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E. H. MOORE HAS MORE TESTIMONY TO OFFER

(By The Associated Press.)

CHICAGO, Sept. 10-E, H. Moore personal representative of Gov. Cox, resumed the stand today before the Senate committee investigating presidential campaign expenditures. After several conferences with Senator Reed, Mr. Moore told the committee he desired to go on the stand again to present further testimony tending to prove charges made by Bov. Cox that the republican national committee was planning to raise a \$15,000,000 campaign fund.

On Saturday the committee will hear Miss Jessie Burchard of Minneapolis, Miss Ennice Covne, of Aberdeen, S. D. and other girl members of the internal gevenue office force in Aberdeen, where democrats were said to have solicited 40 subscriptions from the girl clerks.

The committee will complete the Chicago end of the inquiry tomorrow, but the question of where the next session would be held has caused a split in the ranks of the senators conducting the hearing.

The republican members, Senators Edge, Spencer and Kenyon, have declared that the evidence brought by Mr. Moore to support Gov. Cox's charges has proved nothing, and they propose to drop the charges and move on to Pittsburgh to investigate reports that the liquor interests were expending vast sums of money in the interests of Gov. Cox's candidacy. The liquor charges involved William Barnes, compiler of the repub-Bican year book of 1920, and publisher of the Albany Journal.

The democratic members, Senators Pomerene and Reed, however, are holding out to stage the next session in New York, where they would subpoena Col. William Boyce Thompson, chairman of the republican national ways and means committee; Reeve Schley, eastern treasorer and others. They contended Gov. Cox's charges are being proven, and wish to complete the investigation started

John G. Bryson, of Brazil, Indiana. chairman of the republican ways and means committee of that state, said he was appointed to that post by the chairman of the state central committee. He said that Fred W. Upham, treasurer of the national republican committee, asked him to try to get \$100,000 from the state.

It then developed that Mr. Bryson had used the increased quota idea adopted in Michigan and Ohio, asking his district committees for about \$450,000. He explained that this total included \$200,000\$ which he was trying to raise for the state central committee and that under he Indiana corrupt practices law subscriptions intended for the state treasury could not go to the national committee.

PERSONALS AND LOCALS.

-Among the Clover shoppers in town this morning was Mrs. William Allison.

-Mrs. Leslie Crawford was in the city shopping this morning from Gastonia croute one.

-From the Bethel section, Miss Marthe Brandon was in Gastonia shopping this morning.

-Mrs. W. D. Anthony, of the Pisgah neighborhood, was among those shopping in the city Thursday afternoon. -Mr. Haskell Staunton, of the Bethel

neighborhood, was in the city this morning on business. -Mr. John McGill, of KingsMountain,

had his tonsils removed at the City Hospital Thursday.

-Mr. C. P. Lineberger and sons, Edgar and Gano, were business visitors in the city Thursday from Dallas route one.

-Mrs. W. L. Saunders, of Shelby, arrived in town this morning to be the guest for some time of Mr. and Mrs. J. P.

Hoffman at their home in Chesterplace. -Mrs. J. C. Quinn, who has been sick at her home on West Franklin avenue during the past few days, is reported today as improving.

HARDWICK AND WALKER

TO RUN IT OVER ATLANTA, Ga., Sept. 10 .- Returns on the gubernatorial race, more nearly complete than those in the senatorial contest, continued to indicate a run-off between former United States Senator Hardwick and Clifford Walker. Neither obtained a majority, according to these sures, but Hardwick's position was such that a few changes would nominate him.

In the senatorial race the Constitution's arns gave Watson 238 county unit utes, or well over a majority; Governor v. 110; Senator Hoke Smith, 34, d John R. Cooper, none.

