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SUPREME COURT RULES IN FAVOR OF NEW COUNTY

WITH ADDITION OF McCORMICK STATE NOW HAS 45 COUNTIES

EN BANC SESSION

Many Advocates of New County Attend Court—McCormick Will Celebrate Today.

(Special to The Intelligencer.) Columbia, April 12.—The election providing for the establishment of McCormick county was declared today by an en banc session of the supreme court to have been legally held. There are now 45 counties in South Carolina, the new unit having been recognized by an act of the last legislature.

The en banc session of the supreme court was attended today by a large number of advocates of the new county.

The new unit will be made up from Edgefield, Abbeville and Greenwood counties.

The new county movement has been carried after a fight extending over a period of 20 years.

Citizens of the new county are making arrangements for a celebration at McCormick tomorrow. Yesterday they extended an invitation to Governor Manning to attend the celebration. The governor was forced to decline because of several engagements in Columbia.

The election was held last year. An appeal was taken to the state board of canvassers and the election was declared to have been legally held. Then the case was carried on to the supreme court. After hearing the arguments the five justices of the supreme court failed to agree and the circuit judges of the state were called to their assistance.

The majority opinion was written by Associate Justice Hydrick and was concurred in by Associate Justices Frasier and Circuit Judges Prince, Shipp, Sease, Rice, Bowman, Mauldin, Smith and Peurifoy. The dissenting opinion was written by Chief Justice Gary and concurred in by Judge DeVore. A separate dissenting opinion was written by Associate Justice Watts and concurred in by Associate Justices Gage and Circuit Judges Wilson and Frank B. Gary. Another dissenting opinion was written by Judge Ernest Moore.

ABBEVILLE BOYS MAY GET CARNEGIE MEDAL

Representatives Hero Fund Making Investigation of Rescue Young Lady at Millwood.

Greenwood, April 12.—Mr. R. S. Fendrick, representing the Carnegie Hero Fund, has been in this section several days making an investigation into the heroic work of two young men of Abbeville who saved the life of a young lady, Miss Perrin of that city at Millwood last summer. It will be recalled that Mr. Calhoun Cason, of Abbeville, and Mr. McKelvey, of Mount Carmel lost their lives in the tragedy and the young lady would in all probability have lost her life had it not been for two young men who risked their own lives when they went to her rescue.

It is understood that Mr. Fendrick has spent several days in Abbeville ascertaining all the facts in the tragedy for the purpose of making a report to the Hero Fund.

METHODIST MINISTER IS GIVEN SIXTY DAYS FOR PASSING BAD CHECKS

Durham, N. C., April 12.—L. E. Robbins, a Methodist minister, today was sentenced in Greensboro court to 60 days on the county roads for passing worthless checks. He was released on a \$200 bond pending appeal.

29 Students Stranded.
Tokio, April 12.—About 200 Chinese students from the revolutionary centers of Yunnan province are stranded here on account of lack of funds. Remittances from home having ceased, they are no longer able to meet their tuition fees at Japanese government and private schools. The Chinese legation has refused to guarantee the cost of the student's education.

To Organize Uncle Sam's Aviation Corps



Colonel George C. Squier.

Colonel George C. Squier, military attaché with the American embassy in London, has been recalled by Secretary of War Baker, it is believed, for the purpose of organizing the aviation service of the United States army. He may succeed Colonel Samuel Reber, who was accused in the senate of failure to handle the aeroplane service properly.

MILLS WERE INSURED FOR 1-2 MILLION

Lewis W. Parker Had Company Insured for This Amount Four Years Ago.

Greenville, April 12.—The Parker Cotton Mills company will receive within the next few days, checks aggregating \$500,000, from a dozen or more life insurance companies, in settlement of policies carried on the life of Mr. Lewis W. Parker, who was until November 4, 1914, president of the Parker Cotton Mills company.

