

WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE IS CALLED TO ORDER BY BISHOP ATKINS

Nineteenth Session Entered into and Business Progresses Rapidly. EPWORTH LEAGUE HOLDS ANNIVERSARY Morning Session was Taken Up in Organizing the Conference.

(By N. R. Richardson, Pastor Spring Garden Church, Greensboro.) With nearly four hundred ministers and delegates present, representing practically all the churches in the conference, Bishop James Atkins called to order the nineteenth annual session of the Western North Carolina conference in Central Methodist church yesterday morning at 9 o'clock.

'JOKER' MAY BE HIDDEN IN THE KAISER'S WORD

Promise to Be Good Not the Rosy Road to Popular Government. MILL MAY GRIND WHEN STORM DIES Serious Questionings as to Future Arise in Political Minds.

(By Associated Press.) BERLIN, Nov. 18.—The German Emperor has given his imperial pledge to hold himself within close constitutional bounds hereafter in matters concerning affairs of state, but though the situation has cleared, serious questionings have arisen in political circles as to the significance of the emperor's action with respect to the future relations between the Reichstag and the executive branch of his government.

NEW PASTOR TO BE INSTALLED

With appropriate exercises this afternoon and evening, Dr. Clarence G. Reynolds, formerly of Joliet, Ill., will be installed as pastor of Oakland Heights Presbyterian church. A meeting of the church board of trustees will be held at four o'clock for the purpose of officially installing the new pastor. The installation sermon and charge will be delivered at seven thirty by Rev. Taylor of Burnsville.

