

NATIONS KNOW U. S. ATTITUDE ABOUT COURT

President Coolidge Has Spoken in Order to Prevent Further Lengthy Debate in the Senate

TAKE OR LEAVE

America Wants Her Reservations Accepted on Her Own Terms and That's That, Says Writer

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Washington, Sept. 27.—The nations of the world know now that the United States will not accept the counter reservations to the World Court protocol suggested at Geneva. This information was disclosed at the White House and means that the matter will not even be submitted to the United States Senate for consideration as it is within the prerogative of the Chief Executive to determine whether he will resubmit a treaty or protocol if amendments are offered by another government or governments.

The United States wants its reservations accepted without the crossing of a "T" or the dotting of an "I" and if the other governments do not wish American participation on those terms, the American Government will not become a member of the World Court. This decision was reached by President Coolidge in order to avoid another debate in the Senate which would be protracted as to amend the entire legislative program in the December session of Congress.

The President feels that the matter has been thoroughly debated and the Senate knew what it was doing when it wrote the fifth reservation which is the only one the foreign powers have not accepted as submitted. Mr. Coolidge foresees that a big political issue can be made on that fifth reservation with appeals to nationalisms such as characterized the original debate on the League of Nations covenant. The reservation insists that no advisory opinion be rendered by the World Court without the consent of the United States on any matter which America claims an interest. No other government in the World Court possesses such a veto power. The League members, however, agreed to regard the sphere of American influence as an exception when they wrote in the covenant for instance that nothing therein was to be construed as affecting regional understandings "like the Monroe Doctrine."

The belief here is now that the veto has gone forth from the White House there will be important diplomatic exchanges between the leading powers and that if the admission of the United States is really sought then modifications will be suggested. One formula advanced is that the veto power be given the United States but that if it is arbitrarily used then the right of the World Court members to withdraw their approval of the reservation will be agreed upon among themselves as permissible.

There are other ways by which the American entry can be accomplished without disturbing the dignity or equality privileges of the other sovereign nations. It all depends on how anxious foreign powers are to have America as a member. So far as the Coolidge administration is concerned it will be relieved of a vexing difficulty if America does not finally enter the court.

Nine Persons Dead After Train Crash

Bethlehem, Pa., Sept. 27.—At least nine persons were killed and 35 injured today when the Scranton Flyer of the Jersey Central Railroad ploughed into the Lehigh valley railroad at the crossover of two roads in this city.

The accident occurred within a hundred yards of the new union station. The Lehigh limited left Buffalo last night for New York. The Flyer is the through train from Binghamton to Philadelphia.

A Smart Bird



The chickadee is a wise little bird that can't be stumped. As an experiment a Pacific coast shrew lover took this chickadee's nest out and suspended it from a pole in a net. This picture shows the courageous mother bird feeding her young through the netting. And then the little birds were restored to the old nest.

Mistrial Is Result As Twelfth Juror Stands Ground

After 30 hours of deliberation, a jury in the case of the City of Elizabeth City against A. L. Aydtlett, of this city, involving condemnation proceedings in connection with the running of Elizabeth street along the route of the drainage canal past the High School, finally was discharged by Judge Nunn in Superior Court here late Saturday, after it had become apparent to all that they could not agree.

The jury received the case shortly before noon Friday. Mr. Aydtlett had asked \$1,000 for alleged damages to his property, the site of the old Free School building, by reason of the cutting of the street. The city wished to pay him \$1, under condemnation proceedings.

"Grapevine telegraph" from the jury room Saturday morning brought the information that ten of the jurors wished to give Mr. Aydtlett \$200 damages; that the eleventh was holding out for \$500; and that the twelfth was unwilling to allow him anything. Thus matters stood as the day dragged along.

No Injunction For Beer Referendum

Madison, Wis., Sept. 27.—The State Supreme Court today denied the application for an injunction to prevent the proposed referendum on beer at the November election in Wisconsin.

