

George C. Kornegay Brands School Bond Propoganda As False

MINIATURE TORNADO STRIKES GOLDSBORO

STRONG WINDS SEND HUNDREDS AFTER SHELTER

Quite a Bit of Wreckage Left In Its Path in Main Business District

HOTEL SCAFFOLD FALLS

Velocity of Wind Tosses Boy Off Bicycle on East Walnut Street

A miniature tornado struck at the heart of Goldsboro last night about six o'clock and passed on, leaving a bit of wreckage and scores of frightened individuals in its wake.

With a crash that could be heard for several blocks a section of scaffolding on the new Goldsboro hotel building fell on the office of Dr. R. A. Smith and penetrated the roof, water leaking through the ceiling to the floor below. Scores of persons on East Walnut street, where the twister seemed to vent most of its fury, scurried to shelter like frightened chickens at the appearance of a hawk. Doorways were crowded with wild-eyed pedestrians, and the streets were cleared of traffic for the first time in many a day at that early hour of the night.

The vicinity about the new hotel building presented a scene of wreckage after the gale had abated. East Walnut street, from the Center of John street was filled with bits of lumber swept like the chaff before a hurricane from the top of the new hotel building. The noise of falling scaffolding was deafening, and few there were who did not recall the fearful tornado which recently swept through the middle west leaving maimed and lifeless bodies in its trail.

A small boy was riding a bicycle along East Walnut street when the little cyclone reached the height of its fury. He was plucked bodily off his wheel and deposited some twenty feet away. Scrambling to his feet he dived into a nearby doorway, leaving his bicycle where the two had separated in the center of the street.

A garage on the lower end of East Walnut street was swept up by the gale and rolled over several times, leaving the car it covered exposed to the fury of the storm. On Pine street a section of high board fence was shifted about until it blocked the street, the fence standing straight and level across the street, appearing to have been purposely erected there.

An aged negro woman was walking along Center street near the Palace Drug company when the big wind, traveling at a 90 mile gait, swept down the street. The old woman was carrying several parcels in her arms and over her head was a decrepit old umbrella. The parcels fell to the sidewalk as she threw up her hands in terror and the umbrella was whisked out of her grasp and sailed across the street, where it came to rest against a store building. "Oh, Lawdy Glory Hallelujah," screamed the old woman and did a nose dive into the doorway of the drug store, where she stood trembling in obvious terror.

A small boy was turning the corner of Walnut and Center street at the People's Bank when the gale struck him. He was swept off his feet and as he picked himself up he saw his cap hanging from a sign over the Miller Drug company across the street.

A sign on a store front on Center street crashed to the sidewalk with a in like the overturning of a truck load of garbage cans. A man was almost directly under the sign and

Body Former Wayne County Woman Exhumed In Chicago

DEATH OF MRS. MINTZ WAS LAID TO ALCOHOLISM

Examination by Coroner, However, Failed to Sustain Charges of Ex-Husband

ONCE LIVED AT MT. OLIVE

Deceased Was Sister of Fred Mintz, Prominent Citizen of This County

CHICAGO, March 27. (AP)—A post mortem examination of the body of Katherine Mintz, 39, of Wilmington, N. C., divorced wife of Dr. Houston W. Vernon, failed to sustain the doctor's charges that certain unnamed persons had been giving her liquor and that her death was caused by alcoholism. No evidence of alcoholism was found by the coroner's physician.

A NATIVE OF SOUTHPORT WILMINGTON, March 27. (AP)—Mrs. Katherine Mintz Vernon, whose body was exhumed in Chicago, at the request of her divorced husband, Dr. Houston W. Vernon, was a native of Southport, N. C., but at one time was a resident of Wilmington.

She left here in 1915 and was married to Dr. Vernon later. She had been previously married. Relatives here were not aware that she had been divorced from Dr. Vernon.

The body will be brought here Monday for re-interment.

SISTER OF FRED MINTZ

MOUNT OLIVE, March 27.—The Mount Olive Tribune carried the following story today: "It is with deep sorrow that we chronicle the death of Mrs. Houston Vernon, of Chicago, Ill., formerly Miss Cassie Mintz, sister of our townsman, Mr. Fred R. Mintz. Although born and reared in Southport, Mrs. Vernon for a number of years made Mount Olive her home, and had many warm friends here, who are indeed grieved to learn of her passing. She was taken to a Chicago hospital recently for treatment, but there had been no intimation that the trouble was of a serious nature, so news of her death was a shock and surprise to all. Her body will be laid to rest beside that of her parents in Wilmington, Monday. We sympathize deeply with her family.

