

PERSHING LAUDS NORTH CAROLINA IN ADDRESS AT THE N. C. STATE FAIR

Says He Comes to Carolina When He Wants Real Americanism.

MAKES HIT WITH CROWD

Mrs. Vanderbilt, Morrison and Gen. Pershing All On Same Platform.

RALEIGH, Oct. 17. — "When I hear people talk about Americanism, I am going to tell them to come down to North Carolina and see it live," General John J. Pershing told thousands of cheering Tar Heels on the muddied grounds of the state fair today at noon when he spoke briefly following the formal opening of the fair by Governor Cameron Morrison.

General Pershing, who reviewed regular army artillery men, national guard troops and North Carolina State college R. O. T. C., in a parade which led to the state fair, left this afternoon at 5:40 for New Orleans, where he will attend the convention of the American Legion.

In addition to his address at the state fair, the program of his stay in Raleigh included a breakfast at the governor's mansion this morning at 9 o'clock and a luncheon at the Yarrborough hotel, given by Mrs. Edith Vanderbilt this afternoon.

The only mishap of the day, in spite of the thousands that packed the capital of North Carolina in a way that it has never been packed before, on the opening day of the state fair, occurred at the fair grounds just before General Pershing spoke and after three rounds of the general's salute had been fired by Fort Bragg artillery. A team of horses driven by a negro, frightened by the shots, dashed straight at the artillery outfit. The driver abandoned his team and when the run-aways struck the six artillery horses hitched to the ammunition wagon, they broke into a mad race. The crowd scattered pell-mell but the artillery men stuck to their mounts until together at the foot of a tree a hundred yards from their starting place. Privates O'Dell and Mitchell, of battery B, 2nd field artillery, were injured, the first with a broken jaw and the second with a sprained ankle. One horse's leg was broken and the animal was ordered shot.

"The character of a people has been said by one great philosopher to be measured by the character of the men who the people crown," Governor Morrison said after he had presented to the fair ground throngs. "North Carolina in one period of its history crowned Robert E. Lee and Stonewall Jackson. Later, and in a larger struggle, it crowned Woodrow Wilson and John J. Pershing. I want to present to you a man whom I know is a servant of his country and humanity second to Woodrow Wilson in the gratitude of the people of North Carolina."

General Pershing was greeted with a roar of applause from the thousands packed in front of him. Beginning with a few exclamations, he congratulated North Carolina and the natural industry of the people and continued:

"That government is short-sighted that fails to read the lessons of history and to make some sort of preparation for war. We have now on the statute books a military policy which if developed will give us reasonable preparedness and I know it will have the support of the veterans of the world war."

"I see for me many men who served in the world war. I desire to take this opportunity to say to them that the record of soldiers of North Carolina are not surpassed by that of the troops of any state."

"Hereafter, when I hear people talk about Americanism, I am going to tell them to come down to North Carolina and see it live."

Your heritage imposes an obligation on you. But why tell you all this? You know it better than I do. But I do want to tell you that North Carolina leads the United States in producing real Americans and hereafter, all that I want to bring me to this state is an invitation and a day that I can take away from the work that is mine."

BOUND OVER TO COURT ON A SERIOUS CHARGE

At a preliminary hearing held by Esquire S. S. Morris in the city hall court room this morning Murray Parkman, young white man living in the county, was put under bond of \$1,000 to appear for trial in Gaston Superior Court next week on a charge of immoral relations. The prosecuting witness is a young girl of the same community. Parkman is a married man. At the preliminary hearing, Attorneys A. C. Jones and J. G. Carpenter appeared for the prosecution and Attorney A. G. Mangum for the defense.

COTTON MARKET

GASTONIA COTTON.
Today's Receipts 50 Bales
Price 23 1/4 Cents

Several Gastonians are going to Lincolnton this week to attend the Lincolnton county fair. Many will also go to Rock Hill to the York county fair. Both fairs run through Friday.

THE WEATHER

North Carolina, fair tonight and Thursday, cooler tonight, probably light frost in interior.

Owsley Announces Candidacy For Head of American Legion

Legionnaires March to Strains of Tunes That Sent Them to Training Camps and to Foreign Battlefields—Many Matters to Be Decided in Committee Meetings.

NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 18. — (By the Associated Press.) — Outstanding among the developments today among the delegates to the American Legion was the announcement of Alvin M. Owsley, Dallas, Tex., a vice commander of the organization, that he was an active candidate for the national commander of the organization, to succeed Hamford MacNider.

