

SPECULATION AS TO WHAT NEXT GENERAL ASSEMBLY WILL DO

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LAW FOR DRIVERS OF AUTOMOBILES

North Carolina Is One of Few States That Does Not Require License for Automobile Drivers.

Tribune Bureau Sir Walter Hotel Raleigh, Sept. 15.—Speculation as to what the legislature is going to do is one of the chief indoor and outdoor sports in Raleigh at present, where political talk is daily on the increase. One matter which nearly everyone agrees is destined to take up a large amount of attention in the coming session of the legislature is the matter of licensing all automobile drivers by the owners of automobiles or not.

But such a law, if proposed, will not have easy sailing, by any means. Those who favor it are largely city dwellers, who are more accustomed to paying a dollar for this and that upon almost any occasion.

Again, the chief opposition is going to come from the rural districts. Take the case of the farmer who has four or five children, all of whom drive the family flivver when the occasion arises. A new part is needed for the gasoline engine that does the pumping. John is told to take the car and go to town for it.

No, a thousand times no! He will not even consent to give the time to go through the examination for himself and family, even should the license be issued without charge.

And the politicians from the rural district realize this, from past experience with trying to get a state hunting and game law, and a tall light for all vehicles law, which have always been defeated heretofore by the rural politicians.

But aside from the objections which are bound to arise from the people on almost every hand, another difficulty faces the advocates of such a law. And that question is, how is it to be administered? Who will be given the authority to make these tests of drivers, and tell who is competent to drive an automobile and who is not?

Will a new state agency have to be set up, or will it be turned over to some existing state agency? The latter seems unlikely, as every present state department thinks, at least, that it has all it can do now and then some. Or will it be delegated to the counties? If that is done, still more difficulty arises as the counties have never been overly enthusiastic about doing work for the state, and in this case the law, if passed, would be bitterly unpopular in many counties.

There is the suggestion, of course, that the funds derived from the sale of these licenses be used to maintain a state highway police force, and that this police force could conduct the examinations and enforce the law. But the consideration of this matter only serves further to complicate the whole matter. In fact, the more one goes into the question, the more complicated it becomes.

Mrs. Elliott-Lynn, England's most famous woman aviator, is also a noted athlete and was chosen to represent Britain in the javelin contests at the Women's International games at Gothenburg.

CONTENDS RECORDS DESTROYED TO AID FRAUD DEFENDANTS

Government Now Attempting to Prove the Records Against Daugherty and Miller Purposely Lost.

M. S. DAUGHERTY BROUGHT IN CASE

He Is President of Bank in Which It Is Alleged the Important Records Were Lost.

New York, Sept. 16.—(AP)—The government today turned its attention to establishing proof of the allegations that bank records which it contends would show that Harry M. Daugherty participated in division of a fee of \$441,000, paid for refund of \$7,000,000 of American Metal Company shares, were purposely destroyed.

The fee was paid to John T. King, late republican national committee man from Connecticut; Richard Merton, the government's chief witness has testified. Most of the records, the government alleges, were destroyed when in the Midland National Bank at Washington Court House Ohio, of which Daugherty's brother M. S. Daugherty is president.

Daugherty, former Attorney General, and Thos. W. Miller, formerly alien property custodian, are being tried for alleged conspiracy to defraud the United States. The government charges they deprived the United States of their intelligence and unbiased services in paying to Merton, agent for the Societe Suisse Pour Valeurs de Metaux, \$7,000,000 for shares of the American Metal Co., seized in 1917 under the trading with the enemy act.

W. D. Miller, who described himself as butler and general utility man for Edward B. McLean, Washington publisher, was the first witness called. Miller testified that McLean's house was occupied in March, 1921, by Daugherty and Jesse Smith, a brother of Daugherty, who later committed suicide. Smith was named in indictments superseded by one on which Daugherty and Thomas W. Miller are being tried.

Other Checks as Evidence. New York, Sept. 17.—(AP)—Three checks amounting to \$29,143.75 which the government alleges was part of the fee Richard Merton, German metal magnate, paid John T. King, late Republican national committee man from Connecticut, for "rushing" claims through the alien property custodian's office, were offered as evidence in the trial of Harry M. Daugherty and Thos. W. Miller.

