

FULL ACCOUNT OF THOMAS HEARING

Judge Shaw Tells Thomas' Attorneys He Will Consider Answer to Affidavit of Globe Lawing.

THOMAS TESTIFIES; TELLS SAME STORY

Evidence of Other Witnesses Taken.—Mr. E. E. Lawing Considered Strongest Witness For State.

Unless the answer to the affidavit signed by Globe Lawing, 18-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Lawing of Kannapolis, by the attorneys for Thomas, comes Judge Thomas J. Shaw to reverse his decision handed down in Charlotte Tuesday in the habeas corpus proceedings instituted by Thomas' attorneys, the man charged with the killing of Arthur J. Allen will remain in jail until the January term of the Superior Court, at which time his trial is expected to come before the court.

The affidavit came as a surprise even to those people who had been close to the case. It had been rumored here that a person had seen the shooting, but the rumors had not been substantiated, and that the affidavit came as a surprise to everyone except the lawyers for the State who for Thomas asked for time in which to answer it, stating that they had not been given a copy of it, and did not know that such a paper existed.

Judge Shaw rendered his decision immediately after the court convened for the noon recess. In making his decision the Judge commented upon the presence at the scene of the killing of two married men, one married woman and the shadow of another woman. The decision of the Judge was calmly received by Thomas, though he showed great disappointment and lost some of the buoyant spirit which had marked his entrance into the court room in the morning and afternoon.

Thomas entered the court room at the beginning of the hearing with a deputy sheriff, and he stopped on the steps leading to the court room and in the court room to speak to friends and relatives. He showed no signs of worry, and until Judge Shaw rendered the decision which will keep him in jail, he was apparently very optimistic.

Thomas was the second witness to take the stand, and he told the same story he told to officers on the night of the killing. His testimony was heard with peculiar interest by the crowd which packed the court room, and with the exception of Mrs. Robert Lowe, who was with him when Allen was killed, no witness received the attention that he received from the spectators. With the exception of a tendency to answer more questions than were asked on examination, Thomas made a good witness, only once contradicting himself, that being relative to what the man he alleged to have said to him when he walked up to the car. When first questioned Thomas said the man said: "Cap, are you following me?" On cross examination he said the man said: "Cap, why are you following me?"

SENATOR RANDELL MAKES BOLD STATEMENT

Says Foreign Competition, Aided by Americans, is Crippling Our Domestic Industry. (By the Associated Press.) New York, Nov. 2.—Foreign competition, aided and abetted by Americans, was declared today by United States Senator Joseph E. Ransdell, of Louisiana, in an address before the Advertising Club of New York to be one of the "underlying causes that are crippling the development of the United States Merchant Marine."

Senator Ransdell cites, for example, contracts between the Pennsylvania Railroad and Furness Withy & Co., a British company; between the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad and the North German Lloyd Line; and between the Boston and Albany Railroad and the Cunard Lines. "Exclusive use of facilities is granted in many cases," the speaker said; "free wharfage and freight handling is given special arrangement, and through bills of lading are made, and many other privileges are accorded."

"The most amazing aspect of the situation, however, is that the railroads supplied with funds from the United States Treasury, have been utilizing the resources to build up the business and swell the profits of foreign competitors of the government shipping. In other words, the government of the United States is placed in the position of using its money to foster competition with itself. If the American railroads are not prepared to give the American merchant marine the same aid they extend to foreigners, steps should be taken to end these conditions."

SENATOR WATSON MAKES ANOTHER STATEMENT

Said He Might Confine His Remarks to Senate and Refuse to Go Before a Committee. (By the Associated Press.)

Washington, Nov. 2.—Another statement in the open senate with respect to his charges that American soldiers were hanged in France without court-martial was promised today by Senator Watson, democrat, of Georgia. He declared before presenting the evidence to a committee he should present it to the Senate itself and to the country in reply to denials of his charges by Senator Wadsworth, republican of New York, chairman of the military committee.

"I propose to answer Senator Wadsworth on the floor of this Senate before going before any committee or any other body," said Senator Watson. "I shall then reserve decision whether to present my evidence to the committee."

FARMER SHOT AND KILLED

During Gun Battle with Bandits in a Bank at Allecia, Ark. (By the Associated Press.) Jonesboro, Ark., Nov. 2.—Morton Light, a farmer, was shot and killed and two other men were injured during a gun battle in a bank at Allecia, Ark., 25 miles west of the city, between a party of bandits and bank officials and employes shortly after 10 a. m. today. Light and the two men wounded were in the lobby of the bank at the time of the shooting and were struck by stray bullets. The bandits, whose attempt to rob the bank was interrupted when a bank employe opened fire with a shot gun, escaped in an automobile without any loot.

