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Governor Puts Blame On A. J. Maxwell For Any Lack of Revenue

Asheville, N. C. July 25—Declaring that he felt the interests of the state required that he should make a further statement on the state's financial condition, Governor Morrison last night charges that "if the revenue bill of 1921 failed to levy the necessary revenue upon the people of the state to meet the appropriations and expenses for the two calendar years ending December 31, 1922, Mr. A. J. Maxwell is more responsible for that fact than any other man connected with the legislation".

The governor's statement was issued in reply to Corporation Commissioner A. J. Maxwell's observations on the recent audit of state finances which was instituted when he (Mr. Maxwell) charged a deficit of \$5,000,000 existed in the current revenues as of December 31, 1922.

Governor Morrison declared that Mr. Maxwell wrote the revenue bill of 1921 and took great pride in it and that when he appeared before the finance committee he found Mr. Maxwell as his chief adviser and that his (the governor's) suggestions as to changes in methods of financing were approved by Mr. Maxwell.

In his statement the governor declared that the only deficit which existed in the state's finances existed prior to his administration and was caused by a special levy for the schools of the state causing a deficit of \$710,000. He insisted that the special legislature of 1921 had arranged for financing this and that according to the auditor's statement on present conditions the general revenues of the state at the present time could pay off \$220,000 of this school deficit. He expressed confidence that the unpaid taxes due the state through December 31, 1922, would prove sufficient to wipe out the remaining portion.

RULE OF REASON SHOULD GOVERN DRIVING CARS

Chicago, Ill., July 25—Safety is the only limit to automobile speed in France. It may be 70 miles or 7. Although there is a law setting the maximum road speed at 25 miles an hour it is not enforced the rule in almost general application being that the motorist is within the limit if he operates with safety.

Captain Marcel de Jarney, European representative of the Yellow Cab Manufacturing Co., brought word of this condition to President John Hertz of the company on his arrival in this country recently.

Captain de Jarney was told by Mr. Hertz of the recent decision of Common Pleas Judge E. P. Middleton of the Champaign County (Ohio) courts that with a clear road a wide road bed and an automobile in good mechanical condition a motorist may drive practically as fast as the power of his machine will permit in the rural districts without being subject to conviction.

The court in its decision declared that while there was practically no limit on clear wide roads a speed of under 30 miles an hour might be considered excessive and the driver subject to arrest when the road was narrow, crowded with machines and the road bed in bad condition. In other words the rule of reason applies.

Miss Virginia Bibee of Lynchburg is the guest of Misses Willie Mae and Christine Bibee for several days.

SOCIAL and PERSONAL

MISS RUTH FARRELL

Mrs. A. E. Millner, Mrs. E. V. Hobbs, Miss Mary Millner, Mr. Lindsay Moir and Mr. Edwin Millner spent yesterday in Winston-Salem.

Mrs. Ava Scott left yesterday afternoon for Moores Springs to spend her vacation.

Miss Mary Sue Farrell returned home yesterday after spending some time with friends in High Point.

Miss Laura Price of Winston-Salem and Miss Lily Marshall are spending the week with Miss Grace Hobbs on the Boulevard.

Misses Lucile and Henriette Reid who have been visiting in Reidsville for several days returned to Leaksville last night.

Mrs. W. D. Carter entertains the Bridge Club this afternoon at her home on Boone Road.

Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Barker and family, Dr. Abernethy and son, Billy went to Guerrant Springs on a picnic supper last night.

Misses Lora Walker and Ellie Robertson who have been attending summer school at N. C. C. W. in Greensboro returned to their home in Spray yesterday.

Mrs. R. L. Snead who has been visiting Mrs. George H. Clark for the past week returned to her home in Reidsville this morning.

Mr. Gilbert Ivie who has been spending the past week in Richmond and Norfolk returned to Leaksville yesterday.

Julian C. Marley who has been spending the past week at Cleveland Springs, Shelby, returned to Leaksville last night.

Miss Henriette Reid is visiting Miss Bowe Penn in Martinsville for the day.

MRS. GODFREY ENTERTAINS

Mrs. P. V. Godfrey delightfully entertained a number of her friends Tuesday afternoon at her home on the Boulevard honoring her house guest Miss Meyers of Washington and Mrs. S. L. Martin Jr., a recent bride of Leaksville.

The Godfrey home was beautifully decorated for this occasion, in dahlias and roses which were arranged throughout all rooms.

Five tables were placed for bridge and after several exciting hours of this game the scores were counted and Mrs. McCall having the highest score was presented with a lovely bottle of Coty's perfume, Mrs. Walker Millner received the second prize a box of correspondence cards and to the honorees, Miss Meyers and Mrs. Martin was presented beautiful perfume bottles.

