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ALLENS PAY DEATH PENALTY.

Crime Committed at Hillsville Court House Partly Averted—Eleventh Hour Attempt to Commute Sentence Was Foiled When Governor Mann Returned to Virginia.

Richmond, Va., March 28.—Mumbling a prayer and crying half audibly that he was ready to go, Floyd Allen, a lawless product of the Virginia mountains, whose refusal to accept a short prison term for a minor offense led to the wholesale court murder in Hillsville one year ago, limped to the death chair in the State penitentiary today, eleven minutes ahead of Claude Swanson Allen, his son.

The sentence of the court, held up for six hours while desperate and dramatic efforts were being made to save the condemned man by eleventh-hour appeals to the Lieutenant Governor, was speedily ordered to proceed when Governor Mann hastened back to Virginia to take charge of a situation which was sensational and exciting to a degree. The prison superintendent, acting entirely within the law, agreed at 2 o'clock this morning to defer the execution, giving Attorney General Williams an opportunity, meanwhile, to pass upon the constitutional right of Lieutenant Governor Ellyson to interfere.

But the young son of Governor Mann reached his father in Philadelphia by telephone less than an hour after the delay had been ordered and by 8 o'clock today the Governor was again on Virginia soil. Incensed, as it afterward developed, by the unexpected effort to take advantage of his temporary absence, when he had repeatedly refused clemency, the Governor boarded an early train, arriving in Richmond at 11:30 o'clock.

Men prominent in official circles of the State who waited in the Capital for a final plea to the Governor, were turned away, as his secretary handed out this statement from the Executive:

"Hearing at five minutes to 3 o'clock this morning of the action taken in the Allen case after I left the city, I considered it my duty to hurry back. I simply desire to repeat that after the most careful examination of the evidence in this case, I have not the slightest doubt of the guilt of Floyd and Claude Allen, and I will not interfere. The law must take its course."

TURKEY AGREES TO PEACE.

That Country Announces Unreserved Acceptance of Proposals and Thanks Powers for Mediation—Balkan Allies Not Yet Agreed.

Constantinople, April 1.—The Turkish Government to-day announces that it has unreservedly accepted the peace terms proposed by the European Powers, bringing to an end the Balkan war. The Turkish foreign office handed the Ottoman acceptance to the dean of the diplomatic corps here, accompanying the missive with an expression of thanks to the powers for their mediation.

The Balkan allies and powers are still not agreed on peace terms, so the action does not necessarily mean the end of the war.

FATAL WRECK NEAR HICKORY.

Engineer, Conductor and Fireman Were Killed.

A dispatch from Salisbury, N. C. Monday night says:

Freight train No. 73 was wrecked between Hickory and Newton this morning, and Engineer Will Eagle, of Spencer; Conductor Ed V. Boyd and Fireman A. L. Huddle, of Asheville, were killed. The engine turned over. Huddle and Boyd were killed instantly. Eagle died shortly after his extrication, on reaching Hickory where he was taken for treatment.

More Officers and Bigger Salaries. Union Republican.

The recent Legislature did its share towards increasing offices and salaries in Forsyth County. It created five new offices and increased salaries to an amount of some \$4,000 per annum for the tax payers to settle. In the last campaign in this county, the issue was made by the Democrats on Register of Deeds Lentz, who proposed to fill the office, if elected, without any extra compensation and for his \$2,500 salary per annum. But his political friends and the Democratic Legislature gave Register of Deeds Lentz a lemon by having a bill passed increasing the salaries of Sheriff George A. Flynt and Clerk of the Superior Court R. E. Transou and left Mr. Lentz out in the cold. If Republicans had created five new offices and added \$4,000 to the county pay roll, Democrats would doubtless have called for special legislation for impeachment proceedings or the appointment of extra officials in the vain fear that the county was going to the bow-wows.

SOME STATE POLITICS

Justice is Fighting Overman And Simmons—Will Daniels Stand by His Progressive Friend?

OR WILL HE FLOP AGAIN

Daniels Has Trained With Both Reactionaries and Progressives—The Slashing of the Tariff and the Threat to Business—Canada Waiting for Uncle Sam to Enrichen Her People—Storm and Flood in West and Middle West Worst in History of This Country—Government Sends Aid.

(Special to The Caucasian.)

