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WATTERSON COMES BACK

Has the Proof and Willing to Submit It to Tillman to Prove the Issue

TILLMAN DROPS IT

All Washington Watching in Controversy in Which Four Distinguished Men Are Involved—Watterson Adds an Additional Statement to That Given Out Last Night—Direct Challenge to Statement Made by Governor Wilson Last Night and Kentucky Editor Says He Has the Proof and Asks Tillman to Inspect It.

Washington, Jan. 27.—The Tillman-Watterson-Harvey-Wilson episode held all Washington's attention today. The South Carolina senator's reply to the Kentucky editor's "challenge" was awaited with keen interest. Tillman did not reach his office until late forenoon. He indicated an answer soon would be forthcoming.

In the meantime Colonel Watterson added fuel to fire with an additional statement, saying: "In my letter to Senator Tillman, I promised proof of any statement made by me that might be disputed. Governor Wilson denies I had authorization from him or any agent of his to raise money for his campaign. I have proof that I not only have authorization but that I actually raised a considerable sum. I hold myself ready to furnish this proof to Senator Tillman at once, if he will do me the honor personally to call upon me as I am confined to my hotel and cannot call upon him. If Senator Tillman's single averment after inspecting this proof be either equivocal or insufficient, I propose confidential friends, I naming two, the four to name a fifth and this court of gentlemen establish I to determine the issue between us. I must insist this be done without delay as I shall have to leave Washington Tuesday night to get an important engagement elsewhere."

Tillman later dictated the following: "Senator Tillman declined to be interviewed further in regard to the incident, saying there was no longer any issue between Watterson and himself. The issue is now between Wilson and Watterson and they must settle it for themselves. So far as he was concerned, he considered the matter settled and ended."

The Correspondence. Washington, Jan. 27.—Interest in the controversy between Woodrow Wilson and Col. George Harvey and Col. Henry Watterson over Mr. Wilson's aspirations for the democratic presidential nomination was revived last night when Col. Watterson gave out correspondence that had passed between himself and Senator Tillman of South Carolina, yesterday and Thursday.

The correspondence indicated that the break between Col. Harvey and Col. Watterson, on the one hand, and Mr. Wilson on the other, was due to Col. Watterson's appeal for financial aid to Thomas F. Ryan, of New York. (Continued on Page Seven.)

MANCHU OFFICIAL OBJECT OF A BOMB

Peking, Jan. 27.—General Liang Pi, a high Manchu official, former commandant of the imperial guards, was fatally injured by a bomb thrown by an unidentified Chinaman in military uniform. The man hurled the bomb from the roadside as Liang was alighting from a carriage. Both the general's legs were broken and one limb was amputated afterward. The assailant himself was instantly killed by the explosion.

Another Assassination. Tien Tsin, China, Jan. 27.—The assassination of Brigadier General Chang Hual Chih was attempted at the railroad station. The general was uninjured. The would-be-assassin, a young Chinaman, followed the general as he was leaving the train, throwing three bombs and wrecking the carriage. The assailant fled but later was captured.

APPEAL FOR SUFFERERS

Governor Invites Those So Disposed to Aid Starving Chinese

As president of the North Carolina Board of American Red Cross, Governor Kitchin, today, made an appeal to the people of the state to contribute money to alleviate suffering in the famine-stricken empire of China. The appeal is as follows: "The famine in China has reached such appalling proportions that the American National Red Cross has deemed it proper to call the matter to the attention of the American public in order that they may extend relief. As president of the North Carolina State Board of the American National Red Cross, I present this appeal to the people of this state. Those who feel disposed to contribute to this worthy cause are requested to forward their contributions to the treasurer of the state board, who will acknowledge same and remit to the treasurer of the American National Red Cross at Washington.

The members of the state board are as follows: Joseph G. Brown, treasurer, Raleigh, N. C. Alex. J. Faldt, secretary, Raleigh, N. C.

Herio: Clarkson, Charlotte, N. C. Whitehead Klutz, Salisbury, N. C. James P. Sawyer, Asheville, N. C. Bishop Robert Strange, Wilmington, N. C.

W. W. KITCHIN, President North Carolina Board of American National Red Cross.

ABOUT FREIGHT RATES.

Alleged Discrimination in Rates Against Atlanta, Ga.

