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RECEPTION FOR THE PUBLIC AT THE SCHOOL BUILDING

In order that the parents and all other citizens of Scotland Neck might know the teachers of the Graded School, the Parent-Teacher Association has arranged a reception for tonight at the school building, when it is hoped that every patron of the school will avail themselves of the opportunity to meet and know the teachers.

Parents of children in attendance at school are particularly invited, though the invitation is extended to all who wish to come. Music will be furnished throughout the evening, the reception being from 8:00 to 10:00.

WANT SPECIALLY-DESIGNED CLOTHES FOR BUSINESS GIRL

(By Associated Press) New York, Sept. 14.—With a solemn warning to male designers of feminine finery that they "sit up and take notice," 500 Napoleonettes of the commercial world, members of the Professional & Business Women's League, are preparing to stage a fashion show all their own at the Commodore Hotel, Sept. 18-23.

Their purpose, they declare, is to point out to the Business Flapper the incongruities in her get-up; to bring about a closer affinity between Beauty and the Working Girl, and, most important of all, to impress upon male architects of female fashions the imperative need for a standardized attire for business women only.

The business girl, instinctively trying to keep up with the fashions and at the same time look and feel practically dressed, has been guilty of some innocent atrocities, these fashion show promoters admit.

To date the male designer has confined himself to thinking up novel effects for the "frivolous flapper, the delirious debutante, the society matron, globe trotter, dancing girl, beach beauty, tennis devotee, Diana of the Hunt and Lassie of the Niblick," is the way they preamble their Declaration of Rights.

Torn between her desire to dress as well as any of these, and with no accredited pattern book to clip, there has been evolved a "Business Flapper" who, they say, "don't dress the way they do because they enjoy being the butt of humorists and cynics, but simply because they love beauty and want to express it in the only way they can—through their clothes."

"Because beauty which would fit their needs has never been assembled and offered them in concrete form, and because they haven't time or money to spend making beauty fit ideas, many of them have made mistakes," the League continues. "They have not yet learned that there may be both beauty and utility in garments if designs are right."

The desire to uplift anybody or anything is entirely lacking from the purpose of the style show sponsors.

"Nothing is further from our purpose," asserted Mrs. Caroline Radner Lewis, advertising manager for a silk manufacturer, and Mrs. L. M. Russell, a magazine editor. "Business women of the country do not require uplifting; they have done and will continue to do this for themselves."

"The big thought back of our plan is to impress on designers and manufacturers the fact that a group of women who earn millions of dollars a year are worthy of more consideration at the hands of the style-dictators than

Refusal Of The Big Systems To Sign The Strike Agreement Causes Concern

SOVIET RUSSIA NOW WANTS OFFICIAL RELATIONS RESUMED WITH THE UNITED STATES

(By Associated Press) Moscow, Sept. 15.—A note, which is considered a reply to an unofficial inquiry of the United States as to whether an American technical commission would be welcomed in Russia, states that Soviet Russia is ready to enter official preliminary negotiations for a reestablishment of official relations with an American delegation appointed for the purpose.

Contributions To Bishop Fund

Contributions to the Bishop Relief Funds continues to grow daily. Many liberal contributions have been made, but those who do not feel that they can contribute one dollar or five or ten dollars, should not stand back, for it is not the amount given but the spirit with which any sum is given. The contribution of one quarter will be just as acceptable as a ten dollar gift.

Previously acknowledged	\$171.00
J. R. Mills	5.00
W. F. Butterworth	5.00
R. L. Kirkland	2.00
W. W. Pope	1.50
H. S. Butts	1.00
T. J. Williford	1.00
C. E. Drake	1.00
Total	\$187.00

CUBAN LAWMAKERS READY TO HAVE THE PRES. ECONOMIZE

(By Associated Press) Havana, Cuba, Sept. 15.—Congress is turning a deaf ear to intimations that the \$100-a-day Cuban White House budget is not commensurate with the present cost of living.

When the 1922-1921 economy budget became effective last July the major domo of the palace took what he considered to be adequate steps to reduce grocery and other bills, but he was forced to announce a deficit at the end of the month of \$1,400. This the president paid from his own pocket after congress had failed to heed the hint he embodied in a special message. Far from bringing additional funds, an intimation that he might be forced to leave his ornate temporary residence for his modest home in 3 Morro street, brought only expressions of commendation.

To help reduce the threatened August deficit, the staff of aides de camp, who formerly sat at the presidential board, now are taking their meals elsewhere.

they have received in the past." Of course, despite her difficulties, "The American business woman is the best-dressed woman on earth," they maintain. "But the Business Flapper is not really to be classed as a business woman; but rather one in the making."

