

FIGHT BETWEEN AL SMITH AND McADOO CREATING INTEREST

Both Men Are Lining Up Forces Preparatory to the Opening of Democratic Convention on Tuesday.

DEMAND ACTION ABOUT THE KLAN

Demand Made That Klan Be Denounced.—McAdoo Silent About Many Platform Planks.

(By the Associated Press.) New York, June 21.—Redoubled efforts to strengthen their positions today occupied the camps of Wm. G. McAdoo and Gov. Alfred E. Smith, as the Democratic National Committee went into session to complete final arrangements for the opening of the National Convention at Madison Square Garden next Tuesday.

The fight between the Smith and McAdoo forces easily was the dominating feature of the closing days of the pre-convention period, but other issues, particularly that of the Ku Klux Klan, also held prominent places in the discussions among the assembling delegates.

An increasing demand from George E. Brennan, of Illinois, and leaders from other states, that the platform declare specifically against the Klan, added to the difficulties of the platform builders, who already are divided on that point.

Meantime Mr. McAdoo maintained silence on this and other planks in the platform. At his headquarters it was made known that he had not consulted party leaders on that or other questions, which are not giving concern to the group undertaking to shape up a general party expression for presentation to the platform committee.

Predictions that the Klan issue would find its way to the floor of the convention for final decision were made in several quarters. There were also those who regarded it as possible that the prohibition question would be taken to the floor.

Both McAdoo and Smith held frequent conferences today with delegates and leaders from a number of states. Confidence radiated from both headquarters but the strategy board on each side were busy with their preparations and organizations were being perfected and enlarged.

At McAdoo headquarters a force of 12 to have charge of as many rooms as the convention floor, was being formed. It is to function under the general supervision of David Ladd Rockwell, Mr. McAdoo's campaign manager, and will constitute something of an innovation in national convention.

Governor Smith's plans with regard to convention work are carefully guarded, but formal announcement has been made that Franklin D. Roosevelt, former Secretary of the Navy, and candidate for the Vice Presidency in 1920, will place his name before the delegates.

Arrangements for Opening Completed. New York, June 21.—Arrangements for the opening of the democratic convention were completed by the national committee at today's meeting, with the recommendation of the temporary officers and certification of the temporary roll of delegates.

In addition to Senator Pat Harrison, of Mississippi, as chairman, these temporary officers were named: Secretary, Chas. A. Gresham, of Indiana; Sergeant at Arms, J. J. Hughes, of Iowa; and Chief Doorkeeper, Jos. J. Sinnott, of Virginia. Assistant Secretaries will be named from each of the states and territories.

Commenting upon the absence of contest for delegate seats in the convention, Chairman Hill said this indicated a general spirit of harmony in the party.

The committee took no action on the proposal to delay delivery of the keynote speech by Temporary Chairman Harrison until Tuesday night, in order to insure his larger radio audience. That suggestion is still under consideration by party leaders but no decision has been reached.

Man Who Will Nominates McAdoo Arrives. New York, June 21.—Former Senator Jas. D. Phelan, of California, who will place in nomination the name of Wm. G. McAdoo, at the Democratic National Convention, arrived today from Europe. He expressed confidence that Mr. McAdoo would be nominated and elected.

Rotarians Leave for Home. (By the Associated Press.) Toronto, Ont., June 21.—Eight thousand delegates to the International Rotary convention have concluded the business sessions, and the majority today are en route to their homes in various parts of the world. Announcement was made that the Eustic Club, of Florida, won the international attendance trophy.

Making Campaign Plans. (By the Associated Press.) Washington, June 21.—William M. Butler, chairman of the Republican national committee, arrived in Washington today to map out campaign plans with President Coolidge and leaders will be held on board the President's yacht Mayflower during a week-end cruise down the Potomac.

American Plane Damaged. (By the Associated Press.) Rangon, British India, June 21.—A cargo boat last night collided with one of the United States army around the world airplains, seriously damaging the wings. It is hoped, however, that repairs can be made by Monday when the aviators expect to leave for Calcutta.

Talking Over Campaign Plans



Governor "Al" Smith and his campaign manager, Franklin D. Roosevelt, shown discussing the Smith Convention opening.

MINISTER IS CHARGED WITH IMPROPER ADVANCES

Rev. H. R. James, of Sittsville, Ontario, Admits Indictment at Fredericksburg, Virginia.

