

Growers Of Grain And Cotton Meet To Talk About Their Problems

Farm Organizations of 14 States, Six of Them in the South, Represented at the Meeting.

DR. KILGORE ONE DELEGATE PRESENT

Senator Caraway Says the Government Has Not Played Fair With the Farm People.

St. Louis, Nov. 16.—(AP)—The cotton growing South and the grain producing Middle West got together today for a two days session, through the medium of representatives of farm organizations of fourteen States, six of them in the South, to formulate joint demands for Congressional relief for agriculture.

It was the first time that two great agricultural sections ever had reached the point of sitting together, and the move sought for months by the grain producers finally was influenced largely by the condition in which the South finds itself through a heavy over production of cotton which has sent prices tumbling.

Governmental favoritism was termed the cause of the farmers' predicament in a speech prepared for delivery by Senator Caraway, of Arkansas, one of the four speakers on the program. The others were: Frank O. Lovell, former governor of Illinois; Dr. R. W. Kilgore, of Raleigh, N. C., chairman of the board of the American Cotton Growers Exchange; and A. D. Waldauer, of Memphis, Tenn., attorney for the Tennessee Cotton Growers Co-operative Association.

The speeches with the selection of a permanent chairman and the appointment of a resolutions committee, completed today's program.

"There is no mystery as to the cause of the collapse of agriculture," said Senator Caraway in his speech. "Everyone thinks he knows the cause. Had there been a collapse in industry, in transportation, in commerce and in agriculture from 1920 until today, we might have thought it due to world conditions. If prosperity had come to agriculture as it has to industry, transportation and in commerce, we could have ascribed it to world conditions."

"But when prosperity came to commerce, to industry, to transportation and bankruptcy to agriculture, we likewise knew the cause. When prosperity comes to one section and remains in that section we also know the cause. Now it is due to legislation—to government favoritism."

With Our Advertisers.

Read the ad. of the Concord & Kannapolis Gas Co. today for seven reasons "Why Coke Is Your Best Fuel."

A big price reduction on Firestone gum-dipped cases went into effect November 15th, and they were never so cheap. See the Ritchie Hardware Co. before you buy. Phone 117.

See the new Ford motor in the new ad. of the Reid Motor Co. These prices include starter and balloon tires.

See the new ad. of the E. L. Morrison Lumber Co. Phone 670.

F. E. Ward, at the Charles Storrs offers a reward for the recovery of a large tan suit case stolen from the Buick sedan in rear of the store. See ad.

Christmas approaches. See the new ad. of S. W. Preslar. "A mile from high prices."

Suits and overcoats \$19.50 and up at W. A. Overcash's. New hats \$5 to \$8.

Batteries and denatured alcohol and refined glycerine at the Auto Supply & Repair Co. Complete line of good-rich tires and accessories. Phone 228.

Henry Ford Shows Interest in School. Rome, Ga., Nov. 16.—Mountain children of the Berry school entertained one of the world's richest men today, perhaps not knowing that he was among them to ascertain their needs.

Henry Ford, the automobile manufacturer, and a party including Mrs. Ford, arrived yesterday for an inspection of the school and a visit with Miss Martha Berry, its founder. Mr. Ford did not issue a statement but he was quoted as saying he was "very much interested" and that he intended assisting the school with a foundation "at the proper time."

Members of the party were careful to point out that the manufacturer plans visits to other schools doing work similar to that of Miss Berry. Mr. Ford became interested in the Berry school prior to an award to Miss Berry of the Roosevelt medal in recognition of her work and has visited the school before. After several days here he probably will go to Atlanta.

"Peaches" Didn't Write Experiences, Says Her Attorney. White Plains, N. Y., Nov. 15.—Newspaper articles bearing the name of Frances "Peaches" Browning as author and describing her life with her husband, Edward W. Browning, were not written by her and she seldom reads them, the girl wife's attorney declared today at a hearing on her application for \$4,000 a month alimony and \$25,000 counsel fees. Supreme Court Justice Morschauer reserved decision on the claim for all-mony and counsel fees.

