

FIVE STUDENTS OF HIGH SCHOOL WERE EXPELLED
Principal Caringer Gave Them Option as to Punishment to Be Received.

ONE CHOSE WHIPPING. Expulsion Must Be Confirmed by School Board to Become Permanent.

The upperclassmen of the Alexander Hamilton high school are under a suspended sentence of expulsion and another stands ready to take corporal punishment as the result of a three-hour session of student body and faculty Wednesday morning following a disturbance growing out of a discussion of the Bible when the students were alleged to have fired "devil caps".

Robert Walker, a senior; Garrett Cleveland, a junior; Morgan Speir, a senior; Paul Whitlock, a senior; and Vernon Jones, a senior, were sent home Wednesday afternoon by Dr. H. C. Caringer, principal of the school. Douglas S. Sledge, also a senior, accepted the alternative of Dr. Caringer and said he would remain in school and receive what punishment the school board might determine. The other four were expelled. Dr. Caringer, when called over the telephone Thursday morning for a statement concerning the affair, explained that his action came following a series of disturbances caused by placing the students on the floors of the corridors. The disturbances were much more serious than those which had occurred Monday when many visitors were in the building, he said.

He declared that he was sure of the facts and that the student body had been brought to a head Wednesday evening by an unusual outbreak. He called the student body together in an effort to bring the disturbance to a close. After a lengthy discussion, the choice of punishment was made.

Dr. Caringer then gave the student body an opportunity to declare the punishment to be meted out but students were reluctant to express their views and the principal then announced that they could go or stay and "take their medicine." One by one the students took their choice, following the lead of Young Walker, leaving the hall. Sledge was the only one to stay. He said he would face the music.

Thursday morning, according to Dr. Caringer, the student body, president of the student council, and James Burwell, member of the senior class, were making a close study of the matter. The principal said that the student body was willing for the students to speak and his door is still open for any statement they wish to make in regard to the matter. He said that he was responsible for the disturbance.

MUST BE CONFIRMED.
The expulsion of the students must be confirmed by the school board within two weeks, it was explained, and Dr. Caringer intimates that the principal will have to face the music.

CHARLOTTE BANK CLEARINGS
(Report of Chamber of Commerce) week ended:
Nov. 29, 1921 \$6,716,926.05
November 23, 1921 \$7,798,646.18
December 1, 1920 \$6,643,095.43

DESTROYER WILL HEAD OFF MORSE
Ship Builder Left Country in Face of Investigation by Grand Jury.

Washington, Dec. 1.—The Department of Justice was understood today to have asked the Navy Department to send a destroyer to intercept the French liner Paris and bring back Charles W. Morse, of New York, who was believed to have left the country in the face of a grand jury investigation of his ship contracts.

It was understood that a naval destroyer would put to sea from a French port within a few hours to intercept the Paris, which left New York Friday.

While neither Attorney General Daugherty nor other Department of Justice officials would discuss the matter, it was learned that every agency of the Government would be used in effecting his return to this country.

The Department's request for assistance from the Navy Department was understood to be on the theory that the legal questions involved in the return of Morse would be threshed out when he was brought back. Immediately upon receipt of the report that Morse had left the country, the Department was understood to have radioed the liner Paris to hold Morse for return to America.

Convicts of the various departments of the government showed that several had been arrested by the reports that Morse had left the country. In every case, however, officials refused to discuss the matter. In one official quarter the suggestion was made that perhaps the shipbuilder sailed under a passport issued some months ago, the time limit of one year on such papers not having expired.

The Navy Department up to noon, according to its officials, had not received the request to dispatch a destroyer. There was evidence, however, that several of the Cabinet officers had been in communication since the sailing of Morse first was reported last night.

REPORTS ARE CONFIRMED.
New York, Dec. 1.—Joseph Boregois, publicity director of the French line, today confirmed reports that Charles W. Morse, whose shipping contracts with the American before he left France, Friday on the liner Paris, he said he was at the gangway of the steamer and personally examined the passports which had been issued to Mr. Morse.

