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Militia Controls State of Oklahoma at Present

In Several Principal Cities Civil Authority Has Given Way to Power of Guardsmen of the State.

GOVERNOR WALTON STICKS TO WARNING

Matrial Law Has Been Declared in the Whole State. —Grand Jury Did Not Convene Today.

Oklahoma City, Okla., Sept 17 (By the Associated Press).—The spotlight played on Oklahoma City today in the second act of the Oklahoma martial law drama.

Since martial law became effective throughout the state at midnight Saturday night the military has superseded the Oklahoma City police headquarers, machine guns have been leveled at the city hall, police station and county court house, the grand jury has been cancelled, and a military court of investigation substituted, and the state capital citizens have been told "when to go to bed and when to get up."

Oklahoma City, Tulsa and Sapulpa in their respective counties of Oklahoma, Tulsa and Creek, are under "absolute martial law." Troops are on duty in the two larger cities and adjoining territories. General Baird H. Markham, in command at Tulsa, is expected to arrive here by airplane today. His hurried flight is unexplained. Troops have not appeared at Sapulpa, according to information from that point. Apparently the rest of the state is not to feel the pressure of military occupation, although neither Governor Walton nor General Marham made any statement to that effect.

A special grand jury called today to investigate charges that Governor Walton had used state employees in checking initiative petitions recently filed with the Secretary of State was suspended last night by orders from Col. W. S. Key, in command of Oklahoma City. The military court was ordered to proceed "with investigation work" at the direction of the Chief Executive. The scope of its investigation will include matters which the grand jury would not have considered, it is understood.

Governor Walton declared in his martial law proclamation that Oklahoma City was the headquarters of the Ku Klux Klan in Oklahoma, and that "it is here where the sovereign power of the State was defied when Grand Dragon of the semi-military organization declared in substance that the sovereign state of Oklahoma could not break the power of the Klan."

Further asserting that the "power of this criminal organization can be destroyed," and the "source of the power must be destroyed," the Executive is expected to guide the military court inquiry into the Ku Klux Klan state headquarters activities.

Governor Walton in Okmulgee.

Okmulgee, Okla., Sept. 17.—(By the Associated Press).—Governor J. C. Walton arrived here today unexpectedly in a special car attached to the regular train from Oklahoma City. Members of his party said the governor would proceed to Henrietta to address the State convention of labor.

To Attend Labor Convention.

Oklahoma City, Sept. 17.—(By the Associated Press).—Governor Walton's decision to attend the State convention of labor today at Henrietta was apparently reached suddenly last night. It had been previously indicated that the governor would not attend the convention.

Military Inquiring Into Klan Activities.

Oklahoma City, Sept. 17.—(By the Associated Press).—Military courts of inquiry into the activities of the Ku Klux Klan were in operation today in the two largest cities of state, Oklahoma City and Tulsa.

The Oklahoma City court convened today and summoned at the first witnesses Campbell Russell, former chairman of the state corporation commission.

Police Object to Military Control.

Oklahoma City, Sept. 17 (By the Associated Press).—The Oklahoma City police department, taken over by the military late yesterday, was returned to the civil authorities today when Mayor O. A. Cargill served notice on Col. W. S. Key, military commander in charge of the city, that unless Ray Frazier, chief of police, was reinstated at once, the entire police force would be retired and the task of policing the city would be left in the hands of the military.

ANTHRACITE MINERS MEET AT SCRANTON

Meeting Called For Purpose of Acting on New Wage Schedule Recently Offered.

Scranton, Pa., Sept. 17.—The tri-district convention of the anthracite mine workers called to act on the proposed new wage contract agreed upon by the representatives of the United Mine Workers and the coal operators on September 5, organized today by electing International President John L. Lewis as permanent chairman after the meeting had been called to order by Rinaldo Capellini, president of District No. 1. More than 500 delegates were present when the convention met.

Heavy Pay Rolls.

Durham, Sept. 17.—There are 4,268 persons employed in tobacco manufacturing in Durham, according to official records, which also show that the annual pay roll of two of the larger tobacco manufacturing companies here amounts to a total of $2,155,987.

The United States, with 6 per cent. of the world's population, owns 13,000,000 of the world's 16,000,000 motor cars and trucks.

