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HARDING CRUISING ON HOUSEBOAT IN INDIAN RIVER, FLA.

President-elect's Visit Attracted Little Attention at Ormond Beach. WEARS STRAW HAT AND WHITE WOOLENS Incident at the Drawbridge Caused Only Excitement of Trip.

ORMOND BEACH, Fla., Jan. 23.—The president-elect, Harding, is cruising down the Indian river... The stop here and a brief stay-up when the Victoria tried to go through the Ormond drawbridge were the only incidents of the trip...

Under a hot sun, the president-elect came ashore wearing white woolens and a straw hat. His visit attracted little attention, though the Victoria docked within a stone's throw of a big tourist hotel.

BRITISH SUBMARINE WAS NOT RAMMED, THE BELIEF LONDON, Jan. 23.—Beyond the fact that it seems established that the British submarine K-5 was not rammed, there is nothing yet to explain the cause of the disaster to the submarine off Land's End, on last Thursday.

Harding's Secretary's Home Is Destroyed BALTIMORE, O., Jan. 23.—The residence of George H. Christian, Jr., next door to the home of President-elect Harding and used by him as his headquarters, was destroyed by fire this morning.

Nat'l Movement Among Employers in Favor of an Open Shop, Former President Wm. Howard Taft Says

By WILLIAM HOWARD TAFT, Public Ledger Co., PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 23.—There is a national movement among employers in favor of an open shop... The movement has been aided and stimulated by the relations of corruption and desecration in the New York Building Union under one Brindell.

TAKE IT AWAY By BILLY BORNE



PACKER BILL TO START WEEK OF UNUSUAL ACTIVITY IN CONGRESS WITH TARIFF BILL TO FOLLOW

Senate Is Believed to Be Evenly Divided on Former Bill. DISARMAMENT WILL COME TO THE FORE Annual Appropriation Bills to Demand Attention of Members.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—A vote in the senate on passage of the packer bill tomorrow will start a week promising unusual activity in congress. After about ten years the agitation and controversy for and against government regulation of the meat packing industry and other phases of livestock marketing, the vote on the pending regulatory bill is set for 4 o'clock in the senate, which is said to be almost evenly divided.

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SIX DIE IN FIRE DESTROYING HOME

Stove Exploded in Ohio, Killing Family. Pour Oil in Stove to Start Fire in Hurry—House Burns Down.

WASHINGTON COURTHOUSE, Ohio, Jan. 23.—Six members of the family of James Adkins, living 14 miles north of here, were burned to death early this morning when fire destroyed their home. Adkins was fatally burned. The fire followed the explosion of a coal stove into which Adkins poured kerosene onto hot coals in an effort to start it quickly.

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COOLIDGE TO MAKE ADDRESS THURSDAY AT TARIFF CONGRESS

2,000 Southern Business Men Expected in Atlanta for the Sessions. NO TARIFF AT ALL ON MANY LINES Called to Discuss Proposed Schedule on Southern Products.

ATLANTA, Jan. 23.—Delegates from throughout the south, representing every line of southern productive industry, will gather in Atlanta, Thursday, January 27, for the opening of the second Southern Tariff congress, which will last through January 29. The congress has been called for the purpose of discussing a proposed tariff on southern products, and while no set program has been devised, every line of industry will be allowed to present its reasons for a tariff schedule, and recommendations will be formulated and presented to the tariff commission at Washington by a specially appointed committee.

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UNION MEN START CO. FOR BUILDING

2,000 Men in Tampa Said to Be Without Jobs. Union Company to Operate Just as Any Other Concern Would.

TAMPA, Fla., Jan. 23.—Preliminary steps toward the organization of the Union Co-Operative Construction company of Florida, designed to handle all kinds of building construction at cost were discussed this afternoon by members of the various building trades crafts unions at a meeting at the labor temple, Daniel Graves, booster of the proposed company explained tentative plans for the organization.

ANT-ALIEN LAND PLAN PLEASERS JAPS

Negotiations With America Viewed as Satisfactory. Frank and Free Exchange Has Been Preceding, Minister States.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—(By The Associated Press.) Negotiations between the Japanese and the United States government for adjustment of issues arising from anti-alien land legislation by the state of California, were viewed as satisfactory and hopeful by Premier Hara and Foreign Minister Uchida yesterday in addresses at the reopening of the Japanese diet.

NEGROES LYNCHED FOLLOWING RACE RIOT AT NORLINA IN WHICH EIGHT ARE WOUNDED

SUPREME COUNCIL MEETS TODAY FOR IMPORTANT SESSION

French Believe Allies Will Be Able to Agree on All Lines. CONDITIONS FOR THE COUNCIL ARE GOOD Disarmament Will Be One of the First Subjects to Occupy Conferencees.

PARIS, Jan. 23.—(By the Associated Press.) The meeting of the supreme council which will begin tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock in the famous clock room of the foreign office where the plenary sessions of the peace conference were held, is regarded in France as second in importance only to the deliberations from which came the treaty of Versailles.

