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## JULE CARR SAYS HE'S A REBEL AND A KU KLUXER TOO

### President Harding's Father Addresses Old Soldiers and Eulogizes Lee and Davis

### NEXT REUNION WILL BE HELD IN MEMPHIS

New Orleans, April 12.—(By the Associated Press.)—General William B. Haldeman of Louisville, Ky., was elected Commander in Chief of the Confederate Veterans at the closing business session of the annual reunion here late today, and Memphis, Tenn., was selected as the 1924 reunion city.

Three names were offered for the post of Commander in Chief when nominations were called for, those of Gen. Haldeman, Gen. Wm. A. Collier of Memphis, and General E. W. Kirkpatrick of McKinney, Texas. The name of Gen. Collier was withdrawn before the voting began, leaving the field to the Kentucky and the Texas. General Haldeman polled 771 and General Kirkpatrick 368 votes.

### Memphis Gets Meeting

Only Memphis and Dallas were in the contest for the next reunion, and the Memphis speakers were reinforced with a petition more than 100 yards in length and bearing the signatures of thousands of Memphians asking that the veterans come there. The document contained the names of 16,000 school children alone. It was a nip and tuck race between the two as the balloting progressed but Memphis always kept a jump in the lead and when the roll call had been completed, had polled 629 votes to 512 for Dallas. A number of the veterans had argued that the reunions, because of the age of the delegates, always should be held in a central city of the South in order that the journey might not be too hard on those residing in the more distant States.

### Harding's Father Speaks

Dr. George T. Harding of Marion, O., father of President Harding, spoke to the veterans twice today. He declared he considered Robert E. Lee the greatest of American generals and Jefferson Davis one of the country's greatest statesmen. He said he felt very kindly toward the South, inasmuch as his grandmother was a cousin of the mother of Jefferson Davis.

After thanking the veterans for the manner in which he had been received, he added:

"I want to thank the Southern people, too, for the kindness with which they have treated my son. The South never had a better friend than Warren G. Harding."

### Presented With Flag.

Dr. Harding was called to the platform again later when a Daughter of the Confederacy, bearing a huge silk Confederate flag, announced that he had expressed a desire for one. The emblem, the "Stars and Bars," was presented to him and in expressing his thanks, he told the veterans he knew they had "tood by it and that 'if I had been down here I suppose, I, too, would have been loyal to it."

It was feared this afternoon that the Ku Klux Klan would be injected into the proceedings as an issue. All week there had been vague rumors that a row over the Klan was simmering and that it would break out in full force at the least provocation.

General Julian S. Carr of Durham, N. C., commander in chief at the forenoon session during a discussion of the term "rebel" as applied to the Confederate soldiers, shouted at one point: "I am a rebel and a Ku Kluxer too!" At the afternoon session he loudly repeated the phrase and this time shouts of "I am, too," came from all quarters of the auditorium.

## GEORGIA VETERAN WHO WALKED TO REUNION IS LOOKING FOR BUDDIES

New Orleans, La., April 11.—Sergeant of sharpshooters George Sherram, 80, of Longstreet's corps, who arrived here last night afoot after a journey of thirty days, to attend the Confederate reunion, admitted unblushing today that he was a cattle rustler, and proud of it.

"I don't know whether you would call it heroism nowadays, but I'm the same George Sherram who learned the Yankee's countersign at Petersburg and stole 500 cattle," he said. "They sure came in handy for us boys."

The man who has walked from his home to the last three reunion cities, said he is looking for three of his old war buddies, Sam Joiner, Charlie Center and John Honder.

"I think Sam Joiner is a carpenter over in Butts county, Ga., at least he was before the war," he said. "And Charlie Center and John Honder, from what I can hear, are retired merchants over in Miami, Fla."

Fortune hasn't smiled so graciously upon the man—he arrived in New Orleans with only \$30 in his pocket—but he said he had made a tidy sum in Tampa, Fla., during the winter selling newspapers on the streets.

### Bright Idea

Troubled Youth—"Suppose you were in my shoes, what would you do?"

Bright boy—"I'd shine them."