COTTON PRICES RUN UPWARD AGAIN

New York, Sept. 17.—Heavy rains throughout Texas and Oklahomo caused a renewal of buying in the cotton market this morning that quickly ran prices up to new high levels for the season. October reached 29 cents, December 28.65 and January 28.00, or 80 to 110 points above Saturday's close.

JAPANESE RELIEF FUND.

Previously acknowledged	$208.75
C. M. Powell	10.00

This fund will be closed tomorrow, so anyone desiring to make a contribution should either send it to this office or to the office of Mr. L. T. Hartsell, not later than noon tomorrow.

NEWSPAPER PRIZE CAR NEARLY POLICE PRIZE

Seized at Hickory With Two Men When a Third Drops a Pint.—Another Escapes.

Hickory, Sept. 15.—The Catawba county school fund came within a few votes of winning an Essex coach announced as a grand prize in a circulation contest put on by the Newton News-Enterprise. Armed with a search warrant, three officers, who had received a tip that the prize car would bring in a quantity of hootch, intercepted three white men at the armory and asked for a close view. O. Edgar Atkinson, of Montgomery, Ala., one of the managers of the Newton paper's circulation contest: Paul Donkel and McKinley Killian, Hickory men, were in the machine.

As they stepped out of the car, Donkel dropped a pint of liquor and took to his legs. He escaped and may be running yet.

Arrived at police station, Killian assumed a terrible thirst, and while Assistant Chief Sigmon was bringing a drink of water, jumped through a screened window and lit on the hard pavement some six or seven feet below, and lit a-running. That left one.

Atkinson was held in jail in defualt of $200 bond and paid a fine of $50 and costs for his part in the affair. He claimed not to know about any liquor. The automobile was released to the Newton paper, which held title to it.

ANOTHER CUT IN PRICE OF GASOLINE

Standard and Other Companies Cut Prices One Cent Per Gallon in North Carolina.

New York, Sept. 17.—The tank wagon price of gasoline today was reduced one cent a gallon in New England and eight Atlantic seaboard states by the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey and the Gulf Refining Company. The new prices ranges from 18 cents in Washington, D. C., to 21 cents in Virginia, where there is a state tax of three cents a gallon.

The Texas company announced that it would meet the reduction. The territory in which the cut was announced by the Standard of New Jersey includes also New Jersey, North Carolina and South Carolina. In addition to New England States the Gulf Refining Company reduced the price in New York and New Jersey.

The new prices in most of the territory affected is 18 cents a gallon plus the amount of the state tax if any.

Pageant at High Point.

High Point, Sept. 17.—Marking an epoch of modern advancement, especially in the field of road building, a "Pageant of Progress," the production of which has been established to cost $2,500, will take place here October 25th with the city and state officials and other prominent citizens participating.

The governors of four state—North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia and Tennessee—have been asked to attend. Governor Morrison, of North Carolina, and Governor McLeod, of South Carolina, have accepted. The other governors have not been heard from. Frank Page, chairman of the State Highway Commission, has accepted an invitation to attend.

One of the outstanding features of the pageant already arranged for will be an address by W. A. Blair, of Winston-Salem, on the old plank road, which was built by the state many years ago from Fayetteville through High Point, to a Moravian settlement near Winston-Salem.

The High Point chamber of commerce and various civic organizations are cooperating in making arrangements for the pagenat, which is expected to be the biggest celebration in the history of the city. Not only will the pageant be witnessed by citizens of High Point, but by thousands of persons from Greensboro, Winston-Salem, Thomasville, Asheboro and rural communites in this section are expected to attend.

To Give Up Charities Work.

Charlotte, Sept. 17.—J. Leon Williams, executive secretary of the Charlotte Associated Charities for the past 19 months, has offered his resignation, ecective February 15, 1924, to the directors of the organization. Mr. Williams has announced his intention of going into another field of work.

Twelve Killed During Demonstration.

London, Sept. 17.—Twelve persons were killed and fifteen wounded during a demonstration against the high price of food at Sorau, Brandenburg province, when fighting occurred between the police and the demonstrators, says a Central News dispatch from Berlin today.

Success is attained more often by uncommon effort than by uncommon brains

FIRE LOSS IN STATE SETS NEW LOW RECORD

During August 88 Fires Caused Losses of Only $84,689, Report Shows.

