

Raleigh Feels Pulse of Many on Coming Gubernatorial Vote

McLean Seems to Carry the Sentiment of Entire State for Office

Raleigh, Dec. 21.—Under the apparently tranquil surface of things in the State capital today, the political pot is beginning to boil.

The question which seems to be paramount here is whether Josiah W. Bailey is going to run for Governor in the coming campaign.

Meanwhile A. W. McLean, the sure candidate in the Democratic primaries, looks to be gathering considerable force.

The Public Pulse The Observer correspondent, in making inquiries of various party leaders might detail most of the sentiment as follows:

"What is the outlook in your community?" "McLean, of course."

"If Mr. Bailey runs, what do you think of his prospects?" "They look slim."

"Do you think there is a wide demand for Mr. Bailey's candidacy?" "I do not think so."

"Why?" "Mr. Bailey doesn't seem to inspire the proper confidence in himself; his uncertainty has seemed to hurt him."

Charles G. Dawes MAY BE CHAIRMAN

Paris, Dec. 21.—The reparations commission decided this morning to offer Charles G. Dawes, of the United States, the presidency of the committee, to examine German finances.

Chicago, Dec. 21.—"Thank you very much but have nothing to say," Mr. Dawes said, in refusing to comment.

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Man and Wife Found Guilty of Manslaughter

New York, Dec. 21.—Ernest Vetter and wife, Marie, were found guilty of first degree murder and manslaughter for killing Alonzo Story, a former suitor of Mrs. Vetter's.

BULGARIANS APPRECIATE AMERICAN TEACHERS' WORK

Lovetch, Bulgaria, Dec. 21.—The departure recently of two American women from this little town was the occasion of a spontaneous reception seldom equaled here.

Chief Justice Walter Clark dissents vigorously and declares: "I am of the opinion therefore that this court should direct a mandamus to issue to the revenue commissioner that taxes should be laid upon the foreign stocks as prayed by the plaintiffs in this both under the authority of Person vs. Watts, 184, N. C. 499, as well as under the broad terms of the Constitution, which requires that 'all investments in stocks' shall be taxed by uniform rule with all other property 'real and personal according to its true value in money.'"

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Senators Attack Hughes' Exposure of Soviets' Plot

Borah and Norris Doubt Authenticity of Published "Instructions"

MORE DISCLOSURES MAY BE MADE SOON

Washington, Dec. 21.—The State Department's charges of revolutionary Soviet propaganda in the United States startled diplomatic circles here yesterday, launched the new Senate upon its first debate over foreign affairs, and resulted in a promise of further disclosures that will bring the whole problem of Russia once more into review before the American public.

Senators who repeatedly have urged formal recognition of the Soviet regime in Russia started the Senate debate by assailing Secretary Hughes' disclosure of Soviet "instructions" for a movement designed to raise the red flag over the White House.

Virginian Railway Would Issue \$5,000,000 in Bonds

Washington, Dec. 21.—The Virginian Railway Company asked the Interstate Commerce Commission for authority to issue and sell \$5,000,000 in 5 per cent mortgage bonds to reimburse the roads treasury, for expenditures for additions to its betterments.

The Supreme Court upholds the legal right of the Legislature to exempt holders of foreign securities from taxation. But it does not pretend to pass upon the morality or justice of such tax favoritism.

Grandma Jefferson, of Patrick County, Virginia, has arrived to spend Christmas holidays at the home of her son, Pete Jefferson, in Matrimony Heights.

ELECTION DAY IN BULGARIA RESEMBLED ONE IN AMERICA

Sofia, Dec. 20.—The conduct of the elections in Bulgaria last month gave the day an atmosphere similar to that of an election day in America.

MORE PEACE TALK IN MEXICO REPORTED

Vera Cruz, Dec. 21.—An impression prevalent for several days that Huerta and Sanchez, Rebels, would compose their differences with Obregon's, gained ground by newspaper advice that General Guadalupe Sanchez, Senator Rafael, and Zubaran Capmany have gone to Esperanza. Capmany is said to represent Adolfo de Huerta.

