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NAVY ABANDONS BUTLER TRIAL AND CLOSES CASE

Action of Secretary Adams Follows Receipt of Letter From Butler Containing Expression of Regret.

Washington, Feb. 8.—The court-martial of Major General Smedley Butler was called off today by the Navy Department, and a severe official reprimand was given the outspoken Marine officer instead.

The reprimand was given by Secretary Adams after Butler had expressed regret in a letter to the navy board that his "indecisive remarks have caused embarrassment to the government."

In reply, Adams told Butler that in view of his "expressing regret" and "your long record of brilliant service," the court-martial would be abandoned.

That ended the international incident growing out of a speech the Marine made recently in Philadelphia in which he was quoted as referring to Premier Mussolini, of Italy, as a hit-and-run driver.

Both Secretary Stimson, who had apologized to Italy for the United States, and the Italian embassy expressed satisfaction with this action.

Butler secluded himself from newspaper men at the Quantico, Va., Marine base, of which he is commandant, and also declined to answer the telephone.

His counsel, Major General Leonard, refused to discuss the Navy Department action, explaining he was "tied down with a gentleman's agreement."

Questioned concerning reports that President Hoover was responsible for calling off the court-martial, Leonard told newspaper men: "You can speculate as much as you want to about that."

However, Walter Newton, one of the President's secretaries, said so far as he knew, the President has nothing whatever to do with the action.

In his letter to Butler, Secretary Adams said his remarks received "the unqualified condemnation of the Navy Department," adding he hoped "this incident will have a salutary effect on your future conduct in matters of this character."

Butler had explained he understood his speech at the Contemporary club in Philadelphia three weeks ago was confidential, "and that my statements were to be confined to the limits of the four walls."

"I greatly regret this incident and the fact that my indiscrete remarks have caused embarrassment to the government," he added.

The letter, which was brief, follows in full:

"1. In connection with the decision of the department to try me by general court-martial, it is requested that consideration be given to the matters hereinafter set forth:

"2. I was told by the president of the Contemporary Club, before which I spoke on January 19, 1931, that I could speak my inside mind freely, and from his remarks, taken in their entirety, I understood that the club was composed of responsible members of the community interested in public questions and that my statements were to be confined to the limits of four walls.

"3. This information is submitted on the assumption that it was not in the department's possession when it was decided to bring me to trial.

"4. I very greatly regret this incident and the fact that my indiscrete remarks have caused embarrassment to the government."

In a letter entitled "Reprimand," Secretary Adams replied:

"1. The Navy Department is in receipt of your letter of February 8th, 1931 in which you express regret for the character of the remarks made by you before the Contemporary Club of Philadelphia on January 19, 1931, and in which you invite attention to the fact that prior to delivering your extemporaneous talk at the club, you had been assured by the president of the club that you could speak your mind freely and that from his remarks taken in their entirety you understood that the club was composed of responsible members of the community, interested in public questions, and that your statements were to be confined to the limits of the four walls.

"It has also been brought to the attention of the Navy Department that the membership of the club had been instructed accordingly pursuant to a resolution previously adopted.

"2. You are informed in this connection that the Navy Department cannot express too clearly its disapproval of the conduct of any officer of the Navy establishment in making remarks which tend to embarrass the international relations of the government.

"3. Satisfaction on the part of an officer of your rank and length of service merits and receives the unqualified commendation of the Navy Department, and for their utterance, which you admit, you are hereby re-

CHEVROLET SETS PRODUCTION RECORD

January Production Cars and Trucks Reach High Mark of 70,766.

January production of Chevrolet Motor Company was 70,766 cars and trucks, according to W. S. Knudsen, president. Output schedules for February, with three fewer days, call for 67,429 cars and trucks, exclusive of schedules in the company's Canadian plants.

January's production compares with an output of 64,019 in December, the largest December month in the company's history.

The month just ended is the third in succession to establish new high production marks over previous months since Chevrolet brought out its new line of cars in November, when 45,000 cars were made, setting a new output record for that month in any year.

According to President Knudsen, output in February likely will exceed tentative schedules now set and each month during the remainder of the year is expected to show an increase over the preceding one.

Chevrolet factory employment as of Saturday, January 24, totaled 34,447, an increase of more than 2,000 over the corresponding date in December and 8,000 more than when the company commenced production of its new cars in early November. During the current month employment is expected to reach 40,000, Chevrolet's normal operating force.

