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## THE FLAMES SWEEP BUSINESS SECTION CITY OF KNOXVILLE

Several Large Clothing and Dry Goods Establishments were Burned to the Ground in the Tennessee City at Early Hour This Morning.

The Building Occupied by the International Harvester Company Among the Ones Burned. The Loss is Estimated at a Quarter of a Million.

Knoxville, Nov. 18.—Fire early today destroyed the four story clothing factory of Suttle and Beeler on Commerce Avenue between Gait and State streets; a five story building occupied by Broyles, McClellan and Lackey, wholesale agricultural implements, vehicle and seed house and the International Harvester Company's five story building, wholesale implement and vehicle store.

Slight water damage was suffered by the Hicks-Hodge-Jameson Company, wholesale dry goods, Gillespie, Shobles and Company, wholesale clothing; Hayes and Hansen, wholesale shoes; W. N. Smith, retail furniture and Bedke, McClure and Co., wholesale clothing.

The losses will aggregate \$225,000. Suttle and Beeler estimate their loss at \$75,000, with \$50,000 insurance. Charles Leonhardt on building, loss \$15,000; insurance \$10,000.

Borles, McClellan & Lackey Company, loss \$50,000, insurance \$40,000. C. M. McGee, on buildings, \$20,000, fully insured.

International Harvester Company, loss \$50,000, insurance not known. H. C. Bondurant on building, loss \$15,000, insurance \$5,000.

## A TRIPLE MURDERER.

Ohio Physician Charged With Killing Father, Mother and One Brother.

Dayton, Ohio, Nov. 18.—The coroner has rendered a verdict charging Dr. Oliver Crook Haugh, now in jail here, with the murder of his father, Jacob Haugh, his mother, Mary Frances Haugh, and his brother, Jesse Haugh. Jesse McClelland, a farm hand on the farm, was an important witness, relating a shocking story of the crime. McClelland stated that the bodies of the victims, being cremated, were plainly visible through the windows and doors of the burning cottage and that they showed they had been mutilated.

It is the belief that the bodies were dismembered and oil poured into them. McClelland stated that the body of the mother had the legs cut off at the knees. It was the first to fall through the burning floor and stood upright against a flue, with the stumps of the legs resting on the ground. The son's was the second to fall to the cellar and the father's followed.

## TO HAVE OFFICIAL TEST.

Battleship Virginia Leaves for Rockland Where Test Will be Held Wednesday.

By Associated Press. New Port News, Nov. 18.—The battleship Virginia left for Rockland, Maine, to have its official trial Wednesday. She is to make 19 knots.

## PRINCE CHARLES KING.

Norwegian Parliament Unanimously Makes Prince of Denmark King.

By Associated Press. Christiania, Nov. 18.—The Norwegian Parliament unanimously elected Prince Charles of Denmark to be King of Norway.

## Carolina Postmasters.

By Associated Press. Washington, Nov. 18.—The following Carolina postmasters were named today: North Carolina: Blalock, Johnnie M. Gilliam.

## South Carolina: Lenoir, Robert W. Glover; Parler, Daniel C. Dantzier.

## CANDIDATES MUST FAVOR LABORER

Federation of Labor Decided to Strongly Oppose any Aspirants for Public Office who are Not Friendly to the Laborer. Many Resolutions Passed.

By Associated Press. Pittsburgh, Nov. 18.—The Federation of Labor appropriated \$1,000 to aid the Shaw Wall and Laundry Workers now on strike at Troy. A resolution of sympathy with the Russian workmen was adopted.

## GOLDSBORO ITEMS.

### Death of Ex-Mayor Gulick.—Other News Items.

Special to The News. Goldsboro, N. C., Nov. 18.—This morning at 8 o'clock, at his home in this city, the soul of Ex-Mayor J. W. Gulick. He was 72 years old. Mr. Gulick was one of our best citizens, serving for a number of terms, at different times as mayor. Mr. Gulick was a brave confederate soldier, and was desperately wounded in the fierce battle of Malvern Hill, July 1st, 1862, from which wound he never recovered, measuring all the rolling years between in ceaseless pain. It is sad to see such noble souls going out from our midst—old confederate soldiers, the world's unapproachable immortals!

