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A 30-Day Shut Down In All Yarn Spinning Mills Is Proposed

If the Market Has Not Improved Within This Period An Extra 30-Days Shut-down is To Go Into Effect.

Mill Men From All Over The South Are Present Representing Two And a Quarter Millions Of Spindles.

The meetings of the Hard and Soft Yarn Spinners' associations and of the North Carolina Manufacturers' association to consider the situation of the market and the question of possible curtailment or shut-down are being held here today. The soft yarn spinners are meeting at the Selwyn the hard yarn spinners at the Buford and the committee of the state cotton manufacturers at the Manufacturers' club. A joint meeting is being held at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

The opinion of the hard yarn spinners as expressed freely in the hotel lobbies and on the streets is that a 30-day shut-down is under present conditions most advisable. If at the end of that time the markets have not responded, then to continue the shut-down an extra 30 days.

The failure of the yarn market to respond to the upward movement in cotton brings the spinners face to face with the problem of either stopping or curtailing at a decided loss. The question of holding the help together of course comes in but this becomes of secondary importance in but this becomes of several hundreds of dollars has to be raised every day.

No Advance in Hosiery Arms.
The hard and soft yarn spinners were in session after dinner, neither having reached any definite plan of action. The soft yarn spinners are in the same condition as the hard yarn spinners. While inquiries for hosiery yarns have increased slightly during the past week there has been no advance in prices offered and the acceptance of orders on the present basis means continuing out behind the actual cost of production.

A few of the mills which have some future business on hand will object to a shut-down but it is being urged that these consent to follow the plan outlined as soon as orders booked are filled. If this is done the moral effect would be the same as if the entire membership of the association should agree to an immediate close for 30 days.

The Joint Meeting.
The executive committee of the North Carolina Cotton Manufacturers' association at its meeting at the Manufacturers' club acted on only routine business. Most of the members of this association are members of the yarn spinning association and will be present at the joint meeting this afternoon.

This joint meeting will act upon the recommendations of the two yarn spinning bodies. The members are gathering for this meeting as The News goes to press.

Whatever action is taken will be backed by virtually the unanimous cooperation of 2,250,000 spindles in the south, producing all grades of yarns.

Mill Men Here.
Among the leading mill and commission men present are:

At the Buford: E. D. Tennahill, of New York; Chas. Meyer, representing T. Ashby Blyth, of New York; Leonard Paulson, of Paulson, Linkner & Co.; Jas. E. Mitchell, of Jas. E. Mitchell & Co., New York and Philadelphia; all commission men. D. W. Jenkins, King's Mountain; Henry Moss, King's Mountain; A. L. Byrd, Columbia; J. G. Wardlaw, Yorkville, S. C.; D. James Whit, Sumter, S. C.; T. A. Shipp, Jr.

Tifton, Ga.; J. M. Williams, King's Mountain; Jno. C. Rankin, Lenoir; R. S. Reinhardt, Lincolnton; W. H. Sumner, Stanley; A. E. Jenkins, Stanley; J. M. Roberts, Lincolnton; A. P. Rhyne, Mt. Holly; D. R. Mauney, Cherryville; J. L. Choat, North Carolina; F. O. Rogers, Concord; A. S. Howell, Ellenboro; J. C. Plonk, Cherokee Falls; A. B. Brannon, Union, S. C.; J. A. Mastin, Hickory; Lynn B. Williamson, Burlington; E. H. Williamson, Fayetteville; B. S. Robertson, Haw River; L. H. Long, Roxboro; H. M. Boshamer, Statesville; F. H. Chamberlain, Mt. Airy; J. F. Pennington, Raeford.

