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TOBACCO OPENING BREAK A SURPRISE

Average Twenty Cents; Approximately 500,000 Pounds Was Sold Today on the Greenville Market

Other Municipalities Expected to Follow the Fight Made by Durham

In the matter of Ten-Cent Car Fare — Durham's Case is of Wide Interest and the Corporation Commission's Decision May Start a Dozen Other Towns Towards the Capital with Petitions for Reductions in Their Car Fares — Case to Be Heard Thursday of this Week

Raleigh, Sept. 6.—The city of Durham's decision t otake the offensive in the fight which the Durham Traction Company has heretofore been making for ten cent car fare is expected to be followed by other municipalities in the State.

If any concerted effort is made on the part of the cities for a reduction rather than an increase there is every reason to believe that the State Corporation Commission will not be found boosting the fare at "every turn of the road" as one official expressed it. The commission does not always listen to the "popular" voice any more than does Colonel Aus Watts, commissioner of revenue, and it cannot be successfully contended tha tall of the rulings handed down by the three corporation commissioners have been popular. They have been both cussed and discussed for their attempts to regilate the prices on telephones, railroads, car lines and power companies.

The commissioners even defied Josephus Daniels when an increase was granted the Southern Bell Telephone Company. The former navy head's paper talked mean about the commission but has since forgotten it. The Morrison administration is available for cussing now, so the corporation commission is being spared:

Durham's case is of wide interest and the corporation commission's decision may start a dozen other municipalities towards the capital with petitions for reductions in their carfares. There must, of course, be a ruling favorable to the Durham officials of other cities are to get anywhere with their appeals. And this doesn't mean the rates are not arrived at on the evidence in each case.

The city if Durham now pays eight cents for its car rides—that is those of the city who ride The traction company is seeking to increase it to ten cents. The city is entering vigorous protest and asks the commission to reduce the fare to seven cents, or four tickets for 25 cents.

This case will be heard by the commission Thursday of this week and its final settlement is expected to start something between the traction companies and the public over the State.

Before the commission takes up the street car fight it hopes to make plain its ruling regarding the exception the city of Asheville filed to a recent order fixing the gas rate i nthe mountain city at $2.30.

While the acts of the commission cannot be told in advance, or at least it would seem unethical to do so, the prediction that the city's exceptions will be overruled might not be the most unpopular thing sent out from Raleigh. In all probability this is exactly what will be done.

The commission may have the order ready late today or early tomorrow.

Governor Morrison's return to the capital over Sunday from his vacation in Asheville was the biggest single news story of Labor Day.

State departments, the supreme court building and other major offices about the capital observed hte holiday making an unsuccessful effort to keep cool. The governor and the treasurer were at their offices most of the day, but there was little business transacted.

The council of the State gathered with Governor Morrison at noon for a session but adjourned without getting to the stage where motions were made. The meeting was informal and was a sort of get-together affair to welcome the governo rhome. Attorney General Manning was out of the city.

The State Corporation Commission is finding itself still further perplexed with the Thomasville and Denton bank failures and there seems to be no reason to expect the appointment of receivers for the two Davidson county institutions soon.

Many good names have been submitted to the commission from the two cities by letter. Delegations have also came down to Raleigh, well fortified in more ways than several, it is said, with the names of men of all grades who would make acceptable receivers. But the commission has yet failed to find its own mind.

It can now be stated without fear of contradiction that Bruce Craven, of Old Trinity, will not be named by the commission as receiver for either of the Davidson county banks.

LaFAYETTE-MARNE DAY CELEBRATED

Many Cities Have Arranged Civic Ceremonies Appropriate to the Day.

New York, Sept. 6.—The country today celebrates Lafayette-Marne Day. Many cities have arranged civic ceremonies appropriate to the day that marks the birth of Lafayette and the seventh anniversary of the first battle of the Marne in 1914.

The keynote of the celebration this year, the Lafayette Day National committee announced, would be found in the message of President Harding to the committee at last years celebration.

"Twice has France contributed to our liberty," he said. "Once when Lafayette came to the aid of America in her fight for independence, again when France stood as a bleeding bulwark for the freedom and democracy of the world against the military onslaught of an autocracy.

"The name of Lafayette brings to our herats the name of France,—it calls forever to our gratitude. If the opportunity ever comes to me I will represent the American people in giving practical proof of our national friendship. Our true friendship may only be effectely expressed in deeds rather than in words, in a relationship that will stand rather than fall. in workable machinery of international goodwill and good faith. Such a relationship can only have permanence and value to France when it is approved no tby a part but by the whole of the American people."

Andrew Jackson, President of the United States, in his general order of June 21, 1834, announcing to the army the death of Layayette, the last surviving major-general of the war of the Revolution, said of him "his memory will be second only to that of Washington in the hearts of the American people."

