

THE MUSCLE SHOALS COMMISSION NAMED BY THE PRESIDENT

Contrary to Expectation No Cabinet Members Were Placed on Commission. Dial Gets Place.

FIVE MEMBERS OF COMMISSION

They Will Be Authorized to Determine Most Practical Method of Utilizing Muscle Shoals Property.

(By the Associated Press) Washington, March 27.—The following were appointed today by President Coolidge as members of Muscle Shoals' commission: former Representative McKenzie of Illinois, former Senator Dial of South Carolina, former Henry A. Curtis of Yale University, William McClellan of New York and Russell E. Bower of the American farm bureau federation.

INQUEST ORDERED INTO DEATH OF MISS MINTZ

Divorced Husband Declares Woman's Death on Wednesday Was Due to Alcoholism. (By the Associated Press) Chicago, March 27.—A post mortem examination and inquest has been ordered into the death Wednesday of Miss Katherine Mintz, 29, divorced wife of Dr. Houston W. Vernon, who charged it was due to alcoholism, although Henry I. Shireson, plastic surgeon, attributed it to nephritis and uremic coma.

Wilmington Conference Favors Unification

(By the Associated Press) Wilmington, Del., March 27.—The Wilmington Methodist Episcopal Conference today by a vote of 103 to 15 approved the proposition for unification of the Methodist Episcopal Church, north and south.

Tornado Causes Damage in Argentina

Buenos Aires, Argentina, March 27.—(By the Associated Press)—Advice from Rosario, Argentine's second city, reported a tornado swept over sections of the province of Santa Fe last night, causing numerous fatalities and heavy property damage.



THE MAN WHO CAN SHOUT THE LOUDEST IS NOT ALWAYS RIGHT

Every little while someone comes along with a new scheme for making money. A lot of oratory and pretty reasons are cried from the house tops in an effort to get you to put up the capital to try out some new experiment. Promoters are always willing to gamble with other peoples' money. Stick to the thing with a success record. The "building and loan" plan has been working for fifty years with the smallest loss known to the whole finance. Today, there are over 10,000 institutions like ours and one-third of this Nation's families have their money in them. You simply can't find a better place to invest your savings. All Stock is Non-Taxable. Prepaid shares \$72.95 per share. BEGIN NOW. CABARRUS COUNTY B. L. & SAVINGS ASSOCIATION. Office in Concord National Bank.

Married 9 Times

Police in LaSalle Parish, Louisiana, believe that "Aunt Catie," now Mrs. B. Hatfield, 55, holds a marital record—she married the other day for the ninth time. Her first husband died from natural causes, one was accidentally killed, three disappeared and three were present when she divorced them.

WOULD GIVE ALL SIX CITIES A HEARING

Board to Hear Argument If It Is Decided to Open Bank. Greensboro, March 26.—Request of Greensboro and other cities contending for a branch of the Richmond Federal Reserve Bank will be considered at a hearing in Washington by the Federal Reserve board in case it is decided to establish a branch in either of the Carolinas, a letter received Wednesday afternoon from Vice Governor Platt, of the board, stated.

PRAIRIE FIRES CAUSED BIG DAMAGE RECENTLY

Also Reported That Seven Persons Perished in Fires Which Continued for Some Time. Sioux Falls, S. D., March 27. (By the Associated Press)—Prairie fires in north, central and southern Dakota were extinguished early today bringing the attention of the state to the fire area in the Rosebud Indian reservation where unconfirmed reports told of extensive damage.

With Our Advertisers.

H. B. Wilkinson has just received two solid car loads of Simmon's beds, also a car load of wardrobes, chiffoniers, dressers, etc. Stores at Concord, Kannapolis, Mooresville and China Grove.

There will be an auction sale of a car load of Tennessee mules and a few horses at Laughlin's Stable at Southern depot Monday, March 30, at 12 o'clock M. See ad. in this paper.

You will find many Saturday specials in latest footwear at Ruth-Kesler Shoe Store as low as \$1.95.

New novel and exclusive styles in footwear at Parker's Shoe Store. Pure thread silk hosiery, 50 cents to \$1.95.

