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CLAIMS TELEPHONE EXCHANGES NOT SELF SUSTAINING

CASE BEFORE COMMISSION

Vice President of Southern Bell Telephone Company Claims That Fifty Exchanges Are Not Self-Sustaining. Negroes to Observe Health Sunday.

(By Max Abernethy).

Raleigh, March 31.—Governor Morrison in letters to negro leaders and negro organizations today calls upon the colored race to observe Health Sunday on April 3, which is in keeping with the program through out the Southern States as National Negro Health Week.

The State Board of Health is cooperating in the work and Dr. W. S. Rankin, State Health Officer, is also urging proper observance of the day in North Carolina. The churches are being called upon also and the health department asks that at least one sermon on the general subject of health on next Sunday will be delivered at every negro church in the State.

The governor's letter is in the nature of an appeal to the ministers also and he urges that the death rate of the colored race be reduced. If the negro race is to hold its own, the governor points out, it must improve its health. It must cut this death rate. "But in appealing to you in the interest of your own health, racial question, I appeal to you also as citizens of the State. The improvement of the health of either race is mutually advantageous to both races for, verily, in health matters 'no man lives unto himself.' Infection recognizes no racial barriers."

Approximately fifty percent of the telephone exchanges in North Carolina were not self sustaining during 1920 according to J. M. B. Hoxsey, vice president of the Southern Bell Telephone Company, before the State Corporation Commission yesterday. The hearing which began Monday is expected to be concluded today although there will be no action upon the petition of the telephone company which is asking for an increase of 23 per cent in telephone rates throughout North Carolina.

Eighty-seven per cent of the telephones in operation are located in

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COOL APRIL FIRST.

Washington, March 31.—April will come in attended by frosty temperature instead of showers the weather bureau announced.

Freezing weather was predicted for tonight in upper lake region and frost in the Ohio Valley and northern portions of Mississippi and Alabama.

LIEUTENANT CONEY DIED LATE YESTERDAY FROM HIS INJURIES

Natchez, Miss., March 31.—Lieut. William Devoe Coney, age 27, who was seriously injured when his airplane crashed into a tree near Crowville, La., last Friday morning, died of his injuries at a local hospital here at 5:20 yesterday afternoon.

The death of the lieutenant, whose back was broken in the fall, resulting in a complete paralysis of his body from the chest down, was not unexpected, as his physicians announced earlier in the day that he could live only a few hours.

Mrs. E. Coney, his mother, of Brunswick, Ga., Mrs. W. H. Devoe, an aunt, of Jacksonville, Fla., and E. F. Coney, a brother of Brunswick, Ga., were with the flier at the time of his death.

Lieutenant Coney is a son of the late Edgar F. Coney, a lumbar of Brunswick. He was born in Atlanta in November, 1893.

FUNERAL CEREMONY OF GREAT SPLendor FOR LATE CARDINAL

EULOGIES OF THE DEAD

Celebrated Requiem Mass in the Cathedral of the Virgin Mary With Seminarians Chanting Gregorian Music Never Before Heard Outside the Sistine Chapel in Rome.

Baltimore, March 31.—With all the splendor of ceremony centuries old the Roman Catholic church today laid to rest one of its oldest and most faithful servants James Cardinal Gibbons, archbishop of Baltimore.

Archbishop John Bonzano apostolic delegate at Washington celebrated the pontifical requiem mass in the Cathedral of the Blessed Virgin Mary with Seminarians chanting Gregorian music never before heard outside the Sistine Chapel in Rome during a funeral of a Pope.

Archbishop Glennon of St. Louis delivered the funeral sermon. During his eulogy of the dead there remained scarcely a dry eye among hearers whose memories went back to the gentle kindly man who led with harmony of mind as well as harmony of heart.

There was harmony of color and sound as the light of candles around the bier fell on the brilliant ceremonial robes of priests and auditors echoed to the measured rhythm of chanted prayers.

TO INVESTIGATE

BALLOON DISAPPEARANCE

Washington, March 31.—Acting Secretary Roosevelt has started personal inquiry into the flight of the naval free balloon from Pensacola March 22 with five men aboard and has not since been heard from.

This is preparatory to ordering the usual board of investigation which will probably not be designated until Secretary Denby's return from Guantanamo on April 5.

AIRPLANES LEAVE

FOR LONG FLIGHT

Camp Bragg, March 31.—The two airplanes manned by men of the marine corps will leave here sometime this afternoon for Paris Island, S. C., the last stop planned before the final flight to the Virgin Islands.

The planes are en route from Washington. They arrived at Camp Bragg from Richmond yesterday afternoon.

STORYTELLERS CLASS MEETING

The Storytellers class will meet tomorrow afternoon in the Methodist Sunday school rooms at 4:30. A special program of stories and games will be discussed, and all members are urged to be present.

FORMER EMPEROR IN VAIN ATTEMPT TO REGAIN THRONE

NOW AT STEINAMANGER

Charles is Under Strict Military Supervision. Count Bethlen Has Strong Force of Troops at His Disposal to Suppress Any Civil War Movement.

