

## VIRGINIA GOING DRY CAUSES LESS DRINKING HERE

No Police Court in Three Days; Only Fifteen Arrests During the Month.

## UNUSUAL RECORD IN LOCAL POLICE CIRCLES

The prohibition law went into effect in Virginia on the first day of November; that this fact is solely responsible for the decrease number of crimes committed in New Bern is the belief of Chief of Police C. Lupton. The Chief stated yesterday that there has been no session of police court in three days and during the first seventeen days of November there have been only about fifteen arrests made in the city. This is a very low figure for this period and especially so considering that since the first of November, John Robinson's shows have exhibited here and also the Eastern Carolina Fair has been held since the first of the month.

It is usually the case when anything takes place here that draws a large crowd there is a very noticeable increase in the number of arrests. The Chief stated that as a rule the "tigers" always lay in a supply of "mean" whiskey for special occasions, but now that the supply cannot be obtained from Norfolk, it is extremely hard for the violators to get more than a quart every fifteen days and this supply is not sufficient to keep the "tigers" going and many of them have gone out of business. It is true that whiskey is being shipped to New Bern and surrounding territory by the quart, but before Virginia went dry the dispensers would go to Norfolk and load up several suitcases and return. The officers nabbed a number of them when they returned but it was impossible to get them all and large quantities succeeded in making its way into the city. Chief Lupton does not believe that the present conditions will continue very long. He is of the opinion that some means will be devised by which larger quantities can be obtained.

## ANNUAL MESSAGE TO CONGRESS IS BEING PREPARED

President Will Not Leave Washington Again Until It Is Completed.

## COST OF LIVING TO BE TOUCHED UPON

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 17.—President Wilson immediately after the cabinet meeting today authorized the announcement that he will not leave for a further vacation until his annual message to Congress has been completed. Other pressing matters including the appointment of a tariff board, shipping commission and putting into effect the new compensation law.

Individuals who have talked with the President since the election expect the message to deal exclusively with the domestic problems which confront the country. It is said that legislation to prevent the further inflation of food prices and, if possible, to lower the cost of living, is certain to be heard. The message will not comment on the European situation unless some sharp controversy arises between this and the date Congress convenes. It will, however, carry a notification that the United States stands ready to serve in the capacity of peace maker when the properly designated representatives of the warring factions announce a willingness to accept such services.

### CORN MEAL

Its fame spread. Britishers are waking up. They advise its consumption. And it is nutritious and economical. Over there it's advised for home and South Africa.

## The Brotherhood Chiefs to Address Labor Federation

The Agitation for Eight-Hour Day Expected to be Brought To a Boiling Point—Body Opposes Any Compulsory Arbitration of Labor Disputes.

## HIGH PRICES OF FOOD-STUFFS HELD TO BE "ARTIFICIAL" AND "UNJUSTIFIABLE"

BALTIMORE, MD., Nov. 17.—The American Federation of Labor marked time here today awaiting the arrival of the chiefs of the four great railroad brotherhoods whose coming is expected to bring to a boiling point the agitation for an eight-hour day. The delegates after a half-day session of the convention in the discussion of topics that ranged all the way from government ownership of public utilities to the high cost of living. They adjourned ostensibly to allow the committees to catch up. The work of the convention, however, appears hanging on the arrival of the brotherhood heads and little will be done before their arrival. The delegates contented themselves today with passing two resolutions, one of which bears directly with railroad controversies. Without a dissenting voice, the resolution declaring that the convention is "unequivocally opposed" to any compulsory arbitration of labor disputes was adopted. This has been the policy of the federation for several years but the actual day put an added significance in view of the agitation for legislation which would make a strike impossible.

There was an extended debate before the convention adopted the resolution favoring the appointment of a federal commission to investigate the high cost of living. Present prices were held to be "artificial and unjustifiable" and several speakers were insistent that the men responsible for them, be brought before a grand jury and indicted.

"You once kept a cook for a whole month, you say?" "Yes." "Remarkable. How did you manage to do it?" "We were cruising on a houseboat and she couldn't swim."—Chicago Herald.