THE COTTON MARKET

Opened Steady Today at Decline of 8 Points to Advance of 1 Point. New York, Nov. 16.—(AP)—The cotton market opened steady today at a decline of 3 points to an advance of 1 point, most of the active positions being lower under overnight selling orders from the south and local selling in liquidation.

Trade interests were buyers, while there was a continued demand for December from spot houses and considerable covering. This absorbed early offerings and gave the market a fairly steady undertone toward the end of the first hour, January selling up from 12.57 to 12.62, or back to about yesterday's closing quotations. The spot house buying of near month lots was accompanied by continued reports of a steady spot basis in the South.

Private cables reported fair trade calling, with local and continued buying in Liverpool, and a moderate business in cotton cloths for India. Cotton futures opened steady: Dec. 12.57; Jan. 12.58; March 12.77; May 12.98; July 13.21.

Start This Week on New Yachin Bridge. Charlotte, Nov. 15.—The work of constructing the new \$325,000 bridge over the Yachin River, on highway No. 74, between Albemarle and Troy, will begin this week, it is announced by J. B. Pridden, sixth district highway engineer. The Hardaway Construction Company of Charlotte, which was awarded the contract, began moving equipment to the site of the new bridge last week, Mr. Pridden said.

The new structure will span the river about one-half mile north of the present bridge and was necessitated by the building of a new hydro-electric plant between Badin and Albemarle by the Carolina Power and Light Company. The backwater from the dam of that project will cover the present bridge, it was explained. Approximately one mile of new road, on each side of the river, is included in the construction necessitated by the building of the dam.

Following the completion of the new bridge, some time next summer, the old bridge will be demolished. The cost of the new bridge and stretches of road will be borne by the power company, it was explained.

Reduces Average, Raises Production. Salisbury, Nov. 15.—Twenty acres planted to cotton on the farm of W. D. Graham, of Miramonte community, in Howan county, will produce 25 bales of cotton this year, reports County Agent W. G. Yeager. Last year Mr. Graham had 30 acres in cotton and produced 26 bales. This year he decided to reduce his acreage one-third and by proper cultivation, fertilization and the use of improved seeds has increased his acre yield to more than this year, and practically equalled the production from 30 acres last year.

According to Mr. Yeager, a further reduction will be made in next year's cotton planting with a corresponding increase in grain and hay crops.

Pillar of Cloud Didn't Show Up. Miss Milled Case. Kansas City, Nov. 16.—The pillar of cloud at Kansas City's Liberty Memorial, turned on yesterday "for all time" was missing this morning. Its absence was due to the neglect of some one to tell the memorial superintendent of the "forever" part. He was misled and the cloud again showed from the top of the memorial shaft. The pillar of cloud is contrived by releasing steam from the huge boiler atop the shaft. Colored lights make it appear a "pillar of fire" by night.

Dula Suit Not to Come Up at Present. Stateville, Nov. 15.—Trial of the \$25,000 damage suit of Dr. A. W. Dula, optometrist of Lenoir, against the North Carolina Optometrical Society, was continued to the March term of Iredell Superior Court, when attorneys for the plaintiff were unable to appear today.

The Lenoir optometrist is asking damages of the state society for expulsion from membership in the organization for alleged unethical advertising.

Some American Woman Can Buy Russian Crown. Moscow, Nov. 16.—Some American women soon will have the chance to wear the crown of Catherine the Great of Russia—if she wants it and can afford it.

This famous ornament and others of the collection of Russian crown jewels now are on the way to New York, having been purchased from the Soviet government by Norman C. Wiles, diamond merchant of New York and London. The price paid for the crown has not been made public.

Veteran Editor Passes in Iowa. Des Moines, Iowa, Nov. 15.—La Fayette Young, editor of the Des Moines Daily Capital, and a former United States senator from Iowa, died here today from heart disease.

