

SHOTGUN AFFAIR AND ELOPEMENT AIRED IN COURT

Wiley Long Fined \$50 and Required to Pay Auto and Doctor's Bills in Shooting of Weldon Creef

R. F. LONG ACQUITTED

Trial Justice Sawyer Expresses Opinion Both Sides Might Have Told More, Had They Seen Fit

Having nipped in the bud a prospective elopement by the effective if injudicious use of a shotgun, Wiley Long, living at Thompson's Corner, about two miles from this city on the Weckville Highway, was fined \$50 in recorder's court Monday, and was required to pay the doctor's bill of Weldon Creef, his victim, and to reimburse Creef for the damage to the latter's car. Creef's home is only a few hundred yards from that of the Longs.

Wiley Long and his father were charged with assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill, but the charge against the father was dropped, and that against the son was modified by elimination of the "intent to kill," placing the case within the jurisdiction of the lower court.

The shooting occurred last Tuesday morning shortly after midnight. Creef, first witness on the stand, testified that he had gone to the Long home in the expectation of eloping with R. F. Long's daughter, Miss Beadle Long. Somehow the plans of the couple went awry, and after striving vainly to carry out the scheme, Creef climbed into his car and departed. He had parked his automobile a short distance from the gate in front of the Long home, he testified, and as he passed the gate, two strange figures appeared in the road and demanded that he halt. Instead, he put on more speed, and when he had gone about 50 yards farther, a shot rang out, and he was peppered along the left arm with birdshot—58 in all. He hurriedly went to a doctor.

Wiley Long, next on the stand, freely admitted that he fired the shot, asserting that he had been awakened by the barking of dogs, and had seen the outline of a man passing around the house, headed for a nearby shelter. He said that he and his father went out to investigate, and the intruder walked to the road, climbed into an automobile and started off. When the latter failed to obey an order to halt, he continued, he fired at the back of the car. He claimed he had no idea of shooting any one, and didn't know the driver of the automobile was his neighbor.

The elder Long corroborated the main details of the shooting, as related by the younger. He admitted that he and other members of his family had objected to Creef's attentions to his daughter, but asserted he had no idea Creef was the mysterious nocturnal visitor. He said he carried a pistol when he went out to investigate, but that it was not loaded.

Miss Beadle Long, the girl in the case, also testified, declaring that she and Creef had intended to elope, but that their plans had miscarried. She stated that she was to carry a suit case of clothing to a shelter near the side of the house, that Creef was to meet her there, and that both were to go on to the car. She said, however, that she failed to keep the trust, but offered no explanation. Mr. Long and his son denied all knowledge of the intended elopement.

In passing judgment, Trial Justice F. G. Sawyer expressed the opinion that neither the plaintiff nor the defendants had told all they knew about the affair, but that they apparently had resumed friendly relations and it was not the disposition of the court to be hard on them. He told the younger Long that he was extremely fortunate in not having to face a homicide charge, and expressed the opinion that the proper time to have halted the intruder would have been while he was still on the premises.

Hearing of the case consumed practically the entire morning.

GO TO CONVENTION

W. Ben Goodwin and R. T. Venters, of this city, were to leave Monday night to attend the annual convention of the State League of Building & Loan Associations, which will convene and adjourn Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Mr. Goodwin is vice president of the league, and Mr. Venters is delegate from the Albemarle Building & Loan Association here.

VISITS NORFOLK CLASS

The City Road Methodist Bible Class, State Senator P. H. Williams, teacher, journeyed to Norfolk Sunday morning, some 60 strong, to join in services with the Men's Bible Class of Epworth Methodist Church there. They reported a highly enjoyable trip.

WILL DIG POTATOES IN ORDER ATTEND THE SHORT COURSE

Currituck, June 21.—Members of the senior girls' club at Colnlock will donate one day's work at digging potatoes toward paying the expenses of their representative to the short course at State College this summer, reports Miss Rachel Everett, home agent. This was decided, after other plans for raising money had failed. In order to assure the club of having a representative, the local woman's club has agreed to take care of any deficit. Although some of the girls are not robust, all are planning to put in a day's work, Miss Everett stated.

