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THE KU KLUX KLAN HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH DR. LINDEMAN'S RESIGNATION

Ku Klux Klan Wrote President Foust Suggesting That Lindeman Be Removed.

HE RESIGNED APRIL 4. Col. Simmons Denies That Ku Klux Klan Had Anything To Do With It.

(By The Associated Press.) GREENSBORO, N. C., June 1.—The receipt recently of a letter demanding the resignation of Dr. E. C. Lindeman, professor of sociology and economics at the North Carolina State College for Women, had "nothing whatever to do with Professor Lindeman's resignation or its acceptance," by the board of directors, it was made plain in a formal statement issued today.

The board of directors of the North Carolina College for Women yesterday afternoon accepted the resignation of Dr. E. C. Lindeman, head of the department of sociology and economics, with the formal statement that "inasmuch as the question has been raised as to whether or not some secret organization had anything to do with his resignation, the board desires to state very emphatically that it had nothing whatever to do with Professor Lindeman's resignation or its acceptance."

The "secret organization" referred to is the Ku Klux Klan.

Dr. Lindeman's resignation was tendered to President Julius I. Foust April 4 and had been held since by the president pending a meeting of the board of trustees. Prior to the resignation a letter was sent to President Foust signed by the Ku Klux Klan suggesting that the college should request Dr. Lindeman to leave for the following reasons:

"1.—Because he is an atheist. "2.—Because he is a socialist. "3.—Because he is and has been unconventional or indiscreet in the class room. "4.—Because he or some member of his family permitted his negro cook to entertain a number of her friends in the Lindeman home."

Although neither Dr. Lindeman nor President Foust made any statement concerning the letter, friends of the professor denied vigorously that he was an atheist or a socialist or that he had been indiscreet in the class room. They also denied that there had been anything wrong with the fact that the negro cook had invited some of the neighborhood cooks to her room in the basement of the Lindeman home on West Market street.

Members of the board yesterday would not talk about the resignation but issued a formal statement as follows: "Prof. E. C. Lindeman, head of the department of sociology and economics, tendered his resignation to President Foust on April 4. This was done voluntarily, without any suggestion whatever from the authorities of the college. Prof. Lindeman stating that he desired to sever his connection with the college. With the wish and expectation that his resignation would be accepted by the board of directors at its regular meeting at commencement, Prof. Lindeman has made definite plans to engage in other work. Under the circumstances, the board has accepted his resignation. Inasmuch as the question has been raised as to whether or not some secret organization had anything to do with his resignation, the board desires to state very emphatically that it has nothing to do with Prof. Lindeman's resignation or its acceptance."

It is understood that the trustees do not think any question of academic freedom is involved as the resignation was not requested by them. When it was presented to them with the wish that it be accepted, they accepted it.

Three weeks ago Dr. Lindeman said that he had not made definite plans but was considering several positions in northern and western institutions. He was out of the city last night. His resignation of April 4 was to take effect at the expiration of the summer school. Lindeman is well known.

Dr. Lindeman came to North Carolina College for Women at the opening of the fall term in 1921. He has become one of the best known university professors. Both in Greensboro, at many other places in North Carolina, and outside the state he has made many addresses on social subjects and is regarded as a popular and able speaker adds from his class room work. On the campus he is one of the best liked members of the faculty.

THE WEATHER v. North Carolina, showers tonight and Friday.

FIGHT IN THE HIGHER COURTS MAY STOP MISS M'CORMICK'S ROMANCE

Mathilde's Mother Thinks Oser Is After Some of the Rockefeller Millions.

TO INVESTIGATE OSER. Extreme Age of the Zurich Horseman May Give Cause For Injunction.

(By The Associated Press.) CHICAGO, June 1.—Judicial investigation of Max Oser's eligibility and qualifications as a husband for Mathilde McCormick, is the next step in the international romance of John D. Rockefeller's 17 year old granddaughter and the friction between her parents.

