

BISHOP JURY APPARENTLY NO NEARER VERDICT THAN IT WAS ON YESTERDAY

Much Speculation Indulged in as to the Obstacle in the Way of an Agreement

JUDGE MAY HOLD JURY UNTIL SUNDAY NIGHT

The Rumor That Compromise Would Be Attempted By Counsel is Denied -- Other Rumors Around

At 4 o'clock this afternoon the Bishop jury was locked in two rooms Nos. 5 and 7 in the Central hotel.

From what can be gathered the men are just as far apart as they were this time yesterday afternoon.

It is learned this afternoon that the present term of court will be continued into next week and that the Bishop jury will not be discharged unless a verdict is reached between this and Monday morning.

The longer the Bishop jury remains out the more certain it seems that a mistrial will be the result.

At an early hour this morning it was noised about the streets that the jury was nearing a verdict.

A News man went out to ascertain the truthfulness of the report but he met with a denial before going a half block.

It is certain that the jury still remains badly divided and there is little reason to believe that a reconciliation will be perfected.

Judge Neill still remains in Charlotte. He leaves tomorrow night for Reidsville and Monday he will go to Wentworth to hold Rockingham county court.

He is, of course, desirous that the jury reach some verdict before he leaves. But, from all that can be learned, he has not received much encouragement along this line.

While the jury remains out there is lots of speculation as to the ones who are hanging up the 12 men. Every one you meet has some new idea to advance.

One prominent physician stated last night that the jury was divided on political lines; that two of the counsel in the Bishop case were ardent prohibitionists and two had pronounced views on the other side.

Another man made a point today that among the 12 men who have so patiently listened to the pile of evidence, there were two who did not believe in the guilt of Arthur Bishop.

his idea was the correct one and this was the cause of the hung jury.

Another report was current today that in the event the jury did not agree by tonight the lawyers for the defense and prosecution would get together and attempt to perfect some sort of a compromise.

The News man saw Mr. C. W. Tillett, of counsel for defense and he denied the story, saying that no such effort was being contemplated.

WHAT BISHOP TRIAL COST. Deputy Clerk Moore Says It Will Cost At Least \$750.

"What has the Bishop case cost the county of Mecklenburg?" was the question put to Deputy Clerk Moore this morning by a News reporter.

"You may safely say that, all told, it will cost between \$750 and \$800," Continuing Mr. Moore stated that the special venire cost \$108 and to this is to be added 30 cents for each venireman summoned, because this amount is allowed the sheriff for executing the summons.

Added to this there has been a large number of witness tickets proven. Some of the tickets cover a period of five days.

Then, too, every day the jury is held together, it costs the county of Mecklenburg in the neighborhood of \$50. There is hotel bills and the pay of 12 men and the officer in charge.

"Yes, you can safely say that the Bishop trial will cost the county \$750," remarked Mr. Moore.

GIGANTIC RAILROAD PROJECT PLANNED To Cost Seventy Millions and Contemplates Running an Electric Road from Lakes to the Gulf

St. Paul, Feb. 21.—St. Paul is the center of negotiations involving a seventy million dollar railway project, the plan being to construct a double-track electric freight and passenger line from Duluth, Miss., to the Gulf of Mexico.

John W. Gates is said to be at the head of the financiers identified with the new enterprise and prominent St. Paul and Minneapolis men have already signed an application for a charter.

Arbitration May Fail. Lynn, Feb. 21.—Another attempt to settle the Lynn labor troubles by arbitration will fail through because the Knight of Labor executive board has refused to accept the proposition embodying the terms upon which the manufacturers would agree to settle the difficulty, subject to the approval of the boot and shoe workers union.

Cotton Near 10 Cents. —Mr. C. Gibson, of Paw Creek, sold nine bales of cotton on the local market today, receiving 9.32 1-2 cents for it. Mr. Gibson was proud of his sale and said that if he had only held longer he would have received ten cents straight.

REFUSED TO WED A MILLION.

Charlotte (Ky.) Girl Left in Midst Of the Ceremony. Lexington, Ky., Feb. 21.—At Hustler-ville, in Clark county, today Miss Besie Logan, after making all preparations for a country church wedding and appearing before the minister with George Million, whom she was to have married, changed her mind and refused to be married.

She was dressed in pink organdy and carried pink roses. Rev. Dr. Chinn was pronouncing the ceremony and, when he asked her if she took Million for her husband, she answered that she would not and, turning loose his arm, walked out of the church.

