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SOLDIERS DENY MOREHEAD STORY

SAY THAT JONES' WIFE WAS
NOT INSULTED.

Assert That Jones Himself Was
Knocked Down, and That the Bath-
er Who Struck Blow Was Not a
Member of National Guard. — In-
itiative and Referendum Passes
Commission. — To Allow Use of
Bible in Schools.

Raleigh, July 17.—Soldiers returning from Morehead deny the story of the fight of Jones, of Goldsboro, and members of the National Guard. They say his wife was not insulted, and that Jones himself was knocked down and the bath who struck the blow was not a member of the National Guard. The alleged story was sent by correspondents who have been made to leave Morehead City.

The initiative and referendum in the amended form passed third reading before the commission 9 to 7. The amendment applies to bills or proposed statutes and not to changes in the constitution. Bailey of Wake, presented this amendment. Representative Moore gave notice that he would carry the fight to the General Assembly.

The amendment to allow the use of the Bible in the public schools passed 11 to 3.

By a unanimous vote it was decided to strike out the word "Rebellion" in the constitution and insert "The War Between the States."

An amendment was adopted which would give legislators six hundred dollars for session and mileage, and not limiting session to sixty days. This was adopted by a vote of 9 to 7.

WILL NOT GIVE VETO POWER TO GOVERNOR.

Legislative Commission Kills This
Proposed Amendment to Constitu-
tion.

Raleigh, July 16.—In session until 11 o'clock tonight the Legislative Commission on Constitutional Amendments passed on final reading, ready for favorable recommendation to the Legislature, proposal No. 2, relieving the General Assembly of consideration of local, private and special acts; No. 9, on revenue and taxation, including requirement that poll tax "shall" and not "may" be levied; proposal No. 14, as to judges and courts, with the bar association amendment that the Legislature may provide for emergency judges, proposal No. 17, making possible establishment of one or more appellate courts, and defeated proposal No. 5, to give the Governor veto power.

This leaves 10 proposals remaining to be passed upon final reading and the commission resumes sessions at 9:30 Thursday morning. Governor Craig, it was stated on the floor tonight, has asked the commission to have its report completed for him by Saturday morning and the commission will work to this end Thursday and Friday.

It is understood that the Governor has in mind the possible early issuance of a call for the Legislature to meet in special session in compliance with the act creating the Amendment Commission.

MISS SMITH TO WED.

Miss Kathleen Smith, formerly of
This City, to Wed Mr. McKellar,
of Mexico.

The San Antonio Express of July 13 contained the following announcement:

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Bynum Clegg announce the engagement of their sister

Kathleen Allen Smith
to
Ian Kirk McKellar,
of Mina Reforma, Coahuila, Mexico,
the wedding to take place Sep-
tember third, nineteen and
thirteen.

The above announcement will be received with interest here. Miss Smith was born and reared in Concord, being a daughter of the late W. M. Smith, and has a large number of friends here. Miss Smith is a graduate of Salem College, Winston-Salem, and took a finishing course in a select school at Washington. She devoted much time to music and was recognized as one of the most gifted vocalists in this section.

Milk Must Be Pasteurized.

New York, July 16.—Beginning today milk of all grades sold in Greater New York must be pasteurized before being sold, according to the new regulation promulgated by the New York City health.

Crispel Murder Mystery Solves

Wilmington, Pa., July 17.—The county authorities admitted that they are completely baffled by the Crispel murder mystery. There are no clues and they now believe the murder will go as an unsolved mystery.

THE CHINESE QUESTION.

Rivals the Japanese Question.—
Likely to Involve the United States
in Trouble.

Panama, July 17.—The Chinese situation, which has arisen in this republic rivals the Japanese question of California and is quite likely to involve the United States more or less seriously before it is settled. This is the belief today of Panama government officials.

New laws, directed against the Chinese residents of Panama, recently passed, together with official decrees issued by President Perras, will practically legislate the Chinese out of this section of Central America, a spot where they have been steadily growing in numbers for many years. Failing to get any satisfaction from the Panamanian government the Chinese Republic has appealed to Washington for help and holds that the United States must see that the Chinese residents of Panama are given commercial protection.