There was a cordial conference of half an hour tonight in a private room at the north station immediately upon the arrival of the British delegation between David Lloyd George, the British prime minister and Earl Curzon, of Kedleston, the British foreign secretary and Aristide Briand, the new French premier. The conference strengthened the impression that the work of the council would begin under the most favorable of all conditions.

Disarmament will be the first subject to occupy the conferencees. Then, it is expected, reparations will follow and that the Turkish, Greek, Russian, Austrian and other questions will be discussed. The questions between the allies and the United States will likewise be gone over. It is expected the conference will last about a week. The representatives of the five powers at the council will be: Great Britain: Premier Lloyd George, Earl Curzon, of Kedleston, Field Marshal Sir Henry Hughes Wilson, of the imperial staff; Baron Edouard Vincent d'Abernon, ambassador to Germany; General Gingham, president of the inter-allied sub-committee on armament; Admiral Sinclair, and Major Growes.

France: Premier Briand, M. Berthelot, M. Loucheur, M. Doumer, M. Seydoux and Colonel De St. Aulaire, ambassador to Great Britain; Count Georges foreign minister and Marquis Della Porella. Belgium: Jasper Theunys, minister of finance, and M. Van LeVeyere, former minister of finance. Japan: Viscount Ishii, ambassador to France.

Meetings will be held in the famous clock room of the foreign office in the strictest of secrecy. The reparations question will come up on the report of the allied experts, who met the Germans at Brussels, in which they recommend that, pending final determination of the total of Germany's debt, Germany should pay the annual installments of 2,000,000,000 francs in gold, of which the minimum in cash is to be fixed by the allies. The council also probably will consider the answer which the German ambassador, Wilhelm Meyer von Kaufbeuren, to Mr. Briand, that Germany will be unable to pay.

DOUGHTON DENIES CAMPBELL CHARGES

Returns to Washington After Filing Answer. Next Step Will Be Taking of Evidence in the District.

(By JOE L. BAKER) WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—Representative Doughton returned to Washington today after spending a week at Salisbury where he and former Governor Bickett, his attorney, spent the week preparing a reply to the eighth congressional district. Mr. Doughton brought a copy of the reply back with him, after it was served on Dr. Campbell at Salisbury Saturday. Mr. Doughton makes a complete denial of charges of fraud, intimidation of voters or any wrong-doing on the part of himself or his friends in the election and then on the other hand, claims that he can prove Dr. Campbell's friends guilty of many of the things of which the contestant avers. The reply quotes from speeches of Campbell in which he declared that (we, the republicans) do not wish the negro man or woman registered or allowed to vote, which is stronger than any did not counsel anything that was a violation of the law, while Dr. Campbell did.

Great Decrease in Whiskey Consumption in the United States

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—Whiskey consumption in the United States decreased from 3,934,138 gallons in 1917 to 3,381,533 gallons in 1920, the first year of prohibition under the constitutional amendment, according to figures announced by the Anti-Saloon League of America. Consumption of alcohol in the same year decreased from 71,081,121 gallons to 22,639,355 gallons, the figures showed, while beer consumption dropped from 60,817,379 barrels to 9,231,289 barrels.

"Granting that many million gallons of alcohol and whiskey manufactured for non-beverage use have been diverted to beverage use," said an accompanying statement by the league, "and granting that many million gallons of beer have been saved over one billion dollars of previously spent for beverage intoxicants."

NIGHT RIDERS ARE IN ACTION AGAIN

Warn Kentucky Farmers Not to Sell Tobacco. Bands Pay Visit in Bath and Fleming Counties—Want Higher Prices.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Jan. 23.—Night riders Saturday night visited farmers in Bath and Fleming counties and warned them not to sell more tobacco on the market until prices were higher, according to reports received here tonight. The reports received from Mr. Sterling, Carlisle and Flemingburg, said that the growers were warned that their barns would be burned and that they would be dealt with severely unless they complied.

The band, consisting of 25 or 30 masked men visited farmers near Sherbourne, in Fleming county, 12 miles from Flemingburg and Bethel in Bath county, 12 miles from Carlisle. In all, about 15 farmers were visited, although the names of only five were disclosed by authorities. T. S. Robertson, wealthy farmer near Bethel, was called to his door at 12:30 o'clock Saturday night, according to a report from Carlisle. Four men standing with their backs to him, warned him that he was not to haul any more tobacco, neither was he to rent any of his farms for tobacco raising, nor raise any himself.

The warning was accompanied by threats of violence to himself and his property, if he failed to obey. Thomas Croath, Jake Boyd and a farmer named Stevens were then visited and the warning repeated. The band next showed up near Sherbourne in Fleming county and warned two farmers named Shields and Tomlin. They are known to have visited three other farmers but when the occupants came to the door, they laughed and said they were "looking for a doctor."