Death came peacefully to the veteran editor and publisher about 11 a. m. at a bath parlor. He lay down to rest after his bath and an attendant noticed him to be growing weaker. Death occurred shortly after a doctor arrived.

Footlock was originally so called because the watermark in the paper was a jester's cap and bells.

Neighborly



Visits of the Rev. Edward W. Hail to the home of Mrs. Eleanor Mills were described at the trial of three persons accused of murdering the couple, at Somerville, N. J., by Mrs. Millie Opie, a neighbor of Mrs. Mills.

TO UNVEIL MEMORIAL AT CHARLOTTE TODAY

Shaft in Memory of Mecklenburg World War Dead Under Auspices of D. A. R.

Charlotte, Nov. 17.—As a lasting memorial to Charlotte's part in the World War and as a tribute to the soldiers that were trained at Camp Greene for service overseas, a tall, handsome shaft of Mount Airy granite will be unveiled here Tuesday by the Mecklenburg chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

In arranging a suitable program for the occasion, the chapter has been aided by the American Legion, which will conduct the military features and assist in presenting the patriotic and memorial parts of the exercises. A large number of persons are expected to be present.

The site of the monument is on a slight hill at a corner of the new Wilkinson state highway near the old Remount station at Camp Greene. The shaft will be among the first of its kind in the south and has already attracted widespread attention throughout the country, particularly from many of the men that were encamped there.

The lower base of the monument measures six feet and six inches square, resting on two large bases. From this rises a graceful, fluted shaft 25 feet high, surmounted by a Corinthian ball. It is the work of the Charlotte Marble and Granite Works.

On the face of the monument is the insignia of the Daughters of the American Revolution, with the following inscription: "Erected by Mecklenburg Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, in commemoration of Camp Greene and in honor of the men who were trained there for service in the World War."

Underneath is engraved: "Camp Greene, July 12, 1917—June 30, 1919."

NAVY AND PRINCETON TO PLAY U. N. C. AND DUKE? Charlotte Paper So Predicts; Georgia Tech Included on Tar Heels' Card. Charlotte, Nov. 15.—The Charlotte News in a story published here today says that the Naval Academy likely will appear on the 1927 football schedule of Duke University and Princeton and Georgia Tech on that of the University of North Carolina.

Representatives of Navy and Duke, the story says, "are understood to have agreed to terms and the game is only a matter of signing the contract."

The story gives the following probable schedule of the University as follows: September 25—Wake Forest at Chapel Hill; October 1—Tennessee at Chapel Hill; October 8—South Carolina, at Columbia; October 15—Georgia Tech, at Atlanta; October 22—Maryland at Chapel Hill; October 29—North Carolina State at Raleigh; November 5—Princeton at Chapel Hill; November 12, Davidson at Chapel Hill; November 19—Duke, at Durham; November 24—Virginia, at Chapel Hill.

Lynching Probe Pushed, But No Statement Made. Columbia, S. C., Nov. 15.—Governor McLeod stated today that the investigation of the Aiken lynching is continuing. He said he had no announcement to make as to the progress of the probe. It is regarded as possible that warrants will be issued, though when such a turn will be developed is not known. A number of prisoners who were in the Aiken jail the night of the lynching have testified that they recognized members of the mob that came to the jail and took the three Lowmans out.

Full Mall, one of the world's famous thoroughfares, has been illuminated by gas 115 years, and a movement has been started to change to electricity.

WILMINGTON IS NOW CENTRAL POINT FOR TAR HEEL BAPTISTS

More Than 200 Ministers, in Addition to Laymen, Gather for Annual State Convention.

DR. POTEAT WILL ATTEND SESSIONS

Is Not Expected to Be the Center of Fight, However—Wake Forest Alumni Will Gather Also.

Wilmington, N. C., Nov. 16.—(AP)—Early trains today were bringing additional delegates for the North Carolina Baptist Convention, which convenes at the First Baptist Church this afternoon. Last night 200 ministers had arrived and scores of delegates were also in the city. Indications were, local committees said, that fully 500 visitors would be here for the convention.