PEACE AGREEMENT TO BE CELEBRATED

Between United States and Canada—One Hundredth Anniversary of Peace on Tomorrow

Blaine, Wash., Sept. 6.—More than one hundred years of peace between Canada and the United States—one hundred years without fortifications or armies along three thousand miles of border—will be commemorated tomorrow with the dedication of the Peace Portal, a huge arch of steel and cement, on the international boundary line near here.

At the same time the Pacific Highway, running from Vancouver, B. C., to Tia Juana, Lower California, will be formally dedicated with elaborate ceremonies. The highway, which is now practically completed with the exception of paving on certain stretches, is nearly 2,000 miles long and traverses the states of Oregon, Washington and California. Every mile of the road will be paved by 1925, according to present plans.

TO ASSIST EXPORTATION

The War Finance Corporation today announces that it has agreed to make an advance of $1,000,000 to a Southern bank for the purpose of assisting in the exportation of cotton and grain.

The Grade And Price Much Better Than Those of Last Year; All Are Well Pleased

Farmers from All Sections of Eattern Carolina Here for Opening Break—Concensus of Opinion is that Prices Will Become Stronger as Season Advances—Wilson Market Averages from 15 to 20c.; Rocky Mount Around 12 Cents—In All Probability There Will Be Block Sale Today — Good Breaks at All Seven Warehouses—Everybody Elated Over the Outlook Here

The unexpected has happened, and in consequence, everybody has a pleased and contented look on their face in Greenville today. This is due to the way tobacco sold on the initial break of the 1921-22 season this morning and this afternoon. While at this hour the indications point to a "block" sale, enough tobacco has been sold to give those mostly interested some idea of what this tobacco season will bring forth for the farmers of Pitt county and Eastern Carolina. To express the situation in a few words, everybody is pleased and delighted with the opening break, for today's sale will average around twenty cents. As to the number of pounds on the seven warehouse floors those capable of judging say, it will aggregate a half million pounds; others, claim as much as 750,000 pounds.

Tobacco began arriving in town yesterday and there was a continual stream of carts, wagons and automobiles loaded with it all during the night and early this morning. Not only is there a big amount of tobacco here but there are thousands of farmers and visitors from all sections of the county and counties adjoining.

As to the average for today's sale, at this writing, the price is only conjecture as there have been no official figures given out. In all probability it will be tomorrow before the exact average price is known. Some of the tobacconist say the sale will average around twenty cents; others, eighteen cents. All agree, however, that the prices today were satisfactory and much better than the most sanguine antielpated.

Not only were the prices pleasing to the farmers and others concerned, but the grades offered for sale were better than looked for. Of course there was a lot of common tobacco on the floor as is the usual custom on opening day. The tobacconist believe that the prices will become stronger as the season advances. If the farmer will only market his tobacco slowly and cautiously the consensus of opinion prevails among the "knowing ones" he will benefit thereby.

Greenville looks like a different place today from yesterday. Everything is on the go, pleased countenances greet you. The tobacco opening here today was almost as welcomed as a good heavy rain would be to the people of Raleigh just about now.

Over long distance 'phone just before press hour The Greenville News learned that in Rocky Mount there were 250,000 pounds on the warehouse floors and that the average price was about 12 cents. In Wilson the average was from 15 to 20 cents.

WAR VETERANS CLIMB MOUNTAIN

Monte Crappe, Italy, Scene of Vast Pilgrimage of 15,000 Heroes of World War.

Monte Grappa, Italy, Sept. 6.—This mountain, 5,000 feet high amid the rugged crags of the Alps, has just been the scene of a vast pilgrimage of 15,000 veterans of the world war, women and children, who for days have been climbing to reach the summit where the statue of a Madonna and child was reconsecrated in memory of the Italian heroes who fought in these mountain fastnesses.

The road to the summit is 18 miles in length and winds through passes, skirts the edge of bottomless ravines and rises finally to giddy heights, where to the south one sees the plains of the Isonzo to the sea, to the north continue chains of towering Alps. It was thus that during the war, the army that occupied Monte Grappa controlled the plain. It was the mountainous battleground of the Italian and its changing of hands during the course of the war is the story of the whole campaign.

The Madonna which has now retaken her place on the summit was placed here in 1910 by Cardinal Sarto patriarch of Venice. In May 1918, while the stronghold was in possession of the Italians, an Austrian bomb struck the pedestal on which the statue rested. A captain of engineers and handful of men left their dugouts among the rocks and in a terrific bombardment lifted the statue and took it to a place of safety. On a convenient day, it was taken down from the mountain and carried back to the rear eo remain until the end of the war so that it could be erected with safety.

FIFTH ECUMENICAL M. E. CONFERENCE

Will Open in Central Wesleyan Hall, Westminister, London Tomorrow—Closes Sept. 16.

