

MOUNT MITCHELL RAILROAD THROWN OPEN TO PUBLIC

History Making Day in the Annals of Western North Carolina GOVERNOR CRAIG CHRISTENS ROAD Accompanies Party Making Initial Passenger Trip Over Scenic Route

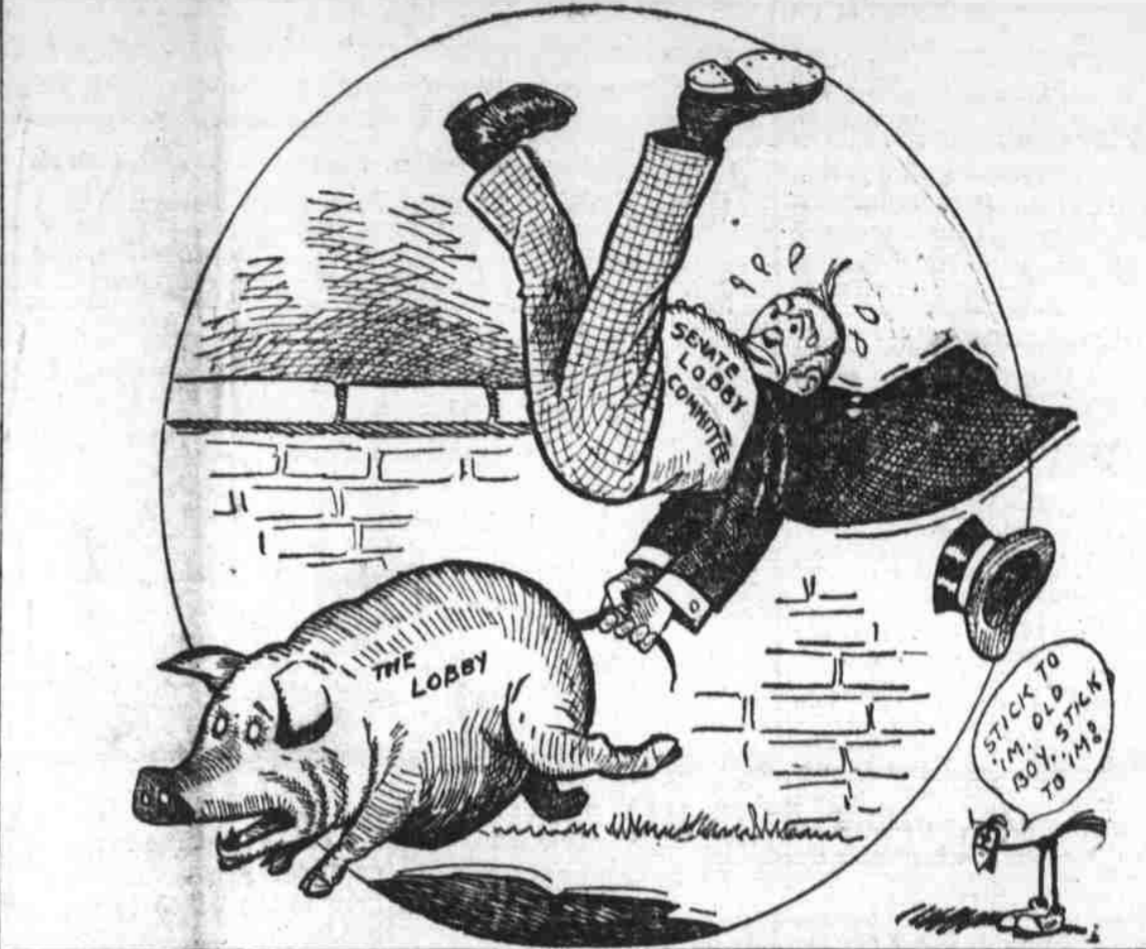
(By Rev. W. A. Newell.) BLACK MOUNTAIN, July 22.—This has been a history making day in western North Carolina. The official opening of the Black Mountain railway was an event of greater significance than most of us realize. It is not only to open up for development large tracts of the finest timber in this state and prepare the way for industrial development in what is now an uninhabited section of North Carolina but also what is, if possible, of larger import to this entire region to make accessible the very finest scenery in all America.

MULHALL CHANGES MIND REGARDING SERIOUS CHARGE

Retracts Statement That Former Representative Watson Was Employed by Private Interests in 1909—Resumes His Story.

WASHINGTON, July 22.—Martin M. Mulhall, professed ex-lobbyist for the National Association of Manufacturers, today retracted the most serious charge he has made before the senate investigating committee. He swore yesterday that former Representative James E. Watson of Indiana had been employed by private interests in 1909 while he was still a member of the house, to work for a tariff commission bill. He testified today that what he had sworn to yesterday was wrong; that Watson was not a member of the house at the time.

