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SOCIALISTS CLAIM THAT THEY ARE TO LAND MANY VOTES

One of Party Leaders Makes This Prediction At Convention

PRESENT ADMINISTRATION IS VIGOROUSLY ATTACKED

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, May 8.—An attack on the administration of President Wilson and the prediction that the Socialist party would poll more than two million votes in the presidential campaign, were made today by Maurice Gilliquit, temporary chairman of the Socialist national convention at its opening session here today. He said the party would survive the attacks, "unparalleled in ferocity and lawlessness" made on it in the last year by "all the powers of darkness and oppression in the country." He declared that the last three years had furnished the "most striking and abundant proof of the fallacy of the God Man" theory in politics. "If there remained any large section of workers who put their trust in the old party Messiah," he said, "Woodrow Wilson must have fatally destroyed their native faith. For he remembered that in 1916, Woodrow Wilson ran as a radical." "He promised socialism through the short cut of the democratic party and thousands of radicals throughout the country voted for him rather than to throw away their votes on the hopeless candidates of the socialist party."

UNION MEN PLAN TO OPERATE STORE

Rocky Mount Workers Intend to Thus Cut Down The High Cost of Living

(By Associated Press.)
ROCKY MOUNT, N. C., May 8.—At a meeting of the central trades union here last night attended by representatives of unions from virtually every craft and union in this city, definite plans were perfected for co-operative movement among the unions whereby the laborers expect to establish a general mercantile business here and later operate other businesses upon a co-operative profit sharing basis in an effort to combat the high cost of living.

WIFE SLAYER IS GIVEN LONG TERM

William H. Brokaw of Virginia, Sent to Federal Prison For His Crime

(By Associated Press.)
NORFOLK, Va., May 8.—William H. Brokaw convicted in federal court of murdering his wife at Camp Estelle, Va. January 28th was today sentenced by Judge Waddell in United States district court to serve eighteen years in the federal penitentiary at Atlanta. Motion for a new trial was immediately made by counsel for the defense and overruled by the court.

D. ANNUNZIO TOOK ITALIAN SHIP TODAY

(By Associated Press.)
TRIESTE, May 8.—Captain Gabriele D'Annunzio today captured an Italian steamship bound from Trieste to Catania with a cargo of grain. He dispatched two anti-submarine craft to make the capture. The captain of the ship was ordered to proceed to Fiume.

PRODUCTION OF WINTER WHEAT IS FORECAST

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 8.—Winter wheat production this year was forecast at 487,847,000 bushels or 75.8 less than last year's crop by the Department of Agriculture today.

SOCIALIST PARTY IS HOLDING CONVENTION

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, May 8.—The socialist party of America opened its 1920 national convention here today with the loss of the international and the national party of Free

WILLIAM J. BRYAN BRINGS ALA. TOUR TO SUDDEN CLOSE

Made Determined Fight Against Underwood Who Seeks Election

URGES VOTE CASTERS TO STAND BY DRY CROWD

(By Associated Press.)
BIRMINGHAM, Ala., May 8.—William Bryan today concluded a two day speaking tour in Alabama in which he opposed the candidacy of Senator Underwood, who is seeking re-election, and former Governor O'Neal for the seat made vacant by the death of Senator Bankhead. Mr. Bryan endorsed the candidacy of Representative Hessler, who is seeking Senator Underwood's seat. The prohibition leader speaking yesterday at Albany and today urged his audience to vote for the second choices in the democratic primary May 11th for any of the "dry" candidates. The liquor question is as much an issue as it has ever been, he said and pleaded for the defeat of both Underwood and O'Neal whom he characterized as the two "wet" candidates.

SUGGEST RATIONING OF SUGAR SUPPLY

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 8.—Rationing of sugar to manufacturers of non-essentials and an agreement between the United States and foreign countries not to bid against each other for this commodity were suggested today by Herbert Hoover, as means of relieving the present sugar situation.

RUTHERFORDTON MAN KILLS HIMSELF AT HOME

RUTHERFORDTON, May 8.—E. A. Bell of this city, committed suicide Wednesday morning by shooting himself in the mouth with a 32-caliber pistol, death resulting almost instantly. There is no direct cause of the horrible act. Mr. Bell went to bed last night as usual and got up early this morning. He was assisting his wife in preparing breakfast when he went and called his nephew and stepped in the hall and fired the fatal shot. "He had his will made" last Monday. About two weeks ago he told his nephew, who lived with him, to keep in touch with his children, as he was suffering from heart trouble and something might happen any time. Mr. Bell was married the second time on March 17 past, to Mrs. Mary Cornwell, of Gastonia. He and his wife seemed to be very happy. He leaves a widow, one sister, and brother and seven children. He was a well-known and well-to-do citizen and a member of the Rutherfordton Baptist church. His children are expected here tonight and tomorrow. All seven of them were away from home, being in various places of North and South Carolina.