Last night a pastors' conference, held preliminary to the convention, was presided over by Rev. Joel L. Snyder, of Fayetteville. The theme of the conference was "The Pastor Effective Through His Church." Speakers from various sections of the state entered into the discussion and this was followed by a song service.

The pastors' conference was closed with a session this morning. On the program for the morning session speakers were: Rev. H. A. Ellis, Henderson; Rev. T. H. King, Clinton; Rev. W. R. Goode, Reidsville; Rev. R. T. Vann, Raleigh; and Dr. J. W. Lynch, of Wake Forest.

Dr. William Louis Poteat, president of the Wake Forest College, was expected to arrive in the city this morning and to attend the sessions of the convention. A storm cloud in some previous conventions, the stand of Dr. Poteat on biology, was not expected to come up at the present convention although it was said by some officials of the convention that "his enemies or enemies of his thought might start something."

It was also announced that Attorney General Dennis G. Brummett would arrive this afternoon, and would be the speaker at a meeting tonight of Wake Forest College alumni to be held in connection with the conference.

"UNCLE JOE" CANNON BURIED WITH SIMPLICITY

Vice President Dawes Represented the Government at Services at Danville, Illinois.

Danville, Ill., Nov. 16.—(AP)—Far from the halls of state, Joseph Cannon wrote his name indelibly into the history of a nation, friends of the former speaker of the House convened today to commit his body to its resting place.

At the church a hymn, a prayer and a five-minute talk by the Rev. T. H. Ewing, of the St. James Methodist Church, constituted the church ceremony, and at the ceremony Knights Templar and Boy Scouts stood at attention as the casket passed between them and was lowered to the grave.

Vice President Chas. G. Dawes, Governor Len Small, of Illinois, Senator Chas. F. Dawes, and others of the political eminence stood with the throngs who packed the church, but there was no other favor of official tribute at the family's request.

Capt. F. C. Robbins Dead. Lexington, N. C., Nov. 16.—(AP)—Captain F. C. Robbins, 93, Confederate veteran and attorney, died at his home here today. Death was hastened by a fall suffered in his home Saturday night.

Captain Robbins retired several years ago after practicing law fifty years. He was judge advocate general of the North Carolina Confederate Veterans. Funeral arrangements have not been announced.

Negro Boy Hanged at Fayetteville. Fayetteville, N. C., Nov. 13.—The body of Judd Richardson, 13-year-old negro, was found this afternoon hanging to a tree in the yard of the house where he lived here. It is not known whether death was accidental or intentional. It is thought he might have been playing in the tree with his rope and accidentally got his head in the noose. Another negro boy, 10 years old, cut the body down.

Woman Sentenced For Possessing Liquor. Durham, N. C., Nov. 16.—I. N. S.—Miss Lulu Walker has been sentenced to serve seven months in the workhouse in this county for possession of liquor. When officers raided her home and found ten gallons, she threw a gallon jar of whiskey at the officers.

TAX NOTICE

City Taxes Paid in November saves you the penalty that will be added December 1st.

Pay now and save the cost.

CHAS. N. FIELD, City Tax Collector.

GOV. McLEAN ISSUES FORMAL STATEMENT ON BUDGET HEARINGS

Denies Any Member of the Commission Has Shown Bias for or Against Any Institution.

SAYS INJUSTICE HAS BEEN DONE

Attempts of Some to Interpret the Deliberations of the Budget Commission Too Freely.

Tribune Bureau Sir Walter Hotel Raleigh, Nov. 16.—Vigorous refuting the implications that have been made by some to the effect that either the budget commission as a whole or any of its individual members are showing any bias in their attitude toward any of the state institutions or that any determination has been reached as yet regarding recommendations, Governor A. W. McLean yesterday issued a formal statement to the press setting forth the real purpose of the budget hearings that have been in progress for more than a week before the advisory budget commission.

Such a statement was necessary, the governor declared, because of the attempts of certain persons to inject partisan opinions into the hearings and to make political capital out of mere conjecture.