The Greased Pig.



SENATOR FALL DEMANDS STRONG POLICY OF PROTECTION FOR ALL AMERICANS IN FOREIGN LANDS

Attempts to Press His Resolution, Admittedly Aimed at Mexican Situation, Before Senate, and Warm Debate Ensues—Declares Waiting Policy of United States Is Responsible for Outrages.

WASHINGTON, July 22.—An attempt by Senator Fall, of New Mexico, to force the senate to enunciate a strong policy of protection for American citizens in foreign countries today precipitated a lively debate which demonstrated appreciation on the part of the senators of the gravity of the Mexican situation and the necessity for a determined stand by the United States.

FIFTY WOMEN AND GIRLS PERISH IN GREAT HOLOCAUST

Binghamton Clothing Company Building Goes Up In Flames GREATEST FIRE IN HISTORY OF CITY Few Survivors Hardly Able to Explain How They Managed to Escape

BINGHAMTON, N. Y., July 22.—Fifty persons were killed according to late estimates and as many injured, a dose of them mortally, in a fire which swept the four-story factory building of the Binghamton Clothing company this afternoon. The victims were chiefly women and girls. Early tonight twenty-two bodies had been recovered. In the city hospital and in private institutions are thirty. Two scores persons are known to have escaped as if by a miracle, from the building, which burst into flames like a tinder box and became a roaring furnace almost in no time after the first alarm was sounded.

PRICELESS GREEK BUST LOCATED IN BALTIMORE

Over 3,000 Years Old and Was Stolen from National Museum at Athens. BALTIMORE, July 22.—A piece of Greek sculpture, the bust of a girl child, stolen from the National Museum at Athens, fifteen years ago, said to be of priceless value and 3,000 years old, was recovered by the local police today. The figure was dug up in a cellar of Charles Nemphos, a Greek confectioner at Hampden, a suburb.

ASKS PROTECTION FOR AMERICANS IN CHINA

Martial Law Proclaimed In Seceding Provinces—A Guard Is Needed. WASHINGTON, July 22.—To protect American citizens imperilled by the revolutionary movement in the southern Chinese provinces, Charge Williams, at Peking, has called upon Rear Admiral Nicholson for a guard of marines from the Asiatic squadron to Hu Ling in Kiang Si province, which recently seceded. Martial law was proclaimed today in Kiang Si and Kiang Su province, according to state department advices.

TRAPPED BY FLAMES IN PRISON CAGES, NEGRO CONVICTS BURN TO DEATH

Thirty-five Perish In Holocaust of Mississippi Prison. HELP IMPOSSIBLE. JACKSON, Miss., July 22.—Trapped by flames in the second story of an antiquated convict camp, the first floor of which was used to store hay, grain and molasses, thirty-five negro prisoners were burned to death at the Oakley convict farm, twenty miles from here late last night.

MUCH OPPOSITION TO BURLESON'S CHANGING OF PARCEL POST RATES

Postoffice Committee Wants Postmaster-General to Explain Authority. BITTER CONTEST. WASHINGTON, July 22.—Considerable opposition has developed in congress to Postmaster-General Burleson's reducing parcel post rates and increasing the maximum size of packages to be handled in the service.

SCATTERED SECTIONS OF THE CURRENCY BILL YET TO BE CONSIDERED

So-called Insurgents Prepare to Put In a Substitute Measure. SENT TO PRESIDENT. WASHINGTON, July 22.—The democrats of the house banking and currency committee today along with their consideration of the administration currency bill today and when they adjourned tonight only a few scattered sections remained to be considered.

TWO NOMINATIONS ARE MADE BY THE PRESIDENT

Preston C. West and Royal Meeker In Line for Government Positions. WASHINGTON, July 22.—President Wilson today nominated Preston C. West, of Oklahoma, to be assistant interior department and Royal Meeker, of New Jersey, to be commissioner of statistics.

Good for 5 votes if received by date printed below. 5 VOTE COUPON \$2,500 Automobile and Pony Contest. The Asheville Citizen Candidate Address Not Good After August 5th. Cut Out Neatly. Do Not Fold.

THE WEATHER. WASHINGTON, July 22.—Forecast for North Carolina: Local showers and possibly thunder.

Cut Out and Send to Contest Department. NOMINATION BLANK Good for 1,000 Votes. The Citizen Automobile and Pony Contest. Name Address Phone No. Only One Nomination Blank for Each Candidate will count as 1,000. This contest is open only to Girls and Boys under 18 years of age.

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