

Weather.

Washington, March 15—Forecast for North Carolina for tonight and Tuesday: Fair tonight and Tuesday; frost tonight moderate north winds.

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THE GREATEST CROWD SINCE OPENING DAY

Interest in Cooper-Sharp Trial Reaches New High Water Mark Today

McCARN CLOSES SPEECH

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(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Criminal Court Room, Nashville, Tenn., March 15—While interest in the Cooper-Sharp murder trial has been marked ever since its beginning, it reached a new high-water mark today and the crush at the court house was far the greatest since January 20, the opening day of the trial. The crowd was so dense, especially around the tables reserved for the attorneys and along the walls at the sides of the court room that it was with difficulty that the court officers were able to move about to attend to their duties.

General Jeff McCarn resumed his speech to the jury at 9:10 o'clock and continued his vigorous denunciation of the defendants, charging that the killing of Carmack was assassination, pure and simple, and that it was the act of cowards. He declared the first shot fired was the one that struck Carmack in the back of the head. He said that the defense insists that Senator Carmack could not do anything after he got the wound in the back of the head. "That is just what they figured on when they shot him there first," continued General McCarn. "That was their theory then."

He likened Senator Carmack to a man of sunshine and said: "What an auspicious day they had chosen to take him away! One of darkness and cloud and smoke and gloominess."

Gen. McCarn said he had a friend once who loved the south. He recited here to the jury Carmack's beautiful "pledge to the south" and when he had ended many in the court room were in tears.

Gen. McCarn said the bullets that had entered Carmack's body had not entered there. They had pierced the hearts of an anguished wife and the soul of a youth of tender years, who stood with his little face at the window waiting in vain for the familiar click of the latch of the gate and the sound of the well known and beloved footsteps.

"I know the mighty station and influence of the defendant's will not influence the jury in the rendition of their verdict," said Gen. McCarn. "I know the jurors to be men and that they will give justice to all."

Gen. McCarn's address was regarded by all who heard it as a powerful effort and has had an effect on the public and the jury as well, it is believed.

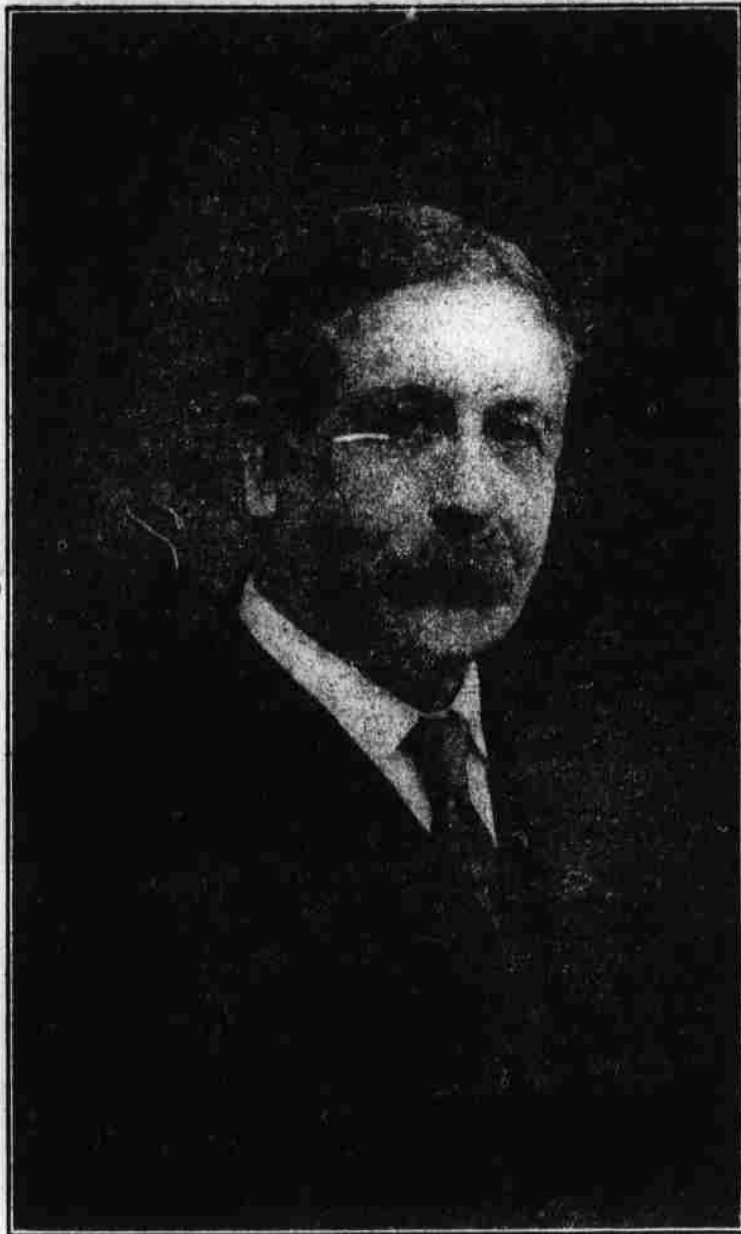
Judge Hart announced that he would try and charge the jury some time tomorrow.

