

TEXTILE STRIKERS GETTING DESPERATE

Lack of Funds Promised by Leader Cause of Reported Fighting and Quarreling in North Charlotte.

ALL WROUGHT UP OVER SITUATION

Evidence of Discontent and Restlessness Accumulates and Food Is Scarce, Says the Charlotte Observer.

The Charlotte Observer in its issue of this morning contains the following article in regard to the textile workers' strike situation in Charlotte:

From day to day The Observer has been reporting developments in the strike situation in Charlotte. The information from the union officials as to what their people were doing and planning. Also this paper has published the union officials' statements as to conditions in North Charlotte with reference to how the strikers and their families are faring and feeling.

That the striking mill workers in North Charlotte are very much wrought up over the present condition of affairs and that some of them are getting desperate with anger over the situation and fighting, or at least quarreling among themselves, is at least information which is accumulating in daily-increasing volume, gathered bit by bit from sources that seem entirely reliable and vouched for by representative men of Charlotte who keep in constant touch with the situation.

This report of conditions is expected to be denied, as practically every other report which has indicated that everything was not going well from the strikers' standpoint, has been denied, by their leaders, who have consistently and frequently given out statements for publication to the effect that there is no suffering or dissatisfaction among the strikers and even that they are faring as well and in some cases better than while they were at work.

Evidence accumulates from day to day that there has been growing restlessness among the idle men and women because of the tremendously important fact that, while the strike has been in effect now nearly eight weeks, the United Textile Workers of America, headed by Thomas F. McMahon, as president, has not come to their relief with funds to provide them food and they have no income. They apparently had patience until McMahon arrived here the last time from New York. They had been led to believe implicitly that when he came he would bring ample funds for their support. They apparently realized that matters could not long continue as they were, for the thousands of men, women and children involved need to eat three times a day and provisions cost money and a lot of it, when thousands of mouths are to be fed regularly.

Indebtedness Heavy. Arrangements had been made to secure provisions from certain stores in the locality, by Edgar W. Smith, business manager and treasurer of the North Charlotte local textile union, on his personal credit, based upon the positive assurance that funds for the indebtedness would be forthcoming upon the return of President McMahon. At various stores, it is reported the indebtedness stood at more than \$2,000 nearly a week ago, \$700 at one store, according to admission of Mr. Smith. Thus the neediest ones were given some relief temporarily.

Some 10 days ago it was announced that McMahon would have some money and reports are numerous as to the various jubilant remarks made by strikers as to the money that was virtually on the way. McMahon came, and upon his arrival here he announced through The Observer: "McMahon brought the money." But the money was not forthcoming. McMahon failed to deliver. Several days went by and still no evidence of cash on hand to settle the accumulating debt or to further provide for those who could not see how they were to feed themselves and their women and children a week ahead, according to persistent reports.

According to those in close touch with the situation and whose words would be taken as par by the people of Charlotte and North Carolina generally, numbers of the families of the strikers were actually suffering for lack of sufficient food. Stories are told of women and children crying because of hunger. Of course all such stories are denied by the strike leaders and officials of their organization, who evidently have been making a desperate effort to hold them in line, to inspire them with hope and determination to "fight it out with the mill owners at all cost."

A NEW BASEBALL SCANDAL BREWING

Agents of State Attorney's Office in Chicago Still Trying to Find the Alleged Confessions.

PAPERS STOLEN FOR A LAWYER?

George Gorman Says a New York Gambler Paid \$10,000 for Papers Which Were Stolen From State Files.

(By the Associated Press.) Chicago, July 25.—A new baseball scandal was brewing today as agents of the state attorney's office continued a frantic search for waivers and confessions signed before the grand jury last fall by Eddie Cicotte, Claude Williams and Joe Jackson.

Information in the hands of George Gorman, assistant state attorney, indicated that a New York gambler paid \$10,000 for the papers soon after they were stolen from the state attorney's files, Gorman said.

