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### SCHOOL BOOKS TO BE SOLD AT SAME PRICES AS IN TENNESSEE

One of Publishing Companies Has Already Capitulated and Others Will Follow Suit.  
LOW PRICES ARE EFFECTIVE NOW

Suit Will Not Be Brought - The Prices Will Be Those Shown on Title of Each Book.

Tribune Bureau, Sir Walter Hotel, Raleigh, Sept. 1.—One publishing company has already capitulated to the State Board of Education and agreed to sell their books in North Carolina at the same prices they are being sold in Tennessee, and indications are that at least if not all of the remaining companies may do the same, as the result of the announcement by A. T. Allen, State Superintendent of Education that the Johnson Publishing Company of Richmond, Va., has agreed to fix the Tennessee scale on its four readers used in the North Carolina schools. Neither Mr. Allen or Attorney General Brummitt would intimate as to whether any of the other four publishers were wavering, but from the general atmosphere of satisfaction optimism that reigned in their offices today, it was judged that the threatened suits would never have to be taken into court.

There was also a changed attitude among the representatives of the publishers who have been hounding the offices of the attorney general and State superintendent of public instruction for the past week. Tensity had given way to relaxation and grim business to laughter and platitudes. There is no denying that the text book agitation has borne fruit and that within a few days at most, the majority of the disputed nine text books will be on sale in this State at the same prices that are charged for them in Tennessee.

Already county and city superintendents have been advised of the change in prices on the four readers published by the Johnson Publishing company who in turn are asked by Mr. Allen to pay the same price to parents not to pay the old and higher prices, and to make known the new price schedule. In his letter issued, Mr. Allen says: "This is to inform you that hereafter the prices of the following books will be as shown after the title of each book. Please call attention of dealers to this and give such publicity to it as may occur to you and warn parents that it is not necessary to pay the prices stamped on the back of the books."

The new prices are as follows: Primer, 40 cents; first reader, 45 cents; second reader, 50 cents; third reader, 55 cents.

### Killed Baby



Rosina Maio, became insane, boiled her sixteen-month-old child to death in her New York home.

Brooks "Spunks" Knight  
Quoted From Dr. Knight's Own Book, "Which Speaks of the Rapid Stride of the State on Educational Lines."  
 Tribune Bureau, Sir Walter Hotel, Raleigh, Sept. 1.—Declining to enter into a controversy concerning the relative degree of education in North Carolina or take issue with Prof. E. W. Knight, of the University of North Carolina who last week set people agog when he declared that he was going "to quit lying" and tell the truth about the woeful lack of education in the state, Dr. E. C. Brooks, president of State College, said his only reference to the remarks of Professor Knight would be limited to a quotation which he had found in a book just recently off the press, which speaks of the "hopeful progress" being made in the State along educational lines. The book is entitled "Our State Government" and its author is Professor E. W. Knight. The quotation follows:  
"Hopeful progress was resumed under the inspiration and leadership of Governor Charles B. Aycock about 1900. In recent years our state has made rapid strides in increasing educational opportunities for all the people. Elementary schools are maintained in every community, and standard high schools are now found in practically every county in the state. The state, the county and the district join hands to build and keep up schools for all the people. These splendid advantages of education would be of course impossible unless all the people were joined together in government to carry them out. The aim of the state is to put good schools within the reach of all of us."  
Following the reading of this quotation from Professor Knight's book, which would seem to effectually refute his utterances of a week ago, and which evoked hearty laughter from the members of the Civitan Club, before whom he unfolded his attack last week, Dr. Brooks proceeded to discuss the changes which have come about in the system of county government in the last 150 years, noting the changes in thought and the corresponding changes in governmental machinery that naturally followed, and other changes that are still needed.

### CONFERENCE OPENS FOR DISCUSSIONS OF RESERVATIONS

League of Nations Distribute Literature Bearing on Reservations From America.

LETTERS WRITTEN ABOUT SUBJECT

Also Included in the Facts Made Public - Some Nations Ready to Accept Reservations.