For governor, these figures indicated lardwick 188, or six votes short of nomition; Walker, 178; John Holder, 22, W. R. Brown, none.

on and Hardwick, who co-operated their campaign, were opponents of y acts of the Wilson administration

d of the League of Nations. In the congressional races, however, advocates appeared to have won, t all the congressmen who had were known to favor the

R. O. ALEXANDER DENIED **CUSTODY OF CHILDREN**

Prominent Charlotte Business Man is Separated From Wife — Differences Arose Because of Religious Fana-ticism of Mr. Alexander.

harlotte News. SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Sept. 9 .- "Religion is all right when it does not become fanaticism, but when it is carried to extremes, it is harmful, a menace to orderly lives, a danger to the home," said Judge Charles L. Long in probate court yesterday afternoon at the conclusion of the hearing on two petitions of May A. Alexander, 303 Park avenue, Charlotte, N. C., Newport, and temporarily of Springfield, against Robert O. Alexander, of Charlotte and New York and for three weeks of Springfield, for the custody of five minor children and for separate support from her husband, the hearing occupying the attention of the court for several hours during the day.

"I find Mrs. Alexander to be of excellent character, there being no evidence offered reflecting upon her in any way." said Judge Long in conclusion. "I think Mr. Alexander, too, possesses a good moral character, but he has allowed his religion to run away with his judgment and the charity his God would teach him to show toward others should include his wife, with whom he should be living. However, I am dealing with these petitions from the standpoint of law, not from that of sentiment or theology, excepting insofar as the law is based upon the Bible. I shall give Mrs. Alexander a clean bill of health in this controversy."

Following a brief conference between counsel, Attorneys Joseph B. Ely and William A. McDonough, for Mrs. Alexander, and Attorney Charles Young for Mr. Alexander, Judge Long reported a decree ordering the return of the children from the father to the mother, who will also receive, in accordance with the decree. \$800 down and \$500 a month for the support of the minor children. In his summing, Judge Long made it clear that the young woman in charge of the children and who was in court with Mr. Alexander is a girl of good moral character, nothing to the contrary being shown by the evi-

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander, according to the statements of Mrs. Alexander, had eleven children, ten of whom are living. Mrs. Alexander testified that the two had lived together agreeably until a comparatively recent period, when Mr. Alexander, who had grown accustomed to spend his week-ends in New York, greatly to the surprise of the witness, finally left Mrs. Alexander, this taking place at their summer home near Asheville, in July, 1919. "He has been to see me only once

since then," said Mrs. Alexander, "and that was to settle his allowance to me, which was fixed at \$750 a month. This allowances has been paid to me up to the present time."

Mrs. Alexander said she begged him several times to return to her, both by letters and through the influence of their children, but with no success.

The witness said that her husband said to her on the occasion after returning from a visit to Ocean Grove, N. J., in response to a comment made by the witness, "I'm through with won in the flesh. I only deal with them in the spiirt now.

Mr. Alexander, in his own behalf, said that he was compelled to leave his wife because she threatened to kill him. He reviewed his journeys to Ocean Grove, New York, Springfield and several other places in the United States and Canada, all of which he could not recall when cross-examined by Attorney Ely. He carried four of the children with him to Ocean Grove and Springfield, stopping here at the Oaks on State street. He expressed regret to Judge Long that he could give no accurate idea as to his worth.

to build a tabernacle on any mountain with timber, which, he declared on the witness stand, he found hard to dispose of. He did believe, however, that God spoke to those who lived clean lives and merited this blessing and, as evidence in his own case, recited his success in business affairs being marked, a success which could not posibly be attained without the blessing of the living, personal God.

"I believe in a living God and in loving my neighbor as myself," said Mr. Alexander.

"Yes, I love you, too," he said to Attorney Ely in answer to an interrogation by the lawyer. Two of the children testified that they preferred to live with the father, because he showed them the true religion, the living protecting God, and did not want to return to the mother because this would expose them to the dan ger of losing the true faith.

The children in court yesterday afternoon were Ruth, 12; Penelope, 10; John M., 5, and Martha, 19 months. Naomi, 17, lives at Charlotte. Immediately after the decree was signed by Judge Long, the children were given in charge of the mother. Crying bitterly, they were carried to a waiting automobile and conveyed to the Hotel Kimball, where Mrs. Alexan-

der is stopping. It was stated in court that, if Mr. Alexander chose to return to his wife. she would be glad and the family disturb ance, so greatly deplored by Judge Long and all the more so because of the religious cause, would be ended.

