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Everything is Now In Reading's for Opening Jameson Exposition

President Roosevelt and Family, Along With High Officials of This and Other Countries Set Off for Jamestown Ex.

British and Austrian Squadrons Have Joined Squadrons of Other Countries in Hampton Roads.

Norfolk, Va., April 25.—The day before the opening of the Jamestown Exposition finds the management of the big enterprise straining every nerve to put the grounds and buildings in presentable shape for the ceremonial ceremonies. Several thousand laborers were engaged in clearing the streets which are to be traversed tomorrow by the President and his party and by the military organizations which will participate in the land parade.

Notwithstanding the rush of work being carried forward the exposition will be far from complete. Temporary railroad tracks, debris of all sorts and unfinished sidewalks are the rule throughout the grounds, while almost every building is marred by an exposure of scaffolding. Many buildings will not be open tomorrow, the management having determined that progress can only be made by excluding the public during the time the workmen are engaged in their labors.

Naval Pageant.

The feature of the opening day will be the naval pageant in Hampton Roads. The President on board the "Mayflower" will review the ships of the nations at anchorage and the spectacle will be witnessed by many thousands from the exposition grounds. Pleasure craft and security steamers by the score will frame the anchorage grounds of the fleet and water shows is expected to surpass anything ever seen in this country.

It is hoped to have the exposition completed by May 15 in all the essential details and this prediction is generally concurred in by the citizens of Norfolk. Suggestions have been made that the grounds might be closed during the interim but the directors decided against this course. Foreign ships, which all along have been looked forward to as forming one of the notable aspects of the Jamestown fair, will be in the roads for several weeks and will prove an interesting attraction to thousands of visitors.

Norfolk, Va., April 25.—The British and Austrian squadrons that are to participate in the naval features incident to the opening of the Jamestown Exposition tomorrow, arrived in Hampton Roads and joined the American, German and Argentine representatives which had already arrived.

The Austrian cruisers are the Sankt George and Aspern, and the British fleet is composed of the cruisers Good Hope, Argyll, Hampshire and Roxburgh.

The foreign naval vessels which will be in line tomorrow when reviewed by the President are the German cruisers Room and Bremen; Argentine training cruiser, Presidente Sarmiento; the British and Austrian battleships, which have arrived and possibly the Brazilian battleship, Ritechelo. The cruiser Barrosse and the gunboat Tamayo are expected to arrive.

President and Party Are Off.

Washington, April 25.—Three official parties, bound for the Jamestown Exposition will sail down the Potomac, embracing representatives of the executive and legislative branches of the United States Government and the diplomatic representatives of foreign governments, who will be present tomorrow at the opening ceremonies of the Jamestown Exposition.

The President and Mrs. Roosevelt, Miss Ethel, Archie and Quentin will sail on the Mayflower late this afternoon.

A joint committee of Senators and members of the House of Representatives and their families and a number of employees of each House, sailed on the new daylight steamer to Jamestown this morning.

The diplomatic corps, the members of which are the guests of the Jamestown Ter-Centennial Commission, sail this afternoon on the steamer Newport News.

Metcalf at Hampton Roads.

The Secretary of the Navy, Metcalf, member of the Ter-Centennial Commission, accompanied by a small party, left for Hampton Roads on the Dolphin in the afternoon.

General Bell, chief of the Army, and his staff, leave for Norfolk this evening.

New York Party Arrive.

Lieutenant-Governor Chanler and the New York Commission to the Exposition, accompanied by Adjutant General Henry of New York, members of Governor Hughes' staff and others, arrived and will participate tonight in the first official function to be tendered by the Governor of Virginia and Mrs. Swanson, incident to the dedication of the Virginia State building.

Negro Drowned In Pond Near Union

Special to The News.
Union, S. C., April 25.—By the capsizing of a bateau Tuesday afternoon in the pond near Union Cotton Mill No. 1, a negro named John "Stabit" Shuford was drowned, and his companion almost met the same fate.

It occurred about 3:45 o'clock, and the man had gone to clean out a waste pipe in the pond.

It seems that several workmen, under the supervision of outside boys, J. M. Ward, had gone to the edge of the pond and found water in the boat. Three of the men pailed out the water with their shovels, after getting almost all of it out they turned the boat up and poured out the water. It was then put in the water again and one man used a board for a paddle and the other used his shovel.

When Shuford with his companion reached the waste pipe the boat began filling with water, and one end began to sink. The men then became frightened and capsized the boat, for a while they struggled in the water, but apparently they were seized with cramp or could not swim. The men on shore could not reach them but Messrs. Ward and L. H. Davis ran and got a plank which was pushed out to one of the drowning men, and he grasped it and was pulled ashore exhausted and about to sink for the last time.