Geneva, Sept. 1.—(AP)—Prior to opening the world conference today to discuss the American reservations of adherence, the League of Nations distributed a number of documents bearing on the question. These included the invitation to the United States to participate in the conference and her declination, as well as extracts from letters received from the various governments, members of the league.

Some of the states informed the league of the terms of reply they had made direct to the Washington government to its communication relative to the American reservations. This summary shows Belgium, Finland and Norway informed the United States they preferred to await the action of the present conference, convoked by the league council before finally answering the American communication. Liberia wrote that she accepted the American reservations "so far as they relate to questions which may arise between Liberia and the United States."

Geneva, Sept. 1.—(AP)—The conference of members of the permanent court of international justice summoned to discuss the reservations under which the United States is willing to become a member, was opened today with a private session.

Prof. W. J. M. Van Eysinga, the Dutch member of the conference, is the first to speak. He is a member of the court. It is the general impression that the fifth United States reservation will be turned over to a commission for study. The belief prevails that the basis of this reservation is a desire on the part of the U. S. to prevent any attempt by the council of the league of nations to seek advisory opinions either on immigration problems or questions affecting the Monroe Doctrine and Latin America.

### CITIZENS OF FAYAL ISLAND LIVING IN GREAT HORROR NOW

Since Earthquake Shook Island Tuesday the Population Is Living Out-Doors and in Great Fear.

HORTA PEOPLE SLEPT IN PARK

Great Cracks Have Appeared in Streets and Most of Buildings in the City Were Destroyed.

London, Sept. 1.—(AP)—The population of the island of Fayal in the Azores Islands, lying 800 miles off the coast of Portugal, is living outdoors in terror stricken from yesterday's disastrous earthquake which mangled patches describe as the worst in the history of the archipelago.

In Horta the chief city of Fayal, most of the 8,000 citizens spent the night in the public square. Large cracks have appeared in the streets and the people were afraid to return to their homes in the fear of general shocks. Most of the city was destroyed.

It has been impossible to learn the exact number of casualties which are estimated at from 500 to 400 of the island's 25,000. The Portuguese government to which the islands belong, is rushing a relief expedition to the Azores. This included warships with supplies, sanitary corps, and engineers.

From advices thus far received by the way of Lisbon, the island of Fayal is declared to be "a mass of ruins, especially the city of Horta."

This information was sent by the mayor of Horta. He estimated he injured at 400 but made no mention of fatalities. Lloyd's, however, reports that ten persons are known to have been killed in Horta.

Neighboring islands in the archipelago also were affected by the disturbance. The small village of Pezina was swept by a tidal wave.

The first shock was felt at eleven o'clock Tuesday morning. It was followed by a series of other shocks, some of them of a minor nature.

The message sent by the mayor of Horta to the authorities in Lisbon said the aspect of Fayal Island and the suffering of the victims were terrible to witness.

### GUARDSMEN CALLED TO DUTY BECAUSE OF SERIOUS RIOTS

State Troopers on Guard in Manville, R. I., Where Shriekers, Clashed With the Police.

NINE PERSONS IN THE CITY WOUNDED

Guardsmen Offer Support to Fourteen State Police Officers on Duty in the Strike Area.

Manville, R. I., Sept. 1.—(AP)—National guard troops riddled into Manville on trucks today to quell rioting which culminated last night in injury to nine persons during a clash between state police and a mob of 1,800 striking operatives of the Manville-Jencks Company, textile mills.

Thirty-five men of the field artillery accompanied by ambulance and medical corps detachments reached the mill soon after midnight to support fourteen state police officers and deputy sheriffs who have guarded the plant since trouble started with arrival of strike breakers Sunday.

After a night and day of disorders, during which an attempt was made to fire the mill, the trouble reached the peak last night when strikers gathered at the head of the Blackstone River bridge leading to the plant.

One man starting to cross the bridge, was pushed back by the state police. The crowd swayed a number of times. The police met the advance with whirling night sticks, but were forced to retreat before superior numbers, and resort to tear gas bombs.