YACHTSMEN DIDN'T ATTEND. Negro Candidate Invited Them To Be At His Big Dinner. Larchmont, N. Y., Feb. 21.—It's all over, that is, the big dinner, and although Larchmont's millionaire yachtmen did not accept the invitations of "Tom" Harris, the negro aspirant for the office of tax receiver, and attend "Tom" says today the feast at which he played host last night was just as much of a success.

About 60 of the colored man's friends attended, thus tacitly giving their assurance of support to the dusky candidate in the coming "battle of ballots." As a matter of fact, the "battle" is not likely to be waged with any stupendous number of ballots, for few of the rich residents of Larchmont care who is tax receiver.

In explanation of the absence of the wealthy men so cordially invited, "Tom" explained that there was a rival dinner in progress at the same time, and that it was being held at Delmonico's. This, he said, many of the residents of Larchmont felt they must attend, as it was the annual "feed" of the yacht club.

Harris has lived at Larchmont for 20 years, having started as a bellboy in the old Manor House and afterward embarked in the express and livery business, in which he is said to have made fully \$50,000.

PETTUS' EXPENSES WERE \$1. Entire Cost Of Being Returned To The Senate. Washington, Feb. 21.—Senator Edmund W. Pettus, of Alabama, completely disproved today the prevailing theory that all seats in the United States Senate are expensive and that body is altogether a millionaires' club.

He sent to the Secretary of State of Alabama the sum of \$1 in a money order to cover the entire expenses for his recent unanimous election. This sum represents the fee of the Secretary of State for his services in the machinery of election and notification.

So far as known this is a record in a minimum price for a seat in the Senate, and the venerable Senator took no little pleasure in showing the order to several of his millionaire friends on both sides of the chamber.

SOME LIVES LOST IN BIG HOTEL FIRE Midway Hotel Goes Up in Smoke and Some Adjoining Property Will Also Go With It

Midway, Pa., Feb. 21.—The big Midway hotel is burning and it is feared all that section of the town about the hotel will go with it. The hotel is used for workmen on the Panhandle road and between thirty and forty were in the hotel at the time the fire broke out at ten this morning.

Many narrow escapes were made and it is not known yet whether there was loss of life. The report is circulated that several Italians were burned or lost their lives in the fire.

HARD TO FIND CARS. So Many Are Snowbound That They Are Scarce in the West. Chicago, Feb. 21.—For a time today it looked as though the Pacific Coast trains of the Chicago railroads would not be dispatched on account of lack of equipment due to the cold snap, which has delayed all passenger trains and tied some of them up in the Western mountains.

The Pullman Company, however, assembled steaming cars from every point within reach of Chicago where a car could possibly be spared. As a result the fast trains were enabled to leave the city, but with poor equipment.

The severely cold wave which has held the West and Northwest in its grasp during the past two days is broken, according to reports received today. While cold the weather is not now severe. In Chicago this morning the temperature was 15 degrees above, while Kansas City, Omaha, Des Moines and other cities reported rises of from 12 degrees to 24 degrees.

NEWELL ENDORSED FOR POSTOFFICE

The Republican Committee Elects Mr. J. F. Newell Chairman to Succeed E. A. Smith

SOME PROMINENT MEMBERS BOLT TODAY'S MEETING

Resolutions Adopted Regretting Mr. Smith's Resignation and Endorsing Mr. Newell For Postoffice

At the meeting of the Republican county executive committee held this afternoon there was some lively scenes enacted. Messrs. Geo. B. Hiss, J. P. Wilson, J. W. Mullen, R. W. Smith, Dr. E. Q. Houston and A. H. Washburn, walked out of the meeting and refused to affiliate with their political brethren.

Resolutions endorsing Senator Pritchard's actions while in the Senate and Mr. E. A. Smith as county chairman, were endorsed by the meeting. A resolution endorsing Mr. Jake F. Newell for the Charlotte postoffice, to succeed Mr. J. W. Mullen, was carried through with a flash.

The meeting was called to order at 2 o'clock by Mr. J. D. Albright, secretary of the county executive committee. This gentleman stated that the object of the meeting was called for the purpose of selecting a county chairman to succeed Mr. E. A. Smith who had tendered his resignation; also for the purpose of reorganization.

On motion it was agreed that Mr. Jake F. Newell should act as temporary chairman of the meeting, after which Mr. Newell was selected as permanent chairman.

