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CLOTURE BRINGS ACTION

Senate Adopts Ten More Reservations in Five Hours—Republicans Voted Solidly.

Saturday, operating under cloture for the first time in history, the Senate adopted in five hours 10 more of the reservations written by the foreign relations committee and with only two committee proposals remaining.

Majorities ranging from 11 to 26 marked adoption of the 10 reservations. They related to domestic questions, the Monroe doctrine, mandates, Shantung, international commissions, expenses of the league of nations, armaments, the economic boycott and alien property rights.

In every case except one the Republicans voted solidly for the committee proposals. They were joined on every roll call by from four to nine Democrats. In all, an even dozen Senators of the administration party broke away during the day to vote for reservations. The sole defection from the Republican ranks was on the Shantung reservation, Senator McCumber, of North Dakota, swinging over to the the opposition.

Successful Red Cross Drive.

Mr. B. L. Lunsford, chairman of the Red Cross Roll Call, has waged a spirited and successful drive for membership in McDowell and makes the following report of the results accomplished:

"The Roll Call drive for membership to the Red Cross that was conducted in McDowell county between November second and eleventh, ended very satisfactorily. To date I can report cash deposits to the amount of \$521.00, with full reports from Old Fort and Nebo yet to be made. I am assured by the Red Cross workers at these two places that they will report cash receipts totalling \$150, which would bring the total to \$671.00, or within twenty-nine dollar of the amount we expected to get, or that which was raised last year, \$700.

"The highest amount raised by any one Red Cross worker was ninety-one dollars by Mrs. M. E. Randolph; the next, seventy-three dollars by Mr. Clifton McCall; and sixty-eight dollars by Mr. Eugene Cross at the Cross cotton mill. The school teachers at the Marion mill, Misses Gibbs, Patton and Lonon, deposited ninety dollars to the credit of the Red Cross out of a subscription list of one hundred.

"On the part of the Marion Chapter of the Red Cross, I take this opportunity to express our grateful appreciation to all those who contributed in this great work and especially do I thank those who gave their time and interest to the raising of this fund. It is good to know that 50 per cent of this fund remains with the Marion chapter to be used as the local chapter desires. It is also an encouraging fact to know that we have within our county seven hundred active members of the American Red Cross who are willing to do what they can to further the interest of the organization which has done so much for the interest of humanity. The American Red Cross is one organization that has cut out red tape in the management of its affairs, and whatever is given goes direct to the cause for which it is given."

Marion Graded School News and Honor Roll.

Following is the honor roll of the Marion graded school for the second month ending November 7:

Primary Department: Rena Turner, May Hill, Lottie Jones, Hubert Bolch, Charles McCall, Carl Lewis, Bertha Glenn, Francis Balfard, Beulah Mathis, Pauline Ritchie, James Neal, Alvin Banks, Garard Bush, Haskel Ledbetter, Kenneth Whitefer, Florence Epley, Mary Goldsmith, Edith Cordell, Thurley Franklin, Wilma Rolan, Hazel Whitten, Eugene Cross, Luther Ross, Lewis Smith, Martha Buchanan, Kate Cowan, Alice Holmes, Carrie Silver and Janie Taylor.

Grammar Grades: Hobert Willis, Mary Blackburn, Edith Biddix, Fern Beard, Elizabeth Conley, Mary G. Carr, Doris Hill, Mildred Hutto, Bonnie Michael, Grace Tate, Louise Tate, Carlton Gilkey, Mary Alice Laughridge, Hugh Bowden, Clyde Moody, Maude Epley, Dorothy Gilkey, Mary Tate and Mary K. Ouzts.

High School: Edward Hudgins, Harry McCall, William Story, Vernon Cooper, Madge Finley, Elizabeth Reid, Edna Brown, Zilpah Frisbie, Brownie Giles, Mae Curtis, Elma Houck, Robert Holmes, Vernon Chapman, Johnnie Conley, Mary O. Conley, Ruth Cowan, Kate M. Eitis, Viola Giles, Clyde Finley, Leona Bush, Hettie Cannon, Pauline Conley, Pauline Hawkins and Marguerite Laidlaw.

Distinction honor roll: Cassie Joe Lewis, Robert Smith, Jeannette Gilkey, Mildred Wall, Benson Davis, Kathryn McCall, Mildred Holton, Lucile Conley, Pearl Lewis, Pearl Wilkerson, Josephine Bush, Alice Roane Cross, Irene Franklin, Luna Wall, Paul Story. Last Monday morning the 11th grade rendered a very attractive program for the chapel exercises, as follows: Song by grade. Recitation, "Counting Eggs," by Maud Elliott. Vocal duet, Mayo Laughridge and Edna Tate. Recitation, Ola Gibbs. Song, by four girls and four boys.

