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## COTTON IS BELOW PRODUCTION COST

A PROMINENT COTTON BUYER URGES THE NEED OF PROMPT JOINT ACTION.

### ALL TO ATTEND THE MEETING

Hold Cotton For Higher Prices is Advice of Mr. Weathers—Wants Farmers, Buyers and Manufacturers to Be At Big Meeting Here.

Raleigh.—The call for the meeting regarding the present low prices of cotton and at which it is hoped that means may be devised to restore cotton to some figure commensurate with the cost of production is the leading topic of conversation in cotton circles. The seriousness of the situation is not alone felt in North Carolina, but over the whole South, as shown by the prompt response of the cotton growing state governors to the suggestion of Governor Colquitt, of Texas, that the states involved hold a meeting.

The enormous yield of the present season is held to be largely responsible for the low price, according to close observers of cotton conditions. Local merchants are optimistic, but urge a full attendance at the meeting, so that the matter can be threshed out and thoroughly understood by all and that concerted and strong action be resolved upon.

In speaking of the matter Mr. J. H. Weathers, of the C. E. Johnson Company, said: "Concerning the meeting to consider the low price of cotton, I think that the main object to be achieved is to get the farmers to hold their cotton for higher prices. The meeting should have the hearty support, both by presence and influence, of every farmer, every manufacturer and every business man.

"Cotton has now fallen below the cost of production, notwithstanding the enormous yield. In my opinion, the farmer should be slow to market his cotton at the present prices.

### Physician Fined For Violating Law.

The first physician to be fined for violating the law regulating the giving of prescriptions here was Dr. Russell of Fletcher, who was fined \$500 on the charge of giving a prescription to a man named Wilson when Wilson was not a bona-fide patient of the physician. Russell gave notice of appeal. The case grew out of a prosecution of C. C. Seawell, a druggist for selling whiskey to Wilson without prescription and it was in evidence that Wilson had a prescription from Dr. Russell. Judge Adams then ordered a warrant to be issued for Dr. Russell and he was served with it and appeared in court. Wilson testified that he had asked for the prescription and that Dr. Russell had examined him in the street by feeling his pulse.

### Guilty of Murder and Arson.

In Rutherford county evidence is being gathered to incriminate one of its former citizens, who has moved to South Carolina recently, of one of the most hideous crimes. The accused man, it is asserted, is guilty of murder and arson. It is charged that the man, whose name will be given out in a short time, did murder a young boy several years ago near Island Ford and also burned a government liquor warehouse, after stealing the whiskey. The man in question will probably endeavor to escape through an insanity plea, but steps are being taken to prevent this. Detectives are on the trail and a sensation is promised soon.

### Walter Russell Still at Large.

Although officers and citizens of Statesville have been in search of him ever since the tragedy, Walter Russell, who killed June Summers in the northern section of the county, is still at large. It is believed, however, that he will be taken into custody within a day or two.

### Can Grow Alfalfa in This Section.

An experiment that Mr. Dermot Shemwell, of Lexington, has tried out with great profit is that of growing alfalfa. Mr. Shemwell has one-third of an acre in alfalfa this summer and in spite of the drought he has cut five good crops off of it and pastured it down to the ground once. He was so well pleased with the results obtained that he will try two acres in alfalfa and he contemplates greatly enlarging this acreage. Many farmers have the idea that alfalfa will not grow in this section.

## NAVAL RESERVES DISBANDED

Had Been Falling Beneath the Average Required By the Commander-in-Chief of Reserves.

New Bern.—News received here stated that the Oriental division of the North Carolina Naval Reserves had disbanded. For a long time this company has been falling beneath the average required by the commander-in-chief of the North Carolina Naval Reserves, and there was but little surprise when it became known that the company had disbanded. Several weeks ago, when the time arrived for the different divisions of the Reserves to take their annual cruise and practice with the guns on the Naval Reserves boat, the "Elfrida," the Reserves at that place refused to go on the trip unless they be allowed to go on to Norfolk and spend a day or two there. This cruise was not for the purpose of a pleasure trip, and those in charge of the boat refused to let the Oriental division do as they desired. After this occurrence things began to grow worse until the whole affair culminated in a disbandment of the company. All of the other divisions in this section of the state, however, are making fine showings and are highly complimented by the inspectors upon each of their visits. Especially is this true of the New Bern division. The officers in charge of this company are experienced men and know how to handle a company of men to the best advantage. At all of their drills and maneuvers, even the novice can see that they are a well disciplined company and they deserve to be highly praised.