Washington, D. C., April 1, 1913.

Last week the country was startled with the news from the West and Middle West of the damage to life and property caused by a terrific hurricane, which, in part of its course amounted to a cyclone. It started out in Arizona, crossed Nebraska and took a zig-zag course through Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, and Ohio, and then split up and passed out at several different points to the Atlantic ocean.

The damage west of the Mississippi River was chiefly in the destruction of very many farm and city houses and a large resultant loss of life. The destruction in the city of Omaha was unusually severe. When the storm passed the Mississippi river, it was followed by an enormous downpour of rain, continuing for several days and in some cases amounting to a cloudburst. This has caused the frightful floods in Indiana, Illinois, Ohio, Kentucky, and West Virginia, which have exceeded anything known in the history of this country.

President Wilson was appealed to for assistance in the shape of food, clothing, tents, pontoon bridges, etc. He ordered Secretary of War Garrison, to at once fit out a special train with supplies of every kind above mentioned, including medical supplies, also nurses and doctors, to assist in the work of relief, and to go with this train in person. At this writing the flood waters are reported to be receding in Dayton, Columbus, and other points north of the Ohio river, but at the same time the threatened floods down the Ohio and Mississippi rivers are growing every hour and will probably exceed any floods for many years.

About a year ago this country and the whole world was startled by the wreck in a collision with an iceberg of the newest, largest and most magnificent steamer afloat, the Titanic, and the frightful loss of life. That great calamity appealed tremendously to the imagination of the country and the whole world, but it will not compare in magnitude to the frightful loss of life and property in these floods and storms.

The Slashing of the Tariff and the Threat to Business.

It is reported that the Democratic tariff bill, which has been completed by the Ways and Means Committee of the House and which is now being considered by President Wilson, makes slashing cuts in the protective duties affecting millions upon millions of dollars of property and thousands of laborers. This country will be lucky if it survives such a tariff bill without a disastrous panic.

A Canadian paper, The Montreal Star, has a cartoon picturing Uncle Sam tearing down the tariff wall between this country and Canada. Canada is represented as standing off looking on with pleasure and gratification and saying, "Uncle Sam is working for us and asking nothing in return. We voted down the Taft reciprocity treaty, because that tore down only a part of the protection wall and made us pay dear for the conditions we got. Now Uncle Sam gives us everything for nothing."

The New Income Tax Law.

It is understood that the Democratic tariff bill, as prepared, contains a provision placing an income tax of one per cent on all incomes above \$4,000, with a percentage increase by steps until a tax of four per cent is levied upon incomes of \$100,000. It is estimated that this income tax will raise \$150,000,000 revenue and that it will take this much to make up the deficit in the revenue, caused by the Democratic tariff reduction.

It will be remembered that the Democrats have always claimed that they are in favor of a tariff high enough "to produce sufficient revenue," but it now seems that they have slashed the tariff so low that it will take \$150,000,000 of income (Continued on page 2.)

BRIEF NEWS ITEMS.

The commission form of government was overwhelmingly defeated in the election in Durham Tuesday.

Ex-President Taft arrived at New Haven, Connecticut, Tuesday to take up the Kent professorship at Yale.

Geo. M. Bowers, Commissioner of Fisheries at Washington, Tuesday sent his resignation to President Wilson.

Anti-prohibitionists won in Colorado Tuesday in a majority of places where local tickets were elected and the liquor amendments voted upon.

Hereafter, postmasters in the larger offices of the country are to be held strictly accountable for the time and personal attention they give their official duties.

William D. Haywood, organizer for the Industrial Workers of the World, was convicted of disorderly conduct and sentenced to six months in jail at Patterson, N. J., Monday.

Gustav Puppe, a banker at Kuerstin, Germany, suspended payment Tuesday with estimated liabilities of seven million dollars. Puppe and his son have disappeared.

Mrs. Jesse May Eaton was indicted Friday at Plymouth, Mass., for the murder of her husband, Rear Admiral Joseph C. Eaton, who died suddenly some days ago.

J. P. Morgan's body was embalmed in Rome Tuesday and prepared for shipment to the United States. A simple service was held yesterday over the body of the late financier.

Col. Pascual Orozco, Sr., father of the former northern revolutionary leader in Mexico, has been executed by order of Emiliano Zapata, Rebel leader of the southern Mexico.

