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Three Raleigh Bank Officials Arrested In Central Bank Failure

GRAVE CHARGES IN BANK CASE END OFFICIAL PROBE

Arrests Would Have Been Made Earlier, Time to Pay Up Given

BOND IS MADE BY THREE OFFICIALS

Young Lady Bookkeeper Is Also Liable to Arrest

CITIZEN'S NEWS BUREAU
TARBOROUGH HOTEL
(By BROCK BARKLEY)

RALEIGH, Feb. 22. — Three Raleigh bank officials were arrested tonight under warrants issued by Chief State Bank Examiner Clarence Latham, charging misappropriation and misapplication of funds as the result of the failure a month ago of the Central Bank and Trust company, of this city.

R. G. Allen, former president of the Old City bank, was placed under bond of $50,000; J. H. Hightower, president of the Central bank was held under $50,000 bond and J. H. Massey, cashier of the Central bank, was held under $10,000 bond. Hightower and Massey gave their bond promptly and were released. Allen was awaiting the arrival here of his brother prominent banker of Franklin county, when C. V. York agreed to go his bond.

The issuance of warrants against the three officials is the result of investigations carried on during the last several days by the corporation commission. It was stated tonight by members of the commission that arrests would have been made earlier but that the body was awaiting for officials of the defunct bank to make good promises to repay funds they are alleged to have misapplied. Their failure to make good this money resulted in the issuance tonight of the warrants.

YOUNG LADY MAY YET BE INVOLVED

A young lady bookkeeper for Mr. Allen is also liable for arrest because of her refusal to state why she made allegedly false entries in the books of the bank of money borrowed by Allen. Her name was not given by the corporation commission, but it was stated that unless she gives the reason for making these entries she too would be arrested in connection with the failure.

The obligations to the Central bank of Mr. Allen are placed by the corporation commission at $100,000, those of Hightower and Massey at $50,000. These men had agreed to furnish the money to meet these obligations, it was stated, and their failure resulted in the issuance of the warrants.

Regret was general here tonight that the arrest of the officials was necessary but the corporation commission explained that the best interests of the depositors in the bank necessitated action.

Postponement of legal proceedings is due to the desire of the commission to represent the depositors' interest.

Sympathy was felt, particularly for Mr. Allen and Mr. Hightower. The former is in his sixties, and the later has a two weeks old baby while another child is said to be critically ill.

Judge George P. Pell, member of the corporation commission, commenting tonight on the failure of numerous banks throughout the state said that the legislature had not heretofore provided for adequate protection of the people through provision for the frequent inspection of banks by the commission. Owing to the depressed conditions facing business generally, and the banks particularly, the commission has arranged for more frequent inspections of banking institutions in the state. Three additional examiners recently have been added to the staff of the banking department, bringing total to twelve, and within the next ten days another examiner will be engaged.

With a force of examiners sufficient to meet emergencies, the commission proposed to inspect certain of the weaker banks every three months, while all banks, as provided by law, will be inspected once each year. The commission has made plans for keeping a close watch on the banks and to eliminate as rapidly as possible aggravating situations which have resulted in so many failures.

The Central Bank and Trust company was organized about two years ago, being known until recently as the City Bank. Mr. Allen was its president until the name was changed to the Central Bank and Trust company, at which time Mr. Hightower was placed in charge.

Recently the Superba theatre, a moving picture house, was placed in the hands of the receiver as one means of liquidating and providing funds so that depositors of the Central Bank might be protected. Mr. Allen formerly owned this theatre. He is alleged to have made large loans of the Central Bank while he was acting in an official capacity, and since he released the management of the institution to Mr. Hightower, he is said to be the controlling stockholder in the bank.

The action of the corporation commision created somewhat of a sensation. The three men naturally are prominently connected in Raleigh. Rumors that the failure of the bank would result in arrests have been current for some time. Hearings for the three officials will take place soon.