EARTHQUAKE LEAVES TRAIL OF DESOLATION IN WAKE

Survivors Now Beginning to Realize Extent of Disastrous Catastrophe.

(By The Associated Press.) FIVIZZANO, Italy, Sept. 8.—Survivors of Tuesday morning's earthquake which laid the once flourishing and cheerful town of Fivizzano in ruins, are, as the hours pass, coming to realize more and more the extent of the calamity that has

befallen them, and they seem stupefied

with the horror of the disaster. The work of rescue went on all last night, and doctors, sanitary assistants. sailors from the Italian dreadnaught Cevour, students, nurses, and volunteers, wore themselves out in their efforts to bring comfort to as many sufferers as possible. Motor lorries are beginning to arrive regularly, bringing cooked food and tools for the men engaged in the work of excavation. Portable ovens are being set up, since there is hardly a house standing fu the city.

As in former earthquakes, some families have been rescued almost without injury from the ruins of their homes, while in other cases every inmate of shattered dwellings was killed. One little girl whom nobody recognizes wanders about town with her frock torn and tears running down her begrimed face, asking piteously for "mama mia." She possibly is a child of visitors for the summer season and was playing in a field when the earthquake came. Her family was probably wiped out. She can not tell where she lives and knows only that her name is Tina," and that she came here with her father, mother and little brothers.

VOLCANIC CRATER APPEARS.

ROME, Sep. 10-A volcanic crater has suddenly opened at the top of Pizzord's Ucello, a mountain 5,845 feet high about nine miles northeast of Spezia. It is located on what appears to be the northwest corner of the district shaken by Tuesday morning's earthquake, which resulted in the loss of hundreds of lives in the region just north of Florence. A telegram from Spezia states the crater is emitting smoke and sulphuric fumes, and that scientists there attribute the volcanic outbreak to the earthquake.

The shock which devastated scores of little towns and villages, north of Florence seems to have followed the line of the mountains. This is common to earthquakes in Italy, as the tremor that destroyed Massina in 1908 followed the Calabro-Sioilian Mountains, and the one at Avezzano seemed to cling to the trend of the Appenines very closely. Four years later the Tuscan hills were shaken and Mucelio was destroyed, and now the Apuan Alps are visited by the Seismic disturbance. Scintists, discussing the earthquake say that intervals of years represent only minutes and seconds in geologic time. Reports from Northern Italy have given no further details of the situation, nor have they told of the damage done by the tremor which shook the Emilia district, between the Appenines and the river Po., yesterday morning. First reports stated the shock was more severe than that which destroy ed Fivizzano and other towns north of Florence.

WOMAN CAN NOT TAKE

CHILD TO PRISON WITH HER JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Sept. 10 .-Mrs. Margaret Burington, convicted in a federal court in Wisconsin of having used the mails to defraud and sentenced to three years' imprisonment, was refused admission to the Missouri state penitentiary because she had a six months old baby with her.

Under the terms of the federal commitment Mrs. Burington was to take the baby to prison with her and keep it for six months, after which the baby was to be in the custody of its father six months. The witness denied it was his intention It was to alternate for six months periods between mother and father until the expiration of Mrs. Burington's sentence.

This Missouri law, however, does not permit incarceration of children in the state prison.

The United States Deputy Marshal, who was directed to return to Wisconsin with his prisoner and inform the Federal Court that the baby could not be admitted to the Missouri prison, left today with Mrs. Borington and her baby.

OTEEN HOSPITAL TO BE

DISCONTINUED AFTER OCT. 15 ASHEVILLE, N. C., Sep. 10 -O'Really general army hospital at Oteen. near here has been ordered closed as an army hospital October 15, and the patients transferred to the government tuberculosis hospital at Denver.

BULL SELLS FOR \$93,000.

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina, Sept. 10. -The South American price record for pedigreed cattle was broken yesterday when the Hereford bull that won the grand championship at the International Stock Show here was sold for \$93,600. The bull was bred in Argentina.

Water and light bills are due and payable not later than the 10th. Pay today and save the inconvenience and expense of having your water and lights cut back on again. See the city South Chester street, return home this clerk at once.