Mrs. Godfrey served a delicious salad course and iced tea followed by mints. Those present at this delightful affair were: The honorees, Miss Meyers, Mrs. Martin, Mesdames McCall, L. W. Clark, Charles Taylor, George Dickerson Walker Millner, J. B. Ray, W. O. Jenkins J. F. King, D. F. King, W. D. Carter, Lucile Reid S. H. Marshall S. L. Martin Sr., W. W. Matthews Luther Hodges, Lawson Ivie, Miss Anne Taylor, Mrs. Rogers of New York, Mrs. Hugh Davison of Goldsboro, Mrs. Tom Taylor of New York and Miss Lee Aycock of Columbia.

Dr. Robert J. Pearce, optometrist is opening an eyesight specialist's office in the Boulevard Bank building. Dr. Pearce received his training at Columbia University and is a native of Greensboro.

MEASURE FOOD VALUES IN HOURS OF LABOR

Vienna, July 25 (AP)—Austrian government employees, fighting to gain payment for their labors sufficient to maintain their families, have presented their case in a novel way. Instead of relating that in the old days they could buy for five crowns what now cost them 50,000 they have used minutes of labor as a measuring unit, and produced an interesting table.

In 1914 a loaf of bread cost 12 1-2 minutes of labor; today the cost is 49 minutes. A measure of sugar that cost 26 minutes nine years ago now calls for 102 minutes. Coal has risen from 1 hour and 18 minutes to 12 hours and 36 minutes and a pair of shoes from 6 hours and 18 minutes to 19 hours and 30 minutes.

Albert Horowitz and Eugene Moran Charged With Jewelry Robbery

New York, July 25—Albert Horowitz and Eugene Moran arrested yesterday in Princeton, N. J. in connection with the robbery of \$300,000 in jewels from Mrs. C. P. Hugo Schoellkopf in New York last New Year's eve were held in \$125,000 bail each today the highest amount ever set in general sessions. Protesting their innocence the two were led away to the Tombs prison, as there was no sign of the \$250,000 required to give them their freedom.

SINGING AT SPRAY BAPTIST CHURCH

The Community Singing conducted by A. Marium Hughey at Spray Baptist church has thus far proven a grand success in attendance and interest the average attendance being more than 60. The series of lessons will close Friday P. M. beginning at 7:30 and the public is cordially invited to come out the last night for a general singing. A delightful evening awaits you.

YACHT STARTS ON LONG CRUISE

Kingstown, Ireland, July 25 (AP)—Amidst hearty cheers and escorted by a fleet of yachts the 25 ton yacht "Soarise" recently left Kingstown on a trip around the world.

The crew composed of Conor O'Brien owner and captain; H. S. Hodges, mate and S. D. Lavelle, hope to complete the journey under canvas by way of New Zealand, which they anticipated reaching before Christmas. From there they will proceed by Cape Horn to several Argentine ports, and expect to reach Ireland again by September, 1924.

London, July 25 (AP)—A run on German Reichsbank began soon after the opening today according to a central newspaper dispatch from Berlin which gives cause as an insufficiency of bills of large denominations to satisfy other banks.

Economize or Face Deficit Gen. Wood Tells Filipinos

Manila, July 25 (AP)—A general retrenchment policy must be adopted in order to avoid a deficit in the Philippine government finances this year according to a recent statement by Governor General Wood. He declared that a number of projects which the last legislature authorized must be held in abeyance until the government is in better

ANCIENT JAPANESE FORTRESS TO BECOME MODERN PARKS

Tokio, July 25 (AP)—Several of the ancient island forts upon which Tokio and the bay towns depended for their defense in days long past are to be turned into parks. These islands were built by the government and guarded the entrances to Tokio and Shinagawa, adjoining the capital and while in later years with which the forts were manned might have withstood an attack, moderns guns have made them quite useless for defensive purposes.

HOMER SMITH WILL MEET LUIS FIRPO AT OMAHA

Omaha, July 25 (AP)—Homer Smith of Kalamazoo, Michigan is the heavy-weight selected as the opponent for Luis Firpo for a ten round decision fight here August 3rd.

Berlin Officers Arrest French Army Courier

Berlin, July 25 (AP)—Berlin newspapers report that German peace officers have arrested a French courier belonging to the French embassy in Berlin in an express train near Hagen on the edge of the Ruhr. Important documents intended for the commander of the French Ruhr army were seized, it is said.

DISABLED SERVICE MEN ASK CHANGE IN SYSTEM

Washington, July 25 (AP)—A brief advocating the placing of disabled former service men on a permanent compensation basis and the abandonment of the present system of examinations every 90 days was filed with Director Hines of the Veterans Bureau by disabled American veterans of the World War.

Mrs. S. M. Hampton returned last night from Greensboro where she has been attending summer school for the past few weeks. While away Mrs. Hampton was getting the Gazette and says that of course she enjoyed it much more than when at home.

Miss Fannie Smith of South Carolina is visiting Mrs. J. B. Ray for several days.

Mrs. Narva Clark of Washington D. C. is visiting her sister Mrs. A. W. Jones on Byrd Avenue.

The Shriners of Anchorage, Alaska, gave a picnic for the children of the town on July 1st. Transportation to Lake Spenard and amusements and plenty of good food were supplied by the Masons.

