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WOMEN EVADE JAIL TERM BY DEPARTING THE CITY

Lonie Cunningham, Min Morrow and Delia Estridge, White Women, Given Jail Sentences on Charges of Vagrancy and Disorderly Conduct - Charged With Conducting Houses of Ill Fame—Police Court Remedies Bad Condition.

On charges of vagrancy and disorderly conduct, Lonie Cunningham, Min Morrow and Delia Eskridge, three white women of alleged shady character, were sentenced by Judge A. C. Jones in Recorder's court Saturday to 30 days in jail on each charge with the privilege of escaping the sentence by leaving the city before 10 o'clock Sunday morning. The women evidently considered the latter punishment the easier of the two, having made their departure Saturday night early.

Numerous complaints had been made to the police as to the Cunningham-Morrow-Eskridge houses on North Rhine street. The three women together with another woman, who hurriedly left the city when she learned that an investigation was being made, occupied two houses. Chief Orr soon had the women and the houses they occupied under investigation.

So well established were the facts against the three offenders that when their cases were called by Solicitor G. B. Mason Saturday morning they pleaded guilty without attempting to disprove the charges of which they were accused.

While the women were only convicted of vagrancy and disorderly conduct, it was generally believed by the police that they were violating the prostitution laws of the State. All of the evidence against the women on this charge was indirect as it always is in such cases. Reports made to the police by trustworthy men and women living on Rhine street were mighty black. And it was a neighborhood complaint; the people were up in arms and were determined that the Cunningham-Morrow-Estridge houses should be cleaned out.

The three women, it was charged, received men callers at all hours of the day as well as the night. They were loud and boisterous while in company with men, and their actions and mode of living convinced the good people of the neighborhood that the women were lewd and were conducting bawdy houses. There was no question in the minds of the several families who were in the city court room ready to give evidence which would have convicted the three women had they not pleaded guilty to the vagrancy and disorderly conduct charges.

Chief Orr stated this morning that it was the purpose of the police department to rid the city of any and all lewd women. In this campaign he has the support of the city council and Mayor Cherry, who expressed himself as being well pleased with the work of the police and the sentence of Judge Jones.

All three of the women are familiar characters to the police. Their records are bad, it is said, the Cunningham woman having frequently appeared in the city court in the past.

DEATHS

MISS MARY HAYNES.

Miss Mary Haynes, aged 78 years, who died in Lincoln county last Friday, at the home of her niece, Mrs. Eva Hollowell, was buried in Union cemetery Saturday morning at 11 o'clock. In the absence of the pastor, Rev. G. A. Sparrow, the funeral service was conducted by Rev. G. R. Gillespie, of the First Presbyterian church. The body was brought to Gastonia by the firm of Harnsall & Delinger and was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Hollowell and other relatives. Miss Haynes was an aunt of Mr. Ed Prather, who formerly lived in the Union neighborhood, and although her membership was in the Methodist church, she had for 15 years been an attendant at the services of the Union church.

Miss Minnie Prather, of Charlotte, a grand niece of the deceased and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Prather, attended the funeral and renewed old acquaintances at Union, where she spent the major part of her life, removing to Cherryville after the death of her father and then to Charlotte last September, where she is in the accounting department of the Southern Bell Company.

Miss Haynes made her home for many years with Mr. and Mrs. Prather and is held in loving remembrance by the people of Union church.

Picnic Saturday at Mt. Olivet.

The Gazette is requested to announce that there will be an all-day picnic next Saturday, July 19th, at Mt. Olivet school house. Mr. W. R. Dixon, of Wilson, State organizer of the Farmers' Union, will make an address during the morning, and in the afternoon the regular quarterly meeting of the Gaston County Farmers' Union will be held. Everybody is invited to come and bring a well-filled basket.

WILL START ACROSS ATLANTIC TODAY

(By International News Service.)
ST. JOHN'S, N.L.W. FOUNDBLAND, July 14.—Captain Innes, who is at length to start a trans-Atlantic airplane flight yesterday were prevented by an accident, expects to start this afternoon.

