

**THE WEATHER**  
 Cloudy tonight and Tuesday. Probably scattered thundershowers. Moderate winds.

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## JOE SWINDELL IN SERIOUS TROUBLE

**Lodged in Jail Early Monday Morning Following Arrest Charged With Committing Revolting Capital Crime.**

Joe Swindell, about 25 years old, skilful driver of fast automobiles and winner of a number of amateur motor car races on the local race track, is in Pasquotank County jail charged with rape of a 13 year old girl on a warrant issued by Solicitor W. L. Small and sworn out by Police Officer George Twiddy on the basis of information given Twiddy by L. Carl Blades, treasurer of the Foreman Blades Lumber Company.

Swindell was arrested Monday morning at 20 minutes past 1 o'clock as, returning, he is quoted as saying, from Norfolk and Virginia Beach he had started up west Main street. Chief of Police Gregory and Police Officer Twiddy of the local force were on the lookout at the First & Citizens National Bank corner when Swindell's Durant swung around the Bee Hive building, corner of Main and Polindexter streets, and headed west. Twiddy stepped in front of the automobile with his flashlight and ordered it to stop. As the car came to a standstill Twiddy and the chief told Swindell to consider himself under arrest.

Thus came to its climax and conclusion a chase that had begun early Sunday afternoon and that had led to Norfolk, Virginia Beach and back again; a chase, however, which Swindell seemed to have been all unconscious of, as the First & Citizens National Bank building, where he was arrested, is police headquarters.

Practically the entire Elizabeth City police force were on duty Sunday afternoon and Sunday night in an effort to apprehend Swindell. Sheriff Charles Reid, who was also armed with a warrant issued by Solicitor Small, and Deputy Sheriff Pritchard went to Norfolk and Virginia Beach. Police Officer Twiddy was stationed at South Mills, where he remained until 11:30, reaching Elizabeth City only about an hour ahead of Swindell, and the remainder of the force was on the lookout for Swindell here. Falling to find their man at Norfolk or Virginia Beach, Sheriff Reid sent his deputy to Suffolk, but called the latter home on learning by long distance telephone that Swindell had been apprehended here.

The fact that Swindell was arrested in the city is explained by the police on the ground that he had persuaded himself that the family of his victim would hush the matter up rather than face the publicity which a trial in the courts would involve. Though the warrant was not sworn out until Sunday, the alleged crime is said to have occurred on the preceding Thursday. The alleged victim is now in a hospital and, though the preliminary hearing is set for Tuesday, it is not believed that at that time more can be done than to set a definite date when the prosecuting witness can appear in court against the defendant.

As clear a case of rape as has ever been tried in the courts will be developed against Swindell if current accounts of the affair are substantiated in the courts. Only 13 years old, Margaret is undeveloped even for her immature age, it is said. She had never been out with Swindell before, those close to the family say, and was trapped into an automobile ride with the deliberate plan on Swindell's part to carry out the crime which is alleged to have been committed against her. Swindell, it is said, cultivated the friendship of school friends of his intended victim in order that he might have her lured on the trip that for her had such tragic ending.

Swindell, on the other hand, stoutly maintains his innocence of the charge against him and says he will be able to clear himself in the courts. He will be represented by strong legal counsel, if he is successful in his efforts to secure Thomas J. Markham and Ayldett & Simpson to defend him. Pending the securing of counsel, however, he refused to see a reporter in his cell Monday afternoon.

Swindell is married but divorced, having made no attempt to contest an action which his wife brought against him on the ground of infidelity. He had never lived with his wife for any length of time and prior to her action for divorce she had him before the recorder's court for abandonment and non support. It was a little less than a year ago that Joe Swindell's name was mentioned in connection with an attempt at suicide on the part of an Elizabeth City French war bride.

## FORCED TO ATTEND AMERICAN FUNERAL

Peking, China, June 23.—Under a threat that he would bombard the city of Wahsen if they did not, the commander of the British gunboat forced the highest Chinese military leaders there yesterday to attend in full uniform the burial of Edwin C. Hawley, American, killed by Chinese junkers last week.

## DANIELS COMES OUT FOR McADOO

New York, June 23.—Joseph Daniels yesterday came out strong for McAdoo and declared that he would be nominated.

## TRY SWING SOUTH TOWARD AL SMITH

**Norman Mack, Former Democratic Chairman, Inaugurates Drive—Indiana Delegation to Nominate Ralston**

New York, June 23.—The great quadrennial jubilee of the Democratic party is passing through its final fevered stage of pre-convention rivalry and enthusiasm today, while Fifth Avenue and the hotel district of Manhattan resounded to the tramp of cheering delegations and the blare of marching bands and while outrunners from the forces of the principal candidates scurried everywhere to bring new arrivals into camp and consolidate the legions already assembled behind their favorites.

