

### "WET AND DRY" ISSUE IS 'BIG QUESTION' BEFORE THE NEBRASKA VOTERS

Nabraska Voters Are Expressing  
Choice for President—  
Select Delegates To Na-  
tional Conventions

#### WOMEN VOTE FOR FIRST TIME IN PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE PRIMARY

Liquor Question Brought Out  
By Democratic Contest For  
Control of States Delegation  
To National Convention

(By The Associated Press)  
Lincoln, Neb., April 20.—The  
"wet" and "dry" issue has been  
brought to the fore in Nebraska's  
primary at which both republicans  
and democrats are today expressing  
their choice of presidential candi-  
dates, name 16 delegates to the na-  
tional convention of each party and  
nominate candidates for congress-  
ional and state offices. Under a pri-  
vate suffrage act Nebraska women  
for the first time will vote in a pre-  
sidential preference fight.

Republicans entered for presiden-  
tial indorsement are Generals John  
J. Pershing and Leonard Wood and  
United States Senator Hiram W.  
Johnson, of California. United States  
Senator Gilbert M. Hitchcock has  
been presented as the democratic  
presidential candidate while Robert  
Ross of Lexington, Neb., will run on  
both tickets.

The liquor question was brought  
out by the democratic contest for  
control of the state's delegation to  
an Francisco convention. Sup-  
porters of William Jennings Bryan  
and Senator Hitchcock are the op-  
posing forces. Each faction has a  
list of delegate candidates in the  
field and each has a candidate for  
national committeeman.

Mr. Bryan, opponent of what he  
says are efforts to raise the legal  
limit of alcohol in beverages, is seek-  
ing a place on the delegation and has  
announced that if he is elected he  
will not support Senator Hitchcock  
because of his opposition to submis-  
sion of the federal prohibitory  
amendment and for other reasons.  
Should the state instruct for Mr.  
Hitchcock, Mr. Bryan, has declared  
he would allow an alternate to act in  
his place when the democratic con-  
vention begins balloting on presiden-  
tial nominees.

Delegate candidates representing  
the rival camps of Generals Wood  
and Pershing, likewise, are seeking  
election, but all of them have pledged  
that if they are chosen they will  
abide by the preference vote of the  
people regardless of their personal  
choice.

All of the delegates selected, the  
attorney general's office has held,  
are only morally bound to adhere to  
the wish of the voters and have power  
to change their votes at the convention  
if they feel circumstances justify  
such action.

The democrats have congressional  
contests in only two districts. All of  
the state's present republican con-  
gressmen are asking renomination.  
Three, R. E. Evans, W. E. Andrews  
and Moses P. Kinkaid, are opposed  
by candidates of the Non-Partisan  
league.

W. J. Taylor of Merms, an officer  
of the league, but not entered by that  
organization as a candidate, is seek-  
ing the democratic gubernatorial  
nomination against four other candi-  
dates. In the republican primary  
Governor Samuel R. McKelvie is out  
for renomination and is opposed by  
six candidates.

One feature of the state contests  
will be the result of the vote for  
democratic nomination for secretary  
of state, two women having entered  
this race for the first time in the  
state's history. They are Miss Anna  
E. Yockel, of Beatrice and Miss Lil-  
lian U. Stoner, of Osceola. They will  
contest with E. A. Waltrath of Osceola  
and L. A. Barson of Frontier  
County.

#### Earthquake Recorded

(By The Associated Press)  
Washington, April 20.—An earth-  
quake of moderate intensity about  
twenty-one hundred miles from  
Washington was today recorded by  
the Georgetown University seismo-  
graphic observatory.

#### Priests Replace Police

(By The Associated Press)  
Londonberry, Ireland, April 20.—  
Quiet prevailed here today after  
rioting Sunday when Catholic priests  
took the place of policemen and pat-  
rolled the streets.

### UNIONS WILL NOT SANCTION STRIKE

Brotherhood President Says  
Threatened Walkout In Chi-  
cago Will Be Unlawful

(By The Associated Press)  
Detroit, April 20.—The walkout  
of one hundred thousand main-  
tenance way railroad employees which  
is threatened in Chicago for April 28  
unless their demands for a tempo-  
rary wage increase of a dollar a day  
are granted, will not receive the  
sanction of the brotherhood, Presi-  
dent E. R. Grable announced today.

