

SALE OF LIQUOR ON SHIPS IS DEFENDED

18th Amendment Null And Volstead Act Void on The High Seas

WASHINGTON, June 14.—The shipping board holds that "neither the Volstead act nor the 18th amendment applies to American ships outside the three-mile limit," Chairman Lasker declared today in a letter to Adolphus Busch, III, vice-president of the Anheuser-Busch Brewery company, of St. Louis.

Confirming reports that alcoholic drinks were being served on American ships at sea, Mr. Lasker asserted that the shipping board had approved this custom "both from the standpoint of legal right and from the standpoint of the life and security of our national merchant marine."

"The shipping board has permitted and will continue to permit the serving of liquor on its ships," he continued, "so long as foreign language ships are allowed to enter and depart from our shores exercising that privilege."

Mr. Lasker's letter was in reply to a communication addressed by Mr. Busch to President Harding with reference to alcoholic drinks being regularly served on shipping board vessels at sea. The matter had been referred to him, the shipping board chairman explained, since "the President is unacquainted with the subject you cover."

While it is true, Mr. Lasker said, that an assistant attorney general "in the prior administration," had held that the prohibition laws were effective on American shipping wherever operated, the present general counsel of the shipping board, his two assistants and the chairman himself were convinced that such an opinion was not soundly based and had approved the inclusion of wine lists as regular equipment of boats operated under the board's supervision, for use, however, only beyond the jurisdictional coastal line.

"The prior chairman (of the board) had issued orders that the Palmer opinion must be respected," Mr. Lasker said, "but it is true that in fact during the Wilson administration insofar as the shipping board operated passenger ships liquor was served. * * *

"Having thus disposed of your contention that we are breaking the law let me refer to the practical side of what is involved.

"There is a vital bill pending before Congress now providing aid for American shipping which if enacted into law stamps the belief of America (as expressed through its legislative body) that we have reached that point in our national life where an established merchant marine is essential for our prosperity in times of peace and our protection in times of war.

"No type of ship is so essential for either of these major purposes as the fast passenger and combination passenger and cargo ships. Of this type Great Britain has 250 whereas we have but 50; when speed and size are considered the factor is even greater in favor of Great Britain.

"So long as Great Britain, Japan, France, Germany and other maritime nations continue to serve liquors to American passengers I am ashamed to state that my experience leads me to believe there is a sufficient number of Americans without proper pride in their own flag who would divert their trade to the foreign flags to the extent that the competition would be from a profit operating standpoint very heavily against the American ship.

"I do not believe I speak inadvisably when I state that so long as foreign ships can enter America serving liquor the lack of that privilege might be the very determining factor in the life or death of the American merchant marine, and that so long as foreign ships are allowed the privilege of entering and departing from American ports serving liquor that same privilege must be allowed our merchant ships.

"If the sale of liquor be prohibited on all boats entering or departing from American ports there is no voice in the shipping board that would be raised in protest."

CENTRAL BASEBALL LEAGUE IS FORMED

SELMA, June 14.—The Central Carolina Baseball League was formed here yesterday in the Chamber of Commerce rooms for the purpose of providing a series of games of the great national pastime for the summer. The towns forming the league, Smithfield, by R. P. Holding; Wendell, by Wilkins; Benson, Dr. A. E. Oliver and Selma by O. P. Harper. Dr. I. W. Mayerberg was elected temporary president of the league and M. L. Gordon secretary.

The league will open Monday, June 19, and will be a ten week league with two series. The players for each town are to be local men with a few exceptions. This will make it more interesting for the local fans to see their home teams playing hard for the victory, and neither team will have much chance to run away with the other teams.

Only four games per week will be played with the schedule for the first week as follows:

Monday, June 19: Selma at Wendell; Benson at Smithfield. Tuesday, June 20: Wendell at Selma; Smithfield at Benson. Thursday, June 22: Benson at Selma; Wendell at Smithfield. Friday, June 23: Selma at Benson; Smithfield at Wendell.

To begin with the question of umpires seemed to give trouble but before the meeting was over the names of more good umpires were submitted than could be used during the season. With each team a good team and a good diamond much fun and sport will be anticipated by the baseball fans of the four towns.

C. CUSTER DIES SUDDENLY

A HIS HOME IN SELMA

SELMA, June 14.—C. Custer, agent for the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company at Selma for the past twelve years, died suddenly in his office Monday afternoon.

Mr. Custer was apparently in his usual health until a short time before he died, when he had a sinking spell at the cafe near the station. He soon recovered and walked over to his office. After entering the office he began to read and fell out of his chair dead.

The remains were taken to Rocky Mount, Va., for burial. Mr. Custer was from Rocky Mount, and his widow and child, who survive him, were there at the time of his death.