The primary purpose of the hearings before the budget commission is to assemble detailed data as to the needs of the various state institutions, so that this data may be presented to the legislature's committees on appropriations and finance when the legislature meets. And the large number of questions that have been asked by the governor and others, have been for no other purpose other than to put into the record the detailed reasons for the various requests so that when these requests are taken up by the legislature the material showing the necessity for the requests will be immediately available. In other words, the budget advisory commission is attempting not to pre-judge the needs of the institutions and decide the appropriations, but merely to get together certain data that will assist the legislative committee and the legislature in determining the appropriations when these matters come up for consideration.

Hence, he feels that a certain amount of injustice has been done the budget commission by the attempts of some to interpret the deliberations of the commission too freely and by drawing extreme conclusions, from a statement issued by Governor McLean.

"The hearing now going on before the advisory budget commission is similar to that conducted in previous years. The commission is composed of the governor, the present chairman of the finance and appropriation committees of the last general assembly, and also Arthur M. Dixon, of Gastonia, and R. S. McCain, of Henderson, business men and taxpayers.

"The purpose of the hearings now going on is to develop the needs of the various departments, institutions and government and to present the same to the next general assembly with recommendations as to what appropriations should be made for maintenance and for permanent improvements during the biennium beginning July 1, 1927. The members of the advisory budget commission and the governor have visited practically every institution in the state and will also procure all information possible from the heads of the various spending agencies as to the particular needs for the next two years. After the hearings are completed the governor and the members of the commission will make their recommendations to the general assembly with a view to presenting a program for the next biennium."

Force in 47 of the states in the Union, including Maryland, Kentucky, Virginia, Tennessee, New York, Illinois, Ohio, West Virginia and Massachusetts and also in the federal government.

"The suggestion made by a few persons biased on and have already determined what they will do as between institutions or classes of institutions is wholly unfounded. The governor and members of the commission attending the hearing have not and will not make up their minds until the whole program is considered.

"It is the duty of the governor and members of the commission to think of the interests of the taxpayers, as well as the various departments and institutions, and finally to do justice, as far as possible, as between the taxpayers and all of those who are asking for money to perform their duties conscientiously and to the best of their ability. I believe the people of the state will refuse to give serious notice to a few misaplots who for purely selfish reasons will endeavor to discredit the business system which has been set up in connection with the administration of the state's financial operations."

In discussing the statement with members of the press, Governor McLean pointed out that it was his sworn duty as governor and executive director of the budget, to inquire into the needs and desires of the state in

These Women Rulers!



Governor Nellie Taylor Ross (left) welcomed Queen Marie of Rumania to Wyoming at Casper. Prince Nicholas is shown at the Queen's left.

ARKANSAS MEN STUDY CAROLINA TEXTILE PLANTS

Want Information That Will Aid in Developing Industry in Their Home State. Charlotte, Nov. 16.—(AP)—Inspection of textile plants of the Carolinas with a view to obtaining information that will aid in developing the industry in Arkansas is one of the objectives of a party of business men due to arrive in Charlotte late this afternoon from Greenville, S. C.

The party, headed by Charles Hillman Brough, former governor of Arkansas, and Harvey C. Couch, of Pine Bluff, Ark., power magnate, is composed largely of business men from Camden, Arkansas, in the Arkansas oil field.

Arkansas at the state election in October adopted an amendment to the state constitution exempting cotton mills locating in the state from all taxation for a period of seven years.

RUNAWAY HUSBAND BELIEVED IN DETROIT

Greensboro Man Thought to Have Taken Woman With Him. Greensboro, Nov. 15.—Police officers here think that Thomas L. Mobley, of this city, who ran away from here, leaving his employers and wife in the lurch, taking with him, it is said, a strawberry blonde, has been located in Detroit. A telegram received here from the chief of detectives of the Detroit police force asks local police for a full description of the man.