Another development today was a discovery that a signed statement made by Williams in the office of Alfred Austrian, attorney for the White Sox, has disappeared from Austrian's files. In this statement, which was made public by Austrian when Williams went before the grand jury, the player detailed ramifications of the alleged plot to lose the 1919 series.

The grand jury evidence apparently dropped from sight during the confusion incident to the retirement of State Attorney Hoyne and the taking over of the offices by State Attorney Crowe.

Players Testify. Chicago, July 25.—Eddie Cicotte, Joe Jackson and Claude Williams, former White Sox players, told their own story in the baseball trial today of how they confessed to the special grand jury last fall that they had received money to throw the games in the 1919 series.

Each of the three men declared today that this confession had been made only after Judge Charles A. McDonald, who ordered the baseball scandal investigation, had promised them that their confessions would never be used against them, and would be used only to help the grand jury.

Their testimony was given while the jury was absent from the court room pending the decision by Judge Friedman as to whether the evidence is permissible. The defense contended that the confessions were involuntary.

Cicotte and Jackson admitted that they had "signed something" in the grand jury room, but did not know what it was an immunity waiver. Cicotte said he had broken down and cried while Judge McDonald heard his story and much of what he did on that day was simply a hazy memory. To much of the examination he replied: "I don't remember."

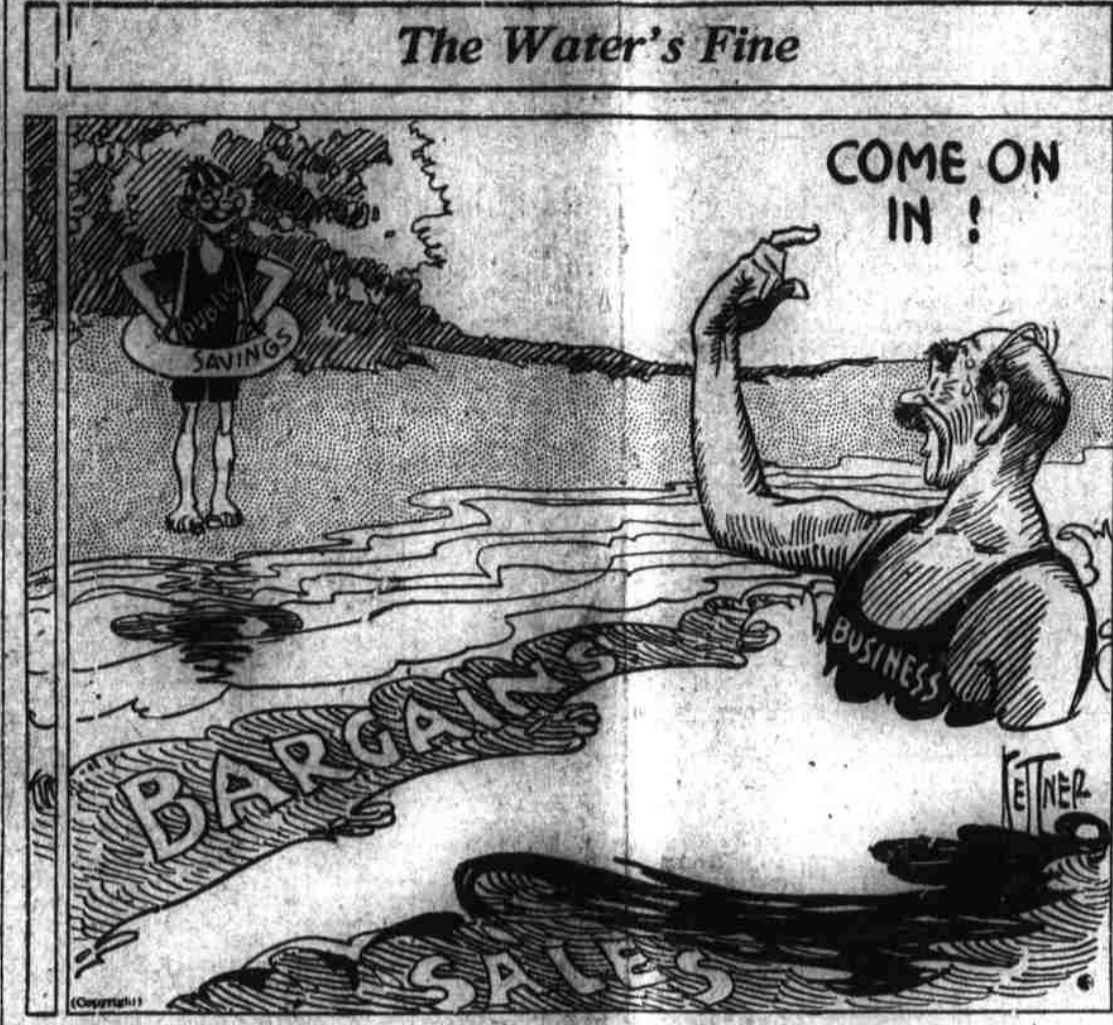
Jackson's testimony kept the court room in laughter when he told of agreeing with the time of the grand jury investigation, and said he had gotten two court bailiffs drunk.