The bombs again checked the mob's advance, but another series of rushes finally brought volleys from riot guns and service revolvers. Five strikers and sympathizers went down wounded with buckshot, while Arm Anclair, 38, of Woonsocket, a nephew of Mayor Conroy, was struck in the face by a revolver bullet fired over the heads of the crowd. He was in a crowd of spectators on a hill overlooking the battle.

### In the News of the Day



JOHN A. STEWART



WILLIAM F. JACKSON

John A. Stewart, chairman of trustees of a New York bank, celebrated his one hundred and fourth birthday. William F. Jackson, ex-Senator and Republican National Committee member, conferred with President Coolidge. Senator William B. McKinley, of Illinois, was ill at Martinsville, Ind. Lady Michelham proposed to sell the art works collected by her late Lord, which were valued at millions.

### LIEUT. BETTIS IS DEAD OF INJURIES RECEIVED IN FALL

Famous Army Flier Dies at Walter Reed Hospital - His Plane Crashed in a Dense Fog.

CRAWLED FROM WOODS TO ROAD

Was First Thought Flier Was Not Badly Hurt But Complications Set in Tuesday.

Washington, Sept. 1.—(AP)—Lieut. Cyrus K. Bettis, army flier, injured in a crash in Pennsylvania last week, died today at Walter Reed Hospital. Death resulted from spinal meningitis which developed after the injured flier was believed to be on the way to recovery. He was brought to Walter Reed Hospital several days ago in an ambulance airplane from Bellefonte, Pa., near the place his injury occurred.

Lieut. Bettis gained outstanding prominence as a flier by winning the Pulitzer prize in 1925, at which time he set a record of 248.90 miles an hour. In capturing the trophy for the army that year, he defeated Lieut. Al Williams, navy flier, long holder of the air speed record.

Entering the army during the war, Bettis served with the American Air Corps in France, and since its close participated in a number of prominent army air maneuvers.

His work in the Pulitzer races, coupled with his record in war film peacetime flying, resulted in his selection as a member of the corps of fliers detailed for exhibition work at the Sesqui-Centennial Exposition in Philadelphia. This was his last assignment.

Leaving Philadelphia August 23 in company with two other planes for Selfridge Field, Mich., he became lost in a fog in the mountains of western Pennsylvania and crashed into Seven Sisters Mountains. He was unconscious for an hour and a half after the crash.

Unable to summon assistance or later to attract the attention of the planes sent to look for him, Bettis with one leg broken and both jaws fractured, hopped and crawled several miles through mountainous country to a road near Bellefonte, Pa., where he was found and taken to a hospital in that city.

He was missing for more than 48 hours during which time he was without food and had only the rain water that he caught in his hands.

The parents of Lieut. Bettis, who were notified yesterday of his critical condition, are expected to arrive here today from Port Huron, Mich. Pending their decision no funeral arrangements will be made.

### MAY STILL SECURE MOTORING DATA AT Branch Offices, Though Sale of License Plates Is Discontinued.

Greensboro, Sept. 1.—Although sale of State license plates closed at twenty-two branch offices of the Carolina Motor Club, at the close of business today, motorists may still secure complete touring data and other information at those points, according to Coleman W. Roberts, vice president of the motor organization.

Discontinuance of the sale of plates at the branch offices is in accord with the contract between the Carolina Motor Club and the State department of revenue, whereby the club agreed to handle plates during the three months rush period of June, July and August.

Motorists desiring information regarding license transfers of title and other data may still secure same at the various branches, which will continue to function for service to club members in particular and to the motoring public in general.

Offices at which plates have been sold for the past three months and which discontinued sale today are: Asheboro, Burlington, Concord, Durham, Fayetteville, Gastonia, Greenville, Henderson, Hickory, High Point, Lexington, Lenoir, Lumberton, Greenville, Rockingham, Sanford, Shelby, Salisbury, Statesville, Sylva, W. Williams and Wilson.