Shuford after coming to the top, it is said, three or four times sank and could not be saved.

The water at that point was about ten feet deep, and it was an hour and a half before his body was recovered when life was entirely extinct. When the man was drawn to the shore by a line and a hook that had been thrown in, he had his shovel tightly clasped under his arm. He leaves a wife and family.

Peace Treaty Was Signed

The Details of the Treaty And Amity Between Nicaragua And Salvador Received at State Department.

Washington, D. C., April 25.—The details of the treaty of peace and amity between Nicaragua and Salvador, which was signed at Amapala on Tuesday last, was received at the State Department through cablegram from Philip Brown, in charge of the American legation at Guatemala.

The treaty is similar to that entered into a year ago and known as the Marblehead pact and includes a provision for a general Central American Peace Congress, to be held in Nicaragua in the near future, and a special commercial treaty between Nicaragua and Salvador.

Senator Penrose Paid Roosevelt a Visit

By Associated Press.
Washington, D. C., April 25.—Senator Penrose of Pennsylvania, whose name has been mentioned in the alleged "Five million dollar conspiracy" to defeat the President's policies, called at the White House to see the President today.

He said his visit was purely personal. He said he had nothing to add to or take from his former statement, that he was not a party to any conspiracy.

Senator Bourne, of Oregon, who it has been reported was the host at a dinner at which the details of the so-called "conspiracy" were given out, saw the President, but denied he had seen Mr. Penrose during his visit to the White House.

JURY COULD NOT AGREE.

By Associated Press.
Lexington, Ky., April 25.—After 20 hours' deliberation, the jury in the case of Bill Britton, charged with the assassination of Town Marshal James A. Cook at Jackson, Breathitt County, reported a hopeless disagreement and were discharged.

The jury stood eight for acquittal and four for conviction.

This case was one of the Breathitt County feud cases in which Senator Hargis, his brother, Judge Hargis and others were charged with participation.

Fire at Jordan's This Afternoon.

Fire broke out this afternoon at 4 o'clock in a little closet on the second floor of the Davidson building over the drug store of R. H. Jordan & Co., and for a short time looked very threatening.

Chief Orr arrived on the scene a minute after the alarm was turned in and with his assistants put out the blaze. The chemicals of several physicians adjoining were slightly damaged with smoke and the chemical fluids.

Condition of Mr. Mitchell.

Chicago, Ill., April 25.—The condition of John Mitchell, president of the United Mine Workers' of America, who is ill in Chicago, is somewhat improved after a fairly restful night.



For Stealing Pies 12 Months on Roads

The most important case disposed of at this morning's session of the Superior Court was that of Will Donaldson, who was charged with larceny, an affray with and an assault upon Mr. J. C. Campbell, and carrying concealed weapons. Two of the cases were not pressed, judgment was suspended in another, but on the larceny charge he was sent to the roads for twelve months.

Evidence against Donaldson was in effect that he had gone to the lunch counter at the Southern station and while eating a meal had reached over and nabbed some oranges and pies. The other offences with which he was charged were committed on the same occasion. The principal witness against Donaldson was Mr. Campbell, the clerk at the lunch counter, who testified that he saw the defendant take the pies and oranges.

After the jury had returned a verdict of guilty, Mr. Plummer Stewart, representing Donaldson, plead with the court for leniency in judgment, but Judge Ward stated that he would have to take into consideration the fact that the defendant had not shown a good reputation and the fact that three other cases were lodged against him, doubtless was an influence in the sentence of the court. Mr. Stewart finding that his prayers for mercy did not avail, asked Judge Ward what an appeal bond would be. The court ordered that the bond be fixed at \$1,000.

WILL THE LEAGUERS AVOID THE ROCKS?

It Would Be a Political Mistake to Turn Down Shannonhouse and Prof. Graham, and the League Will Be Wary—Aspirants for Capt. Taylor's Job.