Court Martial for Five Naval Officers

WASHINGTON, March 27. (AP)—Papers are being prepared at the Navy department for court martial proceedings against several officers involved in the liquor raid on the naval transport Beaufort upon her arrival February 21 at Norfolk from the West Indies.

Secretary Wilbur said today he had directed this step up completion of a study of the naval court of inquiry which investigated the case, but declined to make public the names of the officers affected. It was indicated, however, that five or six would face court martial.

Laborite Threatened For Assailing Prince

LONDON, March 27.—The Daily Mail says that David Kirkwood, laborite member of parliament, has received so many threatening letters in consequence of his attacks upon the Prince of Wales in the house of commons and elsewhere that the Glasgow branch of the National Union of Railwaymen has taken up the matter with the home secretary.

The latter is said to have promised full investigation, and to have offered Mr. Kirkwood police protection.

ROBESON SOLON IS HELD ON IMMORALITY CHARGE

RALEIGH, March 27.—D. P. McKinnon, a member of the general assembly from Robeson county, has been arrested by the Raleigh police and placed under a bond of \$100 to answer to a charge of immoral conduct. Acting on information received from a resident near the home where McKinnon was found, the police state that they found McKinnon in company with a married woman who was also arrested. She, too, is being held under a bond of \$100 pending trial in police court.

Chapman Painted As A Golfer And A Student

Indiana Farmer Tells of Mail Bandits Long Stay at His Humble House

STO LE LIBRARY BOOKS HARTFORD, Conn., March 27. (AP)—Some of the color that goes to make Gerald Chapman, an interesting figure, was put into the dry court records today, the fourth of the mail bandit's trial on a charge of having murdered a New Britain policeman last fall.

Twenty-four witnesses took the stand in rapid succession and recited a chronological tale that state's prosecutor Hugh M. Alcorn says will convict the prisoner of murder. Chapman abandoned his pose of boredom to assist actively his lawyers in the conduct of his trial.

The last witnesses, Frank Kuper, and Lillian Kenell, both of Meriden, Conn., left the stand, after having taken the state's story up to the night preceding the crime, Saturday Oct. 11. Both testified that Chapman was the man who appeared at the Mehan hotel, Meriden, of which Kuper is manager. That night, in company of Walter Sheen, the two had their dinner there and engaged a room for the night, both said.

Sheen confessed that he was one of the two safe cracksmen who entered the department store of Davidson and Leventhal on dawn Sunday, Oct. 12, and looted the safe. Police surprised them at their job and Sheen fled. His companion shot his way to freedom, killing Patrolman James Skelly in making his getaway.

Farmer Testifies The gun-man, Sheen told the police, was Chapman, who has declared Sheen's story to be false.

Several witnesses had a hand in bringing out the Chapman "color." Three librarians told of books found in Chapman's possession which had been stolen from Ohio libraries. Chapman has been painted as "one of crookdom's intelligentsia.

James Hance, a slow-spoken farmer living 11 miles from Muncie, Ind., testified that Chapman, known to

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TEAPOT DOME CASE IS IN JUDGE'S HANDS

CHEYENNE, Wyo., March 27.—Possession of Teapot Dome hinged on legal points today, and rested in the discretion of Federal Judge Kennedy, before whom the lease annulment suit of the government against the Mammoth oil company was completed yesterday.

The decision of Judge Kennedy will determine whether Harry F. Sinclair obtained the lease on the Wyoming naval oil reserve as a result of conspiracy and fraud, as the government alleged, or whether the Mammoth Oil company obtained the grant because it submitted the best bid, and because the government was forced by an act of congress to develop the oil field as the defense contended.

At least 30 days will elapse before Judge Kennedy will have all the documents of the case in his hands, and until then no decision is expected.

Roosevelt's Name "Su-To" in Chinese

CHICAGO, March 27.—Preparatory to the hunting expedition that will take him into the Chinese Turkestan in search of birds and animals of which little is known, Col. Theodore Roosevelt today conferred with Director D. C. Davies of Field Museum of Natural History. The museum is sponsoring the expedition, which will include, besides Col. Roosevelt, his brother Kermit, and George K. Cherrie, former curator of small birds for the museum.