COX SPENDS BUSY DAY IN WASHINGTON

Democratic Nominee H a s Strenuous Day in Spokane— Will Deliver Several Speeches From Train.

(By The Associated Press.)

SPOKANE, Wash., Sept. 10.-Governor Cox of Ohio, democratic nominee for president, had a busy day when he arrived in Eastern Washington this morning. Fresh from a strenuous day in Montana, where last night he addressed gatherings at Butte and Anaconda, and where he declared he would "present the Irish cause" to the League of Nations, in event of his election. The governor was on the program for a speech at the Spokane union station, where he was scheduled to deliver a fifteen minute address to "first voters''; for a conference with Washington democrats; for an address of an hour at the Spokane interstate fair grounds, and then he was to deliver several speeches from his train en route to Pasco and Walla Walla. In his addresses in Montana last night both at Butte and Ansconda, the nominee continued his attacks on the republican campaign funds. He stated that Will Hayes, chairman of the republican national committee, should resign and that he intended to press for the resignation of the republican campaign manager. The governor charged that the complete testimony had confirmed his "slush fund" charges.

"It would be my duty and quickly availed of, as a friend of peace, asserting the right of every member of the league, to present the Irish cause to the attention of the league under the authority given by article eleven and give to Ireland, or any other aggrieved people, the opportunity to plead their cause before the bar of civilized opinion."

The governor came direct to Spokane from Butte. After his address in this city, it was planned for him to leave at noon for Pasco, stopping en route for rear platform adrdesses at Sprague, Ritzville, Lind and Connell. The train was to leave Pasco at 4:15 p. m., for Walla Walla. The trip to the coast was to continue late tonight.

DEATHS

Their friends deeply sympathize with Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Myers in the loss of their infant son, Ralph, who died at 1:30 Wednesday afternoon. The seven-monthsold child was born January 26, 1920. Funeral services and burial took place Thursday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock at Hollywood cemetery. Rev. W. T. Albright conducted the services.

MRS, JOHN D. GUNTER.

SANFORD, Sept. 9 .- The funeral service of Mrs. John D. Gunter, Sr., who died at the home of her son, Chas, Gunter, in Gastonia, at noon Monday, were conducted at the family residence here on First street yesterday afternoon in the presence of hundreds of sympathetic friends. Her pastor, Rev. T. E. White, of the Sanford Christian church, assisted by Rev. W. S. Golden, of the Sanford Presbyterian church, Rev. George Underwood, Ashboro, and Rev. J. W. Wellous,

of Elon College, conducted the services. The funeral procession was one of the longest ever witnessed in this section and the floral offering was one of the most profuse. All this attesting the popularity of one of the most lovable women that has ever lived in Sanford.

MRS. ETTA CLARK ROBINSON.

Mrs. Etta Clark Robinson, wife of Mr Thomas Robinson, died Wednesday morn ing at 8:00 o'clock at her home on the Un.on road two miles from Gastonia Mrs. Robinson was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Clark. She was born in Cherryville township, where her par ents now reside. Mrs. Robinson was thirty-five years of age and had been a member of Hepzibah Presbyterian church near Cherryville since her twelfth year. She had a large number of friends in many parts of the State who mourn her death. She numbered especially among her friends, those who loved and respected her, many in the Cherryville and Gastonia sections and in Charlotte. Her early death is cause for great grief among her friends. She had many more years of usefulness before her.

She is survived by her huband, to whom she had been married less than four years, one daughter, Ruth Embry, two years old, and an infant daughter, Margaret Elizabeth.

Rev. G. A. Sparrow, assisted by Dr. J. H. Henderlite, conducted the funeral services at Olney Presbyterian church Thursday morning at 10:00 o'clock. The pall-hearers were Messrs. Robert Bell, Flay Bess, Campbell Dixon, D. O. Moton, A .P. Lineberger, John C. Robin-

Mrs. Dr. J. G. Hoard and Mrs. Lona McGill, of Kings Mountain, who arrived in Gastonia Wednesday afternoon to spend a few days as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Spencer at their home on afterhoon,

son and R. B. Lineberger.

