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LEADING N. Y. BANKERS SAY THAT ALL LEGITIMATE DEMANDS ARE BEING PAID

Declare They are Taking all Practical Measure to Aid West and South.

$12,000,000 LANDED FROM LUSITANIA

Total Engagement of Gold Almost Touching the Fifty Million Dollar Mark.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Nov. 8.—The leading New York banks were exerting themselves actively today to meet the demands of their country corespondents and depositors for currency. They declare that the suggestions made from several western sources that they are not meeting legitimate demands for currency from the west are entirely unfounded, and that they are, on the contrary, taking every practicable measure to aid the western and southern banks. One of these large banks, with several thousand correspondents, has depleted its reserve by about a quarter of a million dollars during the last few weeks to supply currency where it is most needed, and has made large shipments to banks in San Antonio, Galveston, Memphis, Mobile, Atlanta and other southern points.

Judgment Used.

The best possible judgment is used in meeting these country demands for currency. It is not usual, except in special cases, to ship all that is asked, but a portion of what is asked, ranging around one-half, is usually shipped, the proportion varying according to the cash strength of the bank calling for the additional currency or the supply demanded for legitimate purposes. Special favor is shown to the small, interior banks, where there is no clearing house, because it is realized that they are not in a possible count upon cooperation and the use of clearing house certificates. It is admitted that the cotton movement is seriously checked by the lack of small bills and silver to pay the small growers and by the inability of the southern banks to handle the immense volume of business accumulating at southern points. The grain shipments are in better shape, owing to the gold secured by the banks of Minneapolis and St Paul and arrangements for paying cash in New York on grain bills.

The New York banks feel bound to retain a certain proportion of reserve to guard against possible contingency, because they inhift in substance the function which is fulfilled in London by the Bank of England and in Paris by the Bank of France as the uutimate resource in emergency.

Imports Increasing.

The aid which is being rendered to the situation is indicated by the fact that the total engagements of gold have now reached $49,500,000 of the amount engaged the sum of $24,311,000 has already arrived including $12,361,150 which was landed from the Lusitania this morning. This gold will afford the basis of nearly $200,000,000 in loans and will materially assist the New York banks in their efforts to meet the pressure for currency throughout the country.

The fact that practically $60,000,000 in currency disappeared from the New York banks within a week is indicated by the last bank statement to be considered sufficient evidence that the New York banks are doing their best to meet the great demands upon them. It is not possible to determine what proportion of this enormous sum went west and what proportion went into hoards in New York.

One of the most [illegible] has been a subject of [illegible] between Secretary Cortelyou and leading bankers here has been the issue of a block of Panama canal bonds, but it is now understood that the offer of the bonds to the public could be made before the tightness of the pressure upon currency has been considerably eased.

$600,000 FIRE.

(By Associated Press.)

DULUTH, Minn., Nov. 8.—Fire last night damaged the Great Northern elevator and its contents at Superior to the extent of more than $600,000.

NUMBER 10 WAS DITCHED AND TURNED OVER

Wreck Occured Near Union S. C. Yesterday Morning. Pullmans Keep the Track.

PASSENGERS HAD MIRACULOUS ESCAPE.

No one Was Injured; Broken Rail Was Cause of the Wreck.

(Special to The Citizen.)

UNION, S. C., Nov. 8.—Another wreck has been added to the Southern's list when last night about 12:25 passenger train No. 10, which was running about one hour and fifty minutes late, was derailed and overturned about five miles south of Union.

The train was running about 25 miles an hour when the engine struck a broken place in the rail. The locomotive passed over it but the tender was thrown crosswise the track, and all day coaches jumped from the rails and were partially overturned in a cut, the only coaches remaining on the track being the two Pullmans. In some miraculous way, though the track was torn up for 75 yards, not one of the 28 passengers was injured in the slightest. Indeed it is said that one traveling man who took the Pullman at Spartanburg slept soundly through it all, and when waking this morning thought that they must be nearing Charleston, when in fact the train was just south of Union.

Commissioner on Board.