One of the checks is for \$25,000. It is dated August 1, 1921. It bears the signature of Merton, and is made out to "Cash." The government alleges this check was a "split" of the \$50,000 Merton said he paid King, and that Jesse Smith, Daugherty's "Man Friday," got the money. The date of this check approximates that on which Merton said he gave King a \$50,000 "advance commission."

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Blue Ribbon Malt has quality, snap and true malt zest. Dealers here supplied by the F. M. Youngblood Co. The Ritchie Hardware Co. has the exclusive agency in Concord and Cabarrus County for the Crosley and Bosch radios and supplies. They handle a complete line of ever-ready batteries, tubes and supplies of all kinds.

Constance Talmadge in "Her Sister from Paris" at the Concord Theatre today and tomorrow. Monday, and Tuesday, September 20 and 21, Randolph Valentino in "The Son of a Shiek," his last picture.

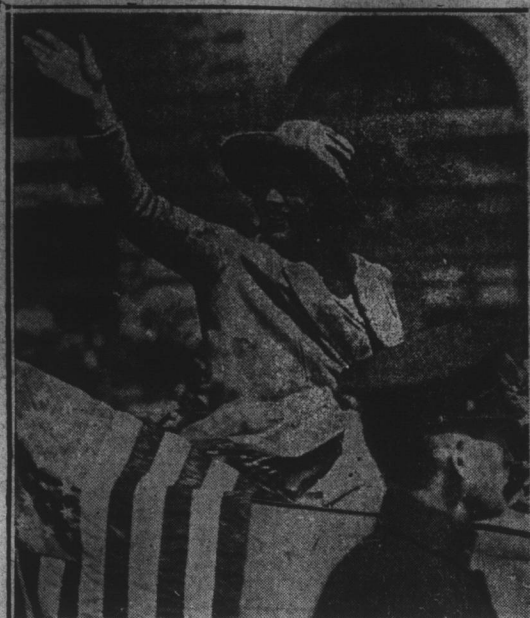
All kinds of fresh vegetables at the J. H. G. Cash Store. One man got 40.3 miles on one gallon of gasoline on a Ford in the final contest at Charlotte yesterday.

Hats in all the new fall styles and shades at W. A. Overcash's. Select your hat today while the styles are complete. Prices from \$4 to \$8. Schless Bros. fall suits are ready for your inspection at Hoover's. Latest styles and designs.

Gene Tunney Has Registered 32 Knockouts. Philadelphia, Sept. 16.—(AP)—Gene Tunney, who began his professional career in 1919, the year that Jack Dempsey won the heavyweight championship, has registered thirty-two knockouts in sixty-two battles he has fought over a seven-year period.

Tunney has tasted defeat but once in his career, losing a fitness-round decision to Harry Greb at Madison Square Garden in 1922 and with it, the American light heavyweight championship. Gene more than squandered this crown, however, by regaining the title from Greb the next year and beating him again with the championship at stake.

Channel Swimmer Returns Home



Mrs. Clemington Corson waved a happy greeting to thousands of New Yorkers who greeted the second woman to swim the English Channel on her return home.

Fowls Of Fine Feathers To Strut Stuff In Style

Poultry Houses at Fair to Resound to Proud "Cock-a-Doole-Do" of Rooster and Less Violent "Cluck" of More Timid Mate.— Hundreds of Entries Already Booked.

Poultry raising is on the increase in Cabarrus county and evidence of this increased interest will be seen at the Cabarrus County Fair next month when hundreds of fine fowls from local flocks will be on exhibition.

J. Ivey Cline, one of the pioneer poultrymen of the county, will be in charge of the poultry exhibit again this year and he has been assured of the largest collection of poultry in the history of the fair.

Mr. Cline stated yesterday that he has been working on his plans for the fair and expects to concentrate his efforts about two weeks before the opening. He has talked with a number of the larger chicken fanciers in the county and plans to write to others, as a reminder of the prizes to be offered for the finest birds on exhibition.

It is known, too, Mr. Cline said, that poultrymen from adjoining counties will send in their best stock for the local fair and it is certain every pen in the two poultry houses will echo with the proud "cock-a-doodle-do" of the pure-bred rooster and the weaker "cluck" of his more timid mate.

Cabarrus people are now breeding some unusually good stocks of poultry. Mr. Cline said, and the quality of the birds this year will be better than ever. Mr. Cline plans to enter a number of his fine White Leghorns and Buff Rocks.

