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MATTERS BEFORE THE STATE LEGISLATURE

SUFFRAGE, HOTEL INSPECTION, PATENT MEDICINES, ETC.

POKED AT THE HOTEL BILL

Neither House Will Meet Till 3 O'clock p. m.—A "Frying-Size" Flood Keeps the Legislators Indoors.—Much Favorable Comment Is Being Heard on the Proposal of the Roberts Bill to Grant Municipal Suffrage to Women, But the Chief Interest Centers on the Educational Fight on Wednesday.—Three Kinds Legislation Proposed.

(Special to The Tribune)
Raleigh, Jan. 29.—With neither house of the General Assembly meeting till 3 o'clock this afternoon a frying-size flood keeping everybody indoors, legislative circles on the surface are quiet this morning as a hen is about to lay an egg. Huddling in cotundas and lobbies, however, legislature gave themselves over to the dreary contemplation of the weather and the week's work.

Suffrage, hotel inspection, open formula for patent medicines, and education are subjects uppermost. A good bit of fun is being poked at the hotel bill, which has the endorsement of the Travellers' Protective Association. Opponents of the measure say it is drastic and prohibits the use of one towel by more than one person, the serving of the same more than once, and the waiter putting more than one finger in the soup.

Much favorable comment is heard on the proposal of the Roberts bill to grant municipal suffrage to women, but chief interest centers in the educational fight of Wednesday. Three kinds of legislation will be proposed: The election of county boards by the counties, their appointment by a central commission to be created, and their commissioning by the Governor after being nominated by county Democratic primaries.

Senator Person, of Franklin county, who is 300 pounds of vim, vigor and voice, spent the week end at home preparing for an offensive, the like of which has not been seen since the Kaiser crossed the Marne. He favors election by counties.

DENIES ALL OF TOM LAWSON'S CHARGES

Pliny Fisk, of Harvey Fisk & Son, Denies the Whole Business.

(By The Associated Press)
New York, Jan. 29.—Denial of all of Thomas W. Lawson's charges against them, particularly his alleged association with Secretary McAdoo and Wall Street deals was made today before the "leak" investigation committee by Pliny Fisk, of Harvey Fisk & Son, New York bankers.

Fisk denied that he ever had a joint Wall Street account with McAdoo and a senator "O." that he had told Archibald White or anyone else that he controlled Secretary McAdoo, and that he had received advance information regarding President Wilson recent peace note.

Asked if his firm had ever enjoyed any advantages in transactions with the Treasury Department, Fisk replied negatively. He admitted that after suggesting to Secretary McAdoo that offices in a building his firm owned, would be suitable for a Federal Reserve Bank, he had leased the offices to the Government.

In closing his testimony, Fisk said he still thought Lawson's statement probably was the result of a "disordered brain," and several criticized him for dragging the name of Harvey Fisk & Son into the inquiry. "Lawson should be taken at his word," Fisk said, "and placed behind bars on basis of perjury when he wantonly handled the name of a reputable citizen. If his statement is the result of a disordered brain, as it appears to be, perhaps the good Lord will take care of it in his own way."

Lawson, it developed today, has been ordered to remain in touch with the committee as he may be recalled at any time.

Will Follow Kaiser Through Thick and Thin.

London, Jan. 27.—German newspapers, says an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from The Hague, publish leaders on the Emperor's birthday, expressing loyalty and promising that Germans will follow the Emperor through thick and thin until the end of the great war. The hope also is expressed that this certainly will be the Emperor's last war birthday.

MT. PLEASANT BASKETBALL TEAM ROLLS UP SCORE OF 131

M. P. C. I. Quint Defeats Winecoff High School, Concord High School, and the Howell High School.

Mt. Pleasant, Jan. 29.—The Mt. Pleasant basketball team rolled up a score of 131 to 34 within twenty-four hours. By a score of 48 to 10 the cadets defeated the Winecoff High School at Winecoff Friday afternoon. Both teams played a fast game; but the goal shooting of Schenk, L. V., and Mahler, W. A., were the outstanding features of the game.

