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# Pershing Inaugurates State Fair in Address To Cheering Tar Heels

## MAKES BRIEF PLEA FOR STATE TO BE PREPARED FOR FUTURE WAR

### TWO SOLDIERS HURT IN FAIR ACCIDENT

#### Governor and Mrs. George W. Vanderbilt Are Both Hosts.

RALEIGH, N. C., Oct. 17.—When I hear people talk about Americanism I am going to tell them to come down to North Carolina and see it lived," General John Pershing, in a speech to the thousands of cheering Tar Heels on the mud-splattered grounds of the State Fair today at noon when he spoke briefly following the formal opening of the fair by Governor Cameron Morrison.

General Pershing, who reviewed the war army at Camp Meade, and North Carolina State College R. O. T. C. in a parade which he led, arrived at the fairgrounds this afternoon at 4:40 for New Orleans where he will attend the convention of the American Legion.

In addition to his address at the State Fair, the program for the day included a breakfast at the Governor's Mansion this morning at 9 o'clock and a luncheon at the Yborborough Hotel given by Mrs. George W. Vanderbilt this afternoon.

The only mishap of the day, in spite of the thousands that packed the capital of North Carolina in a way that it has never been packed before on the opening day of the State Fair, occurred at the fairgrounds just before General Pershing spoke and after three rounds of the Fort's Salute had been fired by Fort Bragg artillery.

General Pershing was greeted with a roar of applause from the thousands of people in front of him. Beginning with a few pleasant words of congratulatory remarks to the natural industry of the people and continued:

"The Government is short-sighted that it has read the lessons of history and to make a sort of preparation for war. We have now on the statute books a military policy which if developed with its reasonable preparedness and I know it will have the support of the veterans of the World War.

"I see before me many men who served in the World War. I desire to tell them that the opportunity to see to it that the records of the great deeds of North Carolina are not lost by that of the troops of the State.

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General Pershing made a speech that would compare with one of Irwin S. Cobb's lectures or the late Mark Twain's after dinner explosions. The crowd that poured through the fields to surround the speaker and receive the 15 minutes' deliverance of humor and simple common sense was the largest on record for a fair opening.

# BOOTE-ON-SHIPS DECISION HELD UP BY JUDGE HAND

## Lawyers Reprimanded for Assuming Nature of the Court's Action.

### EXTENSION HOLDS FOR ALL STEAMERS

#### Says Country Has Gone to Great Lengths to Avoid Embarrassment.

NEW YORK, Oct. 17.—Federal Judge Learned Hand today reserved decision on applications by the American and foreign-owned steamship lines to make permanent the stay restraining Government officials from putting into effect the Daugherty ruling that vessels must not carry liquor inside the three-mile line, even under seal, when touching American ports.

Extension of the stay affects both American and foreign lines. The former lines affected by the extension of the temporary stay include Cunard, Anchor, White Star, International Mercantile Marine, French, Holland-American, Scandinavian-American, and Royal Mail Steam Packet. The American lines were the American Line of the International Mercantile Marine, the American and the United American Line. The stays were originally in the cases of the Holland-American, Scandinavian-American and Royal Mail lines, which, though ungranted, the original stay declared through counsel that they had cases identical with those of the other foreign lines.

### THURSDAY'S GATHERING IS EVENTFUL FOR BRITAIN

LONDON, Oct. 17.—(By The Associated Press.)—Whether Premier Lloyd George, whose administration has long outlasted the administration of all the great statesmen concerned in the Versailles treaty and the making of peace, will fall is a secondary effect of Mustapha Kemal's victory in Anatolia, still hangs on the results of Thursday's meeting of the Unionist members of the Commons.

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When this request was taken as an indication of defeat by foreign lines' counsel, the judge remarked that he would make his decision more on the papers submitted to him tomorrow than on the arguments heard in court today.