POULTRY POINTS GIVEN BREEDERS

Parrish List Points To Consider In Choice Of Both Males And Hens.

Breeders for the poultry flock should be selected in the fall and the final culling done just previous to the breeding season.

For the best results mate a pedigreed male with hens selected for their production qualities. In the selection of hens for breeders the following points with their good qualities listed should be considered:

1. Molt—The molt should be completed or nearly completed.
2. Comb—Bright, red, full of blood, and pliable.
3. Head—Broad and short.
4. Eyes—Full and prominent.
5. Beak—Short, stout and wide at base.
6. Body—Deep, full, wide, and plump.
7. Back—Long, wide, and with a good spring of rib.
8. Feather pattern—According to standard of perfection.

The Male Bird

In the selection of the male the following points should be considered:

1. Development—Early hatched and well-matured.
2. Weight—Standard for the breed.
3. Comb—Medium in size, bright, erect and full.
4. Head—Medium short and broad at eyes.
5. Eyes—Full, standard for breed and prominent.
6. Beak—Short and stout.
7. Body—Full, deep, and wide.
8. Back—Long, and wide, with carriage out well, good spring of ribs.
9. Feather pattern—same as described in Standard of Perfection.

Pullet Breeding

It is safe to breed from early hatched pullets provided they have been carefully selected. Pullets that have gone through a partial molt usually give better fertility and hatchability than hens. The objection to the use of pullet eggs is their size which produces a small chick, at the start, but the pullet chick soon outgrows this small handicap.

SPANISH WAR VETERANS MEET

The Spanish War Veterans of Capt. Thos. Smith Camp No. 17, of Department of North Carolina, met February 10th at Court House, in Greenville, with a good representation from Washington, Williamston, Winterville, Farmville, and six members of Greenville.

Among other matters transacted it was unanimously agreed that on March 10th, 1931, an auxiliary be organized. Those eligible to membership are the mothers, wives, widows, and daughters of any Spanish War Veteran, to whom we extend a cordial invitation for their cooperation.

Walt Parker, Com.
P. T. Atkinson, Adjutant

"3. In view of your letter expressing regret, taken in connection with your long record of brilliant service, the Navy Department feels that it is no longer necessary to resort to proceedings by general court-martial, and aspects that this incident will have a salutary effect upon your future conduct in the matters of this character."

Winners in Search for "Beauty and Brains"



A Hollywood motion picture producer had the original idea that intelligence as well as good looks might be useful in the case of sexed actors, so started a "Beauty and Brains" hunt at the University of California and found Marian Storgard, 20, and Richard Looney, of the same age, both sophomores and both blond. "Some day before long you'll see them on the screen."

HOLD DEDICATION OF GREAT CHURCH ADMITS BURNING CHILD TO DEATH

Dr. Fosdick Says Civilization Cannot Be Sustained Without The Church.

New York, Feb. 8.—The non-sectarian Riverside church, pulpit of the Rev. Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick and place of worship of John D. Rockefeller, Jr., and his family, was dedicated today with a warning by its pastor that civilization cannot be sustained without the message which the church of God is trying to convey.

A congregation of 2,400 persons filled the auditorium and galleries of the \$4,000,000 Gothic edifice high above the Hudson beside Grand's tomb, and hundreds more heard the services by amplifiers in other rooms of the church or stood outside on snowy Riverside drive hoping in vain to enter.

Among the 2,400 was Mr. Rockefeller, Jr., whose beneficence helped largely to build the church—the third which the congregation of Dr. Fosdick has occupied in the last 25 years in an effort to obtain for him a place of worship ample for the throngs which seek to hear him. The church was opened for worship October 6th.

Two abreast outside the church doors and down Riverside drive would-be worshippers have stood in line each Sunday morning waiting for entrance, some doubtless drawn by the note and newness of the building or to see its sculptured frieze in which the image of Einstein is wrought among those of the great ones of the world, but most of them to hear the preaching of Dr. Fosdick.

"What happens to the Christian church," he said in his sermon of dedication today, "is one of the crucial problems of the modern world. In the face of the cynicism commonly visited upon the church today—from books like 'Elmer Gantry,' whose author gets the Nobel prize, to the far more deadly condemnation that lies in non-attendance and apathy, a devoted churchman's first instinct is to find some method of rebuttal.

"On this high occasion, when we dedicate our new building, we will not content ourselves with easy rebuttals. The church does deserve censure; the church does need reformation."

