for thirty-six hours in the cannonading around Hill 304 and Avocourt.

LONG SENTENCE FOR MURDERERS

White Man and Negroes Get Long Terms for Murder of Merchant.

(By United Press)

Durham, N. C., May 26.—C. B. Burgin, white, was sentenced to 30 years and three negroes were given 20 years each, being found guilty of second degree murder in killing E. B. Cantrell, a merchant of Winston-Salem.

TURNER BEAT WILLIS

Local Man Made Good Showing but Was Thrown in Two Straight Falls.

Joe Willis was defeated by Joe Turner last night in two falls. Turner outweighed the local boy by about ten pounds and also had considerable advantage in strength. An arm lock spelled Willis' downfall for the first fall and a combination of the same hold threw him the second time. The first fall went 45 minutes and the second 50. A small crowd of fans were present to witness the match.

TO STUDY "CYMBELINE"

New Play to be Taken Up by O. Henry Club, Meeting Held Yesterday.

The O. Henry club was entertained in a most charming manner by Mrs. W. C. Rodman. A large number of members were present and enjoyed one of the most interesting meetings that the club has held recently.

Many cut flowers were in evidence in the beautiful home and were attractively arranged in the various rooms. The guests were served punch in the reception hall, after which the business part of the meeting was taken up.

Mrs. S. R. Clary, a delegate of the club to the Federated Club meeting at High Point, read a highly interesting report of the proceedings of the convention, which received the closest attention of those present. The last act of Shakespeare's Othello was then read by the club.

The next play that the members will read and study will be "Cymbeline," by the same author. Mrs. A. M. Dumay read a most comprehensive outline of the play. Her paper showed careful preparation and was also well read.

A short social session concluded the meeting, Mrs. Rodman serving an ice course, being assisted by her two daughters.

The next meeting will be held with Mrs. A. C. Hathaway.

GUNS CAPTURED FROM THE VILLISTAS

Machine guns and rifles taken by United States troops in a recent encounter with a band of Villa's bandits.

Will Solicit Funds For The State Home Society

L. H. Putnam, State Superintendent of the North Carolina Children's Home Society and Cornelius Thomas, field agent, will be in the city Sunday for the purpose of bringing the work of the society before the various churches of the city, preparatory to making a canvass of the citizens next week.

Mr. Putnam will make a short talk on the activities of the children's home society at the Epsicopal church at the morning services and at the Methodist church at night. Mr. Thomas will appear at the Presbyterian church in the morning and at the Baptist church at night.

During the course of the week's campaign, they will be assisted in their work by Miss Bilyeu, solicitor for the association.

The North Carolina Children's Home Society has accomplished a splendid work in the past in caring for the orphans and destitute children of the State. They have taken about 27 children from this county. To support these orphans, it would have cost the county over $10,000. Only $300 a year is at present contributed by the county and the citizens toward the support of the institution. It is expected that through their work here next week, a material increase in donations will be received by the officials from the home.

TELLS OBJECT OF THE PEACE LEAGUE

Taft Says Intention is Not to Stop Present War But to Prevent Recurrence.

(By United Press)

Washington, May 26.—Ex-President William H. Taft, speaking as a jurist, placed his "O. K." on the platform of the League to Enforce Peace. He declared that it would be perfectly constitutional for the United States to bind itself with other nations to declare war on any any country that declares war, without first resorting to arbitration. He took a direct issue with W. J. Bryan's recent statement on this subject and said that the League will not try to stop the present war but will follow its distinct purpose to prevent the recurrence of such a disaster to civilidation.

WOULD TURN PARKS INTO POULTRY FARMS

By WILBUR S. FORREST,
United Press Staff Correspondent.

London, May 10.—Give the hen a chance. With eggs at seven cents each, Mrs. Lionel Guest, daughter of the late John Bigelow, American Ambassador to Paris, is urging a plan here today to turn London's public parks into poultry farms.

An enthusiast on poultry breeding, Mrs. Guest has started a crusade to give the hen a chance. She is telling the authorities that every public park should have its chicken farm with a woman expert in charge to show the public how to get the best cut of biddy. Green park and St. James' park, near Buckingham palace; Hyde park and other expanses of public greensward have been selected by the American woman as the best locations upon which to try the poultry experiments.

Mrs. Guest declares she has proved her theories by successful poultry farming in Canada and emphasizes that British hens are equal to the task of providing sufficient eggs if enough people would become interested in hen culture. She has expressed her willingness to keep poultry within the yards of her own house near the fashionable Marble Arch district, police regulations permitting.

LANSING'S RESIGNATION IS GIVEN STRONG DENIAL

(By United Press)

Washington, May 26.—Denying unqualifiedly today's press association report that Secretary Lansing will resign, the State department declared that the circulation of the rumor was part of a propaganda proceeding for several months. There is broad intimation that it was German sources that fostered the rumor. Lansing appeared at the cabinet meeting today and returns to his office Monday, having recovered from a slight illness.

