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SALOON MEN SCORE

Federal Judge Dissolves Temporary Injunction.

HE REFERS TO GRAND JURIES.

Declines to Assume Jurisdiction and Upholds Principle of "State's Rights"—Jurist Suggests Impeachment Proceedings For Officers.

Memphis, Tenn.—Declining to assume jurisdiction and upholding the principle of "State's rights," Federal Judge John E. McCall ordered dissolved a temporary injunction, restraining the continuance in business of 114 saloon keepers of Memphis. Notwithstanding the declaration of the Law Enforcement League of Memphis, who, through fifteen of its members, appeared as complainants, that their appeals to State and local authorities for redress had been unheeded, Judge McCall held that prosecution through grand jury indictments was the proper recourse and was still open. In answer to the allegation that the constituted authorities of the State were not in sympathy with the prohibition laws as enacted and had refused to act on information furnished, he cited impeachment proceedings as a method through which their removal from office might be accomplished.

NEWSPAPER FINED \$1,000.

London Evening News Published Story Relating to Crippen.

London.—The high court fined The Evening News \$1,000 for contempt of court in having published the story of a conference between Richard Muir, the prosecuting counsel, and the quartermaster of the steamer Montrose, in which the ship's officer revealed a plan which he and Dr. Hawley H. Grippen had made to bring about the latter's escape from the steamer when he was being pursued by the British authorities.

The court held that the publication of the story was calculated to prejudice the case of Grippen when the latter was brought to trial for the murder of his wife.

JAIL FOR RICH AUTOMOBILIST.

Ran Down and Injured Couple Out Driving in Carriage.

Norristown, Pa.—W. Gordon Dyer, one of the wealthiest men of this place, who was convicted of aggravated assault and battery because an automobile he was driving ran down and injured a man and wife riding in a carriage, was sentenced to nine months' imprisonment in the county prison and to pay a fine of \$250.

Dyer, while driving his automobile on September 10, ran down the carriage driven by Walter Smith, near here. Smith and his wife were badly injured and their horse was killed.

Dyer's father was a railroad contractor and quarryman, and left an estate worth more than \$1,000,000.

"Bearded Lady" a Bride

South Bend, Ind.—Grace Gilbert, who has been the "bearded lady" attraction of several road shows, was married here to Giles E. Calvin, a farmer of Kalkaska, Mich.

The bride has a beard 18 inches long, while the groom boasts nothing but a mustache.

Almost Equal to a Bird.

Etampes, France.—Maurice Tabuteau broke the world's aviation record for time and distance here by flying 289 miles in six hours in a continuous trip. Tabuteau's remarkable feat was accomplished in the aerodrome here while he was trying for the Michelin cup, which is awarded annually to the aviator making the longest sustained flight with the year. A premium of \$4,000 goes to the winner. The aviator used a Farman biplane.

Atlanta Courts Crooked.

Atlanta.—Recommendation that the justice court system of Atlanta be abolished and a system of municipal courts established instead was made by the Fulton county grand jury. The jury's action was the result of a crusade against the justice courts and charges that they have been prolific petty injustice. Unfair trials, rough actions by bailiffs and the favoring of plaintiffs in order to foster court business was among the jury's findings against the present system.

QUARREL ABOUT LAND

Controversy Which Has Raged For Generations Now Before Supreme Tribunal of U. S.

Washington.—The controversy which has raged in Kentucky for generations over the validity of so-called "blanket" grants of land by Virginia, the mother State, and even Kentucky itself, during the early years of statehood, came before the supreme court of the United States for decision. Title to lands now said to be worth at least \$10,000,000 are involved. Originally some of the land was procured at two cents an acre.

Arguments were made as to the constitutionality of the Kentucky statute under which it claimed a forfeiture of the title of thousands of acres of land. Louis Brandeis, Wehle and Z. T. Vinson argued that the Kentucky courts had erred in not holding the statute unconstitutional. Judge K. M. Stewart defended the validity of the law.

FEAR INCRIMINATION.

