

O. F. Crowson Laid To Rest Thursday

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AN EVENT NEVER TO BE FORGOTTEN HERE

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Could Oden Finley Crowson have been present yesterday—and who among us can say that he was not actually there, though not in the flesh?—he would have been overcome with the tremendous demonstration of love and sadness at the time of the funeral in Front Street Methodist church.

The city pastors, every one of whom had lost one of his best friends and most sincere counselors in the one who has passed over into the world of the spirit, were present in a body and occupied a position in the church and on the rostrum. The Burlington Kiwanis club was present in a body, Mr. Crowson having been an honorary member of this organization.

It was an event never to be forgotten to see hundreds of school children from the city's schools file into the church where the body lay in state, just prior to the services. They came by the scores from all parts of the city and from every home where there are children and quietly passed by the flower-laden bier of one who was ever a friend and a lover of youth.

Never has there been such a service in Burlington. Never have so many individuals and groups and so many different walks of life been represented at the funeral of a citizen of this community.

There were scores of exquisite floral designs of varying types and there were other scores which, nevertheless bore beautiful and blushing testimony to the unmeasured affection and esteem of the senders.

The service was characteristically simple but beautiful and soul-moving. The large choir sang first the hymn, "Nearer My God To Thee." There was then a Bible reading and a prayer by the pastor of the church, Rev. J. B. Hurley.

NO LEGAL OPINION WAS SOUGHT BY SEC. FALL

Never Even Ask for "An Informal Opinion" on Legality of the Oil Leases.

Washington, Dec. 3.—Although serious doubt was raised from the beginning as to the legality of the Elk Hills naval oil reserve lease to the E. L. Doherty interests, ex-Secretary of Interior Albert B. Fall, on trial with the oil magnate for conspiracy to defraud the government, never sought a legal opinion on the lease.

At least two large oil companies, the Standard Oil of California, and the Union Petroleum company, directly questioned the legality of the proposal, Bain, a defense witness, said.

Fall did not even act upon the suggestion of E. C. Finney, assistant secretary of interior, to obtain "an informal opinion" Bain admitted.

RALEIGH LITERARY CENTER OF N. C. TODAY

Raleigh today became the ephemeral art and literary center of North Carolina.

Three literary, art and historical societies are holding their annual meetings here—the state literary and historical association, the North Carolina Folk Lore society, and the North Carolina Art society.

At the joint morning session of the Literary and art societies, a statue of Virginia Dare, America's first native-born, was formerly presented to the state. The marble life-size image, bequeathed to Virginia by the state, is the work of the late Louise Lander, the Raleigh sculptor. The memorial was presented by Mrs. R. R. Cotten, of Farmville.

The North Carolina folk lore society will meet this afternoon. An address by Mrs. W. N. Reynolds, of Winston-Salem, president, will feature the session.

NEW MUSCLE SHOALS BILLS ARE COMING

Washington, Dec. 3.—Bills to enact into law his new plan for the disposition of Muscle Shoals will be introduced both in the senate and house.

Slomp, former secretary to President Coolidge, said today. Slomp said that he expected committee hearings would be held before January 1.

The Slomp plan, in which a group of power companies have combined to bid on Muscle Shoals for hydro-electric power and nitrates manufacturing purposes, will be introduced in the senate by Senator Ernst, Republican, of Kentucky, Slomp said.

Thos. F. Opie, rector of the Episcopal church. One of Mr. Crowson's favorite hymns, "The Old Rugged Cross" was then sung and a beautiful, poetic and touching tribute was read by Dr. Hurley, who stated that he could not trust himself to speak on this occasion, except to confine himself to the written discourse.

Following the pastor, Dr. Opie made a brief eulogy and expressed devotion, esteem and admiration for him who had passed and referred to him as "Burlington's best builder." He spoke of the editor's wide usefulness in the civic, the business and industrial, no less than in the moral and religious life of the community.

Following the final hymn, "Christian's Good Night", the sorrowing family and friends repaired to Pinehill cemetery where the remains were laid tenderly and affectionately to rest, on the brow of the sun-kissed hill, where lie the earthly remains of hundreds whom the deceased had honored as they preceded him to their last sleep. He and they rest in sweet peace.