The essence of knowledge is, having it, to apply it; not having it, to confess your ignorance.—Confucius.

"No," she said to the grocer; "we got some eggs the other day by parcel post." "How many?" ventured the grocer. "Well, I don't know how many, but I would say about a gallon and a half of them."—Life.

## BIG LEAGUE TEAM MAY COME HERE

Manager of Washington Team Writes He is Pleased With Invitation.

New Bern's chances for securing the Washington Baseball Team here for Spring training took on a brighter aspect yesterday when the Chamber of Commerce received a letter from Manager Clark Griffith stating that he appreciated our invitation. Mr. Griffith states: "I haven't decided just what I will do, but will consider your offer and advise you later." This is encouraging because many cities had extended invitations before New Bern did. The Chamber of Commerce will continue to urge the acceptance of New Bern's offer. Much interest is being shown by our citizens in this matter as many of us would like to see the great Walter Johnson and other Washington stars in action. Mr. C. J. McCarthy has very generously offered to put the baseball grounds in first class condition and furnish dressing rooms for the team with shower baths and etc., free.

## PLAN INCREASE TOBACCO SALES IN NEW BERN

Chamber of Commerce Hopes to Secure Government Demonstrator Here

## WOULD PROVE BIG HELP TO FARMERS

Means of increasing the amount of tobacco brought to New Bern warehouses will be considered at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Chamber of Commerce soon.

The Chamber of Commerce has taken up with the United States Department of Agriculture the matter of securing their co-operation in having a tobacco demonstrator visit the farmers in this section and advise them regarding the best methods of culture, the kinds of tobacco suitable for their soils and etc.

At the Directors' meeting the warehousemen will be invited to discuss the matter with the directors and plans will be discussed for securing a larger business next year.

The Chamber intends to do everything possible to increase the production of farm products in the New Bern section, not only in tobacco, but in every other line. A prospectus agricultural section will go a long way toward insuring prosperity for the city and our people should take an active interest in everything for the betterment of the country districts.

## FOOTE TO LEAVE FOR CHARLESTON TODAY

Lt.-Com. Paul L. Holland Here To Take Charge of Craft—To Be Repaired.

Lieutenant Commander Paul L. Holland, of the North Carolina Naval Militia, arrived in the city on the 12:30 train last night from Fayetteville and today he will take charge of the torpedo boat Foote. At eleven o'clock he will leave for Charleston, S. C., where the boat will be placed in the ship yard for repairs.

A crew of twenty-three men, composed of members of the local branch of the militia will be in charge of the mechanical work. The crew will be headed by Lieutenant F. T. Brandt.

After delivering the Foote to the ship yards Lieutenant Brandt and his men will return by rail.

## DEATH OF NEILL SHAW BEING INVESTIGATED

No Evidence Been Found by the Coroner's Jury So Far To Implicate Any One.

LUMBERTON, N. C., Nov. 17.—After spending the afternoon taking evidence and investigating the death of Neill Shaw, of the Ten Mile section, who mysteriously disappeared last summer and whose body was found in the woods near his home this week, the coroner's jury adjourned to meet again next Thursday without developing a clue to the guilty party.—if the man was murdered. No evidence was produced to implicate any one.

A large number of witnesses from the community in which Shaw lived were examined. Relatives have employed McIntyre, Lawrence & Proctor to represent them in the investigation. When the body was found, the skull was fractured all around, but there seems to be no clue as to how he met his death, as yet.

Some people are willing to look for trouble where it has never been but.

## WHITE HOUSE IS WATCHING THE CONTROVERSY

President is Certain to Interfere If The Talk of Strike Continues.

## CABINET MATERIAL ANOTHER PROBLEM

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 17.—The controversy between the railroads and employees, which has been revived by the suits of the railroads to test the constitutionality of the Adamson eight-hour law is being watched closely from the White House. It is stated that the President will not hesitate to interfere, with conciliations if the strike talk continues.

Another matter which is engaging the chief executive, is the necessity for gathering new cabinet material from which a selection can be made not later than March the fourth and probably sooner.