Married Men Given Warning Against Too Gay Doings

A warning that men generally, and married men in particular, might expect no clemency from the court if arrested in company with certain young women of doubtful character, living on North Pennsylvania avenue, was given by Trial Justice Sawyer in recorder's court Monday morning, in dealing with the case of one of the young women in question.

"If the police catch you in company with married men, I am going to send you to jail—and I'm going to send them there, too," Judge Sawyer warned, in addressing the defendant, who was up on a vagrancy charge. "You are leading on dangerous ground. I have seen girls get in care all along that part of Pennsylvania avenue, and I've seen them hiding along there, too, waiting for when girls meet away from home like that, and when the men drop them along the street somewhere, instead of taking them home, everybody just about knows what is going on."

"You can't make something of yourself, if you will. You are young, and I'm going to give you another chance," the trial justice concluded, "but I'll give you fair warning. I'm asking the officers right now to keep their eyes open, and if they catch any of you girls with married men, I want the police to bring them on in, and I'll put them in jail."

The young woman stated she was 22 years old, hailed from New Bern, and came here with a carload about three years ago. She said she was married when she was 17, and had been divorced by her husband about a month ago. She admitted she had no employment, asserting that she had been unable to work since having undergone a recent operation at the Elizabeth City Hospital, but told the court that she had been receiving money from a sister in New Bern. She admitted also that she had been out with married men, declaring she had committed no improprieties, and stating that they had treated her "as well as anybody else."

In the course of the hearing, Judge Sawyer demanded to know why the police had singled out this particular girl, instead of arresting the whole crowd occupying the home in question. At this juncture, Prosecuting Attorney LeRoy explained that the others might readily claim they were supported by the masculine members of the family.

Police Chief Holmes and Officers Roughton and Anderson testified they had observed the defendant frequently in a questionable store on North Poindexter street, frequented also by married and single men whose reputations are none too good as to morality. The two last named officers stated also that they had seen her riding in automobiles on various occasions with single and married men.

MULTITUDES ATTEND EUCHARISTIC MEET

Chicago, June 21.—Undaunted by threatening skies and a stiff offshore breeze more than 200,000 persons assembled today in the Soldier's field, great memorial stadium on the shores of Lake Michigan, to witness the first public session of the twenty-eighth International Eucharistic Congress.

The day began with solemn Pontifical mass at the stadium altar celebrated by Cardinal Bonzano, papal legate, before the greatest throng of worshippers ever assembled for the rites.

The public stadium, more than half a mile long, was banked to the topmost tier of seats and tens of thousands jammed the field at all sides of the lowering stands clamoring for admission. So dense were the multitudes about the field outside the stadium that the ecclesiastical procession of priests, bishops and cardinals could not enter the field.

Miss Rachel Williams has returned from Norfolk, where she has been visiting friends for a few days.

CONGRESS WILL DO LITTLE MORE DURING SESSION

May Pass a Few Bills in Next Ten Days But Record on Major Legislation Has Been Completed

CAMPAIGN TALK

Many Elements in Congress Prefer to Leave Much Undone So As to Have Ammunition for the Stump

By DAVID LAWRENCE
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Washington, June 21.—Congress may pass a few bills of importance in the next ten days before adjournment, but the record on major legislation has been completed. Members of both Houses will appeal to the country with complaints about the minimum of achievement for a long session.

The usual excuse offered on a session which begins in December and automatically ends on March 4 is that there has not been time and that the demand for an extra session is not pressing. On that occasion, Congress has had plenty of time but nearly everybody recognized the futility of trying to get agreement on dozens of measures that would be the subject of protracted debate if the adjournment date had not been set for the end of this month. This session of Congress has accomplished more than the last but its outstanding characteristic is still the number of conflicting groups in both Houses. Some progress has been made toward party solidarity as the voter on various measures will reveal, but basically there is the same tendency toward individualism which has for the last six years made it difficult to work out compromise legislation and unless there is a spirit of compromise, the inevitable result is inaction.

