

DEMOCRATIC JUDGE FILLS REPUBLICAN AMMUNITION CHEST

Guns of Democracy Have Been Turned Against Them by the Entrenched Enemy

REPUBLICANS THANKFUL FOR HELP GIVEN THEM

Chief Justice Clark is Being Generally Condemned by His Party Leaders

(By Max Abemethy) RALEIGH, July 28.—That the Clark-Bickett controversy over taxation of corporations and their stock has furnished the republicans plenty of campaign thunder this year is the opinion of members of the minority party who have visited the capital during recent weeks.

Having been furnished this material by the chief justice of the supreme court of the state, who was nominated and elected by the Democratic party, the republicans will use it freely in the coming campaign. It will be used readily, since it comes from the highest official in the state and carries with it the highest honor the democratic party can bestow upon any member of its party.

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This controversy between the governor and the chief justice ended with a voluminous reply by Judge Clark defending his side of the question. Governor Bickett countering with a short statement of facts in which he endeavored to show the folly of the corporation tax as reasoning. He resurrected history to show that Judge Clark always dissents, but the secrecy of white paper was his reason for not framing a stinging reply.

Rehearsal of Controversy Because of the controversy can be heard this early in the campaign, however. The latest comes from a speech made by Frank A. Linney, executive chairman of the republican party in Wilkesboro a short time ago, in which he employed the printed utterances of Judge Clark to "show up" the democratic party.

The beginning has just been made, so the State G. O. F. members say, and they are sure that for weeks the chief justice has done for them, even if he is at different political faith.

RECORD PRICES BEING PAID FOR WATERMELONS

Dealers Here Are Charging as High as \$1.25 Each For Them—Price to Drop

Five years ago watermelons could be purchased in NEW BERN during the latter part of July for ten cents today they are being retailed in this city at prices ranging as high as \$1.25 an increase of more than one thousand per cent in the course of five years.

Strange to say hundreds of melons are being sold at that price and the dealers say that the demand for these is strong. Incidentally the price is expected to drop in a few days as soon as the home grown supply begins to come in in large quantities.

DISLOYAL CITIZENS REFUSED NEW TRIAL

(By Associated Press) FAIRMONT, Minn., July 28.—A. C. Townley, president of the non-partisan league, and Joseph Gilbert, former league organizer, today were denied new trials on charges of conspiracy to encourage disloyalty during the war. They are under ninety-day jail sentences. Townley and Gilbert were convicted at Jackson, Minn., a year ago on charges growing out of speeches they made in behalf of the non-partisan league in Jackson county. Their trials lasted three months.

STORM DISTURBANCE NOTED

WASHINGTON, July 28.—Evidence of the presence of a storm disturbance in the vicinity of latitude 30 degrees north, longitude 75 degrees west were noted by the weather bureau today. The direction and intensity of the disturbance were unknown.

MEN ARRESTED IN CONNECTION WITH "MURDER MYSTERY"

Tatum Expresses Willingness to Accompany Detectives to New York or Detroit

CHANGES HIS ADDRESS IN FEAR OF REPRISAL

Believes that LeRoy Was Known in Several Places Under Various Aliases

BIRMINGHAM, July 28.—Two men named Fernandez who arrived here about July 15 were questioned today by Lieutenant John P. Smith, of the Detroit homicide squad, in connection with the Detroit trunk mystery. They were freed.

Lieutenant Smith also talked with Allen A. Tatum, whose statements have the first clue in the murder mystery. Tatum expressed a willingness to accompany the detectives to New York or Detroit.

Fear that LeRoy will "kill him" has been expressed to the police by Tatum, who asked permission today to carry a revolver. He has changed his address since he stated his belief that the murdered woman was Katherine Jackson, but continues his work for a local fine type company.

FARMER-LABOR NOMINEE WANTS RELEASE OF DEBS

(By Associated Press) SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, July 28.—Plans looking to the release of Eugene V. Debs from prison are being held in abeyance pending word from Governor Cox, democratic nominee for president, as to whether he will cooperate with them.

Perley T. Christensen, Farm-Labor nominee for president, informed the governor in a telegram today. The telegram asked for an early reply to one sent by Mr. Christensen from Denver last week wherein he asked the nominee of the democratic and republican parties to join him in pressing for Debs release.