"Time is money," quoted the Wise Guy. "Yes, but it is apt to hang more heavily on our hands," added the Simple Mug.

## GEN. FUNSTON DENIES CHARGES BY THE BAPTISTS

No Attempt To Censor Sermons Preached to Soldiers, He Declares.

## THREATENS TO SUE MINISTERS FOR LIBEL

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, Nov. 17.—General Frederick Funston today made a hot retort to charges made by Southern Baptists that he had attempted to censor the sermons preached to soldiers. The Georgia Baptist Association has passed resolutions asking Congress to investigate.

"I did not tell the Rev. Ganbreal that he could not tell the militiamen they had lost their souls," said General Funston. "I told him that a soldier's soul was no more lost than that of other people and that I expected them to be treated like others. You can tell pastors for me that if they intend to continue misrepresenting me, they had better place their property in their wives names for I shall sue them in Federal court for libel."

You never can tell. Lots of people who say what they think don't talk much.

## DEMANDS RECOUNT OF NEW HAMPSHIRE VOTE

Republican State Chairman Has Filed Petition for Hughes Electors.

CONCORD, N. H., Nov. 17.—Republican State Committee Chairman Faulkner filed a petition for a recount of the New Hampshire vote for President at two o'clock this afternoon.

He acted in the capacity of an attorney for the Hughes electors.

## RELIEF IN EUROPE IS OUR RESPONSIBILITY

President Wilson So Charges in His Thanksgiving Proclamation.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 17.—President Wilson's Thanksgiving proclamation issued this afternoon, charges the people of the United States with the responsibility to contribute largely toward relief in Europe "out of our abundance."

## May Libel The Deutschland As Result Tragedy

## FIGHT ON EIGHT-HOUR LAW WILL BE A WARM ONE

Dissenting Opinions Before the Council of U. S. Chamber of Commerce.

## ADAMSON DEFENDS ADMINISTRATION BILL

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 17.—That the coming fight on the Adamson eight-hour law will be intense, grew more evident today. Speaking before the National Council of the United States Chamber of Commerce President Van Hise, of the University of Wisconsin, said the manner in which the law was passed "made his cheek burn with shame." Alfred P. Phom, spokesman and general counsel for the railway executives, who fought the brotherhoods, said the railroads were being "over regulated" and "it would be a miracle if they survive."

Before the same meeting, Representative Adamson, whose name the law bears, defended the administration's policy. Later in the day, he said very positively the measure would be held constitutional by the Supreme Court. He declared the law would certainly go into effect January the first and that the railroads "had better look out or they might get in jail."

## MR. J. W. WOOTEN DIES SUDDENLY

Stricken Shortly After Retiring Last Night, Death Came Before Physician Arrived.

Mr. J. W. Wooten died at his home in Ghent last night a few minutes before nine o'clock. Mr. Wooten was apparently in good health yesterday and was seen down town in the afternoon. He told members of the family that he was feeling a little bad from the effects of a cold and retired early.

It was only a few minutes after he retired when Mrs. Wooten noticed that something was wrong. She soon saw that Mr. Wooten was in a serious condition and a physician was summoned but death occurred before the doctor's arrival.

The deceased is survived by a widow and several children. The announcement of the funeral will be made later.

## RECITAL AT CHURCH A MUSICAL TREAT

Mr. E. H. Munson, Mrs. Horace Dowell and Mrs. Aberly Render Superb Program.

The musical recital given last evening at the Presbyterian church was well attended and the interest shown by both the church workers and the unsaved was very encouraging to the pastor. Mr. Everett preached a very strong sermon and seemingly, he made an indelible impression on the hearts of his hearers. There was one addition to the church.

Mr. E. H. Munson, who is organist at the First Presbyterian church of Wilmington, and a musician of great ability, officiated at the organ. He understands the organ perfectly, and his performance last evening was that of a master musician.

Mrs. Horace Dowell of Raleigh, sang a number of selections which were greatly enjoyed. Mrs. Dowell is director of the choir of the First Presbyterian church at Raleigh, and is also at the head of the voice culture department of Peace Institute.