So most of the meritorious proposals, or rather those which have a meritorious objective but an ambiguous wording or an effect that antagonizes various interests, have not gotten anywhere this session. And it would have been a good thing to prolong the session for there would have been no chance of agreement. There still is a bare possibility that a last minute accord on farm legislation will be reached but it is not expected. The truth is many elements in Congress would prefer to leave matters as they are, for it leaves an abundance of ammunition for the stump.

Administration leaders are naturally apprehensive. They cannot tell what effect the failure of Congress to pass an agricultural relief bill will have on the kind of men named in the Republican primaries, or possibly on the complexion of Congress itself. If business condition continue as they are today, the Northern Republicans are confident few seats will be lost and that there may be some gains. If farm conditions grow no worse most of the losses in the rural district to the Republican party will be inside rather than outside, for there is always the chance that a situation such as exists today will increase the number of insurgents who make party solidarity difficult of attainment.

On the whole, it is a curious mixture of confidence and defiance which runs through the present Republican leadership. Their belief is that the Haugen measure can be defeated by argument on the stump in many sections of the country and that Congress will merit approval for having passed a tax reduction law and sundry other measures such as the Watson-Parker bill providing machinery for industrial peace, and for having adhered rigidly to budget requirements.

This minimum, of course, is by no means inconsequential, yet, compared to the last session of Congress it is a better record. Judged by the standard of 12 and 16 years ago, when Congress could point to a long series of constructive measures this session is a conspicuous example of the difficulties of reconciling group interests. The wonder is not that so little has been passed but that any measures have successfully run the gamut of filibusters, party insurgency and bi-partisan coalitions.

AMERICAN VETERANS MEET IN ATLANTA

Atlanta, June 21.—Appealing for law and order among the rank and file of American citizens, National Commander John R. McQuigg in an address before the National convention of disabled American Veterans here today declared that for the last few years there has been a general letting down of the morale of the American people. Five thousand veterans are in attendance.

COTTON MARKET

New York, June 21.—Spot cotton closed today quiet; middling 15.30, a decline of 5 points. Futures, closing bid: July 17.80, October 16.25, December 16.44, January 16.27, March 16.43.

Huge Engines, Steel Cars Smashed Like Kindling Wood



This picture shows one of the most disastrous passenger train wrecks in recent years. The Chicago-Cincinnati-Pittsburgh Limited of the Pennsylvania Railroad crashed into the Pittsburgh-Washington Express at Gray's Station, Pennsylvania, about 50 miles east of Pittsburgh. Reports placed the death toll at 15 and estimated the injured at 50. The Washington Express stopped to couple a coupling hose and the limited, following close behind, ploughed into it. Three sleeping cars of the express and the club car of the limited were telescoped. At the extreme right can be seen the demolished steel club car in which five passengers lost their lives. The picture also shows the two derailed locomotives of the limited and at the left can be seen part of the last Pullman of the express. Preliminary investigation indicates the engineer of the limited failed to notice signal flares of the express.

GREENFIELD AGAIN BEFORE COMMITTEE

Washington, June 21.—A grand jury should investigate some of the things that transpired during the Pennsylvania primary in the opinion of Senator Reed of Missouri, chairman of the Senate campaign funds committee. With A. M. Greenfield, Pennsylvania financier, on the stand today Reed sought with only partial success details regarding operations of Vard's supporters.

"If I were prosecuting attorney you would make an explanation to the grand jury," he said. Washington, June 21. Leaving unfinished for the present its inquiry into the political activities of the Anti-Saloon League, the Senate campaign funds committee today again heard testimony about the inter-organization of William S. Vard, successful in the campaign against Governor Pinchot and Senator Pepper for the Republican Senatorial nomination in Pennsylvania.