Washington, Jan. 27.—Alleged discrimination by railroads and ocean and rail routes against Atlanta, Ga., in favor of Knoxville, Chattanooga and Memphis, in class and commodity freight rates from Boston, New York, Philadelphia and other eastern points of origin soon will be investigated by the Interstate Commerce Commission. It is averred the Tennessee cities are accorded "a decided preference" over Atlanta, averaging about eight cents a hundred pound more to Atlanta than Tennessee points.

Steamer Florida Ashore.

Norfolk, Va., Jan. 27.—The steamer Florida, Baltimore for Norfolk, with passengers and freight, is ashore at North Point in the upper Chesapeake Bay. Heavy ice floes are impeding navigation seriously.

MORSE OUT OF HOSPITAL TODAY

Atlanta, Jan. 27.—Charles W. Morse, the New York banker whose prison sentence was recently commuted by the president, left the army hospital this morning. Morse was brought to a local hotel, where he will stay until able to be moved, probably to some Florida resort. Morse was accompanied by Mrs. Morse and his sister, Miss Jennie Morse. He was conveyed from the military reservation in an ambulance. Physicians thought the removal from the hospital where he spent so long a time after the transfer from the federal penitentiary, would aid his improvement. For the first time in more than two years Morse this morning escaped the government official's eye. The most of that time he spent in the penitentiary. About two months ago he was taken to the military hospital. Since his freedom was given two weeks ago, he has remained at the hospital, too ill to be removed, according to his doctors.

Prices of Oil Goes Up.

New York, Jan. 28.—The Standard Oil Company has advanced the price of domestic oil delivered by town wagons from 7 to 8 cents a gallon. This makes two cents advance since the first of the year.

Knoxville Has Commission Form.

Knoxville, Tenn., Jan. 27.—Knoxville passed under the commission form of government yesterday. Four commissioners took the oath of office.



DR. MARY WALKER. Almost any day one can see Dr. Mary Walker, well known throughout the country for her advocacy of man's dress for women, strolling the principal thoroughfares of Washington attired in her strange attire. She sums up the question of masculine attire for women in these words: "Dress is a matter of selection from what the market affords. Few persons have any taste or originality and it requires a high order of moral courage to do differently from the masses."

OUR MORALS ARE AT STAKE

Judge Cook Declares State's Morals Are Forgotten—Thirteenth Divorce Granted

(Special to The Times.) Durham, N. C., Jan. 27.—Judge C. M. Cook declared in Durham superior court yesterday that entirely too much attention was being given to the enforcement of the prohibition law in North Carolina, to the neglect of other moral issues which are more important. The occasion for the remark was the granting of the thirteenth divorce by Judge Cook this week. He declared that only a certain amount of energy was expended in upholding the moral standards of the community and that too large a percentage of this energy was being expended on prohibition. Judge Cook declared that the people should take some steps to have enacted legislation that would prevent hasty and ill-considered marriages.

The divorce granted today was that of Leah Overholtz from her husband, Albert E. Overholtz. The case of Wilkerson vs. Wilkerson is occupying the time of the court this afternoon. O. F. Wilkerson is being sued by Cecil C. Wilkerson for \$5,000 damages on account of the arrest of the latter at the instance of the former on the charge of larceny. O. F. Wilkerson is the proprietor of the Arcade Theatre, and he charged C. C. Wilkerson with the larceny of tickets to the theatre. The latter brought suit alleging malicious prosecution.

The Durham Soda Dispensers Association is the latest addition to the list of Durham organizations. The association is composed of the soda fountain clerks of the city. A suite of rooms has been secured and are being furnished as club rooms by the young druggists. A class in pharmacy will be conducted in connection with the association.

Meningitis in Colorado.

Cripple Creek, Jan. 27.—Spinal meningitis, which recently alarmed the southwest, causing quarantine of several Texas towns, claimed four victims this month. The fourth died today.

Alaskan Steamer Ashore.

Seattle, Jan. 27.—The Alaskan steamer Santa Anna went ashore in Carta Bay Alaska. She struck at high tide. Nine passengers were taken off in launch.

CITY SCHOOLS CLOSE MAY 24

Governor W. W. Kitchin Will Deliver Commencement Address.

Governor Kitchin will make the commencement address at the close of the Raleigh High School and State Normal School, this morning. The year is to be the longest in the school's history. It will be the longest in the history of the school, numbering 100 years.

