

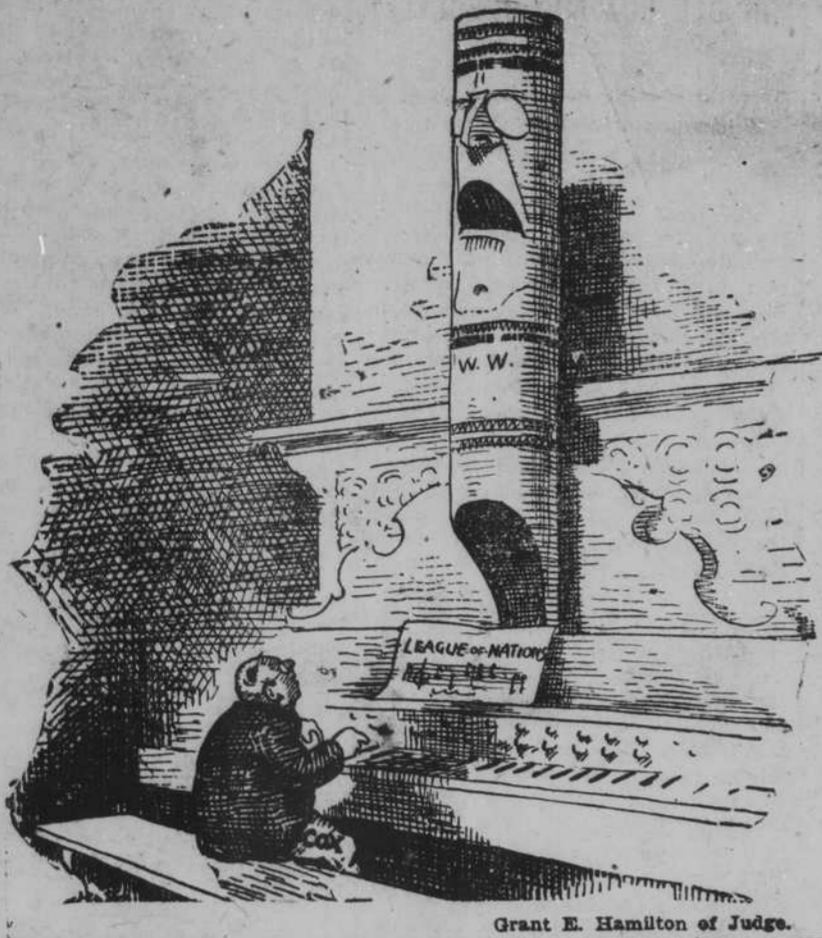
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One Organ, One Pipe, One Piece of Music!



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## 406 SHIPS FOR SALE

Government Seeks to Dispose of Wooden Vessels

One of the Most Difficult Problems Now Facing the United States Shipping Board.

Washington.—Disposal of more than 1,500,000 tons of wooden shipping—406 vessels of various types—built as a part of the government's wartime merchant marine program, is one of the most difficult problems facing the shipping board.

Twenty-one of the craft, aggregating 82,000 deadweight tons, were offered recently, but no buyers were found.

Only 194 of these wooden craft are now in operation. Seventy-three are tied up at various ports under managing caretakers and 139 are in storage yards. One hundred and seven of those in "storage" are finished hulls, while 32 are converted barges.

Officials of the board say that when the serviceability of the wooden fleet has been demonstrated little difficulty will be experienced in turning it over to private ownership at about \$90 a ton. These vessels were built in an emergency, many of green timber, and some of them made poor showings a year and two years ago, but now that they have "seasoned" officers of the board consider them practicable cargo carriers.

Because of the bad record of some of the vessels, operators have condemned them all, officials declare, whereas the records of those now in operation show very creditable performances. One wooden ship out of six round trips across the Atlantic, at sea 500 days and in port an equal number, was laid up for repairs only 22 days.