Vienna, March 31.—Reports were received by various newspapers here today that Ex-Emperor Charles had proclaimed a military dictatorship at Steinamanger and that Gen. Lehar was said to be ready at the head of 15,000 troops to march on Budapest and by force if necessary restore Charles to the throne.

Budapest, March 30.—Count Stefan Bethlen, fully empowered to act for the safety of the state as the plenipotentiary of Regent Horthy, has been sent to Steinamanger, the west Hungarian town near the Austrian border where former Emperor Charles has taken refuge after his vain attempt to regain the throne. Advisor to the former premier, Archduke Joseph, has a strong force of troops at his disposal to suppress any civil war movement, should any be attempted. Premier Teleky and Count Julius Andrássy, former foreign minister and friend of the former ruler, accompanied Count Bethlen to endeavor to persuade Charles to leave Hungary immediately. Charles is under strict military supervision in Steinamanger.

London, March 31.—An exchange telegraph dispatch from Paris states the majority of the Hungarian troops have rallied to the standard of the ex-emperor Charles.

RAIN THIS AFTERNOON.

For North Carolina: Rain this afternoon and tonight and cooler in extreme western portion tonight and Friday fair and cooler on the coast with fresh shifting winds becoming northwest by Friday morning.

FIREMEN FIGHT FIRE ABOVE CLOUDS

Blaze on the Thirty-First Floor of Skyscraper is Extinguished.

New York, March 31.—Firemen fought a fire above the clouds today on the 31st floor of the Equitable building in the heart of the downtown sky scraper district. This was one of the highest fires the firemen have ever been called on to fight. The fire was extinguished before 15,000 building inhabitants arrived.

IRISH UNIONISTS AND BRITISH TALK PEACE

Belfast, March 31.—Cardinal Logue, primate of Ireland, was interviewed Tuesday by Sir William Goulding and three other southern Irish Unionists with the object, it is understood, of opening of peace negotiations between the Irish Republican parliament and the British government.

The interview took place at Dundale. Sir William Goulding is a prominent Unionist and railway man.

HARDING MAKES FURTHER APPOINTMENTS

Washington, March 31.—The appointment of Chas. H. Burke as Pierre S. D. business man and member chairman of the house and committee as commissioner of Education. The President also appointed and T. H. Robertson as commissioner of

IMPRESSIVE FUNER'L SERVICES IN HONOR ROBERT ANDERSON

CONDUCTED THIS P. M.

First to Fall From Wilson County in War for Liberty and Defense of Civilization. First From North Carolina to Receive Distinguished Service Cross.

With solemn and reverent ceremonies the body of Lieut. Robert Banks Anderson, son of Dr. and Mrs. W. S. Anderson of this city, the first of the Wilson county boys to make the supreme sacrifice for his country on the battlefields of France in the Great War, was to-day laid to rest in Maplewood Cemetery in the plot set aside for the interment of the soldier boys of this county.

The remains of Lieut. Anderson arrived in Hoboken some weeks ago and were brought to Wilson on Wednesday. The body was accompanied from New York to Wilson by Dr. Paul Anderson, of Richmond, and Lieut. Jesse Anderson, of Wilson, brothers of the deceased, both of whom served in the American Expeditionary Forces in France. And was also accompanied by Messrs. E. A. Sommers and A. L. Quicke, representatives of the American Legion Post composed of the employees of the Export Leaf Division of The British American Tobacco Company with headquarters at New York, which Post was named The Robert B. Anderson Post in honor of Lieut. Anderson.

From the arrival of the body in Wilson until this afternoon at four o'clock, when the funeral services were conducted in the Methodist church by Rev. F. Swindell Love, the pastor, of which church Lieut. Anderson was a member, the body lay in state, the casket covered with the flag, in the service of which Lieut. Anderson gave his life, at the home of Dr. and Mrs. W. S. Anderson. The military features of the funeral were conducted by the local

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HOPE FOR THE NEW POSTOFFICE

Postmaster General Hays Speaks in Optimistic Vein About Public Buildings.

Washington, March 31.—Postmaster General Hays said something that should be encouraging to towns like Greensboro, Asheville and Mount Airy that are badly in need of new postoffice buildings. He announced that he had summoned to Washington for a conference next Monday nine postmasters from as many large cities of the country, including New York, Philadelphia, St. Louis and Baltimore. At this conference, he said there would be a discussion of better postal service as well as postal facilities.

"Will you take up the question of a public buildings bill and additional room of various offices?" the postmaster general was asked.

"You can't have good service without adequate room and good working conditions, said Mr. Hays. "It is true that a great many officers are now congested, with business far beyond what it was a few years ago, and I expect to go into the question of increased space for work wherever it is needed. This conference will be followed by a general survey of conditions at various postoffices in the west and south. An administrative committee has not as yet taken up 21 days of a building bill and plates and plates, but Vernatta, make. 60c

HUNGARY REGENT HAS RESIGNED IT IS REPORTED

MANY TROOPS ASSEMBLE

Also Reported That Former Emperor Charles is On Way to Budapest and Has an Army Adhering to His Cause. Jugo-Slav Troops to March on Steinamanger.