While no addition has been made to the poultry houses additional coops are available and every one is assured of a safe place for his birds.

A new ruling has been made this year in regard to premiums. No money will be paid for any chickens unless an entire class is entered. Persons planning to enter their chickens are expected to be at the grounds with them on Monday, October 11th, the day before the fair opens.

THE COTTON MARKET

Opened Firm at Advance of 19 to 26 Points, December Going up 14.87. New York, Sept. 16.—(AP)—The cotton market opened firm today at an advance of 19 to 26 points, December contracts selling up to 16.67 at the start on active covering and trade buying.

At the low price yesterday the market showed a decline of nearly 2 cents a pound from recent high levels, and its former technical position was a factor on the early rally, while covering by recent sellers also was promoted by relatively steady Liverpool cables.

Southern hedge selling continued, however, while there was further commission house liquidation, and after the first spurt of demand had been supplied, prices eased off 10 to 15 points from the best.

Uncertainty of the further progress of the tropical storms no doubt accounted for some of the early buying, but otherwise weather conditions were considered generally favorable.

Cotton futures opened firm: October 16.42; December 16.65; January 16.75; March 16.97; May 17.13.

Landis Schools Open With 390 Pupils Enrolled

The graded school at Landis opened September 6 with a large enrollment and all sixteen teachers present. The enrollment for the first week was three hundred and ninety. Three hundred and five were enrolled in the grades and 85 in the high school.

Capacity House at Catawba Opening

Salisbury, Sept. 15.—Catawba College opening was attended last night by a capacity house, the auditorium being crowded. The program was shared by Dr. W. P. Few, President of Duke University and Gabriel Zismody, now music master of the college. Dr. Few spoke of "Building," making his address applicable both to institutions and individuals. Enthusiasm at Catawba indicated a hundred per cent increase over last year.

COURT RULES THAT EXPOSITION MUST BE CLOSED SUNDAY

Dauphin County Court Rules That Operation of Philadelphia Exposition Is Not Necessary.

APPEAL WILL BE TAKEN AT ONCE

Unless Action Is Taken at Once Exposition Will Not Be Opened on Next Sunday.

Harrisburg, Pa., Sept. 16.—(AP)—The Philadelphia Sesqui-Centennial Exposition Association is denied the "right, privilege and authority to open, hold or conduct" the exposition on Sunday under a decision of the Dauphin County court today.

The court held that Sunday operation of the exposition is "worldly employment," that it is not a work of necessity or charity, and that the amusements and recreations within the exposition grounds are clearly in violation of the act of 1794. This act is the so-called "blue law" prohibiting worldly amusements on Sunday.

The court pointed out that its decision was not a reflection on directors and officers of the Association in determining to operate on Sunday.

Unless steps are taken immediately for an appeal and a supersedeas is granted, the exposition probably will not be open another Sunday.

Appeal Will Be Taken. Philadelphia, Sept. 16.—(AP)—An appeal will be taken from the decision of the Dauphin County court which denied the right of the Sesqui-Centennial Exposition to operate on Sundays, city solicitor Joseph P. Gaffney said today.

WINSTON REMAINS THE LARGEST CITY

Charlotte Closest Rival in the State With Greensboro Third; Raleigh Seventh. Winston-Salem, Sept. 15.—That Winston-Salem is, within its corporate limits, still the largest city in the state is revealed in population estimates prepared by the Commercial Service Company of Asheville, which is publishing new directories for every city of major size in the state.

Winston-Salem is given 72,000 people. Charlotte is second, with 67,000; including its outskirts, among them North, Charlotte and Myers Park. Charlotte is conceded 78,000 people, a matter of 350 more than Winston-Salem has with the addition of its suburbs.

The negro population is estimated at 30,000. Greensboro is Winston-Salem's nearest rival, with an estimated 50,000. Asheville with 40,000 within the city limits, is fourth, while Durham and Wilmington are tied for fifth, with 40,000 each, Asheville's leading them being due to its thickly populated suburbs. Raleigh is seventh with 38,000 people. High Point has 26,261, and Fayetteville has 20,000. The figures for Wilson were not given.

THE NEW YORK-PARIS FLIGHT IS POSTPONED

Leak in Biplane's Gasoline Tank Makes Necessary For Flight to Be Post. Westbury, N. Y., Sept. 16.—(AP)—The New York to Paris flight of Capt. Rene Fonck French ace, and three companions, was postponed today perhaps indefinitely because of a leak in their biplane's gasoline tank. The leak was found as they were preparing to hop off.