## COMPANIES CARRYING INSURANCE ON ILL-FATED TUG WILL PROBABLY TAKE ACTION—THE OWNERS OF SUBMERSIBLE WOULD HAVE TO PUT UP HEAVY BOND.

## TUG WAS ATTEMPTING TO WARD OFF MOTOR BOAT WHEN STRUCK BY THE SUBMARINE

NEW LONDON, CONN., Nov. 17.—Companies carrying insurance on the tug boat sunk by the Deutschland with a loss of five lives early this morning, will probably libel the German submarine at once. Following the libel proceedings the owners of the Deutschland will have to put up a heavy bond before the blockade runner can again leave port. The accident occurred about half a mile west of Race Rock light, or about eight or nine miles from New London.

The tug was crossing the submersible's bow to ward off a motor boat which was bearing down upon the Deutschland. The Deutschland immediately put back to port but as far as is known she is not seriously damaged. Officials are unable to say whether or not the object of the motor boat was to ram the Deutschland. The accident occurred at two thirty o'clock, one hour after the Deutschland left the State pier.

The tug boat was struck amidship on the starboard side and sank immediately.

"Always show prospective tenants the telephone booth first," said the landlord. "All right," responded the janitor. "But why?" "Then they'll think the rooms aren't so small."—Kansas City Journal.

## CLIMAX OF THE MASONIC DEGREE WORK REACHED

Fifteen Candidates Shown Mysteries of Knight Templar by St. John's Commandery.

## MR. HACKBURN GIVES SUMPTUOUS FEAST

The climax of the Masonic degree work before the Shrine meeting next week was reached last night when fifteen candidates were shown the mysteries of Knights Templar degrees by St. John's Commandery, No. 10.

Grand Warden Pickett, of Wilmington, was present and conferred the Red Cross, Knight Templar and Knight Malta in a most creditable manner.

At two p. m. the work was started and it required until midnight to finish. A good many visiting Sir Knights were present from out of town and a nice size crowd of the local Knights were on hand to assist in the work.

Special music was rendered by a male quartette, composed of Prof. J. H. Bourdelais, Mr. C. T. Pumphrey, Mr. T. B. Whitehurst and Mr. George Stratton, which was greatly enjoyed. Mr. E. B. Hackburn was the man behind the cats, and it was some feed. As is usual this famous caterer upheld his enviable reputation, and the praises for his generous, whole-souled gentleman were heard on every side.

### CHEESE SAVINGS

Save the bits. And grind them up. Grinding is easier than grating. Use the grated cheese in various ways. It is good in many sorts of sandwiches. Baked with macaroni it is altogether famous.

## PLANNING FOR ENTERTAINING THE SHRINERS

Commerce Committee to Work With Shrine Committee; To Meet This Morning.

## NEXT WEDNESDAY BE A BUSY DAY HERE

The Chamber of Commerce is co-operating with the Shriners in an effort to insure proper accommodations for every visitor arriving in the city next Wednesday for the installation of Sudan Temple.

President Miller has appointed a committee composed of W. H. Henderson, chairman, A. F. Patterson, Capt. Nick Jones, Albert Willis, H. K. Land, C. L. Spencer; to work with the Shrine committee. The Shrine committee is composed of Messrs. N. E. Mohn, O. A. Kafer and C. Hines. Chairman Henderson has called a meeting of the Chamber's committee for ten o'clock this morning and has requested the Shrine committee to meet with them.

This city is going to be a mighty busy place next Wednesday. Each day brings news of parties who are coming here for the great ceremonial incident to the installation of "Baby Sudan." Applications for Shrine honors continue to come and indications are that the "baby" will be "some kid" when it gets going. This is New Bern's opportunity to make a large number of the best kind of boosters. Shriners are always liberal in their praise when they like a town. Our people are noted for their hospitality and will undoubtedly live up to that reputation on this occasion.

The Chamber of Commerce is compiling some facts about New Bern and Craven county, which will be distributed to the visiting Nobles.