### Farmers' Union Adopts Resolutions.

At a well-attended meeting of the Farmers' Union of Cumberland county in the court house, the following resolution was adopted: "Adopted by the Farmers' County Union, in regular session that, whereas we know that something should be done at once to relieve the depression in the cotton market and because our president, Dr. H. Q. Alexander, Commissioner of Agriculture W. A. Graham, Governor Colquitt of Texas, the largest cotton-producing state in the Union, and other influential men and business interests see the urgent necessity of better prices, and to be anywhere near in keeping with other commodities, we most urgently solicit the attendance and support of non-union farmers, bankers, merchants and others who are in accord with our efforts to realize more for our cotton, thereby putting thousands of dollars more into circulation and into the vaults of the banks, to be sure to attend the meeting for this purpose.

### Is A Remarkable Tribute.

The good accomplished by the anti-tuberculosis committee at Winston-Salem, as shown in the last quarterly report, is a remarkable tribute to the organization, headed by Col. J. L. Ludlow, chairman, the visiting nurse, Miss Fuller, and their associates, various men and women who have given their time and money to the work. Acute reductions in the number of deaths due to tuberculosis are shown ever since the committee's work began. The educational value of the organization's efforts has been incalculable, but specific reductions in mortality indicate certainly the practicability of the movement. Contributions to the committee in dues and gifts aggregated \$1,513 for the last seven months, while expenditures have been \$1,317.

### Development Company Chartered.

The Raleigh Development Company was chartered with \$125,000 capital for the development of the Raleigh Academy of Music property through the erection of a splendid new Academy of Music and utilizing the present building for other purposes. The company also has power to carry on real estate development generally. There is \$50,000 paid-in capital subscribed by H. T. Litchford, Dr. J. R. Rodgers, R. W. Winston and the Raleigh Real Estate & Trust Co. There is also a charter for the Union Dime Savings bank of Wilmington, authorized capital \$125,000, by F. W. Dick, C. E. Taylor, J. Holmes Davis and J. L. Williams. A general banking and trust business is authorized.

### Office of Chief of Police Vacant.

At a meeting of the Town Aldermen held at Benson the office of chief of police was declared vacant by the board, no charges being made public. However, B. D. Creech, who is chief, was present and refused to give up his office, which pays \$50 per month, stating that he would serve as police until he was impeached and removed from office. N. T. Ryals, who is mayor, also refused to recognize the action of the board, declaring that he should recognize Creech as chief until he was regularly removed.

## JUSTICE HARLAN PASSES AWAY

ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT IS DEAD.

### HE WAS 78 YEARS OLD

Justice Harlan Was Considered Greatest Constitutional Authority of the Day.

Washington.—"Goodbye; I'm sorry I kept you all waiting so long." With these words, Associate Justice John Marshall Harlan of the Supreme court of the United States, often acclaimed the greatest constitutional authority of the day, once a conspicuous figure in national and Kentucky Republican politics, and long a leader in Presbyterian councils, died, aged 78 years. He had been ill less than a week.

With Justice Harlan's death the opportunity has fallen upon President



JOHN M. HARLAN, Associate Justice U. S. Supreme Court.

Taft to select during his single term in office a majority of the members of the Supreme court, including the chief justice, a duty that has devolved on no other president since Washington formed the court in 1790.

Gossip as to the probable successor of Justice Harlan began immediately. Some persons believe his successor will come from his cabinet, Attorney General Wickersham, Secretary of State Knox and Secretary of Commerce and Labor Nagel begin mentioned. Of these Secretary Nagel, a Missourian, was most prominently mentioned.

