

Catholics Willing To Let People Decide On New Religious Plans

THE CARROLL CASE
The State May Strike a Snag in Prosecution of Case.

Raleigh, Aug. 2.—(AP)—The State may strike a snag in the prosecution of its case seeking to close the Highland Hospital in Asheville, operated by Dr. R. S. Carroll, as the result of the cancellation of his license to practice in the State following the transferring of charges of gross immorality against him before the State board of medical examiners recently. This snag consists in whether or not the judge of the Wake superior court, when the case comes to trial, will permit the introduction of the record of the proceedings before the State board of medical examiners, or whether the court will insist that the witnesses that testified then will have to appear as witnesses.

If the court permits the introduction of the record of the secret hearing before the medical board, well and good for the State and the department of public welfare, which has caused the suit to be brought. But if the court insists that these same witnesses must appear in person at the trial that appeared before the medical board in secret session, it will be another matter. And it is evident that Dr. Carroll's defense attorneys will do all in their power to obtain such a ruling from the court.

Although the office of the attorney general here is silent on the question and declined to discuss any phase of it, it is known that the State will have a far more difficult time in getting the ten or twelve women who testified at the secret hearing before the medical board to come to Raleigh to testify in open court as to the alleged immoral relations of Dr. Carroll with his patients than before. The hearing before the State medical board was secret, the testimony was given to a small group of professional men, accustomed to talking with patients concerning matters of an intimate nature, and the names of the witnesses were carefully guarded, so that they would not be made public. And under these conditions, a number of former patients were persuaded to testify who otherwise probably would not have done so.

But when these same women witnesses are called upon to take the witness stand in an open courtroom, with a throng of curious onlookers, they are not likely to be so willing to testify. So it is feared that if the court insists on the personal appearance of witnesses, it may be a difficult matter to produce them, especially as a number of those at the former hearing came from a number of other states, one having been said to have come all the way from Missouri.

Legal opinion seems to differ on just what can be done in the case, some holding that the case can be decided on the record of the hearing before the State medical board, others holding that the whole affair will have to be aired in the court. It is generally agreed, however, that the appeal taken by Dr. Carroll from the decision of the State medical board of examiners to the Superior Court of Buncombe county can be heard by the judge on the record, with argument by attorneys from both sides, without the necessity for hearing before a jury. But whether the suit filed in Wake county to close the sanitarium can be as easily disposed of remains to be seen.

Solicitor F. Don Phillips, failing to convict Nevin C. Cranford of murder, has announced plans for trying him on charges of assaulting a woman, from which the injured man is said to have died.

Will Enter Truce With the Government Until People Express Themselves by Plebiscite.

CAPITAL IS QUIET AS ANY SUNDAY

A Big Labor Parade Was Held But There Was No Demonstration Made by Catholic Adherents.

Mexico City, Aug. 2.—(AP)—An announcement that the Catholic Episcopate is willing to enter a truce with the Mexican government until the Mexican people are able to express themselves by a plebiscite on the religious controversy and the discovery of a plot to assassinate President Calles were the outstanding features of Mexico's first priestless Sunday.

Notwithstanding the great parade of the regional confederation of labor which required two hours to pass a given point, the day was a peaceful one as the capital ever has known.

While the marchers passed the palace where President Calles surrounded by his ministers stood waving his handkerchief in answer to the cheering, members of the faithful were kneeling in prayer, in various churches, beseeching an amelioration of the situation brought about by the government putting into force its new religious regulations.

All the Catholic churches without priests at the altars were open for prayer, and meditation except the great cathedral and several of the downtown places of worship, past which the parade made its way. Doors of these were closed in the fear that some untoward event might occur.

Dispatches from all parts of the republic indicate that tranquility prevailed Sunday everywhere. Although there was some feeling at some places no actual trouble developed. The government had made strong military preparations in advance to suppress disorder promptly. The impression of willingness to arrange a truce with the government was made exclusively to the Associated Press by the episcopate. It was suggested it should run for a reasonable length of time to give the people a chance to vote on the situation. Meanwhile the episcopate would have the new religious regulations, and the "anti-religious persecutions" suspended.

MRS. VIRGINIA HARDING IS AMONG THE MISSING

Disappeared After Declaring She Could Solve the Hall-Mills Murder Mystery.

Chicago, Aug. 2.—(AP)—Mrs. Virginia Dorothy DeLeon Harding, wife of a Milwaukee filling station employe, who came to Chicago with the assertion that she was preparing to solve the Rev. Edward W. Hall and his choir singer, Mrs. Eleanor Mills, was among the missing today. She had checked out at her hotel, and her whereabouts was unknown, although she was believed to be still in the city.