China Fails to Pay Interest on Loan

Washington, Nov. 2.—The attention of the Chinese government has been called through Minister Schurman at Peking to the seriousness of the failure of that government to meet its obligations in connection with payment of principal and semi-annual interest on the \$5,500,000 loan extended by the Continental & Commercial Trust & Savings Company of Chicago.

SMITH-LEE BOUT AT THE ARMORY TOMORROW NIGHT 8:00 O'clock Tickets on Sale at Pearl Drug Co. Admission 75c and \$1.00

Mopping Up the Wet Spots



PROCLAMATION

Issued by Mayor J. B. Womble on Subject of "Father and Son" Week.

Mayor J. B. Womble today issued the following proclamation on subject of "Father and Son" week: To the people of Concord, North Carolina:

"Because it has an important bearing on civic welfare in Concord, as well as on individual welfare in countless cases, I feel it my duty to call attention to the well-conceived plan for a 'Father and Son' Week."

"The purpose is admirable. Anything that tends to bring father and son closer together in friendly spirit cannot but be beneficial to themselves and to the community."

"I therefore, call upon the fathers of this city and request their cooperation in this important movement by attending with their sons, at least one of the meetings to be held during the 'Father and Son' Week, November 6-12. I hope that the men who have no sons will befriend the boys who have no fathers."

RAILROAD TO TRANSPORT GRAIN TO SUFFERERS FREE

To Carry 2,000,000 Bushels of Grain to Seaboard For Export. (By the Associated Press.) Topeka, Kans., Nov. 2.—On behalf of all railroads of the country, J. R. Koozts, assistant freight manager of the Santa Fe, today notified W. H. Bibb, of Topeka, regional manager of the near east relief association, that the railroads have agreed to transport free to the seaboard 2,000,000 bushels of grain for export to the near east sufferers.

"The Birth of a Nation" Coming

D. W. Griffith's historical spectacle "The Birth of a Nation" will come to the Piedmont Theatre next Saturday matinee and night. "The Birth of a Nation" is one of the most widely discussed topics in the country. It established an absolutely new art in the realm of the theatre—the art of pantomimic screen spectacle with music. It also created a tremendous sensation because of its vaster and more forceful treatment of the same theme as Thomas Dixon's "The Clansman." The consequences of the Civil War in Southern reconstruction are fully dealt with, and the nation reborn is prophesied. Mr. Griffith, pioneer among directors, managed the stupendous achievement without the aid of dialogue or speech, for motion pictures, accompanying music and effects tell the coherent, logical and moving story.

Mrs. Reynolds Endorsed for President-General

Gasolina, Nov. 2.—Mrs. W. N. Reynolds, of Winston-Salem, today was unanimously endorsed for the position of President-General of the National Society of Daughters of the American Revolution by the state convention in session here. The mention of Mrs. Reynolds as a candidate for this honor was greeted with cheers. The conference will be in session through Thursday.

WANTS TO TAX BEER FOR SOLDIERS' BONUS

Representative Brennan to Introduce a Bill in Congress to Place 4 Per Cent. Tax on Beer and Light Wines. (By the Associated Press.)

Washington, Nov. 2.—A bill to legalize and place a 4 per cent tax on beer and light wine to be used in defraying the cost of the soldiers' bonus has been drafted by Representative Brennan, republican, of Michigan, and will be presented to Congress, he announced today, as soon as the American Legion convention at Kansas City has acted on the bonus question.

Declaring that for the past two years "the revenue which rightly should have flowed into the coffers of Uncle Sam, has been collected by bootleggers and 'rum runners' representative businessmen predicted that under the present regulation permitting medicinal use of beer 'oceans' of it will be manufactured and sold for purposes other than 'strictly medicinal.'"

"Many students of the prohibition question," he said, "predict that medicinal beer is only a fore runner of beverage beer and light wine. If this be so, why should not the step be taken at once, and the enormous revenue flowing this source be applied to paying the soldier bonus? Estimating that from 50,000,000 to 70,000,000 barrels of beer would be consumed annually, a tax of \$5 to \$10 a barrel would be sufficient without including a light wine revenues, to finance the adjusted compensation plan."

THE COTTON MARKET

First Prices Steady at an Advance of from 8 to 10 Points. (By the Associated Press.)

