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## BEST TALKER FOR THE DEMOCRATS THIS YEAR IS A TAX STATEMENT

(W. T. Bost, in Greensboro News.)  
RALEIGH, Oct. 10.—Democrats for the remaining three weeks of the campaign will have a celebrity or more in every county of the state; but the best talker of the Democratic party is not Governor Bickett, Cameron Morrison, Max Gardner, Senator Overman, Senator Simmons, Secretary Daniels; not even the secretary's wife. The tax statement is the best argument.

The bills are going out every day and the tax is amazingly small for very much more than half who are paying the bills. Within a few days the Democratic headquarters will compile statements to show that under revaluation the mass of the voters will pay far less than they have ever paid in state taxes, while the counties will get a benefit from the state that has hitherto been unknown.

It is this single circumstance that has killed the Republican campaign. Sixty days ago the Parker canvass looked so impressive that many Democrats were fearful of Morrison's defeat. But Parker was out damning "this damnable revaluation act." He was making a campaign on what he believed to be popular aversion to it. The farmers' union was assisting him and in its leadership were not a few who had voted for Morrison for the sole purpose of beating Gardner in the primary and Morrison in the election. But Parker will not get the farmers' union vote.

The Democrats have outpoliticized the Republicans. Better evidence of good headwork never was given. The Republicans asked only that the voter peruse carefully his tax bill. The Democrats met in the general assembly, worked out the tax equations and put the Democratic officials to work on them. The result is an abundance of proof that revaluation has operated equitably and lowered the tax for the masses.

Nothing proves it so effectually as to read the statistics on farm ownership and tenantry. Most of the tenants will escape property taxation by the \$300 exemption. The poll tax has been reduced by half. The income tax has not been put on and not even the corporations know what franchises they will have to pay. The tax lists talk eloquently. They are the argument ad hominem from away back.

They answer every contention that the Democracy was actuated by a desire to destroy agriculture when it passed the equalizing, truth-inspiring measure. The Democracy isn't altogether a fool. It would hardly have undertaken the destruction of \$3 per cent in order to get the vote of 2 per cent. And the income tax affects only 2 per cent of the population, the farming folk paying just \$40,000 of the gross raised from this source. So the Democracy "kills agriculture" by making income earners pay \$1,960,000 while agriculture pays on incomes \$40,400.

Again the Democracy "kills agriculture" by making the tax gatherer exempt \$300 worth of property before he lays his hands on it. That not only saves \$600,000 in taxes; it relieves almost entirely the tenantry and it is yet far greater numerically than is the home-owning class. Yet again, the dominant party "kills agriculture" by splitting the poll tax in half or less, and that catches everybody between the ages of 21 and 50. The number is amazing. Almost 80 per cent of the voting population is embraced between these ages. A 50 per cent reduction of this burden will touch much more than half the people, most of whom pay no property tax this year on account of the big exemption.

## THINK GEORGE'S SPEECH A DECLARATION OF WAR

LONDON, Oct. 12.—Leaders of the Sinn Fein movement regard the speech made at Carnarvon, Wales, on Saturday by Premier Lloyd George as almost a "declaration of war at Ireland," in that he virtually condoned acts of reprisal against persons who have attacked police forces in Ireland.

There are many signs, says the Dublin correspondent of the London Times that the executive department in that city intends to bring matters to a head as quickly as possible by a concentrated campaign against disorder, which by inflicting general hardships on the country, may make crime and lawlessness "truly unpopular." Projected measures are said to include complete stoppage of the Irish railways, drastic reduction of the postal service until all railway workers agree to return to duty and until there is a cessation of raids on the mails.

## THREATS OF GIN BURNING COME FROM BISHOPVILLE

COLUMBIA, S. C., Oct. 11.—Threats of gin burning came from another section of South Carolina today when Governor Cooper received advices from Bishopville, in Lee county, of a warning having been placed on the door of a gin-house near that town. The governor does not take these warnings as meaning anything except the work of rowdies. The farmers of Anderson county held a meeting Saturday in which they went on record as being entirely out of sympathy with the work of night riders.