While the members of the new administration are lying low as to their future intentions, the public at large continues to speculate upon the possible reorganization of the city officials. "Yes, I think Shannonhouse will be re-elected," said one of the most astute political observers in this city, "because it will be good politics to return him and poor politics to defeat him. The public at large understood that the Business Men's League, through a number of its speakers on the stump, meant to return him and the League would find that it had made a great blunder if it should sweep him out of office. But if Shannonhouse is defeated, A. B. Justice will succeed him. I understand also that many citizens are not failing to let it be known to new members as well as old members of the school committee that they favor Prof. Graham as his own successor. Prof. Graham has always stood bravely forth as a champion of the best traditions of Mecklenburg County; no man has done more to exploit its history, especially its crowning achievement, the Mecklenburg Declaration, unless it is Dr. Geo. W. Graham, and they are worthy of about equal honor in this respect. I do not consider Prof. Graham an old fogey, but he is conservative in a way that counts for the best interest of the city schools. He goes to all the great educational conventions and to my notion keeps about as well posted as the next man. It would be a political mistake also to oust Prof. Graham."

"I have heard it said that there are three men who would be willing to sacrifice themselves upon the altar of their country by manning the office of City Tax Collector, now held by Capt. W. B. Taylor. The names I have mentioned are those of Mr. W. M. Lyles, Mr. M. E. Crowell and Mr. H. D. Duckworth. But again I think it would be a serious mistake on the part of the League to turn off an old Confederate soldier like Capt. Taylor."

Judgment in Lawing Case.

Judge Ward this afternoon passed sentence upon Mr. Sam Lawing, who was adjudged guilty of the abandonment of his wife by a jury yesterday. It was ordered that he give a peace bond amounting to \$200 to keep the peace with his wife between now and June, besides paying the costs of the litigation and \$50 to his wife. Judge Ward promised that, unless the couple get together of their own accord before the next term of court in June he would dispose of the case finally.

The Kimball Case Tomorrow.

The Kimball case will in all probability be called in Judge Ward's court tomorrow morning. A maximum of interest centres around this hearing, from the fact that the circumstances under which Mr. Kimball is alleged to have killed J. M. Stephenson some weeks ago have been made public from an authentic source. The testimony of the defendant and his wife is depended on by the counsel for his defense.

SON OF EMPEROR HURT.

Young Man Fell From Horse During Cavalry Drill.

Berlin, April 25.—Prince Eitel Friederick, Emperor William's second son, fell from his horse during a cavalry drill yesterday afternoon on the Doebritz grounds, near Potsdam. It is said there was no cause to fear serious results.

Battery Arranging For Big Gala Week in May

The First Battery, Field Artillery boys are earnestly at work arranging for their annual 20th of May celebration, which will be more elaborate this year than ever before. Mr. C. B. Turner, well known in Charlotte as the "Carnival Man" is here conferring with the members of the Battery regarding the securing of attractions for the mid-way. It is understood that Mr. Turner has already booked a number of shows and is now in correspondence with others. He expects to land a dozen or more of the best carnival attractions on the road before he signs the last contract.

Fire Caused Loss \$300,000

Fire Destroyed 500,000 Pounds of Lard at Plant of Big Packing Company. Panic Caused Among Spectators.

Pittsburg, Pa., April 25.—A loss of \$300,000 was sustained by fire in the William Zeller Packing Co's plants, Spring Garden avenue, Allegheny, opposite this city, when 500,000 pounds of lard and the killing department of the plant were destroyed today.

The fire is supposed to have been caused by the crossing of electric wires.

Panic was caused among the spectators by the explosion of a dozen ammonia tanks, but no one was injured.

No Officer Allowed To Administer Lash

Judge Ward made somewhat of a sensational ruling this morning during the progress of the trial wherein little Willie Phifer, colored, was charged with assault upon Mr. R. K. Blair. Phifer's father's father in the course of his testimony referred to the fact that Recorder Shannonhouse had offered to suspend judgment in case the boy was given a sound thrashing. The case went to the jury and a verdict of guilty was returned, but Judge Ward set aside the verdict and then proceeded to dispense the law on child whipping.

"It is unconstitutional and absolutely against the law for any one except the child's parent to administer a whipping. If an officer takes the place of a parent, at the request of a court or even the request of a parent, he is guilty of an assault and battery."

Judge Ward explained that it was entirely constitutional for a court to suspend judgment in a case, provided the child agrees to do the whipping, but where the parent, from mere sentiment or mere physical incapacity to administer the lash adequately, secures someone else to do the beating, it is contrary to the law and becomes then an indictable offence.

The ruling of the court was not a reflection upon Recorder Shannonhouse, but it did touch some of the policemen, possibly, who have acted upon the request of parents when the court ordered the lash. The Phifer boy was discharged after this ruling.

SCHOOL CLOSING.

Four Large Schools in the County Come to a Close Next Week.