Gen. McCarn took up the feature of the case in regard to who was aggressor.

Col. Cooper, he said, had the throat cut and had never withdrawn it or abandoned it. He said Colonel Cooper went down from the corner looking for trouble and had a pistol. "He had a pistol, too," said General McCarn, else Mrs. Eastman would not have asked him not to shoot. He did not say, "Senator Carmack, I beg your pardon, but I want to speak to you a moment." No such language was a challenge. He could have prevented all by one word, but he did not. They saw Senator Carmack from 35 to 50 feet away on the dark and smoky afternoon, yet they did not see Carey Folk fifteen feet away. They would have seen Senator Carmack fifteen feet away, too, if he had been coming up Union instead of Carey Folk. They talk about their ancestry. If ancestry makes men shoot others in the back and cowardly assassinate them, such a line of ancestry ought to have its tail cut off. We have produced these records of the defendant's life to show you gentlemen what kind of a man you are trying. They were the aggressors and they

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Rev. H. M. Wharton.



Dr. Wharton is one of the best known Baptist Evangelists East of the Mississippi River. He is the founder of the Famous Wharton Grove Camp Ground in Virginia, and also Brantley Baptist Church in Baltimore. He is now holding a meeting at the Baptist Tabernacle in this city.

Dr. Wharton Here--Strong Sermon Last Night--Great Crowd Present.

There was a large crowd at the Tabernacle Baptist church last night to hear the evangelist, Rev. Dr. H. M. Wharton preach the first of a series of evangelistic sermons. The meetings will continue, perhaps, for several weeks.

Dr. Wharton is an eloquent speaker and his sermon last night was a soul-stirring one. He held his audience throughout the sermon. He preached from the text: "All Things Are Yours," and in discussing the subject he spoke along the following lines:

The words of the text were written to those at Corinth who had professed Christ as their Saviour. Christians are heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ. All things belong to Christians. The ministry belongs to the Christian and he should stand by it. The world is the Christians because it is his Father's, and the devil is only an intruder.

The Christian is happy as he walks through the world with Jesus. The world does not look the same to a child of God as it does to a servant of the devil, because the child of God looks at the world through regenerated eyes.

Life belongs to the Christian—not the mere physical life, but the eternal life of the soul. Death is the Christian's. We all hate death, but, nevertheless, Christ has conquered it. Things present and things to come are the Christian's. What are some of the things to come? We shall stand before God, at the last day, sinless, those who are Christians, and see Jesus. There will be a blessed reunion.

There is only one thing that is not the Christian's, and that is himself, for the Christian belongs to Jesus. Not one of the things mentioned can be claimed by the one who has not given himself to Christ.

When Christ saves a person that person cannot be lost, because if Christ undertakes one's salvation He will carry it out. Christ can surely conquer the devil.

Those who have been saved through Christ should do all they can for Him.

The prospects are that Dr. Wharton is to have a great revival. The public is earnestly requested to attend the meetings.