ROBINSON APPOINTED BY GOVERNOR McLEAN

Raleigh, Sept. 27.—Governor McLean has named the following delegates to represent North Carolina at a conference of representatives of Federal departments and of Atlantic and Pacific Coast and Gulf states to consider the subject of coast erosion and protection, the meeting to be held in Asbury Park, New Jersey, October 14 and 15:

Whiteville, Beach; Wade H. Phillips, Raleigh; Thorndike S. V. V. Raleigh; Carroll B. Spencer, Swan Quarter; Lloyd J. Lawrence, Murfreesboro; T. S. White, Hertford; John H. Small, Washington, D. C.; R. L. Gray, Raleigh; Chas. O. Robinson, Elizabeth City; Ernest M. Green, New Bern; W. B. Bladen, New Bern; and C. S. Wallace, Morehead City.

FAIR TO PROVIDE THRILLS FOR ALL THROUGH 5 DAYS

Virtually Entire District to be Represented at Great District Exposition to be Held October 5-9

TUESDAY SCHOOL DAY

Special Attractions Arranged for Boys and Girls, Including Races and Athletic Events

With only Dare County to be heard from, evidence is in hand already that the counties comprising the Greater Albemarle Fair District will have a bigger, better and more complete showing of their farm, garden and home products at this year's fair than ever before. The big district exposition will be held for five days, beginning Tuesday, October 5.

Mrs. P. W. Stevens, chairman for Camden County, has sent word that Camden will be represented in ample fashion at the fair. Camden took first prize among the counties last year, and is expected to make an even better showing this year.

Word already had been received by the fair management that Currituck, Perquimans, Gates and Hyde Counties would participate with attractive exhibits this year, as of course will Pasquotank, in which Elizabeth City is situated. County Agent G. W. Falls, of Pasquotank, has wired Dare asking whether that county will participate, and is eagerly awaiting a reply. In other years, the Dare exhibit, largely featuring products of the fishing industry, has been one of the most attractive shown here.

As an incentive to county, community and individual exhibitors, local firms are offering a total of 15 silver cups this year. These will become the property of the winners.

Tuesday week, the opening day of the fair, is to be School Day. It is expected that the Elizabeth City and Pasquotank County schools will be closed for the day, or at least for the afternoon, to enable all who wish to attend the fair. Three prizes of \$15, \$10 and \$5, respectively, will be awarded the schools having the largest percentages of their enrolled pupils present at the fair, the enrollment to be based on the figures for the preceding day.

As special attractions for the boys and girls on School Day, there will be pony and mule races, and a number of athletic events in which prizes will be awarded. The State and Federal Departments of Agriculture will assist in making this year's Greater Albemarle District Fair a success. For the benefit of poultry growers, a daily exhibition of candling and grading eggs will be given by F. W. Risher, of the Division of Markets. A demonstration in blasting stumps by use of the new explosive, pyrotol, will be given by A. T. Holman, of the State Extension Service. Pyrotol is furnished farmers by the Federal Department of Agriculture upon payment of freight plus the cost of putting the explosive into cartridges. It is declared to be equal to 40 per cent dynamite, the grade generally used in stump blasting, and can be obtained at about half the cost.

