

COMMISSION SENDS REPORT FOLLOWING THOROUGH INQUIRY

Water and Ship Commission Completes Work and Governor and Council of State Have Copy of Report.

GOVERNOR SAYS HE IS PLEASED

Very Probable That Special Session of Legislature Will Be Called to Take Action of Findings.

(By the Associated Press.) Raleigh, N. C., May 24.—The report of the state ship and water transportation commission today was in the hands of Governor Morrison and the Council of State. Following 15 months' exhaustive investigation of the port facilities, inland waterways, and coastwise and inland ship line possibilities of the state, the commission late yesterday wound up the work it was commissioned to do by the 1923 General Assembly.

Governor Morrison, after receiving the report, which recommended the establishment of state-owned terminals and the operation of state ship lines, if private lines were found insufficient, asserted he was well pleased and that if the council of state would agree with him and if he believed the reaction of the people to the report to be favorable to such a move, he would call a special session of the Legislature to handle the report and to act on its recommendations.

SEVENTEEN PERSONS CONDEMNED TO DEATH

Supreme Court at Leningrad Decides Former Judges, Court Officials and Others Must Die. Leningrad, May 24 (By the Associated Press).—The Supreme Court today after 27 hours of deliberation, condemned to death seventeen former judges, court officials, lawyers and persons connected with the operation of the new economic policy, who have been tried on charges of corruption and bribery.

STORM IN MISSOURI DID MUCH DAMAGE

At Least One Person Known to Have Been Killed.—Much Damage to Property. (By the Associated Press.) Poplar Bluff, Mo., May 24.—At least one person was killed and several injured severely by a wind and electrical storm in southeastern Missouri late last night. A two-year-old boy was killed at Gray Ridge.

With Our Advertisers.

John K. Patterson & Co., in a new ad. offers some food for thought in regard to accident health income policies. Wedding stationery—Reliefgraf—at the Kidd-Price Music and Stationery. See new ad. today. Parker's Anniversary Sale is a regular Bargain Jubilee. Shoes for everybody. The W. C. Correll Jewelry Co. is going to give away a watch to a boy or girl graduate of the Concord High School. See the clock in their window. Mel-Bro for the hair—keeps your hair combed any style. Open and Closed Cars For Hire—drive 'em yourself. See J. D. Boyd at Lefler Motor Co. Safe Milk is sold by the Co-operative Dairy Co. which has the only pasteurizing plant in Cabarrus county. Elford's Removal Sale is offering specials for Saturday and Monday all over the big store. Go and get your share of the good things.

Mills Lending.

(By the Associated Press.) Asheville, N. C., May 24.—Eugene Mills, of Raleigh, was three up on Harold Van Zandt, of Greenville, S. C., at the end of the morning round in the men's final championship flight of the Carolina Golf Association at Biltmore Forest Country Club.

Miss VanLandingham Wins.

(By the Associated Press.) Asheville, May 24.—Miss Deane VanLandingham, of the Charlotte Country Club, today won the woman's golf championship of the Carolinas at the Asheville Country Club. She defeated Miss Edna Hirschinger, also of the Charlotte Country Club, one up on the 20th hole.

Conference Report on Tax Bill.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, May 24.—The conference report on the tax reduction bill was before the Senate today with prompt approval in prospect. The House will act on the report Monday. The \$5,000 purse donated by Thomas Taggart is expected to draw the best of the golf "pros" to this year's tournament of the Professional Golfers' Association. The tournament is to be held at French Lick Springs the third week of September.

Specific Recommendations Are Made by the Ship Commission

Raleigh, May 23.—Following are the specific recommendations, in brief, of the ship and water transportation commission: "1.—That the general assembly create a port commission of five members, vested with full authority to select sites and construct port terminals, with all necessary equipment, and that the said port commission will be given full power to establish a traffic organization, to enter and prosecute complaints, either through the corporation commission or otherwise, in connection with rate and traffic regulations, and to do all things necessary to carry out the purposes of its creation and to bring relief in-freight and traffic matters to the citizens of the state.