Louis Chett Learns Bowing to Policemen Not Customary Here

Too Polite Chinaman is Taken Into Custody For Examination Out West

SEATTLE, Washn., Feb. 22 — Louis Chett, recently arrived from China, has discovered that in America to treat a policeman with too much politeness is to be looked upon with suspicion. When Louis had bowed courteously to a number of policemen on the streets here he was taken into custody on the possibility that his mind was unbalanced. When he arrived at the police station he bowed in rapid succession to the desk sergeant, the elevator man, the city jailer, the jail cook, the jail trusties, prisoners and even to attorneys who had come to talk to clients.

Members of the county insanity board were treated to an elaborate succession of salaams, the judge was tendered the lowest one of all, and Fong Tai, court interpreter, also was included.

After Fong Tai had talked with Louis he explained to the court that his countryman was merely following the rule of politeness existing in China. Cheet was freed and Fong Tai explained to him that American do not bow to policemen.

P. BALDWIN SHOT BY WIFE; WOUNDS PROBABLY FATAL

Woman Is Held In County Jail; Four Bullets In Husband's Body

Preston Baldwin, 35, public service driver, was shot and probably fatally wounded by his wife, formerly Alice Pritchard, at 4:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

The shooting occurred in front of the residence of Mrs. Baldwin, in the Haw Creek section two miles from Asheville.

Four shots were fired by the woman from a .38 calibre Smith and Wesson pistol, and all took effect.

At an early hour this morning Baldwin was lying in a local hospital, his condition so critical physicians were unable to operate, with two bullets in his chest and two in the head.

An hour after the shooting members of the police and sheriff's departments reached the home of Mrs. Baldwin. She was eating supper.

They told her she was wanted for shooting of her husband.

"Alright, I knew you'd come, but wait until I finish eating," she told them.

Between bites she asked them if Baldwin was seriously hurt, and where she had hit him.

She was turned over to the sheriff's department, and placed in the county jail, where she is held without bond pending the outcome of her husband's wounds. The charge is assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill.

The sheriff has the statement of Mrs. Baldwin in which she admits the shooting and assigns reasons.

"I had to do it, and he had it coming to him," she told the sheriff. "He was stooping to pick up a rock, and I never let anybody hurt me if I can help it."

The two have been married for a number of years, but have lived separate lives for some time, according to officers. They recently lived together on Spring street here.

Baldwin's condition last night was such that it was considered wise to have him make a deposition, and this was taken at the

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TREATY PROGRESS AGAIN DELAYED BY CONFERENCES

Leaders Prepare to See Harding Regarding the Blanket Reservations

LODGE WILL CALL ON THE PRESIDENT

Senate Begins Its Debate on the United States Treaty on Yap

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—The progress of the four-power Pacific treaty in the senate again was interrupted today while administration leaders conferred among themselves and prepared to seek the advice of President Harding whether to accept the blanket reservation proposed by those who are opposing unreserved ratification.

Contrary to the expectation of senators who had sponsored the reservation, administration acceptance of it was withheld at today's session of the foreign relations committee and Senator Lodge, of Massachusetts, republican leader and committee chairman, arranged to confer tomorrow morning with the President. Republican committee members supporting the reservation still predicted tonight that both Mr. Lodge and Mr. Hughes eventually would decide not to interpose serious opposition.

Heretofore officials close to the President have declared he held strongly to the opinion that no reservations were necessary, although at the same time it has been said that he did not desire to become a stickler for senate acceptance of the treaty without the dotting of "I" or the crossing of a "T." His decision is expected to hinge on whether the proposed reservation, which provides that every adjustment reached under the treaty shall be subject to the review of congress, impairs or embarrasses the purposes of the four-power arrangement.

It is not considered unlikely that the whole senate situation will also be taken into consideration by President Harding and Senator Lodge before they adopt a course of action. With administration acceptance of the blanket reservation assured, it is conceded that the committee will be in a position to vote promptly and almost unanimously a favorable report on the treaty itself. But with that acceptance withheld it is th apparent purpose of the reservationists to attempt to put through the committee a series of more specific qualifications, leading to considerable debate and a long delay.

