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THINKS KIDNAPPING CASE SOLVED; NEW CLUES DEVELOPED

Los Angeles District Attorney Feels Certain McPherson Case Will Be Cleared Up at Once.

NO FAITH IN FIRST REPORTS

Says He Is Satisfied Evangelist and Radio Operator Went Off Together and Stayed Together.

San Francisco, July 27.—(AP)—Clues developed at Carmel and Monterey, south of here, are believed by Joe Ryan, Los Angeles deputy district attorney, to have solved the Almee Semple McPherson kidnaping case.

Ryan, who has been at Carmel since Saturday, has reported to District Attorney Asa Keyes that he was satisfied that Mrs. McPherson arrived there the day after she disappeared at Ocean Park Beach, accompanied by Kenneth G. Ormiston, radio operator, and friend of the evangelist.

Ryan's investigation followed reports that a man and woman resembling the evangelist and radio operator, arrived at Carmel May 19 and remained there for several days.

Ryan declared he could produce witnesses who identified photographs of Mrs. McPherson and Ormiston as the couple at Carmel.

Ormiston was interviewed by authorities a short time after the evangelist disappeared, but he dropped from sight after being questioned, and was last reported in New York. A letter purporting to have been written by Ormiston was introduced before a grand jury which recently investigated the case, but adjourned without issuing any indictments. The letter denied any knowledge of the case.

Attorneys for Mrs. McPherson last night denied she had ever been in Carmel. The evangelist continues to defend the story of her abduction in sermons at Angelus Temple, maintaining she was held captive for nearly five weeks, and escaped to reappear at Agua Prieta, Mexico, near the Arizona border.

Will Visit Plans. Los Angeles, Cal., July 27.—(AP)—Attorneys for Almee Semple McPherson today announced that they would not permit her finger prints to be taken to compare with those found in a Carmel, Cal., cottage, where it is ascertained she spent some time after being supposedly drowned. They also said they would refuse to supply samples of her handwriting to compare with that found in the cottage.

Kenneth Ormiston, radio operator at Mrs. McPherson's Angelus temple, was in Carmel about the same time, according to the assistant district attorney.

Now Is Time to Sell Hogs. Tribune Raleigh Bureau Sir Walter Hotel. Raleigh, July 27.—Now is the time for farmers to ship their hogs to market if they expect to command the best prices, according to the livestock division of the Bureau of Markets, State Department of Agriculture.

Why? Because it is the mid-season between the western early and late hog shipping seasons.

North Carolina hog raisers have been advised for several years to raise their pigs as early as possible, so that they could get them on the market in July and August, thereby getting better prices, since the hogs from the western states are not ready for market until later, due to the shorter seasons.

"In this state, it is possible to farrow the sows almost any time during the winter with little danger of loss, if only ordinary precautions are taken. And the earlier the better, thus enabling the farmers to market their spring pigs before the western pigs are put on the market," said V. W. Lewis of the division of markets.

"Many farmers have been following this advice and are showing handsome profits as a result.

The State Department of Agriculture is ready at all times to assist the farmers from any section of the State not only in marketing their produce, especially livestock, but also in improving their stock as well so that they may increase their profits.

Announce Features For Next Big Fair In October

Officials of Fair Have Obtained Best Features For Next Cabarrus County Fair Which Will Begin October 12th and Continue Five Days.

Officials of the Cabarrus County Fair Association, with several successful seasons to their credit, have lined up what they believe are the best attractions obtainable for the 1926 fair and Harvest Festival which will be held October 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16.

It is announced by Dr. T. N. Spencer, secretary and manager, that every feature of the program has been arranged and when the new stalls now under construction are completed, he will be ready for the opening of the gates on the morning of the twelfth.

Included in the program are the free acts, hand concerts, horse races, midway shows and exhibits of all kinds. While the program will of necessity follow along the lines of the programs of other years, this year's will be more ambitious than anything undertaken here in the past.

Officials of the fair this year have laid special emphasis on the livestock exhibits and their work has been so successful that additions are to be built to the hog and cattle barns before the opening date. Last year so much livestock was exhibited that it had to be crowded and with assurances already that the number will be larger this year, plans to take care of the overflow have been made.

