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GOVERNOR KITCHIN REPLIES TO CRITICS

Shows From the Records That Charges Made Against Him Are False

STANDS ON PLATFORM

The Governor Issues Straightforward Statement in Reply to the Disgruntled Ones Who Have Been Attacking Him—Shows That He Has Kept His Promises and the Pledges of the Party on the Trust Question—Recites the Story of Trust Legislation in the Legislature—Denies Imputations and Charges.

To the Editor of The News and Observer:

I have this to say in reply to the joint attack of yourself and Messrs. Lockhart and Misener, which is in accord with other unfair attacks on your part.

When the Legislature of 1909 met, I was hopeful that a thorough anti-trust bill would pass. After learning the sentiment of the Senate, I became thoroughly satisfied that it was impossible to get any trust measure through the Senate beyond the requirements of the platform. On the night of February 1, 1909, one of the best informed gentlemen of the Senate said to me that when the Lockhart bill came to the committee, after his speech, a motion would be made and carried, and that that would end trust legislation for that session. A Senator present snared that opinion. I promptly replied that that would never do and read the platform to them and declared its requirements must be performed. They both agreed with me. The Lockhart bill had been some time prior thereto introduced. A short time thereafter, Senator Lockhart upon my request came to see me with Senator Nimocks to talk over the situation—the only conference I ever had with these two gentlemen. Our conference was full, frank and unreserved, all of us agreeing on what ought to be done and all doubtful whether anything could be done. I have a copy of a letter written on April 6, 1909, within thirty days after that Legislature adjourned, which compelled me then to recall that conference, and I remember much of it.

I asked Senator Lockhart what were the chances of his bill passing the Senate. He replied that counting all the doubtful men, he could muster only twenty-two senators in its support. I stated that from my talk with various senators, I had also concluded we would not secure the passage of his bill. I distinctly remember repeating to them the conversation which occurred in my office on the night of February 1st, above mentioned. After Senator Lockhart, Senator Nimocks and myself had canvassed the situation, my clear recollection is that it was our unanimous opinion that a comprehensive bill could not pass. I stated that if the legislature did not enact the substance of our State platform that the party would probably be defeated in the next campaign. To this they assented. It was finally understood

FRENCH AVIATOR MAINTAINS HIS LEAD

Edinburg, Scotland, July 24.—J. Vedrines, the French aviator, in a Morane-Borel monoplane, maintains the lead in the Great Britain's circuit aviation race for the London Daily Mail's ten thousand dollar prize. He covered the distance of three hundred and forty-three miles from Hendon to Edinburg this morning in less than six hours' actual flying time. Beaumont followed Vedrines closely, the other aviators behind at varying distances. Weyman, the American entry, is held up at a New propeller.

If a man could own a thousand automobiles he'd want to own something else he couldn't.

LONG CHASE FOR HIS MAN

Miller E. Starling Arrested At Tarboro For Alleged Forgeries In Georgia

OFFICER COMES FOR HIM

Chief of Police J. P. Wade, of Quitman, Ga., Locates Young Fellow in North Carolina After Year's Search—Writ of Habeas Corpus May Prevent Requisition From Being Honored—Startling Forged About \$2,300.

Chased up and down the Atlantic seaboard for over a year, Miller E. Starling, a young white man 35 years old, is in jail at Tarboro on the charge of committing forgeries at Quitman, Brooks county, Ga., and Chief of Police J. P. Wade of the Georgia town is in Raleigh awaiting the action of the North Carolina authorities. Incidentally, Chief Wade ran his man to the ground after two detective agencies had failed. Unless a writ of habeas corpus is sworn out before a state judge at Goldsboro, as is contemplated, Governor Kitchin will tomorrow honor the requisition of Governor Hoke Smith for Starling.

Friends of Starling have employed Messrs. Aycock and Winston to appear for him, and if a writ of habeas corpus is taken out either ex-Judge Winston or ex-Governor Aycock will go to Goldsboro to represent the young man. Requisition will be fought, if it is fought, on the grounds that Starling is insane. His father, Mr. James Starling, lives at Goldsboro, and the young man was born near there 35 years ago.

Starling located in Georgia several years ago. According to Chief of Police Wade, he appeared to be a young man of good habits, associated with good people, attended church and was soon in the confidence of everybody at Quitman. He engaged in the business of a truck farmer and seemed to prosper. About a year ago he is alleged to have disposed of his farming implements, forged the names of various persons to orders and checks and secured goods and money to the amount of about \$2,300.

He then fled the state, later hiring as cook to the battleship South Carolina. He was once arrested, but escaped. Two detective agencies were at work, but it remained for Mr. Wade to locate him. His wife is said to be living with a brother in this state.