London, Sept. 5.—Important world problems including the reunion of Christendom, marriage anddivorce, capital and labor, international cooperation and the causes underlying the change in "moral standards" of the present age, are to be disvussed at the fifth Ecumenical Methodist Conference which opens in Central Wesleyan Hall, Westminister, tomorrow evening and continues until Friday, September 16. The speakers will be leaders of Methodist thought throughout the world and will include editors, educators and other prominent laymen as well as bishops and ministers.

It is ten years since the last previous similar conference was held in Toronto, Ont. Since then, according to official figures, Methodism has gained 3,935,341 members, probationers and adherents.

The number of delegates eo the present meeting including African M. E. church representatives, is 555 of whom 251 are from the United States, 84 from Canada, and 220 from all Wesleyan bodies in Great Britain and its dominions and mission fields. The opening sermon will be preached at the historic Wesley's Chapel here tomorrow evening by the Rev S. P. Rose D. D., of Montreal, Que.

The Rev. Dr. H. K. Carroll, of Plainfield, N. J., will present to the conference, an estimate showing the Methodist population in the world, including members, probationers and adherents to have totalled 36,622,190 in 1920. In 1910 it was given as 32,728,547.

"The Methodist population of the world," says Dr. Carroll, "on the accepted basis of four adherents to each member in the Eastern Section and of two and a half in the United States and Canada, has reached highly satisfactory figures. It is probably the largest population of any Protestant communion except the Lutheran."

Among the announced topics and speakers at the forth-coming sessions are the following: "Reunion of Christendom" — The Rev. David G. Downey, New York; "The Moral Necessity of International Alliance"

Wheeling, West Va., has women acting as railroad crossing flagmen.

CHEMISTS BEGIN A CONFERENCE

Representatives of America, Great Britain and Canada—More than 3,000 Will Attend.

New York, Sept. 6.—Chemists of Great Britain, Canada and the United States began an international conference here today which was heralded as the greatest meeting in the history of their science and industry. More than 3,000 of them were expected to attend the series of addresses, symposiums and exhibits which will continue through September 10, embracing all phases of chemical work, with particularly emphasis on post-war problems.

The following seven days will be devoted to the seventh national exposition of the chemical industries.

Prominent among those scheduled to address the gathering were Secretary of Commerce Herbert Hoover, Sir William J. Pope, president of the Society of Chemical Industry of Great Britain, a number of Chemistry professors from universities of the United States, England and Canada and heads of research departments in many industries of the three countries.

LITTLE BRUIN SAYS

Generally fair tonight and Wednesday. No change in temperature. Gentle to moderate northwest and west winds.

IDLE GERMAN SHIPS IN SERVICE AGAIN

Has Been n Tampico Harbor Mexico Since Interment in 1914.

Tampico, Mexico, Sept. 6. — The German-owned ship Antonina which has lain idle in Tampico harbor since its internment in 1914, has received orders to clear for Hamburg, stopping at New Orleans for a cargo. The vessel was alleged to have been engaged in carrying arms and ammunition for the Huerta administration and was interned by President Carranza. When the United States entered the war it became impossible for the vessel to get out of the Gulf of Mexico.

TOBACCO MARKET WILL NOT CLOSE THURSDAY ON ACCOUNT CIRCUS

It was announced this morning that the tobacco market will not close this year on accoupt of the circus which is scheduled to exhibit here on Thursday of this week. In consequence of this action on the part of the Tobacco Board of Trade farmers can bring their tobacco to market Thursday of this week as usual.

Troops in Control.

Charleston, West Va., Sept. 6. — Quiet prevailed along the Boone-Logan county border early today. Federal troops are in complete control.

GIVE DeVALERA DEFINITE TIME IS THE OPINION

London, Sept. 6.—Premier Lloyd George conferred with his cabinet today in re De Valera's reply rejecting the British government's offer for dominion status for Ireland. The impression is that the British ministry would give DeValera and his collegues at Dublin a certain limited time to accept of definitely reject the British overtures.

TERMS OFFICIALLY GIVEN BY THE GOV.

Standard Aeronautical Terms Compiled by National Advisory Committee.

Washington, Sept. 6.—Standard aeronauitcal terms, devised and compiled by the National Advisory Committee for aeronautics, have been officially prescribed for use in the army and Navy. Hereafter, the new order states, the officers of the two air services will use the regulation nomenclature.

For sometime aerial experts point out, laymen have been calling anything that traverses the air an airship, whereas the word "aircraft" should be employed. They say that all balloons, rigid and non-rigid airships, or lighter-than-air craft, are constantly being termed "blimps," a slang word now obsolete, but originally used to designate a non-rigid airship driven by an engine installed in an airplane fuselage slung beneath the gas bag. The word "hydroplane," has often been misused in refering to a seaplane; "hydroplane" designates a sea sled, which planes on the surface of the water but does not take the air. An airplane has been calling a boat a "aero" which, it is explained is as wrong as calling a boat a "water The words "aeroplane," hydro-airplane" and dirigible," have been done away with and "airplane," "seaplane" and "airships" have taken their places.