Four of the leading schools in the county will close next week with appropriate exercises. The school at Sharon church with Mr. Banks Reid as the capable principal and Miss Mary Springs Davidson as assistant will close Wednesday. The school at Nevin will close Thursday with Miss Bess Utley as teacher. Mr. E. R. Preston is the speaker at the closing exercises of the Erwin school in Steele Creek next Friday. Mr. W. A. Nicholson and Miss Ida Potts are the teachers. The graded school at Cornelius in the county with Mr. W. A. Whitener as principal will close Tuesday. Rev. H. K. Boyer will be the speaker.

ORATOR AT LIBERTY.

Man Charged With Murdering Young Horace Marvin is Set at Liberty— No Evidence to Convict.

By Associated Press.
Dover, Del., April 25.—Frank H. Butler, the steamboat deckhand, who was arrested yesterday on the charge of murdering four-year-old Horace Marvin, who disappeared March 4, was released from custody because of insufficient evidence.

While it was generally believed Butler knew nothing of the disappearance of the child, his release without further investigation came as a surprise to those interested in the case.

ORATOR J. T. GRAVES AT DAVIDSON CLOSING

No less a personage than the honorable John Temple Graves will be the orator at Davidson College Commencement this year, the closing exercises being held about the first of May or the first of June. Mr. Graves is always a drawing card, but this year his speech will be apt to attract an unusually large crowd in view of his sensational and fervid advocacy in his Chattanooga speech of the nomination of President Roosevelt by the Democratic party, with Mr. Bryan to make the nominating speech. However eccentric in his political notion, Mr. Graves may be, it is not to be denied that he is a man of marvelous eloquence and Davidson may calculate on an unusually big crowd. Mayor McNinch will probably swell the number by one.

ANARCHISTS ARRESTED.

Brussels, April 25.—Four anarchists, suspected of having planned to assassinate Prince Albert of Belgium, were arrested in and about the church which the Prince intended to visit.

Governor Glenn And His Personal Staff Leave To-day for Jamestown

Miss Ufford, Teacher, To be Charlotte Guest

Miss Frances E. Ufford, principal of the Englewood School at Albemarle, Stanly County, will arrive in this city tomorrow and be the guest first of Mrs. E. D. Latta and afterwards of Mrs. L. W. Sanders during her stay in the city. Along with Miss Helen G. Northrup, Miss Ufford has for twelve years or more been managing this school, which has proved a blessing beyond all estimation to the girls of that section of North Carolina. These self-sacrificing women use for themselves only enough money to meet their expenses and everything that comes in for the school is devoted to the education of young women. So economically is the school conducted that \$30 supports a girl for a school year of eight months.

The corner stone of a new edifice will be laid at the school on June 8th. The Free Masons under the leadership of State Lecturer Hatcher, will participate, and through the efforts of Mr. W. H. Belk, of Charlotte, and the Rev. George Atkinson, of Monroe, Governor Glenn has been secured to make an address. The Board of Trustees will have a banquet on this occasion.

Miss Ufford will doubtless address some of the societies in the Presbyterian churches during her stay here. She is a sister of the Rev. Mr. Ufford, who wrote the beautiful hymn "Thou on One Life-line." While in Chicago on one occasion when Mr. Moody was preaching he asked if Miss Ufford were in the audience, and when she stood up he announced that the great choir would sing the hymn that her brother wrote, which was done with fine effect.

Cotton Region Bulletin.

The bulletin today says: "The weather for the past twenty-four hours has been generally fair over the cotton belt. Temperatures have risen slightly over all sections and this morning do not differ greatly from normal."

Next Thursday Date for Trial

Hearing of Suspected Barn Burners Postponed One Week to Get Evidence in Shape.

The trial of the three negroes, Monk Cureton, Will Jackson and Walter Pettus, who are believed to be connected with the burning of many barns in Steele Creek recently has been postponed until next Tuesday at 10 o'clock, when the hearing will be held before Squire S. H. Hilton. The negroes were brought to the city yesterday afternoon by Sheriff Wallace and deputies and placed in the county jail. They were brought to the court house this morning for trial, but the prosecuting attorneys, after a short conference, decided that the evidence was not in proper shape for an immediate hearing and hence the postponement.

Negroes in Jail.

A large number of citizens of Steele Creek came to the city today to attend the trial, hoping that something would be brought out by which the fire-bugs could be located. There was no indication of unusual excitement, but a mark of disappointment when it was ascertained that no trial would be held today. The negroes were taken back to jail.

The evidence against them appears to be rather slim. The fact that bloodhounds tracked the three to their homes is possibly the strongest testimony that the State can rely on at the present. The prosecuting attorneys Messrs. Stewart and McRae, believe that other evidence is forthcoming. Mr. Garrison had the chance of his life to secure convicting testimony, if he had only waited till the negroes approached nearer the barn, and struck the match.