New York, June 23.—A drive to swing the delegates from the Southern States into the camp of Senator Smith was today instituted under the direction of Norman Mack former chairman of the Democratic party.

New York, June 23.—Senator Samuel Ralston will be placed in nomination at the Democratic convention under agreement reached at the caucus of the Indiana delegation.

New York, June 23.—Homer Cummings of Connecticut who is slated to be chairman of the resolutions committee today predicted that all troubles and differences over the various planks that are to be written into the Democratic platform would be adjusted in committee so that the fight on the convention floor may be avoided.

## OPPORTUNITY IN DAIRY INDUSTRY

**Invitation Sent North Carolina to National Dairy Exposition in Milwaukee, Says State Productive Field.**

Raleigh, June 23.—Vast opportunities in the development of the dairy industry lie within the bounds of North Carolina, according to statements made by the officials of the National Dairy Association in the invitations sent out over the country for the annual convention of the dairymen of America at the National Dairy Exposition to be held in Milwaukee during September 27 to October 4. Indications are, says the statement, that many thousands of persons will attend the exposition, of which a good many are expected to come from the South.

Officials say that untold opportunities lie in the development of the South dairy field and point specifically to North Carolina as a very prospective field. For a time it was feared that the interest in dairy farming in the South would be limited to the duration of poor prices for cotton, it was said, but now that cotton is selling at a good price and the interest in the development of dairy farming seems to be only at its beginning and increasing steadily, it is felt that activities of the North Carolina farmer and others of the Southern States will continue.

The officials pointed that the South had succeeded in spite of its handicap of not having pure bred stock with which to begin. They added that the location of sales centers for such stock in the South had increased rapidly and that now the stock in the South in certain groups was of the highest breed.

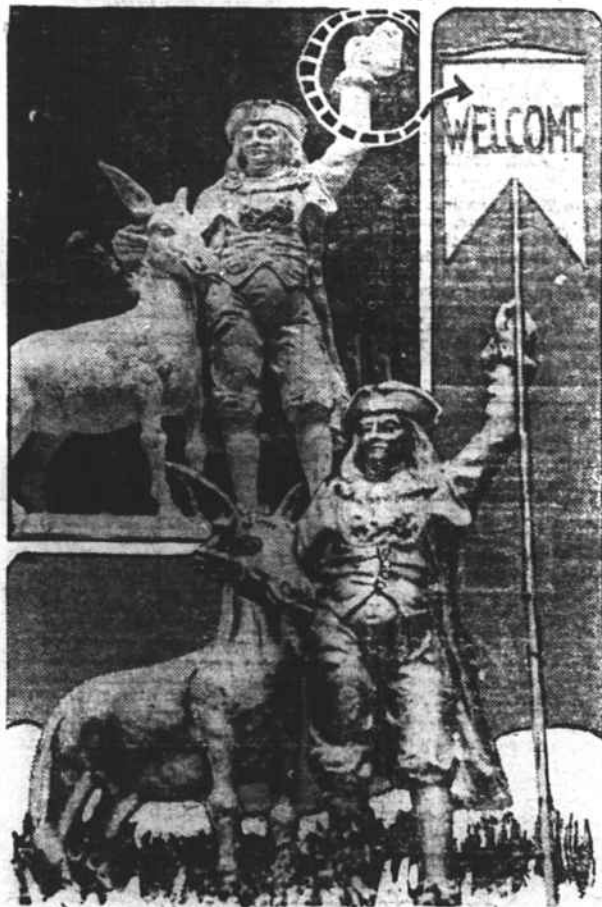
A compiled report shows that in 1923 the South produced 65,000,000 pounds of creamery butter and that North Carolina produced 2,000 pounds of this amount.

## COMMERCIAL SECRETARIES MEET AT MOREHEAD CITY

Morehead City, June 23.—One of the biggest sessions in the history of the association is expected at the meeting of the North Carolina Association of Commercial Secretaries to be held here during June 27 and 28, according to advices received from the Chamber of Commerce here. Many prominent speakers are on the program, it was stated, and one of the most successful meetings ever experienced by the secretaries is expected.

Featuring the program of speakers will be F. D. Courtney of Greensboro, who will speak on "Future Industrial Developments in North Carolina;" Brent S. Drane of the North Carolina Geological and Economic Survey at Chapel Hill, will address the meeting on "Value of Forestry Preservation to North Carolina;" and Hugh McRae, of Wilmington, will speak on "Selective Immigration and Its Importance, Agriculturally to North Carolina."

