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## THE MARINE BAND HAS BEEN SECURED BY MAYOR M'NINCH

President Roosevelt Warmly Receives Charlotte's Mayor and Says Anything we Want for our Big Celebration in May, the Government will Aid us.

Marine Soldiers are Coming in Addition to the Cavalry and Infantry Troops. Mayor M'Ninch will Return Home in the Morning.

Washington, March 30.—By appointment I called on President Roosevelt at 11 o'clock this morning. When my errand was explained which was to secure the Marine Band and some Marine soldiers in addition to the troops of Cavalry from Fort Myer and the infantry from Fort McPherson, he said: "Certainly Mr. Mayor. You shall have them and anything else you wish you are entitled to whatever you wish for the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence. No argument needed. Mr. Secretary, give orders to this effect."

I have accomplished all I desire. The President feels most kindly towards our community and his expressions were most gratifying. Surely he is our friend and is entitled to our utmost regard.

S. S. McNinch.

## PRESIDENT INTERESTED.

He Promises Mayor McNinch to See That Our Declaration is Officially Recognized.

Washington, March 30.—Mayor S. S. McNinch, of Charlotte, North Carolina, accompanied by Major Walter G. Coleman, of the Seaboard Air Line Railroad, discussed with the President the celebration of Independence to be held at Charlotte May 21, 22 and 23rd, next.

They told the President that the celebration had been an annual affair at Charlotte for many years and the Mecklenburg Declaration antedates the declaration of the 4th of July, 1776, by several weeks. They asked the President that official recognition of the celebration, which is to be made particularly notable this year, be given by the national government.

The President promised to direct the proper authorities to send to Charlotte on the occasion of this celebration, Troop E., of the Thirteenth Cavalry, one of the crack drilled organizations of the army; a company of Marines and the Marine Band, from Washington, and two companies of infantry from Fort McPherson, at Atlanta, Georgia.

In addition to the United States forces, the State troops from North Carolina and other Southern States will participate in the celebration.

The feature of the event will be a prize drill between Confederate Veterans and members of the G. A. R., under tactics prevailing during the civil war.

Mayor McNinch will arrive home in the morning from Washington. His mission to Washington has been wonderfully successful and the people will applaud.

There seems to be every indication that President Roosevelt will lend his aid to our celebration and will do all in his power to contribute to its success. After the return of Mayor McNinch to the city plans for the big celebration will mature quickly. Charlotte is going to celebrate in grand style and there is no sort of doubt about this.

## TO PROTECT NON-UNION MEN.

Temporary Injunction Against Union Printers Who Are on Strike.

Washington, March 30.—In the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, Justice Stafford, on the petition of the Washington Typothetae, granted a temporary injunction against the union printers of this city who are on a strike for an eight hour day, restraining them from interfering with non-union employees. The court refused to issue an order regarding the boycott of open shops, holding that there was not sufficient grounds.

ACTED WITHOUT AUTHORITY.

Missouri Supreme Court Decides That Circuit Court Acted Without Authority.

## MORE BULGARIANS ARRESTED.

A Woman and Two Men Thought To Be Implicated in Minneapolis Murder.

Cleveland, Ohio, March 30.—The police of the Postoffice, last night took off of the Nickel Plate train, three Bulgarians, a woman and two men, thought to be implicated in the sextuple tragedy in Minneapolis, Tuesday night.

The three persons when arrested had tickets from Minneapolis to New York, and are believed to be three of a party of twelve, which lived three strangers into their boarding house in Minneapolis and in a bloody knife battle, killed three men, three of their own number being killed in the fight.

Bulgarians Released.

Later the three Bulgarians were released having shown that they were in no way implicated in the tragedy.

## SALOON KEEPER MURDERED.

Beaten To Death With A Billiard Cue. Revenge the Motive.

New York, March 30.—Ferdinand Sprules, a saloon keeper and a man of unusual strength, was found beaten to death, with billiard cue, in his saloon in Thirtieth Avenue. The murder was committed after one o'clock this morning. The tables and chairs were upset and glasses smashed as if they had been used as missiles.

The police say they believe either revenge or hatred inspired the murder, since more than \$200 in cash was left untouched in the barroom.

## FOR THE OPEN DOOR.

Mayor Dunne Will Give Negro Equal Chance For Employment.—Unions Indorsed.

Chicago, March 30.—Labor Unions among municipal employees were indorsed emphatically by Mayor Dunne last night, at a street car men's meeting. That they should not strike was his only proviso. The mayor also declared that the negro shall have an equal chance in obtaining employment on the cars after municipalization of street car systems.