Igor Sikorsky, designer and builder of the huge three-motored biplane, gave orders to put the plane back into its hangar, when it proved difficult to stop the flow of gasoline which was leaking at the rate of ten gallons an hour.

Fear had been expressed that if the fliers did not get away today the weather conditions might not permit them to start this year. Tentatively the start of the flight was set again for tomorrow.

Sensational Climax Forecast.

Los Angeles, Sept. 16.—(AP)—With a number of arrests imminent, a sensational climax was forecast today in the Aimee Semple McPherson kidnapping investigation. District Attorney Asa Keyes, pushing the inquiry into an alleged perjury conspiracy, said he would question a number of persons thought to be implicated by the recent exposure of the "Miss X" hoax.

From an authoritative source it was learned that plans are underway to take the Angelus Temple parter into custody within the next forty-eight hours.

Waters Commits Suicide.

Los Angeles, Cal., Sept. 15.—Dr. A. M. Waters, 55, whose name had been brought into the disappearance case of Mrs. Aimee Semple McPherson, evangelist, committed suicide here today by drinking poison, according to police reports.

Foreign Women in China Rescued.

London, Sept. 16.—(AP)—A dispatch to the Daily Express from Shanghai says that 70 foreign women and 60 children who were isolated at Kikung-shan in the province of Honan, have been rescued by British naval vessels, and have arrived in Hankow in a pitiful condition. Their clothes were in tatters and they were without shoes.

BLUE LAWS IN OLD NORTH STATE SEEM DESTINED TO REMAIN

Judging From Apparent Lack of Progress of the "Association Opposed to Blue Laws."

GALE IN STATE MARKING TIME

Proposed Game of Baseball on Sunday to Make a Test Case Has Not Yet Been Staged.

Tribune Bureau Sir Walter Hotel Raleigh, Sept. 16.—Blue laws are destined to remain and Sundays to retain their religiousness in North Carolina for many more months, judging from the apparent lack of progress which the Association Opposed to Blue Laws has made recently in the state, despite the claims of Linn A. E. Gale, national secretary-treasurer of the association, to the contrary.

Several months ago the association set up state headquarters in Asheville and broadcast to the world that an intensive campaign to be waged in North Carolina to make Sunday safe for plutocracy and others who could afford to indulge in Sunday amusements, and for a time Gale furnished some highly readable propaganda and announced that a Sunday baseball game would be played in Asheville in order to furnish a test case, upon which an endeavor would be made to have the North Carolina blue law of 1741 declared unconstitutional.

But Gale, enthused from his contact with cosmopolites in Washington and other eastern cities, evidently was not familiar with the manner of thinking of Scotch Presbyterians and Scotch-Irish Baptists in North Carolina. The date of the Sunday baseball game was postponed from time to time. Gale left Asheville, later to re-appear in Durham. Still no action.

Gale still says that a test case is going to be brought in North Carolina, at some indefinite date. He told The Tribune correspondent so last night, after he had been located in Durham after about an hour's search. Inquiry at four or five of the leading hotels in Durham revealed the fact that he was not registered at any of them. Even when inquiry for him was made at the Y. M. C. A. the sound of his name brought no glimmer of recognition.

Finally it was learned from a clerk at a new stand that he was working for the Durham County Progress, a weekly newspaper. And at last, seated at an old typewriter in the dingy front office of the small weekly Linn A. E. Gale, national secretary-treasurer of the Association Opposed to Blue Laws, was found banging out copy for next week's edition of The Progress.

But Gale, ever resourceful, and not to be caught napping, was equal to the situation. He explained that the association was temporarily marking time in North Carolina, awaiting the return of Mark Lewis, the attorney for the association, from Florida, where he has been for some weeks of months—Gale expressly said that either expression could be used—engaged in work for the association. Just what this work was not specified, but it was intimated that it was the work of raising sufficient funds to carry on the work of the association.

Mr. Gale explained that membership cost \$1 a year, but that wherever possible, members were asked to pay their dues several years in advance. And on the application for membership, printed in italics which the eye cannot escape, is the gentle hint that members "may also donate to the association."