## "Skofflaw" Statue Squelched



This is the statue of Father Knickerbocker that caused all the trouble. Placed above the Hotel Astor as a welcome sign to Democratic Convention visitors in New York it showed the traditional figure holding a huge stein of beer—real, frothy beer, such as symbolized hospitality in the Knickerbocker era. But forms of hospitality change and so thousands were shouting "skofflaw" as they passed the statue. It was declared a symbol of wet revolt. Father Knickerbocker said he would rather lose his good right arm than his stein. And so they saved off his arm, and in place of the stein now stands a formal "Welcome"—as the picture shows.



SIXTEEN-YEAR-OLD YOUNGSTER WINS AMERICAN DOG DERBY

Olcott Zarr, 16-year-old dog "musher," of Ashton, Idaho, romped home winner in the annual National American Dog Derby at Ashton, youngest driver ever to bring his string of dogs first across the wire. He beat the former champions "Tud" Kent and "Smoky" Gaston, as well as "Shorty" Russick, Canada's champion. Photos show "Kid" Zarr giving his team a smart practice run (top) and giving his lead dog his meed of praise after it, (below) at Ashton just before the Derby.

## KILLED IN RAID ON DISORDERLY HOUSE

St. Louis, Mo., June 23.—Lieut. Sidney Sears, nationally known revolver expert, was killed yesterday when he assisted the police in a raid on a disorderly house.

## YOUNG WHITE MAN HELD ON CHARGE FAKE PRETENSE

Ernest Midgett of this city was held for Superior Court under \$200 bond on a charge of false pretense in recorder's court Monday morning, on evidence of D. A. McCoy, garage man, and J. M. Weeks to the effect that Midgett obtained a set of tires from the former belonging to the latter on the representation that he had paid Mr. Weeks for them. James E. Wilson, colored, for riding a bicycle at night without proper lights was taxed with the costs. Enoch Williams, colored, for assault on one Roxie Hill, also colored, was fined \$10 and costs.

## ARTIFICIAL BREEZES WERE AT A PREMIUM

Temperature Reached Highest Mark Here Saturday at 103 in Shade

Artificial breezes were at a premium in Elizabeth City Saturday when the heat wave reached its zenith here and every dealer in electric fans had sold out his entire stock.

More than 125 were sold during Friday and Saturday. D. Ray Kramer delivered 73 fans during these two days—driving to Norfolk and getting 29 extra fans to fill the stream of orders that flowed into his office Saturday. W. S. White & Company sold something like thirty-five fans during Friday and Saturday and P. W. Melick Company sold out their entire stock of fans.

When Norfolk registered a temperature of 98 and Wilmington a temperature of 101 Saturday afternoon, Elizabeth City's temperature in the shade was 103.

Coming in the midst of the potato season, the heat wave proved too much for some of the men trucking the potatoes for long hours at the Norfolk Southern depot. Farmers had to rest their teams frequently in plowing in the fields and a few lost their stock as a result of the heat wave.

## PREMIERS PLAN TWO CONFERENCES

**First MacDonald and Herriot Will Meet, Then Will Call Inter-Allied Conference in London for August.**

London, June 23.—Prime Minister MacDonald today told the house of commons that his conference with Premier Herriot of France was preliminary to an inter-Allied conference to meet in London probably July 16 and added "It is highly desirable that America should be represented at the inter Allied conference. We are not at the moment in communication but a communication to that effect will be made to the American government at once."

London, June 23.—The British and French premiers yesterday agreed on a conference in July to decide on methods of putting the Dawes report into effect.

## HUNDREDS ATTEND ENSIGN'S FUNERAL

Asheville, June 23.—With hundreds present the funeral services for Ensign Marcus Erwin, Jr., who was killed in the explosion on the battleship Mississippi were held here yesterday.

## LIEUT. MAUGHAN GETS EARLY START

St. Joseph, Missouri, June 23.—Lieut. Maughan hopped off at 11:37, Central Standard time, after spending nearly 40 minutes here. He was in fine spirits and his plane was in good condition.

He landed at Rosecrans Field at 10:52 after flying 1,140 miles.

Mitchel Field, L. I., June 23.—Lieut. Russell A. Maughan hopped off here at three o'clock this morning in an attempt to cross the continent between dawn and twilight.

Lieut. Maughan began his race with the sun in the hope of spanning a tenth of the earth's circumference before his path is darkened.

Two unsuccessful attempts in the last year had not dampened his ardor and following his breakfast the trail blazer took the air at half a minute before three o'clock Eastern Standard Time.

Crossey Field at San Francisco, his destination, lies 2,670 miles west as the crow flies.