BIG RUBBER BUYING POOL IS FORMED IN NEW YORK

The Pool Will Have a Purchasing Credit of \$40,000,000 and Will Try to Break Monopoly.

New York, Dec. 3.—A score of the largest and most powerful automobile manufacturers and rubber manufacturers of the United States today were banded together in a gigantic rubber-buying pool aimed to break the monopoly grip of England on the world's supply price of raw rubber.

Arrangements for a joint purchasing fund credit of \$40,000,000 were negotiated with the National Bank of Commerce of New York and the International Acceptance Bank.

The plan was attributed to Charles B. Seger, president of the United States Rubber company.

London, Dec. 3.—No danger of anything resembling a trade war in rubber was anticipated today by British rubber interests as a result of the purchasing pool organized by American rubber interests.

British rubber interests welcomed the new American combine, the head of one of the largest rubber syndicates in Great Britain told the International News Service today.

"Such a combine will help to stabilize prices and prevent seasonal fluctuations," this spokesman said. "The British rubber capital is so large that there is no possible danger of anything resembling a trade war as the result of the Americans' pooling their resources."

Raw rubber advanced on the market today upon news of the new combine.

FORMER POLITICIAN ON WAY TO THE PEN

Richmond, Va., Dec. 3.—Leis P. Summers, recently a Republican congressional candidate in the ninth Virginia district, was taken to Athens penitentiary today to serve a 15 month term for conviction of falsifying salary vouchers while federal district attorney for the western district of Virginia.

An appeal for a pardon from President Coolidge failed. Evidence purporting to show that Summers had falsified a voucher for his stenographer's salary while district attorney was revealed by a member of his own party while Summers was in the midst of a campaign for congress. He withdrew from the race, and a Democrat easily defeated the substitute candidate.

BANK CLERK SHORT DISAPPEARED TODAY

Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 3.—Nonchalantly strolling from the American Savings Bank & Trust company when auditors appeared to check his books, Thursday, Rush H. Parke, clerk, had disappeared today with a shortage estimated at \$100,000.

Parke who is the son of Ernest Parke, a postoffice official here, has been working in his spare time. He was regularly employed by Jesse M. Foltz, operator of a chain of delicatessens, as a bookkeeper.

NATION WIDE SEARCH WEALTHY STUDENT

Prairie Du Chien, Wis., Dec. 3.—A nation-wide search was begun today for Erdman Sanford Olson, 18, alleged slayer of 22-year-old Clara Olson. Olson is a wealthy Yale college student.

The body of Clara, covered with a thin, sarcophagus-like coating of dried clay, lies in a local undertaking room. It is fully clothed in the same blue silk dress, the red sweater, and the grey coat she had purchased for a tryst with Erdman that fatal evening of September 9. They were to have been her wedding garments.

Farmers filed into the city today from the hills and lowlands of the surrounding countryside, all eager and waiting to hear the report of the autopsy today.

CRAWFORD L. C. OAKLEY IN THE CITY

Crawford L. C. Oakley, of Roanoke, formerly here with Levi Burke's undertaking parlor, was here Thursday to assist Mr. Burke in the details of the service of O. F. Crowson, conducted from Front Street Methodist church at 2:30 p. m.

PRESIDENT BEGINS TASK OF LINING UP HIS FORCES

Republicans Begin Work on Party Lines to Place Control in Administration Forces.

Washington, Dec. 3.—With President Coolidge taking the lead in smoothing out Republican differences in congress, administration leaders today plotted a defensive war to protect their single vote control over the senate in the seventieth congress.

Anticipating a Democratic drive to wrest control by exclusion of Senators-elect Frank L. Smith, of Illinois, and William S. Vare, of Pennsylvania, the Republican chiefs drafted plans for inflicting retaliatory contests against at least four incoming Democratic senators. If the right of Smith and Vare to take their seats is challenged, the Republican leaders decided, similar challenges will be leveled at enough incoming Democrats to insure Republican control of the senate.

Unless an agreement is reached shortly permitting both Vare and Smith to be seated, at least long enough to help the Republicans organize the senate—the next six weeks will witness the launching of a series of election contests against Democrats. Among those most likely to face these contests are Senators Edwin Broussard, of Louisiana; Alben W. Barkley, of Kentucky; and Ellison D. Smith, of South Carolina. An old comrade may be revived at the same time against Senator Lawrence D. Tyson of Tennessee, who was elected in 1924.