Suit of \$50,000 Against Southern Wholesale Grocers' Association.

Mobile, Ala.—In the law and equity court here Judge Bentley made a ruling in the case of L. H. Marx who is suing the Southern Wholesale Grocers' Association for \$50,000.

The plaintiff has filed a number of interrogatories to several of the defendants, including some lineal wholesalers who are, or were, members of the association. The defendants moved that the questions be stricken out on the ground that if they answered them they would be subject to criminal prosecution.

Judge Bentley denied the motion of the attorneys, holding that the defendants state under oath that their answers will subject them to criminal prosecution. While a party to a suit cannot be made to give incriminating evidence against himself, yet the judge holds that defendant himself and not his attorney must make this claim and that the claim must be made under oath. The contention of the defendants is that if they are made to testify as to the operations of the Southern Wholesale Grocers' Association that they will give testimony which would convict them of violation of the criminal statutes against trusts, combines and monopolies.

Strange Sight in Alabama.

Anniston, Ala.—Reports were brought here of a phenomenon at Heflin, Cleburne county, this State, which has attracted much attention. According to the reports an incessant rain has been falling on a plot of land seven feet square at Heflin for the last week, while everywhere around the atmosphere was perfectly dry.

Sisters of 11 and 12 Married.

Marietta, Ga.—Bertha Anderson, aged 11, and Ollie Anderson, 12 years old, were married at Kennesaw to Andy Champ, 21, and John Champ, 22 years old.

The ceremony caused much comment and habeas corpus proceedings were instituted by the father of the girls in an effort to separate the couples.

Won Pardon for His Art.

Columbus, Ohio.—Satisfaction given Governor Harmon by Henry Wiedenbach, an artist, in restoring State House oil paintings to their original coloring, resulted in the pardoning of Wiedenbach from the Ohio Penitentiary.

Wiedenbach was sent to prison in 1909 to serve four years for grand larceny.

Train Load of Whiskey.

Birmingham—Representatives of the Frisco system announced that a full train load of liquor had been made up to be shipped out of the State over their line. The scramble of local dealers to get rid of stocks on hand is the result of the sensational campaign now under way here to secure enforcement of the prohibition laws. The destination of the train which left here is said to be Memphis.

Living at Home.

Wilmington, N. C.—Mr. B. E. Memory, a leading merchant, says he saw while at the Raleigh State Fair an offer of \$150 cash for the eighteen ears of corn that had taken the first prize. Mr. J. L. Memory says Mr. Peter McBride, of Scotland county, N. C., this year made thirty bales of cotton on ten acres of land. Mr. Pender says a farmer in Marlboro county, South Carolina, made 253 bushels of corn on an acre.

GOVERNORS OPINION

Stubbs Opposes Increase of Railroad Rates.

COULD BUILD MAIN LINE CHEAP.

Too Much Juggling With Stock—Railroad Business Should be Conducted Like a Bank—Favors Fair Dividends.

Chicago.—Presentation of evidence by the shippers who are opposing the proposed advance in freight rates was given before the interstate commerce commission with the testimony of Gov. W. R. Stubbs, who declared his opposition to an increase in rates and his belief as a practical builder of railroads that valuations have been placed at too high a point.

At one point in his testimony Gov. Stubbs said:

"The curse of business in this country is the stock juggling and high finance. Stop this high finance. Make every dollar of capitalization represent a dollar invested in the road and people will fall over themselves to buy railroad stocks and bonds."

AUTOS IN POSTAL SERVICE.

Plan to Serve Several Rural Routes With One Car.

Washington.—Expedition of the use of automobiles in the postal service is being arranged by the Postoffice Department. Heavy automobile express wagons are being substituted for the old type of horse-drawn wagons used in transporting the mails between the railway stations and postoffices and their various branches. The Postmaster General has signed contracts for four additional automobiles to be used in the mail collection service at Cleveland and for three at Indianapolis.

The motorcycle is being extensively used in the collection of mails in suburban towns. One plan for the rural delivery service is the substitution of light automobiles for horse carts to cover several routes.

