

CRANFORD APPEARS ABLE TO CALL NEW WITNESSES FOREVER

During Day the 101st Witness Was Called at Trial of Former Convict Boss at Albemarle.

DENY TESTIMONY ALREADY GIVEN

Cranford Treated Prisoners All Right.—One Says Butler Is Alive.

Albemarle, July 22.—(AP)—The defense today continued its apparently never-ending end of witnesses in the trial of Nevin C. Cranford, former boss of the Stanly County convict system, who is on trial for murder.

Grady Lilly, native of Albemarle, declared that Jonome Foreman, a Cranford convict, had said his treatment on the chain gang was "all right."

Adam Little, of West Albemarle, also testified. He was the 101st witness. He said that he worked under Cranford and that his job was "holding a shot gun and driving a tractor."

He explained this to mean he was a convict guard. He denied that Henry Wooten, who is alleged to have died as a result of cruelty was dragged by a tractor under orders of the "foreman."

He testified that some of the negroes "hooked" Wooten up once for "failing" to stop. He told the jury Wooten was laughing all the time, and was not hurt.

He testified that Wooten was too "sorry" to work.

He also said that "Leatherhead," nickname for Arthur Butler, who died "played off crazy" and told of how the prisoner was whipped. He said that no improvement in his manner, however, was noted.

Little said that Bill Clayton, white prisoner, would not work during the week, but would "dance and cut up" on Sunday morning. Cranford "did not whip him" but chained him to his bunk so he would be unable to dance, he testified.

Under cross examination, Little admitted that Mrs. Cranford was his aunt.

The State sprang a surprise admission by his saying that "Leatherhead" Butler was still alive, and now in the insane department of State's Prison.

"Leatherhead" is one of the six alleged to have died as the result of Cranford's mistreatment.

L. D. McNABB, JR. IS KILLED NEAR RALEIGH

Charlotte Man Meets Almost Instant Death When His Car Is Wrecked—Neck Slashed.

Raleigh, July 21.—L. D. McNabb, Jr., of Charlotte, was almost instantly killed near here at 8:30 o'clock tonight when his automobile wrecked on one of the highways leading into the city. His neck was slashed by glass from the windshield of his machine.

It is said that the man was rounding a curve at a rapid rate of speed when his automobile left the road. He was taken to a local hospital.

Was Certified Accountant and Leaves Wife and Child.

Charlotte, July 21.—L. B. McNabb Jr., of Charlotte, who was killed tonight near Raleigh when his automobile overturned in a field, was a certified public accountant here and lived at a local hotel.

He is survived by his mother, Mrs. L. D. McNabb, of Macon, Ga., his widow and a small daughter. His wife and child are said to be visiting relatives in Georgia.

Mr. McNabb had lived in Charlotte for several years.

With Our Advertisers.

Grocery specials for Thursday, Friday and Saturday at the Parks-Bell Co., that will interest everyone. See ad. for prices.

The Parks-Bell Co. is offering many specials all over the store for Thursday, Friday and Saturday. They will sell very special articles at given hours these days. See ad. for particulars.

John Park Wants Editors To Drop Penitent Attitude

Hickory, July 22.—(AP)—Ridiculing a "by your leave" attitude on the part of newspapers, and the idea that newspapers "must be humored and petted," John A. Park, publisher of The Raleigh Times, in his capacity as chairman of the legislative committee of the North Carolina Press Association, today appealed to the newspaper men gathered here to work for legislation for the good of the state, rather than class legislation.

"Hasn't the time come for self-respecting publications to drop that 'by your leave' attitude and with spread shoulders and expanded chests say 'what is it you wish?'" asked Mr. Park.

"Do we need more laws to aid and protect newspapers? Indeed we do not. We have too many laws now—of every kind.

"The kind of laws that we should have next, with respect to newspapers, would protect newspapers from one another and protect society from the newspapers."

Mr. Park declared that "there are too many newspapers in America today" and that "there are several towns and cities in this state that have experienced the annoyances of too many mediocre publications that should have been consolidated, checked or choked."

"The tendency to consider newspapers as public utilities continues to grow," he continued. "Why not so classify this great industry of public service along with railroads, highways, telephones, power companies and the like?"

Mr. Park then outlined the probable results of "regulation of newspapers if they were placed under State supervision" thus:

"First, there would be a shifting around and moving of plants from the points of congestion to those very few places that need good newspapers.

"Next, there would be established standards of practice under rigid supervision demanding satisfactory performance or closing of the doors.

"Then, suitable rates for advertising and circulation would be prescribed and stabilized, low enough to attract business and high enough for a legitimate profit.

"The results naturally would be the growth and extended service of the deserving publications and the withdrawal of the incompetent ones.