The train was in charge of Engineer John Harrison and Captain Jackson was the Pullman conductor. Among those on board were Railroad Commissioner Jno. H. Earle who took immediate steps to look into the cause of the wreck. The break was found to be where the rail had been joined and the hole for the bolts having been bored in the wrong place the constant passing over it had caused it to break, making an opening of about 3 inches.

As soon after the accident as possible, one of the crew returned to Union and notified the division headquarters at Columbia of the trouble and a wrecking train was sent up about 8 o'clock this morning. It is estimated that it will take at least eight hours to clear the wreck and No. 11 which will arrive about 11:50 will go to the scene of the occurrence and will there transfer passengers to No. 9, which will then return to Columbia.

At 2 o'clock this afternoon the track was cleared and traffic was resumed.

PRES. ROOSEVELT TO REVIEW THE FLEET

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Nov. 8.—It was announced at the White House today that President Roosevelt will review the Atlantic battlefleet in Hampton Roads December 16, the day of the return of the fleet for the Pacific.

No further details of the review are obtainable at this time, and it is stated that they have not yet been decided upon. The President probably will leave Washington for Hampton Roads on the evening of December 14.

TWO LIVES LOST IN CHARLESTON FIRE

(By Associated Press.)

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Nov. 8.—A four-story building occupied by the wholesale grocery of Buhner Brothers was destroyed by fire today, entailing a loss of $200,000, with insurance of $100,000. Capt. J. J. Foley of the fire department and John Beard, employing clerks, were burned to death and several firemen were injured.

JUDGE PRITCHARD PRESIDING OVER CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS

(Special to The Citizen.)

RICHMOND, Va., Nov. 8.—The United States Circuit Court of Appeals for the fourth circuit convened this morning at Brookneal with Judge Pritchard presiding and District Judges Brawley and Purnell sitting. Two cases were argued and submitted today.

No. 711—The United States of America, plaintiff in error, vs. Daniel J. Riner et al., defendants in error. In error to the circuit court at Charlotte, N. C. Argued by J. L. Coble, assistant United States attorney, of Statesville, N. C., for plaintiff in error and submitted on briefs by counsel for the defendants in error.

No. 711—The United States, plaintiff in error, vs. Thomas Robinson, James A. Hoodley and J. W. Robinson, defendants in error. In error to the district court at Asheville, N. C. Argued by J. L. Coble, assistant United States attorney, of Statesville, N. C., for the plaintiff in error, no counsel appearing for the defendants in error.

J. L. Coble, assistant United States attorney for the Western District of North Carolina, of Statesville, N. C., was admitted to practice in this court.

SPEAKING OF BANKS.

HUNDREDS ARE TURNED AWAY AT DRUCE TRIAL

Interest in the Case Deepened By Mysterious Theft of A Dairy.

DUAL PERSONALITY CLAIM OF DEFENSE

Underground Passage Mock Funerals and Other Romances Figure in Case

LONDON, Nov. 8.—Hundreds of people vainly fought for admission to the Marylebone police court today when the hearing of the famous Druce mystery case was resumed. Herbert Druce, son of the late Thomas Charles Druce, is charged with perjury by his nephew, George Hollamby Druce. The charge is incidental to the Druce claim to the estates of the Duke of Portland, and dates back to 1893.

At every step the case has been vigorously contested by the present Duke of Portland. In brief, this remarkable case centers about the old question whether Thomas Charles Druce, at one time the owner of the famous Baker street bazaar, who was said to have died forty-three years ago, was or was not the same person as the eccentric fifth Duke of Portland, who died in 1879.

Theft of Dairy.

Interest in the proceedings today was heightened by the alleged theft since the previous session of the diary of Miss Robinson, the daughter of a southern tobacco planter, who was employed as an amanuensis in the Baker street bazaar, and who says she frequently went to Welbeck Abbey, the Portland seat, where she saw the late T. C. Druce, father of the late George Druce, who in turn was father of George Hollamby Druce, the claimant to the estates, as the Duke of Portland whose identity with T. C. Druce she claimed to be able to establish.