Pennsylvania yesterday voted to have ratified the proposed amendment to the National Constitution providing for the direct election of Senators. Only one more State is necessary.

Dr. J. L. Moorefield, a member of the Guilford County Medical Society and proprietor of a large drug store at Guilford College, was convicted at Greensboro Tuesday on a charge of retailing liquor.

An unknown man was found dead in a ditch by the Atlantic Coast Line tracks near Pembroke, Robeson County, Friday. The remains were buried by the railroad company on their right of way.

President Wilson has informed the Suffragette leaders that he would not recommend a constitutional amendment for woman suffrage in his message to Congress. Mr. Wilson will leave this matter entirely up to Congress.

Stephen Humphrey, 14-year-old son of Mr. James Humphrey, who lives near Lumberton, Robeson County, accidentally shot and it is believed fatally injured himself a few days ago while hunting.

In arguing against a reduction in their rates before the Inter-State Commerce Commission Monday, representatives of the principal express companies declared their business had been reduced 25 per cent by the operation of the parcel post.

Governor Sulzer, of New York, has demanded the resignation of State Senator Stephen Stilwell, of New York City. The Governor received a complaint from President Kendall, of the New York Bank Note Company, alleging that Stilwell had demanded money of him to pass certain stock exchange reform legislation.

James E. Hussey and James F. Thompson, police inspectors, and Captain John J. Murtha, formerly acting inspector, of New York City, have been indicted on charges of bribery as a result of the district attorney's crusade against graft in the police department. Two patrolmen and a civilian alleged to be a graft collector also were indicted. Nineteen indictments were handed down and bench warrants issued for the six men involved.

The body of John Sillmon, who was killed in Houston, Texas, last week, arrived here this morning and was shipped to Guilford College for interment Monday afternoon. Sillmon was a Greensboro man and several years ago went to Texas to engage in the contracting business. He was caught beneath a falling wall last Thursday and his life crushed out. He leaves a wife and two children, who were visiting at Randleman, N. C., at the time of his

MR. JUSTICE STIRS 'EM UP.

Is Making Fight on Mr. Watts for Collector of Western District—Wants no Reactionary Appointed to Office.

A few days ago Mr. E. J. Justice, of Greensboro, was in Washington presumably to confer with railroad officials as to freight rates in North Carolina.

While in Washington Mr. Justice called on President Wilson and several Cabinet officials to enter his protest against the appointment of any reactionary to office in this State. As an illustration of his attitude he let it be known that he is opposed to Mr. A. D. Watts for collector of Internal revenue in the western district and told the President the party could never be made progressive in this State if reactionaries are appointed to fill the offices. It is understood that Senators Overman and Simmons are supporting Mr. Watts. "It appears that 'Democratic harmony' in North Carolina has some hard sledding ahead of it."

MOST EXTRAVAGANT LEGISLATURE.

Used Public Money to Pay Political Debts—Provided for Party Pets But Could Not Properly Provide for Schools.

After giving the Legislature credit for what little credit is due it, the Progressive Farmer makes the following criticism on the shortcomings of that body:

"Despite promises of reform at the outset—and despite the fact that so good an authority as Mr. J. A. Brown declared to the writer that \$10,000 a session could be saved by ordinary business economy—we predict that the records will show that this Legislature has been one of the most extravagant on record. The members, as usual, started out by paying political debts with public funds by employing an unnecessary number of clerks, laborers, etc., and the men who had quaked with terror at the 'deficit' when public schools were mentioned, freely voted extra pay and extra mileage to almost everybody in sight around them before adjournment.

"It is also to the discredit of the honorable body that almost before it was allowed to do any other public business and while the 'deficit' screamed' every other appropriation, the lawyer members rushed through a plan providing four new judges and four new solicitors and put the 'clincher' on it so that it could not even be reconsidered to allow one of the four to serve as special judge of the Torrens Land Court—a plan which would have been of incalculable benefit."

WORSE THAN WORTHLESS.

The Democratic Legislature the "Biggest Lemon That the People of the State Have Ever Bought."

Waynesville Enterprise.

The weight of opinion of the State press, regardless of political persuasion, is to the effect that the Legislature just adjourned was something of a l-u-lu. The term "worthless" is too dignified for descriptive purposes. Says the Asheville Citizen:

"The Legislature which expires to-day or tomorrow, it doesn't matter when, will go down in history as one of the biggest lemons that North Carolina ever bought."