LEAGUE SHOWS INTEREST IN A 50-50 MARRIAGE

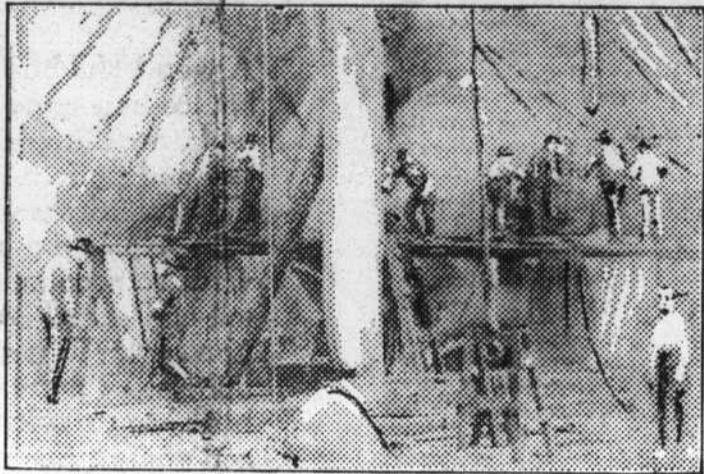
Geneva, Dec. 21.—Everybody connected with the League of Nations is interested in a pretty little romance between modest League workers which has joined together in matrimony the impoverished son of a former great Russian magnate and a beautiful young noblewoman, descendant of one of the oldest families of the former great Russian empire, both of them exiles from Russia as a result of the Soviet revolution.

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Wedded, both these young Russians will continue their League work, for the countless must support her aged grandmother, now an exile in Jugo-

Constant Inspection of Ocean Liners a Big Factor in Their Safe Operation



Repairing Propellers on S. S. Pres. Fillmore.

New York, Dec. 21.—The passenger on an ocean liner speeding its way over the North Atlantic to a port in the British Isles or Europe little realizes what a constant vigilance is exercised in behalf of his safety.

It is the duty of the marine superintendent's department of the United States Lines, operating a fleet of modern liners on the North Atlantic, to tend to work of this character, to see that every vessel leaves port in the best condition human skill can make it.

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EARTHQUAKE DESTROYS THREE MEXICAN TOWNS

Douglas, Ariz., Dec. 21.—Granados, Huasabas and Oputo, towns in the Sierra Madre mountains, Sonora, Mexico, with an aggregate population of 5,000, were destroyed by an earthquake Wednesday night, according to the story of a courier who arrived exhausted at Naco, Ariz., late yesterday.

WILL WEAR WEDDING GOWN 130 YEARS OLD

New York, Dec. 21.—Wedding gown, 130 years old, will be worn Wednesday by Miss Josephine Lanier when she is married at the Little Church Round the Corner, to Major Junius W. Jones, of the army air service.

Two Negro Youths Are Electrocutated

Columbia, S. C., Dec. 21.—Frank Gaines and Julius Garvin, negro youths, were electrocuted at the penitentiary for the murder on July 3rd of Mrs. W. D. Brown, of Beaufort County. Both confessed to the crime.

PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION HOLD CHRISTMAS MEETING

The auditorium of the High school wore quite a festive air for the meeting of the Parent-Teacher's Association Tuesday afternoon.

Chinese Consider Boycott on British-American Goods

Hong Kong, Dec. 21.—Advices from Canton say placards appearing in the streets of the South Capital, urging an anti-American and anti-British boycott as a result of the attitude of foreign powers in the present customs surplus imbroglio.

ART TREASURES OF FRANCE NEED BETTER PROTECTION

Paris, Dec. 21.—The recent theft of two rare Gobelin tapestries from the Versailles palace has alarmed government authorities. The curators have not funds enough to police in really efficient fashion the palaces and museums where art treasures worth billions of francs are kept, but several short-cuts to safety have been proposed.