Today Mathilde has a guardian who is said to be ready to give his consent to her marriage to the Swiss horseman, who was her riding master during her girlhood days in the Alps. Her father, Harold F. McCormick, titular head of the International Harvester Company millions, was accepted by his divorced wife, as a guardian, but for one exception. The horseman of Zurich is the exception and Judge Horner, of the Probate Court, is expected to decide whether Max's twenty seven years seniority over the age of his prospective bride and his comparative poverty furnish sufficient grounds to grant an injunction restraining Mr. McCormick from giving his consent to the international marriage.

Mrs. Edith Rockefeller McCormick, Mathilde's mother, expressed the fear that there were mercenary motives in Oser's courtship of her daughter, who is heir to part of the Rockefeller millions, as well as some of the McCormick wealth. The marriage, Mrs. McCormick said, might subject Mathilde to "the machinations and intrigues of designing persons."

The unusual, if not unprecedented, situation of an injunction petition to prevent an international marriage of the Oser-McCormick sort will likely head Mathilde's romance to a higher court, it was said today. Former Judge Charles S. Cutting, counsel for Mrs. McCormick, intimated as much if Judge Horner stamps his judicial "O. K." on Mr. McCormick's tacit approval of the contemplated union and denies the petition.

At the suggestion of the court and the concurrence of counsel who engaged in a verbal tilt yesterday over the petition, Mr. McCormick has agreed to withhold consent of the marriage at least until Saturday.

ROTARIANS WIN FROM KIWANIS TEAM 14 TO 13

Old Fashioned Hit and Run Slugfest at Loray Park — Boys Athletic Association Makes Neat Sum of Money.

In one of those hair-raising, dime novel garrison finishes, often heard and seldom seen, the Rotarians came from behind in the last half of the ninth inning Wednesday afternoon and beat the Kiwanis 14 to 13.

The Rotarians had jumped into an early lead through a mighty home-run wallop by John Lawrence Beal with two on base in the first inning. By hammering four or five pitchers unmercifully throughout the early innings they had amassed a lead of seven runs, the score standing 11-4 at one stage of the game.

Rotary reserves were put into the field and they nearly lost the game. The Kiwanians jumped on "Doc" Clinton and "Ike" Gantt and were rushing around the paths at a fearful pace before anybody knew what had happened they had tied the score and then added two more for good measure. The Rotarians came back in the ninth as stated and sewed up the game.

Good baseball, had baseball and worse baseball, all kinds and sorts were exhibited. Ex-college stars flashed some of their old-time form, notably the opposing shortstops, "Zim" Wagner and "Doc" Powell. Lawrence Beal, Elmer Spencer, Burke Parker, Hugh Wray and other old timers showed that they had not forgotten the game.

Some of the outstanding features of the game were Arthur Winget's uniform, Uncle "Andy" Rankin's base-running and the batting of Parsons Henderson and J. W. C. Johnson. Arthur Winget looked as if he were on a hunting trip. He had on his hunting coat, cap and a pair of leather leggings and looked to be ready for anything from bear to rattlesnakes. Uncle "Andy" fanned, but the catcher missed the third strike and he waddled down to first base, pulling like a porpoise.

Despite the threatening weather, a good crowd turned out and the high school athletic association is richer by \$90 or \$100. The Kiwanis won the game last year, and the series is now a tie. Suggestion has been made that the newly organized Civitan club put out a team and play the winner.

Bishop Kilgo Better. (By The Associated Press.) MEMPHIS, Tenn., June 1.—At leading physicians today announced that the condition of Bishop John C. Kilgo shows decided improvement. Bishop Kilgo has been ill at a hospital here for several days. Mrs. Kilgo and two sons who have been at the bishop's bedside, have returned to their home in Charlotte, N. C.