OLD MAIDS ARE LUCKY.

Married Women Must Give up Positions for Single Girls.

Washington.—Married women in the government's employ who have husbands able to support them, will be in danger of losing their positions if a recommendation which is about to be made by the various departmental economy committees is favorably received. Many unmarried women, who have lost their positions through the introduction of recent economies, in making applications for reinstatement have suggested that they be given places now held by married women whose husbands are able to support them. It is understood such a recommendation may be made to the economy committee recently established by President Taft, of which Frederick A. Cleveland, of New York, is the head.

Jury Prayed for Guidance.

Chattanooga.—With the fate of a human life hanging heavily over their heads the jury in the case of Robert Cook, charged with murder, knelt down and prayed in the little room next to the criminal court in this city before they returned to the judge with a verdict of murder in the first degree.

Court Handed Out Lemon Decision.

St. Paul, Minn.—Judges Vandeventer, Sanborn and Adams in the United States circuit court handed down an order restraining the interstate commerce commission from putting into effect a reduced rate on lemons from Southern California to the Atlantic seaboard. The opinion further states that the case is one which will shortly go to the newly created commerce court, which must render the final decision in the case.

Battleship to Honor Oglethorpe Day

Washington.—A United States warship will be sent to Savannah for the exercises incident to the unveiling of the statue of George Oglethorpe, founder of the colony of Virginia, on November 23. The Navy Department has ordered the scout cruiser, Birmingham, to proceed to Savannah on November 21. Upon completion of this duty, the Birmingham will return to Hampton roads to join the fifth division of the battleship fleet at battle practice on the Virginia capes.

LARGEST GATES KNOWN.

Steel Portals That Will Lock Panama Canal—Hundreds of Men Shape Tons of Steel.

Pittsburg.—Enormous gates are being made in Pittsburg for the Panama Canal. They will be the largest in the world. Any one of the 92 of them, for there are to be 46 pairs in all, will be about as high as a 6-story building, as wide (65 feet) as many city buildings are, and 7 feet deep, or thick. The structural steel that will go to make them will weigh 60,000 tons, or more than 8 times as much as was used to build the Eiffel Tower in Paris.

The mighty portals, designed to admit a world's commerce from one ocean to another, will cost \$5,500,000. The builders are the McClintic Marshall Steel Construction Company, a half of whose independent plant here has been given over entirely to the gate contract. Of the 60,000 tons of steel required the heaviest single pieces will weigh about 18 tons.

The thousands of individual pieces, numbered and fitted to go together as children's blocks, will be shipped by steamer via Baltimore and with the will go over 400 skilled structural steel builders from Pittsburg to set them up. The advance guard of experts leaves here in December and the first work will probably begin early in 1911. It will take three years to complete the job.

\$725,000 GIVEN TO COLLEGES.

Two Tarheel Institutions Benefited By General Education Board.

New York.—Appropriations amounting to \$725,000 were apportioned to six colleges and universities at a meeting of the General Education Board here, conditional on the institutions raising certain amounts to secure the gifts. John D. Rockefeller, Jr., and Starr J. Murphy were among the members of the board present. The institutions named and the amounts are as follows:

Baylor University, Waco, Texas, \$200,000; Trinity College, Durham, N. C., \$150,000; University of Chattanooga, Tenn., \$150,000; Meredith College, Raleigh, N. C., \$100,000; Wesleyan Female College, Macon, Ga., \$100,000; Amherst College, Amherst, Mass., \$75,000.

Grandfather Clause Constitutional.

Guthrie, Okla.—That the "grandfather clause" constitutional amendment is valid has been decided by the State supreme court. The court held also that the special procedure under which the amendment was adopted was valid, all votes not cast against the proposition being counted for it.

"The grandfather clause" provides that no man whose grandfather could not vote, can exercise the right of franchise. It will thus disfranchise many negroes whose grandfathers were slaves.

Corpse Caught Fire.