The reason he assigns for his firing on the party when he did is because they had already turned on their heel when he caught sight of them. He was concealed in a crib and, hearing a slight noise outside opened the door. This frightened the negroes and they ran. Five shots were fired at their fleeing forms, but none took effect. When the bloodhounds reached the scene they immediately struck a trail and chased the three men to their homes. They were then arrested.

The people of Steele Creek are guarding their barns and outhouses. The recent fires, all of which are known almost positively to be of incendiary origin has created alarm throughout the entire neighborhood.

Dr. Schefer Going to Rome.

Rev. Dr. J. A. B. Scherer, the brilliant and distinguished president of Newberry College, of Newberry, S. C., will attend the World's Sunday School Convention at Rome as a delegate from this country. He will sail from New York May 8th. Dr. Scherer is well known as a leader in the Lutheran denomination, and impressed his genius upon the people of this city some three years ago as commencement orator at Elizabeth College.

Belmont Matters.

Mr. J. C. McManus, superintendent of the Bell Telephone Company at Atlanta, is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Griffin.

The Daughters of America will give an ice cream supper at the Woodmen of the World Hall Saturday evening.

Mrs. Lot Davis and family have gone to Hope Mills for a visit of two months.

Murphy Makes Two Neat Realty Sales

Through J. E. Murphy & Co. the vacant lot at the corner of Davidson street and the Seaboard Air Line Railroad was sold today to Mr. Rufus C. Harding for a consideration of \$4,600. The property belonged to Mr. W. W. Phifer. Mr. Harding was until recently a North Georgia Railroad man and will establish a new coal and wood yard upon the property. He will share in the future prosperity of Charlotte in this new enterprise, as he deserves to do.

Murphy & Co. also sold for the Four C's a house and lot in Dilworth on the Boulevard next to the old Robbins residence to Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Whitlock, the consideration being \$4,500.

Will Attend Opening Exercises of The Big Exposition. Trouble Between Truckers Association and A. C. L.

Companies Chartered at Asheville, Lenoir, Graham and Other Towns. Marine Band May come to Raleigh.

Raleigh, N. C., April 25.—Chairman McNeill and Commissioner Beddingfield of the Corporation Commission, who have returned from Wilmington, report there is every indication that the differences brought about complaint from the East Carolina Truckers' Association against the Atlantic Coast Line as to refrigerator car shipments of berries will be satisfactorily settled before the opening of the season.

Governor Glenn and his personal staff, including Adjutant General T. R. Robertson; Co. A. H. Arrington, Chas. E. Johnson, Wescott Robertson, of High Point; D. L. Ward of New Bern; Fred C. Cox, of Wadesboro and J. S. Cunningham of Person county, left this morning for Jamestown to attend the opening of the exposition tomorrow.

The Governor will return Saturday. The Hunter Mercantile Co. of Sanford changes its name to the E. D. Nall Company.

The Home Mutual Life Insurance Company of Graham was chartered today. C. C. Thompson being the principal incorporator.

A charter was issued to the English Lumber Company of Asheville, at a capital of \$100,000, by J. M. English and others.

The Vanceboro Real Estate and Development Company was chartered at a \$25,000 capital by W. C. Flitte and others.

The Lenoir Land Company was chartered at a capital of \$25,000 by W. R. Stone and others.

B. C. White, special agent for the bureau of statistics of the United States Department of Agriculture, is in the city to gather special North Carolina statistics from the records in the state offices and from the North Carolina Department of Agriculture. He is enthusiastic in his praise for the system that is observed in this state in the matter of statistics, declaring that there is scarcely a state in all the South that will make a more favorable comparison, Virginia being possibly the closest second.

Mr. W. M. Russ, in charge of the arrangements for the unrolling of the statue of Ensign Worth Bagley here May 20, says that it is not definitely settled yet as to the coming of the United States Marine Band from Washington, despite the fact that a special was sent out from Washington that the band would come. However, it seems that the presence of the band will be one of the features. The Raleigh and Southport Railway Company is the first to notify the management that special rates and special trains will be put on to handle the crowds for the unveiling. It is expected, though, that all the railroads will comply with the request.

Miss Hoskins' Free Demonstration.

Miss Hoskins, representing the National Food Company will be at the Crittenton home tomorrow afternoon at four o'clock to give a free demonstration of the products of the company. Following this demonstration the management will give a five course luncheon and take a silver offering for the benefit of the Home. It is earnestly hoped that a large number of ladies will attend.

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