TAFT WILL BE FOR COL. ROOSEVELT

Friends Claim That Roosevelt Will Get Taft's Support, if He is Nominated.

(By United Press)

Washington, May 26.—If Roosevelt wins the nomination at Chicago, Taft will be for him, according to information from friends very close to both men. From the same source, however, it is said that many western Progressives will refuse to follow Roosevelt if he does not adhere strictly to the Progressive route.

Taft has refused to confirm the report. When seen today he merely chuckled, saying, "Why should I comment on such a violent hypothesis?"

WAYOME CLUB MEETS

Many New Members to be Taken into the Club. Interest is Increasing.

The Wayome Club held a special business meeting in their rooms last night. Several important matters were brought up. Among these was the naming of several candidates for membership. Most of these are now off at different schools and will be taken in when they return.

It was also decided to install a telephone in one of the club rooms. This is a convenience that the boys have been wanting a long time.

By the number present and the interest shown in the meetings it is easy to see that the boys are working hard to uplift the standard of the club.

RUM IS POURED OUT

Several Gallons of Strong Fluid Destroyed by the Police Yesterday.

The police yesterday afternoon poured out several gallons of monkey rum in front of the city hall. A large crowd of spectators gathered to witness the destruction of the stuff.

So highly odorous was the liquor that men who worked on the riverfront claim that they could smell it. A negro attempted to carry some of it off in his hat, but the police were too vigilant.

The recorder had a light docket yesterday, only one case being brought up for disposal. B. G. Moss, charged with speeding his automobile, was fined costs of corut.

WAITE CALMLY CONFESSES TO MURDER PLOTS

"DON'T CARE WHAT BECOMES OF ME," HE C[illegible] NFORMS [illegible]

DOESN'T DENY GUILT

When Asked Whether He is Insane, Replies That "He Thinks Not." Says That He Never Has Denied His Guilt.

(By United Press)

New York, May 26.—A calm admission of the fact that he planned to kill his wife, as well as her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Peck of Grand Rapids, and also Miss Catherine Peck, her sister, was made today by Dr. Arthur Waite, when he resumed the amazing confession in the wholesale poison plot, through which he hoped to gain control of the Peck millions.

When asked if he was crazy, he replied that he thought not. "I don't care what becomes of me," he continued. "I want to do what's right."

Under cross examination he denied the tombs conspiracy to fake insanity.

"Do you deny your guilt," he was asked.

"I never denied it," he replied quietly.

"What is your defense?"

"I am making no defense."

GOOD STAND OF TOBACCO

Local Banker States That He Has Never Seen a Better Stand Than That in the County.

In discussing the tobacco crop in the county, A. M. Dumay, who has recently made a trip through the county, stated this morning that he never remembered having seen a finer stand of tobacco than that which is now above ground in the vicinity of Washington.

"I don't know about the size of the crop," stated Mr. Dumay, "but it appears to me that the acreage is about the same as last year. With a good season, howeber, I believe that a larger quantity of tobacco will be raised.

"There is another thing that must be taken into consideration, and that is the lack of potash this season. What effect this will have on the crop, is uncertain and we'll have to wait and see."

"MILITANT PACIFISTS" MEET IN WASHINGTON

(By United Press)

Washington, May 26.—America's militant pacifists who, some unfriendly soul remarked, "intend to bring about international peace if they have to beat up the whole world to do it," convened here today for their first national convention, under the banner of The League to Enforce Peace, American Section. Ex-President Taft presided.

Mr. Taft will begin a series of speeches this afternoon on National Policies. George Grafton Williams of Harvard will discuss the Monroe doctrine. Entangling Alliances will be dealt with by Talcott Williams of Columbia. John Bates Clark of the Carnegie Peace organization will talk about Euroepan conditions.

Other speakers today: Thomas R. White of Philadelphia, "The League"; Oscar Straus of New York, "Force, A Support of Law"; Edward A. Filene of Boston, "The Soul of the United States"; Hamilton Holt of New York, "Armaménta."

The effect of the League on American interests will be the general subject for discussion at the session thi evening. Secretary of war Newton D. Baker will be the principal speaker. Other speakers will be R. G. Rhett of Charleston, S. C., President of the American Chamber of Commerce; Sampel Gompers of the Federation of Labor, President Oliver Wilson of the National Grange, from Peoria, Ill., and others.

The convention will conclude with a dinner tomorrow evening.

ALLIES TO BEGIN NEW OFFENSIVE IN SOUTH

TO WAGE DESPERATE ATTACK WITH INTENTION OF FORCING ENEMIES TO MAKE PEACE.

ARE CONCENTRATING

French, English, Italians, Serbians and Russians Are Getting Troops Together, Waiting for the Word to Strike.