COSTLY ORNAMENTS PLACED ON EXHIBIT

Priceless Treasures Seen For The First Time In Pennsylvania Museum

(Correspondence Associated Press.)
PHILADELPHIA, May 8.—Gold ornaments, idols, crowns, armor and other relics of great historic value which date from the civilizations of the Incas, Aztecs and other Mexican and Central and South American peoples are contained in a collection of 300 specimens recently placed on view for the first time in the museum of the University of Pennsylvania. The exhibit was only recently brought to its present completeness by the purchase of objects which had been in possession of a noble French family for generations, but which were sold because the family was impoverished. The gold was used by the Incas only for religious emblems and objects, shipped to Spain by Cortez and others in the sixteenth century were in the possession of a princess. The objects were in a modern wardrobe in a house in Paris. The objects were in a house in Paris. The objects were in a house in Paris.

FURTHER COMMENT ON THE DYE BILL

Democratic Senator Calls Attention To The Letter From The DuPonts

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 8.—There was further reference in the senate debate on the dye bill today to the letter from the DuPont interests to Senator Moses of New Hampshire, one of Major General Leonard Wood's campaign managers which was presented yesterday by Senator Kenyon, republican, of Iowa. Senator Thomas, Democrat, Colorado, said the letter virtually amounts to this: that unless Senator Moses withdraws his objections to this bill the Du Pont Company will withdraw its support and Senator Moses and what that support is every senator knows as well as I.

FIRE AT BLACKSTONE COLLEGE WAS COSTLY

(By Associated Press.)
BLACKSTONE, Va., May 8.—Estimates today placed the loss caused by the fire at Blackstone College last night at \$200,000 with \$70,000 insurance. The origin of the blaze which destroyed the main building is undetermined. Rebuilding work will begin at once.

PUBLIC LIBRARY SERVICE LIMITED

Only Small Percentage of People Have Access To These Places

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 8.—Only 10.4 per cent of the population of North Carolina has access to free public libraries, leaving almost 2,000,000 persons not provided with free library service, according to the estimate of the United States Bureau of Education, made public today. American Library Association officials declare that this lack, as revealed by statistics of public library development recently compiled by F. P. Claxton, Commissioner of Education, will give residents of North Carolina a conception of the benefit to be derived from the "Books for Everybody" movement launched by the association. To devote to the task of making public library service a vital influence in every American community, the A. L. A. is gathering a "Books for Everybody" fund of \$2,000,000. Miss Annie F. Petty, Librarian of the North Carolina State Normal College, at Greensboro, is the state director of the "Book for Everybody" fund in North Carolina. The report for North Carolina shows 35 libraries that are classed as free public libraries, containing 108,000 volumes and serving a population of 289,130 persons, leaving 1,761,107 persons without access to libraries. In the judgment of the Bureau of Education, the smallest library that can usually be depended on to render an adequate service is one of 5,000 volumes. Only eight libraries in the State, measured by this standard, can be termed "universities of the people". They serve 154,045 persons, with 2,052,240 persons practically deprived of the help of an institution which, more than any other, promotes adult self-education. In 91 counties there is no library with as many as 5000 volumes. Seven counties each have a library of this size which might serve as a nucleus for a county library. The county library is advocated by the American Library Association as the best method of reaching the rural districts. This form of library service recently was endorsed by Commissioner Claxton. In commenting on the results of the Bureau of Education's survey, American Library Association officials point out that the library development of the last several years, under the guidance of the efficient North Carolina Library Commission, may be too recent to be taken fully into account. While revised population statistics would show a much larger public served by existing libraries, as the compilation is based on the 1910 census, it is indicated that the growth of population in the wide areas without public library service probably would tend to keep the percentages, as announced by the Bureau of Education, nearly constant. In view of the rapid industrial development which is bringing into North Carolina an increasing number of new Americans from foreign shores, who must depend upon public libraries to give them their education in American language, institutions, and ideals, the general need for library facilities throughout the state is declared to present a serious situation. This condition, coupled with the widespread social and industrial unrest throughout the nation, constitutes one reason for the American Library Association's vigorous "Books for Everybody" movement, which points to a time when books will be freely available to every man, woman and child in America. In the "Books for Everybody" movement in North Carolina, the American Library Association will cooperate with the North Carolina Library Commission and with local libraries.