Atlanta Lawyer on Revision Committee

Atlanta, Ga., July 24.—Alex. C. King, of Atlanta, the distinguished lawyer, has been chosen, following suggestions made by President Taft and the United States supreme court, to act on a committee to revise pleadings and practice in equity in the United States courts. Each other southern state has one representative.

Bomb Exploded on Ferry Boat

New York, July 24.—Police patrol boats were sent speeding up North River this morning by the explosion of a black hand bomb on board the ferry boat "Netherland." The bomb was placed in a milk can on its way from an Italian dairy to the cabin where it was thrown into confusion.

SHIP FROM NAPLES WITHOUT PASSENGERS

New York, July 24.—Because of the unusually strict regulations issued by this government for protection against the cholera invasion, the steamship San Giorgio arrives from Naples tomorrow without a single passenger. She had previously booked seven hundred passengers when a cable message was received at Naples that this government had increased the time of quarantine of vessels bound to the United States from five days to ten.

—Rev. L. F. Johnson, pastor of the Christian church, is conducting a revival at the Christian church at Six Forks, about ten miles north of Raleigh.

A Plucky Southern Girl!



Miss Madge Claiborne, the only woman sign painter in New York, at work. Miss Claiborne, a pretty Gaston girl, whose great-grandfather was a governor of Louisiana, paints signs for a big advertising company not because of love for the work or to create a sensation, but to earn her livelihood. She is saving her money so as to be able to study art. Miss Claiborne has done much creditable work in miniature, but she was obliged to do temporarily for her present employment. One of the unusual sights of the metropolis is this young woman standing on ladders and scaffolding many feet above the heads of pedestrians and wielding her brush on some giant bill, poster or safety razor.

THOUSANDS BURNED OUT

Five Thousand Houses in Constantinople Burned

Greatest Disaster the City Has Suffered in Many Years—Fires Were Started in Several Places Simultaneously and Are Believed to Have Been Started by Incendiaries.

Constantinople, July 24.—A conflagration starting yesterday afternoon, continued until this morning. The disaster is the greatest since the great fire in Pera in 1870. It is believed the fire was the work of incendiaries. It broke out at several points in Stambul simultaneously while the people were celebrating the anniversary of the new constitution. Two square miles were devastated. Roughly estimated five thousand houses were destroyed, mostly wooden structures.

Stambul has a sea front of eight miles. On the west it is walled. This district contains the Sultan's palace, and the principal mosques and Mausoleums. The population is principally Turks, Jews, Armenians and Greeks.

The most formidable blaze, near the war ministry, was borne by a strong wind through the residential section to the southern coast.

Tried to Wreck Passenger Train

New York, July 24.—Bloodhounds are aiding detectives in searching for highwaymen who attempted to wreck a long island train near Valley stream last night. A fifteen-car train, crowded with pleasure seekers, was speeding toward the city when Engineer Whitford threw on the brakes and brought the engine to a stop within fifteen feet of the obstruction.

GOOD ROADS TRAIN SOON

Practical Good Roads School On Wheels to Visit Raleigh Wednesday August 2

2 GOVERNMENT EXPERTS

Messrs. Boykin and Fairbanks of Department of Public Roads to Show How Work is Done—Southern Railway to Afford People Opportunity of Observing the Best Methods.

The citizens of this section will be given a fine opportunity to learn the importance of good roads and the best methods of building and keeping them in repair, when the "Road Improvement Train" being operated by the Southern Railway and affiliated lines working in conjunction with the United States office of public roads, visits Raleigh on Wednesday, August 2, at 2 p. m.

The train consists of lecture and demonstration coaches equipped with a stereopticon, exhibits and working models, and is accompanied by Messrs. L. E. Boykin and H. S. Fairbanks, two government road engineers, who from wide experience are qualified to give the most valuable information on good roads building. W. J. Hurlbut, of the land and industrial department of the Southern Railway, goes with the train.

It is the object of the "Road Improvement Train" not only to stimulate interest in the good roads movement but to give practical instruction in the building of roads and their repair. President Finley of the Southern Railway is an ardent good roads advocate and realizing the vast economic importance of a system of improved highways to the people of the south, made it possible to have this "Good roads school on wheels" visit all the territory served by the Southern Railway and allied lines in order that the people might have the opportunity to receive the information as to the improvement of roads which it affords.

Should Prove Helpful

The Southern Railway, at great expense, is handling this train with no charge to the government or the people and all the lectures and demonstrations are free. The lectures and exhibits are bound to prove helpful to all interested in good roads and the experts will be ready to answer all questions whose solution may be puzzling the individual as to how best to improve his road.

Making Models

The working models will be shown in actual operation, the motive power being furnished by a gasoline engine installed for the purpose, and with these the experts are enabled to explain what materials make the best roads and how they are made and repaired at the smallest possible cost.