## BOTH TEAMS CONFIDENT OF WINNING TODAY

Coveleskie and Marquard Will Probably Face Each Other in Seventh Game — Indians Confident.

(By The Associated Press.)  
CLEVELAND, O., Oct. 12.—The battered and bruised Brooklyn Dodgers, and the Cleveland Indians, thrice victorious over their National League rivals in as many days, were ready to face each other today in the seventh game for the baseball championship of all hemispheres with the easterners determined to force the annual classic into further games and the westerners confident that after today there would be no more world's series contests until 1921.

With the world's championship possibly depending on today's game, Manager Wilbert Robinson, of the Robins, and Tris Speaker, guiding hand of the Indians, were undecided early in the day as to what hurlers they would select, but indications were that "Rube" Marquard would face the sluggers of the junior circuit and that Stanley Coveleskie would be given the task of trying to carry Cleveland through to a world's championship in seven games.

Coveleskie, twice conqueror of the Flatbush players in the present series, suggest Manager Speaker to send him to the mound, but George Uhle, side-arm hurler, who received his first training on the sand lots of Cleveland, also yearned for a chance in the big battle, and Speaker, with only one game in three needed, listened attentively to the youngster's plea. Final decision would not be made, however, until just before the game, he said.

Robinson also indicated that he might change his selection before game time, intimating that Bureleigh Grimes, who shut out Cleveland in the second game, but was knocked out of the box Sunday, might be given another chance. The probability was, however, that Marquard would be the final choice, because the Indians are considered rather weak against left handed pitchers—a belief testified to by the two splendid games Sherrod Smith has hurled against the American Leaguers.

Speaker felt that he had the edge on Brooklyn in the pitching. Even should Coveleskie lose today he still had Gaby to fall back on, with Uhle and Morton in reserve and Mails ready to go in again if necessary. The latter, a youngster weighing close to 200 pounds, could easily work again, Speaker said. Brooklyn, however, has not a pitcher who has not been pounded by Cleveland. Grimes, Marquard, Smith, Marmas, Cadore and Pfeffer have either lost games or been hit hard. The National Leaguers, who came into the series with a pitching staff famous for its aces, today were handicapped for hurlers, according to Speaker's view.

"Today's game will be the last," he said. "We are not going back to Brooklyn for any more games because it won't be necessary. When the last out is made this afternoon the series will be finished."

In the Brooklyn camp there was a different tale. With Manager Robinson and Captain Zack Wheat doing everything possible to straighten out the tangled plumbage, the players were ready to meet the Indians on his own ground and were absolutely certain that tonight both clubs would be journeying eastward for a final set-to on the Dodgers' home soil.

"We've got to have this game and when we have to have something we usually get it," said Manager Robinson today, and his remark echoed the spirit of the entire team.

Yesterday's game, while it failed to produce the thrills and sensations of Sunday's contest, was another of those affairs which help to make baseball history.

With a youngster who had hurled only six complete contests in his American League career facing former teammates who had discarded him with the label "N. G.," fastened prominently to his baggage, Cleveland came through triumphant in one of the greatest pitching battles of world's championship classics. Walter Mails slow-balled and fast-balled the Robins into a shut-out victory and retired them with only three safe hits scattered through three innings. Only once was he in danger—when a single and two errors filled the bases—but a slow curve rebounded from Sherrod Smith's swinging bat into Tris Speaker's hands and after that Mails was never in real trouble.

The pitching of the big southpaw—who had a tryout with the team he defeated—was of the kind which might be expected from some of the old masters—men who had played through season after season and knew their opposing batters thoroughly.

For Mails' great work, Sherrod Smith might have come out of the world's series as one of the greatest hurlers in the annual classics. The Brooklyn southpaw, who won one game from Cleveland, 2 to 1, pitched a game that ordinarily would have gone into the winning column 99 out of a hundred times. But with two down in the sixth, Speaker singled and Sherry then sent one over the plate to George Burns' liking and the first baseman lined it to the

## GOVERNORS TAKE HAND IN GIN BURNING CASES IN SOUTH

Arkansas and Alabama Governors Issue Proclamations — Negro Guard is Killed.