### Old Landmark Loses A Branch Of Its Family

Last night an old land mark in  
the Commons became tired of its  
large family and there was a "split-  
up." In other words, one of the  
largest trees in the Tarboro Com-  
mons lost one of its limbs. The limb  
itself was as large as the usual tree  
that we see along the street line in  
any city. It will be missed by those  
who have lived and grown with it.

A little child, in speaking of the  
happening said that the city had  
"already covered the wound with anti-  
flogistine," to save that part of the  
tree which still stands.

Those citizens that live near the  
Commons heard the noise made by  
the wrangling of the tree last night  
and rushed to their windows, think-  
ing that perhaps a small earthquake  
had visited our city.

#### Rural Carrier Exams

The United States Civil Service  
Commission has announced an ex-  
amination for the county of Halifax,  
N. C., to be held at Tarboro, Halifax,  
Littleton, N. C., on May 8, 1920, to  
fill the position of rural carrier at  
Littleton, Enfield, Palmyra, Halifax,  
and Tillery, N. C., and vacancies that  
may later occur on rural routes from  
other post offices in the above-men-  
tioned county. The examination will  
be open only to citizens who are ac-  
tually domiciled in the territory of a  
post office in the county and who  
meet the other requirements set  
forth in Form No. 1977. Both men  
and women, if qualified, may enter  
this examination, but appointing of-  
ficers have the legal right to specify  
the sex desired in requesting certifi-  
cation of eligibles. Women will not  
be considered for rural carrier ap-  
pointment unless they are the widows  
of U. S. soldiers, sailors, or marines,  
or the wives of U. S. soldiers, sailors  
or marines who are physically dis-  
qualified for examination by reason  
of injuries received in the line of  
military duty. Form No. 1977 and  
application blanks may be obtained  
from the offices mentioned above or  
from the United States Civil Service  
Commission at Washington, D. C.

Applications should be forwarded to  
the Commission at Washington at  
earliest practicable date.

#### ALLIED PREMIERS ACREE ON PRINCIPLE TREATY POINTS

(By The Associated Press)  
San Remo, April 20.—Premiers of  
the Allied powers concerned are  
agreed upon the principle representa-  
tions to be made to Germany concern-  
ing the execution of the Versal-  
les treaty, but some differences  
of a small nature still persist, today's  
advices state.

#### Many Representatives Present At Board Meet

Washington, April 20.—Heads of  
the four brotherhoods and other rep-  
resentatives of railroad men were pres-  
ent here when the railroad labor  
board began formal hearings on the  
demands for increased wages, involv-  
ing nearly two million railroad em-  
ployees.

#### Typhus Rages In Siberia

(By The Associated Press)  
Victoria, B. C., April 20.—Typhus  
has killed thousands of Siberians and  
thousands are still succumbing to it,  
Dr. A. K. Higgs, head of the Ameri-  
can Red Cross said today on return-  
ing.

### PROHIBITION AND ENFORCEMENT ACTS INVOLVE 7 COURTS

Two Cases Were Original  
Suits By New Jersey And  
Rhode Island

#### ATTACKS CLAIMED ACTS WERE REVOLUTIONARY

(By The Associated Press)  
Washington, April 20.—Validity  
of the Prohibition Amendment and  
portions of the Enforcement Act was  
involved in seven separate proceed-  
ings before the Supreme Court. Two  
of these were original suits brought  
by Rhode Island and New Jersey as  
sovereign states to enjoin enforce-  
ment in their jurisdictions upon the  
grounds that both enactments were  
unconstitutional. The other cases  
were direct appeals from lower court  
decrees.

Steps to institute the suits were  
taken immediately after the amend-  
ment became effective on January  
16 and on motion of counsel their  
consideration was expedited.

In both the Rhode Island and New  
Jersey suits the validity of the Eigh-  
teenth Amendment was attacked, but  
the New Jersey case also alleged that  
even if the amendment were valid,  
the enforcement act was "unconstitu-  
tional because it had not been con-  
curred in by New Jersey under pro-  
visions of the amendment giving the  
federal and state governments con-  
current power to enforce prohibition.  
New Jersey also contended that if  
the entire enforcement act were not  
unconstitutional, the portions of it  
limiting the alcoholic content of  
beverages to less than one-half of  
one percent and relating to the dis-  
pensing of liquors for medicinal pur-  
poses were invalid.

