

EX-GOV. MORRISON DEFENDS RECORD OF HIS ADMINISTRATION

Says That the State Auditor's Statement Does Not Justify Assertion of the Morrison Deficit.

A STATEMENT IS ISSUED TODAY

Former Alleged Deficit a "Monumental Humbug." Will Not Discuss It Further Till Gov. McLean Returns.

(By the Associated Press) Charlotte, Aug. 6.—Former Governor Cameron Morrison, of North Carolina, entered the lists again today in defense of the financial phase of his administration as chief executive.

The State auditor's statement does not justify the assertion that the Morrison administration's deficit was \$3,123,320.22 he declared in a statement issued here.

While stating he would forebear to enter further into the deficit question which is termed a "monumental humbug," until the return of Governor Angus W. McLean after his vacation, Mr. Morrison discussed the question in the statement.

There is no official declaration that the \$3,123,320.22, the debit balance, occurred during any particular administration, the former Governor said. He continued:

"How much of it occurred during the Morrison administration, and how much of it during the last six months under the McLean administration is not stated."

"The accumulation debit balance of \$3,123,320.22 is subject to large credits which are not carried to Auditor Durham's office, toward all taxes in arrears for last year and years before. This will be a large amount and I propose to show the people in my next statement the property and assets other than cash brought upon the general account and which is determining what real deficit as of June 30th was, should be taken into account."

"For instance, I am informed that about half a million dollars was on an item charged as a deficit from the penitentiary as of June 30. Of course, this is only a cash deficit and is subject to credit of the property which the penitentiary owned at this time, and this will amount to hundreds of thousands of dollars."

"I will endeavor in the next statement, after the return of Governor McLean to the state, to show the people what a monumental humbug this whole deficit account has been. I do not know that Governor McLean will desire to pay any attention to the statement when made, but I feel he should have an opportunity to, if he desires."

CHINA GROVE PEOPLE HAVE NARROW ESCAPE

Car With Party of Ten in It Gets Out of Control Near Rutherfordton.

Rutherfordton, Aug. 5.—What came near being a very serious accident occurred yesterday afternoon five miles west of here on the highway towards Chimney Rock when a Maxwell touring car driven by Charles Freeman became unmanageable. Mr. Freeman put his foot on the gas feet instead of the brakes and rammed the car into a bank.

Ten people were in the car, all from China Grove, or nearby: Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Deacon and two children, Rev. and Mrs. G. L. Hodge, pastor of the Baptist church, China Grove, and three others. There were six grown people and four children in the car. The Maxwell was a complete wreck.

Mrs. Hodge suffered the most, having a wrist broken and had cuts over her eyes. All the party received scratches or bruises except three. They were coming towards Rutherfordton. Several of the party went to the Rutherfordton hospital to have their wounds dressed. All are able to leave today except Mrs. Hodge.

BUZZ PHILLIPS HAS BEEN SOLD TO DETROIT TIGERS

Will Report at the Close of This Season or Next Spring.—Sale Price Not Divulged.

(By the Associated Press) Salisbury, Aug. 6.—"Buzz" Phillips, star hurler for the Salisbury-Spencer team of the Piedmont League, has been sold to the Detroit Tigers to report at the close of this season or next spring, Felix Hyman, one of the owners of the club stated today. Phillips turned in his eighth consecutive win here yesterday against the Durham team, winning 4 to 1. He has won 15 games and lost 8 this season. The sale price was not divulged, but is understood to have been a good one.

Concord Theatre (THE COOL SPOT) Last Showing Today "Let Women Alone" With Pat O'Malley, Wanda Hawley and Wallace Beery. EXTRA "JUST A GOOD GUY" Pathé Comedy Tomorrow Only Nazimova in "THE REDEEMING SIN"

BANK OF ENGLAND CUTS RATE AGAIN

(By the Associated Press) London, Aug. 6.—The rate of the Bank of England has been reduced to 4-1-2 per cent. from 5 per cent. which has prevailed since March of this year. While the monetary situation had eased considerably in late weeks, indicating the possibility of a reduction in the bank rate, the market was scarcely prepared for the surprise announcement from the central institution this morning that the official minimum had been reduced to 4-1-2 per cent.