At the Selwyn: W. Stackhouse, Marion, S. C.; J. Jao, R. Tolar, Fayetteville, S. C.; K. J. Davis, Goldsboro; J. T. Taylor, Kinston; Paul Barringer, Mt. Pleasant; E. A. Thompson, Pell City, Ala.; J. L. Hartwell, Concord; W. J. McLeaden, Jr., Marshall; L. D. Tyson, Knoxville, Tenn.; J. A. Abernethy, Lincolnton; T. D. Lattimer and A. C. Miller, Shelby; J. P. McRae, Laurinburg; James C. Reid, Meridian, Miss.; L. L. Staton, Tarboro; Frank Wood, Edenton; Thos. T. Candler, Selma, N. C.

Thinks Docks And Dams Of Canal Are All O. K.

By Associated Press.
Washington, D. C., Jan. 18.—Col. Goethals, chairman of the Isthmian Canal Commission, resumed testimony before the Senate Canal Committee today, giving it as his opinion that all of the docks and dams were going to be absolutely safe and capable of use in passing the largest vessel in the world through the canal.

Width of Docks.
Col. Goethals considered 110 feet sufficient width for the locks, saying if they were made wider it would be necessary to widen all the dry docks in the world.

As Regards Importation Of Liquor in States

By Associated Press.
Washington, D. C., Jan. 18.—The Senate Committee on Judiciary took up today the various prohibition measures before it and heard Senator Tillman on his bill regulating the importation of liquor into one state from another. He argued that it was competent for Congress to take in hand this question and regulated it to the control of the states as a federal power.

Mr. Tillman's Opinion.
Senator Tillman begged the committee not to delay in reporting the bill. "Get it into the senate," he urged and let the senate deal with it." Asked to discuss the wisdom of the measure he declined saying that "any student of human affairs will tell you that whiskey is the most potent as well as the most prolific cause of crime and misery in operation in this or any other country," and he believed it necessary to invoke the power of federal government to perfect the regulation of traffic in states which already have acted in that direction.

Fatal Wreck Near Raleigh

By Associated Press.
Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 18.—As a result of a head-on collision at Cameron, 54 miles south of Raleigh, between a Seaboard Air Line freight and an abundant fast passenger train No. 84, two were killed and 20 injured, none seriously.

Engineer Vaughan and a negro fireman, on the passenger train, were killed. Both were from Raleigh.

The collision is attributed to trouble with airbrakes on the extra freight and to complicated train orders, with no blame to the train dispatcher.

Buenos Ayers to Give Fleet a Warm Welcome

By Associated Press.
Rio Janeiro, Jan. 18.—Irving B. Dudley, American ambassador, has received a dispatch from the Argentine minister of foreign affairs, saying the government is preparing to receive the American torpedo boat flotilla at Buenos Ayres with befitting ceremony of welcome.

The government is gratified that the vessels are coming to the Argentine port and it will be glad again to give evidence of the friendship which unite the two republics.

Big Increase In Cash In New York Banks

By Associated Press.
New York, Jan. 18.—The statement of the clearing house banks for the week shows that the banks held \$22,633,475 more than the requirements of 25 per cent reserve rule. This is an increase of \$16,551,425 in portionate cash reserve, as compared with last week. The tremendous flow of cash from the banks throughout the country to New York city banks was indicated by the bank statement which showed an increase of \$26,185,800 in the amount of cash held by the New York clearing house institutions.

This increase in cash is not thought to be a record one but it is believed to approach within a few millions of the largest increases ever recorded in a single week in this city.

To Stop Shanghaing.

By Associated Press.
Washington, D. C., Jan. 18.—The officials of the Navy Department have determined to stop, if possible the practice of certain oyster drogers in Chesapeake Bay of "shanghaing" enlisted men of the United States Navy. A flagrant case of this kind has just been investigated by the naval authorities. It developed that the seaman apprentice, attached to the receiving ship Franklin, at Norfolk navy yard while in Norfolk was drugged and carried aboard the schooner Marion of Chestertown, Md. At the instance of the navy department a revenue cutter was sent after the Marion and arrested master, who was held for action of the grand jury of the Eastern district of Virginia.

Condition of Pope.