The insurance in favor of the Parker Cotton Mills company was taken out by Mr. Parker, it is learned on very reliable authority, four years ago this summer. The amount was divided among a number of companies. Mr. Parker stood a very rigid physical examination by specialists, who were sent here for that purpose, and passed the examination with a remarkably good record.

The insurance, it is understood, was in what is known as five-year term policies, convertible into straight life at the end of three years. The insurance was converted, it is understood, at the end of the three-year period, and the premiums have been paid by the cotton mills company.

The amount of Mr. Parker's personal insurance policies is not definitely known.

MISS WILSON SAYS SUNDAY SESSION NO BUSINESS CONGRESS

President's Daughter Before the House Committee in Favor of Community Forums.

(By Associated Press.) Washington, April 12.—Miss Margaret Wilson, daughter of the president, was before the house committee today to advocate a bill to permit the use of district of Columbia school houses for community forums. In answer to an objection to the plan of Sunday afternoon meetings, Miss Wilson said: "I don't think it the business of congress, the board of education or anybody else to say whether we shall meet on Sunday. The only concern of congress is whether these buildings are to be used at all."

Bar Night Work in Mills.
Vienna, April 12.—To provide employment for as many workers as possible the Austrian textile manufacturers have asked the government to prohibit night work altogether in the weaving mills, to restrict the day work to five days in the week and allow no overtime to be worked.

VILLA IS AGAIN ON RAMPAGE

THE TOWNS OF SIERRAMOJADA AND CORRILLO SACKED BY BANDITS

AMERICANS LOSE MUCH PROPERTY

Outlaws Said to Have Destroyed Possessions Valued at Thousands—U. S. Army Far Away.

(By Associated Press.) El Paso, April 12.—A band of Villa followers, numbering possibly a thousand, have sacked Sierramojada, five miles across the Cochulla line and eighty miles east of Juarez, destroying thousands of dollars worth of American property. This news was received today by a representative of one of the largest American mining concerns in Mexico and is believed authentic.

Villa With Band.
It is believed here that Villa is either with the band or is directing its operation. Colonel Rojas, commander at Ojinaga, heard today that Villa had doubled on his tracks and is now two hundred miles southwest of Ojinaga. Ojinaga is opposite Presidio, Texas, and one hundred and fifty miles north of Sierramojada. The bandits also are supposed to have looted the town of Corriolo on their way to Sierramojada. Canute Ryes, a Villa adherent, was reported recently to have left the Torreón district and is proceeding towards Sierramojada. The reports indicate that Villa eluded the Americans, as the nearest United States troops are one hundred and forty miles east of Sierramojada.

TO PREPARE PERSHING ADEQUATELY FOR ANY EVENTUALITY IN MEXICO

(By Associated Press.) Washington, April 12.—Secretary Baker's return to Washington tomorrow may bring further developments in the Mexican situation it was learned tonight. An increase in the United States forces in Mexico is said to be under consideration. In this connection it was officially stated that General Pershing's future movements in the hunt for Villa would include adequate preparation for any eventuality.

Persistent rumors that the use of the National Guard is contemplated, drew a statement from high authorities that the president is not considering such a step. The use of the Mexican Central as well as the Mexican Northwestern railroad is being made by Americans. The first shipment over the former was made direct by the El Paso quartermaster without the subterfuge of consigning through a broker and mining concerns.