The cases reaching the court on  
appeals were those of the Kentucky  
Distilleries and Warehouse Company;  
Christian Feigenspan, a Newark, N. J.,  
brewer, the St. Louis Brewing As-  
sociation and George C. Dempsey, a  
wholesale liquor dealer of Boston,  
Mass., who lost injunction proceed-  
ings in the lower court. The other  
case before the court was an appeal  
by the government from a decision  
of Federal Judge Geiger enjoining  
federal officials from interfering  
with the Manitowoc Products Com-  
pany, a Wisconsin corporation, in  
the manufacture of beer containing  
2.5 percent alcohol.

In all the cases a general attack  
on the amendment was made on  
ground that it was revolutionary and  
constituted legislation in the guise of  
a constitutional amendment designed  
to regulate the private habits of in-  
dividuals; that it interfered with the  
states' police powers; that it was in-  
valid because adopted by two-thirds  
of the members of Congress present  
when the vote was taken and not by  
two-thirds of the membership and  
that the amendment was not ratified  
by three-fourths of the states owing  
to provisions in many state constitu-  
tions requiring that amendments be  
submitted to a referendum.

#### Bandits Attack Train Carrying Royal Heads

(By The Associated Press)  
Seville, Spain, April 20.—Bandits  
today attacked the train carrying  
Queen Victoria and her brother-in-  
law in an unsuccessful attempt to carry  
off the royal plate which the queen had  
with her.

#### Cabinet In Session Today

(By Associated Press)  
Washington, April 20.—President  
Wilson met his cabinet again today.  
It is said that only routine matters  
were considered.

#### ART EXHIBIT

(Contributed)  
There will be an art exhibit at the  
Central school building on May 5 to  
8. Copies of many masterpieces will  
be on exhibition at the exhibit, and  
many beautiful carbon copies and  
photogravures will be shown. This  
is an educational opportunity.

Recognizing the educational ad-  
vantages to be derived from oppor-  
tunities to see good art, the school  
has arranged for this exhibit of good  
pictures. A small admission fee will  
be charged for the purpose of adding  
some new volumes to our school  
library. Everyone should come, for  
the pictures are of interest to both  
young and old. You will be bene-  
fitted and also will help increase our  
liberty.

### TODAY'S NEWS OF TARBORO 20 YEARS AGO

Martin-Pennington.  
The greatest social event of the  
year was the marriage last evening,  
in the Episcopal church, of J. Frank  
Martin to Miss Lena Pennington.

Both are very popular, and the  
result was a large number of waiters  
graced the occasion and the church,  
most prettily decorated, was filled  
even to standing room.

Rev. E. W. Gamble officiated, and  
M. A. Curtis presided at the organ,  
of which he is a master.

The ceremonies were both pretty  
and impressive.

Henry Johnston was best man and  
Miss Josephine Phillips maid of  
honor, who wore blue crepe de chine  
and carried La France roses.

Ushers were—Johnson McDowell,  
Manly Baker, Dr. Whitehead, Will  
Pennington, Martin Carstarphen, of  
Williamston, and Joe Pennington.

Waiters were—Little Miss Kath-  
erine Pender and Alex Fairley, Jr.,  
Miss Alice Thurston Pender, Wheeler  
Martin, Jr., of Wilmington; Miss  
Lizzie Nash, Stamps Howard; Miss  
Nannie Moyer, Lee Staton; Miss Wil-  
lie Hargrove, Claud Walker; Miss  
Nannie Clark, Henry Gilliam; Miss  
Mary Ferebee, Will Clark; Miss Mary  
Bridges, Jo J. Green; Miss Nessie  
Cochett, Joe Pippen; Miss Della  
Walker, Geo. Pennington; Miss Mar-  
tha Phillips, Norman Corden; Miss  
Annie Lawrence, Will Penner; Miss  
Mamie Bryan, Rob Rawls; Miss Sallie  
Staton, Rob Cooper; Miss Carlota  
Pennington, Clarence Jeffress.