Last night as Mr. Tom Jones, of La Grange, was driving through the country in a horse and buggy—and when in a few miles of that town—was surprised when three men ran out into the road and called on him to halt stating that he would have to turn over all his valuables. As the robbers had the drop on him, Mr. Jones pulled out all the money he had and gave it to them, thinking that would satisfy them, but the robbers also took his gold watch. After they were satisfied that they had taken everything from him of any value, they ordered him to get out of his buggy, then getting into the horse and drove towards La Grange, leaving Mr. Jones standing in the road. Mr. Jones hurried on to La Grange as fast as he could and when in about a mile of the town he found his horse tied to a tree. He notified the police but so far no trace of the men has been found.

## THIRTY-FOUR ARE MISSING.

### As a Result of Collision Between Torpedo Boat and Cruiser.

By Associated Press. Kiel, Nov. 18.—The torpedo boat "S 136" collided last night near Buell with the small cruiser Undine. The torpedo boat sank and one officer and 32 seamen are missing.

The disaster occurred during maneuvers. The torpedo boat got under the Undine's bow and was struck amidship, causing the boiler of the "S 136" to explode.

The suddenness of the catastrophe explains the great number of victims. It is believed that the missing were killed or drowned.

Several wounded officers were rescued.

## YALE AND PRINCETON.

### A Great Football Contest at New Haven This Afternoon.

By Associated Press. New Haven, Nov. 18.—A mighty throng of people, decked with bright colors, in which the blue and orange prevailed, poured into the city for the 30th annual football contest between the Universities of Yale and Princeton. The betting is 100 to 45 in favor of Yale, and in the matter of scoring, a number of combinations made Yale the favorite, almost two to one.

### Score of First Half.

New Haven, Nov. 18.—First half: Yale 6, Princeton 0.

### End of First Half.

Cambridge, Mass., November 18.—First half: Harvard 6, Dartmouth 6.

## FAVOR SEA LEVEL CANAL.

### Board of Consulting Engineers Favor Sea Level Canal by Big Majority.

By Associated Press. Washington, Nov. 18.—The board of consulting engineers of the Isthmian Canal Commission declared itself by a large majority in favor of the sea level canal.

## TWO KILLED IN WRECK.

### Railroad Wreck Near Rawlings—Engineer Seriously Scalded.

By Associated Press. Cumberland, Md., Nov. 18.—An east-bound freight on the Baltimore and Ohio ran into the rear end of another freight near Rawlings. The engineer and fireman were killed and Engineer McNamie so badly scalded he will probably die.

## MAY GO TO PRISON.

### Madden and Skidmore Fought One Round in Texas and Were Locked Up.

By Associated Press. Fort Worth, Texas, Nov. 18.—Jack Madden, former bantam-weight champion of the world, and Jake A. Skidmore, known as "Young Choyinski," were arrested and charged with violating the anti-prize fighting laws of Texas.

These men were given what they termed "Scenes in a Gymnasium," and fought the first round, when the police took the men into custody and locked them up this morning. They were admitted to court later.

## Banks Hold Large Sum in Excess.

### New York, Nov. 18.—The clearing house banks hold \$2,915,150 in excess of the legal requirement of 25 per cent of deposits, against a deficit of \$2,428,800 last week.

## Japanese Protectorate.

### Seoul, Nov. 18.—The Cabinet agreed to adopt Japan's proposition for a Japanese protectorate over Korea.

## Booker T. Washington in Arkansas.

### Little Rock, Ark., Nov. 18.—Booker T. Washington of Tuskegee, Ala., today began a tour of Arkansas, Indian Territory and Oklahoma, making speeches intended to create a better feeling between the races in the South. He addressed a large audience composed of both races here this evening. In his opinion, he said, the two races are to live side by side in the South for centuries to come and they should endeavor to live in peace and harmony.