150,000 STARVE AND HALF MILLION MORE SUFFERING IN WAR SWEEP ALBANIA

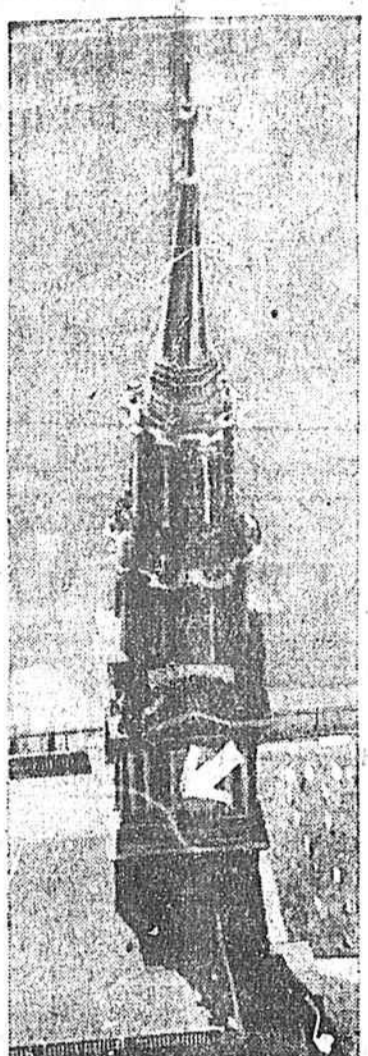
Paris, April 12.—William Willard Howard, of New York, secretary of the Albanian relief committee, who left Paris today on his way to the United States from Albania, said that 150,000 human beings had died of starvation in Albania during the last 18 months and that 500,000 were likely to die before normal conditions in that country was resumed.

Famine due to failure of the crops as a result of the excessive rains, Mr. Howard said, had reduced the population to a pitiful condition and typhus fever threatens to become epidemic.

Owing to the war commerce and industry are paralyzed. The secretary said that the Christian work relief ship Albania, carrying the fourth shipment of relief supplies still remained in the Mediterranean. Mr. Howard is returning to the United States to fit out another relief expedition. He says the Albanians are not taking any part in the war of the Balkans.

Cutter Hasen Relieved.
Washington, April 12.—The coast guard cutter Hasen, which has been ordered to San Juan, Porto Rico, guarding the neutrality of the United States in connection with the internment of the German prize farm, was relieved today by the destroyer Jarvis and sailed for Southport, N. C.

Suicide in Church Washington Attended



Philip G. Walter.

Philip G. Walter, sexton of St. Paul's Chapel, one of the churches of the immensely wealthy Trinity Corporation of New York City, hanged himself in the steeple the other day. The arrow shows the window at which he was found. This chapel is famous not only for its age—it being the oldest church in New York City—but there part of the ceremonies for the first inauguration of George Washington were held. The church is in the lower Manhattan business section and has been a landmark for more than one hundred years.

BY THE CENSOR

(By Associated Press.) London, April 12.—German artillery is bombarding the triangle northwest of Verdun embracing Hill No. 304, Eanes and Deadman's hill, evidently preparatory to infantry attacks on these positions, which they regard as keys to the fortress. Not even a sally in this district is reported by the latest French communication. East of the Meuse, around Douaumont and Vaux, quiet prevails. Mining operations and grenade fighting has taken place in the Aragon forest.

The Germans along the Pillelm-Ypres road invaded British trenches but were quickly expelled. The British successfully raided German trenches near Fiechebough L'Avone.

On the Russian front artillery fighting continues.

The Italians have taken Riponeale heights from the Austrians, also captured Austrian trenches on the southern slopes of Monteparl and Clunadaro.

Balkan dispatches say artillery fighting was resumed on the Greek front between Glogol and Dolran.

The Russians report that the recent Turkish offensive in the region of Bitlis has failed. Gold, silver, paper money, all negotiable instruments and realizable securities have been placed on the contraband list by Great Britain.

Ten Aeroplanes for Chinese.
Peking, April 12.—Ten aeroplanes have been purchased in the United States for the use of the Chinese aviation school at Nanyang and should arrive in Peking before the end of this month. Four aeroplanes have been sent by the Chinese government for use against the revolutionists in Szechuan province.

STAND OF U. S. WILL BE FIRM

GERMANY HAS DENIED SUSSEX DISASTER BUT ADMITS SINKING TWO

UNOFFICIAL TEXT OF NOTE TO HAND

Berlin Claims Steamers Englishman and Eagle Point Sunk After Escape Attempted.