The new laws come pretty close to taxing anything and everything a Chinaman in Panama does. The Chinese merchants claim that they pay nearly 70 per cent of the import customs duties of the country yet, under the new law, their chamber of commerce here is to be taxed \$1,000 a month which drive it out of existence.

The social and religion organizations are heavily taxed, the Chinese stores are restricted as to the class of goods they may sell, the members of the race are required to register frequently—and pay a fee each time—and other restrictions are placed almost upon their every move.

The Chinese claim that this is in direct violation of the Panamanian constitution which guarantees equal rights to the citizens of all nations. They also charge that when American Minister Dodge, acting on instructions from Washington, appealed to the Panama government he was promised that the laws would be made less drastic, but the matter was then allowed to rest.

The laws of Panama do not permit of a test of the constitutionality of any new law unless the President and his cabinet disagree on that later. There has been no disagreement on the Chinese situation.

The Chinese of Panama and of Central America are a thrifty, industrious lot. They never mix up in any of the political affairs of the nations and their dollars have done much to put many of these nations on a firmer financial footing. The credit of the Chinese merchants of Panama ranks high with the wholesaler of the United States from whom they buy heavily.

THE FIGHT FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY.

Intimated Mr. Overman Will Invite
Opposition by Turning Down Gov.
Craig's Friend.

Mr. Parker R. Anderson, Washington correspondent of the Greensboro News, sends the following to that paper under date of July 16:

At a conference which will be held here tomorrow or next day between Senator Overman and Charles A. Webb, of Asheville, chairman of the State executive committee; Cameron Morrison, of Charlotte; James Cook, of Concord, and several other supporters of Mr. Webb, it is believed a definite understanding will be had as to whom Senator Overman will name for district attorney for the western half of North Carolina.

Chairman Webb and his friends who will confer with Senator Overman will formally present the Asheville man's indorsements and will ask that he be appointed first because of his ability; secondly, on account of his loyalty to the Democratic party, and third, upon his record as chairman of the State executive committee.

Quite a number of telegrams were received in behalf of Chairman Webb from the tenth district and more, it is said, will be sent tonight and tomorrow in behalf of the Asheville man.

The selection of a successor to District Attorney Holton will be of far reaching importance in North Carolina politics. The question now is whether the friends of Simmons and Craig will support the junior Senator for re-election.

Webb is a close friend of both Gov. Craig and Senator Simmons, and the friends of Chairman Webb say both of these gentlemen are strong for Webb's appointment.

No. 2 Sunday School Convention.

The No. 2 township Sunday school convention will be held at Fairview M. P. Church on Tuesday, July 29, at 10 o'clock a. m. I ask all the Sunday schools of the township to be present and take part in the music and other exercises. The program will be arranged later.

W. F. CANNON, President.

600 POPPY PLANTERS KILLED.

In Battle With Soldiers in China in
Effort to Eradicate Opium Cures.

Shanghai, China, July 17.—Statistics published here today by the government show that 600 poppy planters and their employes have been killed in pitched battle with soldiers in the past twelve months as a result of the new republican government's energetic efforts to eradicate the opium curse. In the report mention was made of the stunts taken by President Wilson and his cabinet in refusing to support the demands of American bankers or traders in China for reimbursement on account of the destruction of the government of China of opium and poppy crops on which they held liens. The report declares that the administration's action has done wonders in strengthening the crusade against the opium evil.

What The Conference Achieved.

The agreement between the presidents of the Eastern railroads and their conductors and trainmen provides that they arbitrate their differences under the provisions of the Newlands-Clayton act creating a board of mediation and conciliation. The conference smoothed out differences of opinion that had arisen in both houses of Congress as to the composition of the board of mediation.

It provided a permanent commission to deal with railroad disputes. The Newton-Clayton bill will create the United States Board of Mediation and Conciliation.

It will consist of a commissioner, with a salary of \$7,500, appointed by the President, and not more than two other officials of the Government already appointed by the President. There also will be an assistant commissioner, with a salary of \$5,000 authorized to act in the commissioner's absence.