Mr. Custer was popular in Selma, and his sudden death has cast a gloom over the town. He was an efficient railroad man and was always kind and courteous to all.

The remains were accompanied to Rocky Mount by J. W. Short, M. K. Heptinstall and Paul Warren.—News and Observer.

S. C. GOVERNOR TO BE AT GOLDSBORO

A telegram from the office of Senator Simmons to the Goldsboro Chamber of Commerce announces the fact that Ex-Governor Robt. A. Cooper of South Carolina, now a member of the Federal Farm Loan Board, will address the farmers in Eastern North Carolina in Goldsboro at the Wayne County Home Coming Celebration to be held here on July 4th.

In addition to Mr. Cooper's address, it has been announced that a representative from the United States Department of Agriculture and Mr. T. B. Parker from the State Department of Agriculture would deliver important messages to the farmers of Eastern Carolina on this occasion.

POLES GET RICH BY SELLING GERMAN NEWS-PAPERS AS WASTE

BERLIN, Germany.—It was observed recently in a small station on the German-Polish border that the people were buying large quantities of German newspaper. This was attributed at first to a desire to absorb the German point of view on the part of the Poles, but some skeptics insisted upon an investigation.

It was discovered that a group of Poles was purchasing German newspapers at current prices and reselling them as waste paper with almost 100 per cent profit. The paper is pulped and resold in Russia, where it is again used as news print. It is said the originators of the idea have made much money.

NEWS ITEMS AT THE CAPITAL OF BEULAH

Mrs. Kirby and Mrs. Barnes Entertain Priscilla Club; Personal Mention

KENLY, June 13.—Miss Adna Lee Bailey spent the week end with relatives in Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Derby, of Fayetteville were the week end guests of Dr. and Mrs. R. A. Turlington. Mr. Derby returned to Fayetteville Monday while Mrs. Derby remained for a few days.

Miss Mildred Darden is spending some time in Warsaw, the guest of Miss Hulda Best.

Miss Lucile Holden has returned from a visit to friends in Rocky Mount. She was accompanied home by Miss Vivian Griffin, of Rocky Mount.

Miss Thelma Hooks spent the week end with relatives at Nahunta.

Mrs. M. C. Bridgers, of Bladenboro is on a visit to her sister, Mrs. H. M. Grizzard.

Mrs. R. A. Turlington and Mrs. E. C. Derby spent Tuesday in Raleigh.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Hooks and family spent Sunday with relatives near Fremont.

Mr. H. F. Edgerton, Mrs. L. Z. Woodard, Misses Lillian Edgerton, Inez Edgerton and Miriam Edgerton are spending a few days in Norfolk.

Mrs. Dora Gilbreath, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hollowell and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Darden attended the burial of Mrs. S. L. Rose in Goldsboro Friday.

Mrs. Hank Simmons, of Goldsboro, spent the week end with her father, Mr. R. A. Hales.

Mrs. R. T. Fulghum, Miss Frances Hales and Mr. Ralph Hales spent Thursday with relatives in Goldsboro.

Miss Clyde Stone, of Hope Mills is on a visit here with Mrs. Joe Eagles.

Mr. A. H. Hardison left Monday for Enfield on a business trip and will be away several days.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Tiner left Monday to spend the week with relatives in Louisburg and Wake Forest.

Miss Jewell Edgerton is visiting friends in Parkton for several days.

Mrs. J. H. Alford made a visit to Nashville recently.

Mr. F. T. McDewitte, of Washington, N. C., spent last week end in town with friends.

The Missionary Society of the M. E. Church held its regular monthly meeting at the church on Monday at 5 p. m. The meeting was presided over by Mrs. G. B. Woodard.

There were regular services conducted at the M. E. Church here Sunday by the pastor, Rev. J. E. Holden. "And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams." Acts 2nd chap. 17th verse.

Miss Elizabeth Woodard arrived home Tuesday after spending some time in Walstonburg with her aunt, Mrs. W. A. Marlow.

Mrs. J. H. Barnes left for Dunn today to visit friends.

Mrs. J. H. Kirby entertained her Sunday School class Tuesday at a picnic dinner at Lowell.

On last Friday afternoon the lovely home of Mrs. Katherine H. Kirby on Maxwellton Heights was the scene of a brilliant social event when Mrs. Kirby and Mrs. J. H. Barnes entertained the Priscilla club. As the guest arrived they were met at the door by Mrs. Kirby and Mrs. Barnes and seated in the living room and hall which was found, attractively decorated with sweet peas and larkspur. During the pleasant hours of the afternoon a special program was rendered which was very much enjoyed. As the hour of departure drew near Miss Lucile Kirby assisted by Miss Virginia Kirby and Miss Esther Alford, of Smithfield, served the guests with delicious chicken salad, ice cream and cake. Those enjoying the occasion were Mesdames R. H. Alford, of Smithfield, R. A. Turlington, L. C. Wilkinson, H. M. Grizzard, M. C. Bridger, of Bladenboro, P. Godwin, Frank Derby, of Fayetteville, L. Z. Woodard, P. D. Grady, J. C. Grady, G. B. Woodard, (Continued on page 8)

PRINCETON NEWS IS FULL OF INTEREST

Holt's Mill Is Now Called Harrison's Lake Being Developed

PRINCETON, June 13.—Misses Ethel and Mildred Boyett and Jimmie Boyett, from Glendale, were visitors at Mr. G. T. Boyett's for the week end.