ALLIED COMMISSION MEETS GERMAN ENVOYS.

(By International News Service.)
PARIS, July 14.—The first conference between the new German envoys at Versailles and the Allied commission appointed to deal with them is scheduled for this afternoon. They will discuss the future of the Rhineland territory. The Allied commission is composed of American, British, French and Belgian representatives.

TO RELEASE HUNTER NEGRO.

Solicitor Wilson of Opinion That Ernest Hunter Is Not Guilty of Murder of Harry Montgomery.

The following from The Charlotte News with reference to the murder last May of Harry L. Montgomery will be of interest to Gastonians familiar with the history of the case:

An intimation that Solicitor George W. Wilson will order that Ernest Hunter, colored, identified by Miss Lorraine Owen as the slayer of Harry L. Montgomery, be dismissed from custody was heard today at the court house. Asked pointedly whether he had given such an order, Solicitor Wilson said he had not given such an order. Asked further if he contemplated such a step, the solicitor said that he had nothing to say on the subject.

Coroner Z. A. Hovis and a member of the coroner's jury which committed Hunter to jail on the assertion of Miss Owen that she was positive he was the man who shot Montgomery in Myers Park, on Friday night a few weeks ago, were in the court house shortly before court adjourned at 1:25 o'clock and were waiting to see Mr. Wilson, who was detained in the court room in the trial of a case and who found the coroner and the member of the jury had gone to dinner when he finally got through with the court cases and came out into the lobby.

Sheriff Wallace was authority for the statement that Mr. Wilson intimated he was going to order that Hunter be dismissed. This, in fact, has not been an unexpected step on the part of many persons who have been interested in the case and the opinion has been freely expressed that there is little likelihood of the grand jury finding a true bill against Hunter. The grand jury at the June term of court, after an examination of witnesses during a part of two days, adjourned without making a report of any kind. The present grand jury, which is a new one, has so far made no report on the case, though whether it is investigating the case or not is not known.

MOUNT HOLLY MATTERS.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

MT. HOLLY, July 12.—The town election was held on Monday and the following men were elected to serve the coming year: Mayor, J. W. Holland, aldermen, M. L. Barnes, C. E. Hutchison, Jr., W. F. Holland, Jr., and George Nantz.

Miss Mary Lee Gallop, of Fayetteville, is visiting her sister, Mrs. B. D. Moore.

Misses Rose and Sarah Hawkins and Mr. Wade Thomas, of Charlotte, spent the past Sunday with Miss Dorothy Nims. Mr. Roy Spratt has returned from Atlanta and Spruce Pine, where he spent the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Alonzo Abernethy and son, James, of Lincolnton, spent Tuesday with Mrs. A. P. Rhyne.

Miss Inez Abernethy has returned from Lenoir, where she has been visiting relatives. She was accompanied home by her nephew, Charles Stinson.

Miss Catherine Dunlap, of Rock Hill, S. C., is visiting Mrs. M. D. Haney.

Misses Ethel Osment and Vera Cornwell, of Kings Mountain, are visiting Mrs. Will Gardner.

Miss Helen West, of Charlotte, is visiting Miss Pauline Lentz.

Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Moore have returned from an extended trip through the mountains of Western North Carolina.

Messrs. Bert Stroup and Lester Springs are on a motor trip to Asheville.

TO RESUME TRADE WITH GERMANY AT ONCE.

(By International News Service.)

WASHINGTON, July 14.—Trade relations with Germany will be resumed immediately, it was officially announced today following a conference of an hour between Acting Secretary of State Polk and President Wilson. Blanket licenses will be issued permitting the importation of practically all products from Germany except potash, chemicals and dyes. Communication will also be reestablished immediately.

The Fourth of July was the 400th anniversary of the founding of the city of San Juan, making it the oldest city under the American flag.

TWO NEW INDUSTRIES FOR BESSEMER CITY

Messrs. A. A. McLean, Jr. and Atlanta Man Organize 4,000 Spindle Yarn Mill—Metal and Waste Company Moves Plant from Columbia, S. C., to Bessemer City.