Plates will be available at Asheville, Charlotte, Elizabeth City, Goldsboro, Greensboro, Rocky Mount and Wilmington.

### CHARLOTTE DOCTOR IS UNDER \$500 BOND Charged With Issuing Improper Certificate to Prospective Bride

Charlotte, Aug. 31.—Charged with issuing an improper physical examination certificate, necessary to obtain a marriage license, Dr. W. C. Boylston, who has offices in the Realty building here, was arrested by city detectives late this afternoon and held in \$500 bond for hearing tomorrow in city court.

The warrant for Dr. Boylston's arrest was sworn out by M. M. Gray, county superintendent of public welfare, who charged that Dr. Boylston had issued a certificate to George Bray, dapper youth, who recently was arraigned in city court on a charge of immoral conduct.

Bray, with Miss Gladys Williams, was arrested last Friday afternoon by city police on a charge of immoral conduct after they are reported to have come here from Tampa, Fla., on August 22. Police reported that Miss Williams told them that she and Bray planned to marry but that Bray had encountered difficulty in securing a medical certificate.

In the court case Saturday morning Bray was fined \$25 and the costs and judgment continued in case of the girl, Saturday afternoon Judge applied to the register of deeds for a marriage license, preventing the warrant charges, a certificate signed by Dr. Boylston. It had not been established this morning whether or not the couple was married Saturday.

The arrest of Dr. Boylston was the first of its kind here for a violation of the law requiring medical certificates before marriage today and were inclined to believe it the first of its kind in the state. Dr. Boylston has lived here for a couple of years, coming to Charlotte from Florida.

### SMITH STILL LEADING IN SOUTH CAROLINA

Has Slight Lead in Votes Cast in the Democratic Primary Tuesday.

Columbia, S. C., Sept. 1.—(AP)—Senator E. D. Smith and Edgar A. Brown maintained their relative standing today in figures received from yesterday's Democratic primary.

Revised returns tabulated this morning gave the following for Senator:

Edgar A. Brown 53,763; N. B. Dial 30,123; E. D. Smith 61,782.

There will be a second race between Smith and Brown on September 14, these figures indicated, as it was not believed that the votes still uncounted will change the result.

The returns represented 45 out of 46 counties and 1,194 out of 1,370 precincts in the state.

Among the precincts still out are Wards 2 and 8 in Columbia. The election managers counted until a late hour last night and resumed their task early today.

Senator E. D. Smith, seeking nomination to a fourth term, was opposed by N. B. Dial, former senator, and Edgar A. Brown, speaker of the state house of representatives. Mr. Brown attacked the world court as a "Republican proposal" and declared it was different from the one endorsed by the last Democratic national convention.

Senator Smith said he stood by his party platform in this matter. He outlined his stand on agricultural matters and Muscle Shoals.

Mr. Dial was defeated two years ago for renomination by Cole L. Blease. He referred to his one term and the matters which he had advocated and backed in asking for the senatorial nomination.

Nine candidates offered for the gubernatorial nomination, to succeed Governor Thomas G. McLeod, who is serving his second term. They were John G. Richards, E. B. Jackson, present lieutenant-governor; G. K. Laney, D. G. Quats, Carroll D. Nance, John T. Duncan, Thomas H. Peoples, John J. McMahan and I. C. Blackwood.

The California vote.

San Francisco, Sept. 1.—(AP)—Complete returns from 3,006 precincts out of 8,274 in the state gave for United States senator, Clarke, 80,397; Linnbacker, 31,132; Swozridge, 110,503; Dockweiler, 6,700; Elliott, 8,232.

In the gubernatorial contest, complete returns from 3,650 precincts gave: Goodell 46,566; Richardson 113,792; Young 126,983; Johnson 7,116; Wardell 7,937.

