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RALEIGH FEDERAL COURT SEES HOW CONNOR HURRIES

Distinguished Jurist Breaks All Previous Records There
29 CONVICTIONS
Two Days More May Send the Number Up to Thirty-Six

(BY W. T. BOST)
Raleigh, June 3.—Judge Connor has broken all Federal court records for convictions and prison sentences during the present term and today the grand total went to 29.
Two days more may send the imposing list of bookkeepers, nearly all being whiskey makers and sellers to an even 30. Marshal Dorich does not know whether he broke another record when he escorted 13 to Atlanta shortly after taking charge of the office. The impression of old men who worked under the preceding administration is that 13 was high-water. Before noon today the number had reached 27 and it was augmented by two this afternoon.
The Harvest
This is the expected harvest. The Grier act has been followed by an amazing boldness in illicit traffic. The officers of the collector's and the marshal's departments have taken more distilleries in the two months under the Grier act than they had done during any previous quarter. Judge Connor has met this outbreak of lawlessness with firmness and old offenders who appeared to have gone out of business, have been given prison sentences when their crimes called for it. Both District Attorney Winston and his assistant, District Attorney Green, have been daily on the job. It has required both working hard. No such court has been held here in a many year.
The two departments expected the outbreak following the passage of the Grier act and put all men in the field who could be spared. They naturally feel good over results.

GERMAN SPY IS IN LAW'S TOILS

Woman's Baggage Contained Incriminating Evidence
Milan, Italy, via Paris, June 3.—Isabelle Wade, aged 37, of Chicago, was arrested here today on the charge of being an accomplice of a Bavarian officer who is accused of espionage.
A few days ago the police arrested a Bavarian officer named Martin Schehammer on suspicion of espionage. He had made several visits to the provinces of Brescia and Verona in the war zone.
It was learned that Schehammer had lived in several Italian towns, Milan and Rome included, and had many addresses. His close acquaintance with Isabelle Wade, of Chicago, a singer, was discovered and the police found the woman living in an apartment here under the name of Margherita Martello. Search of her apartment revealed a large package of correspondence in cipher, military maps of important strategic value in the provinces of Alexandria, Udine, Verona and Bassano. These were contained in a large valise, in which also were field glasses and a revolver.
From another package of German correspondence it would appear that Isabelle Wade had had dealings with the police in Berlin.
The woman at first maintained that she was Margherita Martello and had found the valise in the street, but after spending a short time in prison she admitted her real identity and declared that Schehammer had placed the valise in her hands, saying he was a soldier by the police and feared he would be arrested at any moment and that it was necessary to hide the documents.

RALEIGH POSTMASTER GETS A VERY POOR COUNTRY

Mr. King's poor country. None of us has a son in the winter. "How do you live there?" "We lead each other a little."

AUSTRO-GERMAN TROOPS CAPTURE FORT OF PRZEMSL

For the Second Time Forces Gain Control of Important Point
RUSSIA HAD IT
Czar's Troops Took the Fortress Last March
Berlin, June 3.—Przemysl has been recaptured by the Austro-Germans, under General Mackensen, according to official dispatches from the Austrian headquarters. The Vienna official statement said: "We have recaptured Przemysl." The city was first captured by the Austro-Germans by the Russians March 22, after a five-months' siege, having starved out the garrison. The city was taken at 3:30 a. m. today.
Another Report
The great Austrian fortress of Przemysl, situated between Lemberg and Cracow in the Province of Galicia, was captured by the Russians March 22 last after one of the longest sieges of modern warfare.
Since then the Austrians and Germans have made a vigorous effort to retake it, large forces for the drive eastward being diverted from the great fortress to the west, Cracow.
Recent dispatches have said the Austro-German troops were successful in their operations to the north and the southeast of Przemysl, and that the forts guarding the position had been taken.
When Przemysl fell into the hands of the Russians it had undergone a siege of 201 days. The Austrian garrison originally consisted of 170,000 men of whom 40,000 were killed. About 120,000 Austrians surrendered with the fortress.

OCRACOKE PLANS FOR FOURTH JULY

There'll Be Something Doing There On That Date
Ocracoke, June 4.—An eventful Fourth of July celebration, rich in interesting, exciting and amusing features is being planned this year by the residents of Ocracoke. It promises to be the biggest event of its kind ever held at this popular resort. Pony penning, boat races, swimming contests, baseball game, fireworks, dancing, and address by State Superintendent of Schools J. Y. Joyner, and many other features will be carried out during the day.
The people of Ocracoke are making elaborate preparations for the celebration, which will be held on Saturday, July 3rd. Boats will leave Washington on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, preceding the Fourth, and daily transportation will be in effect from Morehead City and Beaufort. Excursions will also be run from Swan Quarter, Lake Landing, Englehard and Wyeoking. Hundreds of visitors are expected from all parts of eastern Carolina. Ample accommodations will be provided for all who come.