With Wayne R. Wheeler remaining at his office subject to call the committee recalled Albert M. Greenfield, Philadelphia capitalist. Upon his first appearance June 9, Greenfield said he collected about \$50,000 for the Vard-Beddeman organization.

"Since you appeared, it has come out that you had something else to do with the campaign," Chairman Reed said. "Now, tell us all about it."

"I had little more to do with the campaign," replied Greenfield. "When I appeared I was not asked about my own contribution. I have no desire to withhold any information from the committee." He then told the committee he gave \$125,000 to the campaign.

MR. TUTTLE TO GIVE ATTRACTIVE PROGRAM

The concert to be given by Richard S. Tuttle, young American baritone, with Josephine Caldwell Tuttle at the piano, in the Sunday School auditorium of the First Methodist Church Tuesday night at 8:15 o'clock promises to be a rare treat to lovers of good music. This concert is under the auspices of the First Methodist choir. No admission charge will be made but a free will offering will be taken. The program follows:

- I. Where'er You Work (Handel); Core Mio Hen (Glaardon); Hear Me Ye Winds and Waves (Handel).
- II. Deep River (H. T. Burleigh); Oh Peter Go Ring Down Bells (Burleigh); Go Down Moses (Burleigh); Tin Me O Lord (Burleigh).
- III. Arm, Arm Ye Brave (Handel); Reel and Aria from Judas Maccabaeus.
- IV. Ship Mates O Mine (Wilfred Sanderson); Trade Winds (Frederick Koell); Mother Carey (Frederick Koell).
- V. Duna (Josephine McGilli); Invieta (Bruno Huhn).
- VI. Two Grenadiers (Schumann); Let's Dance (Godfrey O'Hara); Gunga Din (Charles Gilbert Spross).

ARMED GUARDS FOR JOUVENEL

When French High Commissioner Speaks Every Precaution Taken

By J. JUNIUS B. WOOD
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Geneva, June 21.—France's bloody regime in Syria necessitated a ration of armed guards around the League of Nations palace while the mandate committee was discussing French Stewardship of that troubled land.

During the brief public session preceding the secretary of liberations, when Henri Jouvenel, the French high commissioner talked to the committee, guards were stationed every spectator before admitting him. Others were stationed at strategic points in the room and still another detailed patrol controlled outside, warning visitors off the League grounds.

The French high commissioner's remarks were chiefly in reply to a petition from the Syria-Palstine congress addressed to the League sent a commission of inquiry into Syria and giving the names and addresses of 1,200 homes and 500 shops which had been destroyed and the name of 700 persons killed, chiefly women and children who were unable to escape the latest surprise bombardment of Damascus on May 7.

M. Jouvenel spoke entertainingly, his committee audience frequently laughing at his humorous sallies directed against the Syrian complaints. According to M. Jouvenel, Syrians do not appreciate France's efforts to civilize them.

RAIN CEASES; WARM WEATHER PREDICTED

Charlotte, June 21.—Rain had ceased today in practically all sections of the State but low hanging clouds still indicated further showers. The weather man prophesied warmer weather.

NO HOPE FARM RELIEF COMMITTEE QUILTS

Washington, June 21.—Indicating that it had no hope of further effort in the House to enact farm relief legislation this session, unless the Senate passed the McNary corn bill, the House agricultural committee adjourned today until next December.

HURT IN ACCIDENT

Walker O Neal, aged 21, formerly of this city, and a son of W. B. Neal, in charge of the Carolina Bank Building, is under treatment in a Raleigh hospital for injuries sustained last Wednesday when he figured in an automobile accident in which his left leg was broken and his back was hurt seriously. His father reports that attending physicians have advised that he probably will not be able to walk for eight months. He was employed by the Federal Government in Raleigh.