Miss Maggie Pennington bore in  
her ring on a silver waiter.

The bridemaids wore pink dresses  
and carried pink carnations.

The bride wore white crepe de  
chine over silk and carried a white  
prayer book.

The decorations in the parlors and  
dining-room were pink and white.  
The table was a star, the center of  
which was white silk surrounded by  
dozens of pink candles, making a  
very beautiful effect.

Immediately after the marriage a  
reception was given at the residence  
of the bride's father, Ed Pennington.  
The parlors were thronged; dainty  
and delectable refreshments were  
served. The presents were very num-  
erous and some of them rarely hand-  
some and useful.

At 11:45 the happy pair left on  
the Southern for a trip to Washing-  
ton, D. C.

The groom is the son of J. J. Mar-  
tin, formerly a member of Congress  
and now postmaster here. His charm-  
ing, bonny bride is the daughter of  
Ed Pennington, the best clerk of the  
court in forty-five states, and one  
of the most popular gentlemen living.

The Southern joins their hosts  
of friends in wishing them long life  
and happiness.

### OVERALLS ARE NOW STYLE IN TARBORO

Jefferson Standard Men Are  
The First To Appear In  
Blue Denim Uniform

Tarboro's membership in the over-  
alls clubs of the nation was started  
today by members of the Jefferson  
Standard Insurance men. The blue  
denim suits were paraded on the  
streets here and there, with "Big  
Chief" Unstead sporting the newest  
and shiniest suit of them all.

The Tarboro city overalls club is  
growing. Every few minutes a new  
name is added to the list, and within  
the next few days the ladies of the  
city will have to attend picture show,  
parties, shows of any variety, recep-  
tions and "What-Nots" with the gen-  
tlemen of the blue denim.

The merchants are even aiding in  
the drive. Some of them are already  
advertising overalls at reasonable  
prices for the entire suits. There is  
no ill feeling between the merchants  
and the citizens for the step that is  
being taken.

Now for the ladies' calico and  
gingham clubs.

### T. T. CHERRY TELLS OF HIS JOURNEY TO HOT SPRINGS, ARK.

Tarboro Business Man Says  
South Carolina Not Up To  
Old North State

#### WOULD APPRECIATE A LINE FROM HOME FOLKS

Hot Springs, Ark., April 4, 1920.  
Editor The Southerner and Friends:  
As I promised you before leaving  
home, I will let you know what I  
think of Hot Springs and the country  
between my home state and this  
place.

Chester, S. C., was the first town  
of any size which I passed after leav-  
ing North Carolina. I had expected  
to see large crops planted in South  
Carolina and Georgia, and that they  
would be splendid, but to my sur-  
prise I saw scarcely any. From all  
appearances they have had lots of  
rain, which has caused the lands to  
be terribly beaten and washed away.

I notice also the stock which was  
far inferior to our stock in the Old  
North State. I saw only a few cat-  
tle in the pastures, a few hogs and  
no sheep at all.

I reached Atlanta, Ga., Sunday  
evening at 5 p. m., and left there at  
6 o'clock the same evening for Mem-  
phis, Tenn. Arrived there at 7:35  
Monday morning. I took the parlor  
car on the Rock Island and Pacific,  
being desirous of seeing the country  
to Hot Springs.

Immediately after leaving Mem-  
phis we crossed the great Mississippi  
river, and well may it be called the  
largest in the U. S. A. Its banks on  
the Tennessee side are high and dry,  
but on the Arkansas side, for at least  
forty miles I saw nothing but water.

The big levee was in appearance like  
unto a soldier on duty to guard the  
rumbling waves of the mighty river.  
Here I saw some of the beach lands  
we so often hear about. While they  
looked to be rich the crops last sea-  
son were said to be very poor and  
did not impress me in the least.

The long lines of tenement houses  
along the river were poorly built  
and of very inferior material, with  
not much of their structure in sight,  
but in fact, very much in the mud  
and water. A negro woman now and  
then with two to six picanninies was  
the crop of prosperity.

After reaching the high lands the  
farms had the appearance of thrift  
and before reaching Little Rock I  
saw farms not to be equalled in our  
section. This continued all the rest  
of the way to Hot Springs.