TRAIN STRIKES AUTO

As a Result There is Considerable Damage
Suffolk, Va., June 4.—Luther Church, a well known young man of Norfolk, was struck by an Atlantic Coast Line freight train near Driver yesterday afternoon, sustaining internal injuries the extent and danger of which have not yet been ascertained.
Mr. Church was driving a Ford automobile in the terrific storm which was raging yesterday across a spur track which penetrates the trucking section near Driver, and failed to hear the train blow. The train struck the automobile and turned it over in a ditch, pinning Mr. Church inside.
The train crew went to his assistance and had to lift out the car and set away the top before Mr. Church could be pulled out. He was placed on a cot and the train which struck him rushed him to Norfolk. At Pung Point the Atlantic Coast Line had a tug waiting and the injured man was hurried by speed to the Protestant hospital.
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CHAIRMAN FLOOD BELIEVES MEXICO CAN BE CLEANED

Of the Opinion That Men of Obregon's Type Can Do the Work
CUT OFF SUPPLIES
Thinks That U. S. Should Not Furnish Warring Factions Arms
Washington, June 3.—Chairman Flood of the House Foreign Relations Committee called at the State Department today and said that even though Mexican military leaders will fall to get together, it is believed that enough of their lieutenants of the type of General Obregon and prominent commercial men in Mexico will be able to form a party to set up a provisional government which the United States could recognize. It is intimated that the report is true that the United States will then cut off all supplies except to the recognized faction.
Enrique C. Loreto, Villa's personal representative at Washington, today said the convention government that Villa represents is trying to comply with the President's demands, but some officials of Villa's faction are not working with him. He said Villa is trying to bring about an agreement, and will give serious attention to the President's proclamation.
Consul Hanna at Monterey today reported to the State Department that the first installment of Red Cross supplies has reached there, a carload each of corn, beans and flour. The food is distributed to all families.
Eliseo Arredondo, head of the Carranza agency here, said he believed the President's note was largely due to the lack of relations between the United States and the Constitutionalists, causing the belief here of reports regarding Carranza. Carranza ordered the free entry of food to Mexico City four days ago, it is claimed. He said Carranza controls nine-tenths of Mexico's population and seven-eighths of the territory, and has three times as many troops as Villa. Arredondo declared Carranza will take Mexico City within a week, "clearing up the situation."

SILENCES GOSSIP BY MARRIAGE VOW

Jersey Minister Wed Girl to Put a Stop to Talk
New York, June 4.—The village gossip of Monroe, N. J., who have been revelling in the troubles of Rev. Walter Scott and Miss Beatrice Bledt, were surprised when the couple were married at the home of Miss Angelina Fisher, aunt of the bride. The clergyman expressed the hope that the marriage would silence the gossip which caused him to lose his pastorate and greatly worried Miss Bledt.
Mr. Scott was pastor of the Christian Church here until two weeks ago, when he resigned with the Board of Trustees were investigating affidavits that he and a young woman had been seen walking together in the woods on various occasions.
The affidavits stated there was no particular harm in a young unmarried clergyman strolling through the woods with a young unmarried woman, but complaint was made that the clergyman had his arm about the girl's waist and was quite demonstrative in his affections, not knowing that other eyes were looking on.
When Mr. Scott heard that the trustees were considering these affidavits he sent in his resignation, and it was accepted. At that time every effort was made to suppress the identity of the young woman, but she said to be a prominent member of the church.
Mr. Scott and his bride, who has enjoyed the highest reputation, have decided to remain here and face the gossip which caused all the trouble.

AMERICANS IN BERLIN ARE SAFE

Amsterdam, June 3.—Ambassador Gerard has taken steps to safeguard Americans in Berlin in case of an unforeseen event. He has secured assurance from foreign Secretary Von Jagow that the embassy staff and their families, American Red Cross workers, the Polish relief commission and American newspaper men will be permitted to leave Berlin in a special embassy train in the event of a breach between the two countries.
SALARY INCREASED
Raleigh, June 4.—The salary of the Raleigh postmaster goes up from \$3,400 a year to \$3,500, beginning the first of July, which starts the fiscal year. The increase was brought about by the increase in the post office receipts here up to March 31. The office is in charge of Postmaster Bart M. Ostling, his predecessor having been Mr. Willie G. Briggs, during whose administration the receipts held up in the shops.

