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FACTA CABINET LEAVES OFFICE

MEMBERS HAND RESIGNATION TO KING—ENDEAVOR TO PREVENT ANY DISORDERS BY PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM BY THE POLICE.

Rome, Oct. 28.—The Italian cabinet headed by Premier Facta handed their resignations to the king today, it was officially announced this evening.

The announcement had been expected and therefore caused no surprise among the people of Rome. King Victor Emmanuel has requested Premier Facta and his colleagues in the ministry to continue their work until a new government has been constituted. Meanwhile the member of all the political parties express the hope that no disorder will result and that the various factions will permit the crisis to be solved without any undue pressure.

The king, who arrived in Rome to night received Signor Facta, who gave the monarch a detailed report on the situation both concerning the cabinet and the frame of mind of the public. He told the king that all measures had been taken to endeavor to prevent any attempt being against the authority of the state and to report any disorder that might arise. The police and military at Pisa, Siena and other places in Tuscany have adopted precautionary measures in view of the mobilization of the Fascisti in that region.

The opinion prevailing in political circles is that the Fascisti are masters of the situation and that a new cabinet can be formed only by them or with their consent or participation.

The most authoritative prediction seems to be that the new ministry will be formed either by Dr. Benito Mussolini, leader of the Fascisti, or by former Premier Salandra with the collaboration of the Fascisti.

All observers of the political situation agree that the ministerial crisis came consequence of Dr. Mussolini's determined attitude on Thursday, when he called together all the military leaders of his organization and ordered the 800,000 workers now members of the Fascisti to be in readiness for cooperation with the military sections. This action by Mussolini was considering to keep his oath, taken at Naples, that the Fascisti would assume the reins of government either legally or by force.

ATTENDS MEETING

Of State Officers Held in Columbia Last Week.

R. E. Cheatham is just back from Columbia and says the live stock exhibit was the best perhaps ever shown at the State Fair. He attended a meeting of the Auditors, Treasurers and Sheriffs of the State held in the Masonic Temple Wednesday night after which a banquet was served. The meeting was for the purpose of seeking improved methods for the running of these state offices. Mr. Cheatham says if there was any politics talked he was such a novice at the game he didn't know it.

KNIGHT TEMPLARS MEET

R. S. McComb, R. P. Kyle, W. D. Wilkerson, Frank Harrison, Kinsler Beckham, Sanford Howie, Bayard Swetenburg, Joe Hale, Dr. C. A. Milford, Dr. F. E. Harrison, and R. N. Tddy went to Greenwood today to attend a meeting of the Knight Templars to be held at that place tonight.

Tree Planting Week.

Columbia, Oct. 26.—Governor Harvey has designed the week of October 27 to November 3, "tree planting week."

MRS. HENRY GILLIAM ACCEPTS PRESIDENCY

Of Parent-Teacher Association—The Committees to Be Named This Week—Meet Nov. 21

A meeting of the nineteen sponsors of the Parent-Teacher Association was held in the graded school building Thursday afternoon to elect a president for the association for this session. Mrs. C. A. Milford was chairman of the sponsors' committee. Seventeen of the members of this committee were present.

After the meeting had been called to order the chairman asked for suggestions as to whom they should consider for this important office. After only a brief discussion it was apparent to all present that the unanimous opinion of the sponsors was that the office be tendered officially to Mrs. Henry Gilliam for the second time, every one present speaking in the most commendatory terms of the splendid work she had done for the association last session. No other person was considered and the sponsors voted unanimously by rising, to urge Mrs. Gilliam to take the leadership for the second time.

Mrs. J. A. Smith, Jr., Mrs. G. A. Neuffer and Mrs. F. B. McLane were appointed as notification committee. These ladies retired to see Mrs. Gilliam and to urge her to continue the good work which she has been doing for the association. Soon they reported back to the meeting that Mrs. Gilliam had taken the matter under consideration and would report to the chairman Saturday whether or not she could assume this important office.

It is with a great deal of satisfaction that it can now be announced that Mrs. Gilliam has agreed to serve the association as president for this session. She will meet with the other members of the executive committee this week and announce the personnel of the standing committees for the session. The committees to be appointed by the executive committee are: finance, membership and program.

The next regular meeting of the association will be held Tuesday afternoon, November 21.

TO ANDERSON FRIDAY.