One of these supplemental reservations, attempting to define in detail the term "rights" as used in the treaty, was put into the committee hopper today by Senator Johnson, republican, California. Like the blanket reservation offered by Senator Brandegee, republican, Connecticut, it went over without action pending Mr. Lodge's visit to the White House.

While the committee continued its deliberations on the four-power pact today the senate began debate on the separate treaty between the United States and Japan relating to Yap and other former German islands of the Pacific. Mr. Lodge explained the treaty at length, characterizing it as securing all the rights the United States ever desired in the former German possessions and Senator France, republican, Maryland, attacked it as a repudiation of republican platform pledges and a part of the league of nations plan which would lay the foundation for a new world war.

THREE SUSPECTS IN TEXAS CASE HELD

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas, Feb. 22. — Three suspects are held in jail here in connection with the death of Blanche Perrique, 16 year old girl whose body was discovered late yesterday hidden in a thicket and partially concealed by brush and weeds. The girls had been choked and stabbed in the throat.

TEST CASE AT LAW

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Feb. 22. — A test case, the admitted purpose of which is to outlaw chiropractors in Tennessee, was instituted today before a local magistrate on behalf of unnamed clients. The case was styled the state vs. C. A. Nelson. It was continued to March 1.

ARMY BOARD HOLDS PROBE ON WRECK OF ROMA IN SECRECY; ONE NORTH CAROLINIAN DEAD

NORFOLK, Va., Feb. 22.—A statement by Major-General Mason M. Patrick, head of the army air service, that he believed the destruction of the airship Roma was due to an accident to the controls regulating the altitude of the craft stood out tonight as the only official statement from any of those investigating the accident which yesterday caused the death of 34 persons, the injury of eight others and the demolition of the world's largest semi-rigid aircraft.

Meanwhile tonight the army board of investigators, called into session today, continued its hearings tonight behind closed doors. None of the proceedings were allowed to seep out of the quarters occupied by the board.

General Patrick expressed his opinion on the basis of testimony he had heard thus far and substantiated statements previously made unofficially by survivors of the wreck that the elevating rudder, a contrivance resembling wings of an airplane and attached to the stern of the Roma, buckled and fell forward, forcing the craft into a nose dive, which ended when she crashed into a high-power electric transmission line, caught fire and burned with the greater number of her crew and passengers pinned beneath.

ONLY TANGLED MASS OF WRECKAGE LEFT

Only a tangled mass of the steel framework of the army dirigible Roma remained tonight to mark the spot where 34 men lost their lives yesterday.

Investigation of the cause of the disaster, which began early this afternoon continued this evening and testimony was heard by the board of army officers conducting that inquiry, but none of the testimony was made public.

The only official statement from the investigators was made by Major-General Mason M. Patrick, head of the army air service, who declared that it was his belief from testimony he had heard, that the disaster was due to an accident to the controls regulating the altitude of the Roma.

This statement bore out the story of survivors of the wreck who said that the elevating rudder, a contrivance resembling airplane wings attached to the framework at the stern of the Roma, buckled and fell forward forcing the Roma into a nose dive.

General Patrick declared that there was no explosion or fire while the Roma was still in the air. The fire and resultant explosion, he said, were caused by the high voltage wires upon which the airship struck when it plunged to earth.

The board of investigation is made up of Major D. Johnson, who is presiding at the sessions, Major J. H. Jouett and Major J. McNurney, of Langley Field. After they had interviewed all the survivors of the accident, five of the eleven men in the public health service hospital who were well enough were moved to Langley field. These were: Major J.

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COLONEL LAMB, CHAIRMAN OF STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS, SUCCUMBS TO BRIEF ILLNESS

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(By BROCK BARKLEY)

RALEIGH, Feb. 22.—Colonel Wilson Gray Lamb, sr., chairman of the state board of elections, thrice a delegate to the national democratic conventions and president of the North Carolina Society of the Cincinnati, died at Parkview hospital in Rocky Mount at 11:30 o'clock this morning. He had been ill for a month, and his condition had been serious for the last ten days. Members of his family were at his bedside when the end came.

