

REP. DICKINSON ATTACKS FARM BILL STATEMENT

Claims Mellon Opinion on Farm Relief Measure Is Unwarranted

Washington, June 16.—Secretary Mellon's opinion on the equalization fee plan of farm relief now pending before the Senate in the McNary bill brought a sharp retort today from representative Dickinson republican Iowa.

"At last the administration is out in the open" he said in a statement given to the Associated Press "When the statement of Secretary Mellon is stripped of all specious pretexts it means that the interests for whom he speaks are not willing that the protective system shall mean anything for the American farmer."

The secretary's opinion that the proposal is economically unsound and unworthy would provide no permanent benefit for American farmers, would "subsidize" America's foreign competitors and would increase the cost of farm products to American consumers was written at the request of representative Dickinson republican Kansas and chairman Haugen of the House Agricultural committee.

Very Important
Considerable importance has been attached to Mr Mellon's declaration in the capitol where the economic principles he opposes already have been defeated in the House and are approaching a vote in the Senate. One view was expressed in The Washington Post this morning which quoted representative Haugen, republican, Iowa who sponsored the bill in the House as saying:

"There is no use to make any further drive for farm relief now. We have had our day in court."

Representative Dickinson described as "absolutely without warning" the secretary's statement that the equalization fee, while technically to be paid by the farmer would in reality be paid by the consumer and said his purpose evidently was "to solidify opposition to the bill, especially among the working men of the country." Mr. Mellon's arguments he added sounded "strangely like those of Mr. Hoover" the secretary of commerce.

Washington, June 16.—The senate debate on the McNary farm bill developed today into a diagnosis of the farmers' troubles laid to the tariff "so-called education" and the government's plundering system.

The discussion centering on the tariff as the chief difficulty was led by senator Robinson, democrat, Arkansas, democratic leader who recommended a coalition of the democratic party and the wheat-growing West against the tariff.

"I am going to suggest to the democrats in good faith," he said "to join hands with the wheat farmers of the Northwest to fear down the tariff wall and stop the plundering system which is distressing the farmers of the nation."

Green, of Texas, to Head Law School

Chapel Hill, June 16.—Ahner Leon Green professor of law at the university of Texas today wired president Chase his acceptance of the deanship of the university of North Carolina law school, effective with the opening of the fall term 1927.

Professor Green was formally offered the deanship at the meeting of the Board of Trustees here June 3, when the board unanimously endorsed the recommendation of president Chase. He succeeds Berton Ferton who has resigned to accept the deanship of the university of Cincinnati.

Negro Convict Shot Trying to Escape

Asheville June 16.—Shot in the head as he made a break for liberty Tuesday afternoon William George negro convict in the state prison camp near Leno is reported to be held in a dying condition at a local hospital.

The convict numbering about 125 are worked at a quarry some distance away from the camp. George is alleged to have attempted to make a getaway by running across the front yard of one of the residents along the road thinking that such a course would keep the guards from firing toward the house. He was shot squarely in the back of the head and fell near the back steps of the dwelling.

Atlanta Judge Has A Heart for Young People of the Day

Atlanta, June 15.—Declaring there are thousands of girls in Atlanta who have no place to entertain young men visitors but along roadsides, Judge Luther Rosser stated in municipal court here that "officers are too suspicious of an automobile parked for a short time on the country roads and too quick to make arrests for this offense."

"In the summer," said Judge Rosser "the cool open air of the country is almost necessary to refresh one after the heat and dirt of a day in the city and I frequently stop along the roadside with my wife to enjoy the evening air."

Judge Rosser remarks followed the trial of a wayside resident charged with shooting four times at a young man and his feminine companion in a car alleged to have parked on his property.

DECLARE SCHALL DULY ELECTED JUNIOR SENATOR

Senator Johnson Contests Election of Schall, But Loses to New Incumbent

Washington, June 16.—The senate was stunned today by the impact of a verbal bombshell fired by Thomas Schall republican, who had just been declared the duly elected junior senator from Minnesota at former Senator Magnus Johnson who had contested his election.

Midway in the reading of the speech by the clerk of the blind senator following the senate's acceptance of the election committee's unanimous report recommending the seating of senator Schall and dismissal of the contending senator, Senator Asa H. East Arizona appealed to him to withdraw the ruminant on the ground that he would "regret it as years roll on."