PRESIDENT WILSON WAITING ON LEGAL OPINION ON NOTE

Will Then Decide On How Much Use It Is Going to Be
THE CABINET MEETS
Will Today Hear What Nation's Head Has to Say
Washington, June 3.—The President will have before him in a few hours a legal opinion disposing of Germany's latest contention in the Lusitania case. He will then decide how much use there is for the new note from Germany to be submitted to the cabinet tomorrow. The opinion will state positively that the German contention as to the presence of munitions and reserves on the Lusitania are irrelevant.
Officials today stated that German affidavits tending to show the Lusitania was armed had no importance in the light of a contrary report from the collector of the port of New York.
Prepare Response
Washington, June 3.—President Wilson, following his conference with Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, was going ahead today with the preparation of the American government's response to Germany's note on the Lusitania. The communication is being penned by the president himself and it will go forward before the end of the week.
Interest in the conference between the president and Count von Bernstorff was heightened today as further details were coming to light. One important result, it was learned on high authority, was a renewed determination on the part of the president to ascertain whether Germany would abide by international law or follow its own rules of maritime warfare.
The conference was cordial and of a friendly nature, but the intensity of feeling in the United States over the Lusitania incident and other violations of American rights on the high seas was emphasized by the president.
A feeling of hopefulness prevailed the German embassy, where the conference was regarded as satisfactory. The ambassador himself expressed the belief that the communication he had sent to his government conveying the viewpoint of the president himself would enlighten the German foreign office accurately as to the American government's viewpoint and pave the way to a better understanding.

NICHOLAS D BOY FREED OF CHARGE

Raleigh, June 3.—The case of State against Nicholas DeBoy, election official at the first division of the third ward charged with placing a ballot in the box that was not legally voted, was thrown out of court this morning by Judge Frank A. Daniels who, with the solicitor, was of the opinion that the evidence was not sufficient to send the case to the jury. It was expected by those who heard the evidence that was given out in that, even if the case did get to the jury, there would be a speedy acquittal.
The grand jury late Wednesday brought in true bills against W. E. Smith and John Sturdivant. Each wants a speedy trial. Mr. Sturdivant is charged with voting in this city when not entitled to do so.

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IMPORTED CHEESE TO BE ABSENT ON MENUS
Chicago, June 4.—Imported cheese on menu cards promise to become a thing of the past within the next thirty or forty days. The war between Italy and Austria has put an end to the last source of supply from Europe of these products. Jacob S. Hoffman, president of J. S. Hoffman & Co., cheese importers, said yesterday that the supply is sufficient to meet the demands for six days.

FATHER OF LAD KILLED BY AUTO WANTS HEAVY DAMAGES

L. J. Taylor Files Suit Against John W. Stewart and his Son James, For Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars--Plaintiff's Son Killed By Stewart's Automobile.
A suit filed on the plaintiff occurring in this city a few days ago in which James Stewart, the plaintiff, and his son, L. J. Taylor, ran down and caused the death of Earl King Taylor, the six-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Taylor. Mr. Taylor, through his attorneys, W. D. Melver and E. M. Green, has filed suit against James Stewart and his father, John W. Stewart, for damages in the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars and the cost of the suit at the next term of Craven Superior Court for the trial of civil cases.
In his complaint Mr. Taylor claims that young Stewart was and is the age allowed by the law for drivers of automobiles and that he did willfully and wantonly drive the automobile which killed his son. James Stewart willfully and wantonly allowed his son to drive the automobile which caused the death of the lad.
The Allegations
The complaint of Mr. Taylor follows:
North Carolina, Craven county, Superior Court, September term, 1915.
L. J. Taylor, Administrator of Earl King Taylor, vs. John W. Stewart and James Stewart.
The plaintiff complaining of the defendant's allegations:
1. That Earl King Taylor is dead.
2. That Lee J. Taylor has been duly appointed administrator of Earl King Taylor, has qualified as such and entered upon the discharge of his duties.
3. That on about the 25th day of May, 1915, the plaintiff, Earle King Taylor, aged six years, crossing Pollock Street, in the city of New Bern from the home on the South east corner of Pollock Street and East First to his home at the corner of the north east corner of the same streets, was hit and struck by an automobile, the property of the defendant, John W. Stewart, who was in the driver's seat, and without recovering consciousness died shortly thereafter the same day.
4. That at the time of the injury producing the death of plaintiff, the automobile was licensed as the property of the defendant John W. Stewart, to be operated by him as provided by law.
5. That at the time of the injury producing the death of plaintiff, James Stewart, was in charge of the machinery controlling and driving the automobile.
6. That the defendant, James Stewart, at the time aforesaid was under the age of sixteen years.
7. That the defendant, John W. Stewart, willfully, wantonly and unlawfully permitted, authorized and directed the operation of the automobile by his son and co-defendant, James Stewart, contrary to law as provided by the statutes of North Carolina and the ordinance of the city of New Bern.
8. That the defendant John W. Stewart, wrongfully and negligently caused to be operated in the highways of the city of New Bern, his automobile aforesaid without providing a competent, able and legally qualified driver and operator of the same.
9. That the defendant willfully, wrongfully and unlawfully so operated the machine and automobile aforesaid in such negligent manner that and such negligent manner that killed plaintiff's intestate while lawfully crossing the streets of the city of New Bern.
10. That the plaintiff's intestate, charge of misappropriating funds over Earl King, came to his death by will-treat to him, and was bound over to the court under a two hundred dollar bond and unlawfully sets to work of the defendants and each of them, he bond, or rather, it was stated by and their negligence in equipping the bondman that he understood and operating in the manner of that he was signing a bond for his operation of the automobile aforesaid and of each of them.
11. That by reason of the negligence and wrongful acts of the defendants herein before set out the plaintiff is entitled to recover damages in the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars.
12. That the defendant, James Stewart, is liable for the damages aforesaid.