Funeral services will be conducted in the Church of the Advent in his home town of Williamston, Martin county, Friday at 3 o'clock, burial taking place in the family burying plot. A number of state officials and members of the Society of the Cincinnati in Raleigh will attend the service.

Colonel Lamb was 82 years of age and had long been a prominent figure in the public life of state. Besides his interest in public affairs and his connection with the Society of the Cincinnati, he was active in Masonic affairs, a leading member of the Episcopal church and prominent among Confederate veterans.

Surviving him are John C. Lamb, Wilson G., Jr., Luke Lamb, Mrs. Fred E. Bullock, Miss Mayo Lamb, Mrs. C. H. C. Mills and Miss Annie Slatton Lamb.

INTERESTED IN STATE LIFE MANY YEARS

Colonel Lamb had been interested in the political and social life of his state for many years. He had long occupied an influential position in politics, and many offers of public office were made him but he declined them all, preferring to devote his interests to private pursuits, at the same time never hesitating to render the democratic party every service within his power.

He thrice represented North Carolina democracy in democratic national conventions, and for many years he was a member of the state board of elections, holding until his death the chairmanship of the board. He was thanked by two successive chairmen of the state republican executive committee for the fusion characterizing his dealings with his political opponents as the head of the board of elections.

Colonel Lamb was an Episcopalian, a vestryman and senior warden of the Church of the Advent at Williamston. He represented the parish in many diocesan conventions and was a delegate from Eastern Carolina to several general conventions of his church. He took an active interest in church affairs and was recognized as one of the church laymen in the state. He also was active in Masonic affairs and was past master of Skewarkee lodge, No. 50, of Williamston.

Since 1893 he had been president of the North Carolina Society of the Cincinnati, having been one of the prime movers in the reorganization in this state of that society.

In the United Confederate veterans, Colonel Lamb was also prominent and active. He turned down an appointment to the naval academy at West Point in order to join the Confederate forces, and he fought valiantly through the war as a lieutenant. His interests in the old veterans was world wide as always keen and he closely allied himself with every movement for their assistance and general welfare. His standing among the veterans is indicated by the fact that he was one of three North

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REMOVE BARRIER FOR SCENIC ROAD TO MT. MITCHELL

Supreme Court Affirms Brock In Dissolving Injunction

The state Supreme court, sitting in Raleigh yesterday, affirmed the decision of Judge Walter E. Brock of the Superior court, in the case involving the construction of a scenic highway from Black Mountain to the top of Mt. Mitchell, highest peak east of the Mississippi, and Martin, Rollins and Wright, attorneys for the Mt. Mitchell Development company, stated all legal barriers to the early construction and operation of the highway were eliminated by the Supreme court.

The Supreme court, in dissolving the injunction of the Mountain Retreat association permanently, also dismissed the suit of the association against the development company, it is stated. This matter has been hanging fire for several months, and the suit against the development concern, composed of a group of Black Mountain men, arose just after the formation of the company was completed and it was announced the highway would be built along the route followed by the old Perley and Crockett railway.

Work was actually started and early last fall an injunction was secured by the Montreat association against the newly formed corporation, temporarily restraining the concern for building the highway. The matter was argued before Judge Walter E. Brock, presiding over Buncombe Superior court at that time. The association claimed they had spent thousands of dollars in developing the property and that one of its chief assets was the pure water enjoyed the hundreds of persons who visit their grounds each year. If the road was built, it was contended, the watershed would be damaged and one of the greatest attractions of Montreat would be destroyed. It was further claimed that a railroad line would not damage the property, but that an automobile road would be a drawback, for tourists would stop along the route and trample upon the shed.

The Mountain Retreat association sought to restrain the development company from condemning land for 6 miles of roadway through the plaintiffs' land as a link in the 22 mile highway. The development company had the right of way for the highway between Black Mountain and Mt. Mitchell, except for 6 miles the plaintiffs' property and it filed a petition with John H. Cathey, clerk of the Superior court of Buncombe, for the condemnation of a right of way through this land. The court held the company possessed the authority, the corporation having the power to condemn such right of way as may be reasonably required for the purpose of constructing the highway.