To date 532 wooden and composite ships, aggregating 1,948,250 deadweight tons, consisting of 322 cargo ships, 1 tanker, 115 finished hulls, 10 sailing craft, 56 hulls converted into barks and 20 standard barges, have been delivered to the board. A total of 114 of these vessels, aggregating 397,285 deadweight tons, has been sold and 12 totaling 44,546 tons have been lost at sea.

The total cost of the construction of this fleet, estimated by the board at \$170 a deadweight ton, was approximately \$333,000,000. Sale of the 1,500,000 tons now held by the board at \$90 a ton would yield \$135,000,000.

Those already sold brought about \$28,000,000, so that if the 406 remaining in the government's possession are disposed of to private owners the total loss through the wooden ship venture would be something like \$170,000,000.

## Textile Workers Vote For Senator Harding

Cohoes, N. H.—Warren G. Harding administered a terrific defeat to James M. Cox in a straw vote collected through the textile mills of the country by the Star Woolen Company of Cohoes. Senator Harding received 92.05 per cent. of the entire vote cast; Governor Cox received only 7.95 per cent.

## CATTLE RANGES FAST DISAPPEAR

For More Than Year Average Raiser Has Been Losing Money in Middle West.

HERDS ARE BEING DIMINISHED

Everywhere Feeders Are Quitting Operations in Discouragement—Land Over Which Cattle Roamed Being Turned Into Wheat.

Sioux Falls.—The cattle industry is admittedly in a bad way. For more than a year the average raiser has been losing money. The herds are being diminished. More beef is sent to market direct from the grass, corn being too costly for fattening at the present live stock quotations, which means more waste and less meat per head.

More land over which the cattle roamed is being turned into wheat, and this also adds to the depopulation of America's herds. But in the butcher shops of the hamlets and villages, the smaller cities and the great centers the consumer finds Old Doc High Cost has as strong a clutch as ever. Out here in regions where the raw material is raised the traveler finds the price of beefsteak and pork chops over the counter is as much a problem for the family budget as it is in the big cities.

Cattle Question Important.

Some gloomy prophets say if the reduction of the herds continues at the present rate steak may jump to 90 cents or \$1 a pound within a year. They may prove wrong or they may prove right, but in any event the cattle question is one of deep concern. At every stop that has been made in six states, the farmers have talked with emphasis.

Everywhere evidence was presented that feeders are quitting operations in sheer discouragement.

During the last year after buying cattle from the grass, then feeding them corn at \$1.50 to \$1.80 and up, and a bushel, they have sent their stock to market, only to receive for the finished product far less than it cost them.

In Nebraska the state authorities say hundreds of men are sending cattle to market direct from pasture because feeders will not buy.

In Kansas one-fourth of the pastures this year are without herds, so the state live stock association at Topeka reported a few days ago.

"They are marketing them right these days at 2 or 3 years old. The association's experts say that last year the average market weight of steers at Kansas City slumped 100 pounds meaning a greater percentage of waste and a smaller proportion of beef."

Everywhere on the trip stories of losses have been related to the tourists. At first they appeared to be highly exaggerated, but after hearing the same type of complaint for 1,200 miles one takes a different view. Here are a few random instances:

Farmer Reports Loss.

At Monmouth a 1,000 acre farmer said he had a prime herd on which his loss amounts to more than \$100 per head.

At Chillicothe, Mo., three farmers said their losses during the year ran between \$100 and \$125 a head and that some raisers had fared even worse. At Topeka a state official in all seriousness reported one case where a raiser had sold a bunch on which his loss had run to \$185 per head.

At Fremont, Neb., a former congressman, in close touch with farmers, said losses of \$150 to \$180 per head had not been at all uncommon during the last year.

One comment is heard in every village. The only difference is in the words, but the tune runs like this:

"I bought a bit of meat and the butcher charged me 60 cents a pound. I asked him what my cattle would bring and he said about 9 to 10 cents. They dress one-half, which would make meat on the hoof worth 20 cents. Where does the other 40 cents go?"—Arthur M. Evans in Chicago Tribune.