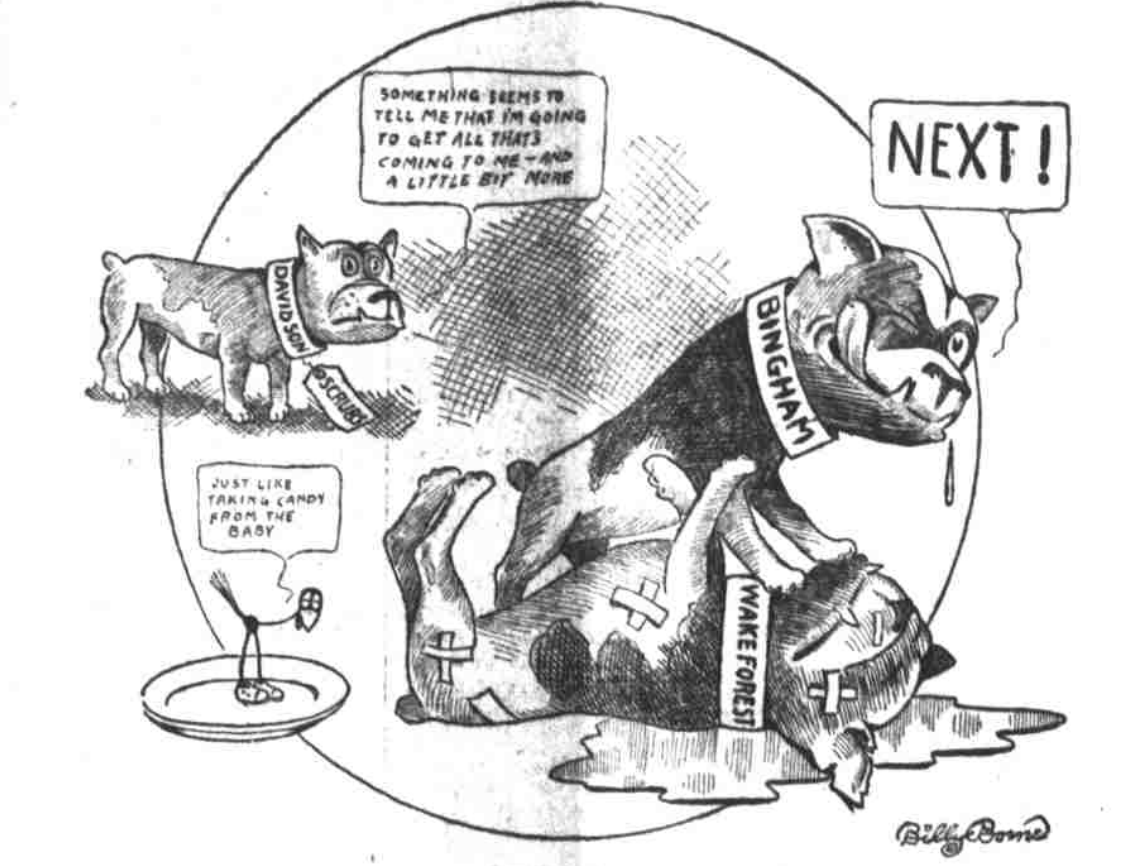
BOY REVEALS MURDER MYSTERY

(By Associated Press.) VINELAND, N. J., Nov. 18.—Walter Zeller, aged 15, years, tonight confessed to the authorities, that William Reid, the lad's aged grandfather, was murdered while Elmer Wheeler, Herbert Griggs, and himself were attempting to rob the house. Zeller who was under suspicion, was taken to headquarters and confessed the murder. He broke down and said that with Wheeler and Griggs, he went to the house and that he stood guard outside while the others entered. Zeller said that Wheeler beat Mr. Reid and then fearing that he would be recognized, took a revolver and shot him. The boys became frightened and fled without robbing the house.

CALL ISSUED FOR CAUCUS OF THE DEMOCRATIC MEMBERS OF HOUSE

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.—Congressman H. D. Clayton of Alabama, chairman of the caucus, tonight issued a call for a caucus of the democratic members of the house of representatives, to be held December 5, two days prior to the opening of congress. The purpose of the caucus is to elect a minority leader to take the place of John Sharp Williams of Mississippi who resigned the leadership last summer.

Ready For The Next Victim.



COCKRAN SPEAKS TO CATHOLICS

First Missionary Congress Closes With Rousing Mass Meeting in Chicago.

(By Associated Press.) CHICAGO, Nov. 18.—The first Catholic missionary congress, which convened last Sunday with 1500 delegates, including most of the distinguished leaders of the church, both clerical and lay, in the country, closed tonight with a mass-meeting, the feature of which was an address by W. Bourke Cockran, of New York.

MIKADO REVIEWS JAPANESE FLEET

Admiral Toga Points Out Vessels Captured From Russia in Late War.

(By Associated Press.) KOBE, JAPAN, Nov. 18.—The fighting craft of Japan, comprising 110 vessels, exclusive of submarines, passed in review before the emperor today. The weather was perfect and the occasion was one long to be remembered.

NIGHT RIDER CASES DECIDED

Judge Matthews Declares Holding of Eight Alleged Riders is Irregular.

(By Associated Press.) NASHVILLE, Tenn., Nov. 18.—Judge Thomas E. Matthews in the first circuit court of Davidson county today decided that the incarceration of Thomas Johnson and eight other alleged night riders from Obion county, now in the Davidson county jail, arrested by the military and executive authorities was irregular, and ordered that further hearing of the nine pending cases be adjourned until December 2.

ENGLAND GETS STARCH CHEAP

Watson Admits That Company Sells at a Loss in the United Kingdom.

MAYORS EFFECT AN ORGANIZATION

Mayor T. S. Franklin of Charlotte is Elected President of the Body.

LOCALITIES SHOULD HELP

It is contemplated that the work be urged in each locality independently, according to its own conditions, each improvement to be on its merits. The whole when linked by the existing waterways and raised to its greatest efficiency by the improvement of the present inland transportation facilities will make a chain covering the Atlantic coast and avoiding several points now of great danger to shippers to send slower or bulk freight by inland waters safely and economically, reducing the cost of shipment to a minimum and making possible the up-building of great industrial communities all along the line.

STORY OF THE BURNING OF MRS. GUNNESS AND CHILDREN

(By Associated Press.) LAPORTE, IND., Nov. 18.—Carefully working up to the evidence with which he try to show that itay Lamphere set fire to the home of Mrs. Guinness and her three children, Prosecutor Smith in the trial of Lamphere for the murder of Mrs. Guinness and her children today unraveled before the jury the story of the fire, told by men who were earliest on the scene. The greatest interest centered about the testimony of Joseph Maxson, Mrs. Guinness' hired man, who escaped from the burning home.