At the annual festival of the Royal Benevolent Institution it was reported that contributions had been made of \$520,000 to this Masonic Philanthropy.

Governor Places Guard at Court House For The Trial of Garrett Brothers

Cumberland Court House, Va., July 25 (AP)—Reassured by Governor Trinkle's promise of police protection during the trial of Robert and Larkin Garrett prominent county officials charged with the murder of the Rev. Edward Sylvester Pierce in front of the Baptist parsonage here June 5th, this little town breathed easier today than it has in weeks. Court day opened almost as quietly as in 1818 when the little red brick court house was built. There was nothing to indicate that potential trouble between factions involved in the tangled skein of the case would develop. Garrett trial scheduled to begin tomorrow.

Cumberland Courthouse, Va., July 25—Announcement from the office of Governor Trinkle in Richmond yesterday that a number of Richmond special police would be sent here to insure order during the trial of Robert O. and Larkin Garrett charged with the killing of Rev. Edward Sylvester Pierce Baptist minister was received here last night with a general feeling of relief. While few residents have openly expressed a fear of violence all were agreed that the presence of the Richmond special police would create an atmosphere of security for all and assure peace both in the court and outside. It was understood that the police would be sworn in as special deputy sheriffs with full power to act as such in this county.

The case of "the commonwealth versus Garrett" docketed for trial in the Circuit court here Thursday though without an element of mystery or a love triangle such as has marked most of Virginia's noted murder cases and is expected to be one of the most unprecedented and probably the most bitterly contested court actions in the criminal annals of the Old Dominion.

The Masonic Grand Lodge of Oregon made an appropriation to the University of Oregon and the Oregon Agricultural College. Crafts men club houses are to be erected for the use of Master Masons on the faculty and in the student body and for the sons and daughters of Master Masons.

DECLARES ARTIC WASTES GOOD FLYING TERRAIN

Bergen, July 25 (AP)—Giving his opinion regarding the Artic as a flying terrain, Lieutenant Deitrichsen is quoted as follows by the Aftenposten:

"Once one has risen above the mountains the mists vanish and weather conditions become extraordinarily even and free of wind pockets. The further north one proceeds the better becomes the possibilities of good and safe landing places among vast flat tracts of ice and snowfields."

The lieutenant also expressed his firm conviction that the Polar flight was only a matter of time.

METHODIST APPROVE CONSOLIDATION PLANS

Cleveland, July 25 (AP)—A reunion of the Northern and Southern branches of the Methodist Episcopal church was declared to be practically assured, when members of the joint commission on unification convened today. The committee had before it a plan of union drafted by the joint committee of 16, which approved by both branches in separate meetings yesterday.

WALTER S. WARD MAY AGAIN BE INDICTED

White Plains, N. Y., July 25 (AP)—Extraordinary grand jury reopened an investigation of the slaying of Clarence Peters of Haverhill, Mass., by Walter S. Ward wealthy bakers son was reported to be receiving from Attorney General Carl Sherman a plea for another murder indictment against Ward.

FAMOUS LONDON THEATRE GIVE WAY TO PUSH CARTS

London, July 25 (AP)—Shall it be "Opera" or "Onions" is the question agitating holders of business premises in Covent Garden Market. Business has grown to such an extent of late that dealers allege the Opera House, which is admittedly old and decaying, should be demolished and the site utilized for an extension of the congested market.

While people complain they cannot get to the opera with their motor cars because the market wagons block the way fruit and vegetable merchants assert that a food market is more important to the general public than "Faust" or "Tennessee."

COWS ADDICTED TO NARCOTICS MAY BE ARRESTED IN MONT.

Helena, Mont., July 25 (AP)—A cow or any other animal which becomes addicted to narcotic habit in Montana may be arrested and confined in the state sanitarium until pronounced cured by the physicians in charge according to a new state law.

The new law, legislators say is the result of a clerical error made in the closing days of the session. An amendment intended to strengthen the anti-narcotic law was tacked onto the law providing for the condemnation of stock drive ninsane by the eating of loco weed.

CIVILIAN FLIERS WILL RACE TO BIG AIR MEET

St. Louis, July 25 (AP)—Elaborate plans to stimulate commercial flying among civilians are being made by the St. Louis Air Board and Flying club in connection with the international air races to be held here in October.

Three of the events will be open to civilians only although they may enter two of the others. Boy manufacturers of model airplanes propelled by only a rubber band have not been forgotten in the list of events. The Mulvihill trophy and \$300 in prizes are offered to the members of the Junior Fling league whose home made plane model flies the farthest in a total of three trials. The only motive power will be that derived from the use of rubber bands.

COTTON DROPS ON EXCHANGE 140 POINTS

York exchange shortly after the of 140 points in July cotton contracts was recorded on the New places among vast flat tracts of ice opening. July positions sold as low as 2250 and at one time were five points under October contracts. A few weeks ago July cotton was at a premium of 375 points over October.

The Scottish Rite bodies of Minneapolis celebrated the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Rite in Minneapolis. A large class of candidates was initiated.