## Made to Eat With Dog, Husband Gets Divorce

San Francisco.—A mother-in-law with a bad temper and a dog with fleas that slept in his bed and took breakfast off the same plate with him wrecked the home life of Joseph R. Prada, 525 Twenty-fourth avenue, he told Superior Judge George H. Cabaniss. He was granted a divorce from Mrs. Lillian M. Prada, who, he said, insisted that the dog sleep in her husband's bed. Prada's mother testified she had seen breakfast served to her son and to his wife's dog, both in bed, off the same tray.

## Spencer McNeil Arrested And Dewey Baity Also

Deputy Marshall Ogburn, officers Dunnagan and Shugart and Sheriff Moxley arrested young Spencer McNeil Monday night at the home of his grandfather Frank Shoaf, on a government warrant charging him with blockading. McNeil it will be remembered, was tried here in May for complicity in the murder of Sheriff Zachary and acquitted. He pleaded guilty at the time to blockading and was sentenced to the roads for a year, sentence to begin if he was not of good behavior.

It is said the government officers thought the lightness of the sentence in the state courts was insufficient and he has been taken with a federal warrant and will be tried in federal courts. He gave bond.

Officers stated that they found McNeil in bed and a bottle with a small amount of whiskey by the bedside. McNeil was asked if he was drinking again and he remarked that he guessed he would do any thing. McNeil, we understand, has been working regular for some railroad company since the sensational trial here in May.

At the same time Sheriff Moxley had an instanter capias for one Dewey Baity, said to be about 17 years old, and son of Mr. P. H. Baity, which capias was issued by Judge Adams Monday, after the grand jury had found a true bill against him for attempted rape. The victim of the young man was a daughter of Mr. Jim Norman of that neighborhood, whose name we could not learn, but who is less than 14 years of age. He was also charged with assaulting Miss Dixon a young lady about 20 years old of the same neighborhood. He will be tried at the next term of court. He was released under bond.

## Rev. Chas. H. Johnson Dies Almost Suddenly

East Bend and community was severely shocked Sunday morning when they arose to find one of their best loved neighbors had died almost suddenly the night before. Rev. Charlie H. Johnson, perhaps better known as Prof. Johnson, passed away Saturday night after being ill only a short time. Mr. Johnson was 54 years old.

Saturday night he was preparing to retire and was taken ill. His wife hastily sent for a doctor but he died before medical aid reached him. Mr. Johnson was married only a few years ago to Miss Mary Myers of Yadkinville. They have no children. Mr. Johnson was a man of sterling character and loved by all who knew him. He was a minister but did not preach regular. For a long time he was Supt. of schools of Yadkin county. He will be greatly missed by his neighbors and friends throughout the county.

Funeral services were conducted at the Baptist church Sunday by Rev. V. M. Swain of Winston, after which interment was in the church cemetery.

## Made Whiskey In Prison

Fifteen men serving terms in the Bibb County Jail, at Macon Ga., for "moonshining" were caught in the act of making whiskey in their cells. The still consisted of a feed pipe from an automobile used as a worm, with two fruit jars as boilers. A small alcohol lamp furnished the heat.

## Tobacco \$10 A Hundred Higher At Lumberton Now

Lumberton, Aug. 16.—Tobacco prices were \$10 the 100 lbs. higher at the Lumberton market today than last week. The weed has advanced one cent this week largely responsible for the advance in price. The weather remains so hot as to cause the high prices to be expected each day to be even higher.

## Market Opens 14th

Winston-Salem, Aug. 24.—The Winston-Salem tobacco market will open on September 14, and the warehousemen of the city are arranging for sales to start at that time. At the recent meeting of the board the matter was discussed. On account of delay in receiving information from buyers as to when their representatives will be ready to go on the market, definite action was deferred. As yet all the buyers have not been heard from, but assurance is given that some of them will be ready by that time.

In this connection it will also be of interest to the planters to know that warehousemen advise against any effort to rush the weed in for the opening. It is understood that there will be no effort at a big demonstration on the fourteenth. The whole idea is to open at that time for the convenience of those planters who are unable to take care of the early part of their crop at home. It is suggested that a 11 who can do should sell slowly pending the arrival of all the buyers for large dealers.