New York, Nov. 2.—Reports that trade interests had been good buyers on the break below the 18 cent level yesterday probably accounted for some scattered demand in the cotton market at the opening today. There was also some buying on relatively steady showing of Liverpool and first prices were steady at an advance of from 8 to 10 points on all months except September, which was 10 points lower.

CHARLES IS ON HIS WAY OUT OF HUNGARY

To Begin What Appears to Be a Permanent Exile. (By the Associated Press.) Budapest, Nov. 2.—Former Emperor Charles was today on his way out of Hungary to begin what appears to be a permanent exile. He and former Empress Zita left Thany yesterday for Dunafeoldvar, a town on the Glow Worm. Arrangements have been made to land the erstwhile monarch at Galtz, Rumania, a city about 100 miles from the mouth of the Danube.

Work in Indiana Coal Fields at Standstill

Indianapolis, Ind., Nov. 2.—Work in the Indiana coal fields was practically at a standstill today as a result of walkouts of 20,000 men employed at approximately 300 mines in the State, according to early reports received at union headquarters at Terre Haute. Widespread walkouts in the soft coal fields of the country were expected at international headquarters of the United Mine Workers of America. No reports, however, were available there as to conditions in 16 states into which messages were sent last night by union chiefs, advising that discontinuance by operators of the "check-out" as prescribed by Federal Judge Anderson's injunction was to be treated as breaking the existing wage conditions. Protest against the injunction issued by Judge Anderson was voiced at numerous meetings last night held throughout Indiana fields and officers of the union said there was no prospect of resumption of work until the writ was set aside.

EGYPTIAN COTTON HAS NEARLY DOUBLE DIN PRICE

Signs of a Commercial Revival in Shipping and Business Communities. (Correspondence of Associated Press.)

Cairo, Egypt, Oct. 2.—Signs of a commercial revival are seen by business and shipping communities in Egypt. After months of depression, they say, there has come a healthier tone of confidence and optimism which is most encouraging. The feeling prevails among the business interests that the late fall will see the country back to normal and healthy trade.

The Egyptian public is wearying of the discussions of the country's future political status and is showing far more interest in the price of cotton which, the barometer of commercial activity. Throughout the spring and summer, the large hold-over from last year's cotton crop acted as a damper on the business community which feared a further restriction of the Egyptian's purchasing capacity. Efforts have been made to relieve that situation. Prominent groups of Egyptian cotton growers have visited England and told the cotton spinners of Manchester that Egypt will not continue to grow cotton for unremunerative prices.

SENT KING'S SHIRT BACK

Only When It Bore the Mark of a Wound Received in His Service. (Correspondence of Associated Press.)

Madrid, Oct. 12.—The adventure of Lieutenant-Colonel Millan-Astray, the heroic commander of the Spanish Foreign Legion, and King Alfonso's shirt is being related in the military clubs. When the lieutenant-colonel conceived the idea of the formation of a foreign legion for service in Morocco last summer, he decided to bring the matter personally to the attention of the King, then at Biarritz.

Alfonso, who knew Millan-Astray well, after listening to his suggestion and promising him his support, requested him to stay for the evening, when a reception was to be held. There was a difficulty in the way, as Millan-Astray had with him only his worn, khaki uniform. The King, however, overcame this at once, saying to Millan-Astray: "You are just about my size. Go into my wardrobe and choose some of my clothes to wear." Millan-Astray chose an evening suit with shirt in which he returned the function. Afterward he returned the clothes with the exception of the shirt, which he took with him to Ceuta.

ARMISTIC DAY TO BE A NATIONAL HOLIDAY

In Honor of the Unknown Dead Soldier to Be Buried That Day. (By the Associated Press.) Washington, Nov. 2.—Armistic Day, November 11, will be declared a national holiday in honor of the unknown dead soldier to be buried that day. Congressional action on a resolution requesting the President and all State Governments to proclaim the day a holiday was completed today through adoption by the Senate. Issuance of the proclamation by Mr. Harding is expected in a few days.

Y. M. C. A. NEWS FOR WEEK

Busy Program of Activities on Schedule.—Lycenum Committee at Work. Fall activities have certainly started out with a rush at the Y. M. C. A. this week. Monday night there were three committees meeting at the same time. None of these were Y committees as such but were concerned with some phase of community endeavor. Last night the Flower show was held with more than usual splendor. Tonight the first Y team will again have a regular practice at 7:30, while H. Y. clubs and employed boys meet Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday nights respectively. In earnest the Y team planning to play some nearby ground on that night.

