

REFORM LEAGUE ATTACKS METHOD

Prohibition Enforcement Personnel Contains Many With Criminal Records.

Baltimore, April 14.—Activities of the National Civic Service Reform League, in combating appointment of "loose and inefficient" prohibition enforcement agents, are reviewed in the report of the council of the league read at the annual meeting here today.

POLICEMEN AMBUSHED

Dublin, April 14.—Five policemen were ambushed last night at Felamore, county Limerick, one of them being killed and three wounded.

Literal Birdie Was Made by Virginian

Roanoke, Va., April 14.—Playing on the local country club links yesterday afternoon, Robert F. Stone, University of Virginia, shot a "birdie" which he made a "literal birdie" with a drive shot and brought down a dove flying high in the French public.

DAM ON BROAD RIVER GAVE WAY YESTERDAY

Columbia, S. C., April 14.—The dam on Broad river, just above Columbia, crumbled Wednesday afternoon from unknown causes, the impounded waters rushing through the breach to seriously menace the city's water supply and power.

DR. S. C. MITCHELL TO SPEAK SUNDAY

The meeting for men at the Young Men's Christian Association Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock promises to be one of unusual interest. The speaker will be Dr. S. C. Mitchell of Richmond College, Richmond, Va.

M. JUSSERAND IS NOT "ON THE JOB"

Is Alleged to Have Failed to Keep French Informed of Events at Washington.

Paris, April 14.—Criticism of Jules J. Jusserand, French ambassador to the United States, for his alleged failure to keep the French public informed as to the state of affairs in Washington, appeared in editorials published here today relative to the message of President Harding to Congress.

The text of Mr. Harding's message had not reached Paris last night, and most of today's papers contented themselves with presenting such extracts as had been cabled to this city.

FIFTY PER CENT TAX

Paris, April 14.—The Chamber of Deputies today adopted the bill providing for a 50 per cent tax on German imports as a penalty on Germany because of non-fulfillment of her reparations obligations. The vote was 383 to 79.

HEAD OF BIG AUTOMOBILE COMPANY IN CHARLOTTE TO MAKE ADDRESS



JOHN N. WILLYS President of Willys Overland Company.

John N. Willys, one of the most prominent figures in the automobile manufacturing industry and head of the Willys-Overland Company, arrived in Charlotte early Thursday, accompanied by several executives of his company.

PROGRAM FOR DIXIE SCHOOL IS ARRANGED

One of the largest gatherings in the county at any school commencement, it is expected, will be that at the Dixie school commencement Thursday and Friday.

Recitation Contest—The Return of the Hoe, Lillian Freeman; Mammoth and the Archer, Louise Brown; A Husband's Experience in Cooking, Lucile Allison; When Gert Gets Home, Willie Bigham; The Octoroon, Lavan Bailes; Changing Color, Annie Rhynes; The Sweet Girl Graduate, Edith Moore; They Sang For It, Catharine Youngblood; The One-Legged Goose, Bessie Brown; Ben, the Tramp, Annie Brown; Bud's Fairy Tale, Rose Spratt; A Yankee in Love, Marie Faires; The Bald Headed Man, Lucy Mitchell; Sister Ernestine's Beau, Virginia Wilson; Experience With a Refractory Cow, Mildred Lineberger; The Loyalty of Men, Dorothy Montgomery.

Declamation Contest—Life's Retrospect, Edgar Berryhill; Power of Ideas, Dennis Weaver; The Home and the Republic, William Bailes; The Dead Hand of the Past in Europe, Wilson McGin; A Pan-American Policy, Earl Scott; The Destiny of Democracy, Howard Allison; A Tribute to Washington, William Clark; Launch Out Into the Deep, Harry Brown; Love Your Farm, Arthur Freeman; The National Flag, Paul Cathey; A Southern Court Scene, William Brown.

Delivery of medals and prizes. Presentation of seventh grade certificates. Friday night, 8 o'clock. The Average Man, High school play.

HERO OF 1904 TO GET HIS MEDAL OF HONOR

Washington, April 14.—Chief Gunner Robert Edward Cox, U. S. N., was on President Harding's call's list today to receive a congressional medal of honor for extraordinary heroism on April 13, 1904, on the occasion of an explosion on the battleship Missouri which caused the loss of 30 lives. A flare back from the after turret guns set fire to powder near the magazine, but Cox flooded the magazine and saved the vessel.

NEGRO GIRL IS BEING SOUGHT BY FATHER

Jeff Caldwell, a negro living beyond Myers Park, was in Charlotte Tuesday in search of his daughter, Stella Bianch Caldwell, who has been missing for three weeks.

He has not heard anything as to whereabouts of the 16-year-old girl since she went to the Myers Street school one morning three weeks ago, stood in front of the building for a few minutes and then left.

The girl accompanied companions to school, they going into the building and standing in the yard as though expecting to enter in a short while. Her companions saw nothing more of her and a search of the city has not located her.

The father renewed the matter to the police two days after she disappeared. Officers have made a search and have notified officials in neighboring towns and cities.

No reason could be advanced by the father for the disappearance of his daughter. She had had no trouble at home, he said, and had been regular in her attendance at school.