Officials were not inclined to take her statements any too seriously, while those in New Jersey and Mrs. Hall herself held in connection with the slaying manifested little if any interest. Mrs. Harding had found it difficult if not impossible to find railroad fare to New Jersey, officials having learned she had a penchant for traveling. She declared Mrs. Hall was innocent, and she could prove it.

The annual reunion of members of the Query family will be held Wednesday, August 11th, at Rocky River Church.

Five Killed and One Injured When Train Strikes a Truck

Gastonia, Aug. 1.—Five girls were killed and one was seriously injured at Gambrell's grade crossing between Gastonia and Bessemer City, when a train shortly before 6 o'clock when a Ford truck in which they were riding was struck and completely demolished by Southern passenger train No. 45, pulled by one of the new Crescent Limited reefer locomotives. Witnesses stated death was instantaneous for four of the young women and that they passed away before a scream was uttered. The dead are: Bertha Wright, Laura Wright, Inez Jenkins, Willard Jenkins, Miss Gertrude Cloninger.

Miss Ida Bess Cloninger, sister of one of the dead girls, is in a local hospital with both legs broken and with other injuries. The Misses Wright were sisters as were the Misses Jenkins. Their ages ranged from 16 to 20 years. Miss Annie Gertrude Cloninger was driving the truck which was a vehicle used in the delivery of groceries from her father's grocery store.

The scene as one of horribly mangled bodies and much blood. The motor car, riddled with splinters, was scattered along the railway right of way and the torn and bleeding bodies of the four girls were strewn along the track from the tremendous impact. Persons standing near the track declared after the wreck that the girls died in silence, no screams being heard to come from the truck when the occupants realized that death was upon them.

A. P. Operator Takes Story Telling About Sisters Killed.
New York, Aug. 1.—C. T. Wright, telegraph operator on the long western trunk line of the Associated Press, spoke for the fire time in many a long truck tonight when the emotionless nose code ticked off the story of a truck wreck at Gastonia, N. C. "Five girls killed," the item read—just another of the so-common holiday fatalities. "The dead are Bertha Wright, 16, her sister, Laura, 20," the copy read, and then a break and the sign: "(More)" as another point interrupted with what seemed to be the controlling item of weighty importance from Gastonia. "They are my sister," he explained, "one of them lived with me most of the time since mother died. I'm afraid I'll have to ask for relief so that I can go there."

McPherson Inquiry Again Halted For Lack of Evidence

WOMAN GOING STRONG IN EFFORT TO SWIM CHANNEL
Dover, England, Aug. 2.—(AP)—At 1 o'clock this afternoon five hours after entering the water, Miss Carabell Barrett, of New York, was twelve miles out on a straight line between Dover and Calais in her attempt to conquer the English Channel.

She had thus negotiated half the distance in almost record time and was still going strong. Weather conditions were favorable, and her chances of success seemed good. Should she succeed, she would be the first woman to swim the channel.

COTTON STATISTICS

Given by H. G. Hester, of New Orleans Cotton Exchange.
New Orleans, Aug. 2.—(AP)—Secretary H. G. Hester, of the New Orleans cotton exchange, announced today the commercial crop for the entire ending July 31st amounting to 15,614,707 bales, an increase over last year of 916,351, an increase over the previous year of 4,324,310; and an increase over 1922 and 1923 of 4,331,901 bales.

Southern consumption which he stated at 4,778,926 bales, Mr. Hester says, indicates an increase of 398,808 bales, compared with last year, and an increase compared with the year before last of 738,598.

The consumption of cotton including linters in the southern states is the largest ever known.

Mr. Hester makes the world's consumption of American cotton 15,163,000 bales, and the amount carried over at the close of July 31st, 2,002,000 bales. The world's consumption, said the secretary, has never before reached the 15,000,000 bales. He makes the year's exports including shipments to Canada 8,252,163 bales, practically reaching last year's total.

LADY ASTOR AND FOUR CHILDREN IN AMERICA

Noted Woman Says She Wants Her Children to See America.
Boston, Mass., Aug. 2.—(AP)—Lady Astor, first woman member of the British parliament, arrived in Boston on the S. S. Samaria today with the announced intention of showing America her four children who accompanied her.