A number of resolutions as to party regulations were offered by Mr. J. W. Mullen but were ruled out by the chairman, whereupon Messrs. Hiss, Wilson, Mullen, R. W. Smith, Dr. E. Q. Houston and A. H. Washburn walked out and refused to affiliate in the further proceedings of the meeting.

After quiet had been restored, the chairman, Mr. Newell recognized Mr. Albright, who offered a resolution complimenting Mr. E. A. Smith on the faithful performance of his duties as chairman of the county executive committee during the campaign of last fall. The resolution was unanimously adopted.

The following resolution was unanimously endorsed by the committee: Whereas: Senator Pritchard left the postoffice matter to Messrs. E. A. Smith and Geo. B. Hiss and as Mr. Hiss recommended R. W. Smith and Mr. Smith, Jake F. Newell, that the committee recommend to Senator Pritchard the appointment of Mr. J. F. Newell to succeed Mr. J. W. Mullen.

A resolution was passed regretting the action taken by Messrs. Hiss, Wilson, Mullen, Houston, Smith and Washburn in bolting and an invitation was extended to the "bolters" to re-enter to the camp and help fight the party's battles.

After some minor routine business, the committee adjourned.

A Popular Concert. Katharine Ridgeway made many friends on her visit to Charlotte last year and will have a large audience at the College Auditorium on Monday night from present indications.

The program will comprise, in addition to Miss Ridgeway's work, two baritone solos by Mr. Hunt, two tenor solos by Mrs. Jenkins, a vocal duet by Messrs. Hunt and Jenkins, and two piano solos.

Henry Blount Coming. Lovers of word painting and literary and dramatic ability of the highest order will learn with pleasure that Mr. Henry Blount, North Carolina's popular platform lecturer and mimic, will lecture at the East Avenue Tabernacle next Friday night at 8 o'clock.

THE COMMITTEE RETURNS.

Messrs. Hiss, Jordan and Smith Back From Washington. Messrs. Geo. B. Hiss, R. W. Smith and W. T. Jordan who have been in Washington for several days in the interest of Mr. R. W. Smith's candidacy for the Charlotte postoffice, returned this morning while none of the three will discuss their visit to Washington.

The Newsman learns that the postoffice case has not been settled by a good deal. In fact, the case will remain as it is until Mr. Jake F. Newell has his inning Monday.

Mr. Newell expects to go to Washington either tonight or tomorrow night. At any rate, he will be there when the first ballot is thrown over the plate Monday morning. Newell's friends claim that his chances are good and that when Senator Pritchard hears his side of the case, the recommendation of the committee will not hold.

On the other hand, Mr. Smith's friends claim that he will get the coveted plum and there it is. Monday will tell the story and Charlotte's next postmaster will be named on that day.

ROOSEVELT'S NAME IN GLASS. Unique Souvenir For the Northwestern University. Washington, Feb. 21.—President Roosevelt's autograph cut in glass with a diamond is a unique souvenir which will soon become the property of the Northwestern University, of Chicago, through the efforts of Representative Boutell, of Illinois, who is one of the trustees of that institution.

The pane of glass, with the signature inscribed plainly across its center, will be given the place of greatest prominence in the huge fireplace in University Hall, which lately has been erected on the site of the first joint debate between Lincoln and Stephen A. Douglas. A visit to the university was a part of the itinerary of the President's Western trip last fall, which was interrupted by the necessity of an operation following his accident in New England.

Because of the disappointment caused the university the President consented to provide this original souvenir. The signature possesses a few more extravagant irregularities of penmanship than are given from the President's pen, but it is so notably rugged that the university will prize it.

CURZON MAY BE RECALLED. Reported That Mr. Brodrick Is To Become Viceroy Of India. London, Feb. 21.—It is said in political circles today there is probability of Lord Curzon being recalled from India shortly and of Mr. Brodrick, Minister for War, being raised to the peerage and sent out as viceroy in his place.

Mr. Brodrick's conduct of the War Office is an apparent failure, his scheme of army reorganization being severely criticised in the Commons.

CORNER STONE OF ARMY WAR COLLEGE It is Laid Today With Impressive Ceremonies in Presence of President and Other Officials

Washington, Feb. 21.—The ceremonies attendant upon the laying of the corner-stone of the army war college began at 12:25 this morning and was participated in by President Roosevelt, Secretary of War Root, Major Gen. Young, the President of the College and Right Rev. Henry B. Satterlee, of the Episcopal church, Bishop of Washington.