Raleigh, N. C., Sept. 17.—"A high water mark for a low fire loss record" was the paradoxical epigram used by State Insurance Commissioner Stacy W. Wade in announcing today that the fire loss in North Carolina in Aug. was $84,689 from 88 fires, as compared with the former low record of June, 1922, when there was a loss of $105,908 in 96 fires.

In August, 1922 there were 126 fires, representing a loss of $221,298, according to records of the State Insurance Department.

Analysis of the detailed fire report issued by Commissioner Wade shows total property at risk in August, this year, is valued at $1,526,000, on which insurance was carried in the sum of $1,325,000. Of the total loss of $84,689, $56,000 was due to seasonal and extra hazardous risks in a relatively small number of fires, according to the report, which gives as losses in this class a saw mill and lumber plant, burned at a loss of $35,000; fires due to lightning, $11,000; and tobacco curing barns, $11,500.

The actual normal fire loss was given as $27,189. Of this loss, 38 towns and six rural dwellings had a damage of $21,664, leaving the normal fire loss in all the factories, stores, warehouses, garages, churches, school and other buildings at $5,525, according to Mr. Wade's report.

Besides the destruction of one store by lightning, there were only three stores fires in August and the total loss in these totaled only $125, the report stated.

Not a single hotel fire was reported in August, although there were hundreds of mountain, seashore and spring resorts open besides the regular commercial hostelries. In this connection Commissioner Wade said, "If every month could show the absence of high losses from business and industritl fires as has the month of August, North Carolina would be at the head of the national fire loss list every month, as it does this month, and millions of dollars would be saved in both property and insurance costs It shows every month that the masses of the people are being most careful with fire, while the losses really come from the business population, generally conceded to be the promoters and conservators of wealth and progress, and more largely concerned for safety-first providence."

Out of 106 organized fire department towns and cities in the state, the total fire loss was $19,000, an average of $175 per city, with not a single fire in the $5,000 and more class, stated the report.

One hundred and twenty-four towns and 26 counties reported no fire losses and were placed on the Insurance Department's honor roll Durham and Henderson went on the honor roll for the second month in succession. Among the other towns and cities reporting no fires were Goldsboro, Wilson, Greenville, Washington, Elizabeth City, Oxford, Clinton, Concord, Monroe, Gastonia, Lumberton, Mt. Airy, Lenoir, Lexington Salisbury and Statesville. Among the counties placed on the honor roll were Wake, Gaston, Davidson, Iredell, Rockingham, Robeson, Haywood and Lee.

Structures involved in fires were given as follows: Dwellings, 44; stores, 4; factories, lumber plants, garages and unstored automobiles, three each, with nominall losses; churches, one, and lightning.

Causes or types of fires were given as follows: Tobacco curing barns, 19; shingle roofs and defective flues, 17; unknown, 14; lightning, eight; smoking, four; oil stoves, three; adjoining building, 5.

The fire loss for August for the United States and Canada, according to information received and announced by the State Insurance Department, approximated $24,474,300, representing increase of over $3,000,000 over the fire losses for the same month last year, but a decrease of more than $3,000,000 from July, this year. Contrary to conditions in North Carolina, it was said, much of the increased loss was attributed to seasonal fires in summer resort hote's scattere over the United States and Canada. The fire loss in the United States and Canada for the first eight months of this year was announced at $274,016,250, representing an increase over the same period of last year of about twenty-one million dollars.

BAXTER DURHAM HEADS NATIONAL AUDIT BODY

North Carolina Auditor Elected President of Fnancial Agents' Association.

Asheville, Sept. 15.—Election of Baxter Durham, auditor of North Carolina, as president of the national association of state auditors, comptrollers and treasurers; organization of a new joint association of state finance and administrative officers and the election of officers for the national association of secretaries of state and the national conference of state purchasing agents this afternoon marked the annual joint conventions of state officers which have been in session here since last Thursday.

The next joint meeting of the State officers will be held in Salt Lake City, Utah, July 7-13 inclusive, at which time they will meet as separate sections of the new parent organization called the national association of state finance and administrative officers.

Reds in Spain Are Jailed By Primo.

Barcelona, Sept. 16.—The principal communist and bolishevik leaders have been arrested and placed in jail. Other members of the organizations are declared to be in flight toward the French frontier, which is being closely watched The chiefs of the liberal party in Catalonia, Senators Alfonso Sala and Count de Caralt, have been cal'ed to the headquarters of Gen. Primo Rivers in Madrid where they announced their party's adherence to the new governmental policy.