(By The Associated Press.)

ATLANTA, Oct. 12.—Several fires of undetermined origin, in which cotton has been destroyed, and widespread threats of night riders to burn gins whose owners ignore warnings to discontinue operations until the staple reaches a price of 40 cents a pound, have resulted in the issuance of proclamations by Governors Brough, of Arkansas, and Kilby, of Alabama, and statements of their position by Governor Dorsey, of Georgia, and Cooper, of South Carolina.

Governor Brough, upon being advised last night of the shooting of Nora Canada, a negro gin guard in Lenoque county, issued a proclamation citing the killing and "lawlessness in some of our counties growing out of the prevailing low price of cotton." The governor called upon the state adjutant general and sheriffs of counties "where there are likely to be disturbances" to use all power at their command to "suppress these night riding outrages." Posts of the American Legion also were urged to co-operate with the authorities.

The killing of Canada until late last night had been regarded by the authorities as a possible outgrowth of night riding activities as the owner of the gin at which the negro was killed, is said to have received a warning to close it. Two negroes have been arrested and charged with the killing, however, and one of them is said to have confessed that the motive was robbery, refuting the theory that the shooting was an act of night riders.

In a proclamation citing the burning of gins and gin houses in Alabama, Governor Kilby has offered a reward of \$250 for the arrest and conviction of any person guilty of the destruction of property. "This character of lawlessness deliberately violates one of the fundamental purposes for which government is established and threatens to substitute for orderly government a reign of terror and violence," the governor declared.

Governor Cooper in a communication to L. W. Harris, solicitor of the tenth judicial circuit of South Carolina, deplored the acts of "fanatics" and gave assurance that should any situation develop which would require extra effort on the part of the state he would not hesitate to order it. Mr. Harris had written the governor of the posting of warnings on gins and had asked if any preparations had been made for the sending of detectives into the affected districts. The only over act so far committed in South Carolina was the removal last week of mechanical parts from a gin in Anderson county. These were replaced and the gin resumed operations.

Replying to a suggestion from a county sheriff that the offer of the state of a reward for the arrest of night riders in Georgia would have a beneficial effect, Governor Dorsey stated that threats against property in Georgia constituted a misdemeanor, only, and that in the circumstances he was not authorized to do so. The governor declared, however, that in the event property was destroyed a felony would have been committed and that he would be glad to offer the highest reward possible under law.

ATLANTA, Ga., Oct. 11.—Gins in Douglas and surrounding counties are being posted with warnings to close on account of the price of cotton, Sheriff A. S. Baggett, of Douglas county, reported to Governor Dorsey today, and added that he had offered a reward of \$300 for the arrest of the guilty persons.

The sheriff wrote that a "lawless crowd" is trying to get control of the situation and suggested that an offer of a reward by the governor would have a beneficial effect. Governor Dorsey replied that threats against property in Georgia constitute a misdemeanor for which the governor is not authorized to offer a reward, but that in case of destruction of any property, which is a felony, he would be glad to offer the highest reward possible under the law.

Owners of threatened gins are guarding them at a cost of \$10 to \$15 a day, the sheriff added.

No gins have yet been reported burned or otherwise damaged in Georgia, but many have been posted with threats of damage unless they cease operation.

Mrs. Susie H. Orr left this morning for Statesville where she will spend several days with Mr. J. B. Hall's family.

center field bleachers for a two bagger. Speaker crossed the plate with the only run of the game.

The early lineups selected by the managers of the battling teams follow:  
Brooklyn: Olson, ss.; Sheehan, 3b.; Griffith, rf.; Wheat, lf.; Myers, cf.; Konechey, lb.; Kilduff, 2b.; Miller, c.; Marquard, p.  
Cleveland: Evans, lf.; Wambagans, 2b.; Speaker, cf.; Burns, lb.; Gardner, 3b.; Wood, rf.; Sewell, ss.; O'Neill, c.; Coveleskie, p.