NIGHT HOTEL CLERK KILLED AND ROBBED

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) New York, March 15.—With his throat cut and his skull fractured the body of Isadore De Belonde, night clerk of the Eastern Hotel, was found early today on the second floor of the hotel.

The police think he had been killed by two men who registered at the hotel about 4 o'clock as "Ben Roos" and "C. Anderson."

Robbery was evidently the motive for the crime; for De Belonde's watch, money and the money from the cash drawer were missing.

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MAY SEND CANNON TO THE SENATE

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Washington, March 15.—Speaker Cannon may be used to break the senatorial deadlock in the Illinois legislature and take the place in the United States senate which Hopkins has been vainly battling to recover, according to the latest political gossip. It has been said that Mr. Cannon would not accept the speakership again if the rules were changed, and it is apparently on this belief that the senatorial rumor is predicted.

WORLD HAS ENTERED PLEA OF NOT GUILTY

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) New York, March 15.—Before Judge Holt, in the United States court today the Press Publishing Company, which prints the New York World, pleaded not guilty to the charge of having libeled the United States government by circulating newspapers with stories of alleged scandals as to the purchase of the French rights in the Panama canal. The plea was made by Delancy Nicol, of counsel for the company.

CANNON AGAIN ELECTED TO THE SPEAKER'S CHAIR

House Met at Noon in Extra Session and Re-elected Mr. Cannon

CLARK GETS 66 VOTES

President's Proclamation Calling the Extra Session Was Read and the Roll of States Called to Determine What Members Were Present. Cannon Gets 104 Votes, the Insurgents Failing to Make Much of a Show—Democrats Vote For Champ Clark and There Are a Few Scattering Republican Votes Senate Also Organized.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Washington, March 15.—The house of representatives assembled at noon. The president's proclamation convening congress in special session was read. Following this a call of states was ordered to determine what members were present. Whips from both the regular and insurgent republican factions and the democratic organization made careful notes of the responses and searchers were immediately sent out for those who failed to respond to their names.

Representative Currier nominated Joseph G. Cannon for speaker. Representative Clayton nominated Champ Clark. As there were no other nominations Clerk McDowell appointed Representatives Vreeland and Bennett tellers. When the name of Representative Carey was called he voted for Representative Cooper, of Wisconsin. His action was applauded on the democratic side. Representative Cooper, one of the insurgents, voted for Representative Norris.

Cannon was elected by a vote of 104. Representative Clark received 66 votes. The insurgent vote was scattered as follows: Cooper, 8; Norris, 2; Esch, 1; Ex-Representative Hepburn, 1.

The announcement of the result was greeted with much applause. The clerk appointed Representatives Campbell, Clark of Missouri, and Bartlett a committee to wait on the speaker and notify him of his election. The presence of the speaker on the floor was greeted with applause on the floor as well as in the gallery.

Mr. Cannon made a brief speech of acceptance, telling the members a very important session was ahead of them. He then proceeded to swear in the new members.

The speaker appointed Representatives Olmstead, McKinley and Champ Clark a committee to notify the president the house was ready to transact business. A resolution was adopted that the house meet at noon each day. Representative Dalzell offered a resolution providing that the rules of the last congress be the rules of the present congress. The previous question was called for, whereupon Representative Champ Clark called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered. If the previous question prevails the fight will then be on.

The previous question was carried by a vote of 194 to 188 and one not voting. This is a victory for the organization and was won by the aid of democratic votes.

On the motion to adopt the rules which prevailed during the last session enough votes were changed to defeat the motion, with a vote of 189 yeas to 192 nays, which means that the Cannon forces were routed, at least for the present.

The refusal of the house to adopt the rules changes the situation.

Champ Clark offered a resolution to appoint a committee of fifteen to revise the rules and report next December.