Fredericksburg, Va., June 20.—Rev. H. R. James, Sittsville, Ontario, was arrested and lodged in jail here today charged with having insulted and made improper advances to Miss Ethel Young, a 19-year-old schoolgirl.

According to information furnished by police officers the young girl, who lives in Thornburg, Spottsylvania county, but is now staying with her grandparents here and attending summer school, was on her way to school this morning when she became aware of some one following her. When she reached a secluded spot a man caught her, from behind, and holding her in his arms, tried in vain to kiss her. When she screamed for help the man released her and she returned at once to the home of her grandparents.

Officers were at once summoned and began a search for a man answering the description furnished by Miss Young. Later when James was overtaken while walking along a road one mile from town, he admitted, officers who made the arrest say, that he had "bugged" the young lady whom he had just "met" but whose name he did not know. He walked here from New York, he said, having been carried most of the way by tourists.

FATALLY WOUNDED IN DIVE IN SHALLOW WATER

Carl Lomax Fatally Injured When Neck Was Broken After Dive in Yaddin River.

(By the Associated Press.) Salisbury, June 21.—Carl Lomax, 20 years old, Spencer, died in a local hospital today as a result of a broken neck sustained late yesterday when he dived into shallow water at a bathing resort on the Yaddin River near here. Witnesses reported that he attempted a double somersault in the air before striking the water.

Danville Man Is Attacked as He Entered His Home in the Dark

Danville, Va., June 21.—Ralph Battin is under a doctor's care as a result of a mysterious attack made on him a few nights ago when he entered his home on Washington Street late in the night. Members of his family are away and it is surmised that Battin came home and surprised a burglar at work who finding escape out of struck down on his key and was reaching for the electric switch when he was felled by a blow on the head in the dark. Half stunned he felt the fingers of his assailant at his throat and he called lustily. The shouts drew the man off. Neighbors running to the spot found Battin half stunned and bleeding from the head. A chair apparently had been wielded. Battin's worst injury, however, is the reopening of an incision made at the time he was operated on about two weeks ago for appendicitis. Weakened from the operation he was unable to resist the attack.

Girl Is Charged With Breaking and Entering

Greensboro, June 19.—Minnie Lovings, bobbed-haired girl from Richmond and Norfolk, was convicted in Guilford Superior Court today of a charge of breaking and entering and receiving stolen goods, and sentenced by Judge Henry P. Lane to serve 12 months in the county home.

It was the first "bobbed-haired" case in court here, and the girl was tripped by a knife in her possession, which was identified as taken from a home entered near Gibsonville. When she was arrested she was attired in a man's overalls and was according to her story, walking from Greensboro to Gibsonville, where a friend was to furnish her transportation to Norfolk.

McDowell Sentenced to Prison for Life

(By the Associated Press.) Clearwater, Fla., June 21.—Frank McDowell, confessed slayer of other members of his family who was convicted yesterday of the murder of his mother and recommended to the mercy of the court, today was formally sentenced to life imprisonment.

An aerial camera has been developed that can photograph salient topographical features of land although the plane is completely out of sight of the ground.

BAXTER JOHNSON FOUND DEAD AT NOON HOUR

Body Was Found on Bed at Home of Daughter, Mrs. Will Irvin, With Whom He Lived.

Baxter Johnson, for many years a well known figure in road construction circles in Cabarrus county, was found dead about noon today at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Will Irvin in No. 4 township. It is believed that Mr. Johnson shot himself.

Since the death of his wife sometime ago Mr. Johnson has been living with Mrs. Irvin and other children. He has been blue and despondent for sometime it is said, and also has been suffering with illness. These facts are believed to have led him to take his own life. Mrs. Irvin left her home about 10:30 o'clock to secure some peaches from the home of a neighbor. It is believed that Mr. Johnson committed the rash act while she was away from the home. His dead body was discovered when Mrs. Irvin went to call him to the noon meal. His body was found on a bed and a shotgun nearby.

Mr. Johnson was well known throughout the county and for many years was employed as one of the road bosses in the county, he having had charge of the trucks that were used in road construction. During the past several months he had worked at Kannapolis, but it is said that he recently lost the position he held there.

Coroner Hartsell was called to examine the body shortly after noon. No funeral arrangements have yet been made.

ERECT OUTLOOK TOWER ON TOP MOUNT MITCHELL

Will Be For Use of Forest Rangers and Mountain Patrols for Observation.