## GASTON COUNTY MINISTERS IN ALL-DAY MEETING

A meeting of the Presbyterian ministers of Gaston county was held Monday morning in the parlor of the First Presbyterian church. A permanent organization, to be known as the Gaston County Presbyterian Ministers' Association, was perfected, the association to hold regular meetings on the second Monday in each month, in Gastonia. Rev. W. S. Hamiter, of Dallas, was chosen as president and Rev. R. C. Long, of Gastonia, as secretary for the ensuing year. Rev. J. J. Harrell, of Bessemer City, and Rev. Dr. J. H. Henderlite, of Gastonia, were appointed to arrange the program for the next meeting.

Immediately following the adjournment of this meeting the Gastonia Ministerial Alliance held a short session to discuss important matters of business for the consideration of the ministers of all denominations who assembled in the Sunday school room of the First Presbyterian church at 2 p. m. About thirty ministers from all towns and rural districts with one exception, made up the representative body of this meeting, which proved to be the interesting and important meeting of the day. A temporary organization was effected by electing Rev. Dr. J. C. Galloway, of Gastonia, president, and Rev. G. R. Gillespie, of Gastonia, secretary. Many of the problems—immorality, illicit liquor traffic and vice—existing in Gastonia and the county were freely discussed and disposed of by the appointment of committees to confer with city and county authorities as to the most effective solution of same. The problems considered were: (1) How to best check and control the wave of immorality in our suburbs and along our county roads, a committee being appointed to recommend to the county commissioners the establishing of a system of rural policing; (2) How to control the illicit traffic of liquor and lewd women as carried on by public jitneys, a committee being appointed to confer with the city council as to best method of controlling same; (3) How to regulate gambling devices on the county fair grounds, the committee on immorality and vice to confer with the sheriff of Gaston county; (4) How to efficiently and effectively co-operate with the county committee in the building of a tuberculosis hospital. After listening to a splendid presentation of the matter by Rev. F. B. Rankin, of River Bend township, a resolution was passed that the body go on record as heartily endorsing this movement and inaugurate a campaign of education in all the churches of the county. Rev. G. R. Gillespie presented the merits of the American Red Cross Society and requested that Sunday, November 14, be observed in all the churches of Gaston county as Red Cross Day. Before adjournment Rev. Dr. J. H. Henderlite made the motion that this assembling of county ministers be made a permanent affair and that adjournment be taken to meet again the second Monday in January, with dinner at the Lory Cafeteria, and the meeting in one of the nearby churches. The motion carried, and the meeting was so adjourned.

## HARDING LEAVES ON SPEECH-MAKING TRIP

MARION, O., Oct. 12.—Senator Harding will leave Marion late this afternoon on his fourth speech making trip outside Ohio, a circuit which will take him through Kentucky, Indiana, and Tennessee, and will wind up with a Saturday night meeting in St. Louis. It also may be his last tour away from his home state during the campaign. Plans under serious consideration are finally approved. These plans contemplate cancellation of the senator's date at Buffalo on October 21, and allotment of most of his time after this week to front porch speeches and other affairs here in Marion. A few Ohio cities are to be visited, however, regardless of the final decision as to an eastern trip.

Two red letter days of the campaign in the home sector will be October 18, when delegations of first voters will be addressed by the candidate here, and October 20, when he will speak at a barbecue at Jackson, O. Harding headquarters announced today that men and women from every part of Indiana, Illinois, Ohio, Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Kentucky would be here for the first voters celebration, and that seventy-five special trains had been engaged to bring the crowds from the same states to the barbecue at Jackson.

## CANCELS 10 CENT INCREASE IN COAL SHIPMENTS

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12.—Cancellation was ordered today by the interstate commerce commission of proposed increases of 10 cents per ton in the joint rates on coal from mines on the Norton and Northern rivers to destinations in North Carolina and Southeastern territory. The schedules were filed by the Carolina, Clinchfield & Ohio Railway and Southern Railway companies. The commission holds that the increases were not justified.