Robert Caldwell, of Richmond, Staten Island, New York, testified that he knew the late Duke of Portland both as the Duke and as T. C. Druce at Welbeck Abbey, and at the Baker street bazaar. Mr. Caldwell added that he treated the duke at both places for a disease of the nose. There was a buzz of excitement when Mr. Caldwell swore that when in connection with the duke he arranged the death mock funeral of Druce so that his dual personality could finally be buried.

The witness further testified that he saw the duke on the morning of the funeral at the Baker street bazaar. A day or two later he asked the Duke of Portland if the so-called "Druce" had left a will. The duke thanked Caldwell for reminding him of such an important point and said he must have one made.

Cross-examined by Mr. Avory, Caldwell admitted he had been described as "the great American affidavit maker," but he added that it was not justified.

Strange Feature.

One of the strangest features of the case is that about the middle of June, 1906, workmen who were tearing down Harcourt house, on Cavendish square, London, previously one of the residences of the Dukes of Portland discovered an underground passage leading from the house to the Baker street structure, in which the famous bazaar had previously been and which was conducted by Thomas Charles Druce. The claimant declares that the duke while living his double life, used the underground passage referred to for the purpose of getting west from Harcourt house to the place of business of "Druce."

A Mrs. Margaret Hamilton has testified that she knew the fifth duke both as Mr. Druce and as the Duke of Portland, and that she was aware of the fact that he had married Elizabeth Crickmer, the grand-mother of the present claimant.

The original action in the case was brought to eject Lord Howard De Walden, from the London property which his father inherited from the Fifth Duke of Portland on the supposed failure of the direct line. The income from the Duke of Portland's estates is estimated at not less than $1,500,000 a year.

RATE HEARING IS AGAIN POSTPONED

Standing Master sets Nov. 26 In Compliance With Request Made by Gen. Counsel Thom.

(Special to The Citizen.)

RALEIGH, N. C., Nov. 8.—By mutual agreement of counsel an order was made this afternoon by Standing Master W. A. Montgomery in the case of the Southern Railway company vs. the corporation commission, testing the constitutionality of the North Carolina two and one-fourth cent passenger rate, postponing the further taking of testimony for the state from Monday, November 11, to November 26 in Raleigh.

It was on Thursday that the order was sent to counsel on both sides by the standing master for the resumption of the hearing next Monday, but there came today from General Counsel Thom of the Southern a letter to the effect that it would greatly inconvenience counsel for the Southern to appear next Monday and asking for the matter to be further postponed to November 26. This was not objectionable to counsel for the state, so that the agreement was easily reached for the hearing to be postponed.

Counsel for the state say they had been during the day going forward with their preliminary arrangements for the hearing to be resumed next Monday, in that they were compiling the evidence and listing the witnesses it was proposed to introduce. There is still no intimation as to the possible turn the hearing from the state's view point will take when the case does come up before the standing master.

CHILD FINDS DEAD BODY OF MOTHER

Shocking Deed of Texas Man, Who "Wrecked Vengeance on His Only Love."

(By Associated Press.)

HOUSTON, Tex., Nov. 8.—The eight-year-old daughter of Matthew W. Anderson, a railroad clerk, early today found the dead body of her mother in the kitchen of their home in Houston Heights, her head almost completely severed from the body, the woman having met death at the hands of her husband.

An unsigned note from the husband declares that returning home at an earlier hour than usual today, he found another man in his home, and this being the second such occurrence, "I felt obliged to wreck vengeance on my only love."

Anderson has disappeared.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 8.—Forecast for Saturday and Sunday:

North Carolina—Fair Saturday and Sunday; slightly cooler Sunday, light west winds.

CASH DEMANDS LIGHTER WITH CERTIFICATES

Business People Here Take Readily to New Form Of Money

PRESENT ISSUE OPERATING FULLY

Actual Cash Payments Can Now be Reduced. Limit Is Now at $ 10.00.