Friday night, Nov. 21, at 7:30 o'clock the Joan of D'Arc and Pershing Literary societies will give their first annual social debate. The public is cordially invited.

Business Men to Protest Against Removal of Railroad Agent.

The business men of Marion are raising a protest against the dismissal of Agent F. B. Gwin. A meeting was held Tuesday night at the Marianna Hotel at which was present practically every business man of Marion, the object of the meeting being to devise means of securing the re-instatement of Mr. Gwin as agent at Marion, who has been dismissed from the service of the railroad on technical grounds. A representative of Marion will wait upon the division manager of the railroad to ask for Mr. Gwin's re-instatement, and if necessary the fight will be carried to Mr. Hines, Federal director of railroads.

Mr. Gwin has been the efficient and accommodating agent at Marion for several years. By his courteous treatment of the people of Marion he has won their esteem and friendship to the extent that they now come to his aid when in trouble.

NEWS FROM THE COUNTY

Brief Mention of Some of the Happenings in McDowell County—Items About Home People.

OLD FORT

Old Fort, Nov. 18.—Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McCurry of Asheville visited the former's mother here during the week.

W. H. and J. K. Bird of Asheville visited relatives in Old Fort Sunday. They were accompanied home by their mother, Mrs. A. L. Bird.

Miss Francis Artz returned Friday from a visit in Asheville.

The girls of the high school Athletic Association gave a box supper Friday night, the proceeds of which will go toward financing the basket ball team.

Miss Maude Glenn of Black Mountain spent Saturday and Sunday with Miss Vivian Sawyer.

Rev. Mr. Ray has been elected pastor of the Old Fort Presbyterian church.

Misses Bessie Flemming and Mildred Mackey have gone to Knoxville, Tenn., where they will enter training as nurses.

Alvin Byrd has accepted a position in Akron, Ohio.

The Liberty Literary Society gave a very interesting program at the school house Friday night.

Jack Hoffman is spending a few days with his parents here.

The Old Fort High School expects to enter the triangular debate of the high schools this season.

Mrs. D. Y. Grant has returned to Gastonia, where she will spend the winter while Mr. Grant is at work in Knoxville, Tenn.

Charlie Stirewalt and James Hyams have returned from Akron, Ohio.

Lester Harris returned Sunday from Akron, Ohio, where he has been at work some time.

ASHFORD

Ashford, Nov. 17.—W. H. Swofford made a business trip to Marion last Thursday.

Oscar Wilson and Miss Mabel Crockett attended a teachers' meeting at Pitts last Saturday.

W. J. Brown and family left Saturday for their new home in Jefferson City, Tenn.

Earl Brown has moved into his new home.

Mrs. Frank Keefe has returned home after a visit among relatives in Connecticut.

Gaither Moore spent a few days in Asheville last week with homefolks.

G. C. Clayton made a business trip to Asheville Friday.

Luther Carpenter and wife, of Montana, spent the week-end with J. M. Carpenter.

E. H. McCall spent the week-end with homefolks at Greenlee.

Clarence Wiseman made a visit to Linville Falls Sunday.

We are living in hopes that we will soon have a depot here.

The school at Ashford is progressing nicely.

Miss Frances Crockett spent Sunday with Miss Lidia Hefner.

Pepper's Creek School Making Progress.

On Saturday night, November 8th, a very enjoyable box supper was given at Pepper's Creek school house, near Pitts. A feature of the entertainment was a debate in which some of the patrons of the school took part. The question discussed was: "Resolved, Which has received the most cruel treatment in the hands of the white, the Negro or the Indian?" The decision was in favor of the negative. Following the debate the boxes were sold and every one enjoyed a real good supper. The proceeds from the entertainment amounted to \$41.00, which will be used for the betterment of the school.

Everybody seems to be taking great interest in the school and the children, under their efficient teacher, S. M. Morgan, are making the best progress in the history of the school.

A sweet potato was exhibited in Gaffney, S. C., a few days that weighed 11½ pounds. It was of the Porto Rican variety.

Presbyterians Planning New Church.