Masonic Rites were followed in laying the stone, under the auspices of the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia. An imposing military display accompanied the exercises, in which a thousand troops representing all the army posts in the vicinity of the Capitol took part, music being furnished by the Second Cavalry and the engineer corps bands.

SERUM FOR SCARLET FEVER. First Experiment in This Country Proves Encouraging. New York, Feb. 21.—Dr. Louis Fischer, of this city, has now under observation a case which is undergoing the first experiment in this country with a new anti-streptococcus serum which is believed to destroy the germs of scarlet fever.

Several days ago the doctor was called to see a frail little girl, who had a severe attack of scarlet fever, with throat complications. Her temperature was 104 degrees. Dr. Fischer decided to try the new serum. Twelve hours after the one injection the temperature decreased 2 degrees. In the morning of the following day it descended to normal, but rose again in the evening to 100 degrees. On the fourth day it continued normal. The last report is: "Temperature, 99 degrees; pulse, 94; respiration, 24, and general condition good."

The new serum was discovered by Dr. Hans Aronson, a bacteriologist of Berlin.

SENATE SETS TUESDAY AT NOON FOR VOTE ON THE LONDON BILL

NOVEL CLAIM FOR A PENSION. Hagerstown Man Said To Have Been Frightened Into Paralysis. Washington, Feb. 21.—Representative George A. Pearre, of Maryland, today introduced a bill providing for a pension of \$30 a month to W. H. Spellman, of Hagerstown, Md., the claim being based on the allegation that Mr. Spellman, being a child of tender years during the war, was so alarmed during a skirmish near Hagerstown that he has suffered paralysis ever since.

It is explained that his father was taken prisoner during the engagement, which left the child unprotected in the midst of the excitement and that he was overcome with fear and permanently injured by the fright.

DATES ARE CHANGED. Teachers Meetings To Be Held at Different Points. Prof. Cochran, County Superintendent of Education, returned to the city last night from visiting schools in Clear Creek and Crab Orchard townships.

He makes the following changes in township teachers' meetings. At Davidson, for Dewese township, on Monday, March 2nd instead of Feb. 23rd. At Trinity, for Long Creek township, March 6th instead of March 2nd. At Huntersville, for Huntersville township, March 5th instead of March 6th.

He is holding examinations today. About a half dozen teachers are taking the examination.

PLEA OF INSANITY FOR JOHN CARTER FOR JOHN CARTER

Attorneys For the Negro Who Shot and Killed His Wife Will Argue That He Was Mentally Irresponsible

The case of John Carter, for the murder of his wife, that was set for trial at this term of the court, has, as has been stated, been continued to the April term of the Superior Court.

Carter's attorneys, it is understood, will enter a plea of insanity. It is claimed, or will be claimed, that Carter's mind is badly diseased and that he was in a demented condition when the fatal shots were fired.

The crime for which Carter is to be tried for his life was committed Friday morning, November 28. Maggie Carter, the wife of the prisoner who was killed by the pistol shot, had her husband arrested the day before the tragedy because of an assault made on her by her husband, with a knife. This, it is contended, angered Carter to such an extent that he left his work at the club rooms, went in the direction of his home and met his wife coming from up town. He pulled his pistol and fired four shots. At the report of the worst shot, the woman fell. Carter continued to shoot until he had fired four shots. He again reloaded his weapon and this time shot himself. The bullet entered the head right above the ear, ranged slightly upward and came out above the left eye.

Magnum Quorum in Senate. Washington, Feb. 21.—The Senate met at 11 o'clock this morning in executive session, no quorum was present and after waiting twenty minutes it was decided to throw open the doors for a legislative session of one hour.

New Residents. Mr. C. W. Speer, wife and daughter, arrived in the city last night from Lancaster, N. H. Mr. Steeper is engaged in the mining business in this section and will reside in Charlotte for a while at least.

LATEST FOREIGN NEWS AS TOLD BY THE CABLE

London, Feb. 21.—The Saturday Review today roasts Premier Balfour for his speech at Liverpool last week, in which it claims he abused the British government to the United States, imploring the latter to undertake the lordship over South America. This paper says would lead to disastrous results. The Review continues: "If the United States could dominate South America it would be impossible for Canada to stand out against the overwhelming pressure of her dear neighbor. Monroism involves the departure of all European governments from America."