SAYS HE WILL SUE CITY OF HIGH POINT

Dairyman Claims Firemen Permitted His Property to Burn.

High Point, Aug. 5.—Charging that High Point firemen stood by and watched his property burn without making any attempt to extinguish the blaze, Edwin Clodfelter, local dairyman, stated today that he expected to enter suit against the City of High Point to collect damages.

Shortly before midnight Sunday a small blaze was discovered in the barn of Mr. Clodfelter, who lives just inside the corporate limits. He notified firemen, who hurried to the scene.

Firemen who answered the alarm stated that Mr. Clodfelter requested them not to move the plank from the barn when they attempted to do so for the purpose of fighting the flames. In view of this request and owing to the distance from a hydrant the firemen were unable to get control of the blaze, the firemen explained.

Mr. Clodfelter today replied to the firemen with a denial that he at any time prohibited them from removing the plank from the barn, but he admitted that he told employees of the dairy not to remove the plank until the firemen arrived.

"The firemen were dressed up in their Sunday clothes and they just didn't care to fight the fire," said Mr. Clodfelter. "I suffered a loss of \$12,000 in this blaze, and all because the fire department failed to do its duty. If Chief Horney had been here I know they would have saved my barn for he would have made 'em work'."

Mr. Clodfelter added that he is a taxpayer of High Point and therefore is entitled to protection. He said he had already consulted his attorneys and was going ahead with plans to enter suit against the city.

MR. MCGUIRE DECLARES THAT HE IS RESIDENT OF CITY.

Denies That He Was Introduced at Mooreville as Pastor of First Baptist Church.

There is such a person at Rev. C. U. McGuire.

Following a meeting of the Ku Klux Klan in Mooreville last week, a report that Mr. McGuire was pastor of the First Baptist Church of Concord and was a Klan organizer with headquarters in this city. The first statement was vigorously denied as soon as it appeared. The latter has not been confirmed.

Mr. McGuire himself appeared in the Times-Tribune office this week and voluntarily gave information concerning his life. He is, he says, a Baptist minister, regularly ordained and for the past 8 years has been an evangelist. For several years he has been captain of the Volunteers of America in the Southeastern Division.

Mr. McGuire has resided in Concord for one week. His work here, he declares, missionary and inter-denominational. He purposes bringing a large tent here to reach the unchurched. Those converted will be asked to join the church of their choice.

Since coming to the city Mr. McGuire has preached at the McIntyre Baptist tent and also at the Blackwelder meeting. He conducted a street service Monday but rain interfered Tuesday, he said.

It was denied by Mr. McGuire that he was introduced as pastor of the First Baptist Church at the Klan meeting at Mooreville. His introduction was that he was a Baptist minister from Concord. He stated that this was an error on the part of the correspondent of that city.

MONUMENT ERECTED TO RURAL POLICEMAN

Monroe, Aug. 5.—A monument has been erected in the square at Pageland to the memory of Henry B. Graves, rural policeman, who lost his life while attempting to board a car supposed to be engaged in bootlegging. The monument was erected by the James M. Miller Chapter of the Daughters of the Confederacy, and the unveiling ceremony took place Saturday afternoon. The monument is a shaft about 15 feet high. At the unveiling of the monument Mrs. Edna Funderburk former president of the chapter, presided and read an original poem. W. B. Love and R. F. Besley of Monroe made speeches. The Pageland band furnished music, and prayers were offered by Rev. Messrs. Sewell and Chedester. A large crowd witnessed the ceremony. A little son of Mr. Graves unveiled the monument.