It is predicted by officials that the hog show at the local fair will be the biggest in this part of the State. The Pinehurst fair will not be held this year, it is pointed out, and as Cabarrus fair hog show ranked second only to this one, it is safe, officials think, to predict the biggest hog show in the State for the local fair.

As has been the case in the past, no outside exhibitors will be allowed to enter the livestock. The Cabarrus Fair is for Cabarrus people, not for professional exhibitors, who will be outlawed as in the past. Dr. Spencer already has received letters from various exhibitors who want to bring their stock here for a certain guarantee, and his answer has been the same to all. Cabarrus people and those in nearby counties who produce their own stuff are the ones who will be eligible for premium money.

The Bernardi Greater Shows will be back on the midway with more than 25 shows. The popularity of these shows is attested by the fact that they will play the following fairs: New York State Fair, Rochester, N. Y., Exposition, Binghamton, N. Y., Exposition, Pennsylvania State Fair, New Jersey State Fair, and Virginia State Fair.

The management advises Dr. Spencer that new shows will grace the midway this year, with the return of the various rides that always prove so popular.

Free acts already lined up for the fair include: Assoc Armstrong & Co., Bucking Ford. This is a three act comedy piece. The Riding Costellos. Beautiful white trained horses are used in this act, advertised as the highest priced act in vanderbilt.

The Florence Duo in two acts of comedies. The Steiner Trio, a comedy act. Van Norman bicycle feature. In this the rider rushes down a long incline and rides his machine into a pool of water. At night he ignites the track with gasoline and resembles a ball of fire on a blazing trail as he dashes into the water.

Walter Stanton & Co., with the impersonation of the giant rooster. Williams and Bernice, with three acts of comedy. The Ohio Display Fireworks Co., which furnished the dazzling fireworks last year, has been given the contract for this year's program. There will be something different every night as has been the rule in the past.

Two races will be staged each afternoon beginning on the opening day and continuing through the closing day. It is predicted now that at least 75 horses will be here to strive for the prizes.

The program for the week follows: Tuesday, October 12th—Educational Day and Iredell County Day. On this day all school children, including teachers and veterans of all wars will be admitted to the grounds free.

Wednesday, October 13th—Mecklenburg and Union County Day. Thursday, October 14th—Cabarrus and Stanly County Day. Friday, October 15th—Farmers Day and Fraternal Order Day. Saturday, October 16th—General Sales Day.

THE COTTON MARKET. Traders Sold Freely at Opening and First Prices Were 13 to 17 Points Lower. New York, July 27.—(AP)—Taking a more favorable view of the weather situation traders sold cotton rather freely at the opening today with the result that first prices were 13 to 17 points lower on active positions.

Liverpool, Wall Street and commission houses all had cotton for sale in the early market, and aside from the uncertainty connected with the tropical storms which still seems to be threatening the Florida coast both weather and crop news appeared to be less bullish than it was yesterday.

After the opening Wall Street was a good buyer, but secured its cotton easily and the market dropped off to 17.05 for October and 17.50 for January or 15 to 20 points below the previous close.

Cotton futures opened easy: October 17.70; December 17.60; January 17.82; March 17.79; May 17.95.

WANTS AMERICANS TO IGNORE DEMONSTRATIONS. President Hopes There Will Be No Retaliation For Demonstrations Made in France.

Law Broken

Captain Otto C. Dowling, hero commander at the Lake Denmark, N. J., arsenal, told the Navy investigators that the plant carried more than the legal limit of explosives at the time. He appeared, bandaged and in a wheel chair.



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International Newsreel.

BOUGHT AN ISLAND AND BECAME RICH. Sold Biggest Part of It For 1,712,500.

(By International News Service) Knoxville, Tenn., July 27.—The lifelong ambition of Edwin R. Scott has been realized for today he is a millionaire.

As a fortune seeker he has been a sheep herder in New Mexico, an oil well promoter in Texas, a movie actor in California and an agent in the Florida boom after it was too late.

