

Objects to Circuitous Routing of Express to Concord from the East

Local Merchants' Association Wants Direct Express From Eastern Markets, as Merchants Formerly Had. MERCHANTS LOSE MUCH EACH MONTH From Present Method of Routing—Senator Overman Has Been Asked to Assist the Local Merchants.

Alleging that local merchants have lost large sums of money each month in the past year through circuitous routing of express packages from the East by the American Railway Express Company, the local Merchants' Association has addressed a letter to Senator Overman, asking that he use his influence before the Interstate Commerce Commission to have the Commission order the goods delivered by the most direct route from the East to this and other cities in this section of the State which are served only by the Southern Railway Company.

This fact is due to the circuitous routing of the goods, Mr. Overman pointed out, so that the American Railway Express Company can get every possible mile out of the hauling. The letter to Mr. Overman points out that despite the fact that the packages are marked "via Washington and Southeastern Express," the American Railway Express sends them via Richmond, Monroe and Charlotte to Concord or again via Harrisburg, Hagerstown, Roundon, Winston-Salem and Greensboro to Concord.

Speaking further, Mr. Overman pointed out that before the organization of the Southeastern Company the goods from the East were sent direct over the Southern to Concord. "That is what we want again," he declared. "We have asked Senator Overman to help us in this fight before the Interstate Commerce Commission, which will hold a hearing on the question at some future date." Mr. Overman also pointed out that many other cities in the State are making a fight similar to the one started by the local association, and that each town, so far as he could learn, which was served only by the Southern Railway, was being discriminated against by the American Railway Express, which is trying to keep all business on its lines, regardless of service to the owners of the goods.

The letter to Senator Overman follows: October 25, 1922. The Honorable Lee S. Overman, Senator, Salisbury, N. C.

Dear Sir: News in the history of our oldest merchants has there been such an injustice perpetrated upon our business interests as that which the American Railway Express Company now imposes upon this fair State. Scarcely has there been so much publicity given to any one subject. The Press Dispatches indicate, in fact published accounts of our daily papers throughout the State contain appeals direct from the people and for the people in the form of petitions to the Interstate Commission for relief of the various merchants' associations, both State and local, and chambers of commerce have joined their protests against a glaring outrage.

Citizens have invoked the assistance of their Senators and members of Congress, but all in vain. Notwithstanding the efforts made purposely belated deliveries of express shipments from the east still continue for the sole object of benefitting the American Railway Express Company, the initial carrier, at the expense of a patient public under whose support the Express Company actually depends and whose welfare in the premises for direct routing are flagrantly disregarded.

ARE YOU REGISTERED? This is the last week to register. Those who want to vote would do well to make sure that they are properly registered. A registrar will register you whenever and wherever you find him with his registration book. But all registrars will be at the polling places Saturday and Sunday will be the last chance to register.

WOMAN'S CLUB ORGANIZED Mrs. W. H. Gorman Is Chosen President—Fifty Ladies Present. The meeting held in Central Graded School yesterday for the organization of a Woman's Club proved to be a step forward in the life of Concord. Fifty ladies were present. Mrs. Eugene F. Reilly, of local and national fame in club life, presided and organized the club. Mrs. W. T. Shore, the president of the Woman's Club of Charlotte, told of the work done there and expressed her faith in the possibilities of club life here, and the opportunities for service. The following officers were elected: President—Mrs. W. H. Gorman. First Vice-President—Mrs. J. F. Reel. Second Vice-President—Miss Constance Cline. Recording Secretary—Mrs. H. S. Williams. Treasurer—Mrs. B. R. Craven. Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. J. F. Goodman.

THE COTTON MARKET Trading Less Active and Market Opened at a Decline of 3 to 12 Points. (By the Associated Press.) New York, Oct. 24.—Trading in cotton was a little less active than recently and the market opened at a decline of 4 to 12 points under realizing and scattered selling promoted by relatively easy ruling of Liverpool, and a feeling that the advance of the past few days had been sufficient to entice speculators to reactions. December contracts eased off to 24.00 and January to 23.82 after the call, or about 10 to 13 points net lower, but except for profit taking selling was held in check by continued bullish reports from the cotton goods market and favorable overnight advices. Cotton futures opened steady. Dec. 24:19; Jan. 23:90; March 23:94; May 23:84; July 23:63.

UNVEILING OF MARKER TO BENJAMIN PATTON Has Been Changed on Account of Change Being Made in Highway. The Cabarrus Black Boys Chapter, D. A. R. had planned to erect a memorial on November 3rd to Benjamin Patton, one of the signers of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence. This marker was to have been placed on the National Highway below the Southern depot, but owing to the fact that the State Highway Commission is going to change the road near that point, the unveiling of the marker has been postponed until the new road has been definitely decided upon. The Brown Mill has given the land for this marker, and plans have been made to beautify the place, and make it an attractive as well as an interesting spot.