## SPECIAL JURY APPOINTED.

District Attorney Jerome Made Special Grand Jury to Investigate Insurance Matters.

New York, March 30.—Justice Dowling in the Supreme Court granted the application made yesterday by District Attorney Jerome for a special grand jury to investigate insurance matters. The special jury will be called about May 1st.

## Governor Pattison's Condition.

Columbus, March 30.—Governor Pattison passed a more favorable night than was anticipated and is resting quietly today.

## PITTSBURG MINERS CONTINUE WORK.

Decide to Disregard the Action of the Indianapolis Convention. Companies will Pay the Advance Demanded, Although Miners are Now well Paid.

Pittsburg, March 30.—Eight thousand miners in the employ of the Keystone Coal and Coke Company and Jamison Coal and Coke Company in this locality, have decided to continue work regardless of the Indianapolis convention.

Both companies will pay the advance demanded, although the miners are now getting a trifle more than that paid to the River miners and those in the Irwin district.

## TELEGRAMS TO THE PRESIDENT ARE PUBLISHED

One from John H. Winder Proposes that the President Appoint a Commission to Investigate all Matters Bearing on Scale of Wages to be Paid.

The Other Telegram Denies the Statements Contained in the First one, Claiming that it Does not Represent the Real Facts. President Takes no Action.

Washington, March 30.—President Roosevelt authorized the publication of two telegrams received by him last night. One came from John H. Winder, Chairman of the Bituminous Coal Operators Association at Indianapolis and the other from John Mitchell, president of the United Mine Workers of America and Francis L. Robbins largest coal operator in the Pittsburg district.

The telegram from Winder proposes that the President appoint a commission to investigate all the matters which in the judgement of such a commission had important bearing on the scale of wages which should be paid all classes of labor in the coal mines of the territory involved.

He proposes that the commission report to the President its findings together with recommendations. The telegram signed by Mitchell and Robbins takes issue with the statement made in the telegram, signed by Winder saying it does not represent the real facts. They assert that one half of the total tonnage in Western Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois is produced by operators who are willing to pay the compromise scale.

The President has taken no action in the matter as yet.

It can be said, at this time that the President occupies the same position that he has occupied for several weeks. He is anxious that the strike be avoided, but it is known he does not think the present moment opportune for Government interference. The subject was discussed at the Cabinet meeting.

## President Baer Not Informed.

New York, March 30.—President Baer, of the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad, sent President Mitchell, of the United Mine Workers, a message asking if it was true that the pending negotiations of the anthracite miners had been ordered to strike April 1st. He stated that at the anthracite operators' headquarters they had not received any word from Indianapolis tolling of the order for the hard coal miners to strike.

Mitchell Has Information.

Indianapolis, March 30.—President Mitchell said to the Associated Press that he had not received president Baer's message. "When I do," said he, "I will send him a copy of the statement given to the Associated Press last night announcing that such action had been taken."

## Nothing to Say Yet.

At the conclusion of the Cabinet meeting the President made the announcement through Secretary Loeb that there was nothing to say at this time. It was added that he had not yet replied to either of the telegrams.

## ARTIST BURNED TO DEATH.

Aged Woman Perished in Fire Which Destroyed Her Cottage.

Asbury Park, N. J., March 30.—In a mysterious fire that consumed her cottage at Brielle, near the Manasquan river, Miss B. C. Darby, an aged artist, was burned to death early this morning. It is thought the woman was suffocated by smoke before the fire was discovered. The blaze communicated to the cottage of Rev. A. C. Dennett, which was also destroyed. The residence of C. H. Freeman, adjoining was badly damaged.

The charred body of Miss Darby was discovered at daylight. The head, arms and legs were burned off. Miss Darby is said to have been a famous painter of decorated China. She had two sisters residing in New York.

While the origin of the fire is a mystery, a theory of robbery and murder and arson to conceal the crime advanced by some of the natives is generally discredited. Coroner Cravatt, of Freehold, is investigating the case.

## ELKS ELECTION.

The Annual Meeting in Greensboro.—Greensboro Couple Marry Here.

Special to The News.

Greensboro, March 30.—Miss Fannie Hellen has resigned her position in the office of the Western Union Telegraph Company and left last night for a visit in Charlotte. She will return to Greensboro in a few weeks and take a position in St. Leo's Hospital to complete her course to become a trained nurse, having already served two years in this line.

Capt. R. O. Whitaker, who recently gave up the insurance business to resume railroading, has been made yard master at Greenville, S. C.