The "Road Improvement Train" will be on the road continuously all the summer and fall completing an extensive tour over the whole south at Richmond, Va., at a good roads convention to be held there in October. The tour began at Mobile, Ala. May 1st and a warm reception has been accorded the train at all stops.

Those in charge of the train extend a cordial invitation to the people of this community to attend the exhibition. All county officials and road supervisors are asked to take part and the ladies will be especially welcome.

ELECTION IN TEXAS IS STILL IN DOUBT

Dallas, Tex., July 24.—Anti-prohibitionists are still leading on unofficial returns in the Texas state-wide prohibition election, according to reports received by the Associated Press. This morning's additional returns slightly increased the anti-prohibition lead but not sufficiently to assure them victory. Their majority is still under four thousand.

Conceded to Antis

Houston, Texas, July 24.—Chairman Ball, of the State-wide prohibition committee at ten o'clock this morning conceded that the anti-prohibitionists will have a majority of not exceeding five thousand on the face of the returns from Saturday's

WOOL NOW THE ISSUE WITH THE SENATORS

*Debate On the Bill Begun Today and Will Run Until Thursday

FATE IS UNCERTAIN

No Confident Prediction as to the Result of the Debate and Vote on the Wool Bill—Speaker Clark and Leader Underwood Unable to Figure Out What the Result Will Be—Senate Proceeding With the Program Agreed Upon—Free List Bill Comes Up to Be Voted on August 1st.

NO NEW CHOLERA CASES

Stringent Measures Have Proved Effective in Checking Disease.

New York, July 25.—Stringent measures to prevent a cholera epidemic undoubtedly have been effective according to the health officers.

No new cases have developed since Saturday when Manuel Hernandez, a fireman, was found suffering from the disease at Bellevue.

The steamer Peruvia and Principal Department are still anchored off quarantine.

DR. J. R. BROWN PASSES

Brother to Late Corporation Commissioner Dead

Was Noted Physician in Indianapolis and Specialist in Nervous Diseases—Spent Early Life in North Carolina—Educated at Trinity College.

Dr. John R. Brown, a brother to the late Henry Clay Brown, of Raleigh, died in Indianapolis Saturday, July 15. His death was due to overwork, he being like his brother, Corporation Commissioner Brown, in this respect. Dr. Brown was 56 years old. While a native of Randolph county, he spent his early boyhood days in Chatham county, where his mother resided during the war. Several years ago he came within one vote of being elected superintendent of the Central Indiana Hospital for the Insane and later assistant superintendent of the Eastern Hospital for the Insane at Knoxville, Tenn., died at 10:20 o'clock yesterday morning at Dr. W. B. Fletcher's sanitarium, 1149 East Market street. Dr. Brown had been in declining health for more than a year, having given up his position at Knoxville to come to Indianapolis.

For many years, after having completed extensive studies in medical colleges, Dr. Brown achieved a reputation as a specialist in nervous diseases. He was born in Randolph county, North Carolina, in 1855, the son of John Randolph and Mary Lane Brown. He received his early education in the public schools, and later graduated from Trinity College in North Carolina.

In 1879 Dr. Brown graduated from the Indiana University School of Medicine, having previously studied extensively in Baltimore, Md. Almost his entire life was spent in the study of insanity or in the care and treatment of the insane.

Goes to Knoxville

For many years he was assistant superintendent of the Central Indiana Hospital for the Insane. Later he accepted a position of assistant superintendent of the Eastern Hospital for the Insane at Knoxville, a position which he held for thirteen years.

Dr. Brown married Miss Agnes Fletcher, a daughter of Dr. W. B. Fletcher in 1886. He is survived by his wife and two children, Agnes and Randolph Fletcher Brown. A brother, James Milton Brown, and a sister, Mrs. Emma Brown Woodman, of Raleigh, N. C., survive him also.

Besides being connected with several prominent medical institutions, including Dr. Fletcher's sanitarium, of which he was a director, Dr. Brown was a member of several prominent clubs in Knoxville, including the Churchman's and Country Clubs.

New Menagerie At Atlanta Park

Atlanta, Ga., July 24.—Again the lions are roaring, the camels areumping themselves and the cubs are cavorting at the Grand Park Zoo. A whole new menagerie, at a cost of thousands of dollars, has been installed for the amusement and education of the Atlanta public.

DURHAM SUFFERS FROM EARLY MORNING BLAZE

Durham, N. C., July 24.—Fire broke out at 2 a. m. and destroyed the plant of the Durham Steam Laundry Monday morning. The laundry is located on Main street in the heart of town. It was owned by Thomas Bros. Loss to laundry is over five thousand dollars. The Model Steam Laundry located next door is also slightly damaged by water and heat. The armory, located over these two laundries is also greatly damaged. Thomas had \$2,800 insurance. Damage to the armory amounts to over three thousand dollars with fifteen hundred insurance. Cause of fire unknown.