In the C. H. S.-M. P. C. I. the cadets were again victors in an exciting game played on the local floor Friday night. The end of the first half found Mount Pleasant leading 17 to 11, but the end of the second half found Concord trailing behind by a score of 41 to 20. Mahler and Schenk lead in shooting, while the guarding of Schenk, J. E., and Bost, W. B., proved to be too much for the locals. Sappenfield and Miller played a good game for the locals.

The Howell High School team met the cadets at Mt. Pleasant on Saturday at 2:30, but were unable to shoot a field goal against the weary team of the day before. The visitors played a good team but they lacked practice in goal shooting. The score was 42 to 4. Mahler Bros. and Schenk, L. V., featured for the locals.

COTTON RISE FOLLOWS DECLINE FIRST OF WEEK

Ocean Freight Uneasiness and Political Conditions Responsible for Price Drop.

New York, Jan. 28.—Uneasiness over ocean freight and political conditions seemed chiefly responsible for a sharp decline in the cotton market at the beginning of the week. After selling off to 16.55 for May contracts on Monday, however, the tone became May touching 17.42 today. This recovery of about \$4.25 per bale from the early week decline was attributed to a sharper demand from trade sources.

Continued full clearance seemed to relieve nervousness over the ocean freight situation to some extent, while the rally also was promoted by small ginning returns and reports of continued firmness in Southern spot markets. The demand from exporters was reported to be falling off during the middle of the week, but some improvement was said to have taken place in the demand from domestic spinners and the trade here has been paying more attention to the statistical position.

At the present rate of distribution some authorities figure that the carry-over at the end of this season will be very moderate and such forecasts have been considered largely responsible for the advance. Rumors that the British Government has been canvassing Lancashire spinners in order to determine the amount of cotton that they will absolutely require for the remainder of the season local traders believe that the British imports would be held to a minimum for the balance of the season but also that steps would be taken to provide adequate facilities for necessities.

Favorable rains have been reported in some sections of the South but renewed complaints of dry weather were beginning to reach here from the Southwest.

FRANKLIN SAFFORD IS FOUND GUILTY OF PERJURY

Had Sworn That J. W. Osborne Was "Oliver" Osborne Who Accompanied Rae Tanzer.

New York, Jan. 27.—A jury in federal district court, after deliberating 10 hours, returned a verdict at 10 o'clock tonight finding Franklin D. Safford guilty of perjury when he swore that James W. Osborne, former assistant district attorney, was the "Oliver" Osborne who accompanied Miss Rae Tanzer to a Plainfield, N. J., hotel.

The jury recommended mercy for Safford, who previously had been convicted and sentenced to a term in prison, but was granted a new trial. The present trial began January 8.

White Man Under Arrest at Sanford May Be Furr.

Albemarle, Jan. 28.—Sheriff G. D. Blalock received news yesterday from Sanford to the effect that the authorities at that place had in custody a party suspected at being Kirk Furr, who shot and killed Policeman W. G. Suggs at Norwood several days ago. The sheriff boarded the next outgoing train for Sanford to get his man, provided he should turn out to be the right one. No word from him has reached here yet.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to thank all our friends for their many acts of kindness during the illness and death of our loved one. MR. AND MRS. N. W. MURPH AND FAMILY.

SPIRITED FIGHTING IN THE VARIOUS AREAS

MOST NOTABLE ON NORTH END OF RUMANIAN LINE

SEVERE WEATHER ON ALL FRONTS

Russians Broke Through the German Lines on Saturday on Two Mile Front, But Are Not Able to Advance Further Today.—Activities Also on the French-Belgian Front. Probability of Offensive Movement by Germans in Alsace Suggested.—The British Front in France is Also a Lively Sector.—British Capture Important Position.

(By The Associated Press)
Despite the severe weather reported from nearly all European battle fronts spirited fighting is taking place in several war areas.

The most notable recent development is on the northern end of the Rumanian line where the Russians took the offensive on Saturday and broke through the Austro-German lines on a two-mile front. Efforts have been made by the Russians, after heavy artillery fire, to advance further in this region, but according to today's German official statement, the Russian forces are unable to make any progress.

The Russians also are on the offensive in the Zlots Lipa region in Galicia, where their campaign for Lemberg paused some months ago. Berlin declares that the Turkish troops have beaten off the assault made by strong masses of Russians.