Amateur Detective From Here Nabs Pair In Auto

While Clyde Stevens, son of C. W. Stevens, of this city, and partner in the automobile business of Stevens & Son Motor Car Company, isn't regularly rated as a sleuth, and perhaps never has thought of taking up sleuthing as a profession, nevertheless he can play the role of detective when occasion demands. He did that Sunday, while in Norfolk on a motor jaunt with Vernon Gregory, of this city, in Mr. Gregory's new Chrysler coach.

And, also, two unconventional members of the personnel of Uncle Sam's Navy have every reason to congratulate themselves that Messrs. Stevens and Gregory wanted to get back to Elizabeth City Sunday night. Otherwise, the two sailors were assured they would have faced the almost certain prospect of several years in the Virginia penitentiary apiece.

Mr. Gregory parked his car on a side street near the Monticello Hotel, and went into the hotel to use the telephone while Mr. Stevens walked to a nearby restaurant for a hasty bite to eat. Returning to the hotel, Mr. Stevens was astonished to observe Mr. Gregory's car pass him, driven by a couple of sailors, with the owner conspicuously absent. He waved to them to stop, but they disregarded the order, continuing in the direction of Main street.

Mr. Stevens set out in full pursuit, looking right and left for a traffic officer. He spotted none, and kept up the chase until the sailors parked the car on Main street and abandoned it. Then he and Mr. Gregory succeeded in locating an officer, and the pair who had pilfered the car were arrested in short order. They were released when the two visitors from Elizabeth City expressed a desire not to appear against them.

Mr. Stevens states emphatically that the two sailors passed Mr. Gregory in his own car before he saw them, and that Mr. Gregory failed to recognize either them or the coach.

The officers told them later that some one had stolen the car of the Norfolk chief of police a few days before, when he had left it parked in front of police headquarters for a few minutes, and advised Mr. Gregory henceforth to look his, whenever he left it parked on the street in that city.

MUSCLE SHOALS BID FAVORED BY HOUSE

Washington, June 21.—The bid of the Air Nitrate Corporation and American Cyanamid Company of Muscle Shoals was favored in the House today by Representative Almon, Democrat of Alabama, who explained that he was introducing a bill to accept this offer. A similar bill has been introduced in the Senate by Senator Heflin of Alabama.

WEEK END CRUISE MEETS ILL FATE

Elizabeth City Party Have Exciting Episode Following Engine Trouble on the "Seat" Saturday

Trained, cut and scratched from head to foot and shivering with cold, Dr. Fay Hussey, Bill Cotter, Vance Bailey, Dewey Seymour and George Reiche returned Sunday morning from a futile trip to Nags Head aboard the gas boat Seat.

The party left Elizabeth City about 11 o'clock Saturday morning for a week-end trip to Nags Head. Just before reaching the mouth of the Pasquotank river the blading gear broke and, of course, the engine stalled. They drifted there until they saw the Trenton approaching about 2:45. Members of the party asked Captain Johnson to tow them to Nags Head. Captain Johnson replied that he could not tow them but that the Wileson would be on in a few minutes. Passengers on board the Trenton thought that Captain Johnson offered to take the party aboard but none of those aboard the Seat heard him make this offer. Mr. Cotter this afternoon emphatically denied that any such offer was made.

The men waited at the mouth of the river until nearly dark, expecting every moment to see the Wileson. Finally giving up hope, they decided to drift to shore. With much difficulty they made their way to Little Platty Creek. From this point they had to get out and wade in the water in an attempt to push the boat to shore. Their searchlight was seen after they had pushed the boat for nearly three miles by a man who met them in a row boat and carried them ashore. They landed in Salona township about 14 miles from Elizabeth City. Before they could get to the mainland, however, they had to walk through something like a mile and a half of marsh, full of briars, steaks and snakes. They were brought to Elizabeth City by automobile by Carroll Davis of Salona township. They arrived here about 1:30 Sunday morning, bloody from scratches and chilled from exposure.

So far as could be learned members of the party are not suffering seriously this morning though all of them are sore and stiff.