## MERGER OF NUMBER OF ICE PLANTS IN SOUTHERN STATES

Application for Charter for Ice Mfg. Society at Wilmington. Society May Sub-Lease Plants Anywhere in U. S. Serious Railroad Accident at Henderson.

Bidders for Purchase of Swamp Lands Unable to Get Together. Board Demands \$500 for Option. Scheme of Merchants Association. Charters Granted.

### Special to The News.

Raleigh, N. C., Nov. 18.—An application was made for a charter for the Ice Manufacturing Society, incorporated, at Wilmington. The purpose is the evident merging of a number of ice plants of Wilmington and other Southern cities. The incorporators are W. E. Worth, of Wilmington; Geo. L. Baker, of Columbia, S. C.; W. J. Rushton, of Birmingham, Alabama; A. Ellis, of Augusta, Ga.; and M. W. Thompson, of Greensboro. The capital is \$100,000. The articles of agreement stipulate that the company will have authority to establish a separate lease and to sub-lease ice plants anywhere in the United States. The corporation will furnish ice for berry and vegetable cars.

Other charters were granted to the Bed Springs Trading Co., of Robeson county, at a capital of \$25,000; W. T. Bryan and others, \$15,000. Also to the McDonald Williams Lumber Co., at Rennett, Robeson county, at a capital of \$15,000 by J. C. McD. Armid and others.

An order was made by Governor Glenn for a special term of the Edgecomb Superior Court for January 15, for criminal cases. Judge B. Jones is to preside.

Dorsett Harris, a negro driver, was fatally injured, a pair of fine gray horses killed and the dray smashed at the crossing at Henderson this morning by the Raleigh, Weldon Seaboard Air Line shoo fly train. The negro attempted to dash over the crossing ahead of the train. While it was inside the corporate limits of the town it was slowed down to regulate speed. The negroes skull was badly fractured.

The State Board of Education and bidders for the purchase of State swamp lands were unable to get together after a lengthy session last evening. The board demands \$500 for option on the lands, including 65,000 acres in the Angols tract, and one bidder, R. M. Johnson, representing Norfolk parties, offers to put up \$100, and Goldsboro parties, represented by ex-Governor Aycock as counsel, offer to put up \$200. This for a 90-day option on the lands, at \$1.50 per acre. The board will have a session tomorrow to consider the matter further.

The Monroe Cotton Mill increases its capital stock from \$150,000 to \$250,000.

A charter is issued for the Rowe & Roach Co., of Greensboro, to do a marble and granite business; \$5,000 capital subscribed, and \$15,000 authorized. Incorporators, W. D. Rowe, Danville; W. H. Roach and M. S. Callahan, of Greensboro.

## HEADQUARTERS MOVE TO ATLANTA

Dr. McKelway to Take Charge of Southern Headquarters of the National Child Labor Committee. What Trustees Say in Recent Report Made Public Today.

By Associated Press. New York, Nov. 18.—It is announced that Atlanta has been chosen as the Southern headquarters for the National Child Labor Committee instead of Charlotte. The new office will be in charge of Dr. A. J. McKelway, assistant secretary of the National Committee.

In announcing the change the trustees said it was made in view of the urgent need for legislation in Georgia and in response to the demands of leading citizens of that State, which came so near a successful fruition at the last session of the Georgia legislature. In their report the trustees also said: "At least two million children under 16 years of age, in the United States, are employed for wages, most of whom ought to be in school. The Child Labor laws lack uniformity in the different States, and many of them are only crude beginnings at legislation; nearly all are poorly enforced."