By Associated Press.
Rome, Italy, Jan. 18.—Pope Pius this morning was visited by his private physician, Dr. Pettaeci, who found him in better health, but the physician insisted that the Pope continue to rest. Because of this, audiences arranged for today were suspended and the Pope only received the papal secretary of state, Cardinal Merry del Val, and Man. Bissetti, major domo of the Vatican. The reception took place in Pope Pius' bedroom.

Bad Fire in Wisconsin.

By Associated Press.
Janesville, Wis., Jan. 18.—The fire which destroyed the Julius Marquette warehouse caused a loss of between \$150,000 and \$200,000 to the tobacco which was stored in the cases.

The "Mystic Five" were victorious in last night's basketball contest at the Y. M. C. A. The Southerners being defeated by the score of 25 to 13. Roughness throughout characterized the game. Bennett for the Mystics played a good game.

Cotton Receipts.

The receipts of cotton on the local platform today were 121 bales at 12 1/2 cents against 168 bales at 10 1/2 cents last year.

The D. A. R.'s are beginning work with a view to their entertainment to be held within two or three weeks. They will start rehearsals within a few days. The purpose is to raise money to raise the North Carolina colonial column in the Continental Hall at Washington.

The Ohio State Tennis Association has ordered a \$250 trophy for Miss May Sutton to replace the one which recently disappeared after she won the tri-state championship.

JURY FINDS JOHN A. WALSH GUILTY BANK WRECKING

Jury Finds Him Guilty of Misappropriation of Funds of Chicago National Bank—Penalty Five Years or More.

Juror Burst Into Tears as Verdict Was Rendered—Effort For New Trial—Walsh Out On \$50,000 Bond.

By Associated Press.
Chicago, Ill., Jan. 18.—John H. Walsh, president of the defunct Chicago National Bank today was found guilty on 54 counts of misappropriating funds of that institution.

The jury reached an agreement shortly after 2 o'clock this morning but the verdict was not announced until court convened.

The penalty under the law for the crime is imprisonment for not less than five years.

It does not permit the substitute of a fine for the prison term.

The original indictments contained 182 counts. Defendants were sustained as to 12 leaving 150 upon which the jury were required to pass.

Walsh was in the court room and received the verdict with very little show of emotion. On the contrary one of the jurors, burst into tears as he took his seat in the jury box and was so overcome during the proceedings that he was scarcely able to answer the clerk when asked if the finding represented his view as to the guilt of the defendant.

A formal motion for a new trial was made. Walsh remains at liberty on \$50,000 bond.

How Long Must He Serve? The misapplication of approximately \$1,000,000 was the act of which the jury found the defendant guilty. The maximum penalty of ten years in each of the 54 counts relating to this act, would make it possible for the judge to impose a sentence of 540 years in the penitentiary.

GOAL DISCOVERED NEAR GREENVILLE

By Associated Press.
Greenville, S. C., Jan. 18.—On the lands of R. Mayes Cleveland, near this city, Dr. G. F. Lee, the geologist, has discovered several veins of coal, in addition to rich finds of cement stone and corundum.

Dr. Lee says he finds here the same geological formation that exists in the Trenton, O. district, where are located gas and oil properties of considerable magnitude.

A thorough survey of this property will be made at once, and preparations are now under way for sinking a shaft and shooting several wells.

A. C. L. Joins In Compromise

By Associated Press.
Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 18.—Statements here last night are to the effect that the Atlantic Coast Line has finally consented to agree to all the terms of the railroad rate agreement suggested by Governor Glenn, both for intrastate and interstate passenger traffic, and will not resist the right of the state to make rates.

This was the last road holding off.

Geo. L. Billips And Wife Killed In Auto. Wreck

By Associated Press.
Baltimore, Md., Jan. 18.—George L. Billips, proprietor of the Billips hotel, Park Heights and Heyward avenues, and his wife, were instantly killed early this morning by being thrown from an automobile.

New Incorporations

Special to The News.
Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 18.—A charter was issued to the Grace Hospital of Morganton today, Walter and Mary H. Hughson, Waynesville; and E. W. Phifer, Morganton, are the incorporators.