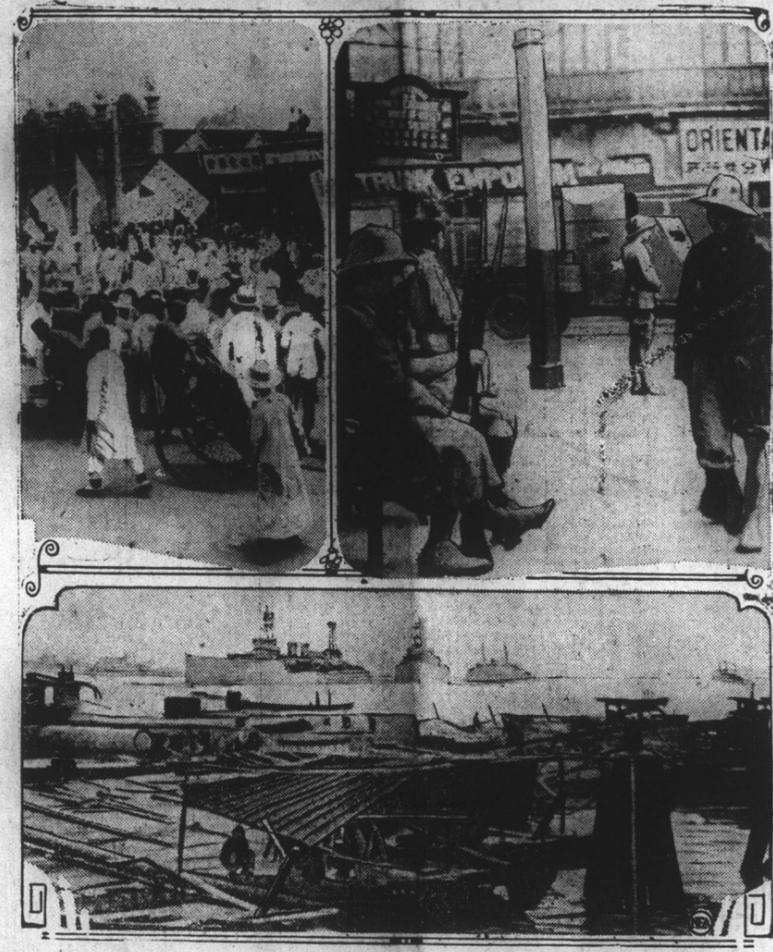
Fink Community Club. The Fink Community Club will hold its regular meeting on next Friday night, July 10th, at 8 o'clock. There will be a program consisting of songs, recitations, talks and music by local boys. Everybody, come and enjoy the evening.

Arthur Brunley, chief dispatcher at the post office, is taking a vacation this week. He and his wife and children have taken a motor trip through the mountains of western North Carolina.

Misses Minnie White and Sallie Stough have gone to Kingsport, Tenn., to visit Mrs. Harvey Murphy, a sister of Miss Stough.

Matrons Training Course. Barium Springs, Aug. 5.—The fall Matrons' Training Course, conducted by the Presbyterian Orphans' Home, will open at Barium Springs September 1, with the largest enrollment in its history. This special course is held semi-annually, and provides training for those desiring positions as matrons, usually lasting for four months.

As War Spirit Simmers in China



Unrest in China still has the powers on the anxious seat. Above, at left, students at Peking are shown in an anti-foreign demonstration. Upper right shows a foreign troop on guard in Shanghai, with a bloody clash between troops and a Chinese mob took place on this corner shortly after this picture was snapped. Below are French and British cruisers standing by in the harbor at Changhai.

SHERIFF CONVINCED McMILLAN IS GUILTY

Moore County Officer Brings Negro Suspected of Capital Crime to State Prison.

Raleigh News and Observer. Sheriff R. G. Fry, of Moore county, who brought John McMillan, negro, to the State prison early yesterday to await trial on the charge of committing a capital crime against Mrs. J. W. Sides, of Eagle Springs, is convinced that McMillan is guilty of the crime. When questioned closely, said Sheriff Fry, McMillan admitted seeing Mrs. Sides at the spring but denied that he touched her. He said she began to scream and he told her that she need have no fear, that he was not going to harm her and that he then walked away.

However, the woman was not only criminally attacked but was beaten in the face and the description she gave of her attacker fits that of McMillan, Sheriff Fry said. McMillan was not taken before her after being captured night before last at Aberdeen for the reason that she was very nervous and it was feared that seeing the man might have an unfavorable effect upon her.

Mrs. Sides was able to sit up a little yesterday, Sheriff Fry said last night. No arrest has been made as yet in connection with the assault of Miss Mary Little, 16, of the High Pines Church neighborhood in Randolph county.

(Mrs. Sides was before marriage Miss Pearl Bost, a daughter of Anthony G. Bost, of Concord—Editor.)

BYRD NOMINATED FOR GOVERNOR OF VIRGINIA

Mapp, His Opponent, Offers Congratulations.—He Is Only 38 Years Old.