It was intimated by his caller that it was rather surprising to find one of his prominence, the executive officer of a national association, engaged in writing copy for a small weekly. He smiled and replied that he was an ex-newspaper man, that he always enjoyed writing, and that now while the association was marking time, as it were, pending the bringing of the test case with which it is expected to knock out for all time North Carolina's 185 years old "blue laws," he is temporarily engaged in assisting the editor of The Progress.

It was left to the caller to infer that the crop of one dollar memberships to the association in North Carolina had been so meagre as to be insufficient to meet the expenses of the national secretary.

At first Gale insisted that the baseball game would still be played in Asheville as originally planned, as soon as Mark Lewis should return from Florida. But when his attention was called to the fact that the baseball season would be over within a week—he had not given the matter enough thought apparently to think of that—he declared: "Oh well, we may use some other method of testing the law. We may even decide to stage a game of checkers or dominoes, or open a theater on Sunday."

Harry Fitzpatrick Kills Self.

New Orleans, Sept. 16.—(AP)—Harry W. Fitzpatrick, prominent in New Orleans politics for years, and former president of the southern anti-social, shot and killed himself in his room here last night. The body was found this morning by his wife.

MAJORITY RULE TO GOVERN DEMOCRATS AT NEXT MEETING

This Is Prediction Made by Iowa Members of National Committee Who Oppose Two-Thirds Rule

SAY DELEGATES FAVOR CHANGE

They Report That 48 Members of Committee Have Pledged Themselves to the Majority Rule.

Chicago, Sept. 16.—(AP)—Success of the movement within the Democratic party to abolish the two-thirds rule for national nominations was predicted today by the national committee members of Iowa who have been members of the caucus since its inception early this year.

Clyde L. Herring, of Des Moines and Mrs. Midge O'Neill, of Columbus Junction, Ia., the Iowa members, issued a statement showing that 48 members of the national committee have pledged themselves for the adoption of majority rule in all future conventions, and predicting that an overwhelming majority of the convention vote of 1928 would be behind the movement on the basis of this figure.

Since the agitation for the non-adoption of the two-thirds rule began in the Iowa committee last January the statement said, it had been endorsed by such national party leaders as John W. Davis, the 1924 standard bearer; Wm. G. McAdoo, Norman E. Mack, New York National committee man; Chas. A. Gresham, of Indiana, secretary of the national committee; and Senator Thos. J. Walsh, of Montana, chairman of the 1924 convention.

The Iowa committee members began a majority rule. Responses were obtained from the national committee members of virtually every state.

"The proportion favoring non-adoption of the two-thirds rule is overwhelming," the statement said. "Out of 57 who definitely gave their opinions, 48 favored the majority rule, and only nine were willing to see the child of hate, the two-thirds rule, a true relic of political barbarism, continue to bind the hands of the Thomas Jefferson party."

"On the basis of state representation in 1928 that instrument of boss control would have only 120 favorable votes out of a total of 1,008 in the convention."

WILL W. L. ROSS HAVE TO DIE IN ELECTRIC CHAIR?

Matter Still Rests With the Supreme Court.—Claimed Ross Is Insane. Tribune Bureau Sir Walter Hotel

Raleigh, Sept. 16.—Whether or not W. L. Ross will have to die in the electric chair for the slaying of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Odum, of Warren county, or whether he will be granted a new trial, still rests with the Supreme Court, despite the erroneous report in a Raleigh morning newspaper that a new trial had already been granted Ross. The new trial, if granted, will be allowed in an opinion that will be handed down by the court at some future date, and its granting depends on the question of whether Judge E. H. Cramer, who presided at the trial, erred in excluding certain testimony at the trial which defense attorneys insist had some bearing on the case. Argument in the case was not completed until yesterday afternoon, as the Supreme Court postponed argument Tuesday until it could determine whether or not error had been committed in the rendering of the verdict. This matter was cleared up by Wednesday morning, however, and the argument was heard.

Meanwhile Ross is in a cell in State prison, in an almost semi-conscious condition, hardly aware of what goes on about him, lying for hours in his cell apparently unconscious. Prison authorities say he probably is not capable of realizing what is going on, much less comprehending the enormity of the legal battle being waged to save him from the electric chair.

Although during the trial, Ross repeatedly asked that he be sent to the electric chair, his attorneys assert that he was insane then and that his condition has steadily grown worse, and that as a result, he should not be electrocuted, but should be allowed a new trial, at which the insanity plea can be admitted.

