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FOR MODEL ROADS IN NORTH CAROLINA

FORTY THOUSAND DOLLARS OF GOVERNMENT MONEY SECURED FOR WORK.

THE GOVERNOR TO SELECT

The Experimental Highway That Will Be Designated by Mr. Craig to Be Built Under the Direction of Agricultural Department.

Raleigh.—A special from Washington states that Senator Simmons has secured \$40,000 of government money for experimental work in building model good roads in North Carolina. This is part of an appropriation of \$500,000 carried in the postoffice appropriation bill last year for model highway construction. It was incorporated in the bill by an amendment offered by Senator Simmons, and is the first big appropriation ever made for the purpose by the federal government.

The country has been divided into eight groups and North Carolina has been selected as the state to make the experiments in the South Atlantic group. This was agreed upon after many conferences between Mr. Simmons, Postmaster General Burleson and Secretary of Agriculture Houston. Governor Craig will be requested to make the selection of the road to be improved.

The agricultural department will insist upon constructing the best type of road, the government paying one-third of the expense and the local community two-thirds. The roads will be built under the direction of the division of public roads of the department of agriculture.

Instead of building one road of 25 or 40 miles in length Senator Simmons hopes that Governor Craig and the department will arrange for the construction of at least two roads, one in the eastern and one in the western part of the state.

The postmaster general and the secretary of agriculture are anxious to begin the work as soon as possible so that its success may be noted and a report made to the next session of congress and possibly furnish the basis for a comprehensive plan of cooperation between the federal and state government in highway construction.

Rewards and Requisitions.

A requisition from the governor of South Carolina was honored for J. C. White, who is in jail at Laurinburg and is wanted in Richland county, S. C., on the charge of abandoning his wife and small children. Governor Craig issued a requisition on the governor of New York for Theodore Lucas, who is wanted in Cumberland county for murder. Rewards by the state are announced from the governor's office for three negroes, Bill McNeill, Luther Wade and Bud Sheridan, charged with killing Wesley Breeden at Bowles, Robeson county. Additional rewards are offered locally.

Halifax School Commencement.

Last week was a history-making week for old Halifax county, for there was a gathering at Weldon of all the public school teachers and scholars from all sections of the county, to hold a county commencement, the first for this county. Vehicles of every description were seen moving in this direction and every train brought extra coaches filled with school children.

Good Roads in Vance County.

The Good Roads Commission of Vance county has met and organized, electing permanent officers as follows: President, W. B. Daniel; vice president, John D. Cooper, secretary, Jerre P. Zollner; treasurer, T. T. Hicks. Mr. Falls, a civil engineer and builder of good roads, was present and on invitation addressed the members of the commission.

Southern Railway Files Answer.

The Southern Railway Company filed recently with the corporation commission its answer to the complaint of 75 or more prominent shippers in central and western Carolina alleging that the Southern has for years been overcharging for freight on intrastate shipments by the wrongful application of high Western divisional rates on interdivisional shipments. The answer amounts simply to insistence that the charges that have been applied are the lawful rates on the shipments involved.

DEDICATE PEABODY BUILDING

School of Education of University of North Carolina, Prof. M. C. S. Noble, Dean.

Chapel Hill.—With greetings from all classes of schools and colleges in the state and with special addresses by State Superintendent of Public Instruction Joyner and Dr. Herman Harrel Horne of New York University, the new Peabody Education Building of the University of North Carolina dedicated to the service of the state. The exercises came as a fitting climax to the high school conference that has brought teachers, superintendents and college professors to Chapel Hill to discuss the problems and needs of public school education in North Carolina.

The exercises were opened with an invocation by Rev. W. T. D. Moss. Dr. Venable then formally welcomed the educational workers to the exercises. Responses were made on behalf of the state schools and colleges by Dr. J. I. Foust of the State Normal; on behalf of the private and denominational schools and colleges by Professor J. H. Highsmith of Wake Forest; on behalf of the country schools by Zebulon V. Judd, superintendent of the Wake county schools; and on behalf of the city schools by John J. Blair, superintendent of the Wilmington schools.

Doctor Joyner spoke on the need for a broader and deeper professional training for teachers and superintendents. He showed clearly the educational needs of the state, and pointed out how this new school of education would begin to fill that need. Doctor Horne spoke on the function of a school of education in a state university. He recited with telling force the position of North Carolina among the states in education, as revealed by the investigations of the Russell Sage Foundation, and showed how all the educational powers in the state should unite in this school.