Schall however insisted the right to be heard for four minutes at least. He declined to accede and insisted upon the clerk continuing until all but the concluding paragraph had been read. Then he said he would be "satisfied" if the rest "which will not take more than one minute to read" was included in the record.

The concluding paragraph declared "So far as Magnus is concerned, he never knew what it was all about. He was only a marionette who kicked and waded his hand opened his mouth according to the tension of the string."

Bright Lights Blind Driver; Three Injured

Salisbury June 16.—Claiming that the lights from an approaching car blinded them a small touring car containing two boys and two girls from this city crashed into a bridge on the national highway five miles from Lexington last night about ten o'clock and rather seriously injuries were sustained by three members of the party.

R. J. Harwood suffered a broken leg; Miss Louise Ritchie was badly cut about the face and neck twelve stitches being required to close the wound; and Ed Earnhardt received a laceration on the chest and face. Miss Mabel Waggoner was thrown from the car and rendered unconscious but was not badly hurt. The car was badly demolished. The injured persons were taken to a Lexington hospital where they were treated for their wounds and are expected to be brot home today.

Kills Brother During Fight Over Mule

Wilmington, June 16.—Earl Beck is being held in the Brunswick county jail at Fouthport following the death of his brother Albert who was shot Monday afternoon during a quarrel said to have arisen over a mule.

The shooting occurred in the Calabas section of Brunswick county about thirty-five miles from Wilmington.

Beck who is 18 years old is alleged by the Southport authorities to have ordered his brother two years older to bring a mule into the stable. When Albert refused the younger brother is said to have threatened to shoot him and when Albert was penetrated with him to have shot him. Albert died shortly afterwards.

TRAIN CRASHES INTO COUPE; INJURES 2 MEN

Negro Thrown From the Car And Picked Up From Under Sidewalk Bridge

Raleigh, June 16.—Two men riding in a Ford coupe, experienced a narrow escape from possible death Wednesday morning, when the car was struck and practically demolished by a Southern Railway passenger train at the Calabrus street crossing. The wreck occurred about 11 o'clock.

The occupants who were seriously hurt, were H. P. Hoyle, salesman for the Singer Sewing-Machine Company, and Jackson McLeod, a negro. Hoyle had a bad gash on his head, and is badly bruised. The negro is suffering from a broken leg. Both were carried to hospitals.

Headed across the railroad tracks in a westerly direction, the Ford was struck near the middle, and hurled about forty feet from the right of way. The negro was thrown from the machine, and was picked up from under a sidewalk bridge. Hoyle remained in the coupe until it turned over, but never lost consciousness.

The railroad crossing at the scene of the crash is guarded by gates, but witnesses were not certain whether the gates were lowered before or after the crash. Investigation disclosed that it was impossible for the automobile to have passed into the danger zone if the gates were lowered, without crashing them. They were not damaged.

The passenger train was running slowly, having left the water tank at the Boylan viaduct a few minutes before the crash. The train was headed eastward on its way to Goldsboro.

TO REPRESENT THE STATE AT PHILADELPHIA

Boy and Girl and Teacher From Raleigh to Be Guest of the Exposition Officials

Philadelphia, June 16.—A North Carolina boy and girl who most conspicuously embody the highest ideal of American youth and the woman teacher who has done the greatest good to the public of the state are to be conferred the American Youth and Teachers award named as recipients of the award are to be the directors of the Sesqui-Centennial Exposition here for the week of June 28-July 5 as the official representatives of the youths and teachers of North Carolina at the celebration of the 150th anniversary of American Independence.

The boy is James Martin Johnson Jr., 67 of 1620 Park Drive, Raleigh. The girl is Frances Claire Thomas 528 Halifax street Raleigh.

The teacher is Miss Anne Poole, 214 West Edenton street Raleigh.

Transportation and traveling expenses will be forwarded to the recipients in time for them to be in Philadelphia by June 28. The week in Philadelphia will include many hours at the Sesqui-Centennial, because it takes more than a day or two to see the exhibits. During the week they will have an opportunity to see the old historical landmarks with will go to Valley Forge, Washington's famous old camp, and to Atlantic City.