\$2,500 NECESSARY FOR THE SUPPORT OF FAMILY OF FIVE

Railroad Brotherhood So Asserts Before Railway Labor Board

WANTS MINIMUM WAGE THROUGHOUT INDUSTRY

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 8.—A minimum of \$2,500 a year is necessary for the support of an American family of five, W. Jett Lanck, consulting economist for the railroad brotherhoods asserted today before the railway labor board. Mr. Lanck, who yesterday charged corporate profiteering with being chiefly responsible for the present living costs, presented today a demand on behalf of the 2,500,000 railway employees for the establishment of a minimum wage throughout the industry. He presented to the board a compilation of budgets about the cost of living based on statistics made under his supervision and by federal and state agents. "It is impossible," he said, "for a family of five in the United States to maintain itself even in decent poverty under existing conditions for a penny less than \$2,500 a year." Mr. Lanck in his statement declared that "the fundamental cause of all economic instability, all industrial unrest, all interruptions of production and disturbances has been high prices and profiteering by organized capital, middle men and retailers."

RAISING FUND TO HELP ANSON BEST

Convicted Murderer May Not Go To Prison For Life, As Sentenced

(By Associated Press.)
FONTAINE, Mich., May 8.—Anson Best, convicted last night of the murder of Vera Schneider, a telephone operator, and sentenced to life imprisonment at Marquette, will not be taken to the northern Michigan prison immediately. A movement to finance an appeal by popular subscription began immediately after the verdict, was being continued today. In his statement before sentence was pronounced Best called upon Heaven to witness his innocence and a purse was immediately started. It was said to contain one thousand dollars this morning.

REVENUERS DISCOVER MUCH LAW BREAKING

Returning To Raleigh They Report A Very Busy Week

(By Associated Press.)
RALPHIGH, N. C., May 8.—Revenue officers returning to Raleigh today from counties in eastern North Carolina report one of the busiest weeks in several years, ten stills having been raided, much whiskey seized and hundreds of gallons of beer destroyed and a number of arrests made. The stills were found in Johnson, Wayne, Sampson and Wilson counties. Policemen Cooper of Wilson, who was assisting the revenue officers in a raid in Wilson County Wednesday night was shot and painfully injured by another policeman when the latter mistook Cooper for an alleged moonshiner running from a still.

BODY OF MRS. EVA KING CARRIED TO BACHELOR

Deceased Died at Durham Hospital—Had Number Friends In This City

The body of Mrs. Eva Bell King, who died at a hospital at Durham and which arrived in the city yesterday morning, yesterday afternoon was taken to Bachelor, N. C. for interment, being accompanied by Mr. M. D. Taylor and his son. The deceased is survived, by her husband, Mr. Richard King; parents Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Bell, of Bachelor; three sisters, Miss Bessie Bell, of Bachelor; Mrs. J. O. Barber, of Beaufort; and Mrs. Elijah Connor, of Jacksonville; two brothers, Mr. Everett Bell, of Durham and Mr. W. L. Harris, of Blades.

THREE CAPITALS OF STATES IN MEXICO TAKEN BY REBELS

Revolt of Carranza Garrisons Made This Possible, Says Report

MEXICO CITY IS SAID HAVE BEEN CAPTURED

(By Associated Press.)
EL PASO, Tex., May 8.—Three state capitals in Mexico fell into the hands of the revolutionists today with the revolt of Carranza garrisons coincident to unconfirmed reports given out by revolutionists here that Mexico City, the capital of the republic had been taken by General Benjamin Hill. Revolutionary forces have taken Mexico City according to an unconfirmed report received here today by revolutionary leaders here. The messages from Chihuahua said "it has been rumored President Carranza left the capital for Vera Cruz." Saltillo, capital of the state of Coahuila, which borders on the United States, revolted late yesterday, revolutionary forces today state. It was announced that General Castro and another Carranza leader had revolted with troops in several garrisoned towns including Altito. The Carranza government of Coahuila which is the home state of the Mexican president fled with all the public funds to Monterrey where Carranza adherents were reported concentrating to resist the revolutionists it was announced. Carranza troops at Lawasas crossed the international boundary from Del Rio, Texas, and revolted according to local rebel leaders. Coal mines and towns in northern Coahuila were reported in the hands of the revolutionists. "Piedras Negras crossed the boundary on Eagle Pass, Texas," the announcements said "and General Carranza in a telegraphic communication from President Carranza asked him to resign and said he was holding Carranza notwithstanding the fact that his soldiers were on the verge of joining the revolutionary movement."