Richmond, Va., Aug. 5.—State Senator Harry Flood Byrd, of Winchester, newspaperman, orchardist and brother of Lieutenant Commander Richard Evelyn Byrd, Jr., in charge of the naval fleet with the MacMillan north pole expedition, was nominated governor of Virginia in the Democratic primaries Tuesday by the greatest majority in the history of gubernatorial primaries in the state.

Just how large was his majority will not be known definitely until official returns have been canvassed. It is expected to be between 35,000 and 40,000 votes, and his followers are claiming it will run to more than 45,000 after the ballots in many of the mountain precincts still unheard from are counted.

Mr. Byrd put in a busy day today at his home in Winchester reading a deluge of telegrams, answering scores of congratulatory telephone calls and in receiving many neighbors in Winchester, Frederick county and the valley of Virginia as a whole, who motored over to extend their good wishes. Conspicuous among the telegrams were one from State Senator G. Walter Mapp, of Accomac, his opponent in the primary, and one from State Senator C. O'Connor, of Fredericksburg, one of Mapp's most ardent supporters.

DR. GREEVER REFUSES COLLEGE PRESIDENCY

Columbia Man Notifies That He Can't Accept Lenoir-Rhyne Presidency.

High Point, Aug. 5.—Dr. W. H. Greever, of Columbia, S. C., who was elected president of Lenoir-Rhyne college, Hickory, sometime ago, has declined to accept the office, according to a message received from him today by Dr. C. E. Reitzel.

Dr. Reitzel is a member of the committee appointed to name a president of the institution.

Another meeting probably will be held soon for the purpose of electing a president, Dr. Reitzel said. He added that owing to the fact that Dr. Greever has declined the offer, it will be necessary for the committee to begin over.

THERE IS NO EPIDEMIC OF PARALYSIS IN STATE

Dr. Cooper Says There Is No Cause for Alarm—In Close Touch With the Situation.

(By the Associated Press) Raleigh, Aug. 6.—Dr. G. M. Cooper, acting State health officer, yesterday issued a statement to the effect that there is no epidemic of paralysis in North Carolina. "There is no cause for alarm," he said. "The State board of health is in close touch with the situation, and the public will be advised if there is an undue increase in the number of cases of infantile paralysis."

The statement said only thirty-four cases had been reported this year, and eighteen occurred during July. The deaths during 1925 numbered only eight.

Dr. Cooper's statement was issued as a result of reports circulated in regard to an epidemic of infantile paralysis at certain camps in the western part of the state.

THE COTTON MARKET

Opened Barely Steady at Decline of 1 to 16 Points.—December Later Rallied to 24.25.

(By the Associated Press) New York, Aug. 6.—The cotton market opened barely steady today at a decline of 1 to 16 points under liquidation, or reselling by some of yesterday's buyers who evidently were influenced by relatively easy Liverpool cables and another private crop report estimating the condition at 68.8 and an indicated yield of 14,200,000 bales, considerably above the average of previous estimates. Offerings were absorbed by renewal of covering on a decline of 9 to 10 points, and after selling off to 24.02, December rallied to 24.28 with the general list showing net advances of about 10 to 16 points by the end of the first hour.

STEAMER STANDING BY ANOTHER IN DISTRESS

English Steamer San Gil Ready to Offer Aid to Crew of Schooner Gabriel Palmer.

(By the Associated Press) Havana, Aug. 6.—The English steamer San Gil is standing by the Cuban schooner Gabriel Palmer this morning in an effort to rescue the crew of the vessel. The schooner was discovered yesterday on the Bahama Banks, about 65 miles from Wolf Key.

The port police at Havana late last night received information that the ship had sailed from Punta Alegre, Camaguey, some time ago for the north.

VENUS ATTENDS PICNIC AT CONCORD WEDNESDAY

Spends Day Gathering Data to Be Published in His Faith Items.—Sees the Prettiest Fat Girl.

Venus, the correspondent of The Times and The Tribune from the city of Faith, spent Wednesday in Concord attending the Lutheran picnic which was held at the fair grounds.

Venus was a busy man. He did not permit his enjoyment of the picnic to interfere with his business. During the entire day he was engaged in getting news for his columns.