MERCHANTS ASSN. BANQUET MONDAY

Members Will Hear of Varied Activities Since Reorganization of the Association.

The Merchants Association will banquet here at the Alhambra hotel on Monday evening, December 6, at 7 p. m., at which time the members will hear of the varied activity since the reorganization several months ago.

In its various departments, the organization has functioned widely for the merchants since it was made over, and particularly in the establishment of a credit bureau, which the secretary has worked out along lines believed to be most effective in dealing with this "troublesome" aspect of merchandising.

QUEEN MARIE IS FORBIDDEN SEE CAROL

Paris, Dec. 3.—Queen Marie was expressly forbidden by the Rumanian government to see Prince Carol during her stay in Paris, it was learned today. However it appears that mother love conquered the queen's desire to obey governmental orders and the queen met her son secretly.

Prince Carol is understood to have phoned to the queen's hotel, asking to speak to Princess Ileana, but this was refused him. This fact would seem to explain Marie's evasive replies to all queries as to whether she had seen Prince Carol while in Paris.

KING FERDINAND APPEARS IN PUBLIC

Bucharest, Dec. 3.—King Ferdinand appeared in public today for the first time since he was stricken seriously ill, several weeks ago.

The king drove from his suburban palace at Cotroceni to his palace in Bucharest, to receive the Spanish minister.

BASEBALL MEN ARE ARRIVING ASHEVILLE

Asheville, Dec. 3.—The vanguard of team managers and franchise owners who compose the National association of Professional baseball clubs began arriving here today for the association's annual winter meet.

Practically all of the 188 cities in the United States and Canada that have professional clubs have made reservations at the convention, local officials declared today. Attendance was forecast at 700.

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COMMITTEE WANTS NEW RADIO BILL PASSED SOON

The Act is Designed to Prevent Further Muddling of Broadcasting Programs.

Washington, Dec. 3.—Enactment of an emergency radio control measure to prevent further complication of the already muddled broadcasting situation was urged today by the National Radio Co-ordination Committee, representing every phase of the industry.

The committee held that an emergency law to operate until congress could provide a permanent measure would prohibit the issuance of new licenses after December 6.

NEW MOVEMENT FOR NEWS FREEDOM TODAY

Los Angeles, Dec. 3.—A new movement was launched here today to gain freedom for Harry S. New, Jr., son of the Postmaster General Harry S. New, now in the San Quentin prison for the alleged murder of his former sweetheart, Fred J. Lesser.

Pretty Edna Clancy, Los Angeles business woman, and a half sister of young New, admitted she was making another effort to have Governor Fred W. Richardson pardon her half brother.

MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION MEETS MONDAY

The Ministerial association will meet in regular session Monday, December 6, at 1 a. m. in the Parish house.

NEW YORK STOCKS

New York, Dec. 3.—Higher prices were quoted for the bulk of industrial stocks at the opening of the stock market today. The motors, oils and tire stocks were strong and the rail inactive. U. S. Steel sold up 1-2 at 149 5-8, while renewable steel gained a point at 78.

General Motors advanced 3-4 at 141 1-8; Hudson was up 3-4 at 47 1-2; Chrysler up 3-4 at 37 7-8; Mack Trucks up 3-4 at 99 1-2; U. S. Rubber up 1 at 60; Mid Continent up 1-2. With a gain of 1-2 at 31 3-4; Pan American B was up 1-4 at 63 7-8; Sinclair up 1-4 at 19 3-8; Atlantic Refining up 1-4 at 111 3-4. Industrial alcohol sold at 82 3-4, up 3-8; Radio at 57 3-4, up 1-2; New York Central 134 7-8, up 1-2.

AMERICAN TROUBLES GROWING IN NICARAGUA

Revolutionary Leader Has Gathered Forces and Fighting is Taking Place Near Coast.

Washington, Dec. 3.—American troubles in Nicaragua, instead of being ended by the elevation of Adolfo Diaz to the presidency, appeared today to be just beginning. Despite the presence of American marines along the coast, despite American warships patrolling Nicaraguan waters, and despite the warning of the state department, Dr. Juan Sacasa has resisted the liberal revolution and there has been severe fighting within 30 miles of the American coast.

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