Manley-Joyce

On Wednesday evening, December 19th, Miss Minnie Manley and Robert Joyce motored to Reidsville and were quietly married at the home of Frank Hall, Mr. Hall officiating. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Paul Nelson and Miss Nannie Parker.

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Jury Has Fox Case in Their Hands and Verdict Is Expected

Mrs. Augustus Belmont Engagement Announced

New York, Dec. 21.—The engagement of Mrs. Augusta Belmont, Jr., to John D. King, second, New York, was announced. Belmont died three years ago.

WILL INVESTIGATE GERMANY'S CONDITION

Paris, Dec. 21.—Germany's application for the authorization of a pledge of resources as a guarantee for a food loan from the United States, was referred by the reparations commission to the home governments of the various delegations. It was decided also, the committee on guarantees should investigate the food situation in Germany.

Mr. and Mrs. Burton Tucker Face Charges

Jersey City, N. J., Dec. 21.—Burton Tucker, 17, his wife who gave her age at 46, and who remarried yesterday at Carthage, N. C., will return and face the indictments for perjury in connection with the first marriage at Unionhill, N. J., October 2nd, J. Raymond Tiffany, their counsel, declared. No definite date to return was set. The couple is now at Southern Pines, N. C.

PROHIBITION IN U. S. CRITICISED BY BRITISH BISHOP

Plymouth, Dec. 21.—The Rev. Lord William Gascoyne-Cecil, Bishop of Exeter, in a pastoral letter says America has antipathized men of moderate opinion, and there seems to be a danger that its total prohibition will in the country's practical prohibition of spirits among the working classes, by a heavy tax.

Still I deeply regret," he continues, "that Englishmen have been found to assist in breaking American laws. Each country has the right to govern itself. Whether the laws are good or bad it is fundamentally opposed to the doctrine of self-government that another country should allow its citizens to encourage a breach of those laws."

The battleship Ohio is to be sold as scrap iron by the Navy department. The ship, built in 1901, was in active service until 1919.

Rumania is to present to the French General Berthelot in recognition of his war service to Rumania, a castle in Transylvania.

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Question of Sanity of Defendant Who Had Killed Co-burn Is an Issue

Atlanta, July 21.—At noon today no verdict had been reached in the case of Philip Fox, charged with the murder of William S. Coburn, fellow Klansman. Jury given the case at 10:24 last night.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 21.—Philip E. Fox, Ku-Klux Klan publicity representative, yesterday was seemingly unconcerned as opposing counsel delivered their speeches to the jury which is to pass on the charge that he murdered William S. Coburn, a Klan attorney, on November 5th.

Pale and haggard, Fox, who defense witnesses testified is a paranoiac, displayed no interest when Assistant Solicitor General E. A. Stephens said he was not insane, but "a red-handed murderer, guilty of one of the most heinous crimes ever committed in the State of Georgia."

Fox Indifferent

Fox also was apparently unmoved by the statement of Robert W. Allen, of Dallas, Tex., a member of defense counsel, that the defendant's case was "the most remarkable case of insanity that had been proven in a court of justice in the history of the world."

"If you find Fox not guilty," Mr. Allen continued, "I, myself, will take the stand afterwards and testify in order to have him placed in one of your institutions for the insane. There are others who also will aid."

Attacking the prosecution's charge that Fox planned to enter Coburn's office and shoot the attorney through the back, the Texan declared the fact that the defendant entered and shot Coburn while others were present was indicative of insanity. Fox, he added, could have returned later and found his victim alone.

Says Fox Insane

"I deny that," the assistant solicitor shouted, "if you set Fox free he will never see the inside of an asylum. His friends say he will be sent there, but will they see to it."

"Did they put him in a safe place in 1918 when they say they first discovered he was insane? They did not do it then and they would not do it now."

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