CARUSO PERFECT SINGING MACHINE

Throat Specialsts Compares His Throat wth Other Great Singers of the World.

London, Sept. 6.—William Lloyd, throat specialist, who for many years treated Caruso, writes to the Daily Mail that, comparing him with other great singers, he found the following characteristics of the perfect singing machine.

"The most striking feature was the great length of the voca tube, the distance from the teeth to the vocal cords, in Caruso was at least half an inch more than in any other great tenor I have examined.

"A second point was the length of the vocal cords, on whose length breadth and thickness the pitch of the voice largely depends. The average length of the relaxed vocal cords in a man is 18 millimeters (about 3-4 in.) Caruso's vocal cords were 1-6 in. longer than those of any other tenor I have seen.

"The capacity for vibration of the vocal cords is another most important factor, for the higher the note the more rapid must be the vibration Caruso when singing his wonderful chest C, sharp reached the phenomenal vibration for a man of 550 per second.

"Saruso's whole body seemed to have more average resonance and one of the great secrets of hsi wonderful voice was the formation of the epiglottis, which was thick at the base as in bassos, but exquisitely fine and delicate at the free end. The power of his voice was so great that he often fractured glasses in my consulting room by singing their fundamental notes at the orifice."

KINGS.

Kings must come off their high horse—even dead kings!

This cry isn't raised in Russia, but in England, where there is much adverse criticism of an equestrian statute of King Edward by Bertram McKennal, recenlty unveiled in London The sculptor did a good likeness of the king, but concentrated mostly on the charger.

The Manchester Guardian points out King Edward's chief recommendation to posterity is that he was not military, and adds:

"Surely the art of sculpture can invent some way of dealing with such a characterful and individual personage as King Edward without representing him only as an ordinary royal symbol?"

In Alaska there are one hundred square miles which can be used for agricultural purposes.

SEVERAL FAKE EYE SPECIALIST NOW OPERATING IN THIS STATE

(Special to Greenville News.)

Raleigh, N. C., Sept. 6.—Unscrupulous men pretending to be eye specialists are operating in a number of sections of the State and fradulently advertising themselves as representatives of the State Board of Health according to reports which are reaching the board today.

Rumors of such operations have been received from the counties of Caswell, Buncombe, Wilkes, Cumberland and Wake. In all instances the reports indicate that the operators have been visiting the smaller towns and rural sections posing as representatives of the State Board of Health sent out to give free examinations of the eye and then fitting and selling glasses. They apparently confine their operations to a few days in a given community and then move on to fresh pastures.

Such alleged specialists are fakirs and frauds of the rankest sort, declared Dr. W. S. Rankin, state health officer, in discussing the matter this afternoon. He said, "the State Board of Health does not now have nor has it ever had any eye specialists engaged in field duty for the examination of the eyes of the people and the fitting of glasses. From time to time in the course of a medical examination of school children and in connection with the examination made of the tousils and adenoids clinics held by the board, those children manifestly in need of attention for their eyes have been referred to their parents with the recommendation that they be taken for treatment to a reputable oculist recommended by their family physician. The alleged eye specialist who make a practice of traveling through the country giving careless superficial examinations of the eyes and fitting glasses have done untold harm and such person claiming to represent the State Board of Health and holding out such claim as an inducement for patronage is a fakir and fraud of the rankest sort. Such person is guilty of obtaining money under false pretenses and should be promptly arrested and prosecuted."

SHIPS LYING IDLE AWAITING CARGO

Scores of All Kinds of Vessels Swinging Impatiently at Anchor Like Hunting Dogs

New York, Sept. 5.—Scores of fine ships equipped for any kind of cargo, are swinging impatiently at anchor, like hunting dogs on leash in every port of the world awaiting a return of normal conditions in maritime business.

Excessive war time construction of cargo carriers followed by a gradually increasing depression in world's shipping business, has created a new problem for port officers and steamship owners. A few years ago keen Today, the competition is to secure a loading or discharging berth.

Today, the competition is to secure a safe and convenient place where ships may be laid up at the least possible overhead expense where they can be ready for instant response to steam and propeller when commerce again calls.

In New York and vicinity the task of finding safe anchorage falls to Captain Byron L. Reed, of the U. S. Coast Guard service, designated by the government as Port Captain.

Yonkers has been called upon to serve as resting places for idle ships. In Jamacia Bay, a large semi-inland body of water at the southerly end of Long Island many more ships have been accommodated. Up Long Island sound as far as the Connecticut line, every available bay having sufficient depth of water has been called upon.

Owing to the high cost of timber in China, railway sleepers and electric transmission line poles are being made of reinforced concrete