The French-Belgian front also is breaking out into activity at many points. Berlin reports persistent efforts by the French to recapture their lost position at hill 304 northwest of Verdun. A surprise attack that failed was followed by three others, but these are declared to have been broken down.

The probability that an offensive movement in Alsace was in contemplation by the Germans is suggested by today's report of further evidences of pronounced activity in this sector.

Numerous patrol clashes there are recorded in the French statement, while in one case something more than a raid was attempted. Paris says, an advance being made on one of the French trenches at Hartmanns-Weilerkopf. This, according to Paris, was easily beaten back. Berlin, however, announced that it resulted in the capture of 35 prisoners and a machine gun.

The British front in France is also a lively sector. The reported capture by the British late last week of an important position near Le Transloy was followed by fresh assaults delivered by British troops north of Arras. These failed with severe losses, according to Berlin, while southwest of Le Transloy the Germans captured a British post.

Russians Take Prisoners.

Petrograd, via London, Jan. 29.—During Saturday's battle, northeast of Jacobeni on the northern end of the Rumanian front, the Russian troops captured 30 officers and more than 1,000 men, the war office announced today.

PAPER PRINT REPORT TO BE MADE THIS WEEK

Federal Trade Commission Report to Be Made to Congress.

(By The Associated Press)
Washington, Jan. 29.—The Federal Trade Commission reports on its new print paper investigation probably will be made to Congress late this week. Final agreement on legislation to be recommended, and a report on the Canadian situation, it was learned today, are all that stand in the way of its completion. Commissioner Parry will return from Ottawa tonight with information on measures contemplated by Canadian officials. The commission's law board will put before it for approval shortly recommendation for legislation designed to prevent a similar paper shortage in the future.

Philadelphia Papers Raise Price.

Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 29.—All Philadelphia newspapers that have been selling at one cent today increased their price to two cents a copy: The high cost of news print paper and other materials entering into the making of a newspaper is given as the cause for the increase.

Gardner and Lawson will be at the Strand all this week, with attractive vaudeville features. Good pictures precede the vaudeville.

CAMPAIGN CANDIDATES ARE ENTERING FAST

LIST OF NOMINEES IN AUTO CONTEST IS GROWING.

CAMPAIGN WILL BE A SHORT ONE

Less Than Seven Weeks Until Chevrolet and Baby Grand Piano and Other Valuable Prizes are Presented to Winners.—The Campaign is Young—Anyone May Win.—Everyone Will be Paid for His or Her Time.—Managers Office in the Tribune and Times Business Office and is Open From 8 a. m. Until 8 p. m.—Call Upon Him for Details.

On Monday last the Tribune and Times officially opened to the public a Great "5,000 Club" Circulation Campaign. This campaign will be something entirely new and unique to the public of Concord and vicinity. The campaign will be very interesting and instructive to everyone.

The details of the campaign are based upon the announced policy of The Tribune and Times—Honorable service to the reading public. With The Tribune and Times, this campaign is first of all a business proposition. Even the most confirmed optimist would hardly expect The Tribune and Times to give away a small fortune in valuable prizes without some sort of a return on the investment. Therefore, the first and foremost object of the campaign is a special advertising campaign of its own, with a secondary object of increased circulation, naturally.

There you have the secret of the "5,000 Club" circulation campaign. You should not confound this campaign with a prize contest. It is not a prize contest in any sense of the word. There can be no comparison, for there are no two identical features to compare. The rules of the campaign appear elsewhere. They are worked out on a business basis and must be lived up to throughout the campaign. There is no lottery or chance feature to this campaign. The members of the campaign simply become employees of the Tribune and Times for the time being. Everyone who does not win a prize will be paid ten per cent. commission on every dollar they collect, while in the employ of the Tribune and Times. As it is worth more money than others, according to ability and energy.

All receive the same amount of co-operation from this office, all receive the same compensation as a basis for their efforts, no matter what time they become members of the "5,000 Club" campaign.

How to Enter.