## LADIES NIGHT AT THE ROTARY CLUB

The Rotary club held its quarterly "Ladies Night" Tuesday evening at the Joffre hotel. The occasion was a most enjoyable one. As the guests arrived they were given numbered cards with which they were to find their partners before going into the dining room, which was beautifully decorated with pot plants and pink carnations. After the serving of an elaborate dinner Rotarian John C. Sikes was introduced by President C. C. Weaver and made the principal address of the evening. In this address he emphasized the fact that he had never told a lie and was therefore eminently suited to welcome the ladies. His address was responded to very graciously by Mrs. A. M. Secrest. She proposed a toast to the club, and propheesed great success for this organization, because among the members it boasted of a "Weaver of dreams" and a "Chandler, which, like the Buick, was built for service."

The program was then given over to the ladies with Mrs. C. C. Weaver as toastmistress.

Mr. D. H. Bowie, who also led the singing, delighted the Rotarians and Rotariannes with a solo. This was followed by a trio by Mrs. G. M. Smith, Mrs. Ray Funderburk, and Miss Wilma Green. A solo by Miss Green ended the musical part of the program and the program was then put into the hands of Miss Ollie Alexander as leader of games. Those present entered wholeheartedly into these "back to childhood" games and much amusement was derived from "barnyard," from the race for a piece of candy at the end of a string, from the forfeits, and so on. In a drawing contest Miss Evelyn Smith received a five pound box of candy, while the other ladies were presented small boxes of Nunnally's by the Union Drug Co.

Mrs. James Zeb Faulkner, W. R. Burrell, W. B. S. Chandler, J. C. Sikes and J. W. Fowler were the lucky contestants for a case of peach jam presented by the Heath-Morrow Co. Mrs. J. D. Warren and Mrs. Zeb Faulkner won sacks of flour presented by the Henderson Roller Mill.

Mrs. H. E. Wolfe gave a charming report of the Columbia meeting.

Mrs. Weaver, who made a delightful toastmistress, stated that Mr. Jim Fowler had lost a plank in his platform. This plank had been found by Dr. R. H. Garren and was then handed over to Mr. Fowler.

The members of the club, to show their talents before the young ladies present, were asked to draw certain figures on a blackboard. The judges decided that Dr. Pearson's drawing representing a patient on a cot was really a work of art and he was therefor awarded a box of cigars. Mrs. W. R. Burrell making a delightful presentation speech. Attractive leather purses were given to the ladies as favors.

### Read the Marshville Section

I hadn't been back from Wilson long before it became very evident that Marshville had taken on new life and that her citizens were going after things in a manner that is sure to get results.

It occurred to me that a Marshville section of The Journal, in which the town would be advertised all over the county and in sections of Stanley county and South Carolina, would appeal to the business men of Marshville and would result in extending the trade lines and in forming a better acquaintance between Marshville residents and citizens of this section of the state.

Having some knowledge of the intelligence and ability to write of Mrs. Lina Covington Harrell and Mrs. B. C. Parker, I asked them to prepare an article each for the issue, which they kindly consented to do and for which The Journal and the thousands of readers of this issue feel very grateful. There are a score or more other women in Marshville who could have written splendid articles, but there was no space in this section for more.

I handled the advertising end of the proposition and hadn't gone far with it until I realized that a halt must be made. I tried to quit selling space, but wide-awake business men learned of the undertaking and began coming to me for space with the result that the section is slightly crowded with store news, which every one will do well to read, for it is brimming full of the spirit of the town. One advertisement, that of Mr. J. M. Burns, had to be transferred to the regular section of the paper and is well worth reading.

### Slow Moving, But He Budgeted at Last

A Youngstown, Ohio, man, says the Telegram of that city, recently applied for a settlement of a claim for fire insurance and in response to the agent's queries explained that it was a door that was burned, and that the damages amounted as near as he could estimate to about five dollars.

"When did the fire happen?" asked the agent, and after a moment's hesitation the answer came:

"About thirty years ago."

"What? Thirty years ago, and you have waited all these years to report it?"

"Yes, sir."

"Well, why then do you report it now?"

"Well, sir," said the Youngstown man, "the women-folks at my house have never given me a moment's peace since that darn door was burned, and I just couldn't stand it any longer."

## Both Teams of Monroe Debaters Won at Chapel Hill Last Night

Special to The Journal.

Chapel Hill, April 13.—Both the negative and affirmative teams of the Monroe High School won last night in the preliminary debate which lasted until one o'clock this morning and eliminated thirteen teams. Both Monroe teams debate before judges again this afternoon at four and five o'clock.