PRESENTMENT STORY FROM WILMINGTON SHOWN TO BE WRONG

Saturday's Story From Seaport City Said Presentment Was Made Against Corporation Commission of State

CRITICISM ONLY MADE BY JURORS

First Story Intimated That Commission Had Been Lax in Its Enactment on Banking Laws of the State.

Raleigh, Sept. 17.—In an article carrying the date line Wilmington, N. C., circulated on last Saturday afternoon, September 15th, it was stated that a presentment had been made by the grand jury of New Hanover County, N. C., against the North Carolina State Corporation Commission on the ground that the Commission had been lax in its enforcement of the state banking laws, and referring particularly to the failure of the Liberty Bank of Wilmington.

It has been ascertained that the article was erroneous as there was no presentment made. According to Solicitor Woodus Kellum, of New Hanover county, "a criticism of the Corporation was made by the grand jury in its report to the court, but there was no presentment returned."

STEEL WORKERS BEGIN SHORTER WORKING DAYS

In the Youngstown District Men Are to Work From 8 to 10 Hours a Day Hereafter.

Youngstown, Ohio, Sept. 17.—The second big step toward elimination of the 12-hour day in the steel mills of this district was taken today when several thousand workers changed from the long day to ten-hour and eight-hour shifts. A month ago men in the continuous operating department changed to three shifts a day, and today's movement affects chiefly the pipe mills in which a ten-hour day is to be established for the most part. After today only a small percentage of the 65,000 steel workers in the Youngstown district will be working the 12-hour day and the hours of these few will be reduced as soon as additional labor can be obtained.

JOHN H. BARTLETT HURT WHEN CAR STRUCK AUTO

First Assistant Postmaster General is Undergoing Treatment in Washington Hopsital.

Washington, Sept. 17.—John H. Bartlett, first assistant postmaster genera and former governor of New Hampshire, was taken to a hospital today because of injuries he received when his automobile was struck by a street car.

Although he received a cut on the head, physicians who examined him say his injuries do not appear serious. The automobile was wrecked and Mr. Bartlett's chauffeur was only slightly injured.

THE COTTON MARKET

There Was Excited General Buying in the Market at the Opening.

New York, Sept. 17.—There was excited and general buying in the cotton market at the opening today, owing to the continued strength in Liverpool, reports of heavy rains in the southwest and bullish spot market advices. First prices were firm at an advance of 45 to 61 points, and active positions sold 60 to 70 points net higher within the first half hour.

Seven Persons Dead in a Tenement Fire at Jersey City, N. J.

Jersey City, N. J., Sept. 16.—Seven persons were killed and a score or more injured early today when fire swept through a tenement in a thickly populated district. The blaze started in a hallway and darted quickly to the upper floors cutting off the escape of many of the 16 families in the building. Firemen made many thrilling rescues.

Those killed were: Fireman Bernard Feehan, 35 years old, a member of truck No. 6; Mrs. Pearl Thomas, 26, and son, Edward, 8 years old; Edward Breen, 34; Sophia Kolasienski, 14; Regina Kolasienski, 9 and Helen Kollasienski, 7.

All those killed were either suffocated by smoke or burned to death, except the fireman who died following a fall from a fire escape in rescuing occupants of the house.

The building in which the fire occurred is a four-story structure at the southwest corner of Barrow and Grand streets.

Klan Worst Blight in Hiustory of the United States.

Tulsa, Okla., Sept. 15.—Calling the Ku Klux Klan "the worst blight ever known in American history," H. O. McClure, president of the Tulsa chamber of commerce, tonight issued a statement calling upon klansmen to disband. McClure's statement followed failure of the board of directors of the chamber to support his report to them that he had told local klan officials that their organization should shoulder responsibility for martial law in Tulsa county.

Want New Church

Durham, Sept. 17.—With a view to the erection of a new church, a campaign will be started here next week by members of the Watts Street Baptist Church for raising $60,000.

With Our Advertisers.

The Bell & Harris Furniture Co. has just received some of the latest and best records. The store also carries the latest designs in furniture.

C. C. & O. LEASE HEARING BEING CONDUCTED NOW

Seaboard Air Line Opposes Lease of the Road to the Atlantic Coast Line Company.