Messrs. A. A. McLean, Jr., of Atlanta, and Frank Goldberg, of Atlanta, Ga., have awarded the contract for the erection of a 4,000 spindle cotton mill at Bessemer City, a site having already been secured at that place near the Huss Manufacturing Company. The plant is capitalized at \$175,000. Messrs. McLean and Goldberg taking the entire amount of stock. Plant starts Nov. 1-14 will be manufactured. An order for the machinery has already been placed and work is to begin at once, the building a name for the mill has not at this time been decided upon.

Announcement is also made of the removal of the headquarters of the American Metal and Waste Company from Columbia, S. C., to Bessemer City, where a waste mill 150x400 feet and a waste oil mill 40x60 feet will be erected. Mr. Frank Goldberg is the owner of the company.

SIMMONS WILL BACK MORRISON.

Says Charlotte Man Is Fitted for Office He Seeks.

Washington, July 14.—If there has been any doubt as to where Senator Simmons stood in the gubernatorial race, it is cleared today. Mr. Simmons is for Cameron Morrison, and will do his very best to nominate him over all comers.

It has been reported here recently that Mr. Simmons and Mr. Morrison had become estranged. When this report was brought to the attention of the senator he asserted that there was no truth in it.

It has been evident for some time that the Simmons working forces were lining up behind Mr. Morrison. The well-known Simmons lieutenants are busy. But not until today did the senator make a statement on the subject.

The action of Senator Simmons brings new life to the contest in the State. The friends of Max O. Gardner become more active.

From different sources reports have reached Washington to the effect that there has been a breach in the friendly relations between Mr. Simmons and Mr. Morrison and that, while the senator would vote for Mr. Morrison, he would do so reluctantly and only because of Mr. Morrison's long years of support and friendship for him.

Senators Simmons declared emphatically today that there has been neither a breach nor cause for breach in the warm friendship that has for 20 years existed between Mr. Morrison and himself.

The senator said that his support of Mr. Morrison, and his candidacy for governor, had been and would continue to be wholehearted, not only because of Mr. Morrison's great and conspicuous service to the Democratic party and State, rendered in every campaign during the last 30 years, as well as because of his recognized fitness for the position which he seeks.

The senator said he regretted the necessity of making this statement, but thought it was due Mr. Morrison, and that he made it not with any view of getting the gubernatorial contest or of disparaging, in any way, the claims of other candidates.

JONES NEGRO HELD FOR SUPERIOR COURT.

Arraigned in Recorder's court Saturday morning on five charges of house-breaking and larceny and another charge of the theft of a bicycle, Aecy Jones, colored, who escaped from the county chain-gang on July 4th, was remanded to jail to await trial in superior court.

Plainclothes officers Hord and Adlerholdt broke up a game of "craps" and "skin" Friday afternoon when they walked into one of the shanty cars on the tracks near the Trenton Mills. Participating in the two games of chance were Earl Owens, J. T. Oham, Joe Jones, T. J. Howard and Will Perry, all colored, who are workmen on the Southern double-track force. The offenders were fined \$10 and the costs.

Returning to the shanty cars Sunday afternoon Mr. Adlerholdt placed James Kelly, Bookie Taylor and Silas Elliott, all colored, under arrest for gambling. They paid fines in Recorder's court this morning.

A number of other cases were disposed of at both the Saturday and today's session of court including affrays, assaults, etc.

—Mr. R. B. Babington, general manager of the Piedmont Telephone & Telegraph Company, and Miss Isabel Babington will leave tonight for Atlanta, where they will spend several days.

—Rev. J. B. Hood, pastor of Pisgah Associate Reformed Presbyterian church, left today for Ora, S. C., where he will spend a week conducting a protracted meeting for Rev. I. N. Kennedy, pastor of the Ora church.

—Weather Forecast: Generally fair Monday and Tuesday with gentle south and southwest winds.