To the tunes that sent them from the training camps to embarkation points and foreign battlefields, members of the legion 40,000 strong will march the streets of New Orleans today.

For the afternoon the activities of the convention will be centered on one point—the widely scattered delegates and visitors brought together in a common purpose. From the streets and hotels, where jollity and mirth has prevailed from the convention hall, committee rooms and state headquarters, where policies and politics are being discussed through the midnight hours, will come the evening host to impress the living by their deeds and honor the dead on the field of battle.

Hardly less important among the events of the week will be the morning session at the Girod street assembly hall, where policies fresh from committee rooms will be thrown in the hopper.

The reception accorded by the delegates to committee reports is expected to have considerable bearing on the contest for national offices. Many large and influential state delegations are "on the fence," it is learned, waiting to see what develops.

The "bonus" convictions of aspirants for the honor of national commander are subject to considerable scrutiny by many of the delegates, it is reported.

The annual parade of the American Legion starts at 2 p. m. Places will be accorded state delegations in the order determined by their membership increase during the past year.

Major Allison Owen, of New Orleans, will be marshal of the day. Leading the parade will be the "guard of honor," comprising four men each from the navy, army, marine corps and national guard.

At the reviewing stand in front of the city hall the parade will halt while the reviewing officers and distinguished guests take their places in the stand. Passing the centopast in front of the custom house, in Canal street, the members will honor their dead, commemorated by the monument. Bands will be silenced, and the dead saluted.

Kenneth M. Landis, supreme base ball commissioner, will be a speaker at the morning session of the legion, in Convention hall. On the program also General Eli K. Cole, representing Major General John J. Lejeune, who has been unable to attend the convention because of illness in his family.

Major J. B. Owen, representative of the British Legion, will be a distinguished guest at the morning session. Major Cohen lost both legs at the third battle of Ypres, and is totally disabled. He has been treasurer of the British Legion for the past five years, is a member of the British parliament, and devotes most of his time to the solving of problems of the ex-service men.

Among the committee reports that are expected are those on military affairs, constitution, internal organization, naval affairs and finance.

The American Legion auxiliary will hold a brief business session during the morning when reports of departments and committees will be heard. Adjournment will be taken at noon when the members will march in a body to a reserved grandstand to view the legion parade. Another business session will be held tonight.

CONVENTION HALL, NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 18. — (By The Associated Press.) — The American Legion, following a brief business session today, paraded this afternoon. More than 30,000 men "fell in" for the parade, and the brisk autumn air, in contrast to the balmy weather of the first two days of the convention, lent added zest to the event.

It was a day to make one throw out his chest and step out proudly, and the buildup, after a night's sleep, apparently was as full of "zip" as ever amid their regular spirit—"rarin' to go."

Through miles of narrow, stone paved streets, down the broad concourse of Canal street, winding in and out along the tortuous courses of the "Vieux Carré" (Old Town) established by the Spanish and French founders of New Orleans, the veterans of 1918 marched today.

Fluttering bravely in the autumn air, borne by the men who carried them to victory four years ago, went the national colors, flanked by the silken colors of legion posts from every state in the union, from Alaska, Hawaii, the Panama canal zone, Porto Rico, the Philippine islands, Great Britain, Africa and China.

Today's business session was slow in getting under way, as has been the case ever since the convention opened. The announcement by Alvin M. Owsley, of Texas, that he would accept the nomination for the national commander, if it were offered him, appeared to be crystallizing the sentiment of the South.

Mr. Owsley, a former attorney general of Texas, and chairman for two years of the Americanization commission of the legion, brought in a report this week, as spokesman of the commission, in which it was declared that a deliberate effort was being made to inject a pro-German account of the world war into the school text books in many parts of America.

The report also contained a declaration (Continued on page 5.)

Effects of the Arctic



Remember the smiling, cheerful face of Donald B. McMillan, explorer, that the papers ran when he started north a year ago? Well, this is the same face, showing the changes that months in the north have made. Picture was taken just after McMillan returned with important geographical discoveries.

SEX TRANSFORMATION IN ANIMALS CLAIMED

LONDON, Sept. 30.—The day should come, according to eminent British zoologists, when science will be able to determine and to control the power of growth. The interest taken in this subject was shown by the numerous audience which attended a lecture on intersexuality before the British Association by Dr. F. A. E. Chew.