Mr. John E. Sockwell, a very popular young bachelor grocer here, gave his friends a surprise by going to Charlotte Wednesday and coming back Thursday night with a charming bride, spending the night at the McAdoo hotel. Yesterday the bridal couple went to McLeansville to spend the day with relatives at the home of the bride. She is a charming young woman and was Miss Sallie Fryar of McLeansville.

She has for two years been teaching near Charlotte. Her school closed Wednesday, the groom-to-be, being an interested spectator of the closing ceremonies. As soon as they were concluded the couple drove to Charlotte and at 7:30 were married by Dr. Howerton.

The annual meeting of the local lodge of Elks was held last night with the following results:

Exalted Ruler, David Dreyfus; Esteemed Leading Knight, D. H. Collins; Esteemed Loyal Knight, John N. Wilson; Esteemed Lecturing Knight, C. J. Lamb; Secretary, W. I. Underwood; Treasurer, T. L. McLean; Trustee for three years, L. J. Brandy; Representative to the Grand Lodge at Denver, Col. L. J. Brandt.

## PRICE ISSUES STATEMENT.

On the Strength of Which Cotton Goes Up a Dollar a Bale.

By Private Wire to Charlotte Cotton Exchange.

New York, March 30.—Theodore Price in a signed statement says: "I take this method of replying to a number of telegrams received by me asking for an explanation or a justification, or an apology for the decline in the market, which after an advance of nearly a cent a pound, has reacted 20 points."

"It seems to me no justification is necessary. No market that I ever heard of advanced continuously and uninterruptedly. If it did it would be an extremely unhealthy one.

Moreover, no attempt is being made by me to support the market nor is such an attempt being made by any one acting under my advice. If the market could support itself, it is (like most dependent individuals) unworthy of support. I have bought some cotton, which I still own. I expect to sell it at a higher price, but I am not going to buy cotton all the time because of this expectation and those who differ with me will no doubt sell short.

"It is the aggressive short selling on the part of those firms or individuals who were virtually bullish at 12 cents per pound that has caused the recent recession in values, but I do not think their operation sufficiently important to upset the law of supply and demand, which in my opinion, points to much higher prices for cotton.

"Briefly, I am a bull on cotton for the following reasons:

First, the figures of spinners takings now being published from week to week indicate the rate of consumption far larger than I had previously anticipated and so large as to insure almost a complete exhaustion of existing supplies before the end of the season, unless indeed the consumption shall be checked by a radical advance in prices.

Second, because during the past five years the South has only once produced a crop of over eleven million bales, which was in a sense a 'freak of nature,' resulting from the most marvelous concatenation of favorable conditions ever known in the history of the trade.

## GOVERNOR GLENN RECEIVES LETTER FROM GOV. WARNER

The Governor of Michigan Writes that North Carolina has no Cause for Embarrassment. Refuse Gifts of N. C. Bondholders. Regarding May Celebration.

Mr. Bailly's Heart Touched by the Forlorn Condition of a Hungarian in Trouble. The Chadwick Meetings Closed. Other Interesting News.

Raleigh, March 30.—Governor Glenn returned this morning from the Western part of the State and found awaiting him a letter from Governor Warner of Michigan, relative to the recent action of Michigan in declining the gift of the North Carolina bondholders.

In the letter Governor Warner assures Governor Glenn he "may rest assured no action will be taken by Michigan that will cause North Carolina any embarrassment or litigation."

This action is due to Gov. Glenn's statement of the facts. Governor Glenn has received from the Secretary of War a letter in which he grants Governor Glenn's request for the United States troops to participate in the great Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence celebration at Charlotte May 20. He writes that if possible, he will send battalions of both infantry and artillery.

John Whupert who came to this section from Hungary and cannot speak a word of English was arraigned today before Judge Council to answer the charge of stealing potatoes and cabbage from a farmer near New Hill. He had been in jail awaiting trial three months. He had no counsel and submitted his case. The fellow had an exceptionally bright face. He submitted to the charge. It was not until the Judge asked him if he had anything to say for himself that he discovered that the man could not speak English. No one seemed to know anything about the case except that one man from the section where the theft was made said that the young man had said that he stole the potatoes and cabbage because he was hungry. Several lawyers in the bar volunteered pleas one way and another for the prisoner so that finally the charge was changed to forcible trespass so that the judge need not send the man to the roads. Then judgment was suspended on the payment of the costs which were paid by Raleigh's worthy postmaster, C. T. Bailey who had never heard of the case before but had his sympathy aroused during the investigation by the court.