France in the vicinity of Brest is increasing the manufacture of building and paving blocks from crushed coal cinders, sand, lime and cement.

## GASTON MAN MAY SUCCEED AS DISTRICT CHAIRMAN

Local Member District Executive Committee May Be Selected as Successor to Late Edgar Love — A. E. Woltz Mentioned for Place.

A meeting of the Democratic executive committee of the Ninth congressional district will be held Wednesday at Hickory for the purpose of selecting a chairman as successor to the late Edgar Love who died in an automobile accident last Friday.

Mr. A. E. Woltz, candidate for the lower house of the North Carolina General Assembly is the member of the district executive committee from Gaston county. Talk in political circles in Gaston county is that Mr. Woltz is the logical man to succeed Mr. Love, since the Congressional candidate, Major A. L. Bulwinkle, resides in this county. It is understood locally that Major Bulwinkle's choice in the selection will have weight with the committee in the appointment of the successor. Concerning this, The Charlotte News says:

"Definite steps have not been taken as yet, looking toward the selection of a successor to Edgar Love as chairman of the ninth district democratic congressional committee. It is regarded as probable that a Gaston county man will be chosen, as the nominee for congress, Major A. L. Bulwinkle, resides in that county. The choice will be made by the committee."

## BELIEVE COUGHLIN BABY IS STILL ALIVE

Officers Do Not Put Much Faith in Story of the Crank That He Smothered Little Blakely Coughlin.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 12.—Investigations of the latest confession of August Pasquale, "The Crank," in which he is alleged to have told Major Lynn G. Adams, head of the state police, that he accidentally smothered Blakely Coughlin while stealing the baby from the home of its parents in Norristown last June, was continued today. Pasquale, according to Major Adams, said that when he lifted the child from its crib it started to cry and that he placed it under his coat which he buttoned tightly. After making his escape and running some distance he unbuttoned the coat and found the child dead.

Search of the woods and swamps around Egg Harbor and New Gretna, N. J., yesterday, failed to reveal any trace of the child's body. It was in the neighborhood of Egg Harbor that Pasquale purchased a small farm shortly after he succeeded in obtaining \$12,000 from George H. Coughlin, the missing child's father, on the promise to return the boy and it also was there that he was captured when he attempted to get an additional \$10,000 ransom.

The authorities stated today the investigation would be continued but declined to say what their next move would be.

Because of the many false clues Pasquale is said to have given those working on the case since he confessed the kidnapping, neither the Morristown police nor the Coughlins place much credence in his latest story.

Magistrate O. H. Lenhart declared today that Pasquale has not yet told the truth and added:

"I cannot tell all that I know, but the real story will be out within a few days and it will be found that Blakely Coughlin is alive. I am certain of that and expect to hear of Mrs. Coughlin making a complete identification of her baby before Friday."

## FARMER CONFESSES TO MURDER OF TWO CHILDREN

LANSING, Mich., Oct. 12.—Earl Hoop, a farmer living near here, today confessed, according to Sheriff Silabee, that late yesterday he chloroformed his two daughters, aged two and three years, and buried their bodies in the bed of the Red Cedar river, a short distance from his home.

The two girls, the sheriff said, had been in the fields with Hoop. In the evening the farmer returned to his home and assured his wife, who was ill in bed with her six day old son, that the girls were safe and would be home shortly.

A few hours later he started for the sheriff's office at Mason, where he surrendered and made the alleged confession.

After Hoop had told his story, sheriff's officers went to the river, led by Hoop, and uncovered the bodies.

Despondency, according to the alleged confession, was the motive for the crime. Hoop is being held on a charge of murder.

## 15 CENT SOUP OUT OF \$100 PEDIGREE PIGEONS

NEW YORK, Oct. 12.—Fifteen cent soup made of \$100 pedigreed pigeons has been served recently in East Side eating houses. Police discovered this epicurean irregularity today after arresting a 16-year-old boy on complaint of a pigeon fancier that his coops of prize winning birds had been persistently robbed. He valued the pigeons at \$1,500.