PROCLAMATION DISSOLVING PARLIAMENT SIGNED BY KING November 20th Fixed as Date for the New Parliament to Assemble. London, Oct. 26 (By the Associated Press).—A proclamation dissolving Parliament was signed by King George this morning at a private council held at Sandringham, the royal estate in Norfolk. The proclamation will be gazetted this afternoon. The proclamation fixes November 20 as the date for the new Parliament to assemble. The King also signed a proclamation summoning Scottish peers to meet at Holyrood Palace November 10th to elect the sixteen representatives, peers of Scotland to serve in the new Parliament.

GREAT BRITAIN NEEDS A REST, SAYS BONAR LAW Wants to Leave Recovery From the War to the Men and Women of the Country. Glasgow, Oct. 26 (By the Associated Press).—Prime Minister Andrew Bonar Law, in discussing his policy told the meeting of West Scotland Unionist Association today. "My strong belief is that this nation needs above everything else, rest and tranquility and my policy will be a negative one in this sense." The government policy, said the prime minister, will be to leave the recovery from the war to the untamed initiative of the men and women of the country.

UNITED STATES TO BE ASKED TO PEACE CONFERENCE Invitation Will Be Handled to the State Department Tomorrow. Paris, Oct. 26 (By the Associated Press).—France, Italy and Great Britain have agreed to invite the United States to participate officially in the Near East peace conference at Lausanne, Switzerland, November 13th. The suggestion that the United States be invited came from Lord Curzon, the British secretary for foreign affairs. The invitation will be handled to the State Department in Washington probably tomorrow by the French, British and Italian embassies.

MISS MARGARET HENDRIX TO WED MR. JAMES C. SPRINGS

Wedding Will Take Place at the Home of the Bride on November Eleventh. Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hendrix announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Miss Margaret Hendrix, and Mr. James C. Springs, of Charlotte, the wedding to take place November 11th. This date will celebrate the 40th wedding anniversary of the parents of Miss Hendrix. The marriage will be performed at the home of the bride, and will be witnessed only by relatives and a few invited friends. The announcement of the engagement of Miss Hendrix and Mr. Springs will be read with interest by their many friends in North Carolina, and with special interest in this city and Charlotte. The bride-elect is the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hendrix and is a woman of many fine attributes. She is a graduate of Lehigh College, and for several years was a teacher in the public schools of Concord. She is a member of St. James Lutheran Church, and has been prominent in the young peoples' work of the church. Mr. Springs is a son of the late J. C. Springs, of Charlotte, and at present is engaged in the real estate business. In the social, business and political life of Charlotte he has been prominent for a number of years, and his family has played an important part in the history of Mecklenburg county.

BARRETT FINED IN TWO CASES IN SALISBURY Fined \$15 in Case Charging Intoxication and Disorder and \$75 in Another Case. (By the Associated Press.) Salisbury, Oct. 26.—Two cases against Jas. F. Barrett, of Charlotte, former President of the North Carolina State Federation of Labor, charging him with being drunk and disorderly, and carrying a concealed weapon, were tried in Rowan County Court here this morning, and a fine of \$15 and costs was imposed in the first case, and \$75 and costs in the second case. Attorney J. Frank Flowers, of Charlotte, appeared for the defendant. Mr. Barrett admitted having a pistol in his pocket, but claims he had no intention to conceal it, and notice of appeal was given in this case.

SYNDICAL REPORTS SHOW FINE PROGRESS In All Lines of the Work of Promoting Stewardship—J. B. Stillman to Devote Time to This Work. (By the Associated Press.) Lincoln, N. C., Oct. 24.—Presbyterian pastors in the North Carolina Synod are expected to set aside four weeks in next February and March for the study of stewardship and March 18 has been set aside for the every-member campaign of the church, in the report of the stewardship committee, of the North Carolina Synod, of which Dr. J. H. Henderlite is chairman.

FOOTBALL PLAYER MAKES RUSH IN HIS SLEEP Result: Fell Out of the Bed and Broke His Nose as He Struck a Chair. Clinton, Miss., Oct. 26.—C. S. Wilson, a member of the senior class in Mississippi College, and a player on the football team while wrestling with a "nightmare" last night, thought he was bucking the center of his opponents' line, and with a tremendous plunge he fell from the top of a double-decker bed, and broke his nose when he landed on the top of a chair. He was taken to a hospital in Jackson, where it is said he would be all right in a few days.

GIRL FOUND GUILTY OF FIRST DEGREE MURDER. (By the Associated Press.) White Cloud, Mich., Oct. 26.—Mrs. Meda Hodell, 20 year old swamp country girl, was found guilty of first degree murder by the circuit court jury here today in connection with the death of her invalid father-in-law. The jury deliberated a little more than two hours.

GREAT BRITAIN TO BUILD TWO MORE BATTLE SHIPS. (By the Associated Press.) London, Oct. 26.—The admiralty, it was stated today on high authority has issued tenders for construction of two 35,000 ton battleships. This is in accordance with the Washington agreement, but there has been much discussion as to whether Great Britain would build these ships.