It was argued by the development company that the road would not be run through the land of the association any great distance. Work on the highway is now in progress and Fred A. Perley, one of the leading stockholders in the corporation, states it is their desire to have the road completed during the coming tourist season. "This has long been the dream of tourists coming to this section," he said last night. "We will build a good road up this great scenic route and later it may be hard-surfaced. We believe the visitors to this section should be given the privilege of seeing one of the show places of Western North Carolina."

Sandford Cohen, for four years traffic manager of the Mount Mitchell railroad, will be traffic manager and in charge of development of the highway to the summit of the famous peak, it was stated by Mr. Perley.

Mr. Cohen was at one time secretary of the Greater Western North Carolina Chamber of Commerce and numbers many friends in this section who will learn with approval that he again will have charge of the ascent to Mount Mitchell. He will take charge of the work in the near future.

KINCAID TO SERVE LONG TERM FOR MURDERING WIFE

Polk County Election Case Settled In the Supreme Court

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RALEIGH, Feb. 22. The Supreme court in its first batch of opinions of the spring term settles a number of important cases that have been hanging fire.

No error is found in the Kincaid murder case in Burke county and Sidney J. Kincaid must begin his term of 18 years at hard labor in the state prison for the murder July 18, 1921, of his wife, Lillie Kincaid.

The Polk county election case which has been in litigation since 1918, is brought to a close by an opinion upholding the lower court in declaring Sheriff Frank Jackson, democrat, the victor over W. C. Robertson, in the election for office of sheriff, which term was to begin in December, 1918, closing two years later. A difference of two votes between the aggregate polled by Jackson and that polled by Robertson brought on the suit and it has gone the rounds in the lower courts.

Action was dismissed in the civil action of the Mountain Retreat association against the Mt. Mitchell Development company of Buncombe, in which the plaintiff sought to restrain the defendant toll road construction company from condemning land for six miles of roadway through the plaintiffs' land as a link in a 22-mile highway from Black Mountain station to Mt. Mitchell.

Another interesting case, this from the eastern part of the state, settles the point of doubt as to the power of the state highway commission to take soil from private lands for road building purposes. The court affirmed the lower court's order dissolving an injunction of J. M. Jennings, Pasquotank county, restraining the highway commission from entering his land and taking soil and material for the purpose of constructing a public highway, being a part of the state system of highways.

Sidney J. Kincaid, whose trial at Morganton in August, 1921, attracted wide interest throughout the western part of the state, killed his wife by cutting her throat with a knife. He was in an intoxicated condition at the time. He appealed from a second degree verdict, carrying with it a sentence of 18 years at hard labor.

PUBLICITY MAN TO HELP IN CAMPAIGN

(Special Correspondence, The Asheville Citizen)

CHARLOTTE, Feb. 22.—J. Paul Lucas, director of publicity of Southern Public Utilities company, has been secured by the state to handle the educational campaign in connection with Governor Morrison's new agricultural endeavors. Governor Morrison announced shortly after his arrival here Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. Lucas will go to Raleigh within a few days to take up these duties which will require his services for from 60 to 90 days.

Blythe and Denhour, local contractors and builders, were awarded the contract for the erection of a second dormitory on the Davidson college campus at a meeting of the executive committee of the college trustees held Wednesday at Davidson.

The erection of the dormitories and heating plant will cost $150,000.

No decision as to the rebuilding of Chambers hall, which was burned before Christmas, was reached.

NAME RECEIVERS IN BANKRUPTCY CASE

(By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS)

NEW YORK, Feb. 22.—Federal receivers in bankruptcy were appointed tonight for the stock brokerage house of Kardos and Burke. The firm, of which John Burke, former treasurer of the United States and three times governor of North Dakota, is a partner, maintains branches in many cities. Liabilities were given as $1,500,000 and assets as $150,000.