Captain Martin Johnson, interviewed by an Advance reporter, this morning stated that he did not consider it safe to tow a broken down boat through the sound as rough as it was Saturday. "I thought it better for them to wait and be towed in by some boat coming into Elizabeth City," Captain Johnson said. "I offered to take them aboard the Trenton but they wanted a tow. If I had been coming toward Elizabeth City I would have been compelled to bring them in. I knew every man on the Seat and I would do anything in the world I could to help them."

POTEAT APPEALS FOR FREE QUEST FOR KNOWLEDGE

Few May Perish, But Great Majority Will Survive Broadening of Outlook, Noted Educator Declares

URGES OPEN MINDS

Pictures Science as Studying God's Handiwork in His Garden, and About to Meet God Himself

A plea for earnest search after the truth, wherever that search might lead, was voiced by Dr. W. L. Poteat, president of Wake Forest College, Friday night in an address before the Rotary and Kiwanis clubs, declared to have been one of the finest ever delivered before a local audience. Dr. Poteat was introduced by Federal Judge I. M. Meekins as a man too well known to need introduction to his audience, and therefore Judge Meekins reversed the usual procedure and introduced the audience to the speaker.

In discussing science, Dr. Poteat declared it was carried on by a group of seekers in God's garden, studying His handiwork at every turn, and about to come face to face with God Himself. He took the stand that it was no discredit to science when science admitted lack of knowledge of many of the vital things that mankind wanted to know—in fact, rather was to the credit of science, since science ever was seeking open-mindedly for the truth, and ever was discarding outworn theories.

In this connection, the speaker pointed to the atom, long regarded as the smallest subdivision of matter, but now known in turn to be divided into countless electrons, comparable to a solar system. He said further that science had discarded the theory that all finite things were the result of force and matter as separate elements. Dr. Poteat, long a storm center in the fight between the evolutionists and fundamentalists, diplomatically avoided any direct reference to controversial matters, going no farther than to urge that the search after the truth be not hampered, but proceed freely and fully, wherever it might lead.

Among many illustrations by which he emphasized his arguments, the speaker told of an incident while he was spending a few days at Nags Head. He went into the kitchen where he was staying, he said, and found the cook preparing crabs. "That's a 'bustler crab,'" the cook told him, pointing to one that had burst open, showing the shell in the shedding process, and remarking that he had outgrown it. The cook remarked that, although a few "bustler crabs" died in escaping from their too tight shells, the great majority survived.

Dr. Poteat compared the "bustler crab" to the great mass of humanity, declaring that while a few probably would not survive the ordeal of facing the truth, and bursting from their too tight, former mental attitudes, the overwhelming majority would come through all right. His obvious inference was that the dissemination of the truth should not be checked because a few were unprepared to receive it.

Receivers Named In Co-Ops' Action

Appointment of M. L. Corey, of New York City; James H. Ward, of Raleigh, and Hallett S. Ward, of Washington, as receivers for the Tobacco Growers Co-operative Association, was announced late Friday by Judge I. M. Meekins at the close of a hearing in Federal Court here. The hearing had lasted practically throughout the day and at its close, counsel for the association and the other defendants announced that an appeal would be filed immediately with the Circuit Board of Appeals for the district.

Mr. Corey at present is employed as a financial and business adviser for co-operative marketing associations throughout the country. He is a native of Nebraska, and from 1917 to 1923 was general counsel for the Federal Land Bank of Omaha, resigning to accept a recess appointment by the late President Harding to the Federal Farm Loan Board in Washington. He was re-appointed by President Coolidge, and resigned December 1, 1924, to take up his present work.

Mr. Ward is one of the best known lawyers in the State. Mr. Ward is a former Representative in Congress from the First North Carolina District. Although of little interest locally, except insofar as it has a bearing upon co-operative marketing, the decision was a vital one, and recent interest in the tobacco growing regions of North and South Carolina and Virginia.