The forests here are very much  
like those at home, consisting of  
pine, oak, dog-wood and sweet gum.  
The dog-wood being in full bloom  
took me back to Edgecombe county.

I am at the Majestic hotel and  
would appreciate a card or letter  
from any friend, ladies included.

The National Good Roads conven-  
tions is here in session now. I was  
unable to attend any of the meetings  
yesterday, but intend to do so today  
as a home man, the Hon. Bennahan  
Cameron will speak. Vice-President  
Thomas A. Marshall will also speak  
today. People are here from every-  
where and then some.

I have seen only one person that  
I know, Mrs. Jackie Daniel Thraish,  
and you can bet we had a good old  
handshake, not so formal as in days  
gone by when at some country pic-  
nic, there to enjoy the country fiddle  
and the waltz we loved so well.

I ma write again and tell you more  
about the famous Hot Springs.

As ever a North Carolinian,  
T. T. Cherry.

#### Polish Veterans Enlist In The United States Army

(By Associated Press)  
Camp Dix, N. J., April 20.—Many  
members of the first detachment of  
Polish-Americans who recently ar-  
rived in America after serving with  
the Polish army abroad have enlisted  
in the United States army following  
their discharge from the Polish  
ranks.

Removal American Dead  
Began After September 15

Washington, April 20.—The re-  
moval of the American dead from  
within the fighting zones from  
France to the United States began  
after September 15 under an agree-  
ment between the American and  
French governments, the War De-  
partment announced this morning.

### TARBORO MAN OUT FOR CHAMPIONSHIP

J. B. Pennington Has Held  
State Shoot Championship  
Four Times

Mr. J. B. Pennington, W. P. Mc-  
Craw, Ernest Taylor, Mr. Pittman  
and Eaon are in Pinehurst attend-  
ing the state shoot. On Wednesday  
and Thursday Mr. Pennington will  
try for the state championship. He  
having won and held it four years in  
succession but lost it last year to  
Pete Morsion of Raleigh. If Mr.  
Pennington wins this time he will  
hold the United States record of win-  
ning a state championship five times.  
In February Mr. Pennington led all  
the N. C. shooters. Let us trust that  
Tarboro will stand head this year.

#### Howell-Murphy Concert

Miss Howell and Mr. Murphy to-  
day forwarded to Mr. Rawls the pro-  
gram for their joint concert in the  
Opera House here on the 27th.

The first number on the program  
is the "duett" from the most popu-  
lar and fascinating of all operas,  
"Carmen." The selection (in Eng-  
lish) is "Tell Me of My Mother," a  
very happy selection, as all the music  
from "Carmen" is not only inspiring,  
but exceedingly tuneful.

By special request, Mr. Murphy  
will sing "When the Roses Bloom,  
and "Christ in Flanders," two ball-  
ads that have made him universally  
popular.

Miss Howell will sing an Aria  
from "La Tosca" that the New York  
critics say she does as well as any  
known soprano, and several ballads  
that have been particularly well re-  
ceived in the Metropolis.

The concert on the 27th will not  
begin until 9 o'clock, in order that  
all who wish to go first to the Mis-  
sion services in the Episcopal church  
may do so.

#### Business Woman's Club

The regular meeting of the Busi-  
ness Woman's Club which was  
scheduled to meet tomorrow night  
has been postponed until Tuesday of  
next week on account of the revival  
services at the Methodist church.

#### Fireman's Barbecue

The fireman's annual barbecue  
dinner will be held at the fair  
grounds tomorrow, Tuesday. All city  
and county officials will be in attend-  
ance, and a big time is guaranteed to  
all that attend.

#### Valley Association Meet

(By The Associated Press)  
St. Louis, April 20.—The enact-  
ment of a federal legislation guar-  
anteeing industry against strikes, and  
an aggressive foreign trade policy  
was today advocated by speakers at  
the opening session of the Mississip-  
pi Valley Association convention.

#### Clash Expected Soon

(By The Associated Press)  
Aguaprieta, Sonora, April 20.—  
Carranza plans to send sixty-five  
thousand soldiers against Sonora, ac-  
cording to recent Juarez reports.  
Both sides continue preparations for  
the big clash.