Superior Court Judges Reversed.

Statesville Landmark.]

In handing down decisions in fourteen cases this week the State Supreme Court upset the judgment of the lower courts in eleven of the fourteen cases. From which it would appear that there is some difference of opinion between Superior and Supreme Court Judges; and it may mean that some of the judges on the Superior Court bench are not as good lawyers as the position demands.

Convict Kills Deputy Sheriff.

Deputy Sheriff Ed Strickland, of Johnston County, was stabbed to death and Deputy Stanly badly cut a few days ago by Noel Massengill, an escaped convict, whom they were attempting to arrest nine miles from Smithfield. Massengill escaped.

Virginia Sets Example for North Carolina.

Durham Herald.]

North Carolina criminals usually secure pardons or commutation of sentences without making so much fuss over it.

Fatal Shooting at Goldsboro.

At Goldsboro Monday Joe Motzno shot his father, D. Motzno, a Russian shoemaker, of that city. The senior Motzno went to his room to raise a rough house. He began beating his wife when his son shot him, killing him instantly.

ZEKE AT INAUGURATION

He Got a Shave Which Had Long Been Needed

CIVIL SERVICE A FRAUD

McRae and Bilkins in a Bad Box—Six Cent Cotton and Four Cent Tobacco Still Fresh in the Memory of Southern People—A Minority President This Time—No Sentiment in Politics, Nor in Business—A Calamity Now Pending—Has a Talk With President—Let Off Easy.

Bilkinsville, N. C., April 1, 1913.

(Correspondence of The Caucasian-Enterprise.)

I hev jist gotten back from Washington, whar I went to help put in the new administrashun. I orter a'bin back sooner but hit took a gude deal ov time to git things straightened up an' pulled together after the woman suffrage riot an'awl the demomonies wuz over. I stayed a gude bit to help hold Josephus Daniels, fer I wuz afraid he would git the navy into trouble. The woman suffragists and Josephus air both fierce. Another reason why I didn't git back sooner wuz that I had ter stay an' git a shave. Some seventeen years ago my old friend Phillip McRae, ov Harnett County, held a mass-meetin' an' resolved that he would never git another hair-cut until a Dymokrat wuz elected President. About the same time I resolved that I would not shave anymore till the country should go Dymokratik. Hit went an' I decided to go to the inauguration an' git the shave an' see the woman's suffragists an' the other side-shows. Lots ov people air sayin' that five or six-cent cotton an' other things in the same proportion air ahead ov us an' that the country will again be full ov tramps. What do I care for that since I got my whiskers cut off? The civil service iz what botherin' me an' thousands ov others. An' jist to think, the civil service iz a Dymokrat reform started when Cleveland wuz President. Hit hez a few gude points, but, after awl, iz a big fraud, a sort ov political trust for the benefit ov the ins an' to keep the outs at a safe distance. In that respect hit iz un-American an' should hev bin thrown on the trash pile years ago. The ordinary business trust kin be kept in check by law, if the laws are enforced. But the political trust knows no law except such az hit passes to add to hits own strength. The longer hit goes on the stronger hit gets, no matter which party iz in.

I said I went ter Washington ter help put the new President in his seat an' ter make the seat comfortable. Like more than a hundred thousand ov other patriots, I went hopin' to git in myself—and git a shave. My old friend, Phillip McRae, ov Harnett County, an' myself wuz in the same boat. He made a vow seventeen years ago that he'd never git his hair cut until another Dymokrat President wuz elected. While hit didn't git into the newspapers at the time, I resolved that I'd not git a shave till the same thing happened. So two ov us Dymokrats hev now gotten relief. On with the dance, let joy be unconfined! But hit cost me fifty cents to git the shave in Washington.

They wuz a rite smart crowd ov people in Washington to see Mr. Wilson put in, though not many from the South. Our people wuz afraid they'd meet six-cent cotton an' four-cent tobacco. I reckon the greatest site at the inauguration wuz Josephus Daniels, Secretary of the Navy, ex-State Printer and "ex-State sayer." He put the polish on the whole business. This iz the second time the North Carolina folks hev shoved him off on a Dymokratik administration. Hit gave the Cleveland crowd a terrible jolt an' will be hard on the Wilson folks. I reckon they air goin' to sell the great battleships the country hev bin buildin' durin' the past thirty years, judgin' by the man they hev put in az head ov that department. An' I had thought that our people air proud ov their navy!

