

LABORERS FLOAT UPON THE TIDES OF REVOLUTION

Labor Chiefs Express Desire to Arrive at Peaceful Solution of Grave Problem in England.

London, April 9.—(By the Associated Press)—Recruiting of volunteer workers and "safety units" was energetically begun by the government today, and similar plans were perfected to meet the onset of a widespread industrial tie-up next Tuesday, growing out of the miners' strike and involving directly approximately 2,000,000 workers in various parts of England, Scotland and Wales.

Some of these local bodies of railway workers declare the miners' resistance to the cuts in the wages, which brought about the strike in the coal industry, is justifiable, but they do not consider that they have any right to thank the miners for, and, therefore, should not be stamped in a sympathetic walkout.

London, April 9.—Representatives of the National Union of Railwaymen and of the National Federation of Transport Workers called upon Prime Minister Lloyd George this morning for the purpose of conveying to him the decision of the two organizations to support the striking miners.

London, April 9.—(By the Associated Press)—Tuesday midnight, unless there was some new development in the meantime, was the commencement of the latest labor struggle in country's history.

IRVIN COBB HITS TOWN ON JAUNT

Famous Humorist Says He Ran Pretty Hot Race With Governor Cobb

By BROCK BARK

Preceded by two grips and a cart capacity each, more or less, Irvin S. Cobb arrived in the city Saturday morning, registered, asked for a room, looked over some mail and accepted an invitation to talk to the members of the public.

The humorist, North pher, newspaper reporter, war correspondent, lecturer, story writer and involuntary candidate for the democratic presidential nomination in San Francisco convention, is in town to speak at the cave auditorium Saturday night at 8 o'clock.

Cobb has been preaching a long time for "honest-to-God 100 per cent Americanism," the elevation of the principles of citizenship, in addition to having been the foremost advocate, prior to the political campaigns of last year, for a "business administration" for the national government.

When asked to philosophize a little on the subject of whether the country is going to the dogs or not Cobb should revert to politics. He got into politics at the democratic national convention when, despite the fact that he was not a candidate, he got a vote for the nomination.

Washington, April 9.—(By the Associated Press)—The bureau of markets reported today after testing samples from a bale of cotton ginned 50 years ago on a farm in Harris county, Georgia, in forwarding samples to the Department of Agriculture, it was stated that the cotton, which was ginned in 1870, had been kept on the farm continuously except when removed in 1904 for exhibition at St. Louis exposition.

MAYBE A LITTLE MEDICINE FROM EACH BOTTLE WOULD HELP



WOLFE SAID TO FAVOR WOMEN

Candidate for Re-election to School Board Against Stewart, is Claimed.

The decision of J. Lester Wolfe, member of the school board to be a candidate for re-election after announcing he would not run again, is a victory for the women candidates for the school board, and a defeat for the Stewart forces, according to those who were discussing the school board fight Saturday.

HANDLES SOCIAL BURDENS FOR THE PRESIDENT'S WIFE



Miss Laura Harlan, daughter of the late Chief Justice John M. Harlan of the supreme court, is social secretary to Mrs. Harding, the president's wife.

WILLIAMS FOUND GUILTY AND WILL BE IMPRISONED

Georgia Farmer Convicted of Death of Negroes on His Farm While in Condition of Peonage.

Covington, Ga., April 9.—John S. Williams, accused of the murder of eleven of his negro farm hands to halt a federal investigation of peonage, was found guilty of murder by a jury in Newton county superior court here today and sentenced to life imprisonment.

The defendant, who had been cheerful before the jury came in, received the verdict outwardly calm, but when his wife and daughter began to sob almost audibly he seemed to be making a desperate effort to hide emotion.

The verdict of murder with recommendation for mercy, which under Georgia law automatically carries a life sentence, was read exactly 18 hours after the case went to the jury, and was calmly received by Williams. A moment later, as his wife and children were struggling to restrain his own emotions, just after court adjourned the man's two daughters became hysterical and were led from the room by friends.

NEGRO RUN OVER BY TRUCK; KILLED

When About to Board One Vehicle He is Hit by Another.

Arthur Cornwell, negro, was instantly killed when run over by a heavy truck of the Fink-Dellinger furniture company, driven by C. L. Bates, near the Seaboard railway overhead bridge on North Graham street Saturday morning about 7 o'clock.

Cornwell was about to board the truck while it was moving when he was hit by a city truck driven by Lester Foster. He was knocked beneath the wheels of the furniture van, his head being crushed.

Detectives Earnhardt and Linder, of the city police force, investigated the accident. An inquest has been ordered by Coroner Frank Hovis to take place Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the recorder's court room.

COURT UPHOLDS SUFFRAGE ACT

Tennessee Supreme Court Passes Favorably Upon Chief Justice's Decision.

Nashville, Tenn., April 9.—The Tennessee supreme court today affirmed the action of Chief Justice D. L. Lansden in issuing writs of certiorari and superseades in the woman's suffrage litigation last summer, as a result of which Governor A. H. Roberts sent a certificate to Secretary of State Colby of the ratification of the 19th amendment to the United States constitution, by the legislature, following which the adoption of the amendment was proclaimed.