Raleigh, Sept. 17.—A statement by W. L. Stanley, vice president of the Seaboard Air Line Railroad Company that North Carolina's greatest hope for development of a seaport insofar as access to the coal fields is concerned, lies in the leasing of the Carocilan, Clinchfield & Ohio lines to the Seaboard Air Line rather than to the Atlantic Coast Line Railway, was the principal argument of the Seaboard Air Line against the proposed leasing of the Carolina Clinchfield & Ohio by the Atlantic Coast Line at the hearing before the North Carolina Corporation Commission this morning.

C. C. McD. Davis, assitant traffic manager of the Coast Line argued before the commission that by the leasing of the Clinchfield the road he represented would be able to increase very favorably for the state of North Carolina of access to and from the coal regions of Kentucky, Tennessee and West Virginia.

The Charlotte chamber of commerce will present its belief to the commission this afternoon setting forth its views on the proposed lease of the Clinchfield by the Atlantic Coast Line, which road is associated with the Louisvlile & Nashville Railway in attempting to secure permission of the Interstate Corporation Commission to allow the lease.

The final hearing before the Interstate Commerce Commission will be held September 24th.

LAW OR FORCE THE AMERICAN'S CHOICE

President Says Constitution Represents a Government by Law Blessings of America.

New York, Sept. 16.—To live under the American constitution "is the greatest privilege that was ever accorded to the human race," it was declared by President Coolidge in a message made public today by the National Security League in connection with its plans for the celebration tomorrow of the 135th inniversary of the signing of the constitution.

"It is an inspiration to know that the members of the National Security League are to observe constitution day," said the President's message. "The constitution is not self-perpetuating. If it will survive it will be because it has public support. It means making adequate sacrifice to maintain what is of public benefit.

"The constitution of the United States is the final refuge of every right that is enjoyed by any American citizen. So long as it is observed, those rights will be secure. Whenever it falls into disrespect or disrepute, the end of orderly organized government as we have known it for more than 125 years, will be at hand. The constitution represents a government of law. There is only one other form of authority and that is a government of force. Americans must make their choice between these two. One signifies justice and liberty; the other tyranny and oppression. To live under the American constitution is the greatest political privilege that was ever accorded to the human race."

Murder Cases on Guilford Docket

Greensboro, Sept. 17.—Four murder cases are on the docket for the two weeks term of criminal court, which convened here today, principal among which is the case of F. Clyde Tuttle, young advertising man of this city, charged with the murder of his father-in-law, C. A. Jones, former judge of the city court.

Judge Jones died August 20th as the result of a pistol shot wound alleged to have been inflicted by Mr. Tuttle on the night of August 1st following what was reported by police as a domestic difficulty at the home of the father-in-law.

The other defendants on the dockets for trial on charges of murder at this session of court are three negroes of High Point. Pete Gray is charged with the murder of his brother, William Gray. He escaped following the alleged murder, but later was apprehended at Mooresville and brought to the Guilford county jail here.

Bud Lindsay is scheduled to pe tried for killing his wife by oiling her clothing and then pushing her into a fireplace. She died shortly afterwards from burns.

William Brewer is charged with shooting Lyles Hayes to death on August 11th following a reported quarrel over a woman.

With the exception of Tuttle, who is out under $10,000 bond, all of the defendants charged with murder are being held in jail.

Judge Thomas J. Shaw, of this city, is presiding at this session of court.

Cool Weather to Continue For Another Day, Forecast.

Washington, Sept. Sept. 16.—Cool weather will continue over the eastern and southeastern states for at least another 48 hours, indications interpreted by the weather bureau tonight pointing to no immediate let up in the chilly conditions prevailing.

The thermometer has risen in some of the interior districts east of the Mississippi, but a decided fall was registered today over the northern plain states and the Rocky mountain and plateau regions. The cooler weather in the northwest was marked by a rising barometer, which idicated that the period of higher temperatures which is following the present cool weather eastward will be brief, since high pressure at this season is ordinarily atended by chill breezes and low pressure brings warmers winds from the south.

Negro Must Die For Murder of a Merchant.

Rocky Mount, Sept. 15.—Jim Jones, alias Ben Spencer, negro, who was charged with the murder of W. S. Biggs, local merchant, in a Bassett Street store here Saturday night, June 30th, was found guilty of murder in the first degree by a jury ind Edgecombe county Superior Court at Tarboro shortly after noon today, and sentenced by Judge Connor to die in the electric chair at the state penitentiary Friday, October 26th.