All without success. Eighteen years ago Scott sought that million—which always seemed to be somewhere else.

But at last he left the states. At normal prices he bought the major part of South Bimini Island, of the Dutch West Indies, 43 miles from Miami, Fla.

Last week at a local hotel, where Scott returned to his home town to wait for his "ships to come home with his fortune" he had a caller. It was John C. Wahl, multi-millionaire manufacturer of the nationally known fountain pen and Eversharp pencil, Chicago.

They talked things over. Both agreed Bimini Island was the center of the most active building boom in the United States at present.

Wahl purchased a major part of Scott's holdings on the island for \$1,712,500 which was well over a million dollars profit for Scott.

Now—his fortune made—Scott says he will settle down. He was born and raised in this section and his sister and brother live here at present.

Out of his 3,000 lots owned on the island, Scott kept 500.

"My new home shall be one of the first to be built here," he told friends.

"No prohibition, no automobiles, no traffic policemen, no poisonous reptiles, but three hours ride from Miami, visited by 5,000 tourists daily," was the way Scott explained the island's value.

"Razor Man" in Davidson Killed by Fleeting Wife. Lexington, N. C., July 26.—Bertha Hampton, negro, is in jail here for slaying her husband, James Hampton, at Newsum, twenty-five miles south of here, Friday night.

She claims that she acted in self-defense with a pistol after Hampton had attempted to use her as a subject for a "razor murder."

An unopened razor was said to have been found in Hampton's pocket when a coroner's inquest was held Saturday.

The woman said Hampton attempted to cut her on a bed with the razor, but that she escaped him, secured a pistol from another room and then fled the house.

FRUTHER PLANS FOR ORGANIZING THE TEXTILE INDUSTRY

Washington, July 27.—(AP)—Further plans for organization of the cotton textile industry in the South and in New England will be discussed at a conference here tomorrow between Secretary Flower and a sub-committee from the newly formed Votto Textile Institute.

Stuart W. Cramer, of Cranston, N. C., and Robert Amory, of Amory Brown Company, of Boston, will take part in the discussions.

ONLY ANSWER TO BE MADE IN COURT

To Charge That Dr. Carroll Did Not Have a Fair Trial. Tribune Bureau Sir Walter Hotel.

Raleigh, July 27.—The only answer that will be made to the protest issued by the employees of Dr. R. S. Carroll in his sanitarium in Asheville, Ga. Dr. Carroll was not given a fair trial before the State board of medical examiners which a few days ago revoked his license to practice in this state as the result of charges of immorality being sustained against him, will be made in court, it was intimated today, although Attorney General Dennis G. Brummitt would admit no more than the fact that he was "working on the case."

It is expected that an announcement of the course which the department of public welfare expects to take against Dr. Carroll, through the regular legal channels of the state, will be made within a few days.

A signed statement protesting against the finding of the board of medical examiners issued by the nurses and employees of the sanitarium of which Dr. Carroll is the head, declared that he had been misjudged, that they as employees had never heard any rumor even of any misconduct on his part, and stated that in the hearing before the board not a single word which was understood to "have been testified against him. The statement further maintained that the only witnesses appearing against him were persons who had tried to get positions with the sanitarium and who had failed to do so.

Mrs. Kate Burr Johnson, commissioner of public welfare, who is instrumental in having the Carroll case investigated as a result of complaints which are understood to "have been made by women patients, declined to reply to the statement, but intimated very strongly that full and complete answer would be made in court when the proper time comes.

STATE WOULD DISCREDIT WITNESSES FOR CRANFORD

Arthur Pickler Put Through a Long Cross Examination by T. T. Caudle.

Albemarle, July 27.—(AP)—Cross examination by the state today featured the morning session in the trial of Nerven C. Cranford, charged with the murder of two negro convicts.

Arthur Pickler, who is assistant superintendent under Cranford in 1913, admitted "hitting a few" prisoners with a brick because he was advancing on him with an axe.

T. T. Caudle was conducting the cross quiz.

Mr. Caudle asked the witness if Cranford had not whipped prisoners every day. Pickler answered that the "foreman" did not whip "every month."