AUSTRALIANS PROTEST AT UTTERANCES OF MANNIX

(By Associated Press) ROME, July 28.—Strong remonstrances from Australia on utterances in the United States of Archbishop Daniel J. Mannix, of Melbourne, have been received by the Vatican. The protest stated that the arch-bishop's assertions did not represent the feelings prevalent in Australia and asked that some tangible public declaration be made in order to protect the loyalty of the large majority of the Australian population.

Twenty Firemen Overcome CHICAGO, July 28.—Twenty firemen were overcome today while fighting fire that virtually destroyed the beef house of Armour & Company a five story structure covering a block at the stock yards. The flames menaced a million dollars worth of beef in the general storage plants.

LOCAL MERCHANTS SAY BUSINESS IS IMPROVING

Sales Increasing and Volume of Business is Much Better, They Assert

Business is rapidly picking up, according to statements made by numbers of local merchants and, in consequence, they are enjoying a gratifying patronage.

Up until the past week, according to statements made by several dealers, there had existed for a few weeks a sort of lethargy in mercantile circles and trading had been slack but this condition has been relieved and from now on the dealers expect a heavy demand for their goods.

ADDITIONAL SLOGANS FOR CITY OF NEW BERN

Slogans for NEW BERN continue to be submitted, not only because of interest in the ten dollar prize offered by the chamber of commerce, but because of the necessity for giving the city a good slogan under which it can progress. Here are a few of the latest ones:

"NEW BERN—The City That Possesses All That the Letters Stand For Between the N. and T."

"Neuse River—Opportunity Prosperity, Quiet, Royalty, Service—Front River."

"NEW BERN—The Rose Between Two Thorns. Thorns—James City and Bridgeton."

"NEW BERN—Renowned the World Around."

"Health, Wealth, Progress, and Success."

"NEW BERN IS Going Over The Top. Follow Her."

"NEW BERN—The City of Much Concern."

"NEW BERN—The Progressive City of the South."

Runaway Street Car Stopped By Brave Woman

Motorman Chases Car in Automobile and Helps Bring it to Standstill After Mile Race

(By Associated Press) WORCESTER, Mass., July 28.—Failure of the air control on a street car here to function properly today caused a car to start when the motorman and conductor had left the car to telephone, and the car dashed a distance of a mile before it was brought under control by Mrs. Bertha Viella, who, with her three small children, were the only passengers.

The motorman gave chase in an automobile and jumped from the machine into the car and brought it to a full stop. The car attained a rate of fifty miles an hour during its mad dash down the hill and passed over several bad curves.

RUSSIAN CHILDREN MAKE LONG VOYAGE TO FORMER HOMES

Will Travel Via Panama Canal Under Auspices of the Red Cross

TOKIO, July 28.—The American Red Cross of Siberia, directed by Dr. R. B. Teusler, of Tokio, has completed arrangements for the transportation of 761 Petrograd school-children from Vladivostok to their former homes in Soviet Russia. The children, boys and girls, were expected to embark at Vladivostok for Riga on a chartered steamer, the Yomel-Mara.

The steamer is a new 10,655-ton freighter and must be refitted to carry 1,100 persons, including the teachers, attendants and Red Cross personnel. The entire voyage via the Panama Canal, is expected to require ninety days before the ship is returned to its owners at London, and the voyage, costing about \$500,000, will bring the outfit of the Red Cross in caring for the children up to nearly \$1,000,000.

The boys and girls are some of the 9,000 children who were sent out of Petrograd in the tragic months of 1918 and were found scattered in Siberian cities. Most of the others have disappeared—one of the silent tragedies of Russia.

CZECHO-SLOVAKIA IS OPPOSED INTERFERENCE

Prague Czecho Slovakia, July 28.—Considerable discussion is going on in Czecho Slovakia newspapers here over the possibility of the allies asking military help from Czecho Slovakia in connection with the Russian-Polish problem, or permission for the passage of arms, munitions or troops through this country. The sentiment reflected is one of insurmountable aversion to any form of help in any military action against Russia. The labor elements, according to the indications, is determined to prevent the passage of munitions through Czecho Slovakia for the Polish front.

MOB FAILS TO GET NEGRO AT ANDERSON

ANDERSON, S. C., July 28.—Anderson was quiet to-day after the excitement last night, when Scott Garner, a fourteen-year-old negro, is alleged to have attacked a prominent young white woman. Following the arrest of the boy he was identified by the woman, but local officers by a clever ruse avoided the crowd which had gathered, and the mob chased a decoy automobile loaded with policemen while Deputy Sheriff Hilliard made his escape with the prisoner.