FOCH'S TOUR IS DIVERTED FROM SOUTHERN LINES

President Harrison, Reports Say, Would Not Consent to Plan of Roads

CANCELS ENGAGEMENT
Marshal Will Not Appear in Charlotte Dec. 9—Will Stop in Monroe.

Marshal Foch is not to pass through Charlotte on his swing around the continent because the Southern Railway would not enter into an agreement with the other railroads being used on the tour and handle his special train without cost, which, according to President Fairfax Harrison, is a distinct violation of the laws of the country and which, also, he contends, would not be for the best interests of the system in the future.

Such is the information divulged Thursday to members of the Hornes' News Post. American Legion and others in Charlotte who have been interested in procuring a visit from the Marshal and who had arranged a great demonstration and program of entertainment for him here on December 9. Since then, the entire project was handed over to Colonel Kirkpatrick, the local American Legion Post.

For several days it has been indicated that there was some uncertainty as to whether or not Marshal Foch would be able to keep his engagement. Telegrams and newspaper stories from his special train, have evidenced the intention of those in charge of the itinerary to divert him from Atlanta via Greenwood, S. C., and Monroe, and thence on to Washington, from which point he will go to Canada. Local interests, however, refused to give much credence to these continued dispatches because the Marshal himself had said in Charlotte. Definite information came to Charlotte Wednesday in the form of a telegram from Marshal Foch's itinerary officials that he should not pass through Charlotte, that he would leave Atlanta over the Seaboard and, therefore, pass through Raleigh. A stop of a half hour would be made in Raleigh, where he would be met by local representatives and who were proceeding with plans for an entertainment of the world's most distinguished soldier sought the assurance for such a sudden and abrupt change in his plans.

HARRISON'S REASONS.
The information to the effect that President Harrison had refused to give his consent to the plan originally determined upon by which all the railroads to be used on this tour would contribute to the expense of a special train without cost to the railroads, was confirmed today by a statement from the Interstate Commerce Commission, which said that the Interstate Commerce Commission might agree to President Harrison's plan that the railroads should contribute to the expense of the tour.

WAGE CAMPAIGN ON THE THEATRE COUGH
Paris, Dec. 1.—Paris actors have decided to organize a campaign against the "theater cough," they said, have a habit of occurring at dramatic moments in the plays and spoiling the effect intended by the playwrights.

SUPREME COURT HOLDS AGAINST RULING OF BOARD

Board of Accountancy Can't Hold Examinations Outside State.

BY DAVID LAWRENCE.
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Washington, Dec. 1.—What's behind the Japanese reluctance to accept the American figures giving the ratio of present strength on a basis of 5 for Great Britain, 5 for the United States and 3 for Japan?

This correspondent has had an opportunity to examine the official correspondence passing between Japan and the United States in the secret sessions whereon the American navy explains in detail the method by which the 5-5-3 ratio was fixed. It is an open and shut case. The formula used takes account first of the Japanese estimate of her own strength based upon the tonnage figures she herself furnished, and also takes into account every contention made by the Japanese and works out finally to a 5-5-3 every time. It is a plain piece of arithmetic and the quantity of all who have had a chance to learn how the American program was worked out is what possible objection the Japanese have to its acceptance.

The conclusion being generally reached, partly from things the Japanese themselves are saying and partly from the hints they let fall in the secret sessions is that the Japanese are getting ready to agree absolutely to the American estimate of existing naval strength but are planning to condition their acceptance upon another agreement with regard to fortifications and naval bases in the Pacific. This question has heretofore not been raised by the Japanese in the official conferences, though in the meetings with the press the Japanese delegates have emphasized the importance of fortifications.

AMERICA WILLING.
The American delegation does not fear the introduction of the fortification problem, though, of course, it will hardly wish to explore that controversial field until a definite understanding has been reached on the basis of the original Hughes program concerning limitation and reduction of vessels afloat as well as under construction.

WOMAN SEES EXECUTION.
For the first time in the history of electrocutions in North Carolina a woman who refused to give her name to reporters and prison officials witnessed an electrocution on Wednesday morning when Claude Morehead, negro wife-murderer of Guilford county, went singing and praying to his death. The young woman was pretty and stylishly dressed and came to the electrocution with friends, who guarded her name with the same care that she did.