BROOKLYN PARENTS TO TAKE FLAPPER DAUGHTERS IN HAND

NEW YORK, June 1.—Parents in Brooklyn have inaugurated their own "blue laws" against their flapper daughters and, through the Parents' League, hope to spread their edicts throughout the city. They have instituted a curfew law with midnight as the hour for festivity endings and have set the following flapper rules: Parties to be held only on Friday and Saturday nights. Simple refined clothes, no postage stamp skirts. Chaperons must be present at all parties and accompany girls home. Parents to censor all plays and movies. Improper dancing forbidden, no clenching. No refreshments to be served after dances. The parents have fixed these rules to apply to girls between 15 and 18 years of age. "Girls older than 18 will be left to the rules of their own parents," says Mrs. A. Afeld, president of the league.

SAMUEL GOMPERS TO BE PRESENT AT MEETING OF RAILROAD BROTHERHOODS

Meeting Is Transferred to Cincinnati to Insure Presence of Labor Head.

DETAILS ARE COMPLETE. Scale of Reductions Said to Range From Five to Nine Cents an Hour.

(By The Associated Press.) CINCINNATI, June 1.—The meeting of executive officers of 16 railroad brotherhoods which was to have been held in Chicago next week to consider matters relating to the welfare of railroad workers, will be transferred to Cincinnati, if favorable replies are received from the grand chiefs to whom telegrams were sent by Edward H. Fitzgerald, grand president of the Brotherhood of Railroad Clerks, Freight Handlers and Station and Express Employees.

Intimation was given by Mr. Fitzgerald that the proposed transfer of the meeting to this city was to assure the attendance of Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor and several other prominent union officials who will be in Cincinnati for the annual convention of the federation which begins June 10.

It was said to be likely that any actions to be decided upon by the brotherhood chiefs at their conference would be presented to the union.

"Only the heads of the brotherhoods will be here," Mr. Fitzgerald said, "but they will represent 1,200,000 employees in the conference, which will take up the union side of the issues now confronting us." He declined to discuss the proposed strike ballot of maintenance of way employees, saying he would know nothing officially about it until the meeting opens.

Final decision upon a date for holding the conference was expected to be announced today.

CHICAGO, June 1.—Delay in completion of the minority report by the labor members of the board is all that withholds announcement of another slash of \$500,000,000 from the wages of railroad employees by the railroad board, it was said unofficially today.

Details of the reduction affecting 400,000 shop crafts employees, have been completed, it was said. This cut, which is to follow the \$500,000,000 reduction in the wages of 400,000 maintenance of way employees who are threatening a strike as a result will affect all blacksmiths, machinists, boiler-makers, sheet metal workers, electrical workers, carmen and helpers in the service of the nation's railroads.

The scale of reductions is said to range from five to nine cents an hour. Among the slashes in the impending edict of the board are said to be the following: Apprentices, five cents; helpers five cents; mechanics seven cents; passenger carmen seven cents; freight carmen nine cents.

COURT PERMITS ADMISSION OF LEDGER EVIDENCE.

LEXINGTON, N. C., June 1.—Over constant objections by counsel for J. L. Armfield, on trial here charged with embezzlement, the court this morning permitted the entrance of a large number of transactions recorded in the ledger sheets of the defunct bank of Thomasville. The state sought to show by these that Armfield constantly over-drew his account even after previous balances had shown him considerably overdrawn.

This evidence was kept out late yesterday upon objection by the defense on the ground that witnesses could not possibly swear to entries made on the sheets by the use of posting machine. Julius Green, former posting clerk, whose testimony was held up by objections yesterday, was recalled this morning and related to the jury a number of the items shown, A. L. Brooks, attorney for Armfield, again objected to Green's testimony, because he had stated yesterday that he could swear only that he made the first entries on several sheets in question.

Green's testimony was expected to open the way for the introduction of further documentary evidence during the day.

Municipal Court. There was only one case brought up in municipal court Thursday morning. E. A. Jones, colored, was found guilty of assault on a female and was sentenced to serve thirty days on the county road.

DR. VANCE TELLS SENIORS WHAT THE WORLD EXPECTS OF A COLLEGE GRADUATE

Nashville Preacher Delivers Literary Address to Davidson Graduates.