Vienna, March 31.—It is unofficially reported here that Rorthy the Hungarian regent has resigned and will let events take their course but the report was not confirmed.

It is also reported that former Emperor Charles is on the way to Budapest at the frontier and an army adhering to his cause is on the move.

The Wiener Journal announced that 30,000 Jugo Slav troops have been massed in Varesdi in Croatia with the intention of marching on Steinamanger and preventing a restoration of the Hapsburgs by all means.

FORMER BASEBALL

MAN IS DEAD

Cincinnati, O., March 31.—Framch C. Bancroft, for many years manager of the Cincinnati baseball club, died at a hospital here at midnight last night. He had been ill for several months of neuritis.

CONEY'S BODY BURIED

BRUNSWICK, GA.

Natchez, Miss., March 31.—The body of Lieut. W. D. Coney transcontinental flyer who died late yesterday from injuries received when he fell near Crowville, La., last Friday while attempting a one stop flight from Jacksonville, Fla., to San Diego, Calif., left here today for Brunswick, Ga., where the funeral will be held Saturday.

The body was accompanied by Lieut. Coney's mother and aunt, his brother and Major N. B. Claggett of the fourth aviation corps.

TOBACCO PRICES

LOW IN VIRGINIA

Danville, March 31.—Total season sale amounting to 55 million pounds the largest on record were announced today at the close of the Danville tobacco market. Prices have been low throughout the season and smaller crops have brought more money.

COTTON GROWERS MEET

IN WASHINGTON

Washington, March 31.—Representatives of Southern cotton growers while in Washington tomorrow and Saturday for conferences with Secretary Hoover in an effort to improve credit conditions will call on President Harding. Former Senator Hoke Smith of Georgia arranged for the conference to be held at Saturday noon.

CONFERRING ROYAL

ARCH DEGREE

Rev. Morrison Bethea is back from Windsor where he conferred the Royal Arch Degree on eight candidates.

PROMINENT NEWSPAPER

MAN HERE

Mr. C. L. Leach a prominent newspaper man of Suffolk, Va., is here on a visit to relatives. He is the Editor and publisher of the Suffolk Herald.

ENGLISH MINERS ARE GOING OUT ON STRIKE TODAY

AFFECTS MANY DISTRICTS

Decision Was Reached by Union Executives to Call Strike When There Was Failure to Settle Miners Wage Demands. Coal for Export be Rationed Rigidity.

London, March 31.—The coal miners began to leave the pits in various districts this afternoon in line with the decision of the union executive committee to call a strike tonight because of the failure to settle miners wage demands.

Coal owners have decided coal for export shall be rationed rigidly.

INTERESTING FARM

MEET NEXT WEEK

Mr. B. T. Ferguson, county farm demonstration agent, announces that on April 6 Mr. A. C. Kimrey, assistant in dairy husbandry, and Mr. W. W. Shay, in charge of swine extension work, will be in Wilson and will attend a field meet to be held on the farm of Mr. L. P. Woodard on the afternoon of the 6th.

The men and women of Wilson, town and county, are invited to attend this meeting. Mr. Kimrey will talk on dairying and the family cow. Mr. Shay will talk on swine.

Mr. Ferguson is sure that farm women as well as farm men will find the meeting of especial interest.

MARKETS

COTTON

New York, March 31.—The cotton market opened at a decline of 13 to 16 points in response to lower Liverpool cables and Wall street and southern selling with July selling to 12.62, after the call or about 18 to 21 points lower but some of the Liverpool advices were encouraging and trade interests were fair buyers on the opening decline.

New York, March 31.—The cotton market opened barely steady. May 12.20, July 12.68, Oct. 13.13, Dec. 13.35.

At noon the market was as follows: January 13.50, May 12.21, July 12.69, October 13.18, December 13.41.

Spots 10c. The market closed at 3 p. m. as follows: Jan. 13.56, May 12.25, July 12.72, Oct. 13.21, Dec. 13.46.

STOCKS.

New York, March 31.—Weakness prevailed at the opening of today's stock market. The leaders were the oils, steels, equipment and motor groups these being among the first to give way to increased pressure.

Within the first half hour there were losses of from one to three points and these were sustained by Mexican Petroleum, Baldwin, Chandler and Kelly Springfield Tires. The reaction extended to the rails and Union Pacific.

EX-EMPEROR SAYS

THAT "ALL IS WELL"

Geneva, March 31.—"All is well," read a telegram received last night by former Empress Zeta from ex-Emperor Charles. The message was dispatched from Steinamanger on the frontier between Austria and Hungary where presence of the former ruler was last reported.

BACK

(As a Dempsey Bullock)

Back from the work which I had done, back to the land of his birth, I had not taken part in any of the city games. All have been the general play work of the boys, to sleep with friends he had seen and are in good condition and are in good condition for real work for the great meet.