An unassuming effort is being made to organize a country club for Raleigh especially with a view to providing golf links for hundreds of tourists who pass through Raleigh north and southbound and could be induced to stop over, many of them, if there was a golf links that they could use. It is expected that a club well backed will be organized within the next few weeks.

An illustration of the confusion that may arise from the use of "Jim Crow" Bibles in court occurred in Wake Superior Court this morning and constitutes a good joke. Judge Council and Solicitor Armistead Jones, E. A. Johnson, the well known colored lawyer who holds a clerkship in the office of the United States District attorney here and has written books and other publications of note, was a witness in a case in which Daniel Jeffreys, a negro school teacher, was arraigned for disposing of a mule on which there was a mortgage. Lawyer Johnson was a character witness for Jeffreys and when the Solicitor called him to the stand he called out "Mr. Johnson take the stand." He had not been sworn and Deputy Sheriff Sears handed him the Bible left in the court for administering oaths to negroes. Judge Council, from the bench, being under the impression that Johnson was a white man said:

"Mr. Sheriff, you have given the witness the wrong Bible, that one over there is the one for the use of white people," indicting another testament on the table. Not that I am any stickler about such matters, but if there are to be kept different Bibles for the races then you must not get them mixed that way. Have different places for them and keep them there. Hence such mistakes as this will not be made."

Deputy Sheriff Sears changed the Bibles, handing Johnson the "white folks" Bible no explanation being made by anyone to the court. However the clerk was so amused at the incident that he had difficulty in administering the oath to the witness.

The school teacher on trial, who contended that he had only leased the mule to a party for a term of months, was adjudged to be at least technically guilty and required to pay \$10 fine and costs.

The old Corrollton Hotel, corner of Fayetteville and Cabarrus streets is being torn down to give place to three modern apartment houses on Fayetteville street and two cottages on Cabarrus street.

Work will begin in a few days on the handsome office building on Martin street between the Tucker building and the Capitol Club building. The latter is, it is understood, to lease the

third floor of the new building to be used in connection with the club rooms as apartments to be let to members or their friends visiting in the city.

The series of revival services under the auspices of the Raleigh Evangelical Alliance, by Dr. Chadwick, the distinguished theologian of Leeds, England closed tonight or rather Dr. Chadwick preached his last sermon of the series tonight at the Tabernacle Baptist church. They have been highly successful, quickening Christian life among the membership of all the churches and bringing about several hundred professions.

## REVIVAL SERVICES.

Good Meeting at Rutherford College. Personal Notes.

Rutherford College, March 30.—A good meeting is in progress now. Services are conducted in the college chapel. The preaching is being done by Rev. R. M. Courtney. He is an earnest talker, presenting with force and power, yet with simplicity the truths of the Gospel Message. He preaches so as to touch the hearts of men and cause them to turn from the errors of their way.

Revs. Evans and Ferrell, of Granite Falls, were pleasant visitors in our town last night. They were present at chapel exercises today and addressed the student body.

Mr. A. P. Rallege, president of the college, Y. M. C. returned yesterday from the Inter-State Convention. He reports a fine meeting.

Mr. Ed Beam has moved his family to Rutherfordton, where he goes in mercantile business.

Mr. L. E. Webb, of Morganton, has his tent here prepared to do photographic work.

Mr. Poteat, a photographer of Lincolnton, spent yesterday and today here in the interest of his work.

## SEVERAL CO'S. CHARTERED.

Companies at Charlotte, Morganton, Tarboro and Cliffside Receive Charters.

Special to The News.

Raleigh, March 30.—A charter was issued today for the Great Southern Benevolent and Realty Co., of Charlotte, at \$50,000. E. J. Young, A. A. Wyche and others being the incorporators.

The Morganton Commission and Bottling Co., of Morganton, was chartered at a capital of \$20,000 by J. M. Mull, W. W. McCall and others.

Also the Dunbar Lumber Co., of Tarboro, at \$100,000 capital by Geo. H. Howard, G. A. Holderness and others.

The J. F. Alexander Lumber Co., of Cliff Side, Rutherford county, was also chartered at a capital of \$15,000 by G. E. Young and others.

## GREENE-GAYNOR.

Captain Charles Sweeney Testified in Case Today.

Savannah, March 30.—Captain Charles Sweeney, a seaman who had been in the employ of Greene and Gaynor, testified at the trial that he had often heard Carter tell Cooper, supervising engineer, to keep the work up to the specifications and had heard Cooper tell Carter the work was "getting on finely."