Window Washer Falls 16 Stories to Death

Chicago, June 16.—James Vando, a window washer, was plunged 16 stories to his death from the window of a downtown office building and killed a woman pedestrian upon whom his body crashed. Broken attached to Vando's safety harness broke. The woman Mrs. Catherine Jez, the mother of five children, suffered a broken neck and a skull fracture. She was waiting for a street car at the time of the accident.

License Taxes Will Net State Huge Sum

Raleigh, June 16.—License taxes this year will net the state approximately \$1,250,000 commissioner of revenue Doughton said today. The commissioner issued a statement all district deputies calling attention to the schedule time payment of these taxes.



MAN SAID TO BE CHARLES ROSS BOBS UP AGAIN

Makes Statements Which May Result in Solution of Famous Case

Chicago, June 16.—The Charles Ross kidnapping case, which has been a mystery for two score years since Ross, scion of a wealthy family prominent in Philadelphia social circles was stolen from the Ross residence while asleep bobbed up again in Chicago today.

Police here received a letter purporting to be from Charles E. Ross of San Pedro Street Los Angeles, which contained statements which it was said might result in the solution of the famous case.

Ross says he was born in Chicago about 35 years ago and was given to a man named G. Carter who took his West when his foster mother died recently, he said she told him his real name was Charles E. Ross and that his mother lived in Chicago. He said he had been employed as a cowboy in a motion picture company, and requested police to find his mother.

Car Inspector Burned Seriously at Greensboro

Greensboro, June 16.—W. Oscar Little, Southern Railway car inspector who was probably fatally burned last night when a lighted lantern in his sedan ignited vapor from gas being pumped into the tank of the car was reported as resting as well as could be expected today but scant hope for recovery was held out.

When the vapor from the gas became ignited a spray of flames spread over the interior of the sedan and over. Little who was inside. He was pulled from the car, but his arm and leg were horribly burned before the flames could be extinguished. The car was a total wreck.

Perfect Organization to Fight N. C. Blue Laws

Durham, June 16.—Temporary organization of the local association opposed to blue laws was perfected here Tuesday night at a meeting of interested citizens and from this organization is expected to grow a statewide association having as its purpose the abolishment of existing blue laws and making it permissible to have professional baseball and movies on the Sabbath. The permanent organization will be perfected at another meeting called for Friday night.

MAGEE, SLAYER OF LASSETER, FACES TRAIL

All Testimony Has to Be Translated Into Spanish for the Benefit of Jury

East Las Vegas, N. M., June 16. (AP)—With an interpreter translating every word of the testimony into Spanish for the benefit of ten members of the jury, the trial of Carl C. Magee, Albuquerque editor, who is charged with the slaying of John B. Lassetter, here last August, proceeded in district court today.

Twenty-one witnesses were read, to take the stand for the prosecution. The jury was selected in slightly less than three hours, and before the defense had exhausted five of its peremptory challenges. Two members of the jury speak and understand English, while the other ten must have every part of the proceedings translated by the official court interpreter.

Political Enemy
Chief among the state witnesses will be former Judge David J. Leahy, political enemy of Magee, at whom Magee fired the shot that struck Lassetter. Another shot fired by Magee struck Leahy in the arm.

Leahy was the trial judge in two other appearances of Magee in New Mexico courts. Once Magee was found guilty of libel and again Judge Leahy found him guilty of contempt of court. In both instances Magee was pardoned by the governor.

Defense counsel asked of all the jurors whether they would acquit the defendant if it could be shown that the shot which killed Lassetter was fired in self-defense and struck Lassetter by accident. All replied in the affirmative.

Because of the necessity of having the proceedings in two languages, the trial of the case is expected to take nearly a week.

HUGE SUM IS EXPECTED FROM LAW VIOLATORS

About 150 Persons in Three States Will Be Called to the Hearings

Charlotte June 16.—Assessments to be levied against all solvent violators of the prohibition law, according to a device received from A. H. Price Salesbury legal adviser of Ben Sharpe prohibition administrator of the eighth district is expected to net the government thousands of dollars here.

Federal officers will go before designated authorities at various towns in the states of North and South Carolina and Georgia and seek to have these assessments levied and collected it is said. Such assessments previously have been levied only in isolated cases in this territory.