## LIEUTENANT RESIGNS.

### Resignation of Lieut. Fortescue Accepted—No Cause Given.

By Associated Press. Washington, Nov. 18.—Acting Secretary Oliver accepted the resignation of Lieutenant Granville R. Fortescue, of the Tenth Cavalry. Fortescue was one of the officers mentioned in the Taggart case. No reason was given for his resignation.

## A SPICY ARGUMENT BY COMMISSIONERS

Messrs. Durham and Wilson Have a Little Bout at the Meeting of The Police Fire and Health Commission Held at City Hall Last Night.

At the meeting of the Police, Fire and Health Commission last night Mr. J. P. Wilson, chairman of the health committee of the commission, stated that so long as he was at the head of the health department of the city he did not desire Chief of Police H. C. Irwin to in any way interfere with his department.

This statement was made because of the fact that Sanitary Officers Henderson and Squires, who were taken from the regular force during the summer months, have been reporting to Chief Irwin. Mr. Wilson claims that he, as the head of the health department of the city, should have complete control of the officers whose duties it is to look after the sanitary condition. Mr. Wilson also claimed that the efficiency or inefficiency of the health department is saddled on him and this being true he thought it right and proper that he should have the conduct of the department solely under his charge.

Mr. J. A. Durham, chairman of the police committee of the commission, reminded Mr. Wilson that he did not wish to have anything to do with the department.

Mr. Wilson stated that he did not refer to Mr. Durham, but that he did think that Chief Irwin had gone out of his way to interfere with matters in his department.

Mr. Durham replied that it seemed that Mr. Wilson had it in for Chief Irwin. He thought that Mr. Wilson, if he had a grievance against Chief Irwin, should file his charges and let these charges be investigated by the commission. Mr. Durham also reminded Mr. Wilson that charges could be brought against Chief of the Fire Department W. S. Orr, whom Mr. Wilson desired to succeed Mr. H. C. Irwin as chief of police. Mr. Durham reminded Mr. Wilson that he thought an amicable adjustment of these little feelings was made when Mr. Orr was elected chief of the fire department, and he supposed from that time on politics would not enter into the actions of the commission.

Mr. Wilson, in reply to Mr. Durham, stated that it was true he favored Mr. Orr for chief of police because he thought that Mr. Orr was a better man for the position than Mr. Irwin; that politics did not enter into the matter at all. He voted for Mr. Orr because he thought it was in the interest of the betterment of the city. Mr. Wilson further stated that after the election of Mr. Irwin as chief of police that he went to him and told him that he was going to stand by him as all good citizens should do. Mr. Wilson claimed that he had lived up to this voluntary statement, but that ever since the election of Mr. Irwin as chief of police he had been continually reminded by people of something that Chief Irwin had said in regard to his conduct of the health department. He said that he did not pay any attention to such statements.

Mr. Wilson stated that on a certain occasion Chief Irwin came to him and demanded two policemen; that two men were assigned to his department, but that Mr. Irwin refused to accept them. Why, Mr. Wilson says, he is unable to understand. He thought that the commission should define just what Chief Irwin's authority was and what authority he (Wilson) had, so that in the future no unpleasantness of any kind could arise.

In concluding this heated controversy, Mr. Durham stated that he had no doubt to say that Mr. Wilson was controlled by political motives and that he would withdraw his motion concerning Officers Henderson and Squires returning to the regular force. Mr. E. Hyland, of the firm of Breen & Hyland, was elected plumbing inspector to succeed Mr. W. S. Dudley, whose resignation was handed in some time ago.

Mr. J. J. Williams asked that a hydrant be placed near the residence of Mr. Joe Klause, on South Mint street. He also suggested that the hour of the night shift of policemen be changed from 5 o'clock to 4 o'clock. Neither of these suggestions were acted upon last night.

After some uninteresting routine business the meeting adjourned.

## BRIEFS.

—Register of Deeds A. Morris McDonald issued a marriage license today to Mr. J. G. Moss and Miss Emma Garrison; also one to Mr. J. F. Barr and Miss Mary Jane Allen.

