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State vs. Talley Reel, Fred Hoke, Horace Ballard, charged with exploding dynamite. Plea guilty. Taxed with costs and required to give behavior bonds.

Bill Derr; indictment manufacturing whiskey. Defendant plead guilty. Sentenced to 1 year on roads. In passing this sentence his honor remarked that he had cut one year off his sentence because of the fact that it had been established in court that Derr had told the truth in regard to the indictment against him.

State vs. Henry Yoder, charged with receiving unlawful quantity of liquor. Plea guilty. Sentence of court six months on the roads.

State vs. Will E. Smith, indictment, transporting. Plea guilty. Upon payment of costs prayer for judgment suspended during good behavior.

State vs. G. L. Willard, Plea guilty to charge of forcible trespass. Prayer for judgment continued upon payment of one third cost, and good behavior for 2 years. Nol pros as to other defendant, B. F. Willard.

State vs. Jake Ballard. Charged with manufacturing liquor. Jury verdict not guilty.

State vs. M. C. Whitener; indictment transporting liquor. Defendant plea guilty. Judgment 9 months on roads.

State vs. Zeno Short; indictment transporting liquor. Defendant plea guilty. Judgment 6 months on roads.

State vs. Eulus Cannon, indictment carrying concealed weapon. 1 month to roads.

State vs. G. H. Hipp, Harry Timmons, Clyde Gillespie, R. A. Page; indictment transporting whiskey; Harry Timmons and Clyde Gillespie to pay \$50 fine each and one third costs, and G. H. Hipp, one third costs. Page car sold at auction bringing \$485.

State vs. J. F. Queen, indictment transporting liquor. Defendant plea guilty. Prayer for judgment continued upon payment of costs and behavior bond. Car sold and brought \$248.

State vs. Cecil Ritchie, indicted for transporting liquor. Plea guilty. Sentence 9 months on roads.

State vs. A. L. Gilbert, indictment, receiving unlawful quantity of liquor. Prayer for judgment continued upon payment of costs and good behavior bond.

State vs. Wm. Harrell; indicted for housebreaking, larceny and receiving. Plea guilty. Sentenced to 18 months on the roads. This is the case growing out of the recent robbery of armory of the Cavalry in this city when several automatic pistols belonging to the government were taken. The defendant plead guilty to taking 4 of the pistols.

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State vs. Lee Abernethy Ford. Indictment, attempt to commit larceny, by carrying away a calf named Mary. Plead guilty. Given 5 months on the roads by the judge, and warned by his honor not to bother any more calves.

State vs. Alf Ramsaur, indictment wife beating. Plea guilty. Judgment of the Court 4 months on the roads.

Alf Ramsaur was found not guilty in the case charging him with carrying concealed weapon.

State vs. Fletcher Burton. Indicted on charge of larceny. Plea guilty. Upon payment of costs, prayer for judgment continued.

State vs. John Brock, Sci fa. Judgment absolute, according to sci fa.

State vs. Scott Miller, Zeb Leatherman, P. M. Leatherman. Indictment, affray. Defendant plea guilty. Prayer for judgment continued upon payment of costs.

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State vs. Plato Short; indictment, retailing. Plea guilty. Sentence to 6 months on roads.

State vs. Will Smith and D. P. Rhodes. Sci fa. Judgment \$150.

State vs. D. P. Leatherman and F. J. Leatherman. Sci fa. Judgment absolute, \$200.

State vs. C. M. Goodnight, indictment attempt to tamper with state witness. Judgment 30 days in jail, and \$250 fine.

Frank Young charged with receiving and transporting liquor was given a road sentence of 5 months.

LINCOLN FARMERS ATTEND BIG PICNIC

ABOUT THIRTY FIVE OR FORTY LINCOLN FARMERS TOOK A TRIP THURSDAY TO IREDELL

Agent W. L. Smarr and a party of about 40 Lincoln county farmers took a trip to the test farm in Iredeell county last Thursday, and enjoyed the day which was also a most profitable one. Mr. Smarr says that rain in the lower end of the county was the cause of many from East Lincoln failing to go on the trip. He says however, that another trip will be made to the Iredeell farm about the middle of September when a large crowd is expected to go over. The Stateville Landmark in its report of the farmers gathering in Iredeell says:

Noon at the State Fair.—"The gang's all here," including Jiggs and Maggie and Farmer Courtassell, and all the lads and lassies that go in the making of the cream of Iredeell's rural population. With few exceptions it is rest day for "Old Beck," and her kindred quadrupeds and work day for "Miss Lizzie" and her aristocratic, soldless, gas-burning kinsfolks. The farmers have turned out here in such numbers that parking space for automobiles is at a premium. Despite the hard times, there are no long faces here. The folks left their troubles at home with the dog to howl about and came here to forget and to have a good time. Mirth is running over! Merry-making is unrestrained! Pleasure forms the boundary of the grounds. Youth is in the zenith of its glory and there is music in the air!