Durham Police Chief After Auto Violators

Durham, June 16.—A campaign against noise and against automobile traffic violations was inaugurated today by chief of police Doby. Hereafter persons who "toot their own horns" excessively will be put under arrest and police have been ordered to arrest persons making needless noises with their automobile horns the chief states.

There have been constant complaints in Durham relative to the noise of automobile horns. Numerous neurotic persons and those desiring sleep have all protested against unnecessary noise in the city. Chief Doby proposes to stamp it out.

Defaulting Cashier to Be Tried This Week

Headerson, June 16.—The trial of K. B. Crowder former cashier of the defunct Farmers and Merchants Bank of this city on a charge of embezzling more than \$50,000 from the bank was started in Vance county superior court today, with Judge E. H. Crammer presiding.

A motion was made at the outset and sustained by Judge Crammer to consolidate the 11 counts into 1 and the defense entered a plea of not guilty.

Fifty-three men were called out of a special venire of 200 ordered for the case before the jury was selected.

PRESIDENT NOT FAVORABLE TO MILITIA IDEA

To Develop Mind and Muscles of Pupils, Without Breeding a Warlike Spirit

Washington, June 16.—President Coolidge believes that a reasonable amount of military training would be a good thing for the boys and girls of America. He does not object, however, compulsory training for the institution of intensive methods which might inculcate in the minds of the youth the idea that the United States ought to proceed to go out and whip some other nation.

In other words, the President favors such training as will tend to develop the mind and muscles of the youth of the land without causing them to carry a chip on the shoulder, or become carried away by a warlike spirit.

These views were expressed by the President by his spokesman at the White House yesterday, in a discussion of the general attitude of the executive toward preparation of the existing standards of military and naval strength in the country, and also favors strengthening the aviation branch. It was pointed out that the President's own son served in a military training camp, thereby illustrating the President's views upon the subject, and in the President's opinion, the training was extremely beneficial.

In the President's opinion, however, there is a very great distinction between the training received in the summer military camps and training which might be used to create anything like a military spirit in the country, a warlike spirit in the country at the same time the President pointed out that instead of making it compulsory for all boys and girls in colleges to take up military training, the decision should be determined on the basis of whatever benefits might be derived from it.

So far as the course in military training improves the character of those participating in it, the President would give it complete endorsement, while at the same time opposing any suggestion that such training would inspire a martial sentiment among the young people of the country.

TRAGEDY LURKS IN CHURCH BELL

Sweet Toned Peals of Savannah Church Hide a Number of Secrets

Savannah, Ga., June 15.—The sweet toned peals of the bell in the tower of the Christian church here on a quiet Sabbath morning reveals not the many secrets that it holds.

Joy, sorrow and the tragedy of disaster have rung out by this famous old bell for three-quarters of a century. It is usefulness spans the great wars of a nation. Its ringing has made history.

In the early '50's when painted steamboats plied the Mississippi River this old church bell was in its infancy. It was then the ship's bell on the steamboat Saluda a noble pocket that was a part of the great river commerce of that day. On one of his Saluda's trips in April, 1852 unusually high water and an exceeding swift current were encountered. The ship crowded with Mormon immigrants had tried to stem the river's current near Weston, Mo., but finally was forced to drop back to the levee.

Sunk by Boiler Blast
The morning of April 9 Captain Francis T. Belt decided to try to make the bend again. Informed that the boilers had on all the steam, they could hold with safety, the captain rang the bell for full steam ahead. A single revolution was made by the cylinders and then a racking roar rent the air. The boilers had burst.

The ringing of the bell had proved the death knell for more than a hundred persons, for that number of bodies were recovered and it was supposed that as many more victims were blown into the river and no trace of them ever found. Nearly all the officers of the boat, including Captain Belt, were killed.

Stories differ as to how the ship's bell got to Savannah. The story confirmed by an old member of the church is that the bell was found by boys playing in the sand on the river bank. A Savannah minister came across it and bought the bell for \$17.50. It was sent here and placed in the church tower.

Well Known Mill Magnate Is Dead

Danville, Va., June 15.—Colonel B. Frank Mehane, wealthy capitalist, of Spray, N. C., and founder of the textile community of that name, died today at New York after an illness of three days.