(By United Press)

Rome, May 26.—A terrific smash within the next few weeks, aiming at the elimination of the Turks and the subjection of the Bulgarians, will be the allies' first great stroke for peace.

A heavy blow by the allies from Saloniki and at Mesopotamia will be followed by a tremendous offensive against the Austrians and Germans in the attempt to end the war before the winter.

French, English, Serbian and Italian troops are concentrated at Saloniki, waiting for the word to strike. In the meantime, the Russians are pressing on toward Bagdad.

CONFIRM BRANDEIS WITHOUT ROLL CALL

(By United Press)

Washington, May 26.—The confirmation of Judge Brandeis' appointment by the Senate this afternoon without a vote against him was forecasted at a meeting of the Republican members o fthe Judiciary committee. Senator Sutherland was the only man to voice a protest against such a program. The plan is to have the confirmation come without a roll call.

CELEBRATED HER SIXTEENTH BIRTHDAY WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Miss Bertha Congleton was hostess to a number of friends Wednesday evening in honor of her sixteenth annnversary. She entertained from eight to eleven thirty o'clock. The guests were received at the door by Mr. Ed Congleton. Amusements of various kinds were enjoyed by all present. Several musical selections were rendered by Miss Gladys Alligood and Miss Bertha Congleton. The home was beautifully decorated in green and red. At about ten-thirty delicious refreshments were served. The guests began to depart at about eleven-thirty, voting Miss Bertha a most charming hostess.

Those present were: Misses Blanche Alligood, Gladys Alligood, Clara Burgess, Josephine Burgess, Rosa Spain, Rosalie Morgan, Lucy Congleton, Annie Campbell, Inda Paul, Estelle Meekins, Janie Butts, Ida Green, Annie Chauncey, Bessie Adams, Jennie Alligood, Messrs. Harvey Burgess, Milan Roberts, Vernon Alligood, Elbert Everett, Charles Weeks, Willie McDevitt, John Spain, Mac Black, Willie and Ed Congleton, Joe and Johnnie Wilkinson, Jack Cherry, Will Jefferson and Johnnie Wise.

TO THE VOTERS OF BEAUFORT CO.

With the exception of my announcement as a candidate for renomination for the Sheriff's office, I have had nothing to say. I have not asked a man directly to vote for me, as I thought it was unnecessary, because I did not (and I do not now) think my friends will put me out of office, as everyone knows I have only had it one term. I presented my receipt from the State last year and also from the county showing I had settled in full. I have my receipt from the State and have settled three-fourths of the county for this year, although it is reported in Richland Township that I was holding back the school money and the committee could not settle with the teachers on account of me not settling with the Treasurer. I paid the schools last year $2,138.94 too much and the Board of Education and myself had quite a little trouble to get me relieved, and they did it by giving their notes. I have settled with the general school fund this year, less my insolvent list and I have settled three-fourths of the taxes for the special graded schools, and could settle the whole amount had the finance committee checked up my account. I have made a special effort to help the schools of our county when our "Treasurer" called on me for money. I have also helped the schools in contributing myself personally and to the county commencement and to three new school buildings, and this I did willingly and shall not advertise myself as to what schools I gave to and what amount, because I did it without thinking of any political gain.

I have made some enemies in advertising their land for taxes, but any reasonable man would not get mad, because the law says when a man does not pay his taxes you must sell his land and I was not able to pay the taxes for the people. Sheriff Ricks advertised me on one occasion and I did not get mad because I had not paid my taxes, and I have through error advertised a few men who had paid their taxes and as soon as I found it out, I took their names out of the paper and did not sell and wrote each party. W ehave a small crowded office and have to wait on ladies, gentlemen, prisoners in jail and the telephone sometimes all at the same time and is there a man living under such circumstances who would not make a mistake?

To the taxpayers of Beaufort county: I want to give you an idea as to the progress of your county and the increase of work on the Sheriff. In 1913 the total taxes collected by Sheriff Ricks was $85,095.24. In 1914 the total tax collected by Sheriff Ricks and Windley was $86,030.43. In 1915 the total tax that I am to collect and have collected most of it, is $154,234.76. I had $27,000 drainage tax to collect. I had to sell the drainage tax this year in February, when heretofore it was advertised right along with the State and county taxes, which necessitated my hiring extra help. I had to hire an extra man to get up our State and county advertisement, as our tax books do not show the number of acres, or who it adjoins and I wished to keep the people satisfied about their taxes. In order to do this I had to go to the Register's office and get the description from the abstract book.

Now in regards to the office: I especially want it one more term and that will give me ample time to collect in lots of little accounts owing me personally. I have done as much for my friends and the party as any man in the county of Beaufort for the past four years; and I hope my friends will nominate me for one mose term as your Sheriff.

With best wishes,
W. B. WINDLEY, Sheriff.
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