The associated banks of Asheville, having tested the clearing house certificate plan in Asheville for the past two days, find that the certificates are rapidly giving the relief to general business which the community so much needs at this time, when the resources of the outside world are practically cut off from us. The banks say that the fact that the merchants, railroads, street cars and tradespeople generally accept the new money readily, really makes the demand for actual cash grow less and less urgent for actual business needs. The limit on cash payments at the local banks has therefore been reduced to $10 per day, but certificates will be given out along with it to make up any amount wanted for business purposes. Other cities, and many of them much larger than Asheville, started out with a limit of only $10 per day. The propriety of similar action here was considered, and the banks thought that until they should be able to supplement their cash, they should not place the limit below actual business needs, but that the limit might be reduced from time to time, if the actual business necessity would permit, and in proportion to the relief that should be afforded by the certificates. The limit was reduced to just half upon the advent of the certificates, and now that the certificates are admirably fulfilling their mission it is thought permissible to cut cash payments down to a minimum, in order that the cash resources of the community may have an opportunity to recuperate.

A prominent banker said last night: "It must be borne in mind that banks nowadays go a long way in the making or unmaking of a community, and that in this day and time the true and faithful banker must consider always the general welfare of the community, rather than his own personal likes or considerations of self-interest. The Asheville banks are showing at this time that true idea of protecting the community and its business interests."

FEDERAL COURT HAD NO JURISDICTION

(By Associated Press.)

NEW ORLEANS, La., Nov. 8.—A decision unfavorable to the carrying of state cases into federal courts by large corporations, was handed down today by United States Circuit Judge Saunders. He decided against the Cumberland Telephone company, which had applied for an injunction against the state railroad commission, to restrain the commission from fixing certain rates on cable tolls across the Mississippi river. Judge Saunders decided that the federal courts had no jurisdiction over this rate.

BANK CLEARINGS.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Nov. 8.—The bank clearings for the week ended November 7 show an aggregate of $2,356,660,000, as against $2,331,488,000 last week, and $2,906,510,000 the corresponding week last year.

NEGRO CHURCH WILL BE BUILT ON HILL STREET

Permit Finally Granted by Board of Aldermen Almost Unanimously.

REPAIRS ON CITY PRISON UNDE RWAY

Ordinance Against Minors Smoking Cigarettes Passes Frirst Reading.

After lengthy discussions and postponments from time to time in an effort to reach a compromise, the famous Hill street negro church permit was passed last night by the board of aldermen with scarcely a ripple, only one vote, that of Alderman Cocke, being cast against it. When unfinished business was reached, Col. Lusk, who was representing the church people, got up and asked the board that action be taken on the permit. He had hardly begun his argument, when Alderman Randolph, who at the last meeting secured a postponment, interrupted and asked that the order adopted at the last meeting be read from the minutes. When this was read Mr. Randolph turned to Col. Lusk and asked him if the white residents of that section who were protesting against the granting of the permit had bought the property. Col. Lusk replied emphatically that they had not. Mr. Randolph then moved that the permit be granted. The vote was taken six voting for and one against, Alderman Francis being absent. After the meeting was called to order by Mayor Campbell, the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Numerous complaints from various citizens regarding their sewer assessments for the Pearson Drive sewer. The request of V. V. Hayner for free license to peddle was referred to the special tax committee.

Prison Repairs.

The fire committee in its report recommended that Superintendent Ramseur be given a wrench to the fire hydrants and be allowed the use of the city water from the hydrants at the depot in case of fire. This recommendation was adopted.

The market house committee reported the progress made in the repairs on the city prison. In making the report Mr. Glenn, the chairman, stated that the temporary repairs on the cells was well under way, but that the committee was not ready to make a complete report. Alderman Wood interpose stating that he and Mr. Randolph had visited the city prison in the afternoon and said that in his opinion the repairs being made were not complete enough to afford relief from a sanitary standpoint. Mr. Glenn replied that the committee had some suggestions to offer as soon as the architect could get his plans in shape that would at comparatively small cost to the city, put the prison in a thoroughly sanitary condition, and that these suggestions would be presented to the board at the next meeting. He said further that they had taken up the matter of securing the regular prison cots but found that it would be impossible to install them in the old cells.

Request Refused.

The report of the sanitary committee recommending that the request of the board of health for repairs on the pest-house be refused, was adopted. Chief of Police Collins in making his report recommended that the bicycles recently secured for the force on trial be bought. Alderman Glenn suggested that in addition, perdometors be bought for the mounted officers as they would be of great assistance in enforcing the speed ordinance. This suggestion was referred to the police committee and the recommendation was adopted.