JOHN D. SAYS HE BORROWED CASH TO START

Attributes Whatever Success He Has Had to T. P. Handy's Loan. ROCKEFELLER IS PLEASING ON STAND Relates His Story With Air of Country Gentleman With Kindly Mien.

(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, Nov. 18.—Relating his story with the air of a country gentleman with kindly mien, engaging a host of friends with incidents of days long past, John D. Rockefeller, president of the Standard Oil company, though for nearly ten years retired from the active cares of office, for over two hours today reviewed the history of the early oil trade and the development of the first companies that later grew into the present so-called oil trust.

LABOR IDEAS EXCHANGED AT WHITE HOUSE

Further Conferences Between the President and Prominent Labor Men. REASON FOR THAT "LABOR DINNER" To Better the Understanding Between Officials and Labor Leaders.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.—Further conferences at the White House today between the president and men who are prominent in labor matters made the attitude of the administration toward proposed labor legislation a subject of keen discussion in Washington tonight. Among those who saw the president today were Charles P. Neill, commissioner of labor; United States Attorney Henry L. Stimson of New York; Edward J. Gavegan of New York, attorney for labor unions, and Charles H. Sherrill, an attorney of New York, all of whom attended the labor dinner at the White House Tuesday evening.

FUNERAL OF MORRIS HAAS

(By Associated Press.) SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 18.—Brief funeral services according to the ritual of the Improved Order of Red Men, were held today for Morris Haas, who committed suicide after shooting Francis J. Honey. A score of friends and relatives were present at the former residence of Haas, in McAllister street. The body was escorted by a squad of mounted police to the Odd Fellows' cemetery, where it was cremated.

GREAT LOSS BY FIRE

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Nov. 18.—Fire today, supposedly of incendiary origin at the Wabash Screen Door company, destroyed 3,300 feet of lumber. The main plant was not damaged. Loss \$125,000, insurance \$75,000.

PROTECTIVE DUTY

The agreement that the States of Florida, Arizona, Louisiana and California can in time produce all the citrus fruit used in the United States was put forth by E. P. Porcher, of Jacksonville, Fla., for a protection duty on oranges and lemons.

FAIR

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.—Forecast North Carolina—Fair Thursday; light winds, mostly southwest.

AN AGREEMENT

It was suggested that a mere invitation to the White House was not to be taken as conclusive evidence of an agreement between those invited and the administration on matters under discussion or subjects that might develop later. The reason members of the supreme court of the United States and executive officers were invited to be present was merely to enable them to learn from the leaders direct the purposes of labor and what they regarded as their needs. Men who are in a position to know the attitude of the president on the subject say that he has been deeply impressed with the idea of labor unions employing attorneys of high character and sound legal training to advise them on matters of policy and to help them in their contests. In order to encourage this practice by indicating his sympathy with it, he invited several attorneys who have been identified with labor unions to participate in the labor conference held last night.

THE TAKING OF MR. ROCKEFELLER'S TESTIMONY WILL BE CONCLUDED TOMORROW.

After a brief recess Mr. Rockefeller talks to the reporters on the Standard Oil case, saying: "What a wonderful thing it all has been. The growth of the business. It all seems like a dream to me and here I am accused of doing the very wicked thing of selling a good article at a lower price than any one else. This testimony here today brings back to my mind so clearly early days in Cleveland, where we were all friends and neighbors together. How well I remember that day in Cleveland when I went into the bank of T. P. Handy, who afterward became one of my dearest friends. I wanted to borrow money, but I didn't have any collateral nor any one to endorse my note. I told him what I wanted to do with it and then he asked me how much I wanted. 'I need \$2,000,' I said, and I got it. To that loan I attribute whatever success I have had in life since."

INDIRECTLY CROSS-EXAMINATION TRIED

Indirectly on cross-examination, tried to imply that Mrs. Guinness on the night of the fire had "doped" Maxson in the oranges which he ate, but he denied this flatly. Sheriff Smutser told on the stand of circumstances connected with Heleglein's presence in Laporte, removed difficulties between Mrs. Guinness and Lamphere and of the finding of the bodies in the debris of the burned Guinness home.