In a few words of gratitude, Dean M. C. S. Noble told how this building had been the object of his work for 15 years and promised his further service to the state.

After the exercises a reception was given in the new building.

North Carolina New Enterprises.

The following charters have been issued: Southern Hosiery Mills Company of Burlington; authorized capital, \$20,000, with \$6,500 subscribed for by L. C. Christman, C. J. Boland and J. W. Murray; Shaw McLeod Company of St. Paul; general merchandise; authorized capital \$100,000 with \$3,600 paid in by L. Shaw, A. R. McEachern and Geo. B. McLeod. Geo. J. Hales Company of Rocky Mount; wholesale and retail merchandise; authorized capital \$50,000 with \$25,000 subscribed for by George J. Hales, Geo. Roy Hales, W. H. McCorkle and D. W. Turner. Fairmont Supply Company of Fairmont, Robeson county; general merchandise; authorized capital \$20,000 with \$6,500 subscribed for by E. G. Floyd, John H. Johnson, Ed Loupo, H. L. Hays, D. L. Floyd and D. F. Floyd.

Asheville Car Strike Ends.

The strike of the motormen and conductors on the local lines of the Asheville Power & Light Company, which was declared about two weeks ago ended several days ago, when the company announced its willingness to make certain advances in the wages of the men. The new rate ranges from 20 cents an hour for the first year, to 25 cents an hour for the fourth year and every year thereafter. The settlement of the strike was brought about by the good offices of Governor Craig and a committee of ten citizens.

To Develop Live Stock.

Dr. B. W. Kilgore, director of state experiment farms and Mr. R. B. Gray, an expert in animal husbandry, who will take charge of all the state's live stock, have been at the Iredell test farm near Statesville for the last week. The department has decided to develop the live stock interest in the Iredell farm and the farm in the eastern part of the state, and Dr. Kilgore and Mr. Gray are planning the new building to be erected at the Iredell farm to take care of the increased stock.

Save Prisoner From Mob.

A young white man charged with assault by a negro girl was rushed from Pee Dee to jail at Rockingham after having been threatened by a large mob of negroes. C. A. Musselwhite of Pee Dee made the arrest and with the assistance of two negroes, Watt Hencher and Ben Pratt, held the prisoner until the arrival of Sheriff Lowery and a posse. Hencher and Pratt really seem to have saved the life of the accused man by interfering when the mob would have fired upon him with pistols.

CRISIS IN ALBANIA TROUBLE IS PASSED

MONTENEGRO HAS ABANDONED SCUTARI AND LEAVES FORTRESS WITH POWERS.

SENDS TELEGRAM TO GREY

A Meeting of the Ambassadors Will be Held When the Future of the City Will Be Discussed.—Very Satisfactory Move.

London.—King Nicholas of Montenegro, having placed the future of Scutari in the hands of the European Powers, the settlement of the Albania trouble now depends upon whether Essad Pasha and David Pasha will obey the orders sent by the Sublime Porte to withdraw their armies to the Turkish Empire. It is believed that as Montenegro has abandoned Scutari, Essad Pasha will recognize the futility of his aspirations to the kingship of Albania in the face of the threatened Austro-Italian expedition to expel him.

One of the Ambassadors at the close of the ambassadorial conference here said:

"The situation is saved and the crisis is past. The reported Austro-Italian action in Albania has no point now."

Another meeting of the ambassadorial conference will be held when arrangements with regard to the future of Scutari and Albania will be discussed at the close of the Ambassadors' conference in London an official communication was issued reading as follows:

"The fact that the King of Montenegro has placed the fate of Scutari in the hands of the Powers is a matter of great satisfaction. The Governments of the Powers will now consider what arrangements shall be made in the immediate future in regard to the town."

Solar Physical Observations.

Wellington, N. Z.—The mission of linking together solar observations throughout the world, undertaken by Miss Mary Proctor, of New York, a daughter of the great English astronomer, Richard A. Proctor, who died in New York in 1888, has been brought to a successful conclusion after five years' work. The establishment of a solar physical observatory in New Zealand was assured by the donation of \$60,000 by Thomas Cawthorn, of Nelson, N. Z.

Latest Report on Flood Situation.

New Orleans.—An account of the slow return of the Gibson's Landing crevasse waters to the Mississippi river through the Red river, the weather bureau lowered the maximum flood stages previously forecast for Baton Rouge, Donaldsonville and New Orleans. The present indications are that the maximum stages in the lower river will range from half a foot to more than a foot below the high record stages of 1912.