COLLEGE MEN LEADERS. World Expects Character; Leadership and Service from College Graduates.

DAVIDSON, May 31.—Annual Literary address Wednesday morning by Dr. James I. Vance, D. D., pastor First Presbyterian Church, Nashville, Tenn., on second day of Davidson College commencement. Dr. Vance, leader in the Presbyterian church and one of the organizers of the Inter-Church World Movement. Subject: "What the World Expects of a College Graduate."

"In the graduating class at Davidson College a year ago was a young man, Charles Vance, who calls me father. In his first letter home after coming to Davidson in his Freshman year, he wrote: 'This is some lonesome joint.' A few weeks later, having secured a position on the freshman football team, he wrote: 'This is a peach of a college.' And with him it has been a 'peach of a college' ever since. He lives at home now and, occupies his leisure time hammering the piano and singing 'Old Davidson.'"

"Your Alma Mater is a peach of a college. Your diploma admits you to a choice company. Some of the foremost men of the old North State are Davidson men. Some of the best citizens in the South were trained in your college. The foremost man of the world, despite all that has been done to discredit him, despite that lame leg and helpless hand, despite that feeble mind, the foremost man of the world is a Davidson man—Woodrow Wilson. This is your college. It should drag you out of mediocrity and stir you to your best."

"You are more serious today than when you entered college. You are on the edge of world activity. You are no longer what you were waiting for. No wonder we speak of the 'grave and reverend seniors.' There is a look in your face half glad, half sad. If there is any red in your blood, any gray in your brain, any of God in your soul, you must feel the stirring care of your graduating hour."

"God flushes the world with new life. Great is youth! Suppose the old fellows were going to stay on the job forever. The world would be doomed. They have lost their 'pep,' their faith and courage and initiative. About all some of them are saying is: 'It can't be done.' They have tried it and failed. They are like old Elijah when he said: 'I only am left, and they seek my life to take it away.' But he is mistaken. There are the thousands of young men surging out of college. They have pep and ginger and cheek and brass and assurance and daring and impudent courage. They are ready to go up against anything. Get out of the way and give them a chance."

"The world needs you for it is a broken world. It has problems for the scholar, the statesman, the philanthropist, the preacher, the pioneer, the promoter, the road builder, and map-maker, and civilization producer. Can't you hear the world calling you?"

"Can't you sense its challenge? Can't you feel its pull tugging at the soul of you and saying: 'Come out!'"

"And so I have not thought it inappropriate today to guess some of the things the world expects of a college graduate."

Character. "It expects character. It wants you being decent. It is not anxious for you to be rich or conspicuous or brilliant, but it does insist on your behaving decently. It expects you to be white and play the game."

"Character is what you are in the dark, what you are with the center stripped off, what you are without an audience. It is the real capital on which the world transacts its business. Impure the character of the men who handle a bank, and the market value of its stock falls. Nothing can take the place of common honesty. Sometimes the world is a bit skeptical of human integrity. Be it yours to shatter this skepticism and show society that there is still such a thing as rugged, unimpaired manhood, because Davidson is still doing business at the old stand."

Leadership. "The world will look to you for leadership. It expects you to help it up hill. It has no notion of carrying you. It expects you to carry it. Get busy. I do not mean that the world expects you to run away with the wagon, to supplant those who have been bearing the heat and burden of the day, and whose rich and ripe experience entitles them to attention. These old men have learned some things, and time will puncture many a conceit. Nevertheless, do not be overtimid for the world needs courage more than caution."

"If your leadership is to be of much value you must believe in the best and move out with your face toward the morning. The world declines to follow a pessimist. It wants to get somewhere. I do not mean that you are to be blindly wilfully to difficulties, but that you are to cultivate that kind of vision which sees the unseen and discovers the goal beyond all difficulties."

"The leader must have ideals. Don't tumble down into a cynic. There is nothing impossible to faith. 'Sudden' (Continued on page 4.)