MERCY IS EXTENDED TO LITTLE GIRL'S ASSAILANT

(By Associated Press) SPARTANBURG, S. C., July 28.—A jury in the court of general sessions here today returned a verdict of guilty with recommendations of mercy in the case of Thomas Pruitt, a white man, charged with an attack upon a thirteen-year-old girl, an inmate of his own home. Such a verdict provides a penalty of imprisonment for five to forty years. The jury, it is understood, agreed upon this recommendation on account of the mental incapacity of the accused.

SEVERAL KILLED IN GREENSBORO SMASH-UP

(By Associated Press) GREENSBORO, July 28.—One man is dead and two seriously injured as the result of a freight train striking an automobile here today. C. E. Edwards of Needles, California, was thrown from his automobile in front of the freight cars, dying two hours later. The injured are Harry D. Mullin, of Washington, D. C., and Robt. Teague, of High Point Mullin and Teague were thrown clear of the track.

MAILED POISONED CANDY TO HIS WIFE; HE LOVED ANOTHER

Other Girl Had Been Informed by Littrel of What He Planned to Do

WIFE WAS AN INMATE OF ASYLUM FOR THE INSANE

Candy Resulted in Death of One Woman and Illness of Several Others

(By Associated Press) NASHVILLE, Tenn., July 28.—City detectives today made public a confession accredited to George Littrel, young Sumner county farmer, who is charged with sending poisoned candy to his wife, Mrs. Susie Littrel, an inmate in the Tennessee hospital for the insane, which resulted in the death of Mrs. Lizzie Banks, another inmate, the serious illness of Mrs. Littrel and two attendants.

Littrel was arrested Saturday night by the Nashville police department on two warrants sworn out by J. H. Matthews, Littrel's brother-in-law, one warrant charging murder and the other attempt to murder. The confession accredited to Littrel went into details regarding the purchase of the candy and the poisoning and mailing of the package.

Littrel is quoted as telling the police that he had informed a young woman neighbor of what he had planned to do. They were to be married, he said.

PARIS IS GRATIFIED AT RESULT OF CONFERENCE

PARIS, July 28.—The Paris press is gratified over the results of the Boulogne conference. Most of the newspapers unite in considering the outcome of the conference "a feather in M. Millerand's cap" pointing out that he persuaded Premier Lloyd George to adopt the French views both on the Russian and coal questions.

CAMP ZACHARY TAYLOR WILL BE ABANDONED

(By Associated Press) WASHINGTON, July 28.—Abandonment of Camp Zachary Taylor, Louisville, Ky., was announced today by the war department with the notice that the First Division, now stationed at Camp Dix, New Jersey, the property upon which the camp is located at Louisville will revert to the private owners.

CHARLOTTE WOMAN MAKES ADDRESS ON INSURANCE

(By Associated Press) ST. PAUL, July 28.—"My Story" was the general topic of stories of successes by women in business and professions which were told by speakers at today's session of the National Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs in annual session here. "My Story—Insurance" was the subject of an address by Miss Julia Alexander, Charlotte, N. C.

Francisco Villa Has Surrendered Unconditionally

Rejoicing Reported Throughout Mexico, With Celebrations Being Arranged

(By Associated Press) EAGLE PASS, Texas, July 28.—Francisco Villa, bandit leader, surrendered unconditionally after an all night conference with General Eugenio Marting, commanding the Torreon Military Zone, according to advices received by the Mexican consul here today.

Villa will return to private life, the message added. Much rejoicing throughout Mexico is reported, with celebrations being arranged. Carl Haeglin, American President of a brewing company at Sabinas, who has been held by Villa for ransom, has been released, the report added.

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Effort Is Made To Effect Release Of Carl Haeglin

American Citizen Kidnapped by Francisco Villa and is Being Held for Ransom

(By Associated Press) WASHINGTON, July 28.—Representations described today by the state department as of an "urgent nature" have been made to the Mexican government as the result of the kidnapping of Carl Haeglin, an American citizen, by Francisco Villa, several days ago.

The Mexican authorities have been asked through the American embassy at Mexico City to take up all steps possible to effect the release of the prisoner, who was taken from Sabinas, Coahuila, where he is reported to be held for ransom.