She was met at the dock by Charles Dana Gibson, her brother-in-law, at whose summer home at Dark Harbor, Me., she is to spend three weeks. Lady Astor said she intended to guide her children about Harvard University and the historic points of Boston before taking a boat tonight for Rockland, Me. An elder son, who said, was in the States in California and would join her later, while her eldest son is now doing military duty and could not leave England.

Women Can Help in Enforcing the Law

(By International News Service)
Atlanta, Ga., Aug. 2.—The enforcement of law depends principally upon the public sentiment for or against that law, and the courts and judges are helpless unless they have the aid of the public sentiment. It is in their efforts, Federal Judge Samuel Sibley, of the Atlanta federal district court, told a meeting of women called here to form a Georgia branch of the national law enforcement league.

"Women can be of assistance in enforcing the law by attending the sessions of the courts and familiarizing themselves with the operations of the court machinery," said Judge Sibley.

"The various federal law enforcement agencies, including the prohibition officers, the narcotic inspectors, the district attorney's office and bureau of investigation are always glad to get information from law-abiding citizens that will help make the laws more effective."

"In fact, so great is the territory they serve, that they are largely dependent upon tips from the outside in their efforts."

Husband Tortures Fireman; Says He Kissed His Wife

St. Paul, Minn., July 31.—Jealousy over alleged attentions paid his wife, led Walter H. Fletcher to beat and torture Edward Horrigan, a city fireman, yesterday, police declared today. Fletcher held Horrigan, his boyhood friend, a prisoner five hours while he burned, flayed and whipped the fireman.

Both Horrigan and Mrs. Fletcher denied any wrong doing, but Fletcher told the police that Horrigan admitted that he had kissed Mrs. Fletcher. Fletcher said the torturing was done as an example to deter other men from "playing around" with married women.

Heads University Women

Amsterdam, Holland, Aug. 2.—(AP)—Dr. Ellen Glenditch, of Norway, was elected president of the International Federation of University Women today. Prof. Winifred Cullis, of England; Mme. Nelly Schriber, of Switzerland; and Prof. Joanna Westerdijk, of Holland, were chosen vice presidents.

Dr. Glenditch is one of the world's most famous women scientists. She specializes in radio activity, and has often worked with Mme. Curie in the latter's famous radium laboratory in Paris.

McPherson Inquiry Again Halted For Lack of Evidence

District Attorney Says New Evidence Is Too Vague to Be of Value to Grand Jury on Case.

EVANGELIST AND FRIENDS HAPPY

They Claim Move Shows Strength of Arguments They Have Offered as to Kidnapping of Woman.

Los Angeles, Aug. 2.—(AP)—The Aimee Semple McPherson disappearance case investigation has been discontinued again by District Attorney Asa Keyes because he declares "it would cost the country thousands of dollars to convict anyone of perjury." He also said he considers new evidence obtained at Carmel an ocean resort north of here as too vague to be of value.

Abandoning the inquiry brought expressions of joy from the Angelus Temple evangelist and her followers. Mrs. McPherson declared she hopes soon to be able to produce conclusive evidence to substantiate her kidnapping story. In a sermon last night she recounted experiences from the time she disappeared from Ocean Park Beach May 18 to appear in Agua Prieta, Mexico, June 23, and tell of being abducted, and her escape from a desert shack.

The case has been opened and closed a half dozen times since her disappearance. The last grand jury inquiry being launched Thursday on reports from Carmel that a woman answering the description of Mrs. McPherson had visited the resort during the time the evangelist was missing. Deputy District Attorney Joe Ryan, who conducted the Carmel investigation claimed he had found evidence that Kenneth G. Ormiston, former radio operator for Mrs. McPherson had visited Carmel during the time the pastor was there.

A FIGHTING HUSBAND

Some What Opposed to Men Asking His Wife to Take a Ride.
(By International News Service)
Memphis, Tenn., Aug. 2.—Thomas Pike is one man in Memphis who doesn't believe in any modern stuff of wives running around with other men.

In fact, Thomas just won't stand for the suggestion to be made to his wife at all.

"Two men are in a hospital here recovering from severe bruises because they asked Mrs. Pike to take a ride in an auto with them."

Pike, seeing the two men in an auto stop his wife near her home and invite her for a ride, rushed to their car. Swinging his first with deadly accuracy, Pike literally "waded in" to 'em.

Both men drew guns but Pike's speed with his hands made it impossible for them to manipulate their weapons.

Police were called and the two men had already been sent to a hospital. No arrests were made. The guns were not found. In the melee, Mrs. Pike was severely bruised when accidentally struck by her fighting husband.