Mrs. Chester, of Greenville, Mrs. J. C. Thompson and Mrs. P. C. Caldwell, of Wayne county, were visitors in town Tuesday, guests of Miss Estella Holt.

Misses Thelma Toler, Mildred Massey and Sara Blackman have gone to the summer school at State College, Raleigh.

Miss Ora Everett, from Parkton, is here visiting her sister, Mrs. J. L. Rackley.

Holt's Mill has been improved and it is now Harrison's Lake. There are boats and baths, and other amusements. There were said to be almost a thousand young people who visited this pleasure resort last Sunday. Being right on the Central highway where hundreds of cars pass every day this place can be made one of the most popular ones in eastern North Carolina. The managers should cut out bad characters and those who come there in a drunken condition.

Mr. Billie Yelverton from Eureka, was a visitor here Sunday, being present at the Children's Day exercises in the Methodist church.

The fire department was called out at 4 a. m. Saturday to a vacant building which was entirely destroyed. There was plenty of insurance on it. Another building was entirely destroyed, this was occupied by a colored family, and all their household goods were burned. This was caused by a bad stove flue.

The sermon at the Methodist church Sunday night was preached by Rev. J. S. Edwards, a young man raised near town. Forty years ago a young man named David Whitley, raised near town, preached one of his first sermons in the old Methodist church at the same place. John T. Finlayson was the other one, only three preachers raised here in forty years.

Mrs. Bettie Bucher is very seriously sick in the Goldsboro hospital where she was carried some days ago. Mr. Bob Rains is very sick with fever at his home near town. Mr. George T. Whitley continues very feeble not having recovered from a recent illness. He is able, however, to hobble up town, but becomes entirely exhausted by the effort.

Miss Fadim Kirk, from Mebane, is visiting Miss Gertrude King this week. Mrs. Flora Coley and daughter, Miss Mary from Eureka are visiting their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Edwards.

Three young white men and married who live about four miles from town, went out on a chicken stealing trip Friday night. They went to the darkey, Toddy Whitley, happened to be in his yard and saw them. He knew each one well as they all lived near him. He had his gun but would not shoot them. He hitched up and followed their wagon to Goldsboro, where the police got the young men with the old man's chickens.

There will be a picnic at Harrison's Lake next Monday for the children of the Baptist Sunday School who were in the Children's Day exercises. The friends of John R. Holt, Jr., will be glad to know that he is improving and will soon be well again, Providence permitting.

DURHAM MAN IS ELECTED HEAD CAROLINA COLLEGE

DURHAM, June 12.—Ernest J. Green, former superintendent of city schools in Durham has been elected president of Carolina College at Maxton, according to announcement made today.

Mr. Green was for 17 years identified with public school work in Durham. He resigned to enter business. He will, it is announced, accept the presidency of Carolina college.

DECLARES UNITED STATES BIGGEST OF BOOTLEGGERS

St. Louis, Mo., June 14.—Charging the United States is "incomparably the biggest bootlegger in the world," a letter written by August A. Busch, president of Anheuser Busch, Inc., while en route to Europe aboard the steamship George Washington, and which has been forwarded to President Harding, was made public here today, together with an accompanying letter by Adolphus Busch, III, his son. A third letter by Anheuser Busch, Inc., addressed to members of Congress, requests an investigation of the enforcement department of the government in relation to the Prohibition Act.

The letter of August A. Busch, addressed to his associates, says in part: "We are now approaching the coast of France. As this vessel is operated by the United States Shipping Board I was amazed to learn that the Shipping Board vessels are the 'wettest on the ocean.'"

"I learn that passage on these ships has been sold with a positive money-back guarantee that the bars for the sale of intoxicating liquors would be thrown wide open as soon as they passed outside the three-mile coast line.

"This makes the United States incomparably the biggest bootlegger in the world."

TRY FOR TOP OF EVEREST AFTER BREAKING RECORD

LONDON, Eng., June 12.—According to reports from Tibet two selected members of Gen. Bruce's expedition party are now attempting to reach the summit of Mount Everest, the goal of the expedition, says a Calcutta dispatch today. Three of the climbers have suffered severe frost bites.