Boston.—In bending over a casket to kiss the face of 19-year-old Letitia di Napoli during funeral services at her home, a relative upset a candle and set fire to the house. The girl's body was partially incinerated and \$600 damages done to the Di Napoli home.

Mourners tried to carry the blazing coffin to the street, but the flames forced them to drop it and save their own lives.

After the fire was extinguished a new casket was obtained and the body taken to a cemetery.

Drives Tacks in Head.

Atlanta.—William Williams, a negro, is in jail here charged with swindling on account of the peculiar cure for blindness which he devised. His remedy consisted in driving a tack into the back portion of a blind negro's skull and charging \$2.50 for the operation. Robert Ward, the victim, told the police court judge that the tack process was not very painful but that Williams' manner of taking the \$2.50 "hurt considerably."

No More Chance for Panics.

Washington.—With those national currency associations already formed and those in process of formation, officials of the treasury department believe the financial centres of the country are amply protected against financial stringency. Eleven cities already have formed associations and with four more about to do so the principal reserve banking cities of the United States will be equipped to issue a total of \$500,000,000 in temporary currency at a moment's notice.

TAR HEEL PUBLIC TALK

Cream of Current County Events Clipped and Condensed in a Column.

PRIZES WON FOR CORN.

Over \$175 Captured by Farmers for a Few Ears.

The Department of Agriculture offered some nice cash premiums to the boys for the best twenty ears of corn and six stalks with ears of corn, these to be shown at the State Fair, and there were three prize winners.

J. P. Lewis, of Reedy Branch, Wilkes county, won the first prize of \$100. The second prize, \$50 was won by Vester Blalock, of Norwood, Stanley county, and the third prize of \$25 by Raymond Hill, of Lexington, Davidson county.

For the best ten ears of corn a boy beat out the men, with whom he entered into competition. In this contest, with a prize of \$2.00 the prize went to Shirley Schoolfield, of Guilford, and the winner of the prize for the best single ear of corn raised in the State was awarded to Exum Goodman, of Apex, R. F. D. No. 3, Wake county. This shows that the older farmers will have to get a move on themselves.

CONTRIBUTE \$73,699.

Presbyterians Give That Much This Year to Foreign Missions.

The North Carolina Presbyterian Synod in session at Rocky Mount heard the report on foreign missions. The churches still have this year contributed \$73,699 to this cause as against \$58,418 last year, \$38,061 two years ago. By Presbyteries the amounts contributed as follows: Albemarle, last year \$1,590, this year \$2,309; Asheville, last year \$1,463, this year \$1,561; Concord last year \$8,018, this year \$7,105; Fayetteville last year \$8,562, this year \$10,814; Kings Mountain last year \$2,174, this year \$1,692; Orange, last year \$11,542, this year \$12,778; Mecklenburg, last year \$10,748, this year \$10,958; Wilmington, last year \$14,191, this year \$26,442.

Number of Licensed Autos.

Corporation Clerk W. S. Wilson and Assistant Clerk J. E. Sawyer, of the Department of State, have gotten out a book containing a list of the licensed automobiles of the State and their owners by counties. The book will be mailed free of charge to all sheriffs, chiefs of police and mayors who wish them in order to enforce the automobile law.

According to the above publication Mecklenburg has the largest number of autos, with 174 registered. In Wake county there are fifty-five registered, of which forty-nine are in Raleigh. Buncombe, Guilford, Durham, Forsyth and many other counties show a large number of licensed autos.

Christmas Money on Butter Beans.

Mr. Archie Finch, a prosperous farmer, who lives two miles from Wilson, aside from being a cotton and tobacco planter, finds time to do a little trucking on the side. This year, one-tenth of an acre planted in lima, or butter beans, realized him the sum of ninety-three dollars. From the same patch last year he sold beans to the amount of eighty-four dollars. The patch contains fifteen rows, thirty-four yards long—all in about five hundred hills. Besides having all that was required by his family of ten he will have enough for his table during the winter besides seed for planting next year.

Cause of Bryson Wreck.