He admitted, however, seeing Cranford whip two or three convicts "pretty hard."

Mr. Caudle told the court he was trying to discredit the witness who yesterday testified that Cranford treated his prisoners fairly and without cruelty.

LADY ASTOR COMING TO AMERICA TO REST

Secretary Refuses to Say When She Will Sail or How Long She Will Remain.

London, July 27.—(AP)—Lady Astor, American-born peeress and member of the House of Commons, has started for the United States "for a good long rest." But when she started and on what ship, where she is to land, and how long she is to be away, her private secretary refused to say.

"Lady Astor is desiring complete quiet," the secretary said this morning. "If the American reporters find her when she lands, the onus must be on my hands."

No More Stunt Flying Over Knoxville. (By International News Service) Knoxville, Tenn., July 27.—No more stunt flying over this city.

This order, given Police Captain York by Major J. O. Walker, has already prevented citizens from seeing an exhibition that would have taken place last week when Frank Andre, aviator, was to have performed over a local theater.

Figures in French Crisis



MONTAGU NORMAN BENJAMIN STRONG



S. PARKER GILBERT RAOUL PERET

Montagu Norman, governor of the Bank of England, Benjamin Strong, governor of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, and S. Parker Gilbert, who helped make the Dawes plan successful, were reported to have agreed on an international plan to assist France in its financial problems. Raoul Peret was named president of the French Chamber of Deputies, which would have to ratify the plan.

TAXES COLLECTED FROM FOREIGN CORPORATIONS. Between \$35,000 and \$40,000 Added to State's Revenue. Tribune Bureau Sir Walter Hotel.

Raleigh, July 27.—Between \$35,000 and \$40,000 has been added to the collections of the department of revenue as the result of a trip to New York of two deputy collectors of the department, A. E. Heddingfield and V. P. Moier, who went there to investigate non-payment of corporation taxes by foreign corporations, and who collected the taxes due.

Although the visits of the two deputies cost these corporations several thousand dollars in taxes, they commended the business-like methods of the State of North Carolina and said that although they did business in large number of states, that this was the first time that they had ever been visited by representatives of any state in which they operated to collect taxes, and expressed the opinion that North Carolina was the only state that kept such close tab on its revenue resources.

"We are glad that our deputies were so well received, and we try to show consideration to those who are slow in paying their taxes," said R. A. Doughnut, commissioner of revenue, "but what we are most interested in is collecting the money that is due us under the law. And that is what we are doing."

VOTE OF CONFIDENCE FOR NEW GOVERNMENT. Poincare Government Gets Vote of 358 to 131 on First Test.

Paris, July 27.—(AP)—Premier Poincare's new government was given a vote of confidence in the chamber of deputies this afternoon.

The vote, which came after the reading of the ministerial declaration of policy, was placed on the question of adjourning all interpellations until the fiscal bill had been discussed and passed. The premier asked that this be done, and made the matter one of confidence in the government.

The official vote was 358 in favor of the government, and 131 against.

Pretty Girl Twins Go to Jail to Hide Plight. Salisbury, July 26.—Rather than let their father know of their plight, Misses Virginia and Vivian Cosby, pretty twins of Raleigh, spent a Sunday in jail here, sharing with H. A. Adkins, of Albemarle, charges of operating an automobile while intoxicated, being drunk and disorderly and with possessing and transporting liquor.

The case grew out of an incident at Cleveland, near here Saturday when the three young people refused to "back up" when caught on a narrow road where it was impossible to pass a car they met, and according to witnesses the girls were rather free with profanity.

They denied knowing about liquor in the car or that they had been drinking and said the young man, who was a friend of theirs, was taking them to Asheville. In county court today he was fined \$50 and the girls were let off with costs and a continued judgment for two years on good behavior.

Salisbury Game Halted By Rain. Salisbury, July 26.—Rain prevented the scheduled game here this afternoon between the Salisbury and Winston-Salem teams, a steady downpour all the morning and through a part of the afternoon forcing a postponement of the affair. A doubleheader will be played here if the weather permits.