After all the teams but those representing two schools have been eliminated, the best negative and the best affirmative teams from these two are selected to make the final debate.

The High School Debating Union which put on this contest for the Aycock Memorial cup, number sixty and

the preliminary debates opened up with two hundred and forty debaters. At this time the Monroe debaters stand a good chance of being in the last debate and of winning the cup.

The affirmative debaters from Monroe who won last night, are Walter Lockhart and Arnelce Baker. The negative debaters are Annie Louise Caldwell and Henry Smith.

The question being debated is, "Resolved, that Congress should enforce the decisions of the Railroad Labor Board."

The debaters were accompanied by Chapel Hill by Miss Pat Benton and Mrs. G. B. Caldwell of Monroe.

## Crippled Boy Drives Many Miles In the Hope of Finding Strength

Greenwood, April 10.—A cripple since early childhood with no means of making a livelihood except knitting socks, Rufus Price, 20 year old white boy, drove a team of goats from his home, near Hodges, to Greenwood to take treatment, which, he hopes, will restore the use of his limbs. When he found the journey from Hodges to Greenwood too much for his goats every day, he obtained a boarding place in a mill village and there he piles his trade of knitting socks when he is not on his way to and from the office of the specialist, who is treating him. Early each morning, the two long horned bucks may be seen hitched to a lamp post in front of the specialist's office while their owner takes the treatment in which he puts his faith.

"I got a fall when I was a year old," the lad told a newspaper man, "and my back was hurt so I could not walk. I tried to walk some when I was little but my legs just crumpled up. I got a goat and broke him to a cart and drove him to a school, a mile and a half, that way."

The crippled lad began the knitting of socks in 1921. He has a knitting machine at his boarding place and he earns a scant livelihood that way. "Oh, yes, I do pretty well," he said cheerily. "I made 12 or 15 pairs a day and that brings me \$1.50. That beats doing nothing and I couldn't do much else."

The boy cannot stand or take a single step. He has a tiny wagon in which he sits and propels himself when he gets out of his goat cart. With the help of a friendly passer, he manages to get his little wagon up the few steps of the entrance to the office building, where the specialist has his offices, and rolls himself into the elevator.

"Young Price is proud of his goats. 'You see, they mean a good bit to me,' he said, 'and they're mighty good goats. I named that brown one there Kaiser because he looked in the face like the kaiser. I have had him four years. That white one, I have owned about a year. I broke them myself and they are not afraid of automobiles now. The longest trip in one day I ever made was 18 miles when I came to Greenwood from beyond Ware Shoals. My goats don't get tired, it seems, but they're like mules, you have to keep after them to make 'em trot.'

Being a cripple does not discourage the soft eyed, smiling lad of 20. A month ago his mother died, but his father, John Price, of near Hodges, still lives and the boy hopes to go back home cured. So daily he crawls to the stable, where his goats stay, harnesses them to his cart and comes to Greenwood for the treatment that he hopes will permit him to walk and play his part in the world.

## ONLY WAY TO PROCEED TO SECURE ELECTION

To the Hon. J. C. M. Vann, Mayor, and the Hon. Board of Aldermen of the City of Monroe:

I beg to advise that I have looked over the ordinance prepared and passed by your Board in regard to the \$175,000.00 water and light bonds of the City of Monroe, and in my opinion, you have complied with the Municipal Finance Act, which is the only procedure laid down under the Statute for the sale of bonds for water purposes, and that you have complied with the Statutes in every particular, and that the only way for the citizens of a municipality to obtain an election thereon is by a petition of thirty-three and one third per cent of the qualified voters, and that if one-third of the qualified voters submit a petition and comply with the statute in regard thereto, that the law requires you to submit it to the people, and I advised you to this effect at the time you passed the original bond ordinance.

I might state further that before you can sell these bonds, you will have to have an approving opinion of some recognized bond attorney, and that this is the only procedure I know of that you can adopt in order to obtain such an approving opinion.

Respectfully yours,

JOHN C. SIKES

## GETS HER STRENGTH BY CHASING COWS

New York, April 11.—Dancing to a world's record, Miss Alma Cummings last night ascribed her great success to a vegetarian diet and to early training chasing cows on a Texas ranch.