Col. Roosevelt, whose name translated into Chinese reads, "Su-To," was presented with scientific credentials in English, Russian and Chinese. The letter, addressed to the Chinese authorities, which also identifies Kermit as "Ko-Mi," says that the party will "proceed to the western part of your honored country," and concludes, "we look up with respect to your honored countrymen, and ask you to assist them."

500 Bales Cotton Partially Destroyed in Warehouse Fire

Five hundred bales of cotton were partially destroyed by fire and water last night when flames broke out in the first compartment on the northeast side of the Wayne county Bonded Warehouse, in North Goldsboro. The loss, estimated to be about \$25,000, is fully covered by insurance. The cotton was the property of the North Carolina Cotton Growers Co-operative Association, which uses the warehouse as a central receiving station.

The full extent of the damage could not be ascertained last night, but cotton men said the loss was certain to be 10 cents a

pound, or more. How the flames originated is a deep mystery. George A. Norwood, a heavy stockholder in the company, who was at the scene last night, stated that the compartment had been sealed for the past two weeks. He was unable to advance any theory as to the inception of the blaze, and the report of spontaneous combustion advanced in some quarters, was openly scouted by those familiar with the handling of cotton.

The fire alarm was turned in by a man living in the vicinity of the mammoth warehouse, who happened to observe the flames

MAN LIVES WITH A BULLET HOLE THROUGH HEAD

Marshall Bennett, Goldsboro Shot Yesterday by His Wife

WIFE SELF DEFENSE CLAIMED

Husband, It is Alleged, Was Advancing on Wife With a Drawn Razor

Marshall Bennett, negro, was still alive at 2 o'clock last night, 11 hours after he was shot by his wife, with a bullet wound through his head from ear to ear, following a disagreement in which the more dangerous of the spouses sent a bullet crashing through the brain of her mate.

According to the evidence submitted by the alleged slayer and other witnesses to the affair, the shooting was the outgrowth of a domestic dispute, in which the husband was said to have literally kicked his wife from their domicile.

Quarrelled Over Wages

Bennett, it was said, operated a small cafe on Spruce street, and his better half was chef, cook and dishwasher. For these arduous duties, Bennett was supposed to pay his helpmate seven dollars a week. According to the story told by the Bennett woman, her husband paid her only four dollars for the work she had done week before last. Last week, she said, he paid her nothing, so Monday morning she went to him and entered a claim of \$10 for her services. Bennett became enraged, and ordered her to leave and never "enter his door again."

The Bennett woman then went about among her friends and relatives, visiting here and there, having no other place to stay. Yesterday, about noon, she was seated with her niece on a bed in the second room from the front of the house belonging to the latter, when her husband rudely opened the door and entered. Spraying his wife seated on the bed, and infuriated at her apparent indifference, Marshall Bennett is alleged to have drawn a razor from some recess about his person and charged his wife.

Levels Weapon

In some manner eluding his first charge, the woman hurriedly backed out of the room into the kitchen. There she picked up a pistol, or pulled it from her clothes, and leveling the weapon at her husband, who is said to have been still flashing the keen razor blade, and deliberately fired. Bennett fell to the floor unconscious.

Dr. David J. Rose, who was hurriedly summoned, found the bullet said to have been fired from a .32 calibre revolver, had bored through the man's head. He gave him all possible medical attention, but last night when questioned about his condition expressed amazement that his patient was still alive. He asserted he knew of no instance on record in the history of medical science where a man had survived for so long a period with a bullet wound through his head.

McLEAN IS AGAINST WASTERS OF PAPER

RALEIGH, March 27.—Governor McLean, director of the budget, today went after wasters of paper, declaring that large savings could be made in this one item of state expense if employees in state offices would use scratch pads instead of stationery for their rough work. The matter came to the governor's attention through the last report on stationery used by the state, showing cost of paper used last year in excess of \$300,000.

BOTH OF LOCAL TEAMS LOSE OUT

Goldsboro Triangular Debators Lose to Wilson and Kinston in Triangle Debate

Both the affirmative and negative debaters representing the Goldsboro high school in the state triangular debate lost out last night, the Kinston team receiving the decision over John Spicer and Miss Virginia Ippock, upholding the affirmative, and the Wilson team winning from A. T. Griffin, Jr. and Manah Shrago, who contended for the affirmative.

The question was, "Resolved, That North Carolina Should Ratify The Port Terminal and Water Transportation Act."