FORD WILL NOT AGREE TO THE ELIMINATION OF GORGAS STEAM PLANT

Gorgas Plant Necessary to Economical Operation of Muscle Shoals Property.

WILL GET ON JOB AT ONCE. If Congress Votes Acceptance of His Offer, Otherwise There Will be More Determined Effort.

WASHINGTON, June 1.—Henry Ford's reply to the counter proposal drafted by the House Military Committee for development of the government projects at Muscle Shoals, Ala., was presented today to the committee by J. W. Worthington, a representative of Mr. Ford, immediately upon arrival here from Detroit, where he conferred with the motor manufacturer.

Mr. Ford's answer, made in the form of a letter to Chairman Kahn, definitely rejected the provision in the committee plan which eliminated the steam plant at Gorgas, Ala., from the properties to be disposed of by the government with the Muscle Shoals properties.

"I cannot consent to eliminate the Gorgas plant," the letter said, "because it is necessary to the economical operation of the Muscle Shoals properties. If my revised offer for Gorgas is rejected, then I must understand that the acceptance of my offer for Muscle Shoals 'as a whole and not in part' is refused."

Mr. Ford's reply further stated that "if Congress votes acceptance of my offer, we will get on the job at Muscle Shoals at once; but if Congress rejects, that will be but the beginning of a more determined effort on my part to save Muscle Shoals for the benefit of the public."

The full text of Mr. Ford's reply follows: "I have carefully examined the amendments made by your committee to my proposal dated January 25, 1922, for the lease and purchase of the government's Muscle Shoals properties, and observe with surprise and regret that you have rejected that part of the modified proposal relating to the government's Gorgas steam plant."

"The greater portion of the other changes suggested by your committee have been approved and are incorporated in the accompanying corrected proposal. More than a month ago Mr. Mayo presented to me certain clarifications in the proposal of January 25 to which your committee desired my agreement, which was promptly given. Mr. Mayo explained that while some of your committee were unwilling to accept that part of my offer which included the government steam power plant at Gorgas, certain other members of the committee had requested him to ascertain if I would agree to accept an assignment and transfer by the United States of everything now owned by the Government at Gorgas under its contract of December, 1917, with the Alabama Power Company, in which I consented, and Mr. Mayo was instructed to advise your committee that the offer would be revised accordingly. I have been informed that this revision was accepted by your committee, but later, upon reconsideration, you decided to eliminate the Gorgas plant."

"I cannot consent to eliminate the Gorgas plant because it is necessary to the economical operation of the Muscle Shoals properties. If my revised offer for Gorgas is rejected then I must understand that the acceptance of my offer for Muscle Shoals 'as a whole and not in part' is refused."

"I am sending a final proposal containing all the amendments suggested by the committee to which I can consistently agree. In doing so, and in view of the fact that my first proposal was signed July 8, 1921, nearly a year ago, and in order to bring these negotiations to a close, I ask that your committee to consider this proposal as final, and that no further changes should be expected. I further request that your committee send this final offer to the House so that its members may vote for acceptance or rejection. This request is made with the understanding that power to dispose of the plants at Muscle Shoals is vested in the Congress. If the Secretary of War after his negotiations relative to the first offer did not have the power to accept or reject it, you will probably agree that your committee has not the power to accept or reject. Moreover, I do not believe that your committee or any member of it wishes to assume the responsibility of accepting or rejecting this final proposal, involving as it does a matter of such great national importance."

"If Congress votes acceptance of my offer, we will get on the job at Muscle Shoals at once; but if Congress rejects it, that will be but the beginning of a more determined effort on my part to save Muscle Shoals for the benefit of the public."

"I wish to thank you and each member of the committee for the courtesies shown by Representatives during the negotiations of the past three months."

"HENRY FORD."

The committee was called into executive session to consider the letter within a few minutes after Mr. Worthington delivered it to Chairman Kahn. W. B. Mayo, chief of Mr. Ford's engineers, did not return here today with Mr. Worthington, but remained in Detroit, and is expected to arrive tomorrow.