WANTS THE MONEY TRUST INVESTIGATED

Washington, Jan. 27.—Representative Henry, chairman of the House rules committee, which yesterday conducted a hearing on the proposed investigation of the "money trust" declared himself in favor of the inquiry. "There must be no sensational and reckless inquiry, but the wise, deliberate, systematic, effective probing into conditions constituting the trust," said Henry, he intimated he was prepared for opposition from some democratic leaders.

"There should be no pussy-footing or floundering by the trustees of the people's own holding seats in congress. Let those agents of the people stand up and personally and boldly in behalf of their constituents."

STEEL BILL WILL PASS HOUSE TODAY

Washington, D. C., Jan. 27.—The House took up the steel bill for amendment. Democratic leaders predicted it would pass before adjournment. When Democratic leader Underwood moved to close the general debate, the republican leaders objected and demanded a record vote, which was taken. The bill should reach the senate finance committee Monday.

PRESIDENT TAFT ON FIVE DAYS' TRIP

Washington, D. C., Jan. 27.—President Taft left Washington at 12:30 this afternoon on a five days' trip that takes him to New York and three cities in Ohio, Cleveland, Columbus and Akron. The president spends tonight as the guest of his brother, Henry W. Taft, and starts for Ohio from New York tomorrow night.

AMERICA GREATEST USER OF CIGARETTES

New York, Jan. 27.—America has firmly established itself as the greatest cigarette smoking nation in the world, according to statistics published here. Ten billion cigarettes were manufactured and sold in this country during 1911 without counting several billion more exempt of tax because rolled by the smokers themselves.

Increased Tobacco Crop.

Hartford, Conn., Jan. 27.—A largely increased acreage will be devoted to the tobacco crop in Connecticut next spring.



PRINCESS DE POLIGNAC. Witnessing about her claim at College, the Princess Edmond de Polignac, formerly Miss Winerette Singer, daughter of the late Isaac Singer of New York, filed a negligence claim of damages, costs, losses, and expenses, supplies and miles, filed in court of the city courts. Her claim is that she has been neglected to examine the genuineness of the coin that she valued and amount to many thousands of dollars.

SUIT AGAINST THE UNIVERSITY

Certain Citizens of German Empire Sue University For Lands Bequeathed

Chicago, Ill., Jan. 27.—The university of the city of Chicago, in its capacity as trustee of the bequest of certain lands of food and clothing, and other necessities, and the value of the bequest, was the subject of a suit filed in the city courts of Chicago, Ill., today. The claim is that the university has neglected to examine the genuineness of the coin that she valued and amount to many thousands of dollars.

BOOKS OF COMPANY ON TRIAL TODAY

Chicago, Ill., Jan. 27.—S. G. Lumber, National Packing Company's eighth clerk, under cross-examination in the packers' trial today read a long list of shipments, showing several instances when there was a difference of more than a cent a pound in the price of dressed meats sold in an eastern city the same day. The witness produced "Red Books" showing the average sales and margins.

Mining Bubble Burst.

Winnipeg, Man., Jan. 27.—The gold mining bubble which has been exciting the people of this country for the past two weeks has burst. Mining experts, after examining samples announced they are unable to find sufficient gold to warrant development. At least eight thousand claims have been staked out.

Birthday of Kaiser.

Washington, Jan. 27.—This is the 53rd birthday anniversary of the emperor of Germany. President Taft, cabled to Berlin a message extending hearty congratulations in the name of the government and people of the United States.

Jewish Population of New York.

New York, Jan. 27.—The Jewish population of New York city was 906,400 on January 1, according to figures published in the American Hebrew. The same journal eight years ago computed the population as six hundred thousand.

WILL RAISE SCHOOL BUDGET

Judge Pritchard to Visit North For Training School—Market Question Alive

(Special to The Times.) Greensboro, N. C., Jan. 27.—Judge Peter C. Pritchard was here last night enroute to Raleigh, to make an address before the convention of the Anti-Saloon League on the program of prohibition in North Carolina. From Raleigh Judge Pritchard will go to Ohio, New York and Massachusetts, to make addresses and appeals in behalf of the National Religious Training School for Women, which is located at Burlington. Judge Pritchard is chairman of the advisory board of this school, and he states that it now owns property valued at \$100,000, with indebtedness of about \$25,000. The object of his northern mission is to raise funds sufficient to pay this indebtedness and to secure needed improvements at the school. He says it is doing a great work in educating the negro and is well worthy the support and encouragement the people of the state have given.