(By Associated Press) Chicago, Ill., Sept. 15.—The refusal by a number of the country's biggest railway systems to enter into the plan for the ending of the shopmen's strike on a basis of separate agreements, developed an element of considerable uncertainty today over the scope of effectiveness of the peace program.

Strike leaders are said to be addressing communications to some of the unwilling roads asking them to reconsider their rejections.

Washington, Sept. 15.—Representatives of the Brotherhood Clerks decided at the conference today with officials of the Labor Department to use their influence at the meeting tonight at Newark, N. J., to prevent a walkout involving six thousand men of the Pennsylvania system.

GLAMOR OF LONDON'S CHINATOWN HAS GONE

London, Sept. 14.—London's Chinatown is fast disappearing. Four years ago 2,000 Chinese seamen were living within a stone's throw of the West India Dock gates. Now it is doubtful whether there are 700, says the Daily News.

During the war London's Chinatown had its most prosperous days, for quite a number of British ships were manned by Chinese crews. But when the war ended the edict went forth "British crews for British ships," and as the Chinamen were paid off they either went back to China or to some other country where their labor was in demand.

The result was that Chinese traders in Chinatown began to suffer, and one after another had to put up their shutters. Then suddenly there came a boom. A beautiful actress died while attending an opium smoking party. Stories were printed about the thrills to be experienced in Chinese opium dens and public attention was focussed on the sinister alleys and by-ways of Chinatown. Restaurants in which Chinese dishes could be obtained opened here and there in Chinatown. Many Americans visited them to see how they compared with similar places in their own Chinatown and curiosity led a number of English folk and various European visitors to do likewise. At night they were often filled to overflowing.

Commercially minded Orientals invested their money in the exploitation of what was a new craze and for a time they prospered exceedingly. But gradually the novelty wore off, the glamour faded, and people came to the conclusion that there was all sorts of cooking that was really much nicer than Chinese cooking. Visitors become fewer and fewer and now there are only one or two shabby restaurants left in London's Chinatown. What remains of it is but a shadow of its former self.

BRITISH ADMIRAL WARNS TURKS AGAINST MASSACRES

London, Sept. 15.—The Admiral commanding the British squadron at Smyrna has warned the Turkish authorities that if the massacres continued in the Turkish quarters it would be bombarded, says the Exchange Telegraph Company's dispatch from Athens.

MILLION DOLLAR FAILURE MADE KNOWN

(By Associated Press) New York, N. Y., Sept. 15.—Alleging liabilities of a million dollars, an involuntary petition in bankruptcy, was filed in the Federal Court today, against Gatts-MeJuade Company, manufacturers of mill products. Assets were listed at a half million.

ATTACK BY COWS NEW DANGER TO AIRPLANES

(By Associated Press) Llandudno, Wales, Sept. 15.—An airplane was recently compelled to land in a field near here, and the mechanic went off for assistance.

Several cows then appeared. They nosed around, gored holes in the wings, and licked off the castor oil which had been splashed out by the engine. The animals finally were driven off, and their owner had to compensate for the damage they did to the machine.

WEATHER REPORT

For North Carolina: Partly cloudy tonight and Saturday. No change in temperature. Moderate easterly winds.

SEEKERS OF EL DORADO DRUGGED AND ROBBED

(By Associated Press) Havana, Cuba, Sept. 15.—Nine emigrants from Central Europe and one from China recently paid \$150 each for a 10-hour motor boat ride, a cup of drugged coffee and the privilege of footing it 35 miles back to Havana after being robbed of \$1,500.

According to the story they told the police, three men agreed to land them on the Florida coast without bothering the American immigration authorities. Boarding a motor boat at dusk near Marianao, they put to sea. At dawn the next day, after several hours deep slumber brought on by what they believe was drugged coffee, they were landed in a desolate cove, told they were on American soil and left to shift for themselves after all their cash and valuables had been taken at the point of a pistol. A little scouting located the Cuban village of Jibacoa and a rural guard who pointed out the road to Havana.

The police are holding a man who says he is an American, and a Cuban, charged as principals; the third man has not yet been found.

MOORE COUNTY CRIMINALS WERE ELECTROCUTED THIS MORNING

(By Associated Press) Raleigh, N. C., Sept. 15.—August Murphy, and Joseph Thomas, negroes, who were convicted of charges growing out of an attack on A. E. Ketchen's wife near Southern Pines several weeks ago, were electrocuted at the State Penitentiary today.