The entire stock of men's clothing of V. Wallace & Sons, of Salisbury, will be sold at retail at 50 per cent. of cost. Sale begins Saturday, March 28, and lasts ten days. Also hats, caps, men's furnishings and shoes. See ad. in this paper.

See the display at Starnes-Miller-Parker Co.'s of distinctive jewelry, precious stones, watches, clocks, silver ware for "gifts that last."

A new Easter pump at Ivey's. It is a one-strap black satin and comes in all widths, for \$8.00.

Easter Frocks for women and misses at Fisher's. Special feature numbers on Saturday at \$8.95, \$11.95 and \$13.95.

EXCELLENT SERVICE OF THE SOUTHERN RAILWAY

Twenty-Four Daily Sleeping Cars From Gotham to South Via the Southern Railway. Washington, D. C., March 27.—Continued development of the South is indicated by the fact that twenty-four sleeping cars will be run daily from New York to points on the Southern Railway system after April 28th when the "Crescent Limited," new de luxe extra-fast train is placed in service. Passenger Traffic Manager W. H. Taylor, of the Southern, stated today.

The schedule of sleeping car departures from the Metropolitan to the South via the Pennsylvania railroad and the Southern, Mr. Taylor added, will approximate street car service in frequency and will be as follows:

12:45 a. m.—Three cars, one each for Birmingham, New Orleans and Columbus, Ga., via Atlanta.

10:10 p. m.—One car for Birmingham via Atlanta.

1:10 p. m.—Three cars, two for Asheville and one for Augusta via Columbia, S. C.

3:40 p. m.—Eight cars, one for Charlotte, one for Atlanta, two for New Orleans, one each for Macon and Columbus, Ga., via Atlanta.

5:05 p. m.—One car for Winston-Salem via Greensboro.

6:40 p. m.—Five cars for New Orleans via Atlanta.

8:40 p. m.—Three cars, one for Knoxville, and one each for Nashville and Memphis via Chattanooga.

These are all year-round cars for the accommodation of ordinary business travel, no cars for winter tourist travel being included in the list.

NORTH CAROLINA BERRIES AND OTHER FRUITS

State Is Noted for the Excellence of Its Various Products. Raleigh, N. C., March 26.—North Carolina was long ago noted for its scrupulously grown grapes, but it was more recently that it was found that strawberries grew to perfection. Hundreds of carloads are sent from the eastern section of North Carolina daily, during the season.

Dewberries, also, grow well in North Carolina. They bear well and are largely planted.

Whortleberries, commonly known as "huckleberries" grow wild and in great profusion in many of the eastern counties and find a ready market. They are used to make pies and preserves.

Early pears, peaches and plums are profitably grown, and the peach tree is coming rapidly into its own.

Figs, also, are grown with great success in eastern North Carolina. Agricultural experts have expressed the opinion that there is no reason why the fig industry should not be made one of the major industries of the eastern counties. Some have advocated the establishment of canneries there, in order that the fruit might be put up where it is so successfully raised.

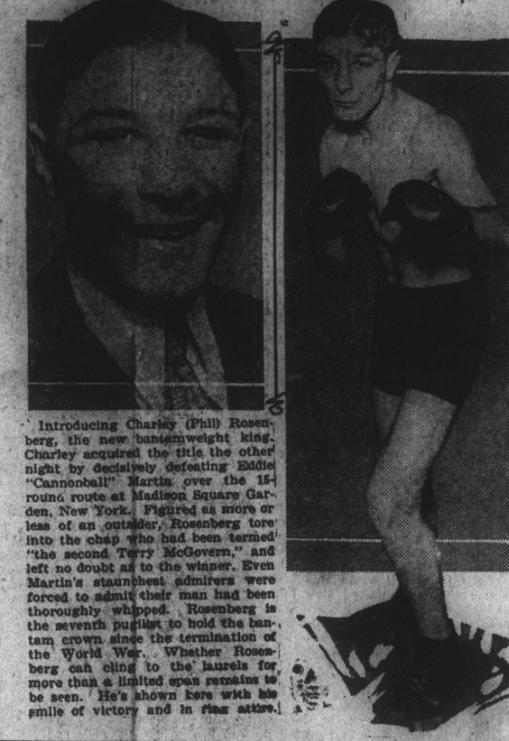
The mountain plateau of western North Carolina produces apples in great variety of the finest quality. Winesap, Stayman, Rome, Beauty, York, Imperial, Ben Davis and Limber Twig are among the many varieties.