There is nothing hard to understand about entering or in fact winning. There is a nomination blank on another page which counts 5000 votes, when properly filled out and sent or brought to the campaign manager at the Tribune and Times office. Fill this blank out and send it in, and the manager will be glad to explain all the little details of the campaign to you. As soon as you have nominated yourself, or have been nominated by a friend, you will need to start saving the vote coupons which appear in today's issue. You should also ask all your friends and acquaintances to save these coupons for you. In addition to these coupons, all money paid on subscriptions to the Tribune and Times will count votes for you, according to the schedule.

Ask all the people you know to subscribe to THE TRIBUNE or THE TIMES with you. Then collect the money right on the spot and bring it to the Campaign manager, who will give you votes for it, which will be good anytime during the campaign. The manager also has at his office special receipt books and vote blanks for your convenience. These are all free. Contest manager is at his office from 8 a. m. until 8 p. m.

ARRESTED FOR ATTEMPTING TO WRECK KING'S TRAIN

Identified as Deserter From Regiment Stationed at Malaga.

(By The Associated Press)
Madrid, Spain, via Paris, Jan. 29.—A man was arrested for the alleged attempt to wreck King Alphonso's train, and has been identified as a deserter from the regiment stationed at Malaga. According to some reports, the bars of lead found on the tracks had fallen, or were stolen from a freight train returning from the mine at Linares, and their presence in the path of the royal train was purely accidental.

TO WELCOME SOLDIERS

Card From Mayor Who Wants City to Welcome Soldiers Home From Border.

Mr. Editor: Inasmuch as the arrival of Co. I. is only a week or ten days distant and no steps have been taken toward giving the boys a welcome, permit me, as mayor of Concord, to call upon the Daughters of the Confederacy, Daughters of the Revolution, the Civic League, the King's Daughters and other organizations and any one else interested in giving our soldier boys a royal welcome, to meet at the library tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock to arrange a programme.

Charlotte, Gastonia and other cities have already begun planning for this home-coming of their soldier boys, and the people of Concord should not be behind our sister cities in appreciation of these young men who have answered their country's call at great personal sacrifice. I call upon our citizens to unite in making this reception an event to be proud of. C. A. TSENGHOUR, Mayor, January 29, 1917.

SALISBURY POLICE MAKE WHISKEY RAID

Two Youths From This City Caught.—Two Others Caught.—Tried Saturday.

Salisbury, Jan. 27.—Policemen Mingis and Hall, before day this morning, took charge of four suit cases that were being handled from an automobile to a local hotel. They also took charge of four men, a fifth one making a get-away. The men arrested were: W. A. Benson, of Spencer; Lige Broadway of Salisbury, and William Kestler and Vaude Harris, of Concord. The suit cases contained 81 pints and 11 quarts of whiskey.

The men were given a hearing in county court today and all were found guilty of transporting liquor. Fines ranged from \$20 to \$100. Benson was also found guilty of having liquor for sale. Notice of appeal was given by each defendant. The Whiskey was ordered poured out.

THE WHEAT MARKET.

Price Advanced Sharply Today, Due to the Kaiser's War Manifesto.

(By The Associated Press)
Chicago, Jan. 29.—Wheat advanced sharply today owing to a large measure to Emperor William's war manifesto, and to consequent disappearance of peace rumors. Opening quotations, which ranged from 2 to 4 3/4 higher, with May at 177 1/2 to 179 3/4 and July at 150 to 151 were followed by moderate downturns, and then a fresh advance.

Miss Nellie Vinson Entertains at Badin.

Badin, N. C., Jan. 28.—Miss Nellie Vinson entertained several of her friends at an informal party Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. J. D. Monroe. The young folks were delightfully entertained for several hours by playing "old fashioned games," after which delicious refreshments were served. Those enjoying Miss Vinson's hospitality were: Misses Blanche Sutter, Louise Harper, Lois Trotter, Mattie Hyde, Catherine Longhrey; Messrs. P. E. Book, F. C. Arthur, L. T. Venney, Thos. Ham, C. R. Yountz, W. J. Newblings, J. M. Janitsek.

Mr. Kerrigan Changes Date of His Appearance in Charlotte.

Charlotte Observer.

J. Warren Kerrigan telegraphed here yesterday that he would not be able to get to Charlotte until Monday, February 5, instead of Saturday, the 3rd, as previously announced. He will meet the patrons of the Broadway, at a public reception there, and shake hands with his numerous admirers, after which he will accompany members of the Southern Dramatic League to Myers Park, where a section of the screen will be made of "Down in Old Carolina."