BOK PEACE PRICE JURY OF SEVEN IS SELECTED

Elihu Root and Col. Edward M. House Among Jurors Mentioned.

State Library

New York, Sept. 17.—The seven which will award the prize offered by Edward W. B[illegible] delphia publicist, for a practical plan whereby the United States may cooperate with other nations to prevent war, was named today by the Policy Committee which has been administering the award.

In the list appears the name of Elihu Root, prominent lawyer who served in the McKinley and Roosevelt cabinets and winner of the Nobel Peace Prize in 1912, whose selection for the jury was reported some time ago.

Serving with him are:

Colonel Edward M. Houuse, former confidant of Woodrow Wilson, who served as special representative of the United States government at the Inter-allied conference of Premiers and foreign ministers held in Paris in November, 1917.

Major General James Guthrie Harbord, now president of the Radio Corporation of America, who served as chief of staff of the American Expeditionary Force and as chief of the American Military Mission to America in 1919.

Dr. Ellen Fitz Pendleton, president of Wellesley College.

Dr. Rosco Pound, dean of the Harvard law school, who formerly served on the faculties of Northwestern University and the University of Chicago.

William Allen White, of Emporia, Kans., editor and novelist, who was sent to France as an observer by the American Red Cross in 1917 and who was a delegate to the Russian Conference at Prinkipo in 1919.

Brand Whitlock, former Ambassador to Belgium.

"These seven have been chosen," the Policy Committee explained, "after many weeks of careful considefation, on the basis of selection which aimed not at securing a jury made up of representatives of varied groups and sections, but which aimed instead at getting seven men and women generally recognized to be eminently fiitted by capacity and experience to deal with the exceedingly difficult and complex subject of our international relations. The committee regarded the work of the jurors as a highly important judicial task, requiring distinctive abilities and experience."

The jury is expected to reach its decision by January 1. All plans must be in by November 15. Fifty thousand dollars will be paid to the winner as soon as the jury makes its decision and the other fifty thousand when the plan has passed the Senate or when it has demonstrated that it has popular support.

The committee in charge of the Award plans to use January to submit the winning plan to the American people for a nation-wide vote. In this 60 national organizations will cooperate. It is expected that the plan will be presented to the Senate by February 1.

DRIVER OF FORD CAR IS BURNED TO DEATH

Car Turns Over Near Maxton. Catches Fire and Burns Driver.—Unable to Identify Man.

Maxton, Sept. 16.—A most distressing accident occurred just beyond the town limits on the Maxton-Red Springs highway last night. A Ford touring car turned up and burned the driver to a crisp. So horribly was he burned and charred that he could not be identified nor could it be determined whether he was white or black.

The car number, 92,689, is claimed by a negro, Lucius Brown, who had lost his car and was looking for it at the time of the accident.

Ku Klux Klan Symbol Blazes Over Oklahoma.

Oklahoma Ctiy, Okla., Sept. 16.—While machine guns frowned on strategic centers here tonight and officers of the Oklahoma national guard completed plans for putting the city under complete martial rule pursuant to a proclamation of Governor J. C. Walton, in which he announced the intention to drive the Ku Klux Klan from the state, a huge electrict cross, nearly 30 feet high, blazed from the top of a down town building, the symbol of the klan.

The cross was erected recently by the klan when it became apparent that the governor was directing his military action against that organization. Similar crosses, it was announced were erected in other cities of the state.

Praises North Carolina.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Perdue have just returned from an extended tour through North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia. They report a great trip.

Crop conditions for North Carolina are fifty per cent. above South Carolina and seventy-five per cent. ahead of Georgia, Mr. Perdue declared. North Carolina leads in quality of country homes, schools and churches. When it comes to roads and highways, Mr. Perdue says, North Carolina leads to such an extent that "he who runs may read." "Truly North Carolina is the best state in the Union, and as for cities, Concord stands in the front rank." Mr. Perdue added.

Plane Drops Rum in Hot Water Bottle in Dry Agents Yard.

Martinsville, Va., Sept. 13.—A. B. Anthony, prohibition officer of this section, was the recipient of an unusual gift last Wednesday.

An unknown person, traveling by airplane to some unknown station dropped in his yard a hot water bottle containing a gallon of real apple brandy. Attached to the hot water bottle was the following note:

"For B. A. Anthony. We have 220 gallons and leave you one."