Dr. Chew is the scientist who last year reported the result of some remarkable experiments during which he changed hens into crowing cockerels. The continuation of these experiments, he said, had resulted in the complete reversal of the sex of hens and cockerels. But his lecture this year dealt chiefly with goats.

A case was known to him, he said, of a goat which had won prizes when an immature female and which came later to assume male characteristics and in behavior was a male.

"I believe," he said, "that an animal possessing the functions of the female can undergo such a complete transformation as to function as a male."

KIMBRELL IS PLACED IN JAIL WITHOUT BAIL

Mecklenburg Storekeeper Charged With Killing John Skidmore Has Nothing to Say About Murder.

CHARLOTTE, Oct. 18. — Charles M. Kimbrell was committed to jail yesterday without bail by the coroner's jury charged with the murder of John W. Skidmore, Monday afternoon, at Kendrick's cross roads, in the southern part of the county. The inquest was held in the undertaking parlors of Hoivis & Son.

Testimony was given by Knox Bailey, J. W. Bailey and T. E. Hoover, white, and Ed Hicks, a negro.

Ed Hicks was placed upon the stand and he testified that he went to the store with Mr. Skidmore and found that Mr. Kimbrell was drinking heavily. Skidmore asked him if he did not owe a small account at the store and Hicks recalled that he owed \$10 cents.

"Well, if you don't pay it I am going to blow the top of your head off," Kimbrell replied, and pulled a pistol and leveled it at Hicks, according to the witness.

Hicks said the bill.

He was then told, "Nigger, you had better shut up when white folks are talking, and you had better ease out of here," he said.

Hicks said he eased out.

He heard a pistol shooting and decided that Kimbrell must have been shooting at someone, he testified, after he had walked up the road a small distance; but decided that he would continue his way and not make any investigations.

Knox Bailey, who was some distance from the scene, swore he saw Kimbrell pointing his pistol at Skidmore, who was getting into his car. The weapon was fired five times, it was shown. "He knew nothing of the circumstance leading up to the shooting."

T. E. Hoover, a neighbor, testified he arrived on the scene first and found Kimbrell attempting to put Skidmore into the car. He said that Kimbrell was crazy drunk and did not seem to realize what had happened. He wanted to take Skidmore to the hospital, he said, but was told that Skidmore was dead.

No witness was able to give any information as to why Kimbrell should have shot Skidmore, as the two were said to have been warm friends. Skidmore was an unusually popular man, it was stated, and was liked by everyone. Evidence was that Kimbrell wanted Skidmore to remain with him; but Skidmore was heard to tell him that he had to go to town but would be back about 9 o'clock.

"No, you won't come back!" was the last word the negro heard Kimbrell say, he went out of the door, referring to Skidmore's promise to return to him.

Officers said that Kimbrell was evidently afraid that the citizens would attempt to molest him, and for this reason barricaded his store.

He has not yet employed counsel.

STANDARD HARDWARE ENTERED LAST NIGHT

Breaking out a pane of glass in one of the back windows, within a few feet of the police and fire station, store-brokers Tuesday night entered the Standard Hardware store and stole every pistol in stock save one, some some cartridges and two or three watches. No clue has been found as to their identity. The robbers entered through the hole in the window. The glass was reinforced with wire netting. The sound of the breaking glass was muffled with a tow sack found lying on the back steps of the store. Ten or twelve pistols were taken out of a show case. An old wooden hat was left by the robbers, the only clue on which the officers have to work.

CITY OF HONOLULU SINKS.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 18. — With clothes flying, the liner City of Honolulu, gutted by fire Thursday, sank in 2,500 fathoms of water yesterday after the coast guard cutter Shawnee had poured 31 shots into her hull, according to a radiogram received by the coast guard here today.

The City of Honolulu's grave was more than 600 miles southeast of San Francisco. Not a person was injured when she caught fire and was abandoned.

English Political Situation Has Now Reached a Critical Stage

Everybody Is Guessing as to The Turn Events Will Take.

LLOYD GEORGE IS FIRM

Key to the Problem Will Be Revealed at Unionist Meeting.

LONDON, Oct. 19. — (By The Associated Press.) — The British political lever has now reached its height and there is every indication that the maximum temperature will be maintained for some days. Everybody is guessing as to when the crisis will pass and what turn it will take, but the answer is as yet unrevealed and the future remains obscure pending tomorrow's unionist meeting at the Carlton Club, which is expected to give the key to the problem.