"But we stand by the church. It is trying to say something without which civilization cannot be sustained."

The carrillon in the church tower, given in 1925 by Mr. Rockefeller, Jr., in memory of his mother, rung out with hymns this afternoon and with them mixed the melodies of Handel and the strains of "Old Black Joe."

MERRY MATRONS

Mrs. G. M. Holden was hostess to the regular meeting of the Merry Matrons on Tuesday, entertaining at an unusually enjoyable and interesting meeting at her home on Church street.

The program on "Education For Citizenship In North Carolina" was opened with the singing of "The Old North State," and developed with two splendid papers by Mrs. H. W. Turnage and Mrs. W. M. Willis. The of North Carolina, and Mrs. Willis discussing the other schools of the State. A poem "Ode North Carolina" was read by Mrs. J. W. Parker. In an original contest on the counties of North Carolina, Mrs. H. W. Turnage won the prize, a framed toast to the State. A business session held prior to the program, the club voted to donate \$10 to the local Relief Association.

Japanese quince and blooming geraniums lent a springlike atmosphere to the rooms and bowls of these flowers centered the individual tables at which baked Alaska, salad, nuts, mince, and coffee were served to the members and special guests. The list was Mrs. F. M. Davis, Mrs. G. S. Young, Mrs. Donald A. Lovelace of Norfolk, Mrs. J. N. Gregory, and Mrs. W. A. Pollard, Jr.

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OFFICERS MAKE RAIDS IN WILSON

Twenty-six, Including Two White Women, Accused of Violating Dry Laws.

Wilson, Feb. 10.—Federal prohibition agents, United States marshal's deputies, local police and sheriff's deputies under the direction of P. M. Caudle, deputy prohibition administrator of the Eastern North Carolina district conducted a series of raids in Wilson county today.

Twenty-six persons, including two white women, charged with violating the national prohibition laws, were arrested between daybreak and late afternoon by the raiders and additional captures were expected tonight.

Administrator Caudle was highly pleased with the outcome of today's raiding, asserting that it was the most orderly and most successful round-up of prisoners ever staged in Eastern Carolina.

The raiding, which was started at 6 o'clock this morning, continued unabated throughout the entire day and into the night. Seven prohibition agents, three deputy marshals, sheriff's deputies and police were used in the round-up.

Many of the prisoners gave appearance bonds ranging from \$500 to \$1,000, pending preliminary hearing before a commissioner, while others waived examination and gave bond for appearance at the April term of United States district court. A few were lodged in jail in default of bond.

DECLARE WAR ON CONVICT LEASING

Contractors And Labor Leaders Unite In Fight On This System.

Charlotte, Feb. 10.—A war to the finish to destroy the present convict lease system in North Carolina was declared this morning at a conference here between high officials of the North Carolina State Federation of Labor and the North Carolina Branch of the Associated General Contractors of America.

Immediately after the conference V. P. Loftis, secretary of the North Carolina Branch of Associated General Contractors and R. R. Lawrence, president of the North Carolina State Federation of Labor, left for Raleigh for the announced purpose of appearing before the State Highway Commission and demanding that the commission grant no contracts to private corporations that are working convict labor. They propose a direct attack upon the system under which the highway department has granted contracts to such companies as that of R. G. Lassiter of Raleigh and others working free labor in competition with convict labor.

It is understood that Secretary Loftis and President Lawrence will seek a conference with John Sprunt Hill of the highway commission, who has announced that he will fight to the last ditch any effort to accept a bid from a firm working convict labor if that bid is higher than the bids of those working free labor.

In their fight they will have the support of Colonel T. L. Kirkpatrick, who last night said that he is opposed to the present arrangement between the highway department and the prison board. This followed close on the heels of his statement in which he demanded to know "why the highway department must be married to the convict system?"

Mr. Lawrence hailed with satisfaction this morning the announcement of Governor Gardner's request for a thorough investigation.

Mr. Lawrence offered a scathing criticism of any system which would cause the State to pay a firm working convict labor more for a product than the price for which they could obtain it from a firm working free labor.

More than 300 women dentists are now practicing in England.

\$75,000.00 FIRE IN GREENVILLE TUES.

Buildings Occupied By B. G. Abeyounis And Curtis Perkins Destroyed.

Greenville, Feb. 10.—Originating from an undetermined cause, fire early this morning destroyed two stores on Evans street, in the heart of the Greenville business district. Four adjacent buildings were also damaged by smoke. The loss was estimated at approximately \$75,000 and was partially covered by insurance.