MEYER GERHARD SAILS TO ASSIST IN MAKING REPLY

Goes to Berlin to Help the Kaiser Prepare the Next Note
ON AMERICAN SHIP
Carries Credentials Guaranteeing Him Safe Passage
Washington, June 4.—Meyer Gerhard will go as American Ambassador Von Bernstorff's personal emissary to Berlin in connection with the preparation of the Kaiser's reply to the note from the President relative to the German-American warship. Gerhard sailed Thursday on the steamship United States for Copenhagen, it became known here today.
Mr. Gerhard's credentials stand in the vessel were engaged by wire less than two hours before sailing time, and he reached the pier about five minutes before the vessel cast off. He carries documents bearing the official seals of Great Britain, Russia and France, giving him guarantee against persecution by officers of the Allied warships.
Mr. Gerhard booked from New York City. Whether he is an American citizen was unknown. He carried in addition to the official documents signed by representatives of the allied governments' official papers signed by American, German and Austrian authorities, the nature of which was not ascertainable today. It was assumed, however, the American and German documents were his credentials to the German government.
At the hotel where Count Bernstorff stays when in New York, it was said today that Mr. Gerhard had been registered there but left yesterday, saying there was going to Washington.
JAILED, BUT NO CHARGE REFERRED
Strange Case This Man Incarcerated—What for?
Paris, the insurance agent who was committed to Craven county jail Thursday, after his bondsman, F. Castet, had delivered him to the Sheriff, was arraigned before Judge Connor yesterday morning, and was released on a Habeas Corpus proceeding presented by his attorney, R. B. Nixon.
Paris had been arraigned before a local Justice of the Peace, on a charge of misappropriating funds over Earl King, came to his death by will-treat to him, and was bound over to the court under a two hundred dollar bond and unlawfully sets to work of the defendants and each of them, he bond, or rather, it was stated by and their negligence in equipping the bondman that he understood and operating in the manner of that he was signing a bond for his operation of the automobile aforesaid and of each of them.
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ANOTHER STEAMER GOES TO BOTTOM

Lerwick, Scotland, June 4.—The Danish three-master Salvador, from Copenhagen to England, with a cargo of timber, was sunk by a German submarine in the North Sea today. The crew was picked up by a trawler after twelve hours in an open boat.
The commander of the submarine, when told by the captain of the Salvador that it was a neutral ship said that it did not matter that he did not take the cargo to England.
The ship had been imprisoned for on which Paris had been imprisoned for the defendant might want to investigate a suit for false imprisonment at some time.
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WELL KNOWN MAN DIES SUDDENLY

E. B. Elliott Succumbs to An Attack of Apoplexy
A death which shocked New Bern occurred last night about six thirty o'clock when the death angel laid his hand on E. B. Elliott and called him to his reward in another world.
Yesterday morning Mr. Elliott was engaged in the cotton brokerage business, was suffering in the last of his health and was attending to the duties of his office. About two o'clock he was across the street from his office, which is located on lower Cayuga street, talking with a friend about a business transaction. From there he went to his office and was engaged at his desk until two forty five o'clock, when he returned to his son Sprunt, that his head felt funny. He left the desk and sat on a couch in the office but just as he reached it he fell unconscious and did not regain consciousness before the end came about three hours later.
Mrs. Pollock and Patterson were summoned, and all possible services given, but medical skill could render but little aid. The physicians pronounced his trouble as a stroke of apoplexy.
Mr. Elliott was fifty years of age and survived by his wife and seven children. The services will be conducted from the home, 127 Broad street this afternoon at two thirty o'clock by the pastor of the First Baptist church, and the body will be shipped to Pollockville for interment.
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