North Carolina apples find natural markets in the cities of Florida, Alabama, Georgia and South Carolina. In any of these cities the fruit can be placed with a comparatively short haulage.

Large apple orchards have been planted in the apple sections of western North Carolina. Haywood, Yancey and Watauga are among the leading apple growing counties. Many are raised in the Brushy Mountains.

Polk and other sections furnish late peaches.

New King of Bantams



THE COTTON MARKET

Opened Steady at Decline of 5 Points to an Advance of 6 Points. (By the Associated Press) New York, March 27.—The cotton market opened steady at a decline of 3 points to an advance of 6 points in response to relatively steady Liverpool cables. Continuation of yesterday's selling caused irregularity after the call, May selling off to 24.96 and October to 24.54, or about a point under yesterday quotations.

NATION-WIDE LOCKOUT IN SWEDEN IS CALLED OFF

Board of Mediation Reached Settlement That Will Send 130,000 Workers Back to Jobs. (By the Associated Press) Stockholm, Sweden, March 27.—The nationwide lockout in Sweden was called off today and the 130,000 workers involved will resume their employment. After an all night session the labor union delegation and the government mediation committee at 7 o'clock this morning reached a compromise settling the entire labor conflict in the five important industries affected.

Shippers Can Now Route Express Via Southeastern

Atlanta, March 27.—Joint through routes from a large number of offices of the American Express Company to offices of the Southeastern Express Company, established by the two companies in conformity with the position of the Interstate Commerce Commission, became effective on Wednesday, March 25th.

Shippers desiring to give the Southeastern its long haul on business moving through Washington, Richmond, Cincinnati, Louisville, Cairo, Jacksonville, Savannah, Memphis or Montgomery can now do so by specifying any one of the million and a half routes included in the Southeastern's routing guide which has been filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission and placed at the disposal of shippers and receivers of express traffic.

The routing guide contains lists of station in Florida, New England, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, District of Columbia, Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, Nebraska and Arkansas from which the shipper may route his business, using the Southeastern through the designated gateway.

In announcing the opening of the new through routes, President J. E. Skaggs, of the Southeastern, stated that they had been worked out by the two companies in an effort to give shippers the benefit of the most expeditious routes for moving their express traffic.

On Time for Fifty Years, Employee Gets New Watch. Warrington, England, March 27.—Thomas Corcoran, an employee in a soap works here, believes in punctuality and devotion to duty. During his fifty years' employment at the works he has never lost a single minute of time. The reason he gave for never being late was that he always went to bed early, and had a good night's rest.

In recognition of his unique record Corcoran was presented with a gold watch by his employers.

Second Body Examined in McClintock Case. Chicago, March 27. (By the Associated Press)—A second examination in connection with the McClintock death mystery was made today when the body of Dr. Oscar Olsen who died sixteen years ago, was raised from the grave for an autopsy and coroner's inquest.

POINTS FOR ADVERTISERS.

Advertise consistently. Advertise regularly. Tell the truth and back up your statements with the goods. Spend a certain percentage of your gross receipts in advertising. Take time to prepare your ads, as they should be being careful that they are written in plain language and not over the heads of those who will read them. Keep your stock moving and your odds and ends cleaned up by advertising. Get close to the home town editor and stay there. Success will crown your efforts and money will roll in to your cash drawer.

TRIAL IN INDIA NOW IS CREATING MUCH INTEREST

Nine Men Charged With Trying to Abduct the Dancing Girl Mumtaz, Are Being Tried in Bombay. Bombay, March 27. (By the Associated Press)—The prosecution in the trial of the nine men charged with attempting to abduct the dancing girl, Mumtaz Begum, after her escape from the household of the Maharajah of Indore today, called to the witness stand the girl's uncle, Alla Bux Wazer. The authorities are endeavoring to prove that the affair on Montclair Hill, Bombay, the evening of January 22th, in which the wealthy merchant Abdul Kadir Dhadla was killed, was the result of an elaborate plot to return the Naatch girl to the Maharajah, of whom she had been the favorite.