Reports to the state department today said the Mexican government forces were moving northward from Sabinas toward Sabinas and that all the infantry troops to the north have been held in readiness to cooperate in a movement to effect the capture of Villa.

DANGERS FACING WORKERS DREDGING ALONG EAST RIVER

Undertaking Will Require From Fifteen to Twenty Years To Complete

(By Associated Press) NEW YORK, July 28.—Death by drowning or dynamite these are the chief dangers facing the men who are dredging the East River to Long Island Sound that New York may have another deep-sea passage to the Atlantic.

How this undertaking, which will require fifteen to twenty years and an expenditure of \$55,000,000 to \$75,000,000 is being carried on was told here today by officials of the dredging company, which is doing the work.

Slack Water Period "Most of the work must be done during the slack water period at the change of tides, as there is generally from 500 to 1,000 pounds of dynamite aboard each drill boat the danger of being rammed by passing craft and sent to the bottom is complicated with the possibility of being blown into the air," one official said.

"In Hell Gate we are demolishing Frypan Reef, which is 480 feet by 360 feet. From eight to ten months will be required to complete this task. A drill boat is being warped across in parallel paths thirty feet apart, drilling holes into which from 100 to 150 pounds of dynamite is packed. The boats dipper dredge, following the drill boat, loads the blasted rock into scows for dumping into holes 75 feet or more in the river. This leveling of the river bottom removes the source of eddies, smothering the current.

Treachorous Currents "Pot Rick, another reef in Hell Gate, will be destroyed next. Because of treacherous currents for which it is responsible, Pot Rick is known as the wickedest spot in American waters.

"The longest slack water period registered in Hell Gate during the last forty years was twenty-three minutes. It is within that slack period that drilling points must be located, charges planted and fired and position of the plant changed. Divers on this work are generally unable to spend more than fifteen minutes under water at a time, so that they work but half an hour in a twenty-four day.

"As a precaution against being rammed by passing craft the navy department and custom house officials have warned operators and owners of vessels to keep a safe distance from dredging plants. For non-compliance with this warning eighty-five captains were arraigned recently within a period of ten days. Many were suspended for from ten days to six months.

AMERICAN DELEGATES TO WORLD CONVENTION

TOKIO, July 28.—The total number of American delegates to the World's Sunday School Convention to be held in Tokio in October will be about 750. The first big party of American delegates will reach Japan on August 15. In addition to the Americans there will be representatives at the convention from the British Isles, Europe, Australia, China and Korea, besides many delegates from all parts of Japan.

ANTI-SUFFRAGISTS FIRE FIRST GUN IN CAMPAIGN IN STATE

Marburg, of Maryland, Will Make Address in Raleigh on Thursday Evening

BOTH SIDES TO OPEN RALEIGH HEADQUARTERS

Prominent Women From Various Sections to Work For Antagonistic Causes

(By Associated Press) RALEIGH, July 28.—The first gun of the anti-suffrage campaign in North Carolina will be fired here Thursday, when William L. Marburg, of Maryland, a well known constitutional lawyer, will speak at a local theatre under the joint auspices of the local branch of the Southern Rejection League and the North Carolina State's Rights Association.

With the legislature scheduled to convene in special session within the next two weeks, at which time the question of ratification of the federal woman suffrage amendment is expected to come up, the anti and pro-suffrage associations are becoming very active in the state. Each side has already opened state headquarters in Raleigh, with prominent North Carolina women in charge.

In addition to members of the state organizations, it is understood prominent women from various sections of the country will be in North Carolina within the next week to work for and against ratification of the amendment.

Although the legislature was called to meet in special session for the purpose of passing on the re-valuation report of the North Carolina Tax Commission, woman suffrage is viewed as that matter in public interest.

MINISTERS WILL STAND BY THEIR PEACE PROGRAM

Soviet Russia Must Reverse Its Attitude and Prepare to Talk Business With Poland

(By Associated Press) LONDON, July 28.—The decision reached by Premier Millerand and Lloyd George at their Boulogne conference yesterday to stand by their original opinion for a peace conference with the Russian Soviet, and that the London conference which the Soviet demanded could not take place unless the bolshevik reversed their present attitude and agree to discuss at the conference peace with Poland, with all qualified representatives of Russia and the border states in attendance, received no enthusiastic expression by the London press. By the anti-bolshevik papers it is roundly denounced, one of them saying "it will draw nearer that diplomatic recognition of the Soviet government which we especially detest and abhor."