28 ILL AS RESULT OF TAINTED FOOD

Score Poisoned by Wedding Cake and Eight Others When They Ate Bean in Basement.
Chicago, Aug. 2.—(AP)—Twenty-eight persons were ill here today as a result of eating tainted food. A score were poisoned, supposedly after eating a cake at a wedding celebration. Eight others, two women and six children, were poisoned when their curiosity tempted them to taste a curious bread found in the basement of their home.

Physicians said all would recover. The wedding celebration was in the home of Tony Manrillo. Among those stricken were Manrillo, his wife and their five children. The party was in honor of Amico Manrillo and his bride of a week, both of whom were victims.

Police Asked to Aid in Search for Boy

Charlotte, Aug. 1.—An appeal has been made to the Charlotte police to aid in the search for Reid Henderson, 15, Bingham Military Academy student, who disappeared Monday.

Young Henderson is said by his father to have left home after a "jacking up" for too freely spending money. The father left here tonight for Spartanburg to continue his search for the lad.

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M. FRANKLIN BOUILLON



LORRAINE GOULD



LADY ASTOR



HARRY HARTZ

FOREIGN: M. Franklin Bouillon, enemy of the French debt settlement, rejected the ambassadorship to Washington, STAGE: Mrs. Lorraine Manville Gould became America's richest actress with the inheritance of her share of the estate of her father, asbestos king. SOCIAL: Lady Astor, American-born member of Parliament, is on her way to the United States, incognito. SPORTS: Harry Hartz held an almost unbeatable lead for the season auto racing championship.

McLEAN FEARS HE IS GETTING TOO SOFT

Imperative That He Get Plenty of Exercise and Be Out Doors.
Raleigh, Aug. 2.—(AP)—Governor McLean is afraid the constant confinement attendant upon his gubernatorial duties is not the best thing for his health.

Discussing his mode of living, Mr. McLean says that in days gone by he was a good man physically but since being on an office job he is getting soft. A big man physically, he feels it is almost imperative that he get plenty of exercise and be outdoors a great deal if he is to keep in trim.

The executive does not care for tennis, golf and such activities and his idea of exercise is what another man would term work—he likes wood chopping and ploughing.

The governor recalls in his younger days he would plough all day and dance all night at a country dance and be on the job at sun-up the next morning feeling fresh as a daisy. Now, it is only on rare occasions he is able to get away and he does not feel as fit at all times as in days gone by.

He remarked that on his trip to Blowing Rock last week he was on the road for 21 hours, had no rest and no sleep and stopped only occasionally. Yet, at the end of the trip he felt better than if he had spent a day in the office plugging away on matters of State. He believes this can be accounted for by the fact that he was able to give his mind a complete rest and he was in the open air.

ADVERTISING NORTH CAROLINA

Senator Simmons Sees North Carolina in Unmistakable Language.
Greensboro, Aug. 2.—Senator F. M. Simmons has some definite ideas about the project for advertising North Carolina to the nation at large. Following his action in endorsing the proposal in early spring, the senator has given the matter considerable thought.

In a recent letter to a member of the organization committee of the North Carolinians, Incorporated, he sets forth his ideas in unmistakable language.

"I am fully aware that we must advertise North Carolina as a unit. Of course different sections will probably continue to advertise, but I think it is important that our policy should be to advertise the state as a whole. This does not, of course, preclude any section from advertising its distinctive merits or advantages."

The senior senator, formerly chairman of the finance committee and who has represented North Carolina with years of distinguished service in a state and national way, is now spending his vacation at his home in New Bern. He has kept in close touch with the organization committee of North Carolinians, Incorporated, in its efforts to raise funds from all parts of the state to be used in the proposed nationwide advertising campaign. He has expressed keen interest in the progress of the organization.

THE COTTON MARKET

Opened Steady at Unchanged Prices to Decline of Six Points.
New York, Aug. 2.—(AP)—The cotton market opened steady today at unchanged prices to a decline of 6 points under renewal of the realizing movement which developed after advances of last week and which were probably promoted by talk of better weather in the western belt. December sold off to 17.61 and March to 17.85 at the opening but the market was steadied by covering at these figures, while apprehensions of showers in the southwest probably brought in little buying. Prices rallied to 17.71 for December and 17.93 for March with active months showing net gains of 3 to 6 points by the end of the first half hour. Private reports published this morning made the condition of the crop 66.5 per cent compared with 72.6 per cent a month ago, and placed the indicated yield at 14,193,000 bales.