BUSINESS MAN TAKES LIFE IN PHILADELPHIA

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 23.—Robert Carter Nelson, 52 head of the Crescent Manufacturing company, committed suicide at his office here today. He was a native of Chase City, Va., and came here four years ago.

TOWN IS DESTROYED

FLORENCE, Ala., Jan. 23.—The entire town of Killen, nine miles north of Florence, was virtually destroyed this morning, five stores, the post office and three lodge halls being consumed. The origin of the blaze is unknown.

MASKED MOB SHOT NEGROES TO DEATH NEAR WARREN JAIL

No Effort Made to Get Other Eleven Arrested With Them. TROOPS ON DUTY AT SCENE NOW

Trouble Started Following Argument at Norlina Sunday Morning in a Store.

NORLINA, N. C., Jan. 24.—Alfred Williams and Plummer Bullock, two negroes, were taken from the Warren county jail at Warrenton by a mob, late early this morning and shot to death. No effort was made to molest the other 11 negroes who were confined in the jail in connection with the other race riot here last Sunday. Bullock was said to have been the instigator and Williams one of the men in the mob that entered the jail. The two negroes were taken into the woods about a mile outside of the town and their bodies riddled with bullets.

Efforts to communicate with Warrenton by telephone were fruitless, but persons who reached here from the scene of the lynching said the town was quiet early this morning, and that a military company ordered out by Governor Morrison had taken charge. It was said only the jailer, John Green, was on duty at the jail when the mob surrounded it and he was quickly subdued.

OVERPOWERED JAILOR

RALEIGH, Jan. 24.—The jailor, John Green, was overpowered by the mob, the keys to the jail taken from him and the mob entered, found the two negroes they wanted and carried them away. It was nearly an hour before the crowd around the jail knew definitely that either of the negroes had been taken away, according to reports. Coming into town from his home in the county, Sheriff R. E. Davis was stopped by a crowd of masked men not far from the jail, after they had fired upon him. They explained that they were guarding the jail and that they suspected that he was one of the attackers. At that very moment, the sheriff declares, the mob was within the jail.

Very little disorder accompanied the lynching. The members of the mob are believed to have come from the vicinity of Norlina where the trouble started. Citizens of the town were on the streets, but apparently took no part in the lynching. The home guard company, under the command of Captain Tasker Pope, was being called out at the order of Governor Morrison at the time of lynching.

GUARD ORDERED OUT

RALEIGH, Jan. 24.—The home guard company at Warrenton was ordered out by Governor Morrison tonight upon receipt of an appeal for aid, after the report of an effort to lynch two negroes in jail there.

OFFICER SWORN IN

RALEIGH, Jan. 23.—Governor Morrison was advised shortly after midnight that groups of masked men had begun to assemble in Warrenton and the negroes implicated in the Norlina disorders were being held and violence was apparently being threatened at all hazards. The adjutant-general was instructed to have a company of militia in readiness to proceed to Warrenton.

NORLINA, N. C.—Eight men, five white and three negroes, were wounded, two perhaps fatally, in a near race riot at the Norlina railroad station between 1 and 2 o'clock this morning and now 13 negroes, charged with participation in the shooting are in Warren county jail at Warrenton (Continued on Page Eight)

Alexander, 'Man Who Knows' Psychic Marvel, Is to Answer Questions For Citizen Readers

Alexander, "The Man Who Knows," of whom there have been columns written about his remarkable demonstrations of psychic forces, thought projection, transference, or whatever one may care to label his added and unexplained faculty, is to make his initial appearance in Asheville next Thursday night, when he will open a three days' engagement at the Auditorium, with a special souvenir matinee on Saturday for ladies only. During his stay he has consented to respond to a limited number of questions daily through the columns of The Asheville Citizen. Are you in love? Has your husband left you? Are you worried about missing relatives, lost money or any other of the hundred vexing things which bob up to make life's road unpleasant? Are you chock full of questions which seemingly no one can answer? Then ask Alexander! The rules are simple. Write your question as legibly and concisely as possible, seal it in an envelope and send it to "Alexander, care of The Asheville Citizen." Your full, correct name and address must be signed to the question, but in the published answer only your initials will be used. However, it is essential that you sign your full, correct name and address, otherwise the question will be ignored. The answer will be frank—you may rest assured of that—but not embarrassing. The Asheville Citizen assumes no responsibility nor does it vouch for the correct answering of the questions. It has merely invited Alexander to give through its columns a daily demonstration of the powers for which he is famous. During Alexander's engagement he positively will not grant any private interviews, or audiences, his contract with Manager A. R. Cooper, of the Auditorium, and The Asheville Citizen, precluding his answering any questions except during his regular performances at the theater and through the columns of The Asheville Citizen. The first set of questions and answers will appear in the Friday edition of The Asheville Citizen, following Alexander's opening performance.