"Austrian said I would be indicted in a few minutes, and Cicotte had been down. Austrian then gave me my notice of suspension and when I said I had no lawyer he said I needed one damn bad. Austrian promised if I would tell the truth he would help me."

"Austrian told me they were not after ball players but wanted to trample the gamblers under their feet."

"Did Austrian tell you Cicotte had been taken care of and you would be too?" asked Benedict Short, attorney for the defense.

"Yes he said that after confessions had been made and I could go anywhere to Portuguese Islands if I wanted to."



EPHRAIM BURRIS CAUGHT

Escaped Convict Caught in Stary County Yesterday by Albemarle Police Chief.

Ephraim Burris, escaped convict from the State road camp at Camp Polk Farm, was arrested in Stary County yesterday by Chief Love, of the Albemarle Police. Burris made his escape from the camp on March 30th, after serving a period. He was sent to the State prison for 20 years for second degree murder, growing out of the death of Patrolman Kennerly.

According to reports reaching Concord Burris was arrested after a machine in which he was riding broke down and he went to a man's home for help. The man evidently recognized Burris, according to reports, and he communicated with Chief Love, who hurried to the man's house and made the arrest. Burris had been drinking, according to Chief Love's statement to local police officers, and this probably accounts for the fact that he was easily caught. He is recognized as a dangerous person, and it is reported that the man to whom he appealed for help kept giving him liquor to drink so that he would not sober up before Chief Love could arrest him.

THE GREEKS FOLLOW UP VICTORY THEY GAINED

Captured 40 Guns and Took a Large Number of Turkish Prisoners. Athens, July 25.—Greek Official Agency.—The Greeks in Asia Minor have been following up energetically the victory they gained over Turkish Nationalists in the fighting brought on by an attempt of the Kemalists to recapture the key point of Eskishehr on the Bagdad Railroad, according to official advices from the fighting front received here. The Greeks captured 40 guns and took great numbers of prisoners, the announcement states. Within a short time after the close of the battle, and the definite repulse of the Turkish effort, the Greeks had advanced more than 25 miles to the east of Eskishehr and were continuing their pursuit of the enemy towards the interior.

ROBBERS ENTER STORE OF V. WALLACE & SONS, SALISBURY

Get Away with Goods Valued at from \$3,000 to \$5,000.—Smashed Window. Salisbury, July 25.—Robbers last night on their way to the store of V. Wallace & Sons, one of the largest goods' furnishings stores in the city, and escaped with loot amounting to between \$3,000 and \$5,000. It was discovered this morning when the store was opened. The robbers entered the store by climbing a drain pipe in the rear of the building and smashing a window on the second floor.