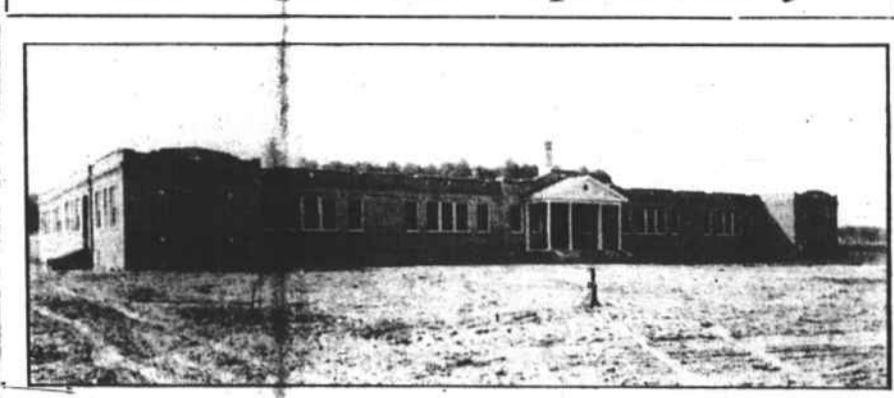
Five Are Drowned As Skiff Capsizes

Pomeroy, Ohio, Sept. 27.—Five excursionists were drowned in the Ohio River near here early today. They were being ferried across the Ohio River to their homes in Pomeroy after having spent Sunday in Pittsburgh when their skiff capsized.

STATE IS SECOND IN AUTO DEATHS

Atlanta, Sept. 27.—Traffic in all southern states during the past week killed 39 persons and injured 235, the survey conducted by The Associated Press shows.

New High School Opens Today



New Central High School, third and last unit in Pasquotank's consolidation program for white pupils, opened today for the term of 1926-27. The school cost \$410,000, and is of the most modern type. Photo by Zoeller.

State Educational Heads High In Praise of Work Done by Pasquotank Man

Superintendent of Public Instruction and Other Officials Felicitate County Superintendent M. P. Jennings on Completion of Merger Program

In connection with the completion of Pasquotank County's rural white school consolidation program today, with the opening of the new Central High School on the Hertford Highway, just outside this city, the comments of leading educators in the State are interesting. With one accord, the heads of the State Department of Education extend praise to County Superintendent M. P. Jennings and to the County Board of Education.

"I hope you will give Superintendent Jennings credit for having worked out a splendid system of rural schools for Pasquotank County," says Dr. A. T. Allen, State Superintendent of Public Instruction. "We regard it in this department as one of the most promising counties in the State, and my understanding is that with the erection of this last school house every child in the County will be in reach of a standard high school, which is an accomplishment to be desired in all the counties in the State."

"I have watched with great interest the progressive movements in this County since I am glad to state that we regard the work of this County as one of the most hopeful signs in public education in North Carolina."

Dr. J. Henry Highsmith, director of high school education in the State, also expressed himself enthusiastically with reference to Pasquotank's progress in developing modern high schools in recent years, and as to the part played in that development by Mr. Jennings.

Closing Chapter Of Joy Ride Written In Police Court

On a joy ride extending far into Sabbath morn, half a dozen residents of Newland township paid the fiddler, so to speak, in recorder's court Monday morning, having been arrested by Officer Harris in the downtown section Sunday morning at about 4 o'clock.

WEEKSVILLE HIGH OFFICERS ELECTED

As an essential preliminary to the year's work just beginning, the student body of Weeksville High School has elected literary and class officers, as follows:

THIS CITY AIDING STRICKEN FLORIDA

A total of \$75 has been subscribed by various agencies in Elizabeth City toward relief of stricken Florida, Southwestern Florida. John H. Hall, Jr., chairman of the American Red Cross here, announces donations totalling \$25, of which \$20 was given by the local chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star, and \$5 by Mrs. Ethel Lamb.

A check for \$50 has been mailed already by Lodge 854, E. K. of this city, from the charity fund of the organization. As partially taking care of that, individual contributions totalling \$42 are announced by C. H. Wood, secretary. These contributions will be returned to the charity fund until a total of \$50 has been reached, and all above that will be forwarded to Florida. Mr. Wood stated today.

CITY MERCHANTS MOST FORTUNATE

Well Supplied With Seasonable Merchandise at Time It Is Hard to Get

Considerable difficulty is being experienced by dealers in women's wear in getting seasonable merchandise for the fall trade. Prices on desirable furs are represented as advancing and the furs not easily obtainable even at the prevailing prices.

"Every day from this time on will bring even further difficulties in obtaining desirable merchandise," writes the sales manager of a Cleveland manufacturing firm to an Elizabeth City merchant. "And the demand for materials that are in favor will increase as the season ends and stocks are depleted."