—Mr. Eric Brown, of this county, yesterday qualified before Clerk of the Court J. A. Russell, as administrator of the estate of his brother, Mr. Clifton Brown, deceased.

—Constable S. C. Ross went to Sharon this morning and brought back with him an old negro man by the name of Albert Marr, having arrested him for selling whiskey. Several jugs of whiskey were found in his home, after he had denied having any on his place.

—Sheriff Wallace today received notice from Superintendent P. L. Murphy, of the State Hospital at Morganton, that James E. Shaffer, the young man who is confined at the county jail on account of mental derangement, would be admitted to her hospital. Shaffer will be taken to Morganton today.

## THE REPUBLICAN FIGHT BETWEEN TWO RIVAL PAPERS

A Prominent Republican Does not Think That the Party Should Be Brought Into Such a Warfare as is Now Going on in North Carolina.

The Gentleman Interviewed Says It is not Important that Mr. Holton Should Succeed Himself but Highly So that His Policies be Carried Out as to Graters.

One of the most prominent Republicans in North Carolina as well as one of the most conservative, gave The News a really interesting interview this morning.

The gentleman's name The News withholds for good and sufficient reasons. The interview follows:

"How will the fight between 'The Industrial News' and 'The Tar Heel'—the two new Republican newspapers, representing the Rollins and Blackburn factions, respectively—terminate?" asked The News man of this Republican.

"The fight, so called," said he, "will not amount to anything at all. The Republican party is too big and too busy now to be concerned as to individuals. It is immaterial to the 82,000 Republicans in North Carolina, what kind of a scrap Rollins and Blackburn indulge in, in an attempt to prove who of the two is the bigger man. The Republican party is not dependent upon either one of the two gentlemen for leadership. It has other good and able men."

"In your opinion, what will be the outcome of the fight and peculiar situation relative to the appointment of a United States District Attorney, to succeed Mr. A. E. Holton who now holds that position for the Western District of North Carolina?"

"At this time, of course, it is impossible to foretell what may happen," was the reply. "Again, personalities do not count. It ought not to matter to the rank and file of the Republican party what man is appointed. It will not matter to the President. The thing of vital concern is the policy that will be indicated by naming the man for District Attorney. Holton has shown his fidelity to his office and to the trust given him by the government, in going after the criminals. It is idle to say his course is persecution instead of prosecution, so long as he convicts defendants and they are sent to the penitentiary."

"It is idle for any man to claim that his friends are railroaded to prison for political reasons, so long as that man's friends are found on the criminal side of the docket and are proven guilty. We all know that innocent men could not thus be harassed in North Carolina."

"The question narrows itself down to this," continued the gentleman talking: "It is not important that Holton should succeed himself; but it is important that his successor should be just as able, just as determined, just as alert as Holton is. The policy of Holton in bringing the grafters and defaulters and falsifiers to justice, is what counts."

## PLOT TO OVERTHROW THE GOV. REVEALED

Truth of Plot Party Revealed. Police Investigate Building and Find Many Fire Arms and Ammunition. Suspicion of Radical and Liberal Leaders.

By Associated Press. Havana, Nov. 18.—The truth in the reports of the plots to overthrow the Government is revealed in part today. The Government received a confidential report that the ostensibly vacant house in the Cerro suburb was being utilized as a secret depository for arms and ammunition and ordered the secret police to investigate. The police found 41 rifles, 21 carbines, 35 packages each containing 1,000 cartridges and some barrels filled with ammunition and accoutrements. Considerable suspicion is directed toward the Liberal and Radical leaders.

No new fever cases are reported.

To Ladies of First Church. Since the changing of the hour of the Sunday school there has been no regular Bible class for ladies at the regular hour. Tomorrow afternoon at 3:30 Mr. Thos. S. Preston will organize a Bible class for the ladies of the church and it is earnestly hoped that all ladies who do not attend Miss Watkins' class immediately after the morning church service will be present and cooperate with him in this work.