The Presbyterians of Marion are planning a new house of worship. A meeting of the official board of the church was held one day last week to discuss the matter. A committee has been appointed to formulate ways and means of securing the new structure. While nothing definite has been decided upon it is probable that the new structure will be erected on the lot where the present church stands. It is expected that when the plans have been decided upon that a strictly modern and adequate building will be provided.

Rev. J. C. Story, who has been the efficient and beloved pastor of the church for several years, has been instrumental in making the local church one of the leading Presbyterian bodies in this part of the state. The membership of the church has steadily increased, and the growing and increasing needs of the church now require a modern building.

Dr. Ashworth Elected Vice-President District Medical Society.

Asheville Times. With a large representation of doctors and surgeons from the tenth district present, an organization meeting was held Thursday at the Battery Park hotel at which time the Tenth District Medical society was formed with the following officers selected to govern the body:

Dr. C. E. Cotton, Asheville, president; Drs. J. R. McCracken, of Haywood county; Sample, of Henderson county; P. R. Bennett, of Swain; F. L. Siler, of Macon, B. L. Ashworth, of McDowell county, as vice-presidents, and Dr. W. J. Hunnicutt, of Asheville, secretary.

The avowed purpose of the organization is to foster the science of medicine, to meet the needs of the general public, and to protect the doctors themselves. Round table discussions will be a prominent feature of all future meetings of the organization, and much good is predicted from the formation of this body.

Restrictions on Coal Deliveries Ordered in the South.

Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 17.—Orders limiting deliveries of coal in the southern region of the railroad administration to the first five classes on the fuel priority lists, which does not include manufacturers, were issued late today at headquarters here. The action on its face means the closing down of cotton mills and manufacturing plants of almost all descriptions as soon as their present supplies are used up. These supplies generally are understood to be scanty.

Curtailement of coal consumption was made necessary, the statement said, because "coal production is still below the absolute requirements of the first five classes of consumers." These classes who are still to get coal are railroads, inland and coastwise vessels, army and navy and certain government departments, state, municipal and county institutions, public utilities, including newspaper and retailers to supply domestic consumers.

Only five weeks till Christmas.

STATE NEWS OF THE WEEK

Items Concerning Events of Interest and Importance Throughout the State.

Asheville was selected for the 1920 meeting of the United Daughters of the Confederacy.

Four thousand dogs were listed for taxation in Robeson county this year and the sheriff believes there are 1,000 more not listed.

According to the Watauga Democrat Mr. W. C. Coffey of Boone mailed to Gov. Bickett last week a head of cabbage cut from his garden weighing exactly 22 pounds.

C. H. Mebane, of Newton and Greensboro, has been appointed State director of the world movement to raise \$25,000,000 for prohibition and law enforcement. W. B. Cooper of Wilmington is treasurer.

Relics of the Confederacy in their keeping will be preserved in a fireproof building to be erected in Richmond, Va., at a cost of \$35,000 the United Daughters of the Confederacy decided at the annual convention in Tampa, Fla., last week. The organization will raise funds for construction of edifice.

Plans for Morganton's new \$100,000 hotel have been submitted by Architect Asbury, of Charlotte, and accepted by the committee. The hotel will have fifty-three rooms and, being on a large lot, will be set back fifty feet from the street, with a grass plot in front and on both sides of the building. The front faces Greene and Main streets and is so designed that a block of fifty rooms can be added to the rear end.

McCall Chosen By Mecklenburg.

Charlotte, Nov. 15.—Five of the seven democratic candidates for Judge E. Y. Webb's seat in congress from the Ninth district were eliminated today, leaving the fight between Assistant District Attorney Clyde Hoey, of Shelby, and former Mayor Johnson D. McCall, of Charlotte.

McCall was nominated today as Mecklenburg's representative over Mayor Frank R. McNinch, John A. McRae and Marvin Ritch. W. C. Dowd, another aspirant for the Mecklenburg honors, withdrew before the county convention this morning, while former Judge W. B. Councill, of Hickory, who announced himself as a candidate several days ago, withdrew in favor of McCall following the latter's nomination.

Each of the three men who opposed McCall have pledged themselves to join in the campaign and all three are expected to speak in several counties during the coming week.

ELECTION DATES.

Hickory, Nov. 15.—Democrats will name their candidates at Gastonia on Friday, November 28, if the voters do not do it in the primary November 24, and Republicans will name their standard bearer at Newton on next Thursday.

Secretary Carter Glass of United States treasury has been named United States Senator from Virginia to succeed the late Senator Martin. The appointment was by Governor Davis.