Cotton futures opened steady; October 17.65; December 17.63; January 17.71; March 17.85; May 18.00.

Apples Baked on Tree

Lenoir, Aug. 2.—Around the foot of Warrior mountain the sun is baking apples on the trees.

T. S. Setzer, who lives in that section, about five miles out on the Lenoir-Blowing Rock highway, brought to The News-Topic office a sample of the sun's baking. It was a red June apple and was cooked as nicely and had all the flavor of an apple baked in a stove.

He had quite a number of these cooked apples and says there are many on the trees now about half cooked.

The King's Daughter will meet tonight at 8 o'clock at the Hotel Concord. The meeting will be the regular one for August.

MAKE INQUIRY INTO EVENTS LEADING TO DEATH OF BARONESS

Miami Police Officers Seek Light in Mystery of Suicide of Baroness Boyce-Garrett Friday.

HUSBAND SAID HE ATTEMPTED SUICIDE

Was Found in a Thicket North of Miami With a Piece of Heavy Twine Wrapped Around Neck.

Miami, Fla., Aug. 2.—(AP)—A coroner's jury today inquired into the chain of events which culminated Friday night in the death of the Baroness Boyce-Garrett, and the arrest of her husband, Baron Michael Boyce-Garrett, formerly of the Russian nobility.

The Baroness leaped to her death from the eighth floor of the fashionable Everglades Hotel. The Baron clasp a piece of heavy twine was found by police in a dense thicket north of Miami where he said he was about to hang himself.

A suicide pact of seven years standing entered into between the two after the Baroness, a noted singer, had lost a \$5,000,000 heritage in the upheaval following the war, and trouble with Bolsheviks in Russia caused the couple to plan death.

The Baron today expressed disappointment that his youthful wife had not died with him as she had promised.

The couple met in a Russian military hospital where the Baron was recuperating from amputation of a leg lost in the war. They fell in love, fled to America, and for several years the Baroness appeared in musical entertainments in the East.

"Friday morning my wife told me the time had come to die," the Baron told police. "That she could not work or fight any longer, and that we must die together as we had lived together. I told her to wait until morning and we would go out to Coconut Grove, get in a boat together, tie a rope around our necks and die. When this was decided we were both joyful."

"My wife told me she would not be crossed with me if I went out and stayed late." She said this is the last day on earth for you to smoke and play billiards and have a good time, so you go out. You catch the last car back home, but be sure to buy a newspaper before you come. We will spend our last night together and prepare to die in the morning."

The Baron played billiards from shortly after noon until late at night. He learned of his wife's death when he bought a newspaper.

He purchased a piece of twine and walked on crutches to the nearest tree, but could not climb. He boarded bus and rode to a tangled thicket a few miles north of Miami where he remained throughout Saturday. Here he was found by police when his efforts to climb trees to hang himself attracted attention of residents.

Judge J. L. Webb to Retire at Term End.
Charlotte, Aug. 1.—Judge James L. Webb, of Shelby, with four years yet to serve on his present term as a judge of Superior Court, said in Charlotte Saturday that he will not be a candidate for re-election.

He is retiring and doing emergency judicial work at the end of his term. The State law provides that judges, who have been on the Superior Court bench for twenty years and have reached a certain age, may retire on a salary, holding themselves available for special terms.

Judge Webb is one of the oldest in point of service of North Carolina jurists. His health, he said, is excellent, but he feels that after four more years of the Superior Court circuit grind, he will be entitled to lighter work. He is assigned to the Greensboro district until January 1, but has been holding court in his home the past week.

Noted Jewish Author and Playwright Dies.
London, Aug. 1.—Israel Zangwill, noted playwright and man of letters, died today.

He had been under treatment in a hospital at Midhurst, Sussex, for two months, but his condition did not become serious until about a week ago, when he gradually became worse. The direct cause of death was given as pneumonia.

Morse Improved Today.
Bath, Me., Aug. 2.—(AP)—Charles W. Morse was recovering today from what was described by his family as a slight shock suffered yesterday at his summer home here. The aged financier was stricken during the middle forenoon and was unconscious all day.

Mrs. F. L. Keller, of Waukegan, Ill., is visiting friend and relatives in the St. Johns neighborhood this week.

A church in Clinton, Mass., has paid \$44000 to an engineer for eliminating an ache which for 29 years had marred the church services.

THE WEATHER
Partly cloudy tonight. Showers in west portion; Tuesday showers. Moderate southwest winds.