# Reveal Excerpts Of Purported Love Letters In Dual Murder

## NEW BRUNSWICK, Oct. 17.—Prosecutors seeking to pierce the barriers of uncertainty about the murders of the Rev. Edward Wheeler Hall and Mrs. Eleanor Reinhardt Mills, the wife of the sexton, more than a month ago, today turned from a search of theoretical by-paths and massed an attack against the center of the drama—the families of the dead man and woman.

The Hall family trio, Mrs. Hall and her brothers, Henry and William Stevens, were examined one by one in the court house. Only officials were present and the results were guarded.

# Army's Biggest "Blimp," Giant Dirigible C-2, Is Burned; Seven Men Hurt

## Will Not Deter Army Going Forward With Lighter-Than-Air Program—Results in Decision to Use Helium Gas Next Time.

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Oct. 17.—The giant dirigible C-2, the United States Army's biggest and best "blimp" was totally destroyed by fire at Brooks field here this morning, injuring seven of the eight men aboard.

The C-2 was partly clear of the hangar when a puff of wind dragged the huge bag along the ground, followed by two other gusts of wind, causing three handling guys to pull loose, permitting the bag to swing free against the doors of the hangar.

The seven men who were injured, tonight were reported to be not seriously injured. Four of them suffered broken bones jumping from the carriage of the balloon after it had struck the end of the giant concrete hangar at Brooks field which was built originally to house the Roms which fell and burned at Hampton Roads February 21, 1923.

# Intensive Service, And Not Time, The Measure of Life

## Kiwanian Tells Convention

### JUDGE GEORGE IS ASSURED OF SEAT IN U. S. SENATE

#### Press Returns in Georgia Election Show He Has Decisive Majority.

ATLANTA, Ga., Oct. 18.—(By The Associated Press.)—Walter F. George, of Vienna, Ga., received 318 county unit votes out of Georgia's total of 400 in yesterday's special Senatorial primary held to nominate a successor to the late United States Senator Thomas E. Watson, according to complete returns compiled this morning by The Atlanta Constitution.

With several hundred Kiwanians gathered in the convention hall of the Battery Park Hotel, yesterday morning at 10 o'clock, the convention was formally called to order by President H. McDuffie of the Asheville Club.

John R. Cooper, of Macon, had not carried a single county, according to The Constitution's figures.

Phillips farm, long mortgaged, was a subject of obligations by a recent court payment. The property was brought into the case yesterday when she spoke of having seen several days previous to the murder, a woman searching the fields near the spot where the couple were later found.

Prosecutor Beekman of Somerset County today made public some of the letters found on the body of the Rev. Hall. They were, he said, the writings of Mrs. Mills, although unsigned.

Increasing Prosperity and Thrift Are Shown WASHINGTON, Oct. 17.—Evidence of the increasing prosperity and thrift of the public was reflected in the number of deposits with the Federal Reserve Bank at the end of the month.

# LEGION HEADS GOMPERS PLEDGE TO SERVICE MEN

## Labor Will Always Stand by Government and Men Who Fought.

### "FIREWORKS" DUE TO BEGIN TODAY

#### Will Stage Annual Parade—Women's Meeting Will Be Convened.

NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 17.—(By The Associated Press.)—The American Legion, in annual convention here today heard Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, pledge anew the faith of union labor that its support was always behind the government and upholding the hands of those who fought for the maintenance of American principles.

It received the felicitations of wounded veterans of European Nations who came here last week to attend the convention of the Inter-Allied Veterans Federation, upon the work it was doing in behalf of wounded men and disabled veterans.

It was pointed out by representatives of the veterans of earlier wars as heir to the custodianship of the principles they fought to uphold. The heads of the Spanish War Veterans, the Grand Army of the Republic and the United Confederate Veterans brought their greetings and God-speed to the Legion.

With an unexpectedness that left many delegates to the convention hardly realizing what had happened, the committee in time and place for holding the next national convention brought in its report, awarding the convention to San Francisco and New Jersey, which had sought the convention at the banquet of the District Convention which made ratification of the committee's choice for the convention city unanimous.

Brilliant Summer weather continued to add gaiety and zest to the convention.