Others urged selection of a lawyer with Progressive tendencies, just as Justice Lamar was appointed at the request of Southern Democrats who wanted a larger representation on the bench. Senators Kenyon of Iowa and Borah of Idaho were mentioned in this connection. Another group was responsible for the suggestion that there should be another Democrat besides Chief Justice White and Justices Lurton and Lamar. The names thus mentioned were Solicitor General Lehmann, who has attracted very much attention as the successor of the late Solicitor General Bowers; Lawrence Maxwell of Cincinnati and District Judge Gordon Russell of Texas, who was considered with the present Justice Lamar for appointment a year ago.

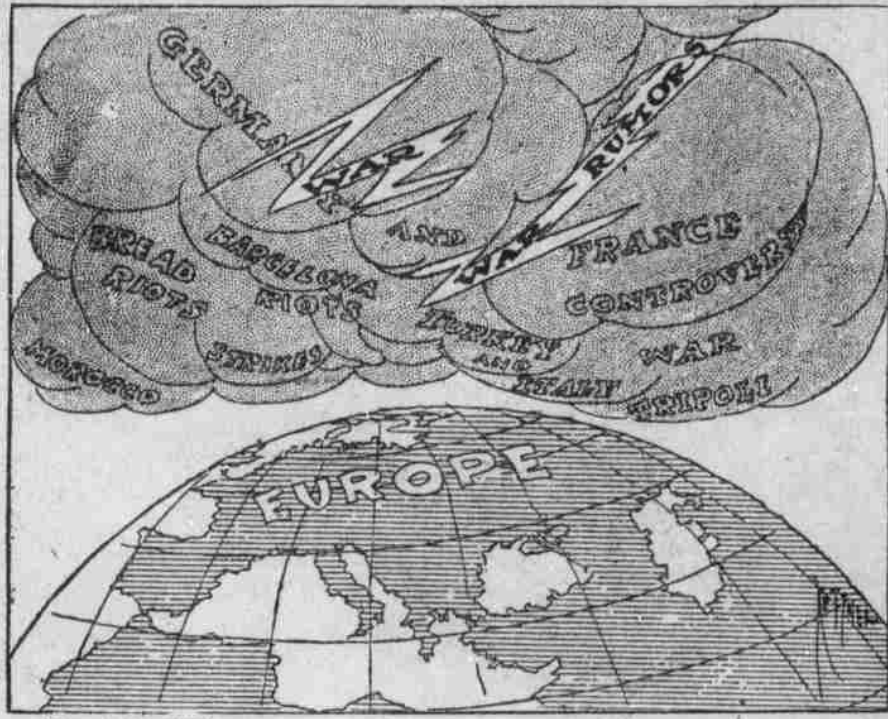
Justice John Marshall Harlan's career marked the development of an ordinary country politician into one of the greatest legal intellects of the day. Born in Kentucky, June 1, 1833, he graduated from college at 17.

Harlan was a colonel of volunteers during the war. Later he became attorney general of Kentucky, was twice defeated as Republican candidate for governor, defeated for nomination as Republican candidate for vice president and headed the Kentucky delegation to the Republican national convention in 1876, when he switched his delegation from Bristow to Hayes, leading to the latter's nomination and subsequent election. President Hayes, unable to accede to Harlan's request, to be appointed attorney general, placed the Kentuckian at 44 years of age on the bench, the youngest man ever receiving such an appointment.

### Walsh is Paroled.

Chicago.—John R. Walsh, former banker and former head of a score of railroad and quarry enterprises, paroled from the Fort Leavenworth Federal prison, after serving part of a term of imprisonment following conviction on a charge of infraction of the national banking laws, spent a day at his home here, and he outlined his plans for the future. The course he has mapped out does not comprise plans for another fight for financial prominence.

## "CLOUDY AND UNSETTLED"



## SCANDAL TOUGHES OFFICIALS

GOVERNOR O'NEAL OF ALABAMA INVESTIGATING CHARGES AGAINST OFFICIALS.

It is Alleged State Officials Were Given Valuable Stock for Licenses.