#### PERSONALS

—Miss Mary Bourne is in Norfolk.  
—Misses Gattie Cherry and Mary  
T. Johnson are visiting Miss Cherry's  
sister in Enfield. They will attend  
the big dance at that place tonight.  
—Miss Lottie Dancy of Salt Lake  
City, Utah, is on a visit to her  
brother, F. L. Dancy and family.  
—Rev. and Mrs. Hales, Mesdames  
S. S. Nash and Henry Johnston have  
returned from a visit to Mr. and Mrs.  
Lawrence Sprunt in Wilmington.  
—Mrs. Blanche Williams and Mrs.  
C. C. Todd left today to visit rela-  
tives in Norfolk.  
—Mrs. Robb White and children  
left Monday to make their home in  
Manchester. Rev. Mr. White is chap-  
lain at Camp Bragg.

—Mrs. David Faircloth has return-  
ed to her home in Rowland after a  
visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F.  
H. Pender.

The greatest single rubber planta-  
tion in the world is in Sumatra and  
is owned by an American corpora-  
tion. No less than seventy square  
miles of growing trees are embraced  
in the plantation.

### BUILDING PROGRAM DOES NOT INCLUDE MANY RESIDENCES

Delay In Housing Shortage  
Construction Is Greater  
Than All Others

#### CONSTRUCTION PLANS LESS THAN 30 PERCENT

(By The Associated Press)  
New York, April 20.—Delay in re-  
lieving the housing shortage all over  
the country is greater than in any  
other form of building construction,  
according to a review of contracts is-  
sued today by the F. W. Dodge com-  
pany. Public works, industrial build-  
ings and public utilities are being  
constructed much faster than resi-  
dences and are less affected by high  
prices, high wages and shortage of  
material.

Contracts awarded for residential  
buildings in the first three months  
this year vary from 14 to 29 percent  
of total building contracts in differ-  
ent sections of the country. Normal-  
ly residences account for about 30  
percent of the contracts, and in view  
of existing needs, the review says,  
residences should represent about 40  
percent of the total construction.

In New York state and northern  
New Jersey 14 percent of the con-  
tracts in the first quarter of the year  
represented residential buildings, "a  
matter of serious concern," says the  
review, "as it is probable that the  
housing shortage is more acute in  
this territory than anywhere else."

In the territory east of the Mis-  
souri river and north of the Ohio  
residential construction was 19 per-  
cent of the total, in New England  
23 percent, in the district of Phil-  
adelphia, Baltimore and Washington  
28 percent; in the Pittsburgh district  
19 percent, in the central west 18  
percent and in the northwest 23 per-  
cent.

In no district is contemplated  
building construction as high as 30  
percent.

### Canadian Veterans Vote Organize Overalls Brigade

(By The Associated Press)  
Ottawa, April 20.—Canadian war  
veteran association voted today to  
organize themselves into an overall  
brigade. A message was sent to all  
the veterans urging them to wear the  
denim to help combat the high cost  
of living.

#### Death Lists Grow

(By The Associated Press)  
Little Rock, April 20.—Death lists  
resulting from the recent tornadoes  
has been raised to twenty-two. Large  
sections are still unreported.

#### Making Final Plans

(By The Associated Press)  
Chicago, April 20.—The arrange-  
ments committee is making final  
plans for the Democratic convention at  
San Francisco.

### Strike Fever Received Big Set-back Last Night

(By The Associated Press)  
Chicago, April 20.—The strike  
fever received a big set back last  
night when eight thousand freight  
handlers and thirty thousand railway  
clerks decided to leave the hearing  
of their demands for a wage increase  
to the railroad labor boards at Wash-  
ington. Freight traffic continues to  
improve today.

### Clyde Liner Reaches Fla. Port With Cargo Freight

(By The Associated Press)  
Jacksonville, Fla., April 20.—The  
Clyde liner "Apache" appeared in  
port today with the first load of  
freight from New York since the be-  
ginning of the Longshoremen's strike  
there March 13.

#### LABOR DEPT. ANNOUNCEMENT

(By The Associated Press)  
Washington, April 20.—The im-  
proved industrial conditions and the  
revival of business activities as fol-  
lowing the cancellation of government  
contracts this year are responsible  
for the increase in the volume of em-  
ployment in March 1920, compared  
with last year; the Department of  
Labor announced today.