On this motion the yeas and nays were called on the previous question. Just as the clerk began to call the roll Dalzell, of Pennsylvania, rushed down the aisle and took a seat beside the tally clerk. This action on his part caused pandemonium to break loose. Chief of "throw him out," "bring him away," "pull him down," and other such expressions were hurled at him, but he kept his seat. It was almost impossible for the speaker to preserve order. Finally some semblance of order was secured and the clerk began to call the roll.

The Senate. (By Leased Wire to The Times.) Washington, March 15.—The senate convened at noon. After the

English Suffragette Fighting Police



This picture shows what the militant English Suffragettes experience in their fight for votes. Women are shown battling with the police in the latest raid in Downing street, London, the official residence of Premier Asquith.

NORTH CAROLINA VS. TENNESSEE

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Washington, March 15.—Theodore M. Davidson, representing the state of North Carolina, made a motion in the supreme court today for leave to file a bill of complaint on the part of North Carolina against Tennessee as a result of a controversy which has arisen between the states respecting the boundaries and jurisdiction of each. It is claimed that Tennessee has recently been making grants of land on the boundary line of the two states, which is claimed by both, and that Tennessee has been exercising sovereignty and jurisdiction in the territory affected. It is also claimed that this has interfered with North Carolina in the exercise of its sovereignty over the land. Defective surveys are said to be responsible for this condition, dating back as far as 1821.

WRECK IN TEXAS. Seventeen Passengers Hurt, Two of Them Fatally.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) San Antonio, Tex., March 15.—Seventeen passengers were injured, two fatally, when the eastbound Southern Pacific passenger train No. 10 ran into an open switch and crashed into a switch engine on a sidetrack in the yards at Sanders, 208 miles west of this place.

WOULD RATHER DIE THAN BE A CRIPPLE

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Trenton, N. J., March 15.—Miss Agnes Barton, a pretty girl, of Jacksonville, Fla., is dying in St. Francis Hospital here, because she refuses to permit surgeons to amputate one of her legs. She has been urged by many to undergo the operation, but declares she prefers death to being a cripple. So fearful is she that amputation might be performed without her consent she scarcely sleeps. She is suffering from septicaemia, as a result of stepping on a tack. The hospital physicians say that in a few hours the proposed operation would be too late.

ROBBED OF \$6,000.

Walter George Newman Relieved of \$6,000 Near Salisbury. (By Leased Wire to The Times.) Salisbury, N. C., March 15.—Walter George Newman, a wealthy mine owner of New York, who came to North Carolina for the purpose of paying off the employees of his two gold mines at Gold Hill, was robbed of \$6,000 in cash and a lot of valuable jewelry while driving in a carriage from Gold Hill to Salisbury Sunday. The authorities are making an investigation.

LESS TURPENTINE THAN LAST YEAR

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Washington, March 15.—According to a statement just issued by the department of commerce and labor North Carolina is one of only two states which produced less turpentine and rosin last year than in 1907. The state's output last year was 732,300 gallons of turpentine against 916,400 in 1907, and 131,907 barrels of rosin against 168,561 barrels in 1907. North Carolina and South Carolina are the only two states where practically all of the turpentine is carried on by the old destructive box system.

South Carolina's production also showed a loss. Of the eight southern states, each producing more than 200,000 gallons of turpentine and 25,000 barrels of rosin, Florida leads the list with 17,029,399 gallons of turpentine in 1908 against 15,572,700 gallons in 1907, and 1,932,114 barrels of rosin in 1908 against 1,774,370 barrels in 1907.

Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, North Carolina, and South Carolina and Texas follow in the order named.

CLARK NOMINATED FOR SPEAKERSHIP

Washington, March 15.—At the democratic caucus held this morning Representative Champ Clark was unanimously nominated for speaker. In accepting he declared that "the republicans are disorganized, disgruntled, and at loggerheads generally. We can win more victories during the present congress than in the last because we have now only a majority of 47 against us."

The following nominees for offices in the house of representatives were presented today by democrats in the caucus: Clerk, ex-Representative Kimball, of Kentucky; door-keeper, William Adams, of Indiana; sergeant-at-arms, J. T. Ellington, of North Carolina; postmaster, R. L. Douglas, of South Carolina; chaplain, Rev. Dr. Baucus, of Maryland. They will be presented on the floor later.