Buried Alive in Slide of Embankment at Asheville.

Asheville, July 25.—Virgil Henderson, 37, was buried alive today when an embankment under which he was working gave away, the slide catching him before he could make an escape.

An alarm was given immediately but through an error in telephonic communication the fire and police department rushed to another part of the city. On their arrival at the scene of the slide, after digging away several feet of dirt, Henderson's lifeless body was found.

Temporary Injunction Issued.

New York, July 25.—A temporary injunction restraining the United States Shipping Board, Emergency Fleet Corporation and United American Lines from interfering with ships seized Friday by the United States Mail Steamship Company was issued here today by Judge Wm. P. Burr, of the State Supreme Court.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT

For Championship of Y Will Be Played the Second Week in August.

Members of the Tennis Association of the Y. M. C. A. met Friday night and arranged the matches which will be played to decide the championship of the Y this year. Play will begin the second week in August to decide the singles championship, and it is believed play can be completed within one week.

GARDNER DENIES THERE'S ANY DANIELS COALITION

Report He and Daniels Will Make Common Cause Is Without Basis. Charlotte, July 25.—Hon. O. Max Gardner, of Shelby, while in the city on legal stop appearing in some of the state papers to the effect that Joseph Daniels was contemplating making the race for the United States senate against Senator Simmons, and that Mr. Gardner and Mr. Daniels would make common cause in their respective fights for the governorship and senatorship.

AMERICANS TAKE PRIZES IN AUTOMOBILE RACE IN FRANCE.

Jimmy Murphy Carries Off First Prize and Ralph de Palma Second. Lemans, France, July 25.—Jimmy Murphy, American, won the Grand Prix automobile road race run here today. Ralph de Palma, American, was second; Goux of France, third; and Dubonnet fourth.

Death of R. S. MacRae.

Mr. R. S. MacRae, of Chapel Hill, died at his home there suddenly yesterday morning of heart failure. Reports from Chapel Hill state that Mr. MacRae arose yesterday morning apparently in his usual health and went to the bathroom where he expired without warning. The deceased was the father of Mr. Cameron MacRae, of this city. Mr. and Mrs. MacRae and son, who have been in western North Carolina, went to Chapel Hill immediately upon the receipt of the message telling of Mr. MacRae's death. He was 70 years of age and had been postmaster at Chapel Hill since 1913. It is said that he was the only blind postmaster in the United States. The funeral services were held this afternoon in the Episcopal church at Chapel Hill, and the burial was in charge of the Chapel Hill Masonic Lodge.

Prominent South Carolinian Dead.

Columbia, S. C., July 25.—Geo. S. Mower, of Newberry, S. C., a member of the state legislature and prominent in the General Assembly for a third of a century, died at his home here today following a stroke of apoplexy.

Masters Robert Morris and DeWitt Best left this morning for the farm of Mr. Zeb Morris, near Harrisburg, where they will camp for the week.

CAMPBELL'S FATHER CALLED TO TESTIFY

Father of Major Campbell Says He Gave His Son \$500 to Invest.

Washington, July 25.—Wm. R. Campbell, of Lexington, Ky., father of Maj. Bruce R. Campbell, charged with accepting \$5,000 from Mrs. Emma C. Bergdoll, to aid in obtaining the freedom for Grover Cleveland Bergdoll, told the House committee today that the Major was telling the truth last week when he told about a \$500 investment increasing to \$6,000.

NO ANNOUNCEMENT FORTHCOMING TODAY

From Premier Lloyd George in Regard to Irish Peace Negotiations.

London, July 25.—A statement with regard to the Irish peace negotiations which it was hoped Mr. Lloyd George, the Prime Minister, would make today was not forthcoming. The Premier says he hoped to be in position to make a statement shortly.

THE COTTON MARKET.