FAMOUS MOVIE STAR DIES IN PARIS HOSPITAL

(By the Associated Press.) PARIS, Sept. 10.—Olive Thomas, for merly widely known on the American musical comedy stage and for several years past a motion picture star, died at 11 o'clock this morning in the American hospital at Neuilly. She was taken to that institution last Sunday suffering from a slow poisoning, having swallowed a poisonous solution early that day by mistake, according to Dr. Joe Choate, the American

physician in charge of the case. Recently Miss Thomas, who came to Europe with her husband, Jack Pickford, several weeks ago, had suffered from nervous depression, it was said. First aid was promptly given her by Mr. Pickford when he returned Sunday to the hotel where they were stopping and found his wife in a serious condition, and every possible effort was made at the hospital to counteract the effects of the poison, but without

M'SWINEY SUFFERING **BUT STILL CONSCIOUS**

(By The Associated Press.) LONDON, Sept. 10.-Terence Mac Swiney, lord mayor of Cork, passed a bad night in Brixton prison, where he is continuing his hunger strike, which began August 12, says a bulletin issued this morning by the Irish Self-Determination League. He is suffering great pain in hisarms, legs and back and complains of a feeling of dizizness and numbness, but is still conscious.

POLES TAKE 3,000 PRISONERS.

WARSAW, Sept. 9.-The Polish armies on the northeastern front delivered a series of successful attacks upon the Russians today, and took 3,300 prisoners, four guns and two armored tanks.

PROCLAIMS NEW REPUBLIC.

LONDON, Sept. 10.—Captain Gabrielle d'Annunzio, who yesterday proclaimed the "Italian Republic of Quarnero," has summoned a constituent assembly to meet in six weeks, says a Milan dispatch to the London Times. The D'Annunzio troops have taken the oath of fealty to the new republic, it is said.

POPE INQUIRES AS TO POLISH MINERS IN U. S.

ROME, Sept. 9 .- Among those received in andience by Pope Benedict today was Father Francis Kasaezun, of the Scran ton, Pa., diocese. The pontiff evidenced great interest in the Polish population of the mining districts in Pennsylvania, inquiring after their religious and economic welfare in America.

UPHAM WAS RESPONSIBLE

FOR INCREASE TO \$10,000 CHICAGO, Sep. 10 - Fred W. Up. ham today told the Senate Committee in vestigating campaign funds that he took full responsibility for the proposal to raise the limit of republican campaign contributions to \$10,000 from \$1,000. It was voted down by a large majority in a meeting in New York.

HARRIS HEADS MILITARY ORDER WORLD WAR

DETROIT, Mich., Sept. 10 .- Major General George H. Harris, of Chicago, was elected commander in chief of the Military Order of the World War at the closing session of the organization's first meeting here.

New Orleans was chosen for the next convention city.

Officers chosen in addition to the commander-in-chief were as follows:

Senior vice-commander, Major Almuth '. Vandiver, New York: junior vice-commander, Lieut. Col. L. Milton Linthicum, Baltimore; adjutant general, Captain C. C. Walton, Richmond, Va.; treasurer general, Major Robert M. Falkenau, New Rochelle, N. Y.; judge-advocate-general, Cof. Clifford B. Davidson, Norfolk, Va.; chaplain, Rev. E. M. Jeffreys, Philadelphia, Pa.

OUIMET VS. JONES TODAY.

ROSLYN, N. Y., Sept. 10 .- The national amateur golf tournament, in the semi-final stage at the Engineers Country ('lub here today, resolved itself into a fight among American contenders only, the last formidable foreign invader, Thomas D. Armour, of Scotland, having been eliminated yesterday by Francis Ouimet, of Boston.

The matches today brought Ouimet against Bobby Jones, of Atlanta, Ga., and Chick Evans, of Chicago, former champion, against Edward P. Allis, of Mil-

Considerable interest has been centered on Jones, the youthful Southerner, who has made a remarkable fight. He is about the same age as Ouimet was in 1913, when he won the national open title from two British professionals.