W. Baula was with the girl when attacked by a gang and in the ensuing fight in which knives played a part Mumtaz was slashed across the face and a British lieutenant was injured. Mumtaz testified yesterday that she had gone to the Maharajah's court first as a single girl, and that later she became the ruler's mistress.

MERANK IS FOUND NOT GUILTY OF MURDER

Was Charged With Having Part in the Deeds That Led to Death of Negro. (By the Associated Press) Cross City, Fla., March 27.—Wm. G. McRane was found not guilty of the murder of Lewis Barker, negro, in a verdict returned by the jury here today. Barker was an employee of the Putnam Lumber Co., and also a clothing salesman. McRane with five other men, including Thos. Higginbotham, former convict camp "whipping boss" was charged with having killed the negro. The other five defendants have not yet been tried.

The verdict was returned 15 hours after the jury had received the case. Immediately afterwards the judge announced that court would recess until Tuesday, when John H. Winburn, formerly chief deputy sheriff of Dixie county, another defendant, will be placed in trial.

WITNESSES TESTIFY FOR DR. EDWARDS IN TRIAL

County Officials, Professional Associates and Former Neighbors Extol Defendant. (By the Associated Press) Bessemer, Ala., March 27.—The character of Dr. Geo. T. Edwards, on trial on a charge of wife murder, was extolled today by county officials, professional associates and former neighbors of the Edwards who lived in Alabama. The home life of Dr. and Mrs. Edwards was described by witnesses as normal and happy.

Probate Judge J. C. Conley, of Coffee County, testified that he was closely associated with Dr. Edwards for many years, and that he was a man of staunch character. J. B. Haynes, of Selma, testified that "no man ever bore a grudge against him."

Mr. H. A. Verner, of Ishkooka, a town where Dr. Edwards practiced his profession several years, declared the defendant "was better to his wife than any man I ever knew."

The defense was expected to complete its testimony today.

SENATOR WHEELER IS INDICTED AT CAPITAL

He and Gordon Campbell and Edwin S. Booth Indicted on Conspiracy Charges. Washington, March 27.—Senator Burton K. Wheeler, of Montana, Gordon Campbell and Edwin S. Booth were indicted here today by a federal grand jury on conspiracy charges.

Campbell is an oil land operator in Montana. Mr. Booth is a former solicitor of the Interior Department.

The indictment is the second returned against Wheeler and Campbell, they having been indicted in Montana on charges involving allegations that Mr. Wheeler improperly represented Campbell before a government department.

The indictments are based on charges relating to securing of oil land permits in Montana and relate to transactions alleged to have taken place while Booth was in the Interior Department.

Record for Safe Travel on Trains of the South

Atlanta, Ga., March 27.—Of 17,602,921 passengers who rode on the Southern Railway system trains during 1924, not one was killed in a train accident or as the result of any failure or negligence on the part of the railway or of its employees, says a statement just issued by the safety department of the Southern.

Of all this large number, the only one to lose his life was a college student who jumped from a moving train, thus ignoring the rules established for the safety of passengers.

The average distance traveled by each passenger was 66.18 miles, the total number of passengers and the average haul both showing decreases under 1923 in which year 18,310,013 passengers were transported an average distance of 68.5 miles.

These figures show that the Southern has gone through another year without the death of a passenger as the result of a human or mechanical failure, chargeable to its employees or equipment, the statement continues, "but there seems to be no effective safeguard against the acts of passengers who risk their lives by disregarding the common laws of safety and the rules which have been established for their own protection."

Shoot Marooned Dog on Brink of Niagara

Niagara Falls, N. Y., March 27.—Marooned on a tiny islet in the upper rapids of the Niagara River, 200 feet above the brink of the American Falls, a mongrel dog was shot today by a sharpshooter from the army post at Fort Porter, to keep the animal from starving to death. Every effort of rivermen, city firemen and reservation employees to reach the dog failed. Then policemen tried to shoot the animal but failed. The commandant at Fort Porter was asked to send his best rifle shot here to kill the dog. The soldier hit the dog with his first shot. The wounded animal leaped into the rapids and was carried over the falls.