Over his left shoulder was slung a camera and in his right hand was a note book and pencil. With the former, he said, he planned to take pictures of the table as it was laden with good things to eat. The pencil and book were used in taking the names of those present which he will publish at a future date.

With Our Advertisers.

O. C. Bruton, of Mt. Gilead, offers for sale several valuable farms in Montgomery county. See descriptions in this issue under caption, "Farms for Sale in Montgomery County."

A new face in the advertising columns of this paper is that of the Reid Motor Co. They know Fords and they know they know Fords.

The resources of the Citizens Bank and Trust Company are over one million dollars. See list of officers and directors in ad. in this paper.

The Ritchie Hardware Co. sells the Hood tires. See ad.

"Let Women Alone" again at the Concord Theatre today. Extra, "Just a Good Guy," a Pathé comedy. Tomorrow the great Nazimova in "The Redeeming Sin."

You can get any size Victrola on easy terms from the Kidd-Frix Co.

The Georgia Co., of Waycross, Ga., has 3,000 acres of good improved tobacco land at \$30 an acre. See ad. in this paper.

See new ad. of the Ruth-Kessler Shoe Store in this paper.

The Piggy Wiggy has a lot of special for Friday. See ad. on page five.

Two Women Claim Him as Husband.

Greensboro, Aug. 5.—When E. Eller, Charleston, S. C., man, was faced by two women at the county jail today, both claiming as husband, he abandoned an appeal from 30 days on the road, imposed in municipal court earlier in the day.

He was arrested last night when complaint was made that he was beating one of the women while the two were in a cage, having been pulled off the woman after he said a man had a right to beat his wife if he wanted to. Fleeing in the auto, he was soon caught by police. The woman was found guilty of drunkenness, given a 30 day sentence from which she appealed. Eller claimed he was drinking pureoric.

After the two were placed in the Guilford County jail red haired woman appeared at the jail and said she was the lawful wife. No one disputed the claim.

DEBT MISSION FROM FRANCE WILL COME OVER IN SEPTEMBER

Now Virtually Settled That Mission Will Leave France During the First Fortnight of September.

M. CAILLAUX TO BE WITH MISSION

Unless Something Not Expected Comes Up and Keeps Him From Leaving France at That Time.

(By the Associated Press) Paris, Aug. 6.—It is now virtually settled that the French mission which is to go to the United States to arrange a settlement of France's war debt will leave for Washington during the first fortnight of September.

The French government has decided to treat debt settlements with Great Britain and the United States as two distinct and separate undertakings, and whatever might be the stage of the negotiations opened ten days ago at London in September the mission will proceed to the United States.

M. Cailiaux, the French finance minister, has firm intention unless prevented by circumstances to proceed to Washington himself, but he would remain there only a short time. If he does go, he will sail only after preliminary discussions have been concluded between the French delegates and the American debt funding commission.

The French debt commission will be composed of two technical and financial experts, and two parliamentarians.

SPIRITUAL HEALING A FACT

So Declared by Joint Commission of the Episcopal Church in Report to Be Presented at General Convention in Fall.

New York, Aug. 5.—Spiritual healing is an outstanding fact of contemporary religious life, declares the report of a joint commission to be presented to the general convention of the Episcopal Church at New Orleans in October.

The commission, appointed to study the entire subject, commonly known as Christian healing, says in its report: "The commission finds a rapidly increasing desire that the church confirm the belief that there is therapeutic value in the Christian religion. Religious and material means for cure must go hand in hand in ministry to the sick. It is often difficult to tell where the one leaves off and the other begins. Faith in God and faith in physician must be blended for best results. Both minister and physician know that the power of healing is something apart from themselves; that their function in healing is to assist by restoring the conditions—physical, moral and spiritual under which this power may best operate. A fundamental principle is that God works and man does not do for man what man is capable of doing for himself; that man's failure can thwart the accomplishment of God's purposes. Thus faith finds its appropriate place in co-operation with the law of God."

The report abounds in striking phrases. "Sin is personal," it says, "and it effects the physical as well as the spiritual nature of man. Disease is physical; but it, too, has its reaction on the soul and on the intellect."

"By creation man is an inseparable unity of soul and body." "Religion and medicine must go hand in hand in ministry to the sick." "The co-operation of man and God is a necessary part of the process of healing."