She revealed this as she reeled off the final ten minutes of her fifty-hour whirl, which made her the undisputed long-distance dancer of the world.

It was just about time for her to swing into the home stretch when the nimble journalist plunged into the rhythm of the jazz and floating up beside her, informed Miss Cummings that she was about to be interviewed.

"To what do you credit your phenomenal endurance?" he asked.

There was a tense moment during which a difficult cure in a corner of the dance floor was successfully negotiated and the orchestra—speeding up—switched from a "blues" to a "Carry Me Back" motif.

"Well, vegetables for one thing," replied the champion. "I'm a vegetarian. Then again the miles of chasing cows. I worked on a ranch in Texas where the cows had plenty of room, and I used to chase them miles every day."

"What are you going to do after you hang up this record?"

"Dance some more. I'm challenging all persons who I think they can beat the record to meet me here May 5."

The orchestra increased its tempo again and the interview drew to a close for the lack of breath.

## PROUD OF BRIEF IN THE COUNTY CONTEST

Brief, April 12.—Mrs. S. D. Faulk and son, Edmond, of Charlotte were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Clontz Tuesday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Connell a son, April 7th.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Clontz a son, April 3rd.

Mr. L. E. Long, traveling representative of the Dayton Scales Co., Dayton, Ohio, with headquarters in Greensboro, is spending a few days at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Long.

We are more than glad to note that our good people are able to kick, since it takes some kicking to make a success. It has been said that practically all animals, including man, do some kicking as a last token when departing. Kicking even unto the end. Probably the old farmer who dipped up the two frogs from the stream when watering his milk never realized the value of kicking so much until he discovered the lump of butter churned as a result of the frog's kicking, which saved the pond musician's life while his mate refused to kick and was drowned. If kicking is worth while for a frog, then what would man lose by risking his heels a little?

It is gratifying to learn that Brief students attending Unionville high school this session are acquitting themselves with distinction and honor. In the recent county championship basketball ball contest, in which event Unionville was the winner, Hoyle Biggers and Bruce Long, both Brief boys, were two-fifths the team. Came the county commencement series contests. Bruce won first place in the senior short story contest, scoring 15 points for his school. All told, Brief boys won 22 of the 27 points credited Unionville. I give these facts not to set anything afire in Unionville, but to boost Brief, of course, thereby boosting Unionville, too.

We truly hope that Unionville is duly appreciative; and on the whole, we believe she is. Just now our principal, Prof. Hunneycutt, is about to hand diplomas to eight more worthy students who will be privileged with high school facilities another term. This has been a very successful school year for Brief at home. The untiring efforts of our faithful teachers shall not go unheralded. Very often the average teacher is never given credit for their accomplishments with the school children, but this day must pass. Probably not, but it must in Brief. We are proud of our teachers.

Little Miss Sadie Austin of Monroe Route 2 has been spending a few days with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Clontz.

Mr. A. W. McManus is attending the old soldiers' reunion at New Orleans this week.

## A Statement From Mr. Fowler.

To the Voters:—On March 5, 1923, the Board of Aldermen passed an ordinance under the Municipal Finance Act, authorizing a bond issue of \$175,000.00. Under this act an election must be called if one-third of the qualified voters petition for an election, this being the proper method for an election if those who are dissatisfied feel that they are being imposed upon.

Here was my attitude: I was instrumental in withholding publication of the ordinance that it would be necessary for one-third of the qualified voters to petition for an election until Friday evening, March 9th. I called in conference on Friday, March 9th, a majority of the board together with Mayor J. C. M. Vann, J. C. Sikes, J. F. Milliken and W. B. Love and asked if there was a way to call an election without a petition and they advised the board that the only sensible and legitimate way was under the Municipal Finance Act, as above stated. They will bear me out in this statement. If the people want an election, let them have it. I am more than willing privately or officially.

Now to the point: It has been circulated over this town for political purposes and malicious intentions on the part of some that to elect me as mayor meant that the citizens of Monroe would have to drink Richardson Creek water. This is absolutely untrue and is denied. I will say that I am willing to give every citizen, man or woman, the same chances that I would ask for myself. I have civic, political and moral pride and I wouldn't stoop to a thing as dirty as has been reported on me in regard to the water matter.