County Agent Graeber set the program in motion at 10 o'clock at the pavilion, with preliminary remarks as to the plans for the day, after which the great throngs joined in singing "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name." Following their vociferous Rev. O. W. Adderhold, Mr. A. J. Blankenship and others put on an enthusiastic and enjoyable community sing.

Those of the men who could not get their singing apparatus to work, were invited to go for a hike over the farm to study and have explained the many tests and experiments in progress.

At 11 o'clock at the pavilion Mr. J. W. Coverdale, secretary of the American Farm Bureau Federation, made an eloquent appeal for the emancipation of the farming class and held up the Farm Bureau Federation as the only remedy available to lift the farmers out of the rut into which they have fallen and been submerged.

Much interest centered in the proposed wedding scheduled to take place at 10:50. Could a Romeo and Juliet be found with nerve enough to stand up before thousands and thousands of people and be spiced? They could not. Cupid is a hard-working little genius who never balks at a little task of finding two souls with but a single thought, two hearts that beat as one, but failed today to lead out two captives to pay homage to Hymen, the God of marriage.

LENOIR COTTON MILL PRESIDENT IS DEAD

Lenoir, July 21.—M. M. Courtney, aged about 68, one of Lenoir's oldest and most esteemed citizens and for 49 years prominent merchant here, died today at 12:45 after a decline in health and strength of several months. He was born and raised in Caldwell county. At various times he was a town official, and was president of the Lenoir cotton mills since its organization in 1900 and also a trustee of Davenport college for many years. His success as a business man was phenomenal. Was widely known throughout the state and the south.

In 1880 he married Miss Alice Earnhardt, of Lenoir, who survives him with 11 children, and also one brother, R. G. Courtney, of Lenoir. The children are: Mrs. J. T. Jones, Chattanooga; Mrs. M. H. Collins, Holly Springs; Mrs. N. H. Gwyn and Misses Gertrude and Faith Courtney, Lenoir, and H. W. G. W. C. and Robey K. Courtney, Lenoir; M. H. Courtney, Charlotte, J. B. Courtney, Winston-Salem; Dr. R. H. Courtney, Richmond, Va., and 15 grand children.

The funeral will be held Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Methodist church in Lenoir.

Cleveland, Ohio, July 20.—Eva Catherine Kaber was taken to the Women's reformatory at Marysville, Ohio, this morning to begin serving a life sentence for the murder of her husband, Daniel F. Kaber, Lakewood, publisher, two years ago, for which crime she was found guilty last Saturday.

And now abideth aspiration, inspiration and perspiration, these three, but the greatest and most necessary of these in this world right now is perspiration properly superinduced.—Houston Post.

NEARLY TWO-THIRDS OF MILLION TO BE SPENT ON NEW SCHOOL BUILDINGS

Gastonia Gazette. One of the biggest school building programs that has ever been undertaken in the county is being planned by the Gastonia and Gaston county boards of education. A total of nearly two-thirds of a million dollars is to be spent soon in the erection of at least eight school buildings in the city and county, \$550,000 of which will be expended on the city schools, as authorized in the city school election Monday.

The city issue authorized in the election Monday will be used for the erection of a high school building and a colored school. Since the decline in prices of building material the total amount authorized may not be needed. If so it will not be issued. A splendid site has been secured for the high school building, comprising a whole block on South York street. About \$7,000 is being expended on a temporary high school building which is rapidly going up.

A comparatively large amount of money will be spent on a high school building for Cherryville township, which is to be erected in a short time. It will be erected on a site of eight or ten acres near the Tryon monument and will be named the Tryon high school in honor of the old county of Tryon. This building will contain a large auditorium and a number of class rooms.

A handsome brick building is also to be erected at New Hope. The building will contain six class rooms and will be located on a five-acre site, which has already been purchased.

The auditorium of the new Dallas school building is being completed and will be ready for use by fall. The completion of this building gives Dallas one of the most modern school buildings in the county.

A considerable part of the money to be expended by the county board of education will go toward erection of four brick-veneer school buildings of the type of the Sunnyside school, all in the western part of the county. Three of these will be located in Cherryville township. They will be at the Beulah church and in the Kiser and Panhandle communities. The other building will be located in Dallas township and will be a consolidation of the Rutledge and Zion schools. It will be called the Willis school.

The contracts for these buildings have not been let as yet and the exact cost of them is not known. Bids are being received now and the contracts will probably be announced in a few days.