Mobley was supposed to be a model citizen until he ran away. He was trusted by his employers, the W. J. Anderson Company. That company has attached his home here, claiming he is indebted to the company in the sum of \$3,000. In addition, a building and loan company, which had a mortgage on the home, claims default in payments on the mortgage and will sell the property.

Weekly Debate Is Held at Harrisburg School. Harrisburg, Nov. 15.—Margaret Corzine and Allen Bozer were the winners in the first weekly debate to be held by the Freshman Debating Club of Harrisburg high school Friday morning. The victors were the negative speakers on the question, "Resolved, that every state or school district should furnish text books and supplies for all pupils in the public schools." Wilton McCahren, vice president, presided.

Vare Spent \$7,668.28 in Election. Washington, Nov. 16.—(AP)—Wm. S. Vare, of Pennsylvania, whose right to a Senate seat is questioned because of heavy expenditures in his primary campaign, spent \$7,668.28 in his general election contest, he declared in a sworn statement filed today with the secretary of the senate.

stitutions in the manner in which it was being done by the advisory budget commission and himself, regardless of the attitude of either press or public, and that this course would be continued. He also pointed out that rarely if ever in the history of any state, including North Carolina, had any legislature ever granted every appropriation that had been asked, and that as a rule the institutions making the requests rarely if ever expected every request to be granted. Hence it is extremely important that in examining these requests, definite statements from the various institutions be put in the record showing the degree of importance of the various requests. Hence it is, the governor declared, that each institution is being asked to state which request or requests are most essential, and that it all cannot be granted the important and pressing needs may be taken care of.

ACCUSED MAN GETS AWAY BY A MISTAKE

Sheriff Misunderstood Judge Stack's Orders as to C. B. White. Charlotte, Nov. 15.—Release of Charles B. White, architect, from a charge of bigamy was not intended at the time he signed an order Saturday releasing White from bond in connection with a civil suit, Judge A. M. Stack indicated in superior court here today.

The release order signed by Judge Stack was in connection with an agreed verdict for \$15,000 in the suit of Mrs. Flora Lesen White, wife of the defendant, who had asked \$25,000 damages from him.

White supposedly has left the state. He was arrested a week ago at Jackson, Miss., and brought back here. The judge today demanded of the attorneys in the case and Sheriff W. O. Cochran on what authority White had been released. The sheriff replied that it was on the judge's own order. The judge replied that his order merely applied to the arrest and bail phase of the civil suit.

It developed, however, that White had never been formally arrested on the bigamy charge and the case some time ago was not pressed with leave. This there was no active case against White at the time. The judge made it clear that it had not been his intention to release White from the bigamy charge. He has been accused of having several living wives.

MAN AND WOMAN SHOT BY UNKNOWN PERSON

Robert Zwielf and Mrs. John Cross Mysteriously Shot. Scotland, N. D., Nov. 16.—(AP)—Two persons were shot to death and three others wounded at the John Cross farm near here last night by a mysterious assassin who fired through a window with a shot gun.

The dead are: Robert Zwielf, 18; and Mrs. John Cross, 50, wife of the owner of the farm. The wounded are: Clarence Zwielf, 15, brother of Robert; Emmanuel Cross, 25, and Mrs. Solomon Cross, 50. Several other occupants of the room escaped the blast of shot that swept through the window just as the party prepared to sit down to a game of cards.

The slayer fired four or five charges from the shotgun without revealing himself. Robert Zwielf died at the first shot, and Mrs. Cross was killed when she appeared at the door to investigate. No motive was known for the attack.

Stocks Down From Tin. New York, Nov. 16.—It will be surprising to most people to learn that the cost of silk stockings, frocks, neckties, and hundreds of other articles of everyday wear is likely to be raised because of the high price of tin.

These articles contain this so-called "base" metal, and as the price of tin has more than doubled during the past few years, it is expected that their prices will have to be raised.

Had 150 Slot Machines. New Orleans, La., Nov. 16.—I. N. S.—One hundred and fifty three slot machines are entirely too many to have in one house when slot machines are illegal in the state, police say.