There is an indirect reference to the Christian Science Church in the following: "We are challenged as to whether we shall allow this essentially Christian ministry to be sought outside, or whether we are to make it a normal part of the church's life. We must see to it that we do not afford a basis for another separatist movement, but should realize that the healing ministry is normal to the life of the church."

While the report contains no formal recommendation for specific action, some definite ones are made to the convention.

TO LINK POWER LINES OF JAMES AND APPOMATTOX

Will Provide for Power Transmission From Richmond to the North Carolina Line.

(By the Associated Press) Richmond, Aug. 6.—Plans for the development of a hydro electric power system that will eventually link the power lines of the James and Appomattox rivers at Petersburg and at Roanoke Rapids, N. C., are now underway by Stone & Webster, who recently gained control of the Virginia Railway & Power Co. The program will ultimately represent the outlay of approximately \$12,000,000 and when completed will provide a transmission system from Richmond to the North Carolina line.

J. H. Manning, general manager of the engineering division of Stone & Webster, is heard. All the prosecution witnesses, experts and laymen say they believe Scott sane, just as the fourteen defense witnesses testified that confinement and two death watch orders had affected his mind.

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STATE CONCLUDES EFFORTS TO PROVE RUSSELL SCOTT CASE

Dr. Krohn, the Prosecution Alienist, Testifies as to Scott's Sanity, Supporting Other Alienists.

THREE HOURS IS GIVEN EACH SIDE

Dr. Krohn Said That Scott's Refusal to Submit to An Examination Was Evidence of His Sanity.

(By the Associated Press) Chicago, Aug. 6.—The State today concluded its efforts to prove Russell Scott sane.

Dr. William O. Krohn, the last prosecution alienist, told of his examination of Scott and his conclusion that the prisoner was sane. He repeated stories of the four previous state alienists, that Scott declined to submit to an examination in the jail.

Three hours were allotted to each side for the closing arguments. If the full time is used, the case will not go to the jury before tomorrow night.

Dr. Krohn said Scott's refusal to submit to an examination was evidence of his sanity. His conduct was in every respect logical and rational and clearly indicated that he was cognizant of his predicament, and sought to act in accordance with definite instructions from his attorneys.

Dr. Krohn was not cross examined. W. W. O'Brien began the closing argument for the defense.

The State used 15 witnesses and five alienists all of whom expressed the belief that Scott is sane.

Testimony of five alienists will constitute the case for the defense.

O'Brien attacked the expert testimony of the State and told the jury that the fifteen minute examination of Scott on which they based their opinion was unfair and ridiculous.

"They sat there on the witness stand and told you they expected \$100 a day for their testimony. Gentlemen, I won't say the evidence was bought but I will say under the law it was paid for."

O'Brien argued that Scott's mental faculties deteriorated from "cell shock" due to his long incarceration under the shadow of the gallows.

His condition was described as borderline type of insanity which experts could identify only after long examination.

O'Brien closed his address in forty minutes. Assistant State Attorney Harry A. Pritzker made the first argument for the State.

William Stewart for the defense and William Rittenhouse, for the State, will close for their respective sides.

Pritzker recalled that the defense alienists had testified they found Scott's physical and nervous system unimpaired, and stressed the conclusion that therefore all opinions as to the prisoner's insanity were based merely on what Scott had told defense doctors.

"He told the doctors large stories about his business in Canada and his persecution in the jail. But the State brought in the jailers who were with him sixteen months in the jail who told you Scott never breathed a word about persecution."

JURY WILL DETERMINE RUSSELL SCOTT CASE

There Will Be No Appeal From Case Called to Determine His Sanity.

(By the Associated Press) Chicago, Aug. 6.—There will be no appeal for Russell Scott from the verdict of the jury which will decide whether he is sane and should be hanged, or is mentally cognizant of the death penalty he faces.

If the jury decides he is sane enough to realize his position Judge Thomas B. David will fix a new date for execution from which Scott has twice been snatched a few hours before the death march. Incarceration in a State institution would follow the verdict of insanity.

The hearing has proceeded to a stage of dosing arguments after the testimony of Dr. W. O. Krohn, the last State expert, is heard. All the prosecution witnesses, experts and laymen say they believe Scott sane, just as the fourteen defense witnesses testified that confinement and two death watch orders had affected his mind.

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