The Turks Massacre Armenians

(By Associated Press) Malta, Sept. 15.—Hundreds of bodies of victims of the Turkish massacre in Smyrna were lying in the streets of the city, when the British hospital ship Maine left there with over four hundred refugees aboard, it is stated by Reuter's Smyrna correspondent, who arrived here on the Maine today.

JUDICIARY COMMITTEE CONSIDERING CHARGES AGAINST ATTORNEY GENERAL DAUGHERTY

(By Associated Press) Washington, Sept. 15.—Impeachment charges against Attorney General Daugherty as a result of his petition for injunction in the cases of the striking railway employes as presented in the House by Representative Keller, will be considered by the Judiciary Committee tomorrow, when Representative Keller will be heard.

WOMEN GAMBLERS PLY TRADE ON THE ATLANTIC LINERS

(By Associated Press) New York, Sept. 14.—Women are replacing men gamblers aboard ocean liners.

"Little Eddie" Mallon, the watchdog of the piers, whose job it is to "spot" sea-going gamblers, is authority for the statement. He says the men claim they are going straight because they have found that travelers are too careful and ship's officers too watchful.

Most of the gamblers, says Mallon, came to that conclusion just about the time a White Star captain sent a well-known gambler to the detention hospital aboard his ship following a spirited little party in the smoking room, when fists were brought into action.

But where men have dropped cards and dice, women have taken them up. The women are known to Eddie and to other detectives who help him watch the piers, but the problem is to catch them.

One big liner recently came in to port and Eddie, as usual, met it at Quarantine. He lost himself as soon as he was aboard. But by the time the liner had reached the pier, he popped into view, sore and disgusted, with disappointment easy to be read in his face.

"I lost 'the Duchess' again," he grumbled.

His story was brief. He had received a wireless tip that there was a woman aboard, aristocratic and cultured; that she had been very sweet to several of the men passengers; that she had reluctantly consented to play bridge practically every night at sea; that she had collected rather heavily at the end of each sitting.

"I talked to about five men about her," continued Eddie, "and not one would complain. She was a woman, they said, and they were not willing to accuse a woman of cheating at cards. So I had to let 'the Duchess' come ashore and she has just passed her baggage. She will probably be back on the French line next week, laughing at me."

"That's the big trouble now. We could beat the men at the game, but now men passengers who have lost either won't admit a woman could outwit them, or else they won't complain. The women are getting away with it simply because they are women."

LOCAL OFFICERS MAKE ANOTHER IMPORTANT CATCH

Local officers yesterday received a tip that another much wanted character had made his appearance and Deputy Sheriff Johnson and Chief Lawrence immediately went to work with the result that a man named Barfield, who was wanted on a white slave charge for transporting a thirteen year old girl named Hale to Virginia about two months ago.

Both parties live in the neighborhood of Speed, in Edgecombe County. It is also charged against Barfield that several years ago he ran away with another man's wife.

He was taken to the Edgecombe County jail and turned over to the authorities there to await trial.

TURKS ENTER BRITISH CONSULATE AND COMMIT MURDER

(By Associated Press) London, Sept. 15.—The American Destroyer, which arrived at Pireaus, Greece, reports that the Turks entered the British consulate at Smyrna and murdered the official who was assembling the archives, says a Reuter dispatch from Athens.

Postmaster Wilinson is also reported murdered as well as other Englishmen. Consul General Harry Lamb is believed to have escaped on a warship.

COTTON MARKET

TODAY'S MARKET	
October	21.33
December	21.63
January	21.50
March	21.57
May	21.52

YESTERDAY'S MARKET

October	21.49
December	21.78
January	21.65
March	21.74
May	21.67

FAMOUS HELLENIC LIBRARY IS TO BE HOUSED NEAR ATHENS

(By Associated Press) Athens, Greece, Sept. 14.—The Greek National Assembly has passed the bill expropriating a magnificent site on the slopes of Mt. Lycabettus for the erection of the building for which the Carnegie Corporation had appropriated the sum of \$200,000 which is to house the Gennadius Library recently presented by Loannes Gennadius to the American School of Classical Studies.

Speeches were made by the Prime Minister, who read the letter of Elihu Root, Chairman of the Trustees of the Carnegie Corporation, announcing the grant and endorsing the purposes of the Gennadius Foundation at the American School, and by several prominent deputies.

It is the consensus of opinion here by those who are acquainted with the Gennadius Library, now in London, that it has no equal in the world as a library illustrating Hellenic civilization; and that the American School by its possession will occupy a unique position among the learned bodies of Europe.