"2.—That \$7,000,000 be appropriated for the use of said port commission, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the purposes enumerated above. "3.—That the port commission be authorized to purchase or lease ships and operate the same, if in its opinion adequate shipping is not provided by private enterprise, and that \$1,500,000 additional be appropriated for this purpose, or so much thereof as may be necessary. "4.—That the State acquire the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley railroad as a basis for a trunk line railway from the Cape Fear basin to the middle west, or otherwise provide such a trunk line."

WOMAN DECLARES THE SOUTH FAVORS FORD

Mrs. W. B. Edmundson Tells Committee South Is Anxious For Ford to Get Muscle Shoals. (By the Associated Press.) Washington, May 24.—Mrs. W. B. Edmundson, who lives on an Alabama farm, temporarily upset the decorum of the Senate Agriculture Committee's Muscle Shoals hearing today by jokingly accusing Chairman Norris of breaking a promise he made months ago to an Alabama school girl. She told the committee that the chairman attending a picnic in that state while on an inspection trip, promised to support the Ford bid in return for a kiss, but did not make good his part of the bargain.

THE COTTON MARKET

Forecast for Cooler Weather in the Belt Brought Firm and Active Opening Today. (By the Associated Press.) New York, May 24.—A forecast for cooler weather in the cotton belt, with its suggestion of further delay in crop progress, brought a firmer and active opening in the cotton market today. First prices were 16 to 26 points higher. Increased support from Wall Street, and commission houses caused later advances which carried July contracts up to 29.70 and October to 26.31, or 34 to 40 points above the previous close.

WOMAN AND CHILDREN LOST LIVES IN BLAZE

All Six Were Trapped in Two-Family House at Canton, Mass.—Origin of the Fire Unknown. (By the Associated Press.) Canton, Mass., May 24.—A woman and six children were killed in a fire which destroyed a two-family house here early today. The victims were Mrs. Anginetta D'Amateo and two of her children, and the four children of Joseph Leclair. The cause of the fire is undetermined.

CARRIES WEALTH AROUND LOOSE IN HIS POCKETS

Italian Arrested in Greensboro With \$10,000 Worth of Gems on His Person. Greensboro, May 23.—C. Castaldo, an Italian, was arrested here today with \$10,000 worth of diamonds loose in his pockets, according to the police. He is being held for investigation.

Asheville Delegation Off to Invite the President

Asheville, May 23.—Optimism over the outcome of their trip to invite President Calvin Coolidge and his family to spend the summer months in Asheville, was expressed today by Mayor John H. Cathey, who with J. H. Wood and Dan H. Hill left this afternoon for the capital.

Three Arrested For Alleged Theft.

(By the Associated Press.) New York, May 24.—The arrest of three men here last night in connection with a huge bond theft, police believe today, will clear up a bank robbery at Walton, Kans., in January, 1923, another in Denver soon afterward, and the slaying of two men in St. Louis in October, 1923.

Will Not Release Republican Leaders.

Dublin, Ireland, May 23 (By the Associated Press).—The Free State government will expedite the release of all prisoners interned or under sentence of imprisonment with the exception of Eamonn de Valera, and other Republican leaders who have not yet been tried.

Senator Wheeler Given Overwhelming Vote of Confidence By His Colleagues

Washington, May 23.—Senator Burton K. Wheeler, of Montana, indicted by a federal grand jury in his home state, was given an overwhelming vote of confidence today by his colleagues in the Senate.

High Point Hosiery Mills.

High Point, N. C., May 24.—Seven million nine hundred and twenty dozen pairs of hosiery are manufactured annually by the 14 mills located in this city, according to a statistical report made public by the High Point Chamber of Commerce. This makes the total number of pairs of hose annually manufactured here 95,640,000.

Adopts Pension Plan.

Grand Rapids, May 24 (By the Associated Press).—The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America today adopted a pension plan for ministers, missionaries, and other accredited workers of the church, effective April 1, 1926, or sooner.

LOCAL CHAUTAUQUA PROGRAM WILL END WITH FINE NUMBERS

Hawaiian Singers and Players Will Provide Evening of Rare Pleasure as the Closing Number. FRIDAY'S PROGRAM VERY INTERESTING

The Chautauqua for Friday was varied and thus pleased about every class of hearers. Perhaps the most striking feature of the day was the program for the children by the Columbian Marionettes. At this number there were present nearly sixteen hundred children of the public schools as well as considerable number of adults. The dolls were made to act and from all appearances talk the parts of real people in the plays and stories of the fairy land so delightfully attractive to the child's mind.