It is immaterial to me as to what part of the proposed bond issue is used for the enlarging of the proposed water supply. The ordinance means that you can expend any part of the \$175,000.00 that may be necessary to take care of the actual needs. Whatever the people wants suits me. If what they decide proves a good thing, they may have the honor; if not I am not to blame.

It has been reported that some power company had proposed to furnish water for Monroe and it was being kept a secret by the mayor and board of aldermen. This is absolutely untrue. No proposition has been made by any corporation or person in regard to the water proposition.

The above are the facts as to the matter. I'll leave it to you.

The average man dislikes to give up his seat in a crowded car to a woman because he is afraid she will think that he is trying to flirt with her.

## DECLARES EUROPE DOESN'T WANT TO OUTLAW WARFARE

### Borah Says Old World Has shown No Desire For An Equitable Peace.

### REPLIES TO SPEECHES BY LORD ROBERT CECIL

New York, April 12.—Senator Borah, of Idaho, replying here tonight to the recent League of Nations speeches of Lord Robert Cecil, dehis conviction that no peace league can "function for peace" until war has been outlawed as an institution.

The present league, said the irreconcilable leader, not only has failed to make war a crime, but had been dominated by governments which had convinced the American people they do not "want peace upon any terms compatible with equality and justice." He added that the proper field for dissemination of a gospel of peace was the Old World and not the New.

### Don't Want Peace

"It may seem harsh," said Senator Borah, who spoke at a banquet of the American Paper and Pulp Association, "to say that the governments of Europe do not want peace upon terms compatible with equality and justice between the nations. The record is there and anyone can read it. It is easily read, for it is written in blood. Let us rear to recent history—pass by the more distant past—and speak only of events since the war.

"Against the persistent efforts of the American representatives, the Versailles treaty was made an instrument of war—of dismemberment, misery and war. Upon three different occasions the two leading nations of the Old World financed an invasion of Russia in violation of every precept and principle of peace and in the face of the solemn pledges in favor of the principle of territorial integrity, Greece was incited to war and Turkey was nursed back into power—arms and money were furnished by outside governments with no apparent object in view than that of material gain and dominion.

### Chose Path of War

"When two courses were open relatively to reparations, one of arbitration and adjustment, either through the league or a special conference of friendly powers, the other course that of force and war, was chosen; chosen in disregard of all consequences to peace and in defiance of dictates of humanity. And tonight, the awful orgy of hate, of destruction and crime proceeds on its bloody way, and not a foreign office in all Christendom is willing to record even a moral protest.

"During the last three years twelve countries of Europe have resorted to war to settle their disputes at the time they were pledged to arbitration and peace. In all the vital concerns of that continent during the last three years we have seen arbitration and conciliation and league pledges passed by and the deliberate, voluntary, unnecessary choosing of force, of war. We Versailles to Lausanne, break down over the question of oil, coal or territory, or else turn into a secret conclave for war.

## Belmont News

April 14.—The Belmont school will close soon.

Mrs. J. G. Connell spent last Tuesday and Wednesday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Helms.

Mrs. Arthur Dexter and mother of Mecklenburg spent last Friday with their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Connell.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Connell of Moore county were guests of their cousins Friday, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Connell.

Mr. Arthur Connell spent last Saturday night with his cousin, Mr. J. G. Connell.

Miss Ona Helms of Charlotte spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Helms.

Mr. Boyce Helms of Charlotte spent last Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Helms.

Mrs. May Bradford, who has been visiting her grandmother and brother, has now returned for several weeks visit with her father.

Mr. Noah Helms, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Helms, has purchased a new Ford.

The Hopewell choir did not go to Polkton Sunday on account of the weather, but will go some time in the near future.

## WEARY OF HIS FAMILY TROUBLES, HE KILLS HIS WIFE AND 3 DAUGHTERS

Seattle, Wash., April 11.—Walking into the police station here this morning Mitsuzo, a second-hand dealer, announced that he had shot to death his wife and three daughters, two of them aged six and seven and one infant, because he was "tired of so much trouble at home."

Mitsuzo was locked up while policemen hurried to his home six blocks away and verified his report that he had shot his wife four times and each of the children two or three times.

The bodies were scattered about a bedroom. Endo said he had used so many bullets because his victims did not die quickly enough.