Friends throughout the state of W. A. Hall, United States commissioner at Burlington, will learn with great pleasure that he is recovering from a serious illness which necessitated a course of treatment at St. Leo's Hospital, and that he hopes to be able to return to his home within a couple of weeks.

Whether or not Greensboro shall establish a municipal meat market as provided in the proposals to be voted upon February 28th, is a live topic on the streets here, though in the main the opponents of the measure take a humorous view of it. There seems little possibility of the success of such radical suggestions and the propositions the present one has reached has given rise to many interesting and alarming suggestions. It is naturally argued that the city might as well own the grocery stores, drug stores, etc., and now that Joe Beeson, editor of the Record, has suggested that the city take over the newspaper plants. He says he will support the measure solely upon such a provision, declaring that he is getting old and is willing to unload.

The proposition is purely a socialist one, and it is now evident that the municipality to the petition were gained through representations that might be held at a much cheaper cost. Close examination of the ordinance prepared and which is to be voted upon shows it to have been carefully drawn and befitting in many details.

Following committees were named.

On January 27, the following committees were named: John A. Gates, R. P. Beasley, J. A. Hartness, W. H. Woodall and N. B. Broughton.

Ways and Means—R. E. Mason, P. W. Giddwell, J. T. Bailey, R. L. Davis and W. W. Rose.

New Officers.

The committee on nominations reported the following: President, J. A. Hartness, of Fredrick; vice-presidents, first district, Guy T. J. Jarvis; second district, I. T. Flythe; third district, A. D. Ward; fourth district, T. H. Hicks; fifth district, R. O. Everett; sixth district, R. O. Everett.

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LEAGUERS ARE ENTHUSIASTIC

Small Crowd in Baptist Tabernacle, But Those Present Heard Splendid Address

Officers are Elected

Mr. J. A. Hartness, of Statesville, Elected President and Mr. I. C. Blair, of Raleigh, Secretary—Vice Presidents Chosen From Each Congressional District—Messrs. Spainhour, Bickett, Pritchard and Webb Speak.

Making up in enthusiasm what it lacked in numbers the meeting of the Anti-Saloon League, held today in the Baptist Tabernacle, was an unforgetable affair. Officers were elected for the coming year. J. A. Hartness, of Statesville, heading the league, and Mr. I. C. Blair, of Raleigh, being secretary.

Spelling addresses were made by Mr. J. F. Spainhour, Attorney General Bickett, Judge Pritchard and Congressman Webb. There were about 200 people to hear them, but the speeches were good nevertheless. All spoke for law-enforcement. Mr. Bickett, who is always a happy speaker, was unusually entertaining, and this is not written because his speech was the shortest.

A session was held this afternoon and meetings will be held tonight and tomorrow. Led by Mr. N. B. Broughton, the audience sang, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name." Prayer was offered by Rev. Mr. Riddick. President Heriot Clarkson, presided over the meeting, the first business being the hearing of resolutions. Rev. W. H. Woodall presented resolutions from Waynesville, Clyde and Canton, Haywood county, congratulating the state on the prohibition law and its enforcement and deploring the fact that the United States issues licenses to violate this law and memorializing congress to pass a law to prevent the shipping of liquor into dry territory.

Rev. W. F. Carter, of Charlotte, read resolutions memorializing congress to pass the Webb bill; also that the postoffices be prevented from taking money for liquor orders, and to appeal to the legislature for such a law as will abolish the co-operative bar-rooms, known as social clubs. The resolutions urged ministers to preach at least once a year on temperance and law enforcement. The resolutions were adopted.

NEW COMBINE IN WESTERN RAILROADS

New York, Jan. 27.—Despite recent denials, it is insisted in Wall Street circles that the Hill, Gould and Morgan railroad interests are about to combine in tremendous realignment of the western railroad situation. One account credits the proposed new combine with being an alliance against the Harriman interests and will mean control of properties extending from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

Child Labor Conference Closes Tonight.

Louisville, Jan. 27.—New Orleans, San Francisco, and Milwaukee are bidding for the next annual conference of the national child labor committee, which concludes the 1912 session tonight. Three sessions were held today. Dr. Felix Adler and Richmond Pearson Hobson speak tonight.