The motion to quash writs issued by the chief justice of the Supreme Court of Tennessee, seeking to prevent the certification of the Tennessee legislature's action on the ratification of the 19th or suffrage amendment to the Constitution of the United States, was made by certain citizens, including C. R. R. Clements, of Nashville, who filed their original bill against the governor, A. H. Roberts; the secretary of state, Ike B. Stevens; the speaker of the senate, A. L. Todd and the speaker of the house, Seth M. Walker, on August 21, 1920. The bill set forth alleged facts in connection with ratification of the federal suffrage amendment, which it was claimed was in violation of the state constitution, a provision prohibiting action by the general assembly on any amendment to the federal constitution unless such general assembly should have been elected after the submission of such amendments to the voters.

WINS "A. B." AT 13: NOW AT TWENTY WILL GET PH. D.



At twenty Miss Esther Lee of Grand Pre, Canada, is a candidate for a Ph. D. degree at Columbia University. She entered college at thirteen. In 1918 she received her A. B. diploma and in 1919 received her M. A. degree. She has found time to be popular as a dancer, dress modishly and become proficient in swimming, canoeing and other sports.

HORIZONTAL CUT IN TAXABLES MAY DISTURB STATUS

Feeling Prevails in Raleigh That Revaluation Act Will be Imperilled by Wholesale Reductions.

By JULE E. WARREN, Staff Correspondent of The News.

Raleigh, April 9.—If a majority of the counties in North Carolina materially reduce valuation of property by horizontal cuts it will amount to the same thing as repealing the revaluation act in the opinion of prominent members of the legislature who have been in Raleigh this week. Senator R. S. McCoin, chairman of the senate appropriations committee, who spent the day here this week, declares material reduction by a majority of the counties would completely undo the work of the tax commission in ironing out the inequalities of the tax burden in different counties and between individuals whose property was in the same county.

These members of the legislature who were instrumental in framing the revaluation act believe that the general assembly believe that the better, though the most costly and tedious course, would be to authorize individual adjustments in the counties rather than allow blanket cuts. The major portion of these blanket reductions will come from the eastern part of the state which was the hardest hit by the drop in prices and the depression of the past year. With some counties cutting as much as sixty per cent and others allowing only ten per cent reductions there is going to be plenty of work for the legislative commission to do in adjusting the values so that they will be equalized as between the counties. This will probably be the first labor tax commission and the new commissioner of revenue and taxation will have to perform when he takes office the first of May.

A reduction in values is going to mean a proportionate reduction of the revenue available for the counties, unless the county commissioners and the municipal authorities increase the rate somewhat in proportion to the decrease in valuation. That would be impossible in at least fifty counties in North Carolina who last year exceeded the fifteen cents on the hundred dollar value for general purposes. In addition to the counties the state revenue may levy special taxes to pay off bonded debt or for other purposes provided there is a legislative act or bond election held which authorizes these special taxes. Unless the special provision for this levy the county commissioners have no right to levy over the fifteen cent limit for general purposes, except for schools. The constitution requires a six months school term in every county in North Carolina, and the attorney general has held that this constitutional mandate gives the county a right to levy the special levy sufficient taxes to raise enough money to run the school six months even if the constitutional limit is exceeded.

Will Submit Schedules. Judge George Bell, of the Corporation Commission, who remained in Washington a day longer than did Commissioner Maxwell, believes that the chances for getting the new schedules for the middle west are fair. When Mr. Maxwell left Washington the signs were not good, but other members of the delegation remaining over secured the promise of the state revenue commission that the schedules would be submitted to the North Carolina commission for this through passenger service. The railroad authorities will make a study of the schedules to insure that enough local trains to insure this through service without additional cost to the railroads. And it is just here that the hitch will come, for the average North Carolina county very much local train service, when that service is to be substituted by a through service which will not make all the stops. The North Carolina commission is of the opinion that the through service should be so in fact and not in name and that stopping the train at practically all points along the line from Goldsboro to Salisbury would result in seriously handicapping the effectiveness of the service.

Soap and Water Are Best For Poison Ivy

Poison ivy cases begin to reach for a record as people get out into the country. An inquest has been ordered by Coroner Frank Hovis to take place Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the recorder's court room.

COLD SPELL STRIKES EAST AREA TONIGHT

Washington, April 9.—Another cold spell will hit the eastern section of the country tonight, the weather bureau said today, with freezing temperatures as far south as Kentucky and frost to central Mississippi and Alabama. Temperatures will be lower than general on the Florida peninsula, accompanied by fair weather east of the Mississippi tonight and Sunday except for rain or snow in the upper lake region and upper Ohio valley.

FAIR

Charlotte and vicinity: Fair and much cooler tonight and Sunday. Probably light frost tonight. Doubtful to gentle northwest winds. North Carolina, fair and much cooler tonight and Sunday, probably light frost in west.