It was announced in London dispatches of June 8 that three members of the Everest expedition had on May 21 reached an altitude of 26,800 feet, the highest ever reached by man, and 2,200 feet below the summit. This, it was commented, seemed to augur well for the success of the final effort.

GOVERNMENT'S EXPENSES CUT 1,700,000,000 DOLLARS

WASHINGTON, June 12.—Expenditures for carrying on the ordinary business of the Government for the current fiscal year will be nearly \$1,700,000,000 less than last year, or about \$100,000,000 more than the latest estimate by Director of the Budget Dawes, Treasury officials stated today.

Expenditures of the Government chargeable against ordinary receipts exclusive of the principal of the public debt for the fiscal year to date have amounted to \$3,523,136,678, compared with \$5,138,806,937 for the corresponding period last year.

Pressure by the budget bureau, officials declared, would prevent undue last minute expenditures before July 30, so that Gen. Dawes' estimate would be more than borne out by the results for the year.

GOVERNMENT ASKED TO BUY DISMAL SWAMP

WASHINGTON, June 13.—Senator Simmons, Representative Ward, and former Republican John S. Small appeared before the senate committee on commerce today, and asked it to take over the dismal swamp, as recommended by the chief of engineers of the army, at \$500,000. The purpose is to reclaim this ancient wilderness.

WEEKS ASKS FOR MONEY TO SETTLE CLAIMS ON CAMP BRAGG PROPERTY

WASHINGTON, June 13.—Secretary Weeks asked Congress today for an appropriation of \$689,000 for completion of acquisition of land for military purposes at Camp Bragg, North Carolina, most of which will be used to pay awards heretofore made in condemnation proceedings.

"An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure."

FORMER STUDENTS PLAN MEMORIAL

Called to Meet Here June 30 To Discuss Memorial to Prof. Turlington

In July of last year the following letter was written and mailed to several of the old students of Turlington Institute:

"Smithfield, N. C.
July 30th, 1921.

"Dear Sir:
"At a meeting a few days ago the undersigned was appointed to call together about one hundred and fifty of the old students of Professor Ira T. Turlington to consider the advisability of commemorating the memory of Prof. Turlington, in some manner, and to consider ways and means. I therefore request that you meet us in the court room in Smithfield on Thursday, August 4, 1921 at 10 o'clock a. m. Please be present.

"Yours truly,
"ANNIE V. LEE."

In response to this letter several of the old students met in the court room in Smithfield on the day above mentioned for the above purpose. Owing to the inclemency of the weather the attendance was not as large as had been hoped for, but the enthusiasm and interest shown at the meeting, by those present, and letters from many of those who were absent made the meeting a most interesting one. At this meeting its purpose was warmly discussed and it was voted advisable by those present to continue the work, and that a temporary committee be appointed to take up and continue it. Mr. A. M. Noble, a former student of Prof. Turlington and at present one of Johnston county's most promising citizens was unanimously chosen as chairman of the committee with Miss Annie V. Lee, another old student and staunch friend of Prof. Turlington, as secretary.

Mr. Noble and Miss Lee were granted the full privilege of selecting the committee composed of old students to assist them in taking up and considering the ways and means of, and how best to obtain a suitable memorial to the memory of this great and good man. Those who graciously accepted the work with the Chairman and Secretary are Mrs. Bertha Stevens Ginn, of Goldsboro, Messrs J. S. Fulghum, of Raleigh, Oliver Rand, of Wilson, and Rev. A. T. Lassiter, of Benson. This committee is now ready to submit the report of their work to all other old students who are interested in any way in seeing some permanent and suitable memorial established to do honor to one whose worthy life and deeds have meant so much for the uplift of not only Johnston County, but whose influence has been and will always be felt throughout our colleges and different states. This article is published with the earnest desire that it may be read with appreciative and appellation interest by the old Turlington Institute and Turlington Graded School students, the County Board of Education, all school teachers, who had the opportunity and pleasure of teaching during his term of Superintendent of Public Instruction of Johnston County, all institute workers, who enjoyed his leadership, and all other interested friends, and that they may make every effort to meet with the committee in the auditorium of the Turlington Graded School in Smithfield on Friday afternoon, the 30th of June, at 3:30 o'clock, promptly, for the submission of the report of the present committee and to give each one present the opportunity of expressing his or her views regarding plans now under way for this cause.

To advance the cause further it is absolutely necessary that a full attendance of interested persons shall be on hand at this meeting, and it is desired that each one present shall feel that it is a meeting for them in which they may feel perfectly free to voice their opinion of the work, and to lend their interest in any way they may see fit to further the work. Many friends and students of the late Professor Turlington at home and abroad are deeply interested in this movement, which has now been under most careful consideration for almost a year and many voluntary letters and messages have been received.

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