For settlement of controversies which might arise, the measure would provide for boards of arbitration of six or three, to be selected with the help of the board of mediation and conciliation wherever necessary.

The latter board would pass on and disagreements among the arbitrators. Awards made by the board would be executed by the Federal courts.

District Conference at Mt. Pleasant.

The opening session of the Salisbury district conference will be held in the Methodist Church at Mount Pleasant next Tuesday at 2 p. m. The most of the delegates from a distance are expected to reach Mount Pleasant by noon Tuesday. Some prominent men of the Church are expected to be present to preach and make addresses. There will be preaching every day at 11 a. m. and at night. Many will come from the country to spend the day, and a large table will be built in the church grove on which to spread dinner. The people of Mt. Pleasant extend an invitation for the people of all denominations to attend the conference.

Bishop J. H. McCoy will hold the conference. He will arrive Tuesday, the first day of the conference. Bishop McCoy is a great preacher and many people of the country will avail themselves of the privilege of hearing this able divine. It is possible that he will preach every day of the conference.

Cliff Blankenship's Missoula team, which was a pennant winner last season, is having a hard struggle in the Union association this year.

MISS BRANSON ENTERTAINS.

Misses Ella and Elizabeth Andrews,
Of Greensboro, Honored at a Delightful Social Event.

Miss Anna Branson delightfully entertained a number of friends last evening at her home on North Union street in honor of her guests, Misses Ella and Elizabeth Andrews, of Greensboro. Progressive conversation was the game of the evening, affording pleasure and enjoyment to the young people. At the close of the game guests of honor prizes, cretonne bags, were presented to the honorees, the presentation being made by Mr. Ralph Shaw. Refreshments and punch were served, punch being served by Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Odell. Mjesses Onnie Andrews and Ellen Gibson and Mr. R. P. Gibson. Miss Branson's guests were: Misses Nell Herring, Mary Griffith, Mae Lafferty, Alice Brown, Adele and Mary Pemberton, Elizabeth Woodhouse, Mary Harisell, Addie Noyes, Ann Burton, Marie Caldwell, Mary Lou Morris, Johnnie Sims, Mary Belmer, Mary Bell, Janie Fetner and Elizabeth Poag; Messrs. Warren Moody, Ralph Shaw, Leslie Correll, Jack Wadsworth, Gowan Dusenbery, Jr., Harry Caldwell, Cobb Morris, James Marshall, Gray Post, Charles Wadsworth, Richard Brown, Sidney Lowe, Robert Johnenour, Paul Means, Watson Smoot, Lester Coltrane, Jr., Joe Young and Henry Smith.

MAJOR JOHNSON AND KING TO BE RECALLED.

Their Opponents Draw Petition to
Oust Them from Office.

Raleigh, July 17.—The opponents of the city commissioners stated today that a recall petition would be drawn immediately and put in circulation. The advocates of the recall are the former supporters of King and Johnson but they failed to receive what they expected at the pie counter.

Miss Bingham Entertains.

Miss Mary Bingham was hostess at a delightful sewing party this morning at her home on Georgia avenue in honor of Mrs. Morse, of Baltimore, who is the guest of Mrs. J. F. Goodson. Quite a number of guests were present and the gathering was a most enjoyable one. Refreshments were served during the morning. Miss Bingham's guests, besides the honoree, were:

Mrs. W. E. G. Robinson, W. W. Flowe, G. H. Richmond, P. B. Fetzer, Jr., A. G. Odell, Miss Eugenia Lore, Catherine Goodson, Edna Correll, Wilma Correll and Kate Morrison.

Accident to U. S. Torpedo Boat Fanning.

New York, July 17.—The United States torpedo boat fanning reached the Brooklyn navy yard under its own steam, with the crew compartment flooded. The nature of the accident is unknown, but it is believed it sprung a leak off Fire Island Lightship. None are injured.

Major Hewitson Killed in Monoplane.

Salisbury, Eng., July 17.—Major A. Hewitson, of the British army flying corps, was instantly killed when his monoplane collapsed and smashed to the ground from a height of two hundred feet.

Smoking Out Delinquents.