Good Deal of Liquidation Sent Prices 21 to 22 Points Below Closing Price Saturday. New York, July 25.—A good deal of liquidation attended the opening of the cotton market today with the South a leading seller and Wall Street and trade moderate buyers. The prices yielded 9 to 23 points at the opening and sustained further losses there after, which carried October to 12-1/2 and December 12-3/4, or 21 to 22 points under Saturday's closing.

Honors Her Guest.

Miss Mabel Poy gave a lovely party on Friday evening at her home on Willowbrook street, the affair honoring her house guest, Miss Pearl Barnhardt, of Concord.

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Mrs. Effie Redd Dies From Wounds Inflicted by Lonnie Best. Kingston, N. C., July 25.—Mrs. Effie Redd, who operated a small store in this city, and who was shot late yesterday by Lonnie Best a truck driver, died at a local hospital early today. After shooting Mrs. Redd, Best turned the revolver on himself, inflicting a wound from which he died a few hours later. The shooting is said to have followed a dispute over a bill.

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SERIOUS BARRIER IS REGARDED AS REMOVED

To Holding International Meeting on Disarmament Conference Proposed by President Harding.

Washington, July 25.—The apparent acquiescence by Japan in the insistent suggestion of the United States that a definition of the scope of the Far Eastern situation and the limitation of armament should not be made a condition of acceptance of the invitation was regarded here today as removing the most serious barrier to holding the international meeting proposed by President Harding.

Although the decision of the diplomatic advisory council which met at Tokyo Friday has not yet been communicated to Secretary Hughes, there was manifest in official quarters today a tendency to accept reports that Japan would accept the invitation.

The official definition of the character of the latest communication sent by the United States to Japan was withheld, but it was understood that Secretary Hughes, through the American consul at Tokyo, reiterated the hope he had already expressed in conversation with Ambassador Shidehara that Japan would accept the invitation to discuss questions of the Orient, and questions of the Agenda of the conference then could be taken up.

MILLION PERSONS IN N. Y. CITY NOT CITIZENS

This is Estimate Made by Isaac Siegel of House Immigration Committee.

New York, July 23.—Representative Isaac Siegel of this city, a member of the House Immigration Committee, estimates that in Greater New York there are 1,032,000 adults not citizens of the United States. This, he says, is a dangerously large proportion of aliens in a city whose total population is approximately 5,600,000.

To offset this condition it is planned to conduct an intensive drive this fall to gather these aliens into the United States fold and civic, state and national bodies will assist in speeding up naturalization.

Early in October, President Harding will be invited to address a gathering of 15,000 new citizens in this city.

A systematic campaign is under way in Brooklyn to enroll new citizens and under present arrangements will turn out a daily average of 500 new citizens.

As told it is estimated that in Greater New York there will have been by the end of October enough new voters to increase the nation's electorate by at least 80,000.

GET MAN WANTED FOR KILLING DEPUTY PATE

J. Marshall Williams Gives Himself Up to Sheriff McGeachy, of Cumberland County.

Washington, July 25.—J. Marshall Williams, son of a former county commissioner, who had been sought since last night as the slayer of Deputy Sheriff Al J. Pate, gave himself up to Sheriff N. H. McGeachy at noon today. In response to a telegram from Godwin the sheriff went to Williams' home near that place, accompanied by Deputies W. O. Patrick and J. H. Benton and W. W. Bendman, chief of the Atlantic Coast Line railroad police, where he met the accused in company with his father, Claude Williams. After Williams had surrendered to the sheriff he was carried to some point not divulged by the officers, but thought to be either Buford or Lumberton. Young Williams' father went with them.

FAVORABLE REPORT IS MADE FOR MR. LINNEY

No Objection to Senate Confirmation Was Made in Committee.

Washington, July 25.—Favorable report was ordered by the Senate Judiciary Committee today on the contested nomination of Frank A. Linney, of North Carolina, to be Federal District Attorney. The opposition was dropped when it developed that Mr. Linney had not authorized campaign letters designed to prevent the voting of negroes. No objection to Senate confirmation was made today in the committee.