The charter of Gorbutt Buggy Co., Henderson, was amended so as to increase the capital stock to \$50,000. A. C. Zollhofer is president.

Adjutant-General Robertson issues a commission to C. E. Mosteller, first Lieut. Co. D, First Infantry, Charlotte.

General Conference Of Sub-Board at City Hall

A special conference of all members of the subordinate boards of the city with the board of aldermen will be held at the city hall tonight for the purpose of discussing the plan to petition the legislature to amend the city charter in order to do away with the conflicting commissions.

The proposition is to dispense with every board except the board of aldermen and instead of those minor commissions to appoint three substantial business men at a good salary to run the affairs that have been falling to three sub-boards. It is proposed to continue the board which will probably be known as the board of public commissions consisting of the Mayor and one man, who will be known as the commissioner of incomes and disbursements another as the commissioner of public safety and the third as the commissioner of public service.

The public is invited to be present tonight.

SNATCHED PURSE.

Negro Made Bold Attack on Miss Griswold on South Tryon Street.
Miss Iola Griswold, of No. 307 South McDowell street, was the victim of a purse snatcher early this morning while passing the alley between the Charlotte Steam Laundry and J. N. McClelland & Company. Her assailant was a young negro boy, who, when Miss Griswold came opposite the alley, darted out and made a desperate effort to grab her purse. She fought the boy with a parasol until he took to his heels.

Man's Wife Implicated.

Mrs. Sarah Gregory, the wife of Zook Gregory, who was killed at his home near Davidson on Thursday supposedly by his son Dan, has been brought here and placed in jail with her son and his wife, Lily, as being implicated in the murder.

The verdict of the coroner's jury was that Gregory came to his death with some blunt instrument in the hands of Dan Gregory, his son.

The Gregories have not as yet employed counsel, and all deny having anything to do with the death of the old man, the particulars of whose murder was told in The News of yesterday.

General Officers Here.

Several of the officers of the General Fire Extinguisher Company, which has lately completed a mammoth plant here, are in the city on a tour of inspection. The officers are President F. H. Maynard, Vice-President Russel Grinnell, Mechanical Superintendent J. C. Meloon, Assistant Superintendent F. E. Maynard, of Providence plant, and Mr. Henry A. Carpenter, all of Providence, R. I.

Fines Big Company.

By Associated Press.
Topeka, Kan., Jan. 18.—Judge Dana assessed a fine of \$16,000 against the International Harvester Company today of which the court found it guilty of violating the Kansas Anti-Trust Law.

Given Up as Dead Miners Fought Fire in Mine And Reached Open Air

Southern Makes Changes In Main Line Schedules

Effective tomorrow morning the Southern Railway Company will make several important changes in the schedules of trains on the main line. Train No. 43, which has heretofore handled the Charlotte and Atlanta sleeper, will leave Washington at 11 o'clock in the morning, arriving in Charlotte behind No. 35 which gets here at 9:35 p. m. This train will not carry passengers and will be made strictly a mail train. It has been arriving at 8:20 p. m. Train No. 44 will handle the Charlotte and Atlanta sleeper north bound and train No. 39 which leaves here at 7:55 a. m., will handle the sleeper south bound.

The most important change is that of No. 29 which heretofore has been leaving Charlotte at 10:10 p. m. Under the new schedule the train will not leave Charlotte until sometime between 2 and 4 o'clock in the morning. The change was made in view of the decision of the road not to operate the Palm Limited and No. 29 will handle, in a measure, the Florida traffic.

Harry Day And Others Arraigned by Government

By Associated Press.
Boise, Idaho, Jan. 18.—Alleging fraud in obtaining possession of the Leonard mining claim in Coeur d'Alenes, Idaho, the United States yesterday filed suit against Harry Day, one of the owners of the Hercules Mine; Edward H. Moffitt, president of the hardware company at Wallace; J. Morse, of Chicago, president of the Youngstown Steel Company, and R. K. Neill, capitalist, of Spokane.