## CLEVELAND PROFITTED BY REPUBLICAN CONVENTION

Cleveland, June 23.—The Republican convention was a buying convention and Cleveland merchants reported today that they transacted a most satisfactory volume of business last week. According to W. J. Gray, secretary of the Retail Merchants Association, few conventions here have meant so much to retailers. "One of the best," he said "was the teachers convention to which most delegates were women. Now that women have equal representation in politics large numbers of men attend political conventions and that may explain the increase here."

## GARRETT BROTHERS MUST SERVE TIME

Wytheville, Va., June 23.—The supreme court of appeals of Virginia today refused the plea of attorneys for Robert and Larkin Garrett that they be permitted to argue orally their petitions for writs of error and announced it would adhere to its ruling when it refused writs on the written plea.

The action was regarded as the last legal step possible for the brothers, and they are scheduled to begin serving their sentences of five and four years respectively in the state penitentiary for their part in the slaying of Rev. Sylvester Pierce in front of the Baptist parsonage at Cumberland Courthouse on June 5, 1923.

## TOUPIN SAYS HAS JUST BEGUN FIGHT

**Lieutenant Governor of Rhode Island Says in Fight for Popular Government to a Finish.**

By ROWLAND WOOL  
 Providence, R. I., June 23.—Lieutenant Governor Felix A. Toupin, hero or villain, as you please, of the Democratic filibuster in the Rhode Island Senate, which only a poison gas bomb followed by the flight of the Republican majority could block, has "just begun to fight."

Sitting in his office in the state house today, fully recovered from his gassing and his 42 unbroken hours in the Senate chair, he told the writer that he asked nothing better than another chance to filibuster the Republicans into submission to the minority for a referendum on a constitutional convention.

"That was what I meant when I made my much discussed statement that 'the next time we get them in the Senate chamber we will kill them,'" he declared. I did not mean shoot them or gas them or club them to death. I meant talk them to death. We will leave it to the opposition to start the violence."

The Democrats from the beginning of this latest filibuster have charged the Republicans with hiring thugs and gunmen and with setting Thursday's gas bomb in the Senate chamber. The Republicans say the Democrats did it and that it was because of fear of violence that the Republican Senators left the stage.

"We had no need to set a gas bomb" Mr. Toupin asserted. "We had the opposition groggy, while the Democrats were comparatively fresh. I myself was as fresh when the gas was released as I am today after my long rest. If the Republicans come back Tuesday when the present recess expires we will show them a real filibuster."

To the Republican charge of gross misuse of power in holding up all state business in an effort to force a vote on the question of constitutional revision, the lieutenant governor is serenely indifferent.

"The issue is whether there shall be government by the majority" he said. "It's evident we have not got that now because the all powerful Senate is composed of a majority representing less than 20 per cent of the voters. The present administration was elected on a platform of constitutional revision and we are going to fight until we get it."

The lieutenant governor is admirably equipped for his job of leading the filibuster, which requires his constant presence in the chair to keep it from being grabbed by Senator Sherman, the Republican chairman protem.

Short, stocky, of sturdy French-Canadian stock, he is but 37 years old and looks as if he could withstand a sixty or seventy hour spell in the chair—if only he can succeed in getting the Republicans back in the senate chamber.

## KILLED BY AUTO DRIVEN BY BROTHER

Winston, June 23.—Harvey D. Etheridge was killed here yesterday when an auto alleged to be driven by his brother, Jack D. Etheridge, ran over him and failed to stop. Later the car was wrecked and was found loaded with liquor while the occupants escaped.

## KILLED BY POSSE

Martinsburg, W. Va., June 23.—G. E. Speight, wanted for killing a policeman, was killed here last night by a posse after a six hour gun battle.

## OLDEST MINISTERS KEEPS CONSTANTLY AT HIS WORK

Rev. Josiah Elliott of Hertford, oldest minister in the Chowan Baptist Association, preached two earnest and helpful sermons at Blackwell Memorial church Sunday and good crowds were present at both morning and evening services in spite of the extreme heat of the preceding week.

Mr. Elliott is 77 years of age, but he keeps constantly at work. He now has no pastorate but supplies wherever he is needed and does home mission work not only on Sundays but whenever and wherever the opportunity presents itself.

More sympathy and help for those who are struggling to turn from their evil ways, and a higher standard of living for church members were two matters strongly urged by this veteran minister Sunday.

While in the city he is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Ward.

## General Smuts Has Resigned as Premier

Capetown, South Africa, June 23.—Jan Christian Smuts whose South African party was defeated in recent elections, today resigned the premiership.

## COTTON MARKET

New York, June 23.—Spot cotton, closed quiet, Middling 29.15 a decline of 50 points. Futures, closing bid July 28.15, Oct. 25.15, Dec. 24.53, Jan. 24.24, March 24.45.