GREAT VICTORY PARADE IN PARIS TODAY

(By International News Service.)
PARIS, July 14.—Paris is to witness a great victory parade today, the first since the close of the war. The parade was witnessed by over a million spectators. Marshal Foch, on horseback, led with Gen. Joffre riding beside him. Riding at the head of the various contingents coming in alphabetical order were Generals Pershing, Haig, Potany, Diaz, Castelnau and other great chiefs. Representatives of nearly every civilized nation cheered themselves hoarse.

COASTWISE SAILORS THREATEN TO STRIKE.

(By International News Service.)

NEW YORK, July 14.—The threatened strike of tugboat sailors employed on coastwise vessels being barges upon the conference in Washington between officials of the United States shipping board and union officials. Labor leaders declare that the strike would paralyze coastwise shipping from Maine to Texas, affecting over a quarter of a million men.

PRESIDENT MAY VETO AGRICULTURAL APPROPRIATION.

(By International News Service.)

WASHINGTON, July 14.—Reports current today indicate that the President intends to veto the agricultural appropriation bill on account of the rider repealing the daylight saving law. The measure is as yet unsigned.

MAYOR ROBERT G. CHERRY MADE MEMORIAL ADDRESS.

Mayor Robert G. Cherry delivered the memorial address at Hill's Chapel Methodist church, Lowsville, Sunday afternoon at which time exercises were held for Freeman Isaac Hinckle, a Gaston county boy, who was killed in action in the Argonne forest on October 23, 1918. He was a member of Company D, 102nd Infantry.

A picnic dinner was served on the church grounds at noon following a Sunday school rally in the morning.

FATAL DISTURBANCES OCCUR AT ROME.

(By International News Service.)

LONDON, July 14.—The mystery over what is actually happening in Rome in the labor troubles was heightened today by a brief Reuter cable reporting that all shops in Rome except those selling food-stuffs were closed. Only one newspaper, Popolo Romano, is publishing accounts of disturbances in which many were killed and injured. Trouble is general throughout Italy. For several days the Italian government has exercised a strict censorship.

POLES STILL FIGHTING.

(By International News Service.)

PARIS, July 14.—Marshal Foch today was instructed by the council of five to send a note to Poland demanding cessation of hostilities.

REASONS FOR VETO.

(By International News Service.)

WASHINGTON, July 14.—The civil service bill was vetoed because its provisions interfered with plans for rehabilitation of disabled soldiers by limiting funds for this work.

SHIPPING TIED UP BY STRIKE OF WORKERS.

(By International News Service.)

NEW YORK, July 12.—All shipping flying the American flag from the port of New York was tied up today when thousands of waterfront workers struck. Union officials declare 185,000 men were affected and every port along the Atlantic coast will be tied up unless their demands are met.

SEVERE STORM IN ALABAMA.

(By International News Service.)

HUNTERVILLE, ALA., July 13.—A severe windstorm visited this section last night, uprooting trees, prostrating wires and blocking the roadways with debris.

WILL EVACUATE SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN.

(By International News Service.)

COPENHAGEN, July 12.—Germany is preparing to evacuate Schleswig-Holstein on account of Spartacist activity.

BOSTON, July 9.—Frederick Dyer, New York capitalist, president, and four other officers of the Bay State Fishing Company today were sentenced to one year in the house of correction and fined \$1,000 for conspiring to raise the price of fish and to establish a monopoly of fish on the Atlantic seaboard. Eleven other officers were sentenced to six months and fines of \$500. They appealed to the state supreme court.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. White Ware, Messrs. Ruby Falls and Lucy Wilson and Mr. F. H. Cunningham left by automobile today for Wrightsville Beach, where they will spend a week or more.

KAISER IS NOT BOWED DOWN WITH WORRY

(By International News Service.)
AMSTERDAM, N. HOLLAND, July 14.—Wilhelm II, German Emperor, is not the shaken man he has been pictured as being, nor is he apparently worrying over the prospect of facing trial for his war crimes, according to his appearance. The former Kaiser and Empress walk in the castle grounds occasionally, laughing gaily and talking, Wilhelm swinging his cane. He figures is staking, stout, though rather stout, and shows no sign of being bowed down by the weight of worry.