One anti-union newspaper, the Daily Mail, today attributes to Prime Minister Lloyd George the definite statement that he will resign office if the unionist meeting declares against Austen Chamberlain, whose outspoken adherence to the Premier has aroused strong opposition in the party ranks.

HARDWICK IS DEFEATED IN GEORGIA PRIMARY

For Second Time In Two Months Georgia Governor Is Reputed by Voters—George Is Nominated.

ATLANTA, GA., Oct. 18. — (By The Associated Press.) — Walter F. George, former justice of the state supreme court, with a vote of 204 county unit votes, was overwhelmingly nominated as successor to the late United States Senator Thomas E. Watson in yesterday's special democratic primary, according to complete unofficial returns compiled by the Atlanta Constitution today.

The victory of George marked the second defeat of Governor T. W. Hardwick within as many months, and, according to political observers, showed that the Watson block of voters, estimated at 50,000 at full strength, remained intact and voted almost solidly for the former court justice.

Of the 160 counties in the state, George carried 125, giving him 96 more convention votes than the 208 required for nomination, according to the Constitution's requirements. Governor Hardwick carried 28 counties with 76 unit votes; Seaborn Wright seven counties with 22 unit votes, and John R. Cooper, none, the newspaper's figures showed.

Definite reports of the popular vote in 71 counties gave George 27,914; Hardwick 16,024; Wright 7,903; and Cooper 400. It was stated, incidentally, that in almost every section of the state caused a very light vote to be cast. Hardwick's defeat yesterday was worse than in his race for re-nomination as governor last month.

MOTHERED TWO DOLLS INSTEAD OF TWINS

Mrs. Hazel McNally Claims That No Twins Were Born to Her; That Husband Was Possessed of Mania to Become a Parent.

HAMMOND, Ind., Oct. 18. — Accused by her husband of killing twin babies, which he said were born to her last December, Mrs. Hazel McNally, 24, faced trial here today, claiming the missing twins were nothing more than cleverly constructed dolls, mothered by her until last April to satisfy her husband's ambition to be known to the world as a father.

Both Frank McNally, the 56-year-old husband, and his estranged wife asserted their claims would be proved by witnesses called to testify at the trial.

Guided by lanterns and spurred by McNally's charges, police dug until late last night in the yard of the home where the McNallys formerly lived, searching for the bodies they had been told might be buried there.

In support of her claim Mrs. McNally declared she told her husband shortly after their marriage that it was impossible for her to become a mother.

"But that failed to still his desire to be a parent," Mrs. McNally said. "On one occasion we inserted an advertisement offering to adopt a child, but nothing came of it. Finally, his mania to pose as a father became so acute that we contrived the hoax."

Mrs. McNally said she passed the hint on to neighbors and as the time approached to announce the birth, went so far as to engage a nurse and then purchased two skillfully constructed dolls.

She said she kept the "twins" carefully hidden from the curious eyes of neighbors until last April, when she and her husband circulated the report that they had sent the children to Chicago.

Mrs. McNally said she and her husband moved to South Bend, Ind., in July, and that she left him September 22.

All of his wife's story, McNally said, "is the desperate defense of a woman who has done away with her children."

REV. H. E. FOSDICK CHARGED WITH WRONG DOCTRINE

Baptist Minister Occupying Pulpit New York First Presbyterian Church Is Said to Be Preaching Irregular Doctrine.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 18. — Protesting that doctrine contrary to the Presbyterian confession of faith is being preached from the pulpit of the First Presbyterian church of New York city, the presbytery of Philadelphia has petitioned the general assembly of the church to take cognizance of this alleged fact, it became known here today.

The pulpit of the First Presbyterian church of New York city is occupied by the Rev. Harry Emerson Fosdick, a Baptist clergyman and professor of practical theology in the Union Theological seminary. The unusual arrangement of having a Baptist minister occupy a Presbyterian pulpit was brought about by the extraordinary conditions in the congregation, which considered Mr. Fosdick to be an unusually brilliant preacher.

The action of the Philadelphia body, it is understood, revolves around a sermon preached by the Rev. Mr. Fosdick last May. It was entitled "Small the Fundamentalists Win?" and was calculated to deliver a hard blow at the fundamentalists who have created a controversy within the Baptist church.

Another criticism made of the Rev. Mr. Fosdick's preaching is that he compared the Bible with the Koran.