The stores destroyed were Curtis Perkins, men's furnisher, and B. G. Abeyounis, ladies' ready-to-wear establishment. The stocks and fixtures of both stores were a complete loss. Mr. Perkins estimated his loss at between \$20,000 and \$25,000 which was partially covered by insurance. Mr. Abeyounis, owner of the building that housed both stores, said his loss would approximate \$42,000. The building was valued at \$35,000 and stock and fixtures at \$7,500. The structure was insured for \$20,000 and stock and fixtures for \$2,000.

The buildings damaged by smoke were the Greenville Banking and Trust Company, Griffin's Shoe Store, Warren's Drug store, and Miss Lowe's.

Mr. Abeyounis stated that he planned to rebuild in the near future, although definite arrangements in this direction will not be completed until after insurance adjusters have finished their reports.

Firemen expressed opinion this morning that the blaze originated in the basement of the Abeyounis store, but were unable to determine the cause.

The flames had gained such headway when the fire department arrived that the firemen were forced to battle for two hours before finally bringing the fire under control.

The blaze had eaten its way thru the roof of the building when discovered by a policeman making his regular beat through the business district. How long the fire had been burning at that time could not be said. The stocks of both stores were virtually doomed by the time the firemen were able to effectively combat the flames.

The firemen were greatly handicapped by all of the stores being closed, and experienced great difficulty in locating strategic points from which to combat the fire.

Both stores were completely demolished only a few years ago, and were considered among the most attractive in the city.

The fire department previously had been called out two different times during the evening, but the alarms proved to be of the false variety.

After Mary Abeyta, of Pueblo, Colo., had caused her husband's arrest, she fought the police for his freedom, and then went to jail to be near him.

SAVE ALL MEN ON LAKE ERIE'S ICE

Coast Guardsmen Emerge As Heroes After Thrilling Rescue Act.

Buffalo, N. Y.—Feb. 10.—The blue clad men of the Coast Guard scored another victory last night over that treacherous inland sea, Lake Erie.

After a 50-hour battle with bitter winds, blinding snow and fog, they brought ashore ten men who had faced death on grinding ice floes. They were the last of 57 saved since Saturday. Among the last 10 were seven Coast Guards who were trapped by shifting ice as they went out from shore for the last boatload of marooned fishermen.

The official report of the Coast Guard showed that 50 men went a-drift Saturday morning when a blizzard, driven by a 50-mile wind from the northeast, swept down upon the lake, snapping off the sections of ice on which the men were fishing. Forty-one were rescued by the Coast Guard, guided by airplanes chartered by local newspapers, eight walked ashore as the floes touched shore for a moment, while still another landed safely on the Canadian shore when veering wind swung the ice cakes against the northern shore of the lake.

Nineteen men and a 9-year-old boy, hungry, exhausted and on the verge of freezing, spent more than 30 hours on one ice floe, huddled about tiny fires of driftwood, chewing half-cooked fish, before they were located by airplane Sunday morning.

Throughout yesterday aid ran into the night the work of rescue went on. Only ice skiffs, which could be used either on ice or in open water, were of any use. A mortar, sent out in an attempt to shoot a line to the marooned men, broke through the ice twice and had to be sent back. A mile and a half of open water surrounded the floe in which the men drifted. One boat was smashed beyond use by the grinding ice floes.

The Rebecca Winbourne chapter, U. D. C., held its February meeting on Friday afternoon with Mrs. B. O. Turnage as hostess.

Following a brief business session in which the chapter voted to contribute to the Confederate Veterans' Widows Relief Fund, was an interesting and timely program on Matthew Fontaine Maury, and Major-General J. E. B. Stuart, presented in observance of their recent anniversaries. Mrs. G. M. Holden and Miss Annie Perkins reading papers on the lives and careers of these noted men. An enjoyable musical program consisted of a duet, "Our Own Stars and Bars Forever," sung by Mrs. M. V. Jones and Mrs. A. W. Bobbitt, and the singing of "America" and "The Bonnie Blue Flag" by the group. A Salad course was served after adjournment.

Clinging to the coffin containing the body of her sweetheart, Hazel Bouchet, 17 years old, of Santa Ana, Calif., swallowed poison and died.



Janis Nellie, a world-famous opera singer, reported dying at 64 at Melbourne, Australia. Born Helen Porter Mitchell, she took her stage name from Australia's great city.