House Adopts Three Sections of the Revenue Bill, Making Poll Tax One Dollar and Twenty-Nine Cents

TOTAL TAX ON HUNDRED IS MADE ONE DOLLAR

Property Valuation is Now 43 Cents--Proceedings in Detail of Yesterday's Session

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 21.—The House today adopted three sections of the revenue bill, making the poll tax one twenty-nine, and the total tax one dollar on the hundred. The property valuation is 43 cents.

The Senate set Tuesday at noon for a vote on the London bill.

SENATE—FRIDAY. The Senate met at 10 a. m. and Rev. C. J. Woodson prayed and earnestly asked for temperance legislation.

McBryde: Petition of citizens of Robeson for London bill. Baldwin: To prevent the depredation of fowls in Winston township, Forsyth. Baldwin: To appoint justices of the peace in Old Richmond, Forsyth, Marshall. To place all Confederate soldiers and widows on pension roll. Marshall: To appoint J. A. Daughtridge a justice of the peace. Mann: To relieve clerk of court of Hyde. Mann: To pay J. A. Swindell certain claims. Mann: To pay D. A. Wayham certain claims. Godwin: Resolution for electing United States Senators by the people. Mann: To change time for holding courts in first district. Durham: For Gaston to issue road bonds. Mann: To pay W. P. Burroughs for services as oyster inspector. McLaughlin: To amend chapter 645 public laws of 1901, relating to Statesville. Glenn: To amend section 361 of the Code to give the examining committee power to call for vouchers of State institution the same as for the auditor. Blow: To amend the law relating to cotton weavers in Greenville. Burton: To incorporate the Bank of Stoneville.

Walker: To amend laws of 1880 affecting Caswell, Woodard. For relief of Wm. Drake, Woodard. To establish graded schools at Spring Hope. Norris: To support N. C. school for Deaf, Dumb and Blind. Hoey: To drain (Continued On Third Page.)

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Macedonian Insurgents Active. Vienna, Feb. 21.—According to the Neue Freie Press, the Macedonian Insurgents are already active. The paper ascertains an army of insurgents is advancing along the Struma Valley toward Seres, a fortified city of Macedonia, 47 miles northeast of Salonica.

Irish Joan of Arc to Wed. Paris, Feb. 21.—Miss Maude Conne, the Irish "Joan of Arc," and Major McBride, who commanded an Irish brigade during the Boer War, were married here today.

Banished His Mother's Husband. Madrid, Feb. 21.—King Alphonse took advantage of the Queen Mother's visit to Vienna to exile from Madrid, Count Escosura, Master of Horse, to whom the Queen was recently morganatically married. Escosura was ordered to Seville to look after the royal stables there.

Expelled For Cheating. Madrid, Feb. 21.—Viscount Torres Eraso, a member of the Casino, Madrid's swellest club, was caught cheating at cards and expelled from Spain. Previous to his expulsion he was thrashed. It is claimed he defrauded members of the club out of fully five hundred thousand pesetas. Among the victims were members of the American legation.

LIGHTS AND SHADOWS REFLECTED BY WIRES

Pittsburg, Feb. 21.—One man was instantly killed and two badly injured in the first accident of the new brilliant cutoff of the Pennsylvania railroad, this morning.

Dr. Duncan Acquitted. Pittsburg, Feb. 21.—The jury in the case of Dr. Ellis Duncan, charged with shooting of Bruce Head, at Wabash Camp last October, returned a verdict of not guilty this morning.

Three Dead in Wreck. Dubuque, Feb. 21.—A Chicago and Minneapolis passenger train on the Illinois Central railway collided head-on with a freight train last night at Galena, Illinois. The dead are: Spockman, fireman; Cyran, fireman; Clock, brakeman. Fatally injured: Seales, engineer. No passengers were injured.

Watchman Killed By Robbers. Philadelphia, Feb. 21.—Archibald McCurd, 47 years old, watchman at McCurdy Brothers department store on Front street and Susquehanna avenue, was shot and murdered by robbers some time last night and the body thrown into the cellar where it was found early this morning. McCurdy was a brother of the members of the firm. There is no clue to the murderers and the amount of the robbery is unknown.

Will Hold To Option. Washington, Feb. 21.—Representatives of the new Panama canal company here deny the report that the company will extend beyond March 4 the option this government holds on their property. If the treaty now under consideration by the Senate is not