The afternoon program was most delightful. The Laura Werno Ladies' Quartet is composed of a group of most attractive personalities who are entertainers of artistic perfection. The musical presentations, both the group and solo numbers were of the highest order and received with hearty applause. At night they gave a half hour's prelude which was a second demonstration of the popularity such kind of entertainment has earned in our city. These ladies have made a place for themselves in the memories of the Chautauqua goers in Concord. "Come again, Miss Werno, and bring your girls," was heard from several admirers who were present.

At eight Capt. Dismore Upton gave an address on the responsibility of parents and teachers in training men and women out of the boys and girls of today. Capt. Upton is a rapid fire talker. Every moment of the hour and a quarter was filled with worth while information and advice. He contends that the most valuable commodity on our land is the crop of children. The safest and in fact the only way to make these children safe in the future is to rear them as responsible, self-reliant and dependable grown-ups. The greatest amount of responsibility for this rests with the fathers and mothers and others of the adults of today. Further he says that anything that a community needs for the good of the children can be obtained if there is created a desire sufficiently strong to have it. He spoke complimentary of the excellent plant the people of Concord have made in the new high school building and grounds. All in all Capt. Upton gave something that will cause a lot of our good people to think carefully on the problems we have right here in our city.

AMERICAN AVIATORS ROYALLY WELCOMED

Tokio Took Flies to Its Heart and Welcome of Great Cordiality Was Extended Them. (By the Associated Press.) Tokio, May 24 (By the Associated Press).—Tokio took the American flyers to its heart today. A welcome unsurpassed in cordiality and enthusiasm was accorded the three aviators and mechanics who are circumnavigating the globe by airplane. The day was a round of official calls and entertainment, at each of which notable expressions of admiration of the achievement of the Americans in crossing the Pacific. Several cordial references to Japanese-American relations were made.

State Can't Accept the Challenge of Trinity.

Raleigh, May 23.—The State baseball championship among colleges cannot be determined by a post-season game between State College and Trinity College, it has been announced here by the State College athletic council. Trinity College had previously extended an invitation or challenge to State College to play off the tie which existed between the two colleges, each having had an equal record for the past baseball season.

Labeling the Guests.

London, May 24.—Labels bearing the name and principal business, profession, or interest of the wearers are an innovation recently seen at several big society gatherings in London. They make the work of introducing the guests to one another much easier, and also help to distinguish between the guests and the waiters.

Produce Giant Daffodil.

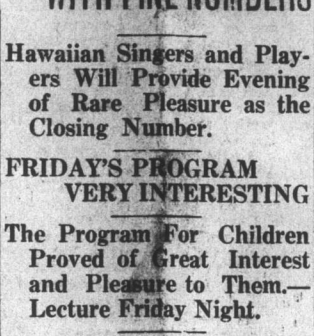
London, May 24.—After thirty-five years of experimenting, a Lincolnshire florist has produced a new variety of daffodil bulb, named the "Olympic," which stands about one foot higher than other daffodils. It has flowers measuring two inches across the trumpets and five across the petals.

Six Die in Storm.

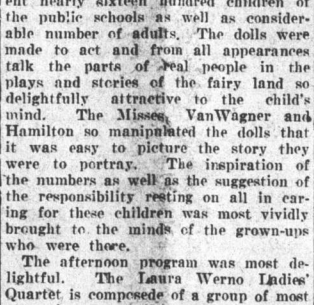
(By the Associated Press.) St. Louis, May 24.—Eight persons are dead as the result of a severe wind and electrical storm in southeastern Missouri late last night. H. H. Jordan, telephone manager at Charleston, telegraphed the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company here today.

Getting Ready for Bonus Payment

General Frank T. Hines, director of the Veterans Bureau, and Colonel C. A. Pennington, chief of the insurance division, who will superintend the issuing of millions in bonus certificates as the result of the bonus bill passage. Below, girls in the mailing section of the Veterans Bureau who will get the applications when they begin to pour in.