"Talk about the 'supporting' of a newspaper could be reversed into a respectful request for the newspapers' approval and support of a community and its enterprises."

Mr. Park pointed out some of the things he thought the newspapers should ask of the legislature, rather than mere class legislation.

"Why not ask our legislative bodies to safeguard humanity that the ever increasing number of preventable fatalities may be checked?"

"Why not ask for protection from the speed demon and the incompetent driver who profane our highways and fill our hospitals and morgues?"

"Why not forever discard the dingy one-room schoolhouse in favor of the modern consolidated school?"

"Why not make it prohibitive to erect hospitals, schools and even office buildings and hotels that are combustible?"

"Why not direct the energies and brains of the great publishing industry of thriving North Carolina into channels of constructive endeavor and militant usefulness?"

"Yes, why not?"

"These Utopian conditions may be for future generations; they may be close at hand. The meager publication will remain meager in attitude or circumstances if it may join the growing group of aggressives."

"Some day is going to look down on one of his dearly beloved publisher-children and say, 'Cease thy slothfulness; rise up and produce a better newspaper or get thee back to the tall timbers.'"

World Figures in the News



MANUEL QUEZON



EDOUARD HERRIOT



J. P. MORGAN



ANDREW MELLON

Manuel Quezon's fiery oratory led the Philippine Senate to demand the end of American control. Edouard Herriot was asked to form a new French Cabinet under the downfall of Aristide Briand's. The simultaneous departure of J. P. Morgan and Andrew Mellon, Secretary of the Treasury, for France, led to reports that a "Dawes plan" was contemplated to save the franc.

(International Newsweek)

FIFTY-FOUR MORE ELECTION JUDGES AND CLERKS NAMED

In Indictments Just Returned by Special Grand Jury Now Sitting at Chicago.

ELECTION FRAUDS LAID TO THEM

In All 109 Indictments Have Been Returned Recently by the Grand Jury.

Chicago, July 22.—(AP)—Fifty-four election judges and clerks who served at Cook county's April primaries, were indicted today by a special grand jury, on charges of conspiracy to make a false count in connection with irregularities at the polls.

The indictments returned bring to 109 the indictments returned against judges and clerks. Eleven were named in the first writs, and 44 in the second group.

The writs have been returned as rapidly as a recount of the returns showed false tabulations.

Recount Ordered. Chicago, July 22.—(AP)—A complete recount of the vote cast in Cook County Chicago, for the U. S. senatorial nomination in both republican and democratic parties was ordered today by county Judge Jarecki at the request of Senator James A. Reed, of Missouri, chairman of the Senate campaign expenditures committee.

The court acted as true bills reported to have voted against 54 judges and clerks of election in the April primaries, were waited in the criminal courts.

Senator Reed sought the aid of the county court in determining how the senatorial ballots were handled, as his committee prepared to assemble here Monday for an inquiry into the senatorial primaries.

PRISONERS KILL GUARD AND MAKE GETAWAY

Six Long Term Criminals Escaped From Ferguson Prison Farm.

Houston, Texas, July 22.—(AP)—A guard named Raider at the Ferguson state prison farm near here, was killed early today and six long term convicts escaped, word to the Houston police said. The police were asked to watch for two automobiles in which the six prisoners were reported to have fled.

Information to the police said two cars drove up to the prison farm shortly after midnight and the drivers fired immediately at the guard Raider, killing him instantly. Six convicts fled to the cars and were driven away. The men who escaped were reported to have been Go. Dixon, Charles Fryer, Richard Naylor, C. R. Holland, Robert Bernard and Alvin Ireland. Fryer was serving a 30-year sentence for murder and had escaped twice previously.

Execution of the plot was daring and reckless. The moment the men in the automobile sighted the guard they opened fire on him. Raider, riddled with bullets, fell dead. Instantly they were upon him and seized the keys to the barracks. With drawn pistols they opened the doors and called the names of six long term men who stepped out from the ranks of their fellows and took their places behind their liberators.

The other convicts apparently dazed by the swiftness of the affair, made no move. With no apparent haste the three men satisfied themselves the men they had come for were accounted for, locked the door on the remainder of the convicts, who a moment later heard the automobiles rush away in the darkness.

The story, as it was telephoned to Houston, failed to indicate how the alarm was given. Presumably, however, the shots had aroused other guards, who came too late to prevent the escape.

Girl Waits in Vain For Wire From Thaw.

Winchester, July 21.—Miss Forest Hope Walls, the 18 year old Los Angeles, Calif. girl who claims Harry K. Thaw, promised to marry her if she came to his country estate "Kenilworth" near here, sat disconsolately in a tent throughout today awaiting an answer to the latest telegram she sent to Thaw last night.