(By Associated Press.) Washington, April 12.—Germany has denied the torpedoing of the British channel steamer Sussex but admitted that the steamers Englishman and Eagle Point were sunk after they attempted to escape, according to an unofficial text of the German note attempted to escape through press dispatches. Berlin adds the Herwindrade was possibly sunk, but details of the Manchester-Engineer are lacking.

Unofficial Text.
The unofficial text was communicated to President Wilson and Secretary Lansing tonight. The official text is expected hourly. It will be considered at the regular cabinet meeting Friday.

The admission of Germany however that three steamers carrying Americans were sunk by German U-boats has simplified the task of the state department in preparing the next step in the issue over submarine warfare. It is known that the United States will continue to compile information indicating that German submarines are operating in violation of International law and that soon a communication designed to be the final word of the United States on the subject would go to Berlin.

The United States will inform Germany that the evidence tends to show that in spite of German assurances peaceful merchantmen carrying Americans continue to be victims of illegal attacks.

Germany, in discussing the Sussex case, admits a German submarine sunk a vessel near where the Sussex was damaged, but maintains it was not a vessel of the Sussex type. The submarine commander thought the vessel had sunk a warship.

MORGENTHAU TO GIVE UP AMBASSADORSHIP

Expected to Hand President Resignation Today—Elkus Suggested as Successor.

(By Associated Press.) Washington, April 12.—Henry Morgenthau, American ambassador to Turkey, is expected to submit his resignation to President Wilson tomorrow. Abram Elkus, of New York, has been suggested as his successor. Morgenthau called on President Wilson at the White House today.

YORK BUSILY PREPARING FOR MEETING NEWSPAPER SCRIBES JUNE 12 TO 15

York, April 12.—York has already begun preparations for the entertainment of the South Carolina Press association, which is to convene here June 12-15. A canvass among the citizens for funds with which to pay the expenses of the entertainment of the editors is being made. York hospitality is a quality well known throughout South Carolina and the people intend to exert themselves to the utmost in making three days of pleasure and profit for the visitors.

CHARLES A. SMITH LEFT CONNIE MAXWELL HOME \$1,000 INSURANCE POLICY

Greenwood, April 12.—It will be of interest to the friends of Connie Maxwell Orphanage to know that the late Charles A. Smith, ex-Governor, left a \$1,000 insurance policy to the orphanage and that the money has already been paid to the institution.

Mr. Smith was loyal to his church and to the orphanage.

This Californian is a Fighting "Dry"



Representative Charles H. Randall.

Representative Charles H. Randall of California is a Prohibitionist, and a fighting Prohibitionist. He has taken up the fight against Demon Rum in the House of Representatives, and has already introduced several bills. For instance, one bill would bar from government service anyone using liquor. There are 450,000 persons in the government service.

DANIELS AND NAVY RAPPED ON AT MEET

Navy League Speakers Flay Secretary for Alleged Suppression of Speech.

(By Associated Press.) Washington, April 11.—Secretary Daniels and the navy department were under fire today from speakers at the annual convention of the navy league of the United States.

Robert M. Thompson, president of the league, assailed Daniels for what he termed Daniels' suppression of free speech because of Daniels' refusal to permit Admiral Fiske to address the navy league. Henry Reuter declared the navy department's attitude was but a reflection of the attitude of the White House. He said every administration "must have its dreyfus."

S. Stanwood Menken, president of the National Security league, attacked the Hay army bill that recently passed the house. He said it is a violation of every recommendation of experts.

LOOK FOR FAVORABLE ACTION ON THE GOV'T NITROGEN PLANT BILL

Motion of Hardwick to Strike Out Fertilizer Feature is Defeated in Senate.

(By Associated Press.) Washington, April 12.—The senate today by a vote of forty-seven to twenty-four defeated the motion of Senator Hardwick, of Georgia, to strike out the fertilizer feature of the nitrogen plant amendment to the army bill. This forecast is a probability of favorable action of the proposal to establish a government plant for extraction of nitrogen from the air for munition purposes in time of war and the manufacture of fertilizer in peace time.