Our friend Wilson got in by accident. He iz a minority President if they ever wuz one. In round numbers seven million or more Republicans got divided an' six million Dymokrats elected a President. But a few hundred men, a few thousand, at most, can elect a man anyway. A few men get together without attractin' much attention an' weigh the probable candidates. A few bankers, a few manufacturers, a few big railroad men an' the job iz done—awl but the shoutin'. Fifteen million voters wrangle an' claw the air an' imagine that they had much to do with hit. The men behind hit awl didn't go into hit blindly last year. But they didn't want Mr. Roosevelt.

MAN CRAZED BY DRINK.

Attempted to Publicly Whip His Wife While Waiting for the Corpse of His Mother.

A special from Kinston, N. C., Saturday says:

Alonzo Price, a Greene County man, crazed by drink and grief, attempted to publicly whip his wife while waiting at the depot in Snow Hill for the remains of his mother, who had died in this city. Bystanders prevented his mistreatment of the woman. When Sheriff Williams went to arrest Price the enraged man attacked him with a knife, inflicting slight injuries on the hand. He was taken before a magistrate and fined. Price cursed the court and was imprisoned for contempt, but released after an hour. He had to be remanded because of violence.

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London, April 1.—A true bill against Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst was returned to-day by the grand jury on a charge of indictment to commit damage. Mrs. Pankhurst was arrested on February 24 in connection with the destruction of the country residence of Chancellor Lloyd George. The offence is punishable with penal servitude for a maximum term of fourteen years.

Democrats and Free Whiskey.

Lincoln Times.)

There is one schedule in tariff making on which the Democrats have reversed themselves. That is the tariff on liquor. Before the Republican party was born there was no tax on liquor. It was free of internal duty. The Republicans put a revenue tax on it. The Democrats waged several campaigns on "free raw material and free liquor." But of late years, since it has grown popular through the efforts of real prohibitionists, the Democratic party, especially in dry States, dotes on prohibition. And they would almost deny that their party ever stood for free liquor that is, liquor free from all revenue or Federal restraint. Yet such is history.

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The six months' school bill only provides for \$25,000 additional to the present school fund of \$225,000. This amount will not lengthen the school term to six months, but the bill very generously provides that any county in the State may raise sufficient revenue within its own borders to stretch the school term from four to six months. It is a beautiful scheme with which to pacify a long suffering people.

Body of Selma Man Cut in Two By Moving Train.

John Warren, aged 55, Southern Railway repair foreman at Selma, was run over and instantly killed by a freight train at Greensboro Monday morning. The body, which was turned over to a son from Wilson, was horribly mangled, a long string of cars having passed across the chest and dismembered the corpse. The deceased leaves a wife at Selma. Also several children survive him.

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DISGUSTED WITH THE COMMISSION.

Mr. Forester Says Shippers Are Not Satisfied and Blames Corporation Commissioners for Not Protecting.

Mr. H. E. C. Bryant, Special Washington correspondent of the News and Observer, sent Tuesday's paper the following special:

John C. Forester, secretary of the Greensboro chamber of commerce, and W. G. Creighton, of the Charlotte Manufacturers' and Merchants Association, appeared before the Interstate Commerce Commission to-day and protested against the charge of the Southern Railway attorneys that North Carolina shippers and merchants are satisfied with the present freight rate charges.

Mr. Forester said tonight that Commissioner Clements said that he was disgusted with the North Carolina Corporation Commission for sitting through the hearings here two weeks ago and not protesting against the claim that North Carolina shippers were satisfied.

Mr. Forester declared that he did not think the North Carolina commissioners knew that the Southern Railway is not sincere in its promise to adjust rates.

Messrs. Forester and Creighton represented other commercial organizations in the State. They spoke for Raleigh, Durham, Wilson, Fayetteville, Kinston, Asheville, High Point and Rocky Mount.

Mr. Forester is particularly bitter against the North Carolina commissioners, whom he charges with neglecting a good opportunity to hit a lick for the shippers of the State.

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