The allegations are sensational and the prominence of the people will make the suit a notable one.

Revenue Officers Destroy Three Still

Special to The News.
Greensboro, N. C., Jan. 18.—Revenue Officers W. W. Harkins and S. A. Sides returned last night from Durham and report the destruction of three illicit stills near Rougemont.

One of the stills was of ninety gallons capacity and another of seventy-five gallons. The stills had been removed from the furnaces and no beer was found.

One moonshiner was arrested and gave bond for his appearance before the United States commissioner.

Greenville Concern Falls.

By Associated Press.
Greenville, S. C., Jan. 18.—The Malard Lumber Company, of Greenville, yesterday made application for a receiver. Liabilities are \$64,000; assets, \$22,000. The concern manufactures bobbins and dressed lumber.

New Turn in Druce Case

By Associated Press.
London, Jan. 18.—The Druce case promises to bring in the spring aftermath of the sensational charges of perjury against several persons connected with the hearings. A witness in the case who calls herself Miss Robinson was arrested last night, and brought up in police court today.

Chief inspector of the Scotland Yard asserted that instead of being a spinster, the daughter of a Virginia planter, she was in reality the daughter of a London policeman. On the stand this woman testified she had been brought from America by Charles Dickens to act as secretary to the Duke of Portland and T. C. Druce. The prisoner was remanded.

Most Frightful Experience Body of Miners Ever Had Reported From Western Pennsylvania Mine.

By Associated Press.
Monongahela, Pa., Jan. 18.—Miraculously escaping death by cremation, or suffocation, or being blown to pieces by explosion, 40 miners, employed in the Cathburg mine of the Monongahela River Consolidated Coal and Coke Company made their way through dark headings for a distance of seven miles and finally reached open air.

For Five Hours Forty Men Fought Flames And Groped in Dark Mine For Seven Miles To Safety.

Without lights to guide them and given up as dead, the men battled for five hours with fire and when they reached the surface their faces were blackened, clothes torn and all were severely bruised from stumbling in their flight for safety.

Fortunately the mine contained very little gas, or another mine disaster would have been recorded in Western Pennsylvania.

The experience is probably the most frightful a body of coal miners has ever had.

BOSTON NATIONALS COMING.

They Will Play a Game With Davidson April 2nd.

The management of the Boston National baseball team has written to Mr. W. T. Corwith, secretary of the Greater Charlotte Club, asking him to secure a date for the team for an exhibition game on April 2nd.

Mr. Corwith has taken the matter up with the management of the Davidson College team, and it is very probable that a game will be arranged, as the Davidson team has signified its willingness to play.

The Boston manager writes that, if he can not get some team to play that he will stop in Charlotte and play a game any way, by dividing his players into two teams.

The baseball fans of the city will welcome this news, as it will give them a chance to see the greatest baseball experts in the world at practice.

JAPAN DENIES STORY.

No Sinister Designs Entertained by Japanese Naval Administration.

Tokio, Japan, Jan. 18.—Reports attributing sinister designs to the Japanese naval administration in connection with the Pacific squadron are absolutely unfounded.

Vice Admiral Saito, minister of the navy, in an interview with the Associated Press, said:

"We have no secrets concerning our fleet. Daily reports are handed naval attaches, showing the whereabouts of every vessel which can be easily ascertained." He added: "In view of the sensational reports emanating from various quarters, we desire emphatically to say that no vessel of the Japanese fleet is any nearer the Pacific coast of America than Yokosuka."

Chadwick and Hoskins Notes.

Mr. A. C. Cathey is building a home next to Mr. Amzi Hoover's.

Mrs. M. C. Mayhew is building a two-story dwelling in the community. The night schools have opened very promisingly. On the first night there were 20 enrolled at each of the two mills, and others have entered since.

PICTORIAL COMMENT ON TOPICS OF LIVE INTEREST