TESTIMONY IS BEING OFFERED IN TRIAL OF DEPT. MAN NOW

State Trying to Prove That Car Found Near Murdered Policeman Was One Chapman Stole Last April. (By the Associated Press) Hartford, Conn., March 27.—Three witnesses testifying today at the trial of Gerald Chapman for the murder of a New Britain policeman, sought to identify a motor car found at the scene of the murder as the one stolen by Chapman at Stuebenville, Ohio, last April. James H. Sneider, owner of the Stanton Motor Co., of Stuebenville, the first of the day's witnesses, testified a strange-looking over a certain automobile on his sales floor last April and asked concerning it. He did not identify the stranger.

OWNER OF AUTO FIRST WITNESS

While He Was Not Able to Identify Chapman Bookkeeper in His Garage Said She Saw Chapman. Miss Katherine Borne, bookkeeper of the Stanton Motor Co., identified Chapman as the man who had been looking over the car and speaking to her employer, Sneider.

Wm. B. Ellison, a coal mine car operator of Bardslog, Ohio, testified that a few days later he had seen Chapman at the side of a stalled car of the same make on the road leading to Canton, Ohio. Ellison at that time a bus driver, said he offered to give the car driver a "lift" but that the driver, who he identified as Chapman, had refused it. A car of the kind mentioned, was found in New Britain after the policeman Skelly had been shot by one of two saw crackers surprised while robbing a department store, is claimed by the prosecution to have been stolen from the salesroom floor of the Stanton Co.

ARGUMENTS BEGIN IN CASE AGAINST BENNETTS

If Lawyers Take All Time Allowed Then Case Will Not Go to Jury Until Some Time Tomorrow. Chattanooga, Tenn., March 27. (By the Associated Press)—If the four lawyers who are to speak use all the time allotted to them, the jury in the case against W. H. Bennett and his wife, charged with the murder of Miss Augustus Hoffman, will not be able to begin deliberation of the case until tomorrow.

The attorneys asked for 4-1/2 hours for each side, and a limit set for the men who are to address the jury was set. Assistant Attorney General W. H. Draper had the floor when court opened this morning, to complete an address begun yesterday afternoon. Mr. Draper spoke one hour and 20 minutes yesterday.

Both defendants were calm and almost expressionless as Mr. Draper in the opening argument denounced them as murderers. The assistant attorney general ridiculed the testimony of the defense.

PLEASED WITH AIRCRAFT IN PRACTICE OF FLEET

Capt. Moses Says Planes Carried Out Work With Precision and Dispatch. (By the Associated Press) San Diego, Calif., March 27.—Gratification over the part played by air craft in the fourth practice of the United States fleet in Santa Barbara channel Wednesday was expressed today by Captain S. E. Moses, commander of the air craft squadron's battle fleet.

"We went aloft every available plane from the Langley, and they carried out their assigned duties with precision and dispatch," he said. "Not a single mishap marred the part played by the airplanes and seaplanes in the maneuvers."

The aircraft carrier Langley, the flagship of Captain Moses, the tender Arosario, the minesweeper USS Albatross, and the gunboat USS Gannett will sail from San Diego for Hawaii via San Francisco April 9th, not to return to their base here again until September.

Appointed on Taena-Arica Commission

(By the Associated Press) Washington, March 27.—Former Governor Morrow, of the Panama Canal zone, was today appointed by President Coolidge as an American member of the Taena-Arica boundary commission. Mr. Morrow, who holds the rank of brigadier general in the engineers officers reserve, resigned last October as governor of Panama. He had served eight years there as engineer of maintenance and as governor.

J. Eppie Brown Dead

(By the Associated Press) Atlanta, Ga., March 27.—J. Eppie Brown, chairman of the board of directors of the Southern Bell Telephone Company, died here today.

WHAT SMITTY'S CAT SAYS

Fair and colder tonight, light frost in central and heavy to killing in west portion; Saturday fair, colder in extreme east portion.



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