Ashville, June 20.—A new outlook tower will be erected on Mount Mitchell for the use of forest rangers and the patrols, it has been announced by the North Carolina geological and economic survey. The tower will be of steel structure, 30 feet high, and will be fully equipped for the observation and signaling, with maps, telescopes, and telephones. It will be glass enclosed.

There has been an observation tower on Mount Mitchell for some time but it is now considered obsolete by the forest reservation authorities. The new tower will have a commanding view of vast extent of the forests and detection of forest fires will be made much easier by its establishment, it was said. One of the towers with which it will operate is located on the French Broad river at Pilot Mountain, 50 miles away, in Henderson county.

The United States forestry service will co-operate with the state in the operation and the maintenance of the tower. Besides using the tower for protection purposes of the forest, it will be used to allow tourists to get a full idea of what the forests mean to the state and the country and how the work of protecting forests is carried on.

World's Sunday School Day

New York, June 21.—Tomorrow has been designated for the annual observance of World's Sunday School Day. An order of worship has been prepared for use in the devotional period either before or after the study of the lesson. The preparation of this service was among the last work performed by the late Rev. Marion Lawrence, for many years general secretary of the International Sunday School Association.

Maughan Again Delayed

(By the Associated Press.) Mineola, N. Y., June 21.—Again compelled by fog and cloudy skies to abandon the start of his third attempt to fly from New York to San Francisco between dawn and sunset, Lieut. Russel K. Maughan today declared that he had postponed his effort to the first fair day next week.

Chas. Efferson Cox Dead

(By the Associated Press.) Elizabeth, N. J., June 21.—Charles Efferson Cox, 90 years old, father of Mrs. Frank A. Vanderbilt, and one of the pioneers of the state of Illinois, and an intimate friend of Abraham Lincoln, died during the night at the home here of his daughter, Mrs. Waldo P. Adams.

"The great weight of scientific opinion today is that alcohol is either in whisky or beer; and that the amount of alcohol consumed is actually greater where beer is the popular beverage than where it is not."

SEEK MASTER MINDS IN TRAIN ROBBERY; FOUR HELD ALREADY

Ernest Fontano Arrested Friday Night by Police and Held Charged With Assisting in Recent Robbery.

FONTANO DENIES PART IN CRIME

Says He Was Home On the Night of Robbery.—Federal Warrants Have Been Issued for Several Others.

(By the Associated Press.)

Chicago, June 21.—The arrest last night of Ernest Fontano indicted with nine others on charges of participation in the \$2,000,000 robbery of a mail train near here June 12th, narrowed the search to Max Greenburg, alleged mastermind, Sam Grant and Balckie Wilcox, the latter an escaped convict from a Texas prison.

Fontano was taken in a raid on a house in which he was concealed. He denied any connection with the robbery, and said he was at home the night it occurred.

Fontano is a brother of Carlo Fontano, who with Willis, Joe and William Newton, brothers, were captured last Sunday. Also named in the indictments are James Murray, Chicago politician, Walter McComb in whose flat several suspects were arrested, and the three still at large.

A federal warrant has been issued for Louise Drafta, who posed as the wife of Willis Newton, and came from Milwaukee and obtained \$36,000 to buy his release. The action was taken to forestall habeas corpus proceedings for her release in the state courts. Murray also was served with a warrant charging him with mail robbery in connection with the million dollar holdup three years ago in the Union Station. He gave bond of \$10,000 and was released.

ARE REVENUE OFFICERS VIOLATING THE ETHICS?

Party at Williamston Wants to Know About the Matter of Disguising as Negroes.

Washington, June 20.—John Leggett, of Williamston, has called upon Senator Simmons to ascertain if the prohibition law give revenue officers the right to black up and buy liquor. He writes: "I will appreciate it if you will give me the law in regard to whether or not revenue officers have the right to paint or black themselves as negroes and disguise themselves as negroes and late hours in the night go and buy liquor, claiming that one of the negroes was to get married that night and they would like to get some for that purpose. Then in a day or two afterwards, they send you news to come and see them as they were the ones that bought the liquor and not negroes."

"As revenue officers have the right to paint themselves up as negroes and lie in order to buy liquor, and then later on send word that they are the ones that bought the liquor instead of negroes, and for you to come and see them in regards to same?"

THE COTTON MARKET

Opened Fairly Steady at Decline of 3 to 11 Points Under Selling.