Since the outbreak of the war practically no additions have been made to the colored school facilities of the county. The population has been steadily increasing but no provision has been made to increase the capacity of the school buildings to accommodate the increase in attendance. To fill this need the county board of education is planning some additions to the colored school equipment and an increase in the facilities that will accommodate the increased attendance.

WILSON AGREEMENT ON ALLIED LOANS BINDING

Mellon Tells Senators Administration Will Respect the Agreement to Defeat Interest On Loans.

Washington, July 20.—The "understanding" reached by the Wilson administration, deferring interest payments on loans made by the United States to allied nations will be binding upon the present administration, Secretary Mellon stated today to the senate finance committee. The secretary, however, did not disclose the policy which he will pursue in making collections and advised the committee he had reached no agreement with any of the debtor nations on the subject.

The present situation, which the secretary called embarrassing, was caused by discussions in 1919 between former Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Albert Rathbone, and a Mr. Blackett, representing Great Britain, with the result that the "understanding" was reduced to written memorandum.

Assistant Secretary Wadsworth, who accompanied Mr. Mellon before the committee, declared a large part of the interest which the United States had collected upon its foreign loans was from money which the allied governments had borrowed for that purpose. Figures were presented to the committee showing that on the foreign loans amounting to over \$10,000,000, there has accumulated accrued interest amounting to \$943,534,755 which is unpaid and has been deferred.

LIQUOR AFTER WATERMELON KILLS A CAIRO, GA., MAN

Cairo, Ga., July 19.—Neil L. Chamberless, 56, is dead and five or six others are said to be in a serious condition as a result of drinking moonshine whiskey after eating watermelon. Investigators have found that the whiskey contained potash.

TARIFF BILL IS PASSED BY 286 TO 127

Seven Republicans Vote Against Bill; Seven Democrats Supported It—Cotton Free.

Washington, July 21.—The republican protective tariff bill, estimated by Chairman Fordney to raise around five hundred million dollars in revenue annually, was passed tonight by the house by a vote of 289 to 127—precisely the vote by which a democratic motion for elimination of its American valuation provision was defeated.

Seven republicans voted against the measure, while the same number of democrats supported it.

Oils, hides, cotton and asphalt stood up against a determined fight to tax them and remained on the free list. The Longworth dye embargo, first of the five contested schedules to go before the house proper for a separate vote, and backed by most of the republican members of the ways and means committee, was thrown out, 209 to 193.

Forming and holding a flying wedge, and aided by republicans not satisfied with all the bill's provisions, the democratic minority made the most of its chances and won on each. The ways and means committee lost out on three of the five amendments laid before the house.

There was not much chance of imposing a duty on hides and cotton after the house, in committee of the whole, had defeated amendments carrying compensatory rates on their manufactured products. When the oil amendment was reached there was such a shout of noes that a roll call was not demanded. A moment later Chairman Fordney, trying to make himself heard above the din which prevailed during three hours of voting, announced that sentiment in the committee of the whole against taxing asphalt had been so overwhelming that it wasn't worth while to go through the form of calling the roll.

More than 200 committee amendments, rushed through during the last few days were put up to be voted on in a block. Some merely corrected spelling in the bill, some shuffled commas, and some changed the rates, but democrats, still holding their forces in line, compelled a record vote.

Just after the time came to pass the bill Representative Garner of Texas, ranking democrat on the ways and means committee, stepped to the front with the expected motion to send the bill back to its framers with instructions to strike out the American valuation and reciprocal provisions. This was where the republicans and democrats divided squarely on the whole tariff issue, although they had split widely on some of the earlier votes.

Comment on Bill

After the house had passed the bill and adjourned until Monday, Chairman Fordney and Representative Garrett, of Tennessee, the acting minority leaders, issued statements defending and denouncing it.

Declaring the measure a "monstrosity," Mr. Garrett asserted that "the democrat were given 'just five opportunities to win and they won all five.'"

"If the bill had been opened up for amendment under the general rules of the house," he added, "there is no telling what would have happened to it. When I say five opportunities, I mean in the house itself. Of course we had a few changes in the committee of the whole and there we defeated the increase of duties upon leather and boots and shoes and upon cotton manufactures.

"There were only 22 lines of the bill, out of 8,630 lines, read for amendment. Not a member of the house except the majority members of the ways and means committee had an opportunity even to offer an amendment except it was an amendment to a committee amendment.

"By such methods was this monstrosity passed. The day of retribution will come."

Although no direct comparison was made with rates in the Payne-Aldrich bill, which figured so largely in the political discussion, Chairman Fordney declared the average ad valorem rates in his bill were slightly lower.