Dollar Days at the Parks-Bell Co's.

Five big dollar days will begin at the Parks-Bell Co's, on Friday, September 17th, and continue through Wednesday, the 22nd. These dollar day sales come only once a year at this store. In two pages of ads, today in both The Tribune and The Times you will find enumerated hundreds of bargains for these five days. You will get one-half dollar off on all dresses and coats from \$5.95 to \$10.95 and up to \$5 off on coats worth \$25.50, with comparing reductions at between prices. But read the two page ads, which will give you full particulars.

William H. Wallace Dies in New York.

Salisbury, Sept. 15.—William H. Wallace, native Salisbury man who has been living in New York for some years, died there Tuesday afternoon, his death coming rather suddenly although he had been in ill health for some time. The body will be taken to Statesville for burial tomorrow. Mr. Wallace was a son of the late V. Wallace and was about fifty two years old.

THE WEATHER

Cloudy to partly cloudy tonight and Friday, probable showers on the south coast Friday. Fresh northerly winds probably strong on northeast coast this afternoon and tonight.

ALLIES OF FRANCE WANT SEATS IN THE LEAGUE'S COUNCIL

Four Nations Given Non-Permanent Seats Are Particularly Friendly to the French.

AMERICANS HEAR HEATED DEBATES

Were Present When Voting Was Done.—Uruguay Enters a Protest Against Council Rule.

Geneva, Sept. 16.—(AP)—France's political influence in continental Europe coupled with the personal popularity of foreign minister Benes of Czechoslovakia, resulted today in the election of four countries who are particularly France's allies, to non-permanent seats in the council of the league of nations. The states are: Poland, Rumania, Czechoslovakia and Belgium.

The other states chosen were Colombia, Chile, Salvador, Holland and China. The Irish Free State lost its battle to represent the British dominions in the Council, receiving only 10 votes. Colombia, the highest winner, received 46 out of the total of 49.

Czechoslovakia, which was an eleven-hour candidate against Finland, easily won on the second ballot for the ninth seat, after the 8th place had been filled on the first ballot.

A large crowd, including American Minister Hugh Gibson, Rear Admiral Hilary P. Jones, and the members of the American delegation to the preliminary disarmament conference, followed the balloting with interest.

They also heard a stiff protest from the Uruguayan delegation against the caucus of the Latin-American members of the league in Geneva which rejected Uruguay's claim to succeed herself on the council, and picked Chile, Colombia and Salvador for the three seats allotted to Latin-America.

Not only will France have four allies in the council, but Poland whose demand for a permanent seat was one of the chief causes of the league's failure to admit Germany to membership last March, is declared eligible for re-election at the end of the three-year period given her today.

MORRISON SAYS HE WILL BE CANDIDATE

Will Run for United States Senate in 1932, He Announces. Asheville, Sept. 16.—(AP)—Former Governor Cameron Morrison, of Charlotte, will be a candidate for the Democratic nomination for the United States Senate in 1932, he announced here today. At the same time he made public his platform of eight planks for the development of North Carolina.

While there have been many indications that the former governor would seek the seat to which Senator Overman recently was renominated, this is Mr. Morrison's first definite announcement of his intentions.

Former Governor Morrison made his announcement so definite as to indicate he will be a candidate against Senator Overman if the veteran jurist or Senator seek another term, although the former Executive made no direct reference to this possibility. Neither did he indicate that he has received any assurance that Senator Overman will retire voluntarily at the conclusion of the term for which the democrats renominated him in June.

Chief among the planks of the former governor's platform is an announcement that he will fight for a new state highway bond issue of \$40,000,000 when the next General Assembly convenes in January.

In outlining the program he believes essential to the development and future prosperity in North Carolina, ex-Governor Morrison mentions eight distinctive points. These he is urging in talks throughout the state, and spoke of at the road celebration at Franklin yesterday.

Levee Breaks, Causing Much Concern.

Chicago, Sept. 16.—(AP)—Continued floods in the middle west which have caused more than \$1,000,000 damages were marked by breaking of a levee on the Stank River near Weaver, Iowa, today. Much farm land soon was under water as farmers and prisoners from the Fort Madison penitentiary worked feverishly to patch the flow. A four-foot gap widened to seven feet within an hour.

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