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WORLD COURT QUESTION NOW BEFORE SENATE

Adhesion of United States to Permanent Court Endorsed in Resolution Passed By the Senate. (By the Associated Press.) Washington, May 24.—Adhesion of the United States to the permanent court of international justice was endorsed in a resolution reported today by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

YOUNG'S ASSAILANTS ARE BEING SOUGHT

Police Trying to Find Men Who Fired on Young and His Wife While En Route Through Illinois. (By the Associated Press.) Belleville, Ill., May 24.—Police of many Southern Illinois cities today are searching for four unidentified gunmen who late yesterday afternoon attempted to take the life of S. Glenn Young, Ku Klux Klan dry rider, while Young and his wife were driving on the Atlantic-Pacific highway at the Okaw River bottoms west of Okawville, by firing a volley of shots at them from a closed car.

To Be Tried for Murder of Wife and Children.

(By the Associated Press.) Taylorville, N. C., May 24.—Carl White, who it is alleged killed his wife and children at their home about seven miles from here on the Taylorville-Leonard Road, nearly seven years ago, will be brought back and tried for murder at the September term of Alexander County Superior Court, according to a statement issued at the sheriff's office here. The accused has been in an asylum for the criminal insane since the killing occurred. Though the Grand Jury returned an indictment against him charging murder, no action has been taken to bring him to trial until recently when Sheriff Robinet went to Raleigh to bring the man back to this county.

Found Dead at Auto Wheel.

(By the Associated Press.) Elizabeth City, N. C., May 24.—Charles Nichols, negro, was found dead at the steering wheel of the automobile which he was driving about two miles from his home in Joinkock, it was learned here today. The car had been driven into the bank, but it is not known whether his steering wheel broke before he drove into the bank or if he suffered a heart attack and lost control of the car. There were no bruises on his body when found.

WHAT SMITTY'S WEATHER CAT SAYS

Unsettled, with showers tonight and probably Sunday morning; cooler.

DEFINITELY KNOWN THAT CHICAGO BOY POISONED

Science Has Proved, Police Officers Declare, That Robert Franks Was Killed by Suffocation. SPECTACLES MAY LEAD TO ARREST

Spectacles Found Near the Swamp Where Dead Body Was Found—Believe They Belong to Woman. (By the Associated Press.) Chicago, May 24.—Science today had satisfied the authorities that Robert Franks, 14 year old son of a millionaire, was killed by suffocation when kidnapped for ransom, and science, too, had pointed the way to identification of the ownership of the peculiar spectacles found near the swamp where the body was found in a culvert. The spectacles are such as are ordinarily worn by a woman.

Coroner Oscar Wolf announced that the boy was a victim of suffocation after his chemists had found no external cause of death, and no metallic poisons, and concluded that a hand or cloth pressed over the lad's mouth brought death. The spectacles narrow from temple to temple, with comparative straight bows such as usually are worn by a woman, and concave lenses intended for street wear by a far-sighted person, were made to order from a prescription, a Chicago optician declared. The wearer, the optician believed, is of nervous, perhaps neurotic tendency, rather intellectual, and temperamental, and leading a solitary life. The person, he added, had a long, rather than round head, with a short reach from temple to ears.

While Chief Hughes, of the detective department, asked the help of everybody in Chicago who knew any facts or had ideas regarding the case, Jacob Franks, father of the boy, voiced an unflinching determination to find his son's slayers. "I'll spend one million dollars to solve the crime," he said. "Money means nothing to me now." Mrs. Franks collapsed while being consulted about arrangements for the boy's funeral which have not been definitely settled.

Guarding Home of Franks. Chicago, May 24.—A police guard was hurriedly thrown around the home of Jacob Franks, father of Robert Franks, slain victim of kidnapers, today after new threats of violence had been reported to the State's attorney by members of the family. Anonymous telephone calls to the Franks residence, the father reported, warned of further outrages if the hunt for the slayers continued. A threatening letter also was received at the Franks home today. It was said to be written in poor English, much different from the style and construction of the original ransom letter demanding \$10,000 which was received Thursday.

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