Evans has been hard pressed to gain his present position in the tournament; but his excellent golf vesterday finally eliminated Former Champion W. C. Fownes,

Mrs. J. M. Pollock and children, of Spartanburg, S. C., will return home tomorrow after spending several days here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. McAllister.

FARMERS TO MEET AT **CORN TEST PLAT SATURDAY**

Gaston County Farmers Invit-ed to Hear G. M. Garren and County Agent Gowan at Cherryville Saturday After-

A meeting of Gaston county farmers will be held at the corn test plat near Cherryville Saturday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. Mr. G. M. Garren, of Raleigh, of the State Department of Agronomy, will be present to address the gathering. All the farmers who can go are urged to attend

Concerning the corn test plat and the Saturday meeting, the Cherryville Eagle

"This plat has been under the supervision of the State Agronomy Department of Raleigh, and the First National Bank, of this place. Everybody is invited Saturday, September 11, to meet the county demonstration agent, C. Lee Gowan, and G. M. Garren, of Raleigh. Mr. Garren is with the State Agronomy Department, and should be able to tell us something that will be of interest to us.

"These men will meet with the Farmers Union in the Farmers Room of the First National Bank, at 3 p. m. and go out to the test plat immediately after the meeting to look over the corn and answer any questions you wish to ask about testing and selecting seed corn.

"Something real interesting will be shown you and you will regret it afterwards if you don't come. A large crowd is expected. Come and bring your friends so Mr. Garren won't be disappointed in our interest concerning better corn raising. He comes from Raleigh and you should be anxious to meet with him on this occasion.

"The First National Bank has always been progressive and anxious to help promote better farming in this section, but must have your co-operation. Be sure to come and bring your friends Saturday; we are depending on you for your cooperation."

PROF. ROBERTSON TELLS OF FATAL ACCIDENT SATURDAY

Which Occurred Near Gastonia and in Which Miss Hornaday Lost Her Life.

Concord Tribune. Prof. J. B. Robertson, superintendent of schools, has returned to his work and gives first hand information in regard to the automobile accident which befell him and his cousin, Miss Carrie Hornaday, of Burlington, last Saturday evening. He states that about 7:45 o'clock, when two or three miles this side of Gastonia, and driving along the road and going toward that city he observed a car on the left side of the road without lights, and as he approached this car, though he was on the right hand side of the road all the time, a man in another car coming from Gastonia at a rapid rate, ran up behind the dark car which was on the same side of the road that the man was coming and was due to come. The gentleman who was meeting Mr. Robertson saw that he was about to run into the dark car and left his side of the road and ran across the road and into Mr. Robertson's car. As the man approached Mr. Robertson from across the road, and hence somewhat at an angle, this sent some broken glass to his right and struck Miss Hornaday instead of Mr. Robertson. Neither of them, Miss Hornaday nor Mr. Robertson, was jarred off the seat, but both were still on the seat when the shock

COUNCIL OF DEFENSE DISCUSSES POLISH MILITARY SITUATION

was over. The serious and fatal part of

the result was due to a piece of glass that

struck Miss Hornaday on the left side of

the neck and caused her death. She was

imemdiately rushed to the hospital, but to

WARSAW, Sep. 9-Decisions relative to the military situation in Lithuania and peace terms to be insisted upon by Poland at the conference with Soviet Russia at Riga were reached at a session of the council of defense held last night, but the government refuses to give any details relative to them. President Pilaudski was chairman of the meeting which did not adjourn until two o'clock this morning. A cabinet meeting under the presidency of Prince Sapieha, minister of foreign affairs, will be held this evening and instructions to the Polish peace delegates will be framed.

HARDING RESUMES FRONT PORCH CAMPAIGN

MARION, Ohio, Sep. 10-Back from his three days trip in the Northwest during which he made speeches in Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin and Minnesota, Senator Harding resumed his front porch schedule today with a list of engagements before him that promised to secupy all of his attention for the next three or four weeks.

A trainload of republicans from Detroit also had been given a front-porch also, but it was postponed until tomorrow. General John J. Pershing who came here from Chicago last night on the Harding train, spent the mi the Senator's residence and had talk with him this morning. The eral said there was nothing the conferences, however, ed to take no part in the