(By the Associated Press.) New York, June 21.—The cotton market opened fairly steady today at a decline of 3 to 11 points under selling which seemed to come partly from the South, and supposed to be based on the more favorable character of weather and crop reports. Renewed covering by July shorts checked the decline at 28.63 for that position, and the market steadied up during the early trading on strength of the near months, and reports of improved business in cotton goods in Lancashire. July rallied to 28.75 and October from 25.70 to 25.84, making the market about 1 to 8 points net higher.

The opening prices were: July 28.65; Oct. 25.80; Jan. 24.84; March not quoted.

The closing prices were: July 28.62 to 28.64; Oct. 25.67 to 25.71; Dec. 25.00 to 25.04; Jan. 24.75; March 25.05.

Dock Laborer As Artist

London, June 21.—Among the exhibits at an important art exhibition held in Liverpool recently were two striking pictures which aroused so much interest that there was general speculation as to the identity of the unknown artist. Inquiry revealed the fact that he was an unemployed dock laborer, John Robinson by name. He is not a member of the society which held the exhibition, but his work was so striking that two of his pictures were chosen for exhibition.

Bible Worth Fortune

Rome, June 21.—A manuscript Bible which was recently presented to King Victor Emmanuel changed hands early this year for the huge sum of \$232,500. This old book is generally held by collectors to be the finest example of the illuminators' and miniaturists' art in existence. It was made for an Italian duke nearly five hundred years ago by the most skilled workers of the time.

Harry J. Hitt, freight agent of the Southern Railway here, has returned from New Orleans, where he attended a meeting of the Southeastern freight agents. While away Mr. Hitt visited relatives in Houston and Galveston, Tex.

"Howdy-do," Says McAdoo



William G. McAdoo, upon arriving in New York personally to conduct his nomination fight, calls up his campaign headquarters and snuggly predicts victory.

TODAY IS THE LONGEST

June 22nd Is the First Day of Summer Under the Solar System.

Raleigh, June 21.—Today is the longest day in the year, according to the calendar of the solar system. The United States weather bureau in this city reports that the sun rose at 7:45 a. m. today and will set at 7:34 p. m., making the day 14 hours and 37 minutes long.

While the people as a whole are under the impression and the general habit of terming the entire month of June a summer month, it is in fact only partly a summer month, when it is governed by the action of the sun with the solar system.

June 22nd is the first day of summer under the solar system, due to the fact that on the previous day the sun had reached its zenith in the course of its travels north of the equator, making that day the longest until on the following day, June 22nd, the sun entered into its summer solstice. It had then reached a point passed the equator of 23 degrees and 27 minutes north, which is the approximate line of Tropic of Cancer. This is called the "Declination point" and is the point when the sun begins its gradual return course to and past the equator.

The sun will enter its winter solstice when it reaches 25 degrees and 27 minutes south of the equator on the Tropic of Capricorn. This will be on December 22nd. Like in the northern course the day previous will be the determining point and December 21st will be the shortest day in the year.

There are two days in the year in which the time of light and the time of night are the same. These are March 21st and September 23rd when the sun is directly at the equator.

These actions refer to the tropics, semi-tropic and temperate zones, but not at the frigid, or the Arctic or Antarctic zones.

With Our Advertisers

The low prices are moving the goods fast at the Parks-Belk Co.'s. This sale will go on all next week.

Carefully baked goods you will find in the Concord Steam Bakery's products. Have you put up your porch shades yet? See new ad. of H. B. Wilkinson.

Big bargains still at Efrid's Removal Sale. See new ad. today of the Cabarrus Savings Bank.

Several good used cars for sale by the Corl Motor Co. W. J. Hethcox installs electrical fixtures of character.

Dr. W. A. Withers, State College, Dies

Raleigh, June 20.—Dr. W. A. Withers, head of the chemistry department of North Carolina State college, died suddenly at his home this afternoon, death due to angina pectoris. He had only partially recovered from an attack of influenza from which he had been suffering for several weeks.

L. C. Jenkins, Former Chief of Police Of Thomasville, Begins Serving Time

Lexington, June 20.—L. C. Jenkins, former chief of police of Thomasville, was taken to Raleigh early today to begin his sentence of 25 to 30 years for the alleged slaying of Mrs. Elizabeth Jones, wife of Thomas F. Jones, of Appalacheia, Va. Sheriff R. B. Talbert, G. M. Thompson and E. S. Layden took Jenkins to prison making the trip by automobile.