United States District Judge Learned Hand named Robert P. Stephenson as receiver, under $25,000 bond.

Immediately after the announcement of the receivership, Mr. Burke, whose home is in Washington, D. C., announced that he had resigned as president and a director of the Progress Bank of this city.

FORD AGREES TO ALTERATIONS IN PLANT PROPOSAL

Willing to Guarantee Definitely to Produce Fertilizers in Fixed Amount

WOULD CAPITALIZE OPERATING FIRM

Is Willing to Deliver Product at Not More Than Eight Per Cent Profit

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—Three alterations in the proposal made by Henry Ford for lease and purchase of the government's nitrate and power projects at Muscle Shoals, Ala., have been agreed to by the Detroit manufacturer. They are:

One, to write into the proposed contract a definite guarantee to produce fertilizers in their finished form at a given annual minimum tonnage.

Two, to capitalize the operating company which is to be created for the purpose of supervising the Muscle Shoals operations.

Three, to revise the language of the so-called farmers' clause in order to insure the delivery of fertilizers from the producing plant to the consumers at a profit not exceeding eight per cent based on the cost of manufacture.

Mr. Ford's approval of these modifications was announced today by W. B. Mayo, chief engineer for the Ford company, upon his return from Detroit where he went last week to confer with the Detroit manufacturer. Formal announcement to the house military committee members who are investigating the offer in congress will be made to Mr. Mayo probably on Friday.

While these alterations were regarded by some committee members as greatly improving the form of the proposal and adding to its value as they view it from the government's standpoint, other members said it would have been made more acceptable if Mr. Ford had also agreed to a reduction in the lease clause from 100 to 50 years as suggested by Secretary Weeks when he testified by the committee.

On this point, however, Mr. Mayo explained that Mr. Ford still felt that the 50 year period was too short a time to justify the financial investment necessary under the proposed contract for development of the Muscle Shoals water power facilities and nitrate plants in the section of the country where they are situated.

The agreement to manufacture finished fertilizers instead of "compounds" it was explained, was made to assure the production of that commodity which several committeemen had declared was not an obligation under the amount of production guaranteed.

The fixed capital proposal it was explained, made the operating company liable to the government during the life of the contract and set up a certain sum which the government might recover as a forfeit in the event of failure to execute the agreement by the operating concern. The figure to be written in the agreement was withheld by Mr. Mayo until he appears before the committee.

The third alteration was intended to make it impossible for any purchasing company to buy the fertilizers and retail them to the farmers at prices exceeding the manufacturing costs plus eight per cent. Committeemen had declared this fear while Mr. Mayo was being examined last week that the farmers would be "held up" by a purchasing concern and had insisted that a clause be inserted in the contract which would provide for distribution of fertilizers from the source to the consumers direct. Mr. Mayo explained today that the Ford automobile agencies throughout the country would be utilized for distributing purposes but said the exact plan for fertilizer distribution had not been decided.

The committee held only one meeting today on account of holiday. Gray Silver, Washington representative of the American Farm Bureau federation testified that the 1,500,000 farmer members of that organization had "emphatically endorsed" the Ford offer and had full confidence that they would get cheaper fertilizers and other commodities which he would manufacture at Muscle Shoals.

NATION PAUSES TO HONOR ITS FIRST PRESIDENT; MOST ALL WASHINGTON OFFICES CLOSED

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22. The 190th anniversary of the birth of George Washington was observed in the national capital today by a practically complete suspension of all governmental activities with the exception of congress.

The senate and house as customary remained in session and each heard Washington's farewell address read by one of its members. The reading of the address in the senate by Senator Poindexter of Washington, was heard by Karl Lang, the new German charge d'affaires who occupied a seat in the diplomatic gallery. It was the first time a representative of Germany had been seen in the diplomatic gallery since Ambassador Bernstorff was handed his passport early in 1917.

President Harding spent the forenoon at work in his office on his message to congress on the ship subsidy question, which is expected to be transmitted Saturday or Monday. He later was a guest at luncheon tendered officials of the Washington National Monument society.