Police led by Captain George Reed raided a local home and seized all the slot machines. Three men who said they were from Louisville, Ky., were arrested and charged with possession of gambling paraphernalia.

Twenty-three miles of velvet carpet are required to cover the corridors and bed rooms of a hotel now nearing completion in New York city.

TESTIFIES SHE SAW SINGER SITTING ON KNEE OF MINISTER

Mrs. Marie Lee, Sister of Mrs. Eleanor Mills, Tells of Love Scene in 1918 Between Dead Couple.

SAW THE COUPLE KISS, SHE SAYS

Mrs. Lee Says Her Sister Told Her Relations Between Them Were 'Quite Proper' at That Time.

Somerville, N. J., Nov. 16.—(AP)—Opening of today's session of the Hall-Mills murder trial was delayed to permit Alexander Simpson, special prosecutor to question out of court members of St. Mary's Guild of New Brunswick, to learn what they might know of the affair between the Rev. Edward Wheeler Hall and Mrs. Eleanor R. Mills, kiss singer in his church. That she saw her sister, Mrs. Eleanor R. Mills, kiss the Rev. Edward W. Hall in 1918, but was assured by Mrs. Mills that relations between them were "quite proper," was the testimony of Mrs. Marie M. Lee, of Patterson, N. J., in the Hall-Mills trial here today. Mrs. Mills insistence that there was "nothing wrong" was repeated in 1921. Mrs. Lee said, but added that in April of the following year her sister told her in the presence of James Mills, her husband, that she was going away with Mr. Hall.

The kiss was described by Mrs. Lee as taking place while she was making her home with her sister in New Brunswick. Entering the house quietly she saw the couple kiss as Mrs. Mills sat on the minister's knee, she said.

Mrs. Lee also declared that James Mills was assured by his wife that she would not do anything to disgrace his name, but that when she was ready to go away with the minister she would tell him.

Mills sat forward in his chair during the early part of his sister-in-law's testimony, and smiled as she said that her sister in telling her of her affection for the minister, said Hall was "intellectual equal." The witness was questioned to a possible inference that Mr. Mills was not the intellectual equal of his wife, but she said this feature was not brought out. Her sister, said the witness, described Hall as her "idea of a man."

Mrs. Lee said that several years before death of Mrs. Mills and the doctor, she saw Hall place his hand over that of her sister, and Mrs. Mills was operating a motion picture machine at a social gathering in the New Brunswick Church with which both were connected.

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TRAPPERS WAR BRINGS DEATH TO ONE MAN

Seven Others Wounded in Fighting Between Ten Officers and Crowd of Trappers. New Orleans, Nov. 16.—(AP)—One man was killed and seven others injured in a fight with machine guns, shot guns and pistols at Gentilly Bayou, de la Croix Island, today. The fight marked a renewal of the trappers war which has been waged annually through several trapping seasons.

Sam Govland, deputy sheriff, formerly a justice of the peace of St. Bernard Parish, was killed outright. Injuring the others were not believed serious.

Versions of the shooting were in variance. The fight occurred as ten deputy sheriffs and guards protecting leased trapping lands passed a group of trappers and their sympathizers on the levee. The officers asserted that as they reached a point near De La Croix Island, the crowd of trappers opened fire upon them with machine guns, shot guns and other weapons.

The trappers declared the guards fired upon them first, after they had pleaded for an interview to bring to an amicable settlement misunderstandings between the trappers, the land owners and guards.

425 Grade Crossings Eliminated. Raleigh, Nov. 16.—(AP)—Four hundred twenty-five grade crossings have been eliminated in North Carolina since the state highway commission began its elimination operations in January, 1921. It was announced here today. This leaves only 351 such crossings in the state.

Elimination of the crossings has been accomplished by the following means: 42 over passes; 39 under passes; and 324 re-location of the road.

There is no surer way to gain a man's underlying friendship than to go to him for advice.

THE WEATHER

Fair and colder tonight, Wednesday increasing cloudiness probably followed by light rain in extreme west. Diminishing westerly winds.