Second Presbyterian Church. North Tryon Street. Rev. Martin D. Hardin, D. D., pastor. Services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Sunday school at 3:30 p. m.; prayer-meeting Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

## THE FEDERATION OF MANY PROTESTANT DENOMINATIONS

Business Committee of Inter-Church Conference Announce Draft for the Federation of 30 Denominations. Churches to Meet Every Four Years.

First Meeting Dec. 1st, 1908. Number of Members. Chief Points of Federation. Outlined. Council to Act as Advisory Board.

By Associated Press. New York, Nov. 18.—The business committee of the Inter-Church Conference on the Federation, announced the draft of a plan for church federation. Following are the chief points:

Federal council of the Protestant churches are to meet every four years, first meeting to be December 1, 1908. Each denomination is to have four members in the council and one extra member for each 50,000 communicants. The council is to act in the capacity of an advisory board and to interfere in no way with the autonomy of individual denominations.

The object is to be united action on social and moral questions and to give spiritual counsel and promote fellowship. An executive committee is to deal with the business of the council in intervals between meetings. Thirty denominations are to be in the federation at the outset and provision is made for the admission of others. The plan will come before the conference Monday.

The Protestant Episcopal delegates were unable to act for their church in endorsing the plan for federation, as they were without specific instructions. A motion was adopted requesting the Federation to use its influence to have laws enacted which will hold the employers and not the employees for accidents on railroads and other places where mechanical machinery is used. The government is urged to acquire control of the telegraphic companies. A motion was made that every candidate to public office who was not a friend of the laborer should be strongly opposed.

## THREE PLANS FOR CANAL.

### Fortifications Will Not be Considered Until Type of Canal is Decided Upon.

Washington, Nov. 18.—The bill board of consulting engineers of the Panama canal held an all-day session Wednesday and continued to work upon the different types of canal. Only rumors reach persons outside the committee room. It was indicated today that several reports might be made, one favoring a sea-level canal, another for a lock canal at a 60-foot level, and still another for a lock canal at a 30- or 40-foot level. There seems to be a general impression that at present favor a sea-level canal, but an intimation has been made that there might be a compromise upon a low level lock canal, which would be very satisfactory to the canal commission and the administration.

The officers who accompanied Secretary Taft to Panama to investigate the matter of fortifications for the canal have not yet made a report and will not until a type of canal is determined. Upon the type of canal will depend the location of the mouths of the canal and no definite plan for fortifications will be feasible until the paces where protection will be needed can be definitely known.

Johnston Building Condemned. The old Johnston building at Nos. 20 and 22 North Tryon street was yesterday visited by the board of building inspectors of Charlotte and condemned, it being considered unsafe. The board is composed of the Messrs. S. J. Asbury, J. D. Ross and Capt. F. W. Ahrens. The building is owned by Mr. William Johnston of Richmond, Va.

Mr. I. E. Munger, general secretary of the Monaghan Mills, Y. M. C. A., of Greenville, S. C., is spending the day in the city.

## T. W. LAWSON HELD IN BOND OF \$3,000

Case to be Triled at December Term of Superior Court. Charged with Criminal Libel Preferred by Clarence W. Barron.

By Associated Press. Boston, Nov. 18.—Thomas W. Lawson is held for the December session of Superior Court, on the charge of criminal libel preferred by Clarence W. Barron. The bail is fixed at \$3,000 which was furnished at once.

Miss Potts Entertains. Last night in Steele Creek Miss Carrie Potts entertained a few friends. The evening was most pleasantly spent, one of the attractions being a guessing game, in which Professor Crowther and Miss Laura Peggart tied for the first prize. Dainty refreshments were served.

Mrs. J. Walker Kirkpatrick, of Sharon, returned to her home today after spending some time at Rock Hill, where she visited relatives and friends.