The answer had not arrived tonight. Thaw was reported at the Helmont hotel, New York, and the girl wired him she was broken hearted and begged him to send her an automobile and sufficient money to take her, her mother and brother back to California, police said she told them today.

The Walls arrived here Saturday virtually without funds in a battered Hotel today.

B. E. Spangler Dead. Atlantic City, N. J., July 22.—(AP)—B. E. Spangler, 64, of Roanoke, Va., general superintendent of transportation of the Northern & Western Railroad, died suddenly of heart disease at his room in the Traymore Hotel today.

He was attending the coal rate hearing before the Interstate Commerce Commission in the Pittsburgh-Lake cargo case.

Mr. Spangler was connected with the Northern & Western Railroad for more than forty years. He started as a railroad telegraph operator.

GOVERNMENT COST LAST FISCAL YEAR SHOWED INCREASE

The Increase Was \$53,344,427 Over Previous Year. Figures Just Announced Show.

ARMY AND NAVY GOT LESS CASH

But Other Departments Showed Increase.—Veterans Bureau Spent \$1,000,000 More.

Washington, July 22.—(AP)—The actual cost of the government last fiscal year ended June 30 increased \$53,344,427 over the previous year, totaling \$3,584,987,873. It was shown in the itemized list of expenditures made public by the Treasury.

Ordinary expenditures amounted to \$3,097,511,822, an increase of \$31,506,490. The cost of the public work accounted for the remainder of expenditures, \$487,376,050, an increase of \$20,837,937.

The War and Navy Departments made the principal reductions, while the Department of the Interior, Labor and Agriculture also showed decreased expenditures.

War Department expenditures were \$6,900,000 less than a year ago, totaling \$355,072,225; while Navy was \$33,500,000 less than a year ago, amounting to \$301,758,049.

The Veterans Bureau was the most costly government establishment, requiring \$404,692,185 compared with \$384,715,706 a year ago. The cost of the adjusted service certificate fund amounted to \$120,152,238, compared with \$109,458,769 the previous year.

Campaign For Bryan Memorial University Opens in Western N. C.

Asheville, N. C., July 22.—With Gallatin Roberts, ex-mayor of Asheville, prominent attorney, and life-long friend and admirer of William Jennings Bryan, as chairman, and a sponsoring committee of fifty prominent Asheville citizens, the Asheville campaign for the establishment of Bryan Memorial University at Dayton, Tenn., was launched here today.

In accepting the chairmanship of the campaign, Mr. Roberts stated that he had been keenly interested in the project to memorialize the life, character and teachings of the great Commoner by the establishment of a Christian college in our Southeastern mountains since its inception, and that he welcomes the opportunity to have a part in presenting the matter to the citizens here.

Headquarters for the Western North Carolina campaign, which is to cover twenty-five counties in the western part of the state, have been opened at 90 Patton Avenue. The quota for Western North Carolina is fifty thousand dollars, twenty-five thousand dollars being expected of Asheville. The objective of the national campaign is \$5,000,000, half of which will be used for building and half for endowment.

W. E. Robinson, president of the Bryan Memorial University Association of Dayton, Tenn., stated Wednesday that although campaigns have been waged so far in parts of only two states, Tennessee and Florida, subscriptions in hand now total almost half a million dollars. A site of eighty-one beautifully wooded acres was recently accepted by the association for the building of the university.

One of five sites offered the association for this purpose and was the one unanimously recommended by a committee of leading Tennessee educators who made an inspection of the site.

Boy Keeps After Money.

(By International News Service) Camden, Ark., July 22.—When alleged fake radium eye specialists fleeced his parents out of \$1,200, Berry Murphy, Camden youth, got busy.

Soon two suspects were arrested in Kansas City. Before the youth and officers could arrive there, they had been freed through a court procedure.

Not long afterwards two men and a woman were arrested in Fort Worth, Texas.

Through an error in the requisition papers, Gov. Ferguson refused delivery of the prisoners to Camden authorities. Berry Murphy was still on their trail.

In Fort Worth attorneys for the trio offered young Murphy return of the money. Berry took \$1,100 and a promise of the other \$300, which included the amount of his expenses, and returned home. The trio are still in custody but probably will not be returned here.

Fears His Wife Kidnaped or Victim of Other Tragedy.

Asheville, July 22.—Fears that his pretty young wife had been kidnaped or had met some other catastrophe in Asheville were expressed today by Joseph E. Woodnick, of Orlando, Fla., who in telegrams to the Times asked the aid of police, newspapermen and citizens in locating the woman. The last word received from her was on last Friday, Mr. Woodnick said. She is supposed to be alone.

THE WEATHER

Partly cloudy tonight and Friday. Local showers Friday and in west portion late tonight. Not so warm today. Gentle to moderate southwest winds.