This afternoon the veterans and their women folk scattered to various entertainments devised for their amusement; the Legion's athletic tournament, which got under way yesterday with swimming events as the leading feature, was continued today and will be completed by the program for two more days.

Tomorrow, the annual parade of the Legion will be held.

The women's convention, that of the American Legion Auxiliary, got under way yesterday and a brief session yesterday.

# MRS. GOODNO OF GREENSBORO NAMED HEAD OF N. C. T. U.

## Mrs. I. T. Sell, of Asheville, Made Secretary of Temperance Legion.

SPENCER, Oct. 17.—Selecting Guilford College as the place for the next annual gathering, and electing officers for the coming year, the Women's Christian Temperance Union closed its 40th State Convention here tonight with a stirring address by Rev. M. E. Cotton, field secretary of the North Carolina State Temperance League.

The exhibits and testimony in support of this position, are claimed to show that the relationships proposed by Southern lines are entirely too high and out of harmony with other sections of the country. It is claimed that if the first class rate was \$1 between two points in the North, on the one hand, and \$1 between two points in the South, on the other hand, the shipment in the South would pay more on a given article classified the same in both sections, than the shipper in the North.

# Corporation Body Is Affiliated With Big Interests, Is Charge

## Hope of Avoiding Less Than Car Load Rates Is Told at Hearing.

### LARGE EXHIBITS PUT INTO RECORD

#### Expect Conclusion of Hearings Here by Latter Part of Week.

That vast increases in freight rates would result throughout the South if the carrier's proposals are adopted by the Interstate Commerce Commission, was the contention of James T. Ryan, of High Point, Secretary of the Southern Manufacturers' Association and President of the Southern Traffic League, which represents large and important interests throughout the South, who yesterday appeared before the commission.

Mr. Ryan appeared as witness for the League upon the question of the percentage relationship of class rates and the matter of the proposed cancellation of less than carload commodity rates, and classification exceptions.

At the resumed hearing yesterday before the Commission, testimony was heard from G. E. Moffett, Manager of the Traffic Bureau, Knoxville, regarding rates from that city to points beyond Ohio River crossings, and beyond that to the Gulf of Mexico. Testimony of Mr. Ryan, J. U. Parfitt, of Miami, on the stand, seeking to obtain the same rates to Miami as proposed by the Seaboard and Coast Line. Fred Peterson, of Asheville, testified in support of the Interstate Commerce Commission's position.

Mr. Ryan, president of the Southern Traffic League, has its denomination as a membership in southeastern states other than North Carolina, and has headquarters at Montgomery, Ala., said in the Asheville Times of October 17, 1922: "The big shipping interests supporting and will continue to support the Interstate Commerce Commission (properly named) admitted."

"The cry of need for a bank roll in a campaign, emergency can be heard in the distance."

"In every freight rate fight heretofore made when the Corporation Commission (properly named) has been caught in a tight place it has sought cover in the cry that any association by a body not in line with its own views was a personal attack on the members of the Corporation Commission and called to its aid its interested friends—in this case the big shipping interests."

# NEW YORK CLEARINGS IN NEW HIGH FOR YEAR

## NEW YORK, Oct. 17.—New York bank clearings today reached the gigantic total of \$1,300,000,000, a new high for the year and an increase of \$435,300,000 over the same day a year ago.

This turnover is due to heavy governmental operations on Monday in a money market.

# DOZEN MEN STORM RAIL SHOPS AT HICKORY

HICKORY, N. C., Oct. 17.—Reports that a dozen men, believed to have been former employees of the Carolina and Northwestern Railroad, had thrown stones into the company's shops here early today, brought officers to the scene, but no trace of the men could be found. A shopman was struck on the leg with a rock.

# NETS SUPPORTING 202 LIBERALS IN FALL ELECTIONS

## Behind Pou and Ward—Program for Repeal of Volstead Act.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 17.—The Association Against the Prohibition Amendment today issued an announcement that it would support 202 "liberal" candidates for Congress, and named those who are to be the fortunate or unfortunate ones as the case may be. Among those listed were Representative Edward W. Pou and M. S. Ward, of North Carolina.