TWO GOVERNORS NAMED.
Washington, Dec. 1.—Appointment of Capt. E. T. Pollock to be Governor of Samoa and Captain Albebert Altshuler to be Governor of Guam was announced yesterday by Secretary Denby.

Japanese Are Seeking Trade On Naval Bases In Pacific

Reason Behind Apparent Reluctance to Accept Hughes Program is Desire for Bargaining; America Willing to Forego Strong Bases in East.

The trouble is the Japanese have not yet made clear what it is they do want if they agree, as seems inevitable to the 5-5-3 ratio. The American delegates have explained, of course, that the Japanese are not eager to take into account vessels under construction of course, if these are eliminated the 5-5-3 ratio would be disturbed but the American contention is that a vessel on which money has been spent is to that extent a part of a country's "existing naval strength."

HUGHES INSISTS.
Secretary Hughes is arguing that if once the principle is violated, the whole structure of the American proposals is broken down. He insists that the vessels under construction must be counted in any ratio and must be scrapped. The United States has spent \$330,000,000 already on ships in the building and the American delegation has told the Japanese that the public opinion of this country would not countenance the loss of such a large sum of money unless Japan was willing to scrap everything that she was building. In other words, the sentimental fondness of the Japanese for the "Mutsu" is largely counterbalanced by a sentimental fondness for America.

SERIOUS RIOTING BY VIENNA REDS
Looted, Hotels Wrecked in Great Demonstration.

Vienna, Dec. 1.—(By the Associated Press)—Rioting of a serious nature broke out in Vienna today following a great demonstration before the Parliament building, where red flags were raised on improvised masts. The crowds then began smashing windows and looting shops dealing in articles of luxury.

RESERVE BOARD TO HAVE ENVOY
Will Send an Adviser to the Next Conference of Foreign Bankers.

Washington, Dec. 1.—(By the Associated Press)—Decision has been reached by the Federal Reserve Board to send an adviser to the forthcoming conference of foreign bankers called by the Reparations Commission to discuss exchange stabilization, it was said officially today at the Treasury.

EXPOSITION HAS DEVELOPED INTO EPOCHAL EVENT

Crowds on Second Night of Show Far Surpassed All Expectations.

"SHIRLEY MASON DAY"
Another Famous Star of Screen World Reaches City Thursday.

With Thursday and Friday remaining of the Southern Motion Picture Exposition and with the crowd in attendance Wednesday and Wednesday night far exceeding that of the opening day, the best part of the exposition is yet ahead, in the view of officials of the body and those well acquainted with its management.

MISS HAMPTON POSES.
On Wednesday night Miss Hope Hampton, the First National star, posed before the camera, with Richard Barthelmess, also a First National star, directing the camera work, as a demonstration to the aspiring picture actresses on what they may expect in posing for pictures. Last night Mr. Barthelmess was in the role of director again, while a number of the other young women who have been interested in pictures went before the camera.

BARTHELMESS RESPONDS.
Acknowledging a moment later, the introduction of Senator Walker, Mr. Barthelmess disclaimed the high merit the introducer had ascribed to him but said he hoped to measure up at least in some degree to it. His keenest wish, he said, was to make pictures that the public will like and that will be uplifting. He talked for some minutes, and expressed his pleasure at being here to meet in person many of the people who admire him as an actor. One of Mr. Barthelmess' accomplishments, or gifts, is his ability to remember names and faces, and many who have met him in the casual course of daily round at the exposition building or at the hotel have been surprised later that he recalled their name and face at once.

20 Days to Do Your Xmas Shopping
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WAS BEATING A RIDE; IS SHOT BY MARINE
Elkhart, Ind., Dec. 1.—George Reynolds, 25, of Elkhart, was shot in the leg last night by a United States Marine guard on New York Central train No. 43, Chicago bound, it was learned today. The Marine told the police he shot a man because he feared he was trying to break into a mail coach.