Wreaths were laid at the base of the Washington monument as customary and the usual exercises were held at Mount Vernon.

UNPUBLISHED LETTER OF WASHINGTON GIVEN

FRESNO, Feb. 22.—Thomas S. Wadsworth of this city, today presented as his contribution to the observance of Washington's birthday what is represented to be an unpublished letter which General Washington wrote to Governor Benjamin Harrison of Virginia, on February 28, 1792. The letter refers to some difficulties in connection with the administration of the American army. It is said to have been in the archives of the capitol at Richmond, Va., until May, 1865, when, with the occupation of Richmond by the Union army, Captain Lyle Wadsworth, a brother of the local man, took it as a souvenir.

The concluding paragraph of the letter stated:

"The present circumstances are such as to render it inexpedient to order the Virginia troops stationed at Pittsburgh from thence; that garrison will not bear a diminution without endangering the loss of the post and the devastation of the frontier in consequence. There can be no probability that the Virginia troops will be incorporated with the regiment of Pennsylvania, and your excellency will recollect that it is inconsistent with the establishment of the army to make men belonging to one state count as part of the quota of another, in consequence of any reformation or new arrangement of corps, whatever."

The letter is signed:

"Most obt hum ser,

"GEORGE WASHINGTON.

RENEWS INSPIRATION, MACNIDER SAYS

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Feb. 22. —Hanford MacNider, national commander of the American legion, today gave out the following

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All Republican Debt Commission Is Cause Of Tilt In Senate

Alleged Attempt to Crucify Lad by Two Negro Men Charged

Nail Extracted From Hand of Boy: Had Another Victim in View

WINCHESTER, Va., Feb. 22.—Police of this city today are investigating an alleged attempt of two negroe to crucify Harvey Greenwalt, 12-year old son of William Greenwalt. The crime is said to have been committed last night in a tool house in the yards of the Baltimore and Ohio railway.

Suffering intensely from a wound made by a nail driven through one of his hands, young Greenwalt was brought to the local Red Cross office and sobbed out his story. He said that the two negroes attacked him in the freight yards and dragged him to the tool house and attempted to crucify him. The young son of Fred Hill, to whose home Greenwalt was taken after the negroes had been frightened away, assisted in pulling the nail from Greenwalt's hand. The negroes are alleged to have stated that they intended to nail "Fred Hill's boy" up also. Fred Hill is custodian of county buildings here.

COMMITTEEMEN DISCUSS TAX FOR BONUS FINANCING

Harding Not Expected to Object to Sale of Foreign Bonds In U. S.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—The financing of the soldiers' bonus by means of a manufacturers or wholesalers tax was discussed in what was described as a "general sort of way" at two sessions today of the republican members of the house ways and means committee dealing with this subject. It was announced that there would be no further sessions until Friday and members indicated that there was no disposition to hurry a decision.

Representative Longworth, of Ohio, ranking member of the special committee, said it was his judgment that a general manufacturers and wholesale tax similar to that in force in Canada would be recommended. He thought the rates would be lower than those in Canada as treasury experts had estimated that the Canadian rates, if put in force in this country would yield $580,000,000 a year or more than $200,000,000 in excess of the sum which it has estimated will be needed to finance the cash payments to the former service men.

Mr. Longworth said he did not think the bonus bill would be ready for the house this week or next. He stated there was no disposition on the part of many house members to postpone action on the measure for a time to await the opening of the refunding negotiations between the United States and debtor nations. Calling attention that the refunding commission had been appointed by the President, the Ohio member said there was reason to believe that before July the United States would have some of the returned funds in hand.

The President, Mr. Longworth went on to say, undoubtedly would be opposed to the sale of some of the foreign bonds in this country to pay the money for this bonds. He added that before this could be done Congress would have to enact a law giving authority to the secretary of the treasury to so dispose of the securities, as the present law provides that he may use them in retiring a part of the public debt.