Chicago, July 15.—Union chauffeurs who have not paid their dues complain to the police that "stink balls" are being hurled in their taxis. The passengers are complaining also.

NEGRO IS KILLED BY WHITE FOREMAN.

W. C. Parker Attacked And Defends Himself By Use of a Pistol.

Salisbury Post, 16th.

News reached Salisbury today of a killing at Whitney late Monday afternoon and the particulars as gathered by the Post are as follows:

Mr. W. C. Parker, a white man and one of the foremen for the Hardaway Construction Company, which is building the big dam for the Southern Aluminum Company below Whitney, had some words with one of the negro men employed on the works and ordered the negro away from the place. When he did this the negro approached the foreman with a stick and Mr. Parker stepped backward to get out of reach of the same and in doing so fell over a piece of timber. When he did this the negro sought to take advantage of him and jumped on him, at the same time drawing a big knife from his pocket and proceeded to slash the man as he lay on the ground, cutting him in three places, one time across the breast, once on the shoulder and across the stomach. While this was in progress Mr. Parker managed to quickly draw his pistol and began firing at his assailant, shooting him five times and killing him almost instantly. Fortunately Mr. Parker is not seriously hurt. He was taken to Albemarle where his wounds were dressed. Coroner Frank Rummage summoned a jury and investigated the killing, with the result that Mr. Parker was exonerated, it being found he acted in self defense in the matter.

MULHALL SOME MORE.

Charged that N. A. M. Was an Organization Chiefly for Political Work.

Washington, July 17.—The Senate lobby committee is determined to probe all the features of the workings of the Council for Industrial Defense, the National Association Manufacturers' dummy organization. An accountant will be put to work examining the books. Mulhall testified that the organization collected more than half a million dollars yearly. He charged that it was an organization particularly formed for political work. Letters which were read today told of Mulhall's work in the campaign of 1908.

Mulhall told how the Republican leaders met in April, 1908 at the capitol and decided to enact no more legislation requested by Roosevelt. He said Foraker told him that the allies planned to defeat Taft for the nomination and that the newspaper attacks on Cannon were engineered by Roosevelt to kill off Cannon's presidential boom.

Why Mr. Bryan Lectures.

His salary as Secretary of State is \$12,000. His wealth is estimated at \$500,000. He has been advertised by lecture bureaus as highest paid speaker in the country. His weekly publication, the Commonwealth, is reported to be profitable. He has capitalized his travels into syndicate writings.

While at the Chicago and Baltimore conventions a year ago he wrote newspaper stories, for which he is said to have been paid \$1,000 a day. Has a large establishment, including a farm, at Lincoln, Nebraska, and another farm in Texas, devoted principally to onion growing. Is building a winter home at Miami, Fla. Rental of his Washington home is between \$3,000 and \$3,500. Keeps few servants; has an automobile and a riding horse. Has eliminated big item of dinner giving expense, that of wine, and serves only spring water and grape juice.

Saskatchewan Murderer to Hang.

Prince Albert, Sask., July 17.—Arrangements are being made for the execution of Emerie Kovoiech here tomorrow. Kovoiech and Lewis Ratz were convicted for the murder of Charles Bruggenote on the night of February 11 last. The murder was one of unusual brutality. The two men killed Bruggenote at the lonely ruined shack where they lived by beating in his brains with a cudgel and afterwards cutting his throat and dragging him along a trail into the open prairie, where they left the body. The two murderers were tried and convicted at the May term of court. Ratz is under sentence to hand one week from tomorrow for his share in the crime.

Governor Takes Month's Vacation.

Raleigh, July 16.—Governor Craig will not be in the executive office after July 26 until about September 1. He starts July 26 on his automobile trip over the Central Highway from the Tennessee line on the west to Beaufort and Morehead City on the Atlantic coast, and when this trip is made in company with quite a party of good road enthusiasts of the State, he will take another rest period during which he hopes to have more real rest than he found it possible to get while he was in Asheville.

Outsider Mann, of the Boston Braves, has put himself in the honor list by making five hits in five times up in a recent game at Brooklyn.

HARRISBURG ROAD CHANGED.