A resolution introduced by Representative Underwood, of Alabama, that the democrats favored the appointment of a committee of fifteen in the house which committee should name all the house committees was adopted. The caucus then adjourned. One hundred and sixty-six members were present.

New North Carolina Postmaster. (By Leased Wire to The Times.) Washington, March 15.—The following fourth-class postmaster was appointed today for North Carolina: Buies Creek, Zachary T. Kivett.

ANGRY WOMAN TAKES A SHOT AT BAD NEGRO

Mrs. Frank Wilson Gives Will Leak and Another Man a Bad Scare

LEAK BEATS HIS WIFE

An Angry Woman and a Big Gun Formed a Combination This Morning and Put to Ignominious Flight a Bad Negro and a Raleigh Furniture Dealer—Will Leak Beats His Wife, Who Runs to Her Mistress For Aid—Mrs. Wilson Comes to Rescue With a Forty-four—Gun Looked Fierce and Crowd Scattered in Different Directions.

Will Leak, alias Will Crowder, Mrs. Frank Wilson and Mr. W. L. Sanderford, a furniture dealer in this city, were mixed up in a lively set-to this morning at the residence of the aforesaid Leak, near the corner of Blount and Cabarrus. There was burning of powder and a stampede participated in by Leak and Mr. Sanderford. The Times man was on the scene in a few minutes after the shooting and this is what he learned:

Will Leak, alias Will Crowder, is a negro of unsavory reputation. He has but lately returned from a vacation spent at Superintendent Allen's popular resort, whither he was sent on the recommendation of Police Justice Badger, (whose judgment was also confirmed by the superior court of Wake county), for the purpose of curing him of the "retailing" habit.

According to Will's story, his wife, who cooks for Mrs. Wilson, did not return to her domicile last night after her work was done at Mrs. Wilson's. When she wended her way homeward in the cold grey dawn of the morning, she was met by her hubby, who sternly demanded, "How come you stay out from me all night?" Explanations satisfactory to the irate husband were not immediately forthcoming and he proceeded to chastise her. She got away and hurried to Mrs. Wilson with her tale of woe.

Enter Mr. Sanderford. Mr. W. L. Sanderford, who runs a furniture store on Martin street, came upon the scene after Mrs. Will had left in a storm of tears and vituperation. Leak had asked Mr. Sanderford to come down and buy his furniture, as he was tired of house-keeping, and Mr. Sanderford was on hand to look the stuff over. He was carefully going over the goods, appraising it, when there was an interruption.

There was a noise at the front door and a slightly irritated voice was heard asking that Will Leak show himself on the outside. Will showed no disposition to open up and Mr. Sanderford performed that service for him. He was confronted by a very angry lady, who wanted to know what he was doing there. Mr. Sanderford told her that he was there to buy the furniture. Mrs. Wilson told him that the furniture belonged to Will's wife and that he had no business trying to buy it, and besides it wasn't paid for.

At this juncture, Leak, who had been laughing all the time, butted into the conversation. He declared that the furniture was his and that all of it was paid for with the exception of a few pieces which he pointed out.

Will had no more than made his contribution to the "talk-fest" than the fourth factor made a quick entry. Mrs. Wilson drew her right hand quickly from under her apron and displayed a gun which Mr. Sanderford declared was eighteen inches long. She then began to submit a few remarks, emphasizing her remarks with spirited gesticulations, in which the big gun was the dominant attraction.

Mr. Sanderford went and stood not upon the order of going. When asked about it by The Times man, Mr. Sanderford stated quite simply, that he "had no further business there." He also said he did not approve of the careless handling of forty-fours by angry ladies. Those who saw it say that Mr. Sanderford is a sprit of no mean ability. To use one man's expression: "He went up after his hat and lit out for yonder."

Meanwhile things were happening fast and furious at the residence of Will Leak. He finally managed to break away, and as he passed around the corner of the house Mrs. Wilson shot at him. He went away across (Continued on Page Seven.)