## MINERS ENTOMBED FOR TWENTY DAYS ARE NOW RESCUED

Fourteen Taken from Mine After Being Prisoners for More than Two Weeks. Subsisted on Hay from Stables and Bits of Food.

Other Entombed Miners May be Rescued. Their Signals Have Been Heard. Account of Horrible Existence in Mine, At Horse Flesh.

Lens, France, March 30.—Fourteen of the twelve hundred miners who were entombed in the coal mines at Courrières, twenty days ago, were taken from the mine alive and well, today.

They had lived on hay, found in one of the underground stables, and morsels of food which they took into the mine with them, nearly three weeks ago. All attempts to rescue the entombed men had been abandoned more than two weeks ago.

Others May Be Rescued.

It is said that other entombed miners are alive, and about to be brought out, their signals having been heard.

One of the men rescued said for the first eight days the party ate bark off the timbering of the mine. Later they found the decomposed body of a horse, which they cut up and ate with hay.

## COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Will Meet Saturday April 7, to Name Date for Primary.

Chairman James A. Bell, of the county executive committee, has decided to call a meeting of the committee April 7.

At this meeting a date will be named for holding the county primary elections and to transact any business that may come before the committee. It is generally conceded that the primary will be held in July or August. A majority of the voters seem to think that a late primary will be best.

The voters, many of them, have not paid their poll tax, and if this requirement is not met by May 1st, all such will not be entitled to vote. The News again reminds the people that unless their poll tax is paid within the next 30 days, all such will be debarred from the polls.

## DAIRYMEN EMPLOY COUNSEL.

Mr. H. N. Pharr Retained by the Smaller Dairymen.

The "city fathers" and city dairymen are in conference this afternoon at the city hall, relative to the milk inspection law that was introduced at the last regular meeting of the board of aldermen. A majority of the dairymen are at the meeting to take part in the discussion and Dr. Tait Butler, State Veterinarian of Raleigh, is also there.

It is understood that two of the main features of the bill that are considered impractical by the dairymen, are the lowering of the temperature from 45 degrees to 60 and that half of the cost of condemned cattle shall fall on the city. There are other features to be discussed.

The smaller dairymen of the city held a meeting this morning at the court house and decided to employ a lawyer to take care of their interests.

Mr. H. N. Pharr, of the firm of Pharr and Bell was retained and a committee of three was appointed to go over the bill with him, showing the objectionable features.

## GREAT MASS OF DIRT BLOCKADES TRACK

Six Hundred Yards of Earth Loosened by Recent Rains Fell Last Night Upon Track Near Swannanoa Tunnel. Track Completely Blocked.

Special to The News.

Asheville, March 30.—Six hundred yards of earth loosened by the rains of the past few days, fell last night on the Southern railroad tracks to the East of Swannanoa tunnel, completely blocking the road.

Passenger train No. 35, West bound, due here at 1 o'clock last night, was caught at Old Fort and returned around by Marion and Spartanburg, arriving here this afternoon.

Men are at work clearing the debris away but at least two days will be required for this.

## BEAUTIFUL HOME WEDDING.

Miss Othello Morrow Married to Mr. John Magness.—Beautiful Ceremony. Reception Followed.

Rutherfordton, March 30.—A beautiful wedding was that at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Morrow on North Main street Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock, when their charming daughter, Miss Bonnie Othello Morrow and Mr. John M. Magness, of Shelby, pledged their troth and were united in the holy bonds of matrimony. Rev. J. D. Arnold, of the Methodist church, performed the ceremony in his usual and impressive manner. The bride is quite popular, in this, her home town, and while her friends, wishing her every happiness, they regret that she will be taken away from Rutherfordton, where she is well known and appreciated for her many charming traits. The groom is a promising young business man of our neighboring town, being manager of the Shelby Printing Company, of that place. A delightful reception followed the ceremony, after which the couple took the Southern train for their future home. The out-of-town guests were: Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Morrow, Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Osborne and Mrs. B. E. Thompson, of Blacksburg; and Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Austell, of Shelby.

## THE 1903 WAGE SCALE.

Effort to Restore the Wage Scale of 1903 for Mining Day Labor.

By Associated Press.

Indianapolis, March 30.—President Mitchell called the national convention of the United Mine Workers of America to order. President H. C. Perry, of the Illinois miners, offered a resolution authorizing the "National and District officials to make agreements with any and all parties engaged in the operations of the coal mines to provide for the restoration of the scale paid in 1903 for mining day labor and dead work for a period of two years beginning April 1, 1906 in a contract of the competitive field and equivalent of the above demands to be the basis in all the bituminous districts." President Mitchell advocated the resolution.