PROHIBITION VIOLATORS NUMEROUS IN VIRGINIA

RICHMOND, July 28.—Asserting that there are thirty thousand or more violators of the prohibition laws in this state, Supervising Revenue Agent S. R. Brame said today that with only thirty-eight men in his squad in Virginia it was almost impossible to make an adequate number of arrests to curb illicit liquor distilling in the country districts.

He added that much of the illicit distilling could be curtailed by public opinion, as in many of the counties law and order leagues being organized and the people themselves are taking the violators in hand seeing that the courts do their duty in administering punishment.

HINDENBURG LINE BEING SHOWN HERE

Replica of Famous Spot is Being Exhibited in New Bern

A replica of the Hindenburg line through which North Carolina and Tennessee troops crashed is being exhibited today at the Blades Motor Company's garage on Pollock street and NEW BERN people are being invited to visit that place and take a look at this marvel.

The exhibit is being shown in a few of the larger towns of North Carolina, including NEW BERN. No charge is made for admission but those who care to do so can make a small contribution as the traveling expenses of the exhibit are paid in this manner.

Fuel Oil for Gary (By Associated Press)

GARY, Ind., July 28.—Thousands of gallons of fuel oil are being rushed to Gary plants today to avert paralysis of industry here which threatens to throw many thousands of men into idleness, it was stated by officials of the companies affected.

SIR THOMAS WILL MAKE ANOTHER TRY FOR COVETED CUP

His Bitter Disappointment Behind Hearty Congratulation to Resolute's Crew

WINNING YACHT TO BE DISMANTLED AT ONCE

Yachting Men Highly Praise Handling of Boat by Charles Francis Adams

(By Associated Press) NEW YORK, July 28.—Resolute, which decisively defeated Shamrock IV in the deciding yacht race in defense of the America's cup yesterday, probably will not run another race, said H. Deb Parsons, a member of the racing committee of the New York Yacht Club today.

The defender, which cost thousands of dollars, will be taken to a ship yard at City Island today and then proceed to Bristol, where it will be dismantled at the Herrosford Yards. Part of her fittings will be stored at City Island.

There will be no special celebration of the victory by the New York Yacht Club members. Yachting men today highly praised the handling of the Resolute by Charles Francis Adams, second, in all the races. His generalship in the fluky winds was declared to be nearly faultless. The Resolute's crew of twenty-two Norwegians, seven Swedes and one Dane—all American citizens—also came in for unstinted praise.

COURT DECIDES WHEN DOES A PUP BECOME A DOG

No Longer Will Owners Be Able To Defeat The Tax Laws Under This Decision

TULSA, Okla., July 28.—When does a pup become "of age?" P. L. Long, the city's chief sanitary inspector, under whose direction the dog catcher operates, has handed down a decision which in the future, will govern in all instances where controversy arises over the owner of a canine claiming exemption of dog tax, alleging the dog still to be a "pup."

At the bi-weekly conference of the mayor and city commissioners, the subject was brought up and Long appealed for an official interpretation of the period when a pup becomes "of age." They decided it was four months. Hereafter, pups in Tulsa are pups until they are four months old—then they automatically become dogs.

TITLED RUSSIAN WOMEN SERVING AS WAITRESSES

NEW YORK, July 28.—Many cultured Russian women now are acting as waitresses in Constantinople restaurants, according to word received here from an agent of the American Central Committee for Russian Relief.

These women still wear afternoon and evening clothes which they took with them when they fled from Bolshevik Russia.

"There is the spirit of the canteen about it all," read the agent's report, "and their competitors and friends salute them in the usual charming manner of kissing their hands, and everyone talks with them and helps them in their serving."

CITIZENS COMPLY WITH SANITARY LAW

Are Doing Their Best To Keep Their Premises Clean, Says Officer

Sanitary officer Henry T. Brinson reports that NEW BERN people are answering the pleas of the sanitary department of the city and are cutting weeds and grass from their premises while the city street cleaning force is doing its best to rid the streets of these.

WILSON IS CONSIDERING STEEL STRIKE SITUATION

(By Associated Press) WASHINGTON, July 28.—President Wilson today had before him the recommendations of the commission of the Inter-church World Movement that he appoint a special commission to bring about immediate conference between employers and employees in the steel industry. The suggestion was offered to the president by the group which investigated last summer's steel strike and yesterday announced its findings.