Montgomery, Ala. — From letters made public by Governor O'Neal, it develops that charges have been filed against State Railroad Commissioner Leon McCord, president of the state convict board; James G. Oakley, state tax commissioner; P. G. Bowman of Birmingham, and Dr. E. T. Fields, state prison physician at Ensley, for the effect that they sold or offered for sale stock in a gas and oil company which they own to certain men in Birmingham who had applied for saloon licenses, and as a condition to the sale promised to secure the licenses for those who bought the stock.

Governor O'Neal has been investigating the charges, and made public letters received from the four accused in reply to a letter he had written them, notifying them of the charges and asking their co-operation. The names of the men making the accusation are withheld, and Governor O'Neal has appointed Hon. R. B. Evans, his personal attorney, to make an official inquiry into the matter. Messrs. Oakley and Bowman make vehement denials of the charge, and Messrs. McCord and Fields informed the governor that they want a full and impartial investigation.

It is stated that the present excise commission of Birmingham is not involved in the matter, but that other men who were urged upon Governor O'Neal for appointment were to be influenced in favor of the stock purchasers.

## PEACE MONUMENT UNVEILED

Old Guard Memorial Is Unveiled in Atlanta, Georgia.

Atlanta. — While veterans of the gray and veterans of the blue, united in a common cause, stood with bared heads in a downpour of rain, the magnificent Gate City Guard peace monument was unveiled at Piedmont park. The unveiling of the monument came as a fitting climax to the spectacular parade through the streets of the city, in which military organizations from every section of the country participated.

The parade was one of the longest and largest ever witnessed in Atlanta and was reviewed by Gen. Albert L. Mills and staff of the department of the gulf; Governor Baldwin and staff of Connecticut; Governor Smith's staff; Mayor Courtland S. Winn and members of the city council; Adjutant General O'bear of Georgia; members of the Atlanta chamber of commerce; several ladies of the various patriotic organizations and others. Governor Smith was not present on account of a death in his family.

### Funeral of Cornelius Bliss.

New York.—The funeral of the late Cornelius N. Bliss, former secretary and treasurer of the Republican national committee, was held at the Bliss residence.

### California Defeats Woman's Suffrage.

San Francisco.—With returns from little more than one-tenth of the state at hand, the indications are that California has refused to grant equal suffrage to women, but had by an emphatic vote made the initiative and referendum and the recall, the latter including the judiciary, part of its organic law. Twenty-three proposed amendments to the constitution of the commonwealth were voted on. Of these the three mentioned overshadowed the rest in public interest.

## IT IS LABOR VERSUS CAPITAL

James B. McNamara on Trial for Destroying Los Angeles Times Building.

Los Angeles, Cal.—James B. McNamara went on trial for murder here before Judge Walter Boardwell in the superior court amid circumstances as austere and simple as proverbial Western justice. District Attorney John D. Fredericks, for the prosecution, elected to try him for the murder of Charles G. Haggerty, a machinist, who, with 20 other men, met death in an explosion and fire which wrecked the Los Angeles Times building October 1, 1910.

This case was picked from nineteen indictments for murder found against the prisoner, his brother, John J. McNamara, secretary of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers; William Caplan and M. A. Schmidt, both at large, and four unidentified persons, specified as John Doe, Richard Doe, Jane Doe and John Stiles. Haggerty's body was that nearest the spot where the explosion occurred.

The prosecution contends that this explosion was caused by dynamite; the defense that it was caused by gas.

The new hall of records, in which the trial is being held, is only a stone's throw from the scene of the explosion.

## AVENGES RUIN OF SISTER

E. W. Carol, Nashville, Tennessee, Railway Fireman, Slain by Weaver Smith.

Nashville, Tenn.—E. W. Carol was shot five times and instantly killed by Weaver Smith, who charges that the dead man ruined his 13-year-old sister, Caroline Smith, who disappeared from Nashville and was found two days later in a deserted house near the city in company with Ed Turbeville.

Carol and Smith are both railway firemen and had been friends for years. Carol is 35 years old and married, while Smith is 22.

After the capture of Turbeville, in company with Caroline Smith, Turbeville is said to have charged that Carol was responsible for the girl's ruin. The story reached the ears of the father and brother of the child, and Weaver Smith went to the railway yards and found Carol preparing to leave on his engine for Chattanooga. At the point of a pistol Smith forced Carol to accompany him to the Smith home where Caroline was confronted with the man and told that she must tell the truth about her relations with Carol.