Mr. Anthony lives only a few miles from this city.

Stokes Lodge No. 32 A. F. & A. M. will hold a special communication tonight at 7:30 o'clock. There will be work on the first degree. All members of the lodge are requested to attend.

NEW OFFENSIVE NOW [illegible]ED BY PRIMO RIVERA IN MOROCCO

General Aispuru is Being Sent to Morocco by New Government in Spain, and He is Ready For Action.

RAISULI TREATY WILL BE KEPT

But General Aispuru Will Be in Position to Make Offensive Against Abdelkrim, in the Mellijoh District.

London, Sept. 17—A new offensive in Morocco is planned by Primo Rivera, president of the military directorate in Spain.

The Madrid correspondent of the Daily Express quotes the head of the new government as follows:

"We are sending General Aispuru to Morocco with orders to settle the whole problem there. We will respect our treaty with Raisuli, but will make no treaty with Abdeklrim, and launch a new offensive in the Mellijoh zone in accordance with the plan of the general staff."

It is stated in Madrid, the correspondent adds, that the offensive in Morocco will probably begin within a week with 150,000 troops. Rivera disclaimed any intention of governing without parliament, saying that he would form another treaty representative of Spanish opinion which would create a new constitution for the country.

Referring to the suppression of sundry officers under the old regime, he asserted there would be a bureau of complaints on each ministry to which all Spaniards might present their grievances.

To Expel 31 Spaniards.

Port Vendres, Fronca-Spanish Frontier, Sept. 17 (By the Associated Press).—The military directorate formed as a result of last week's revolution, has decided to expel thirty-one of Spain's leading politicians, including former Prime Minister Sanchez Guerra and several prominent liberals and Catalinist syndicalists, it is learned from advices across the border.

LABOR BOARD ATTACKED BY UNION PRESIDENT

A. R. Mosher Says Board is "Tool of Employer" and Works Against Employes.

Cangary, Sept. 17 (By the Associated Press).—Denunciation of the United State Railway Labor Board as a tool of the employer, and of the strike as too "powerful a weapon" for workers engaged in essential purposes marked the address of A. R. Mosher, president, of the convention of the Canadian Brotherhood of Railway Employees today.

The United States Railway Labor Board, Mosher declared "is a greater menace to railway employees than any other combination of individuals on the American continent."

He accused the board of aiding railway managements "in their attacks upon the pay envelopes of the workers," and referred to it as a "United States government tribunal which has made itself ridiculous in the eys of every right thinking person in this continent by declaring that a living wage for workers was impracticable and impossible."

TRAIN WRECK PROVES FATAL FOR WOMAN

Mrs. I. T. Lane Killed When Two Trains Crashed at Crossing in Alabama.

Dotham, Ala., Sept. 17.—One person, Mrs. I. T. Lane, of Dothan, Ala., was killed late last night when the Louisville & Nashville eastbound passenger train crashed into the northbound excursion train of the Atlanta and St. Andrews Bay Railroad here. The hospital authorities reported a Mrs. Frances Holland of Dothan was also killed in the wreck, but railroad officials here have not confirmed this. Twenty-two others were injured and at least two of whom it is feared may die.

Abernethy and Dickson on Stand.

Salisbury, Sept. 17.—Max Abernethy, editor, and John G. Dickson, managing editor of The Greensboro Record, were placed on the witness stand in Rowan Superior Court this morning and examined in connection with the case of State vs. Roy Cauble, and were dismissed when they testified that they knew nothing of the case.

No Scrapping Order Issued Yet.

Tokio, Sept. 16 (By the Associated Press).—The naval department has been too busily engaged in relief work to issue a concrete warship scrapping order as provided for under the Washington treaty limiting armaments. It is believed the navy now will speed up the scrapping work and use the scrap material for reconstruction work in Tokio.

Wisconsin Has No Bonded Indebtedness.

Asheville, Sept. 14.—Wisconsin is one state without a single cent of bonded indebtedness, declared Solomon Levitan, treasurer of that commonmealth, in an address this morning before the national association of state auditors, treasurers and comptrollers.

Fayetteville Highs Practicing.

Fayetteville, Sept., 17.—Thirty-five candidates reported to the call for high school football practice here this week. The majority of the men have had previous high school football experience

Miss Jessie Deaton has returned from a visit to relatives in Mooresville.