Albemarle Citizen Will Give Land Free.

Albemarle, Jan. 26.—S. H. Hearne, who owns several hundred acres of land just south of Albemarle, announces that he will donate sites for manufacturing enterprises desiring to locate in this place free of charge. Mr. Hearne is a booster and wants to see Albemarle grow. Some of the finest sites for manufacturing plants in this section of the State are to be had on Mr. Hearne's land, a large portion of which lies between the Southern Railway and the Winsfons-Salem Southbound Railroad.

The Danville police have arrested a negro thought to be Arthur Ivory, wanted here for murder. The negro, however, says his name is Rice, and while here worked for the Southern Cotton Oil Mill Company. It is known that a negro of that name did work for this company, and it is thought the negro held in Danville is not Ivory.

TROOPS ARE BEING WITHDRAWN RAPIDLY

ALL WILL HAVE CROSSED BORDER WITHIN A WEEK

GUARDSMEN TO BE RELEASED SOON

The Withdrawal of Pershing's Column is Proceeding Without Hitch.

—Army Officials Say That the Sending of the Pershing Expedition into Mexico Has Been of Great Value, Not Only in the Matter of Hardening the Troops but Also in Bringing About Much Needed Improvements and in More Needed Consideration from Congress.

(By The Associated Press)
Washington, Jan. 29.—The withdrawal of American troops from Mexico, under Major General Pershing, was said today to be proceeding without hitch.

It is expected here that all of the 12,000 men comprising the expedition will have crossed the border within a week, and at least a part of the remaining 50,000 guardsmen doing patrol duty may be released shortly thereafter.

Army officers here point out great value of Pershing's expedition from a military standpoint not only as hardening the troops, but also in bringing about much needed improvements and still more needed consideration from Congress and the country.

When Pershing went into Mexico, for instance, the army had but two truck companies, of 27 trucks each. Now it has more than 2,000 trucks of modern design. Likewise, the great increase in army aviation strength said to be due largely to the needs shown by the expedition.

THE COTTON MARKET.

Off About 20 Points Today.—Market Rallies And Then Breaks Again.

(By The Associated Press)
New York, Jan. 29.—The cotton market today opened at a decline of 4 to 12 points, and present crop delivery sold 20 to 21 points net lower right after call, while new crop worked about 12 to 14 points net lower. The tone then steadied around 17.41 for May and there were rallies of 16 or 12 points, but this bulge seemed to meet increase offerings, and the market broke again before the end of the first hour, with May selling off to 17.33 or about 24 to 30 points net lower.

Cotton futures opened steady: March, 17.42; May, 17.50; July, 17.45; October, 16.50; December, 16.60.

ATTEMPT MADE ON THE LIFE OF KING ALFONSO.

Spot Chosen for Derailment of Royal Train Particularly Favorable.

Madrid, via Paris, Jan. 28.—An attempt was made today to wreck a train on which King Alfonso was a passenger. The royal train was preceded by a freight train, the engineer of which saw an obstacle on the track and removed it. Neither the royal train nor the freight suffered damage. The spot chosen for the derailment of the royal train, near Granada, and Alusia was a particularly favorable one, as the road begins to run down-grade. The police have arrested 2 men, one of whom was found code letters from Barcelona.

DIBASTROUS FIRE IN BOSTON EARLY TODAY

Damage Estimated at \$350,000.—Fire Started in Center of Wholesale Dry Goods District.

(By The Associated Press)
Boston, Mass., Jan. 29.—Fire engines from the residential districts were called in to assist the downtown firemen early today in the hardest fight of many months, the fire destroyed the 5-story building at Channey street and Exeter Place. The loss is estimated at \$350,000. Fire was in the center of the wholesale dry goods section.

The following were appointed by Concord Presbytery to install the new pastor of Cannonville Church tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock: Rev. T. H. Spence, of Rocky River, to preach and propound the constitutional questions; Rev. H. F. Beaty to charge the pastor and Elder H. I. Woodhouse to charge the people. These services will be at Cannonville Presbyterian Church at 11 a. m. Sunday.