### Reported Turks Have Quit.

Berlin.—The armistice between Italy and Turkey for which German diplomacy has been striving for some time, it is believed here, has practically been concluded, although not yet announced officially. It is understood that the transportation of the Italian military expedition will not be interfered with, but that hostilities in all quarters will cease. This is considered by Berlin as equivalent to the ending of the war, or at least the warlike movements.

### Governors Asked to Help Farmers.

Austin, Texas.—Governors of the cotton growing states will be asked to meet in conference either at Memphis or New Orleans within the next three weeks to devise means to uphold the price of cotton. Governor Colquitt of Texas, who proposed the conference, announced he would issue a proclamation setting the date and place for the meeting. Southern bankers and cotton planters will very probably be asked to participate in the conference.

## REPUBLIC IS BORN IN RIVEN CHINA

WITH SPREAD OF REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITY FATE OF RULING DYNASTY IS SEALED.

### A PRESIDENT IS CHOSEN

Chinese Revolutionists Have Elected Li Yuan Hung President of Republic.

San Francisco.—Advices were received here by the Chung Sai Yat Po, the Chinese Daily World, that the revolutionists in China have declared a republic, electing Li Yuan Hung president.

Pekin.—China today faces an unprecedented crisis. With the spread of revolutionary activity, opinion is now gaining ground that the fate of the ruling dynasty hangs in the balance. The revolution is no longer confined to the central provinces, a thousand miles away from the capital. Peking itself is threatened.

Members of the cabinet admitted that the garrison is known to be honeycombed with revolutionary sentiment. The same condition exists in the two great military posts which guard the capital, Pao Ting Fua and Tien Tsin.

There are still official attempts to minimize the gravity of the situation, but reports reaching the capital give little basis for hope.

San Francisco.—Fearing that the present anti-Manchu rising in China may develop into an anti-foreign movement, the Sui Nan Hok Sher, the young China association in the United States, is preparing to petition Washington to instruct all the American officials in China to see that missionaries and other Americans there maintain absolute neutrality.

The petition will be forwarded simultaneously from the young China association and the Gee Koaf Tong, the Chinese Freemason society, which is affiliated with the Revolutionary party. It is said 90 per cent. of the Chinese in this country are members of the Freemasons.

## CHOLERA FIGHTS FOR TURKS

Dread Disease Has Broken Out in the Italian Army.

Tripoli.—General Caneva, commander-in-chief of the Italian expedition, has decided to act quickly, and it is believed that the troops under him will march immediately against the positions occupied by the Turks.

Although the utmost precautions have been taken looking to perfecting of sanitary arrangements, cholera has broken out, and it is reported that four deaths have occurred.

General Caneva has addressed a proclamation to the inhabitants assuring them that they have not been enslaved by Italy. On the other hand, they have been liberated from the yoke under which they have been laboring for years. They will be ruled by their own chiefs under the patronage of the king of Italy. Religious and civil laws will be respected, and taxes will be reduced or abolished.

## ELECTRIC TRUST DISSOLVED

Dissolution of General Electric Company Ordered by Court.

Toledo, Ohio.—In the United States district court for the northern district of Ohio, Judge John M. Killetts rendered a decision in favor of the government in the case brought by the United States attorney general last summer in Cleveland against the General Electric company and about forty subsidiary companies controlled by the General Electric company under the Sherman anti-trust law.

The decree, in effect, orders the General Electric company to conduct all its business under its own name, and the dissolution of the National Electric Lamp company and about thirty-five subsidiary corporations.

### Bath Tub Trust Loses.

Baltimore, Md.—In the United States circuit court here Judge John C. Rose rendered a decision favoring the government in its dissolution suit against the Standard Sanitary Manufacturing company and others, the so-called "Bath Tub" trust. The decision is most sweeping in its character. Federal counsel declared that the decision supports the government's contention in every point. In case of an appeal it will go direct to the United States Supreme court.