Abbeville Hi Plays Anderson Friday At Anderson.

The boys of Abbeville high school will journey to Anderson Friday for the annual game between the two football teams. Abbeville has won the last two years, but lucked the game last season by a score of 21 to 20.

Reports from Anderson say that the boys there are out for blood this year and nothing can stop them. However, they haven't played us yet and Abbeville will again prove their "Jonah." The winning of the game with Anderson will very probably put Abbeville in the up-state finals.

Practice will be held on the new field here beginning this afternoon. The team wants everybody in Abbeville who can go to accompany them to Anderson Friday.

MCCORMICK ROAD LET.

Capt. H. B. Humbert reports favorable progress being made on the highway work. Federal Aid project No. 181 was awarded to Contractor Moffitt of McCormick County. Federal Aid Project No. 181 is the road from Abbeville to McCormick generally known as the McCormick road. Work will begin within about a week.

BIG STOCK DIVIDEND

Woodruff Cotton Mill in Prosperous Stage.

Greenville, Oct. 28.—At a meeting of directors of the Woodruff Cotton mills, held Thursday, a stock dividend of 50 per cent, payable December 5, and a cash dividend of 10 per cent, payable January 1, were declared. The cash dividend includes the regular 5 per cent, semi-annual dividend and a special dividend of 5 per cent.

FIGURES GIVEN BY REPUBLICANS

MUCH MONEY SPENT IN CAMPAIGN—WITH ELECTION ALMOST HERE TREASURY STILL HAS SEVERAL THOUSAND DOLLARS.

Washington, Oct. 28.—Three Republican campaign committees—the national, senatorial and congressional—filed preliminary reports with the clerk of the house of representatives today, showing that \$721,359 had been contributed to help elect Republican senators and representatives, of which amount \$645,451 had been expended.

Each committee will file another report prior to final ones after the general election on November 7. The Democratic senatorial committee, the Anti-Saloon League of America, the association opposed to prohibition and similar organizations taking part in national politics will put in their financial statements by tomorrow night.

For the first time the Republican speakers' bureau also filed its report separately today. It showed receipts of \$17,000 and expenditures of \$11,157.

Heading the list of all contributors was R. B. Mellon of Pittsburgh, brother of the secretary of the treasury, who gave \$25,000 through the Republican national committee. John D. Rockefeller was second with \$15,000, and John D. Rockefeller, Jr., gave \$10,000. The Rockefellers, father and son, contributed also \$750 each through the Republican congressional committee.

The report of the national committee was the last of the three to reach the house clerk's office, coming by mail tonight. A copy was obtained by the Associated Press at Chicago and sent out, many hours before the document was received here by registered mail.

Records of the house clerk show that the Republican national committee in its preliminary reports filed in 1920, a presidential year, reported contributions of \$2,966,019, as compared with \$421,444 today. At the same time the Republican senatorial committee reported receipts of

MR. LLOYD GEORGE HAS FULL PROGRAM

MAY HAVE OPPORTUNITY TO VISIT UNITED STATES—FORMER BRITISH PREMIER HAS HIGH REGARD FOR AMERICA. EXPECTS TO WRITE BOOK.

London, Oct. 29.—Should Mr. Lloyd George fail to obtain a nominating or even a good political strategic position in the coming general election there are at least two things which may occupy his attention—his long hoped for visit to America and the writing of his memoirs.

With receipt of the invitation from secretary of Labor Davis on behalf of the American Gorse, a Welch society, the question of the former prime minister's visit to the United States has been revived, and it is considered possible that he may realize his cherished desire.

His high regard for America and her people has been emphasized in almost every speech since he relinquished the helm of State and it is known he was deeply impressed by the favorable editorial comment cabled to England following the news of Mr. Davis invitation.

It is considered very possible that if he turns from political activities he will go to the United States before plunging into his memoirs because it would give him a rest, or at least a change from his arduous labors, and would enable him to look at what he might want to say from a distance, giving a better perspective. Then too there would be the opportunity of gleaned additional material from the events of the immediate future.

It may be recalled that when there was considerable criticism of his accepting \$400,000 for his book Lloyd George said he intended to give the proceeds to charity but now that he no longer holds an official position, there is some question as to whether he might not see fit to keep the revenue from his pen as an insurance against adversity.

\$179,485, compared with today's showing of \$136,069.