HOOVER'S OFFER IS SENT TO THE SOVIETS

Head of the American Relief Administration Will Help Russians.

Riga, July 25.—The telegram sent by Herbert Hoover, as head of the American Relief Administration, with regard to aid for starving and sick of soviet Russia, was handed to M. Gusevsky, soviet minister to Latvia, and forwarded by him to Moscow this morning. Although the decision rests with Moscow, the opinion is expressed in soviet circles here that Mr. Hoover's terms probably will be accepted.

Negro Killed at Salisbury.

Salisbury, July 23.—Leo Erby, a negro, on his way to work, to save time and energy, hopped on a freight train going in the same direction. He lost his balance, lost a leg, and then his life, dying this afternoon in a local hospital.

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GIGANTIC WHISKEY

Evidence of Existence of Two Rings, One Having Headquarters in New York, and Other in Atlantic City.

New York, July 25.—Federal authorities along the Atlantic coast resolutely vigilance over train ships today following the disclosure of evidence indicating the existence of at least two gigantic international whiskey smuggling rings, one having headquarters in this city, and another in Atlantic City.

MILLIONS BEHIND THE CONSPIRACY

Rumor That Large Vessel Is Bound for Barbadoes With 15,000 to 20,000 Cases of Irish and Scotch Whiskey.

The aid of the Navy Department also was being sought in an effort to build up a run-hunting fleet capable of coping with the mysterious ships and their allied fishing smacks which are alleged to have landed hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of contraband whiskey at remote points, along the Jersey coast.

According to Leroy W. Ross, United States district attorney of Brooklyn, foreign and domestic capital aggregating several million dollars is behind the conspiracy.

Keenest watch is being kept by revenue boats today off Montank Point toward which authorities were tipped a large vessel was bound from the Bohama Islands, with a cargo of 15,000 to 20,000 cases of choice Scotch and Irish whiskey. The conspirators, believing that word of the sailing had reached Federal officials, were trying frantically to get in touch with the key runner, to direct her to another point, less carefully watched.

Arranging Drag Net.

Washington, July 25.—Federal prohibition forces are arranging a drag net to gather in the rum runners operating along the north Atlantic coast, Commissioner Hayes disclosed today. The plan, could not be disclosed now without apprising the smugglers of their intentions.

THE TAX PROGRAMME.

Preliminary Details Talked Over Today by President Harding and Chairman Fordney.

Washington, July 25.—Preliminary details of the administration tax program were talked over with President Harding today by Chairman Fordney of the House Ways and Means committee, which will begin its hearings on revisions tomorrow.

The President is understood to have indicated that he had only the broadest policies of revision in mind, and would look to Congressional committees for details. He also expressed his hope that the legislation would be put in shape as quickly as possible, it was said.

SIMMONS WILL VOTE AGAINST MR. LINNEY

Does Not Like Way Republican Campaign Was Conducted Under His Chairmanship.

Washington, July 23.—Senator Simmons will vote against confirmation of Frank A. Linney to be United States district attorney for western North Carolina, it became known tonight. He does not question Mr. Linney's ability or character, but feels critical toward the way the campaign of the republican party was conducted in the state last year under Mr. Linney's chairmanship. He thinks the latter tried to mislead the voters as to his party's attitude on the negro question.

TWO KILLED AND THREE HURT IN AUTO ACCIDENT

Accident Occurred on Durham-Hillsboro Road Late Sunday.

Durham, July 25.—Charlie Martin of Henderson, and Ralph Webster, of Burlington, are dead, and Dan Thompson, Leon Bell and Lewis Allen, of this city, are in a local hospital as a result of an automobile accident which occurred on the Hillsboro road some distance from Durham late Sunday. The automobile is said to have been going at a high rate of speed, struck a ditch and turned turtle three times. George Browning, who was driving, was taken in custody by the sheriff of Orange county and lodged in jail.

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