Coca-Cola Dividend. Atlanta, Ga., July 26.—The board of directors of the Coca-Cola company today declared the regular quarterly dividend of \$1.75 on common stock. The dividend will be payable October 1 to stockholders of record September 15. Earnings of \$2,957,546 before federal taxes were reported for the quarter, against \$2,959,231 for the second quarter of last year.

2 FLORIDA CITIES FEEL EFFECTS OF TROPICAL STORMS

Miami and West Palm Beach Cut Off From Wire Connections as Result of Hurricane.

STORM CENTERED NEAR FLORIDA. One Vessel Reported to Be in Distress and Storm Warnings Are Still Being Displayed.

Atlanta, July 27.—(AP)—Miami and West Palm Beach, Florida, were cut off from wire communications with the outside world today, due to the hurricane which swept up the lower east coast from the Caribbean Sea.

A message from the Caribbean steamer M. Everest, off the east coast, intercepted at Tampa said the barometer at Miami at 8 o'clock this morning was 29.50 and steadily rising.

Storm Centered Off Florida. Washington, July 27.—(AP)—The weather bureau this morning located the tropical storm as central a short distance off the southeast Florida coast, between Miami and Jupiter Inlet, and moving very slowly northward.

No vessel reports had been received from the vicinity of the storm center.

Hurricane warnings remained displayed between Miami and Titusville, and storm warnings are flying elsewhere on the Florida coast from Tampa to Jacksonville and as far north as Charleston, S. C.

One Ship in Distress. St. Augustine, Fla., July 27.—(AP)—The radio station at Anastasia Island, St. Augustine, at 8 o'clock this morning picked up an "S. O. S." signal from the Italian steamer Ansaldo San Giorgio Secondo to the effect that she was sinking somewhere off Jupiter. Another message reported the steamship Orizaba standing by.

Vessel Standing By. Miami, Fla., July 27.—(AP)—Wireless reports to the tropical radio corporation this morning said that the steamer Orizaba was standing by the Italian steamer Ansaldo San Giorgio, but was unable to take off her passengers because of high seas.

The Ansaldo's rudder was reported gone, and she was unable to make headway with an 80-mile gale blowing.

80 Miles an Hour Wind. New York, July 27.—(AP)—A wind that attained a velocity of 80 miles an hour at 9:45 o'clock this morning was sweeping over West Palm Beach and vicinity today. No lives have been lost and no injuries have been reported.

It was believed that the center of the storm was still to come although at noon the wind had slightly decreased in velocity.

Many roofs have been blown from houses, trees have been uprooted, and the seas lashed by the fierce winds, are rolling over the Ocean Boulevard.

Loss Vessel in High Seas. Miami, Fla., July 27.—(AP)—Wireless advices received here today said that the Italian steamer Ansaldo San Giorgio Secondo in distress off Jupiter Inlet, had been lost by the Ward liner Orizaba and the steamer West Harshaw which had been standing by. The Ansaldo was carried out of sight by high seas at 11:45 a. m. today.

Another Victim of Storm. Miami, Fla., July 27.—(AP)—Another victim of the Florida hurricane was reported shortly after noon today when radio advices were received from the Danish tanker, Wilhelma A. Reidemann, saying she was in distress off Hillsborough Light, off the coast between Miami and Jupiter Inlet. The Reidemann is of 5915 tonnage and sailed from Rotterdam June 28 for Houston, Texas.

Funeral Services For Mrs. Maness. Tomorrow Afternoon. Friends of Mrs. T. D. Maness, who died Monday in Elizabeth City, stated at 2 o'clock this afternoon that members of the family of the deceased had decided to hold funeral services tomorrow afternoon.

The services will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Parker, of Albemarle, parents of the deceased. The hour had not been selected.

Whether Mrs. Maness will be buried in Concord or Albemarle will be determined after the arrival of relatives in Albemarle sometime this afternoon.

THE WEATHER. Showers tonight and Wednesday, little change in temperature, increasing northeast and east winds probably becoming strong Wednesday.

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