Decision By Supreme Court.

Washington.—Persons exporting arms from the United States to promote revolution in Mexico, may be arrested by American authorities, for violating the neutrality proclamation of 1912, before the arms have actually left the United States, according to a decision by the supreme court. The decision reversed the district federal court of Western Texas, which annulled indictments against Arnulfo Chavez, and Jose Masa.

Phagan Murder Still a Mystery.

Atlanta, Ga.—Despite diligent efforts to discover the identity of the person or persons who murdered 14-year-old Mary Phagan and hid her body in the basement of the National Pencil Company's factory here, where it was discovered over a week ago, police and detectives are apparently as far as ever from solving the mystery.

Inquiry Into Coal Field Situation.

Washington.—After reading a statement by Governor Hatfield of West Virginia, denying allegations of peonage and a reign of terror in the Paint Creek and Cabin Creek coal districts, Senator Kern reiterated his intention to press his resolution for a federal inquiry into the West Virginia coal field situation. "I have never pretended," declared Senator Kern, "to have had personal knowledge of conditions in West Virginia. I have stated facts as they have been presented to me."

FREAKISH STYLES SEEN IN PARIS



Even the gentlemen of France stopped and gazed at these beautiful Parisians in their most startling display of spring fashions at the Longchamps races.

BANKS TO PAY INTEREST LAND SUIT WON BY U. S.

ALL DEPOSITARIES, BEGINNING JUNE 1, MUST PAY 2 PER CENT PER ANNUM.

WILL INCREASE CIRCULATION

McAdoo Says With Banks Paying Interest Government Deposits Will Be Increased

Washington.—The fiscal system of the United States governing deposits of federal funds in national banks was revolutionized by Secretary McAdoo, of the treasury department, with an announcement that all government depositaries, whether active or inactive, would be required to pay interest at the rate of 2 per cent per annum beginning June 1 upon deposits of the government.

Simultaneously with this action the secretary authorized an immediate increase of \$10,000,000 in government deposits in the national banks, making the total \$52,649,964, from which the federal treasury will earn, under the new interest order, \$1,053,000 annually. There are indications that Secretary McAdoo intends to release still more surplus money from the treasury vaults and place it in general circulation through increased deposits with the national banks.

GREAT FLOODS IN LOUISIANA

Many Towns Are Being Inundated and Much Suffering

Vidalia, La.—Flood water from the crevasse near Gibson's Landing has covered Harrisburg, a town of 500 inhabitants, but the rise is slow. The gap is now 2,500 feet wide, according to a report by Capt. C. O. Sherrill, United States engineer, who inspected the break.

Government tugs, barges and the New Orleans and Northwestern railroad took hundreds of refugees to Natchez. The United States tugs Harengo and Tunica alone transported 750 persons and 1,500 head of stock.

Americans Forced to Pay Ransom.

Washington.—Mexican constitutionalists at San Dimas have forced Americans there to pay ransoms of 18,000 Mexican dollars and have confiscated their arms. Official reports from Mazatlan say great unrest prevails among American residents there, as the Hureta forces are said to be insufficient to protect property. Foreign merchants in Piedras Negras are alarmed over a proclamation by Governor Carranza, chief of the state troops, authorizing an interior debt of 5,000,000 pesos.

LAND WORTH MILLIONS OF DOLLARS IS WON BY THE GOVERNMENT

Southern Pacific Ordered to Return Property Valued at \$60,000,000 to United States

Portland, Ore.—Land stipulated to be worth \$30,000,000 and estimated by experts to have a value of \$40,000,000 to \$60,000,000, was ordered taken from the Southern Pacific Railroad company and returned to the federal government by Judge C. F. Wolverton in the United States district court.

The Oregon-California land grant case, involving more than 2,300,000 acres, will be carried to the circuit court of appeals, sitting at San Francisco, and later to the United States Supreme court for final adjudication. The case was submitted without argument after an agreement of counsel out of court.

This case was instituted in 1908. Early in the history of the case, A. W. Lafferty filed about sixty private suits for men induced to locate on the lands. The main case, demanding forfeiture of 2,300,000 acres remaining unsold, then was filed.

In the decree authorized, the Lafferty and all other intervening cases were ordered dismissed and the government's main contention for forfeiture was declared the final verdict of the lower court.

A total of 820,000 acres of the land has been sold, some of it as high as \$40 an acre.

Mother Throws Sons Into Stream.