Communications from LeBarbe, Moale and Chiles, and from Jno. P. Kerr, asking for a peep-in on the fire insurance on the city's buildings were read. The petitioners stated that they felt that the city's business should be devided, especially in cases where there was no differences in rates and intimated that on former occasions they had been discriminated against. On motion of Alderman Wood the communications were referred to the finance committee.

Ordinances.

The ordinance relieving the policemen from the regulations governing

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$50,000 BLA SWEEPS OV HEART OF C

Salisbury Visited by on The Worst Fires in History Yesterday.

HISTORIC MANSION HOUSE DESTORY

Spencer's Firmen are C On; Hard Fight Put up Save the City.

SALISBURY, Nov. 8.—Fire started in the second story of the salon house, one of the oldest buildings in Salisbury, destroyed worth of property in the heart city early this morning. The was discovered by policemen a. m., who gave the alarm time to save the lives of the of the building who were all Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Snider and Mariah Griffin had a narrow from cremation before they escape from the burning building.

The Salisbury fire department responded and saved much valuable property in the business section. Spencer fire department was called and assisted the Salisbury fire subduing the flames after hours' desperate fighting.

The Mansion House was built 1750, and was one of the landmarks of Salisbury with much historic interest, being the home of Geo. Washington when he visited Salisbury. The fire was one of the worst in history of Salisbury, and the following is an estimate of the losses and insurance: Mansion House, owned by J. C. Gregory and W. B. Streator, loss, $30,000, insurance, $1,500; D. Miller, stock of merchandise, loss $1,000, insurance, $1,500; C. W. Smith, barber shop, loss $1,000, no insurance; Luther Huffman, beef market, loss $2,500, insurance, $500; M. L. Jackson, beef market, loss, $2,500, insurance, $500; W. H. Huff, merchandise, $2,500, insurance, $1,500; Jewelry Company, stock $2,000, insurance unknown; D. W. Snider, household furniture, total loss; Yadkin Valley Fair Association, records and office fixtures, total loss.

There were many other minor losses not yet estimated. The burned block was in the center of the business portion of the city and for a time the entire town was threatened with a disastrous conflagration.

WANT ALA. RATE BASIS ADOPTED

(By Associated Press.)

MACON, GA., Nov. 8.—Forty of the leading firms of this city today petitioned Governor Smith to adopt the Alabama rate basis, which is higher than the Georgia rate as the basis for an adjustment of the differences with the railroads in this state. The great majority of the petitioners voted for Governor Smith and they say they are in sympathy with him, "but we deem it of the utmost importance at this time to allay unfavorable criticism of corporations in so far as it may be done without injury to the public good."

SMALL FIRE IN STEAMER'S H

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Nov. 8.—The Dominion line steamship J came into port with a small fire in her hold. Steam was promptly turned into the forward hold as soon as fire was discovered and the fire quickly extinguished. Only of cotton, in which the fire orig was damaged.

News of the fire was kept from passengers for fear of a stampede.

STEAMER SINKS.

(By Associated Press.)

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Nov. 8.—The big river steamer J. P. Williams, which plies between Pensacola, Fla., and points up the Black Warrior river, sank at her moorings at Pensacola wharf early today, taking down with her a large cargo of naval stores and produce. No one was drowned.

RALEIGH PEOPLE WILL VOTE ON PROHIBITION NEXT MONTH

(Special to The Citizen.)

RALEIGH, N. C., Nov. 8.—The Raleigh board of aldermen tonight received the report of the special committee to pass on the petitions for an election on prohibition or dispensary, and decided by a unanimous vote to order an election to be held December 26, the day after Christmas. The report of the committee was that there were not enough qualified signers to the petition to order the election on the registration in vogue for the last municipal election, but enough under the registration for the recent bond election. The board considered that it had the right to call the election under the registration for the last election for city officials, and so ordered.

It is generally considered the prohibition will have a walkover, in view of the fact that the prohibitionists will force most of the dispensary wing of the temperance advocates to line up for prohibition, there will also be the support of the saloon element, by whom it is considered that saloons can be restored as a successor to the