KU KLUX KLAN HAS NEARLY 300 MEMBERS

Membership in the Charlotte chapter of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan has grown to nearly 300, it was announced following a meeting of members in the Oak Fellows' Hall on West Trade street Wednesday night.

A big delegation of local Klansmen will attend the national meeting to be held in Atlanta, Ga., May 5 and 6. It was announced. Following this meeting the charter will be issued to the Charlotte Klan and the imperial wizard, Colonel W. J. Simmons, likely will deliver it in person.

AMERICAN RESPONSIBILITY

Peking, April 13.—American responsibility for the presence of Japanese in Siberia has been intimated in a memorandum sent to Washington by the government of the far eastern republic at Chita. The memorandum asks whether the objects of the Allied intervention in Siberia have been attained and when it will end definitely.

WOMEN GET TO WORK FOR PARKS

Luncheon to Launch Campaign is to be Held at Selwyn Monday.

At a meeting of women at the Y. W. C. A. Thursday morning interested in the park and recreation election it was decided that each woman present should try to bring at least ten other women to a luncheon at the Selwyn hotel, Monday, the purpose of which will be to map out plan of procedure before the election.

At the meeting Thursday morning discussions were heard from all sides in reference to the steps to be taken in order to keep the park and recreation commission in operation. The climax will be May when voting on the levying of a tax to support the park and recreation work will take place.

"I have heard that the question of salaries paid to the park and recreation workers is the main objection," said Hugh Murrill, Jr., superintendent of the park and recreation commission, who was present. "The people do not realize what other cities are doing along this line. Asheville last year spent \$17,936 in salaries alone out of a sum of \$20,747 set aside for park and recreation work. Goldsboro spent \$2,500 for salaries out of a total of \$7,000. As for myself, I accepted the position I now hold at a financial loss. Just a short while after I went to work I was offered an opportunity to make \$1,000 more a year in something else."

In pointing out the benefits from playgrounds, Mr. Murrill stated that the City of Chicago conducted a test for eight years along this line, and found that, in the sections where playgrounds were built, the number of cases for the juvenile court diminished 17 per cent. He pointed out the development afforded the child who has access to the playground, and now it keeps the child from being on the streets.

"And the objection to playgrounds are ridiculous," went on Mr. Murrill. "I know of a case where a woman said she would oppose them because the children annoyed her while she was playing bridge. Another said it would be the child's pants out."

It was brought out at the meeting that, in order to secure competent men to fill the park and recreation jobs, it was necessary to pay good salaries, and if an incompetent man should try to run things it would be better not to have any park and recreation commission at all. A good man is needed to get out and extract the child's interest, it was declared.

JAMES QUERY GIVEN NAVY APPOINTMENT

Congressman A. L. Bulwinkle has appointed James Query, of 614 Seigle avenue, and a senior in the Alexander Graham High school, to the Naval Academy at Annapolis, Md. This is the second appointment of a Charlotte youth to the naval academy that Congressman Bulwinkle has made. Eugene Williams, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wade H. Williams, a student in the High school, has also received an appointment.

Young Query is the son of Rev. Luther H. Query. In addition to being one of the most popular students in the High school, he is actively interested in athletics and has served on the High school teams.

WILLYS EXPECTS BUSINESS EARLY

Automobile Manufacturer Declares Country is Rapidly Recovering.

(Continued from Page One.) press if the press wanted him to. Furthermore, the press might say what it wished, and he would stand for it. However, the press will content itself with what he said.

He has recently completed a tour of the west. He found business picking up there. He is also picking up in the south, he is quite satisfied. He talked about cotton as though he might have been a southerner. "People in the south would be just as well off with cotton at 14 cents if prices were in proportion as they were with cotton at 40 cents if prices were all out of proportion."

He manifested interest in export plans in the south. He thinks the sale of cotton in Europe would mean much for getting rid of much of the surplus goods of this country. But America is not dependent upon Europe. This country is big enough and independent enough to have good business if things do not go alright across the Atlantic. Good business will return to America before it goes to Europe, Mr. Willys thinks. The spirit and the determination of the business people of this country is sufficient to make business good; and then the United States is almost a world within itself. Everything that mortal men needs can be procured within the boundaries of America.

A lot of American automobiles will be exported to Europe when conditions improve over there. Many machines have already been sent across. But the exportation of the American auto industry does not depend on Europe. Manufacturers do not think that everybody has bought a car who can afford one.

There is going to be a big demand for machines and the future of the industry is bright. Just wait until business clears up—and it is already clearing up—and people will be wanting automobiles more than ever before. Mr. Willys sees a great future before American business because America is so big and because American people are so energetic and determined. Prosperity will return soon; that desired type of prosperity which comes to those who work hard and which passes by those who merely hold out their hands.

REP. FREAR WANTS TO DISCLOSE INTERESTS

Washington, April 14.—Demand for congressional investigation to disclose interests trying to put through a sales tax was made in the house today by Representative Frear, republican, Wisconsin, of the ways and means committee. He mentioned Jules Bache and Meyer Rothschild, of New York, as prime movers in the campaign and charged that a huge fund had been raised "to shove the big man's taxes on the poor man."

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