MASKED MEN FLOG NEGRO TO DEATH

Latter Had Threatened To Take The Life of a White Man

(By Associated Press.)
BEAUFORT, Texas, May 8.—Charles Arline, a negro, was flogged to death by forty masked men last Tuesday night on the road between Woodville and Koutze according to a belated message which reached here late last night. Arline was charged with having threatened to kill a white man. From the evidence taken by the coroner, the message said, it did not appear that it was intended to kill the negro.

WARRANTS SERVED ON 16 SYRIAN MERCHANTS

Summoned To Appear in Raleigh in Federal Court To Answer to Charges

WILSON, May 8.—Deputy Marshal T. W. Bartholomew on Wednesday last served capias on sixteen Syrians who are charged with using the United States mails in a conspiracy to defraud, each of whom was placed under a bond of \$1,000 for their appearance at Raleigh in Federal court before Judge H. G. CoCnorr at the next term. The defendants are: Ed Rabil, of Kenly; Richard Lewis and Willie George Rabil, of Smithfield; Louis Abdalla and Joseph Abdalla, of Selma, and eight others of Goldsboro.

BALTIMORE FIRE FIGHTER IS KILLED

Four Others Are Injured In Costly Blaze in That City Today

BALTIMORE, Md., May 8.—Chas. Parks, a fireman, was killed and four other members of the fire department were injured at a blaze which wrecked the interior of a retail clothing store in Baltimore Street near Calvert early today. The Emerson Hotel, two doors away, was menaced for a time but there was no panic among the guests. The loss of the building and the stock of clothing of the company was

FRENCHMEN DESIRE SPA CONFAB TO BE HELD AS PLANNED

Reports of a Possible Postponement Cause a Wave Of Protest

FEAR IF THIS IS DONE IT WILL NEVER BE HELD

(By Associated Press.)
PARIS, May 8.—Reports of a possible postponement of the Spa conference between the allied and German delegates from May 25th to June 10th have caused universal protest from editors of newspapers here. They fear the meeting may be deferred indefinitely. Premier Millerand's visit to London next week for the purpose of conferring with Premier Lloyd George as to the indemnity payment will be important, it was mentioned, as the British premier is believed to favor the payment of a definite sum by Germany in place of the present plan by which the allies would be paid an indeterminate amount. The Germans have not made formal request for the postponement of the conference but the question will be raised informally by Doctor Mayer, the German charge during his conversation with Premier Millerand on Thursday. The charge intimated that such a request would be made.

TO REFUSE TO ATTEND BERLIN, MAY 8.—German delegates to the Spa conference will refuse to attend the meeting if not assured they will be given a hearing said Doctor Wirth Minister of Finance, speaking at Dresden according to a Berlin newspaper. They will be prepared to lay the true state of affairs before the allied representatives he declared, and will be able to demonstrate that the economic condition of the continent depends upon that of Germany.

PROF. W. S. BERNARD TO BE HEARD HERE

To Make Memorial Day Address In This City Monday Afternoon

The attention of the public is called to the memorial exercises to be held in Griffin auditorium next Monday afternoon. The speaker is Prof. W. S. Bernard of Chapel Hill. Parents are asked to encourage their children to attend and to bring flowers for decorating the graves of the soldiers.

LARGEST HOTEL IN WORLD FOR CHICAGO

Hostelry To Contain Four Thousand Rooms—To Cost Fifteen Million

(By Associated Press.)
CHICAGO, Ill., May 8.—Plans for the largest hotel in the world were made public today. The hotel will be in five units with the present Edgewater Beach Hotel as one unit and will front three city blocks on Lake Michigan and Sheridan road. The architects have planned four thousand rooms. The cost is estimated at \$15,000,000. A theatre seating 2,500; 400 kitchenettes for those who desire to cook their own meals and a sixteen story unit for bachelors are features. A minimum charge of \$15 a day is one of the units is contemplated.

GREATEST FREE RACE BEING RUN TODAY

(By Associated Press.)
LOUISVILLE, Ky., May 8.—With twenty two thoroughbred three year old horses entered for the forty-sixth renewal of the Kentucky Derby at Churchill Downs this afternoon, it was the unanimous opinion of turf followers today that the \$30,000 added money classic would be the greatest and most open race ever run.

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