New Survey Adopted Changing the
Road to Run Directly Into Harris-
burg.

A new survey of the Harrisburg road has been made and accepted by the board of county commissioners, which changes to the course of the road from the national highway to Harrisburg. The road, according to the new survey, will leave the national highway at McClure's crossing and go to Harrisburg, entering the highway again at a point beyond the town.

The former survey did not run by Harrisburg, keeping strictly to the national highway, which wiped around the town. At the time the survey was made the citizens of Harrisburg entered a protest, contending that the road should go straight into the town, thereby reaching a larger number of people than it would by following strictly to the national highway. Residents along the highway also appeared before the board and asked that the route of the road be not changed. The board decided to adopt the national highway route.

Recently the citizens of Harrisburg began agitating the matter again and presented their claims to the board for the second time with the result, as stated above, that the Harrisburg route was adopted.

ON ILL FATED TRAIN.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Willeford Passengers on Train Which Killed Miss Williams, of Gainesville, Fla.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Willeford returned yesterday from Asheville, where they have been visiting for several days. Mr. and Mrs. Willeford were on the train which killed Miss Annie Williams, of Gainesville, Fla., Saturday morning. Speaking of the tragedy Mr. Willeford said that the young lady was struck while crossing a small bridge about 20 feet long and 10 feet high. He is of the opinion that she became frightened and was unable to jump from the structure. Her body was knocked down into the stream about 10 feet from the track.

Secretary of State Bryan and Senator Luke Lea, of Tennessee, were passengers on the train.

Deny That Germany Has Made De- mands.

Berlin, July 17.—The German foreign office denied that Germany has made any demands on the United States for the safe guarding of foreign interests in Mexico.

Crack Safe and Get \$25,000 Worth of Jewelry.

New York, July 17.—Yegmen cracked the safe of Rosenberg & Daniel, jewelers of Maiden Lane, early today, and escaped with jewelry valued at \$25,000.

Representative Tom Heflin, noted Alabama orator, will make an address at Stanley, Gaston county, July 31. The occasion is the annual reunion of Confederate veterans in several Piedmont counties.

Use the Penny Column—It Pays

THE PRESIDENT WILL NOT BE HURRIED

DOES NOT CONSIDER MEXICAN
SITUATION AS ACUTE.

It is So Given Out at the White House Today.—Senator Bacon Conferred With President Wilson Today.—Wilson is Not Inclined to Recognize the Huerta Regime Despite the Reported Requests of the Powers.

Washington, July 17.—It is indicated at the White House that the President does not intend to be hurried into any solution of the Mexican Problem. Senator Bacon conferred with him today. It is understood that the President does not regard the situation as acute, and is not inclined to recognize the Huerta regime, despite the reported requests of the powers.

Mr. Durham Stands Four Square.

Charity and Children. At the district conference at Mocksville last Friday Rev. Plato Durham preached a sermon from the text "Thus saith the Lord, return ye to the old paths," and a wave of spiritual enthusiasm rolled over the congregation and tears of penitence were in every eye and about 100 souls sought the altar asking for prayer. Mr. Durham is a preacher of remarkable power, and stands four square for the old doctrines of grace. We say this with all the more pleasure because of our love for him, added to the fact that we once expressed some doubt as to his soundness in the faith. He is a follower of John A. Broadus whom he regards as one of the mightiest men America has given to the world.

STRIKE ON THE ERIE RAILROAD PREDICTED.

Men Hurriedly Summoned When It Was Known That Road Would Refuse to Arbitrate.

New York, July 17.—A strike order affecting the Erie Railroad alone and calling out about half of the Erie's four hundred thousand conductors and trainmen was predicted when sixty-five representatives of the Erie's employees met in conference here today. The men were hurriedly summoned when the Erie made it known that it would stand by its refusal to arbitrate.

The situation is acute because some employees' delegations insist that the railroads must recede from their stand that their demands be also considered by the arbitration board called to mediate in the strike. It is understood that the Erie will be given until tonight to agree to arbitration or else the men will strike immediately.

The price paid Superior by the New York Giants for "Rube" Schauer has now been cut from \$10,000 to \$7,500.

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