The debate of the three teams, the Kinston affirmative and the Wilson negative, which was to have been held here last night, was postponed, in account of the illness of one of the Kinston debaters. Consequently the winner of the Goldsboro-Kinston-Wilson group cannot be determined, until this section of the formal encounter is held, which will probably be the early part of the week. Both Wilson and Kinston have one victory each to their credit.

In both instances the verdict was unanimously against Goldsboro. Reports from both Wilson and Kinston, however, state that the local debaters put up strong arguments, and, while there was no disposition to question the decision of the judges, there was much uncertainty as to the outcome until the verdicts had been read.

SHIP IS SUNK

Eight Members of Crew Are Picked Up in a Dory

HIGHLAND LIGHT, Mass., March 27. (AP)—Eight members of the crew of the Boston fishing schooner Harland, landed here in two dories late today, and reported that their vessel caught fire and sank last night off George's banks. Crews' gunnemen were searching the coast for the remaining dories of the ship, which carried a crew of 27 men.

Goldsboro Delegate Returns This Morning

Mrs. F. M. Kendall will arrive this morning from Tulsa, Okla., where she attended the conference of missionary societies of the Methodist Episcopal church south as a representative of the local church. She has been gone nearly two weeks. The Goldsboro delegate, it was learned yesterday, was active in securing the consent of the society, which is composed of all of the Methodist Episcopal churches of the south to hold its next annual meeting in Raleigh. Hundreds of delegates will be in attendance.

Lieut. Kennedy Plans To Resign from Navy

CLEVELAND, Ohio, March 27.—Lieut. Frank E. Kennedy, U. S. N., recently released from Napa Hospital for the Insane in California, after a legal battle between his wife and government officials, contemplates resigning from the navy. Edwin E. Pettibone, his uncle said tonight. Lieut. Kennedy and his wife arrived here from Washington yesterday to pass a month's leave of absence with relatives.

NEW YORK COTTON

NEW YORK, March 27. (AP)—Spot cotton quiet. Middling 35.20; cotton futures closed barely steady. May 34.50; July 35.20; Oct. 34.00; Dec. 34.00; Jan. 34.00.

HE DENIES BOND MONEY GOES FOR NEGRO SCHOOLS

Chairman of School Board Says \$325,000 Will be Used for High School

DEFENDS BOARD'S POLICY

Claims Results Have More Than Justified Expenditures for Colored Schools

Propaganda to the effect that a large part of the \$325,000 school bond issue would be used in the erection of more schools for colored people was yesterday branded as false by George C. Kornegay, chairman of the board of school trustees. The entire issue, he stated, will be used in the purchase of necessary sites and for the erection of a modern high school building with the exception of about \$25,000, which will go for the erection of a much needed auditorium in the Walnut street school.

Kornegay, "is for the specific purpose of erecting a new high school building and the purchase of necessary sites. Statements to the contrary are absolutely without foundation and not worthy of the slightest credence by thinking citizens."

Pointing out that the school board was composed of taxpayers, Mr. Kornegay said it was absurd to think extravagance would be committed when each member was vitally interested along with the bulk of the citizens of the community. "We are no more anxious to increase the tax rate," he stated, "than the bitterest opponent of the bond issue, but being familiar with the inadequacy of the present school facilities we do not feel we would be fair to the interests of the community if we did not urge their enlargement."

Defending the policy of the board in expending \$118,000 of the last \$200,000 bond issue in the construction of school buildings for colored people, Mr. Kornegay said "the members were forced by law to provide class rooms for eight hundred students, forced to attend school, more than could be seated in the old antiquated shacks then located here. One of these buildings, a wooden frame structure on John street extension, he said, was prevented from toppling over by an immense prop.

Work at Negro School

Mr. Kornegay also took occasion to remind some of the opponents of the bond issue that Latin and Greek and the higher mathematics are not stressed in the negro schools built by the city out of the \$300,000 bond issue. "If the people of Goldsboro," he said, "would attend some of the city's financial training and business, two commercial courses at this high school, they would realize their opinion of negro education."

The new negro school building, the board chairman continued, will care for the educational needs of the colored race for years to come. If more class rooms are needed later, he said, they can be added to the present structures at a very small cost.

Accounting for the balance of the last \$300,000 issue, Mr. Kornegay said the board was forced to liquidate about \$90,000 floating indebtedness, most of which was incurred by the old board, and \$42,000 was expended on the Walnut street school.

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