ANOTHER SERIES OF LOVE LETTERS FROM MRS. MILLS TO REV. EDWARD W. HALL

Curious Crowds Gather Around Courthouse Expecting Arrests.

LETTERS ARE PUBLISHED

Terms of Endearment Used By Mrs. Mills in Addressing the Rector.

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Oct. 18. — (By The Associated Press.) — Mrs. Reverend Edward W. Hall, widow of the Rev. Edward W. Hall, whose body was found with that of Mrs. Eleanor Reichardt Mills, was summoned from her home today to open her safety deposit vault, at the People's National Bank. What was found in the vault was not disclosed.

Meanwhile, detectives were checking up on a newly acquired information. Great secrecy was maintained. One angle, it was learned, necessitated a trip to Lavallet, N. J., the home of Henry Stevens, brother of the rector's widow.

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Oct. 18.

Officials conducting the investigation into the murder of the Rev. Edward Wheeler Hall, rector of the Episcopal church of St. John the Evangelist, and his choir leader, Eleanor Reichardt Mills, on September 15, were at the courthouse early today.

While newspaper men again were barred from the courthouse it was understood that Prosecutor Beckman, of Somerset county and his associates began at once consideration of stenographic copies of statements taken yesterday from relatives of the slain rector, including those of Mrs. Frances Stevens Hall, his widow, and her two brothers, Henry and Willie Stevens.

None of the officials or detectives would offer any prediction as to what may be expected today.

Crowds of curious persons attracted there by persistent rumors that two or more arrests may be expected at any time, gathered about the courthouse to await developments.

A second series of the letters said to have been written by Mrs. Mills to Hall, was made public today by the authorities.

Unaddressed and unsigned the letters are filled with terms of endearment. The minister is often referred to as "Sweet adorable babykins."

They speak of a "love nest," of a woman's dream of "true love" and describe the varied moods of a woman "loved and loving without the conventions."

Excerpts from the letters follow:

"Dearest, dearest boy. Wasn't I happy to find a sweet note for I didn't expect you would risk leaving one for me yesterday? Such delicious ecstasies."

"My Darling, how well you seem to do, x x x. I am tired—want to lie x x x and rest for hours."

"Oh you sweet adorable babykins of mine."

"The note I left yesterday was crumpled but I had to hide it in my small orange purse, as I met him."

"x x x I built a waiting love nest x x x. People would mean nothing if I had rather watch the tugs and ants as they crawl along. Don't you love to watch an ant as it creeps along, honey?"

"And darling sweetheart x x x I long for our love to be the truest—ideal—as pure as we can make it, for then it is true to nature x x x."

"I know I'm an empty nest x x x."

"Charlotte talks—then Don asks questions, then annoys, so how can I write?"

"Darling mine didn't you feel me purring x x x blissfully contented? And close to you, too."

"Sweetheart, my true heart, I could crush you? Oh I am wild tonight."

"One time I told you I hated your work—I hated your parish. I guess it is because I am jealous of it because it is become first in your life. Not because of conventions, but because you love it so. Oh I know it because you are a true priest—born for it."

"I have the greatest of all blessings—a noble man's deep, true, eternal love and my heart is his—my life is his—all I have is his x x x I am his forever."

"I will hate the winter nights. Then I dream of curling up in a chair with you—oh that dreams I have. Will it ever be?"

"I am holding my sweet babykins face in my hands and looking deep into his heart and reading there the message that makes me live—gives me strength and life."

CENTRE TEAM LEAVES FOR HARVARD TODAY

DANVILLE, Va., Oct. 18. — Carrying on their steady shoulders the hopes of the South, the Praying Colonels of Centre College entrained here early today on the journey that leads to Harvard stadium where next Saturday the third annual Harvard-Centre clash will be staged. Twenty-five players, Coaches Morris and Bond, Dr. C. E. Allen, faculty representative, and Student Manager Berryman made up the party.

Coneil Moran's schedule called for arrival of the party at Boston Thursday noon; practice by the squad Thursday afternoon at the stadium or Braves field and the final workout in the stadium Friday morning.

Players selected to make the trip were Roberts (captain), Greer, Cunningham, Lemon, Darrlett, Higgins, Tanner, Green, Sweeney, Johnson, Liggett, Hunter, Thompson, Kimbel, Roberts, Wood, Kulsis, Lynch, O. Jones, C. Jones, Cecil Combs, Rowland, Bond and Stadium.