The Ohio member said the President was opposed to the enactment of bonus legislation without any provision for raising the funds. If the proposed sales tax provision was beaten in the house,

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NOMINATIONS ARE REPORTED OUT BY COMMITTEEMEN

Simmons Says Propriety Calls for at Least One Democrat on Body

DISAPPOINTMENT IS KEEN, HE STATES

Lodge Says Republicans Responsible and Should Have Authority

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—President Harding's appointment of four republicans and no democrats to the allied debt funding commission, was attacked by democrats and defended by republicans today in a lively partisan tilt in the senate. Earlier the senate finance committee had reported favorably the four nominations—of Secretaries Hughes and Hoover, Senator Smoot, republican, Utah, and Representative Burton, republican, Ohio.

"Keen disappointment" over the fact that no democrats were chosen for the commission was expressed by Senator Simmons of North Carolina, ranking democrat and former chairman of the senate finance committee. Senators Walsh of Montana, Heflin of Alabama, Williams of Mississippi and McKellar of Tennessee, were other democrats who criticised the appointments while Senator Lodge of Massachusetts, the republican leader and Senator Kellogg, republican, Minnesota, defended them.

Senator Walsh announced that he would oppose confirmation of Senator Smoot and Representative Burton on the ground that they were ineligible, under the constitution, to act as "officers" of the government.

Senators Simmons, Walsh and Williams said they had no personal fault to find with the four appointees. Mr. Simmons said a'l were "able, upright, experienced and competent" but he added that at least one democrat should have been named to the commission. Senator Williams urged that two democrats be chosen and two republicans dropped.

Recalling that there had been "sharp conflict" over the allied debt commission bill, Senator Simmons said that under the circumstances and "in view of the general interest of all the people in all these loans, it does seem that property calls for the opposition party to have at least one representation."

Senator Lodge, declaring that the country's finances were in charge of Secretary Mellon, who by the provisions of the act as secretary of the treasury will be ex-officio chairman of the debt commission, argued that the republicans would be responsible for any action taken—and suggested that their authority should accompany the responsibility. He also said that when former President Wilson retired all members of the federal reserve board were democrats. Senator Heflin, however, took exception to this statement, saying he understood that there always had been at least one republican members of the board.

Senator Kellogg pointed out that the allied debt bill did not receive a single democratic vote in the senate when it was passed. He added that the President had appointed men "in sympathy with the plan of settlement" of the allied loans.

Former President Wilson's letter of 1918 asking election of a democratic congress was recalled by Senator Heflin, who said the republicans then said "a great deal about Wilson wanting to shut out the republicans."

"And now you ain't going to let even one democrat in to see what's going on," he said addressing his remarks to the republicans. "You democrats," he added, turning to that side of the chamber, "are good enough to put up the coin of the realm, good enough to pay taxes to help win the great World war, but you're not good enough to sit in the council chamber."

Senator Heflin said that if Mr. Wilson had acted as President Harding had regarding the debt commissioners, Senator Lodge and other republicans would be indignant and "would be bobbing up and down like one of these cuckoo clocks."

Senator Williams recalled that Mr. Wilson had appointed "nearly all" democrats on the Paris peace commission to "make action and responsibility synonymous" and had been criticised by the republicans for not giving that party representation.

"And now you won't let any democrat even act as an observer," said Mr. Williams.

DANIELS TO SPEAK AT TUSKEGEE EVENT

TUSKEGEE, Ala., Feb. 22.—At the annual memorial exercises for Dr. Booker T. Washington here on founders day, April 5, a bronze monument will be unveiled on the campus of Tuskegee institute to perpetuate the memory of the famous negro educator. Prominent speakers interested in the promotion of negro education are on the program, including Josephus Daniels, former secretary of the navy who will represent the south, Dr. Wallace Buttrick, chairman of the general education board, and Dr. George C. Hall, of Chicago, representing the negro.

The statue which is eight feet high is a representation in bronze of Dr. Washington lifting the veil of ignorance and superstitution from the eyes of the negro and pointing the way to opportunity, prosperity and success through education, industry and thrift.