Jenkins was convicted and sentenced here on May 10 but gave notice of appeal. No steps were taken, however, to perfect the appeal during the 40 days he has remained in jail since conviction.

Mrs. Jones' body was found in the room at Thomasville which she and Jenkins had occupied while posing as man and wife on the morning of March 14 after it had been dead about 36 hours. During the time six-year-old Pearl Ponder, niece of the dead woman, had remained with the body and made no outcry. Jenkins by his own admission fled

MORE DEATHS RESULT FROM SEVERE HEAT IN SEVERAL STATES

More Than a Score of Deaths and Much Damage Result of the Heat and Violent Storm.

FIVE DEATHS IN ILLINOIS REPORTED

Fifteen Persons Bitten by Heat Crazed Dogs.—Violent Windstorm in Several Sections.

(By the Associated Press.)

Chicago, June 21.—More than a score of deaths and property damage estimated at upwards of \$3,000,000 is the result in three states of the hot wave and storm which yesterday swept through the Mississippi and Ohio valleys.

Five deaths from the storm in Illinois were added to the heat fatalities of other states. Eight persons were reported prostrated by the heat in Chicago, and 15 persons are said to have been bitten by heat crazed dogs. Although considerable damage was done by the storm through northern Illinois and southeastern Wisconsin, Chicago suffered little.

With 17 deaths reported due to heat in Ohio, relief was afforded by a violent wind which swept several sections.

Two Die in Detroit

Detroit, June 21.—Two persons, both unidentified, met death here yesterday as a result of unusual weather conditions. The first, a man, was found dead on the street, overcome by the heat, when the thermometer rose to 92, the highest on record for June 20th, in the last 50 years.

The second death, occurred last night during a thunderstorm, when a woman fell or jumped from a street car, which had been struck by lightning, fracturing her skull.

SOLICITOR PLEAS FILES UNIQUE EXPENSE ITEM

He Spent \$908 For Poll Workers, Automobiles and Accessories.—He's Cautious.

Raleigh, June 20.—Solicitor E. Will Press, Democratic nominee in the 18th district, today filed his expense account in the late primary and his candor was killing.

He had an item of \$908.50 for poll workers, automobiles and accessories for getting voters to the polls. There was no camouflage. He sent machines after the electors and the boxes testify eloquently to the effectiveness of his scheme. He spent exactly \$908 extra for all other purposes. His fund for machines and poll workers was worth all things else.

He itemized his auto-poll feature. He spent \$100 in Polk, \$140 in Henderson, \$148.50 in Transylvania, \$150 in Yancey, in Rutherford \$245, and in McDowell \$125.

Mushrooms Grown in "Mines"

Paris, June 21.—In Paris, underground passages and caverns are utilized for the growing of mushrooms. These are hundreds of miles of mushroom beds flourishing beneath the city. Catacombs and disused chalk quarries have been linked up, suitably ventilated and warmed, and laid out as mushroom galleries. Access to this strange garden is gained by a post fitted with rungs, attached to the inside of the ventilating chimneys. From the foot of this shaft stretch out numerous passages. Here and there by small lamps. The galleries, as they are called, are made to yield their crops in rotation, so that there is never a shortage. Some owners send up as much as a ton of mushrooms in a single day. These are exported all over Europe and yield a very substantial profit.

Joe Phifer, of Rowan, Is Thrown Into a Reaper, Dies

Salisbury, June 20.—Joe Phifer, 21 of Scotch Irish township, while helping his father cut wheat with a reaper, met with an accident which cost him his life. He was driving the team of horses when a line broke and the horses ran away throwing him in the reaper where he received severe injuries and died soon after being rushed to a Statesville hospital.

Three Killed in Auto Accident

Mobile, Ala., June 21.—Three persons were killed when an automobile plunged over an embankment into Fowl River, 18 miles south of Mobile, today. The dead are: Mrs. Fannie Arnett, about 45 years old; her son, Stein, aged 11; and Marguerite Rosorge. Other passengers in the automobile escaped injury.

Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Allred, of Randolph county, are visiting their daughter, Mrs. J. Frank Williams, on North Church Street.

WHAT SMITTY'S WEATHER CAT SAYS

Partly cloudy and not quite so warm tonight and Sunday; probably scattered thundershowers.