FORD STOCK BRINGS \$12,500 PER SHARE.

(By International News Service.)

DETROIT, July 14.—It was officially announced today that Edsel Ford has bought from the minority stockholders of the Ford Motor Co. all their holdings, estimated at 75 million dollars, or \$12,500 per share. James Couzens did not sell his stock. The company will be reorganized. The entire property is valued at over \$200 million and is now owned by the Ford family, except a block of stock owned by James Couzens.

SERIOUS RACE RIOT AT LONGVIEW, TEXAS.

(By International News Service.)

DALLAS, TEX., July 14.—One negro was killed and ten whites were wounded in a race riot at Longview early today. The whites were reported to be burning the houses of the negroes. The governor was asked to rush rangers to the scene, and the national guard may be sent.

PICNIC AT OLNEY.

(By International News Service.)

People from Southern Part of County Gather in Force at Home Coming and Welcome Celebration. A number of Gastonians together with a goodly portion of Gaston county helped the people of Olney congregation and community Saturday to welcome home the soldiers and sailors and to greet old residents who came back to spend the day with childhood friends. The annual Sunday school picnic was combined with the two above-named features making it a momentous day for the Olney people. Prominent and successful business men of Gastonia and other cities foregathered there Saturday with their wives and families to revisit the haunts of their boyhood days and to renew old acquaintances.

Under the direction of Rev. G. A. Sparrow, pastor of the church, a program of songs and short speeches in the church occupied the attention of the crowd in the forenoon. Following the speech of welcome by Mr. Sparrow, short addresses were delivered by Mayor Robert G. Cherry, of Gastonia; Rev. John W. Moore, pastor of Trinity Methodist church, of Charlotte; Major A. L. Bulwinkle and Lieut. Hugh A. Query.

Following this program a bounteous picnic dinner was spread on a long table on the church lawn and the crowd did ample justice to the good eatables there displayed. Music was furnished throughout the day by the Flint Band.

IS TOURING THE SOUTH FOR BANKHEAD HIGHWAY.

Special to The Gazette.

BIRMINGHAM, ALA., July 14.—Mr. J. A. Rountree, director-general of the United States Good Roads Association, left today to tour the States of Georgia, North and South Carolina in the interest of good roads and the Bankhead National Highway. He goes by invitation. He will visit numbers of towns and cities in these states and address the people on good roads and arouse enthusiasm for the Bankhead National Highway, which is being so rapidly built from Washington to the Pacific coast.

Director-General Rountree will attend the annual meetings of the South Carolina Road Supervisors Association, also South Carolina Automobile Association that meets in Greenville, S. C., July 14th and 15th. He will also attend the South Eastern Good Roads Exposition, as the guest of Mr. F. M. Burnett, the General Manager of the same. During Mr. Rountree's absence, he will visit Washington and help to secure the passage of the National Highway Commission bill that is known as the Townsend-Bankhead bill.

Director-General Rountree will return to Alabama the latter part of July and assist in road legislation that is now pending before the Alabama Legislature.

—Mrs. Thomas G. Hyman, of New Bern, is expected to arrive in the city tomorrow on a short visit to Mrs. Thomas L. Craig, Col. and Mrs. Craig and Miss Jennie Watson will motor to Asheville and Hendersonville for the week-end. At Hendersonville they will visit Mrs. Craig's niece, Mrs. Fred Aberly, who is in Hendersonville recovering from a very serious illness.

IN SOCIAL CIRCLES LATEST EVENTS IN WOMAN'S WORLD

MISSES STOWE GAVE DELIGHTFUL ENTERTAINMENT.

Last Wednesday evening at their home near Look Hill, Misses Hattie and Eliza Stowe delightfully entertained a number of their friends at a card party. The home was beautifully decorated with cut flowers, the color scheme being pink and white. Music was furnished throughout the evening by Misses Katherine McLean and Rita Lowry. After several enjoyable games of Rook a delicious ice course was served.