### Dr. Stembridge Ordered Exile Within an Hour.

Durham, Aug. 31.—Dr. H. D. Stembridge, dentist, who was arraigned before the recorder today on charges of drunkenness, was allowed to leave the city without a sentence being imposed. The verdict was rendered at 11:30 this morning, stating that capias would be issued if the defendant had not left the city by 12:30 o'clock. The dentist was ordered to leave the city Saturday by the court, when he had been tried on charges of drunkenness and operating without a license. He was given until today to leave, but was arrested Sunday morning again on a drunkenness charge and held until today.

Stembridge asked that he be allowed to leave the city, stating that he would immediately leave. This plea was accepted by the judge, who gave him one hour in which to leave. Dr. Stembridge complied with the request and left before the hour had passed.

### Ran 3.10 Per Cent. Better in July Than Last Year.

Richmond, Va., Sept. 1.—(AP)—Retail trade in the fifth federal reserve district ran 3.1 per cent. better in July than the record established during 1925, the monthly report on business conditions issued from the Federal Reserve Bank here.

The increase came in the face of characteristic seasonal declines during July, and averaged 16.3 per cent. better than average retail sales during the five years of 1920-1924 inclusive, according to figures supplied by 31 leading stores in the district.

The report showed that stocks on hand were 2.4 per cent. larger, at selling value, than stocks a year ago. The increase was accounted for by large increases in stocks in Washington and Baltimore. Stocks declined toward the end of June but outstanding orders for merchandise increased sharply with the making of fall commitments.

Stock turnover was reported slower for July than for previous months, but this was regarded as a normal condition for midsummer months.

July collections were comparatively slow, averaging 27.1 per cent. of outstanding receivables.

An hour later he returned, the umbrella was gone, and this sign hung in its place. "The umbrella was taken by the champion runner of the world; I won't be back."

### RETAIL TRADE BETTER

### VICKERS HAS CHANCE TO RECOVER, PHYSICIANS SAY

Was Shot By Deputy Sheriff as He Made Break For Liberty. - Raleigh, Sept. 1.—(AP)—J. R. Vickers, convict serving a ten year sentence for manslaughter, today lies in the state prison hospital seriously wounded as a result of his latest attempt to escape. The shooting of the prisoner was termed by prison officials as "very unfortunate" and "purely accidental."

Vickers was shot through the abdomen late yesterday by Rev. George Wood, of Kinston, a deputy sheriff under Sheriff Worthington, of Lenoir County. Wood was returning the prisoner to the state prison when the break for liberty was made, resulting in the shooting. Vickers was said this morning to be resting easily and his condition was reported as favorable as expected under the circumstances. Three doctors performed an operation on the man last night, removing eight inches of his intestine which had been punctured by the bullet. Wood was placed under a \$5,000 bond early today by Coroner L. M. Warding, pending the outcome of the wounds inflicted on Vickers. Vickers escaped on a main thoroughfare of Charlotte last week while there for an examination by the Veterans Bureau. He was recaptured in Spartanburg, and because of a temporary shortage of deputies at state prison, Rev. Mr. Wood was sent to South Carolina to return the man here. He had reached the prison gates late yesterday when Vickers, who had not been handcuffed, according to Wood, made a dash for liberty.

### All Building Records Smashed in Asheville.

Asheville, Aug. 31.—All previous records for building in Asheville were smashed during the first eight months of 1926, it was revealed by city hall reports today showing a total of 1,157 permits, aggregating \$8,060,651 issued since January 1. The total for the first eight months of the current year is equal to the total for the entire year 1925. Indications are that the estimated total for building this year around \$5,000,000 made January 1 by C. H. Bartlett, commissioner of public safety will be exceeded before the expiration of the 12 month period.

### Grand Jury to Study Manley Case.

Atlanta, Ga., Sept. 1.—(AP)—The federal grand jury of this district convened here today to begin general and exhaustive investigation into the financial affairs of W. D. Manley, president of the recently closed Bankers Trust Co., the collapse of which precipitated the closing of a chain of small banks.

Refrigeration experts predict that within the near future the same pipes that heat homes in winter will be used to cool them in summer.

### THE WEATHER

Partly cloudy tonight and tomorrow, local showers Thursday in western and north central portions. Gusts to moderate shifting winds.