Elizabeth City dealers in women's wear consider themselves fortunate in being very well supplied with fall merchandise under these conditions and they express themselves as feeling every assurance that shopping in Elizabeth City this season will be even more than ordinary advantages to the buyer.

COMEDIAN RISKS LIFE IN PERILOUS PARACHUTE DROP

Douglas MacLean, who almost qualified as a licensed aviator upon the completion of one of his past comedies, has taken a new degree in the field of aviation: He has progressed from stunt flying to parachute jumping.

In "Going Up," which MacLean made several years ago, the comedian was involved in one of the wildest flying episodes ever filmed. But in that picture he at least retained his seat in the airplane until he reached solid ground.

Now in "That's My Baby," which is showing at the Alhambra Theatre today, the funmaker not only goes through a brand-new set of thrills while riding in an airplane but climaxes it by a hair-raising parachute drop while clutching the baby, who plays such an important part in the action of the story.

Fourteenth Day Of Daugherty Trial

New York, Sept. 27. The Government today began the fourteenth day of the conspiracy trial of Harry M. Daugherty and Thomas W. Miller with an attempt to trace to the former Attorney General a further \$50,000 of an alleged bribe of \$451,000 paid to hasten the release of the \$7,000,000 of seized German properties.

Nora V. Veall, assistant cashier of Midland National Bank, testified she sent to O. G. & Company, Cleveland bankers, four \$10,000 Liberty Loan Bonds bearing serial numbers that were on the four bonds Richard Morton, German metal magnate, gave to John T. King, former Republican National Committeeman from Connecticut, November 17, 1923, Mrs. Veall said, on the orders of Mal S. Daugherty, brother of Harry.

Portuguese Bishop To Leave Charlotte

Charlotte, Sept. 27.—Bishop C. M. Grace, Portuguese "faith healer," said today he expected to leave the city within the next few hours and not return. He said he would go next to Winston-Salem after a brief visit in the East. Grace baptized 700 negroes yesterday, which was climaxed by one of the deacons drowning when overcome with religious fervor.

WOMEN ASKED ATTEND FEDERATION MEETING

The Women's Christian Federation will meet Tuesday afternoon at four o'clock at the Y and the devotional exercises will be led by Mrs. J. W. Foreman. "People have now returned from their vacation it is hoped with new interest and determination to help win the town for Christ. All Christian women of all denominations are invited to attend these meetings," says the chairman.

Defendant Breaks Down During Hearing of Case

R. C. Webb, Colored, Often in Court in Pasquotank, Explains Tears in Camden as Prompted by Unjust Accusation—First in His Life

Camden, Sept. 27.—"How long have you been in training to cry before a jury?" Solicitor Walter Small demanded of R. C. Webb, colored, when the latter's emotions overcame him in the course of a hearing in Superior Court here this morning, on a charge of having disposed of mortgaged property.

"This is the first time I ever was accused of something I wasn't guilty of," explained the defendant between sobs, as Mr. Small reminded him of his fairly numerous appearances in court in Elizabeth City. "It also does hurt my feelings."

TEACHER WINS SUIT AND CASH BESIDES

Sir Walter Hotel, Raleigh, Sept. 27.—Miss Blanche Lewis, 19-year-old school teacher who last March was severely injured when an irascible father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Perry, "beat her up" because she had whipped their child, today is \$2,000 richer than she was, as the result of the settlement ordered by the court when the Perry's were ordered to pay this sum to Miss Lewis or accept prison terms. At the trial last week they at first pleaded not guilty, but after the first day of the trial, at which things looked so bad for them, they changed their pleas to guilty and were given until this week to secure the \$2,000 to pay to Miss Lewis in lieu of prison terms. Miss Lewis was so battered in the attack made on her that physicians were not able to remove her clothing for six days.

MIAMI RESUMES TASK REBUILDING

Miami, Sept. 27.—Miami and her neighboring communities in the storm-swept area today resumed the task of rehabilitation after the Sabbath observance.