The guests present were Misses Katherine McLean, Rita Lowry, Laura Titman, Pauline Overcash, Thelma Titman, Evelyn Overcash, Eva Gaston, Florie Farnes, Mary Glover, Paul Stowe, Ethel Featherstone and Mrs. A. W. Titman; Messrs. Whitson Overcash, J. W. Lowry, Clark Gaston, Bob Lewis, Rob Jackson, Carlisle Ragon, Kelly Elmore, Tom Glover, Egbert and Vance Hoffman and E. H. Armstrong.

CHARLESTON TRIP OFF; SCOUTS GO TO MOUNTAINS.

Due to continued rains and unfavorable reports of road conditions in the vicinity of Wauchope, S. C., the Gastonia Transfer Company canceled its contract with Boy Scout Troop 1 for its truck to make their proposed trip to Charleston, S. C., beginning last Friday. Mr. Marvin of the Transfer Company, notified Scoutmaster Babington to this effect Wednesday night. As the scouts had planned to pack the truck Thursday and leave at 5 o'clock Friday morning it was entirely too late to make other arrangements. The troop of boys were very much disappointed.

Scoutmaster Babington left Friday morning in a private car for Charleston taking a patrol of scouts. Assistant Scoutmaster Duncanson left this morning with two patrols of boys, for Rutherfordton and Chimney Rock going on the train.

TELEPHONE IMPROVEMENTS.

Shelby, N. C., and Gaffney, S. C., to Have Latest Common Battery Telephone System.

Mr. R. B. Babington, general manager of the Piedmont Telephone & Telegraph Company, spent last week in Shelby and Gaffney, and upon his return informs The Gazette that the town councils of Shelby and Gaffney, S. C., unanimously passed a resolution requesting the telephone company to install the latest common battery telephone service in these towns. This was done upon the petition signed by a majority of the telephone subscribers.

Mr. Babington feels that this was a step in a forward movement in these towns and will lead to greater improvements along other lines, as it will put Shelby and Gaffney on the map from a telephone standpoint, and give them an up-to-date system, as good as enjoyed by the larger cities.

LORAY TEAM CONTINUES ITS WINNING STREAK.

Loray added two additional scalps to its belt last week, defeating Ranlo on Friday and Crofton on Saturday. Crofton was easily defeated by a score of 12 to 5. Murray doing the pitching for Loray.

The game with Ranlo Friday was one of the closest of the season. Singles by Mallouy and Friday in the tenth inning secured the winning run, the score having been tied by Loray in the ninth on an error, a sacrifice and a perfectly executed squeeze play.

Batteries: McCallum, Friday and Gurley; Costner and Lutz.

First Watermelon.

Mr. Frank Brumley, of the firm of Brumley & Walters, has demonstrated that a printer can do more than print. Mr. Brumley reports a ripe watermelon from his patch Sunday. As far as has come to the knowledge of this office this is the first of the home-grown variety for the season.

Scouts at Charleston.

A card from Scoutmaster Kenneth Babington, who is in Charleston with a patrol of boy scouts from troop three, says: "We arrived here, boys, car and roads, o. k. We had only one puncture, 12 miles from Charleston. We camped about 60 miles from here." The card was mailed Saturday afternoon.

—Dr. B. J. Lindley, of the Bureau of Animal Industry, arrived in Gastonia this morning to begin the work of testing cattle for tuberculosis. He will begin his work this afternoon at Mr. C. C. Kiser's farm.

—Mrs. S. A. Robinson and children, Frances and S. A., Jr., Miss Sue Robinson and Mrs. F. P. Hall, of Belmont, left this morning in Mrs. Robinson's car for Montreat where they will spend several days.

—Sgt. Grover P. White, a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. White, is at home on a 30-days furlough from Ft. Oglethorpe, Ga., where he is stationed with the U. S. Cavalry.