Hardwick declared the amendment, sponsored by Senator Smith, of South Carolina, was socialistic. Democratic senators who voted for the Hardwick motion were Overman, Pomerene, Smith, of Georgia, and Stone.

Petroleum Plentiful.
Washington, April 12.—Instead of a decreased supply, as believed, there were nearly 30,000,000 more gallons of crude petroleum in February, 1916 than in February, 1915, and over 20,000,000 more gallons of gasoline in January, 1916 than last December. This report was made by the Federal Trade commission to the senate following the starting of the price of petroleum. An increase of 15 per cent total in gasoline production is expected.

FEDERAL AGENTS ARREST MAKERS OF FIRE BOMBS

CHARGED WITH MANUFACTURING EXPLOSIVES PLACED ABOARD SHIP

CONFESSION MADE

Captain Enno Bode Says He Was Agent of Former German Military Attache.

(By Associated Press.) New York, April 12.—Four men were arrested here tonight by the department of justice agents charged with having manufactured "fire bombs" which were placed in sugar bags aboard the Fabre line steamer Kirkeswald last May. One gave his name as Charles Von Kleist, declaring he is a brother-in-law of the German General Von Briesen, who was killed in battle December, 1914. Others were Ernest Becker, electrician on the steamer Kaiser Friedrich Der Grosse, Captain Otto Wolpert, superintendent of the Atlas steamship piers and Captain Enno Bode, superintendent of the Hamburg-American piers. According to the justice department officers Bode confessed that he was the agent of Captain Franz von Papen, former German military attache. Two hundred bombs are said to have been found at the offices of an agricultural chemical company where von Kleist has been employed. There are said to have been shipped to all parts of the United States.

DAUGHTER BANKRUPT FUGITIVE ON TRIAL

Much Interest Centered in Case of Calhoun Falls Merchant at Greenville.

Greenville, April 12.—C. J. Bruce, United States deputy marshal, who arrested John C. Langley, the missing bankrupt, offered sensational testimony at the second day's trial of the Calhoun Falls merchant, who is charged with concealing bankrupt assets. Deputy Bruce testified that Langley told him, upon his arrest, that he was advised by his attorney to leave until his daughter was tried. She is arraigned on another indictment for conspiracy in connection with the bankruptcy.

Langley's attorneys were Frank Clinkscales and Sam Adams of Abbeville. It was reported that Mr. Clinkscales is not now connected with the defense, the defendant having retained James H. Price and P. A. Bonham. The trial of the case, which began Tuesday afternoon, has attracted considerable interest by reason of the fact that it was rumored previously that important developments were likely to occur.

A mass of testimony had been taken at the hour of the dinner recess when counsel for the defense made a motion for a directed verdict of "not guilty." Judge Johnson over-ruled the motion. The trial was resumed this afternoon.

GEORGIA FRUIT CROWERS WILL MEET TO ESTIMATE DAMAGE DONE 1916 CROP

Augusta, Ga., April 12.—The fruit crop is thought by fruit experts to have escaped all damage from the recent cold weather; however, the information is not completed. A meeting will be held in Atlanta today of the Georgia Fruit Exchange, when data from all points of the country will be compiled and the damage, if any, will be estimated in dollars and cents.

The fruit crop, and especially peaches, for this year is expected to be the largest ever known.

The Messrs. Bergmans state that their immense peach orchards at Mayfield were not injured by the cold snap.

Celebrated Jap Bird.
Osaka, Japan, April 12.—A celebrated Japanese singing bird, known technically as the Bush-warbler, has just gone into retirement with honors such as are usually accorded famous human beings. A dinner was given in her honor at the villa of her owner, Mr. T. Tanaka and many notable people were present. About twenty singing birds were there and gave a chorus of adieu for their comrade who has won prizes at every competition.