"The passage of the tariff bill by the house with a substantial majority," Mr. Fordney said, "marks the conclusion of an important step in the return of America to the sound policy of protection."

SAYS HE IS THROUGH WITH WOMEN FOR GOOD

Chicago, July 22.—Ambrose J. Ros, 91 years old, granted a divorce of divorce from his third wife, asserted today that "women were getting worse with every generation."

J. W. GASTON IS HELD CHARGED WITH SHOOTING OF CLARENCE MAUNEY

Gastonia Gazette, 22d.

J. W. Gaston, Belmont policeman, is held in custody charged with shooting Clarence Mauney, a young white man of that town, early yesterday morning.

This action followed the rendering of a verdict about noon today by the coroner's jury to the effect that "Mauney came to his death by a gun shot fired from the hands of J. W. Gaston."

Immediately following the adjournment of the jury Gaston, accompanied by Chief of Police Orr and Deputy Sheriff Cole and his attorney Judge A. C. Jones, left Belmont by automobile for Charlotte where it was his intention to make an effort to get Gaston released on bond in a habeas corpus proceeding before Judge Ray.

Fourteen witnesses were examined by Coronor Davis. There was no evidence of any resistance to arrest on the part of Mauney or that there was any struggle between Mauney and Gaston. The evidence was to the effect that Mauney was running when shot.

At 3 p. m., a phone message from Charlotte said that Mr. Gaston had been released under a \$4,000 bond.

KITCHIN CALLS ON HIS COLLEAGUES NOT TO BE MISLEAD ON THE TARIFF

Urges Democrats To Fight Fordney Bill to the Limit.

Washington July 20.—Telegraphing from his home in Scotland Neck, where he is recuperating after his illness, Representative Claude Kitchin, the Democratic floor leader of the house, today urges his Democratic colleagues not to be led astray by the false gods of protection during the consideration of the Fordney tariff bill.

The message from Mr. Kitchin, which Democrats of the house hailed with applause, was received by Representative Finis J. Garrett, of Tennessee, the acting minority leader. Mr. Garrett has ably directed the Democratic minority since Mr. Kitchin was given a two months' leave of absence by the house.

The Kitchin message put additional "pep" into the Democratic fight against the tariff bill. The North Carolinian is popular with his colleagues and regret has been expressed more than once that he is not here to engage in his old time fiery way in the tariff debates.

If Democrats hold to the faith of the fathers, Mr. Kitchin says, and follow the principles they have followed 100 years or more, all will be well with the party in the next elections.

"The Democrats of the house are to be congratulated," said Mr. Kitchin in his telegram, "on the splendid fight they are making against the Fordney tariff bill. They are making a fine impression on the country especially in the Democratic ranks everywhere for an enthusiastic and united front in 1922 and 1924 and giving them fresh hope of coming victory."

"The Purpose is 'Favoritism.' "Make the strongest appeal possible to every Democrat in the house not to mar the excellent record thus far made, by voting for Republican protection on hides, cotton, oil, asphalt or any other product. The purpose of such tariff is not revenue but protection—favoritism to some special industry. Let no Democrat yield to the tempting argument of protection of his home industry. Every item in the bill is protection to some member's home industry, but if protection to the home industry of a republican is wrong it is equally wrong to the home industry of some Democrat."

Mr. Kitchin said no Democrat should be willing to handicap by even a single vote his party in future campaigns. The only safe and sound course, he said, was for Democrats to vote against the entire bill and every protective item in it.

"To dispense special interests in his district and elsewhere," continued Mr. Kitchin's message, "is one of the penalties which every Democrat who enters Congress risk. His party is one for the people and not special interests. I certainly hope our Democratic colleagues will stand as one man and be firm and brave enough not to yield to the tempting demand of any special interest in his district or elsewhere. If so, our record will be as clean and unmarred as our principles and Democratic victory in 1924 will follow as surely as day follows night."

Walter L. Fanning of Shelby, H. Graig Herrelson of Cherryville and others are interested in a large department store which will be opened at Rutherfordton this Fall. The name of the new firm is not yet decided on. Mr. Harrelson of Cherryville will be manager while Mr. Fanning will retain his interest in the W. L. Fanning Co. in Shelby and continue to live in Shelby.

SHORT ITEMS

Asheville, July 21.—Water which yesterday flooded the business section of Marshall, 20 miles north of here, causing heavy damage to property, highways and crops, was receding today.

King Mountain, July 21.—Kings Mountain lodge, No. 84, Knights of Pythias, which won the flag given by the grand lodge of North Carolina for the greatest per cent of increase in membership during the past year, are planning to celebrate their victory by holding a Pythian rally here on August 9.

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