Logansport, Ind.—Mrs. Nellie Paugh, 36 years old, threw her two sons, Donald, 12, and Delbert, 6, from a bridge into Deer creek and jumped into the stream. The mother and the younger boy were drowned, but Donald swam ashore. Before throwing the boys off the bridge the mother told them she was doing so because no one loved them.

Father of 50 Children.

Walnut, Ark.—A table of "Uncle Tom" Ellison's progeny, recast after the birth of a child to one of his granddaughters, showed a surprising record. Ellison, 93 years old, has been married three times. The table showed that he was the father of fifty children; grandfather of 125 children; great-grandfather of 60 children; great-great-grandfather of 27 children.

Surgeons to Change Man's Face.

Los Angeles, Cal.—Ortie E. McManigal, confessed dynamiter, plans to have his appearance altered by surgery when he is released. It is reported his release from the county jail may be granted at any time, and McManigal hopes to so change himself that no one will know him as the man whose testimony sent the McNamara brothers and more than a score of labor union officials to prison. Detectives say the time of release will be kept secret, to aid him, according to a statement published here.

CALIFORNIA PASSES THE ANTI-ALIEN BILL

SENATE REFUSES TO PASS RESOLUTION DEFERRING TO PRESIDENT'S WISHES.

OBJECTION PART CUT OUT

Amendment Adopted Permitting Ineligible Aliens to Lease Lands for Not Exceeding Three Years

▲▲▲▲▲ Measure Passed by 36 Votes to 2. ▲▲▲▲▲

The administration anti-alien holding bill, drawn by Attorney General Webb passed the senate by a vote of 30 to 2, after nearly ten hours of debate. The only negative votes were cast by Senator Cartwright, Democrat, and Senator Wright, Republican.

Governor Johnson will sign the alien bill as soon as it comes to him, reserving a "reasonable time" in which to listen to protests.

"I have assured Mr. Bryan," he said, "that when the bill comes to me from the legislature I will wait a reasonable time for his protests. I cannot say how long."

Sacramento, Cal.—The California senate showed a resolute determination to put aside the recommendations of President Wilson and his envoy, Secretary Bryan, and pass an act prohibiting Japanese and other aliens ineligible to citizenship from holding land by purchase or by lease for more than three years.

In phraseology, the bill as redrafted by Attorney General Webb after many conferences with Governor Johnson and the administration floor leaders, omitted the words "ineligible to citizenship" which are offensive to Japan, but those in charge of the bill repeatedly admitted in debate that the end sought was the same.

Democratic opposition was purely tactical. The minority confessed its sympathy with the ends sought and freely criticized the bill, not as too drastic, but as too weak. Where the minority differed was in its judgment of the means wisest to employ. This attitude found its expression in a resolution offered by Senator Curtin and defeated by a vote of 10 yeas to 26 nays. The administration majority for the bill was solid with a single exception. In opposition were eight out of ten Democrats, one progressive and Senator Wright, of San Diego, the lone Taft Republican in the chamber.

RESCUE STEAMER SINKS

Two Whites and Eleven Negroes Lost Lives When Boat Sinks.

Natchez, Miss.—The steamer Concordia, of Natchez, which was engaged in rescue work in the flooded sections of Tensas and Concordia parishes, struck the iron railroad bridge at Clayton, La., and sank.

Eleven Negro refugees who were aboard the steamer were drowned when the boat went down.

The Concordia probably will be a total loss, as she was badly wrecked by the collision with the bridge and is submerged in about 25 feet of water in the Tensas river. The steamer had about 130 Negroes on board when she went down.

The Concordia was bringing to Natchez flood refugees rescued from houseboats and second stories of buildings just above Clayton, which is several miles inland from the river.

The steamer has been navigating crevasse water ranging from 8 to 15 feet deep where less than a week ago there were fine farms and prosperous villages.

Four-Year-Old Child Sets Barn Afire.

Elberton, Ga.—The 4-year-old child of G. L. Wallace, Bowman, in this county, crawled into a barn next to the warehouse in Bowman, set fire in some way to the building and was cremated. Until its crisp body was found it was not known the child was in the barn.

Bandit Raids Train.

Robbery of the Joplin millionaire was the primary object of the giant bandit who held up a Kansas City Southern passenger train in the Kansas City suburbs. According to the police theory. After a pistol fight with Mr. Short in the Pullman, the robber fell off the train wounded, carrying \$1,000 of Short's money. The mine owner was left dying in his berth with three bullets in his body. Physicians say Short will recover. The total amount obtained was \$1,100 in money and a diamond.