He committee, therefore, decided to alter its schedule and request Messrs. Mayo and Worthington to appear later, basing their discussions today wholly upon the letter from Mr. Ford.

GIANT BALLOONS ARE DRIFTING UNCHARTED WAY THROUGH SKIES

Some Headed Towards Canada and Others Going in an Opposite Direction.

ONE HAS QUIT RACE. Naval Balloon Filled With Helium Is Testing Radio Devices Secretly.

(By The Associated Press.) DETROIT, June 1.—Five balloons, presumed to be entrants in the national balloon race, passed over Southern Michigan this morning. Four of the gas bags were observed about 7 o'clock passing over Lenawee county, (Adrian). All were passing east toward northern Lake Erie. The fifth bag passed over Jackson shortly after daybreak. It was traveling in a southerly direction.

CHICAGO, June 1.—Drifting their uncharted way, twelve of the thirteen giant gas bags which took the air in the thirteenth national balloon race at Milwaukee yesterday were believed still to be sailing across distant skies at dawn today. When darkness dropped its shroud across the earth last night seven of these pilgrims of the sky were floating in directions almost directly opposite the others and today no report of any landing had been made.

Five of the bags which shot high in to the air caught a northeast current and disappeared toward Canada. Others, retaining their ballast for the early hours of the flight, encountered opposite currents in the lower air and swung off towards the south. One floated over Chicago low and threatening on its perilous flight for national honors. Far down state another was sighted drifting southward into the night, while a third was headed south from Gary, Ind.

Ray Donaldson, of Springfield, Ill., first starter in the race across the sky, watched his twelve rivals disappear as his bag descended after a flight of only a few thousand feet.

Eleven of the twelve remaining contestants were actual competitors in the race to determine America's entries in the international race, which starts in Switzerland this year. The twelfth bag, down state another was sighted drifting southward into the night, while a third was headed south from Gary, Ind.

With the great lifting power of the helium this bag was one of the five which burst away from the earth to the upper currents and started off towards the northeast.

The other four high starters were Major Oscar Westover, of Washington, and Lieut. James Neely, of Ross field, California, in army bags; Ralph E. Pison, of Detroit, and Bernard Van Hoffman, of St. Louis, civilian entries.

The remaining seven who started on the Southward drift were: Captain John Berry, Army; Lieut. W. P. Reed, Navy; J. S. McKibben, Independent; Warren Raser, Independent; Captain Harold E. Weeks, Army; Ward T. Van Norman, Independent, and H. E. Hineswell, Independent.

125 GREENVILLE MEN TO VISIT GASTONIA

Will Be Guests of Chamber of Commerce Monday, June 5 —On Tour of North Carolina and Virginia.

One hundred and twenty-five of the leading bankers, textile men and other business men of Greenville will be guests of the Gastonia Chamber of Commerce, Monday from 11:30 a. m. to 2 p. m., Robert Woodside will be at the bank. The party is on a tour of North Carolina and part of Virginia just to get acquainted.

The party will be met at the train by automobiles and given a whirl around Gastonia sufficient to prove where we stand in the textile industry and also the fact that this is a livable city. Lunch will be served at the Baptist Annex probably at 1 o'clock.

Letters are being sent the membership of the chamber of commerce today announcing the fact and also that members who will lunch with the party must secure tickets at the chamber of commerce before 5 o'clock Friday afternoon in order that the ladies may be advised as to the number to be taken care of. All possible are asked to get their tickets tomorrow.

The Greenville party will bring their band along and another big feature is Dr. D. W. Daniel, making the trip with them and speaking at the various stops. Dr. Daniel is always a favorite in Gastonia where he has been heard several times.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. CALENDAR. Thursday, June 1. 3:00 p. m. Department of Conventions and Public Affairs. 4:00 p. m. Board of Directors. 7:30 p. m. Pythian Band. Friday, June 2. 3:00 p. m. Gaston County Manufacturers.