The girl's program is also busy with doings. The hike that was postponed last week will in all probability be held this week if present plans carry. The Monday night girl's club the small in attendance on account of the rain on and all girls eligible for these clubs are welcome.

Lycenum Still Doing Business

While the work of the Lycenum committee has been done on the quiet this week from now on until the first number appears there will be a very active campaign to sell the required number of tickets. Last week when the committee totaled its sales something like \$650. worth were sold. However there is still a good way to go and all members and friends of the Y who want something else by way of clean wholesome entertainment are urged to rally to the colors. A very large percentage of Concord's best folks have not yet secured their ticket and Secretary Verburg is especially anxious to have the make good on this phase of its work. The committee is determined to make good however and those who do not yet have their season tickets can secure them this week. The first number comes next week Wednesday night and will be held in the Central School building as a larger crowd is expected than can be accommodated at the Y. Season tickets for adults are \$2.50 and for all school children \$1.50 for the six numbers. Single tickets for adults will be 75 cents and for children 50 cents. The second number will appear on Sunday afternoon November 27 and at that time Mr. Dietrich will deliver an address to a mass meeting at the Y. He will speak in the schools of the city on Monday and will address the regular Lycenum crowd on Monday night. His going here for the two days will mean a great deal for Concord. Mr. Dietrich's addresses will be entirely humorous. The fact that he has spoken in over 600 cities in the country is evidence to assure a great two days.

COUNTRY'S ROTTENEST CITY

State's Attorney Says Chicago's Police Department Encourages Vice. (By the Associated Press.)

Chicago, Oct. 31.—Chicago's police department, the subject of many shake-ups during the past few months, said recently by Chief of Police Fitzmorris to be "50 per cent. bootleggers," tonight was in another turmoil as the result of an attack by Robert E. Crowe, State's Attorney, after conducting a series of vice raids, announced that he "expected to investigate the police department."

President Harding Celebrates 56th Birthday

Washington, Nov. 2.—President Harding celebrated his 56th birthday today quietly at the White House, no special program having been arranged for the occasion. Scores of congratulatory letters and telegrams were received during the day from friends throughout this country and many from abroad.

Plan to Merge Big Chain Stores Systems is Failure

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DEMOCRATIC LEADER OUTLINES POLICIES

New Chairman of National Committee Gives Out a Statement to Representative of Associated Press.

TO PAY ALL DEBTS AT AN EARLY DATE

Efforts Are to Be Made to Develop the Committee Into a Most Militant and Efficient Organization.

(By the Associated Press.) St. Louis, Nov. 2.—Development of the Democratic National Committee into the "most militant and efficient organization" within its capacity and dissemination of facts concerning the "shortcomings" of the present national administration "among the average citizens," is in brief the policy of Cordell Hull, new Democratic chairman, as outlined today to the Associated Press. Mr. Hull expects to leave late today for Washington, arriving there tomorrow evening. The new chairman's policies are briefly outlined in the following statement: "The first step in the administration of affairs of the committee will be to pay off present indebtedness and create a new atmosphere in which to work. We shall try to pay all debts at an early date."

"We shall also proceed at once with the establishment of a thorough organization in the various states and counties. In the same connection we shall strive to maintain an efficient publicity bureau to get unbiased facts relating to the Republican convention before the average citizen."

"People have been fed up on the vast amount of misrepresentation, misinformation and falsehoods concerning the true record of the Democratic administration covering the period since 1918. Subsequent events and daily happenings have exploded a vast number of these falsehoods, which at times were very dangerous."

"We shall make every possible effort to reveal the Democratic National Committee's aims, the most ambitious and efficient organization within our power to do so."

LOWEST RECORD YET FOR GERMAN MARKS

Sold Yesterday at a Small Fraction of Over Half a Cent. (By the Associated Press.)

New York, Nov. 2.—German marks which passed in this country at 28 cents before the war, today broke a new low record selling at a small fraction over one-half of one cent, after an early bid price of exactly one cent.

Trading in Marks at the New Minimum was Small and Chiefly Speculative

according to dealers who ascribed the further collapse to Germany's enormous outpourings of paper money. Harding Opposes Resolution to Withdraw Troops on Rhine. Washington, Nov. 2.—President Harding was understood to have expressed opposition today, during a conference with Chairman Porter, of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, to passage of any resolution providing for immediate withdrawal of American troops from the Rhine.

Several such resolutions are pending before the committee, but it was predicted that no action would be taken on them.

The President was Said to Believe that the War Department's Policy of Gradual Withdrawal of Troops Deals Adequately with the Situation

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