## W. N. FOREACRE DIES FROM ACUTE INDIGESTION

Vice-President and General Manager of Lines East Found Dead in Private Car at Hendersonville Early Tuesday Morning.

ASHEVILLE, N. C., Oct. 12.—W. N. Foreacre, vice president and general manager of lines east for the Southern Railway, was found dead in his private car at Hendersonville at 6:50 o'clock this morning by his porter, who went to his room on the car to call him. He was sitting in a chair in his night clothes with a light burning.

Mr. Foreacre, accompanied by O. B. Keister, general superintendent, and A. J. Mulvaney, division superintendent, were on a tour of inspection. The party arrived in Asheville yesterday and went to Hendersonville and Brevard, returning to Hendersonville last night. Mr. Foreacre, who is about 60 years old, retired apparently in good health.

He has been in the employ of the Southern Railway since 1887, when he became a telegraph operator with the company. He rose rapidly and before the world war was appointed to the position he held at the time of his death, headquarters being maintained at Charlotte.

A special train has been made up here and the body will be sent to Atlanta, his native home, for burial.

## SOUTHERN'S EARNINGS SHOW BIG INCREASE

Special to The Gazette.  
RICHMOND, Va., Oct. 12.—The Southern Railway system won its bet in not taking the government's guarantee for the six months from March 1 to August 31, actual operating income for this period having exceeded what would have been received under the guarantee by \$642,078.46, according to announcement made in the annual report submitted to the stockholders of the Southern Railway Company by President Fairfax Harrison at the annual meeting held here today.

Dr. Edwin A. Alderman, of Charlottesville, Va., president of the University of Virginia; Robert Jamison, Sr., of Birmingham, Ala.; Bishop John Carlisle Kilgo, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Charlotte, and Charles Steele, of New York, were re-elected as members of the board of directors for the term of three years.

A large majority of the stock of the company was represented at the meeting.

## WORK ON BIG TUNNEL UNDER HUDSON RIVER BEGUN

NEW YORK, Oct. 12.—Construction of a vehicular tunnel under the Hudson river between New York and New Jersey City starts today with the breaking of ground for one of the tube's big air shafts. State, county and municipal officials from both states have been invited to participate in the ceremonies in Manhattan this afternoon.

Engineers expect to complete the structure by 1924. The cost, estimated at \$29,000,000, is to be borne equally by the two states. Shore works, including shafts and approaches, will require 18 months to construct, after which actual work of boring under the river is to begin.

Continued congestion at the ferries between New York and New Jersey prompts the belief of tunnel engineers that 5,600,000 motor and horse-drawn conveyances will use the tube in 1924, with traffic showing a steady increase, reaching an annual figure of 22,000,000 vehicles by 1943. Tolls based on the ferry rates will be levied for 20 years to pay for the tube, and then it would be free for the use of all.

Four driveways, two in each direction, will be provided. A sidewalk, two feet in width, also is planned. The tunnel, comprising twin cast-iron tubes each with an external diameter of 29 feet, will be six feet wider than the Pennsylvania railroad tubes under the Hudson East River.

Traffic blockades, now common on ferries, would be precluded by providing at each end of the tube derrick-equipped trucks to take stalled automobiles in tow. Three driveways in each direction will be furnished on the approaches, because slight inclines there are expected to slow down the movement of the vehicular queues.

Ventilation to rid the tunnel of carbon monoxide gases from automobile exhausts will be furnished by four large shafts and also by an air duct under the roadway and an exhaust above. Smoky vehicles circulate poisonous gas freely in closed places but chemists, working on the tunnel ventilation system estimate that at the highest point of saturation there will be only 3.1-2 parts of carbon monoxide to 10,000 parts of air in the tube. It requires 8 parts of the gas to 10,000 parts of air, they figured, to give a man a headache.

MADRID, Oct. 11.—The scenes of the Spanish bullring were too harrowing for a section of the foreign delegates to the international postal congress, now in session here, who attended the regular Sunday bull fights yesterday, and many of them found themselves obliged to leave before the fights were concluded.