A report of his investigation of the cause of the Bryson City wreck on the Southern Railway's Murrphy branch October 7, in which 21 persons were injured, just filed by Corporation Commissioner S. L. Rogers, with the commission, takes the ground that the wreck was due to spreading of rails on soft ties; declares that an inspection of the road-bed for some distance east of the scene of the wreck shows a large percentage of ties that are unfit for use.

Sherman in Charlotte.

Vice President Sherman was the guest of the city of Charlotte. He dined at the Southern Manufacturers' Club. He addressed a mass-meeting of citizens in the auditorium, and after the speaking was tendered a public reception at the club.

The stockholders of the old Western Carolina Bank, Asheville, which went into the hands of a receiver in 1897, will have to pay the receiver about \$50,000.

HIGHER POST RATE

Magazines Must Pay More Postage.

CHANGE IN SECOND-CLASS RATE.

Not to Affect Newspapers—Cost

More to Haul Periodicals—Mr. Hitchcock's Plan—Penny Letter Postage in Sight.

Washington.—President Taft and Postmaster General Hitchcock have reached an agreement on the recommendations the President will make to Congress regarding a change in the second-class postage rates as affecting magazines and other periodicals.

Mr. Taft will recommend that the magazines be required to pay the present rate of 1 cent a pound on all reading matter and a much higher rate, to be determined later, on the advertising pages. Each magazine will be required to send a copy of its current issue to the Postoffice Department each week or month, as the case may be. There the publication will be dissected. The reading matter and the advertising sections will be separately weighed and the amount of postage computed by the number of magazines sent out.

Newspapers will not be affected. The average haul of the newspaper is but 300 miles, while the average haul of the magazine is 1,100 miles.

Mr. Hitchcock told the President that the plan of separating the reading and advertising matter in the magazines is entirely feasible and he believed it to be the proper solution of the problem. The hauling of magazines has proved costly to the government and both the President and Postmaster General believe it has entered largely into the deficits shown each year in the Postoffice Department.

The adoption of a new rate for the magazines, Mr. Hitchcock believes, will entirely wipe out the deficit and put the postal service on a money making basis.

President Taft is looking forward to a 1-cent rate for letter postage and hopes to recommend it before he leaves the White House.

The establishment of the proposed new rates as to magazines, the President believes, will do much to bring about the penny postage plan. The President is determined to push his plan for placing second and third class postmasters under civil service. He will make the recommendation of changes in his forthcoming message and hopes for favorable action.

NEW ROLLING PALACE.

"Southern's Southeastern Limited" Between New York and Florida.

Washington.—The Southern Railway company announces that on November 27 it will begin running its through passenger trains from the South to New York city into the new passenger station of the Pennsylvania railroad, located in the heart of the hotel and shopping districts of the metropolis. On the same date it will inaugurate a much faster and greatly improved passenger service from the Southeast, substituting a new train, to be known as the "Southern's Southeastern Limited" for the present "New York and Florida Limited."

The new train will be made up of the newest and best equipment and will be electrically lighted throughout, handling Pullman sleepers between Jacksonville and New York, and two sleepers between Augusta and New York, one via Trenton and one via Blackville.

Gold Bullion Transferred.

New Orleans.—Following an order from the director of the mint that all gold bullion in the New Orleans mint should be shipped to the Philadelphia mint, more than \$1,200,000 in bullion has been transferred. Additional shipments of more than \$2,000,000 will be required to complete the transfer. The action of the director apparently indicates that the reopening of the establishment is not contemplated for the present.

Atlanta Man in Trouble.

Atlanta, Ga.—Charged with using the mails "for a scheme similar to a lottery," B. Bernard, an auctioneer, has been indicted by the Federal grand jury. On July 13 last, Bernard raffled off a furnished house and lot in Grove park, valued at \$10,000, the chances selling for \$1 each. The winning number was held by Mrs. Bernard's brother, who lives in New York City. When the result was announced an indignation meeting was held by the Atlanta holders of tickets.