BONAR LAW EXPLAINS POLICY FOR FUTURE

Tells What the Conservative Party Will Stand For if Chosen in Next Election by People of England. (By the Associated Press.) London, Oct. 26.—By the Associated Press.—Andrew Bonar Law, as leader of the unionist party in a manifesto issued this afternoon declared one of the tasks of that party, if it is returned to power, will be to make good the Anglo-Irish treaty both in letter and spirit and to co-operate with the Irish government.

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WOMAN IDENTIFIES MAN WHO SHOT HALL

Tells Prosecutor That She Has Seen Woman Who Was With Man on Night of the Killing. (By the Associated Press.) New Brunswick, N. J., Oct. 26.—Mrs. June Gibson, pig raiser, who claims to have witnessed the murder of the Rev. Edward Wheeler Hall and Mrs. Eleanor H. Mills, today told a newspaper man she had identified the man who she says shot the victim as well as identifying the woman who she asserts was with the murderer.

GIVES DESCRIPTION OF THE MURDERER

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POYS GUESTS OF LOCAL ROTARY CLUB WEDNESDAY

Annual Boys' Meeting Featured by a Number of Fine Talks by Guests and Members. Seventeen boys of the city were invited guests of the Concord Rotary Club at its weekly meeting at the Wednesday evening. The meeting was held in compliance with the program of Rotary International which called for a Boys' meeting in October, and which was observed this month by clubs in various parts of the world. Last year at the boys' meeting members of the high school were the guests of the club, so this year employed boys were invited.

Rotary clubs throughout this district were making a special effort to have a 100 per cent. meeting this week, and every member of the Concord club but one was present. This member will attend the meeting in Birmingham, thus giving the Concord club a perfect attendance for the week. Before Bill Caswell, chairman of the boys' work committee, started his program at the meeting, several other matters were taken up for consideration. Secretary Verburg read a letter from Frank Page, chairman of the State Highway Commission, to Rotarian Ed. Suvain in which Mr. Page declared the contract for the rebuilding of the Kannapolis road had been let, and work on the road will begin immediately. It was pointed out in this connection, however, that no one knew just exactly what "immediately" means, but it is believed the work on the road will begin in the next month.

Secretary Verburg also read a letter from Charles E. Roger, superintendent of the Jackson Training School, in which Mr. Roger thanked the Rotary Club for the gift of several hundred Bibles, which the club recently sent to the school. A special feature of the meeting was the presentation of a Rotary charm to Tom Webb, first President of the local club. The presentation was made by Frank Niblock, who declared "Tom is the man who did more than anyone to get Rotary in Concord" and "as our first President started the club off on the right foot. He charmed us as President so we give him this charm." Frank declared.

Charles Griffin was the first speaker introduced by Chairman Caswell, and Charles spoke briefly and to the point on "How I Feel Toward Men." The greatest thing a man can do, he believes, is to help the young man who is seeking to reach a high goal and make a success in life. Hal Jarrett, introduced as the man "who knows and understands boys," spoke on "Difference Between Men and Boys." He pleaded with the men to drop some of their dignity when talking to boys so they could be a help. He told the boys to drop their shyness when talking with men and be frank. "This will be beneficial to all, he said. Maylon Lowder spoke on "The Value of Money," declaring the value of money depended on its use. It can be a curse if wasted, he said, but at the same time it can be a blessing if devoted to securing an education and other things that tend to improve the man. I. T. Hartsell made an especially good talk on "True Meaning of Wealth." Luther said as a boy he thought wealth was valuable only because it made work unnecessary. Now he understands that work is the great blessing in the world and wealth is valuable only as a means of helping others. The greatest men in the world, he pointed out, are not those who have made millions, but rather those who have known how to spend the millions after making them.

Crowell Ritchie was the last speaker of the boys, his subject being "My Idea of Success." Success, he said, is getting and deserving a good reputation, saving money, securing an education and helping other people. Tom Webb was the last speaker and he gave briefly his idea of "The Successful Life." Tom said plenty of people had made money but all of them were not successful. Plenty of other people, he pointed out, had achieved great political honors, but their lives were not regarded as especially successful. "The successful man," he said, "is the one known for his good works."

President Maury Richmond announced that ten No. 1 composed of Lester Coltrane, Gus Hartsell, Earl Brown, A. G. Odell and Charles Wagoner will have charge of the meeting next week. Everybody "put the smoke up the chimney" and the meeting ended.

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General Stratigos is another on the roster of Greek statesmen and soldiers yesterday followed the publication of the revolutionary committee's decree establishing a tribunal to try political and military prisoners in connection with the defeat of the Greek forces in Asia Minor. At the same time three civil leaders were arrested. W. P. G. Harding to Go to Cuba. (By the Associated Press.) Washington, Oct. 26.—W. P. G. Harding, former Governor of the Federal Reserve Board, will leave next week for Cuba to survey the financial situation with a view to assisting in the installation of a banking system somewhat similar to the American Federal Reserve system. Cotton on the local market is quoted today at 24 cents per bushel; cotton seed at 60 cents per bushel.

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