The crop this year is late and weather conditions have also been such as to retard ripening. However there is said to be much tobacco ready for market now and with good weather that is expected to follow for the next few weeks the crop will develop in fine shape.

## Hutchens-Sullivan Wedding at Winston Last Night

A very quite but romantic wedding was solemnized at Centenary Methodist church, Winston, yesterday afternoon at 5:30 when Miss Elizabeth Hutchens of Yadkinville was united in marriage to Prof. Ralph Sullivan of Leaksville. Rev. W. L. Hutchens performing the ceremony. Only a few near relatives and friends were present, these being Mr. Roy Sullivan, brother of the groom and two sisters Miss Elma and Mary Sullivan of Pinnacle; Mrs. Dallas Martin, sister of the bride and her husband, and Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Somerville.

The bride is a very attractive young lady, a talented school teacher and numbers her friends by her acquaintances. She is a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hutchens, and was educated at Oxford. Mr. Sullivan is a bright young man with a sterling character. He comes from one of the best families in Surry county and was reared near Pinnacle. For some time he has taught as principal of Pilot Mountain school, but was recently elected Supt. of the school at Leaksville.

After an extended honeymoon trip the happy young couple will make their home at Leaksville. Their many friends extend their best wishes for a long and happy life.

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The men had been saving molasses from their meals and a trusty had secured some corn meal for them. The mixture of syrup and meal made the beer mash from which the whiskey was manufactured.

## Yadkin Superior Court Lasted Only One Day

One of the shortest terms of court ever held in Yadkin county begun here Monday morning and ended Monday afternoon, trying a few criminal cases, imposing a couple of road sentences, adjourning and the court leaving town before night, continuing the entire civil docket and most of the criminal docket.

It had been expected that court would last until Thursday or Friday but the court officials, when they arrived, seemed to be in a hurry and things were disposed of thick and fast. The grand jury was continued in session until Tuesday morning, but were instructed they need not make the usual round of inspection at the county home, jail, etc. The Judge and Solicitor both left Monday afternoon, Judge Adams going to his home in Carthage and Mr. Hayes going to Raleigh.

Considerable criticism has been heard in many quarters of this manner of holding courts, and scores of people disappointed in one way or another. Merchants had laid in supplies of perishable goods, hotels had prepared for at least four days court, witnesses from other states and counties subpoenaed to appear up to Thursday and Friday will perhaps continue to arrive and the people generally expecting a longer term. For our part it seems that the farmers are very busy, in fact the most so we have ever seen them, and those of them who were compelled to attend court will regard it as a blessing to them, which it is.

The shortest grand jury charge on record was delivered by Judge Adams it lasting about three minutes and consisted mainly in "Go to work." A number of cases were disposed of during the day in one way or another, given below:

LeRoy Martin, assault, nol pro's with leave.

Sanford Wooten, transporting and concealing whiskey, plead guilty and sentenced to six months on county roads.

Mansfield Carter, colored, stealing pistol, six months on county roads.

Harrison Pinnix, Driving an automobile while intoxicated, given four months on county roads.

Dallas Chamberlain, manufacturing and retailing, pleads guilty required to pay costs and show good behavior for two years. He had already been tried in federal court.

Wm. Crawford, colored, charged with stealing a dog from Bud Prim. Judgement suspended on payment of costs and pay \$18. expenses incurred in finding the dog.

Laura and Vance Gadberry and Furman Carter, al colored, affray Judgement suspended on payment of one third the costs each, after the crowd had kissed and made up.

The case against John Gray, colored of Jonesville, was continued. He is charged with entering the store of Gregory and taking \$140 in money. He was placed in jail last week.

Julius Lynch, charged with being an accomplice of Roe Cummings when his skeeter was captured last week with 15 gallons of whiskey, was arrested Monday by Bob Lovelace. He will be given a preliminary hearing some time soon. He gave bond.