ABBEVILLE FOOTBALL TEAM VISITS COLUMBIA

The high school football team had a wonderful trip to Columbia last Thursday which was made possible by the generosity of the people of Abbeville who contributed the dollars necessary to finance the trip as a reward for defeating Greenwood for the first time in three years. The boys who were lucky enough to make this trip were: Claude Gambrell, Donald Harris, Bill Bowie, Connie Starnes, Spencer May, Ray Swetenburg, Ashby Galloway, Foster Barnwell, Buster Howie, Joe Crawford, Hugh Bradley, Frank Neuffer, Fred Godfrey, Bill Greene, Tom Howie, Ralph Bauknight, James McComb, Sumter McCord. Bill Nickles was scheduled to go but got left. We hear he has bought a new alarm clock in anticipation of another opportunity.

Major Fulp accompanied the boys and looked after the tickets and details of the trip. Chick Galloway who went at the same time assisted him in getting the boys out to the Fair Grounds. The tickets which were sold the team at half price by the Clemson-Carolina committee called for very good seats, and for two hours and a half the boys enjoyed the toughest football struggle they had ever before seen.

After the game everybody filled up on red lemonade, weiners and hamburger. Some enjoyed the horse races, but most enjoyed the sights along the midway of Johnny Jones' shows. Bill Greene and Tom Howie were decorated with strings of beads

by the fat lady. Buster was caught making love to the lion tamer, and Sumter McCord rode the Butterfly so many times the man in charge gave him six extra tickets. "Judge" James McComb spent part of the afternoon in the Supreme Court chambers in the state house picking out his future desk and chair. Foster Barnwell would have made more progress in his venture if it hadn't been that one arm was out of commission by reason of his broken clavicle. As it was he got along as well with the fair sex as his Uncle Will ever did in the days of State Balls.

Fred Godfrey fell in love with a Syrian lass at the fruit stand near the Union Station and barely made his train back home. He came in the coach with two baskets of grapes, a coconut, bunch of bananas and smelling of Hoyt's cologne. Some say he got Syrian mixed with Armenian, and thought all the while that he was contributing to the Near East Relief. "Zip" was mistaken for a policeman and held a pair of twins for a woman while she was looking over the swine and poultry.

The crowd reaped Abbeville at 12:45 a. m. Friday, sleepy, tired and hungry, but with that satisfied feeling of the end of a perfect day well spent. All concerned deeply appreciate the generous folk who made the trip possible and all proclaim Misses Jeansie White, Virginia Wilson and Judith Hill the finest collectors in the world.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31 WILL BE HALLOWE'EN

Watch Out for the Ghosts, Goblins and Witches, The Town Will Be Alive With Them.

Tuesday, October 31 will be Halloween, or the evening before All Saints day which is November 1. The vigil of All Hallows is associated in the popular imagination with various superstitions and is celebrated by the young with tricks, and games and rites in which the element of prophecy has a prominent place. Decorations of pumpkin heads, black cats, cornstalks and in fact all harvest fruits prevail in Hallowe'en parties. From the dim ages of the past come customs that we know not of, we use during our short day here and pass on to children who will know less than we do about their origin. Yet the strongest parts of a race or people are the things they do without knowing why and the customs they wear for a brief spell.

The boys and girls of Abbeville and other towns in this section will dress up as witches and goblins and have a merry dance of it on Tuesday night. They will tie up the school bell or they will let it ring out, just as the notion strikes them. And they will unhinge your gate, and my gate, overturn porch chairs and turn out lights, and go in droves and go in pairs about their nefarious business. But what would life be worth without it all.

And look back a few years. The mothers and fathers of these same little witches and goblins were placing apples on window ledges for the witches to carry away, and walking seriously and solemnly down the staircase backwards at 12 o'clock, mirror in hand, waiting for the face of the future husband to appear as the last step was reached, and when the last step was reached the lady with the mirror was in such a state of mind she could have seen anything her imagination desired. And the looking into the old well in the dead of night to see the face of the beloved in the deeps thereof; and the turning up of rocks to find a lock of hair of the future husband. And the water trick, or the custom of taking a mouth full of water, and without swallowing or spilling a single drop, walk a certain distance, and the first person of the opposite sex met was the fate of the one trying the trick.

Another source of great fun was to find a boy calling on his girl in the country, and in those days, a fellow went to see his best girl and hitched his rig at the post which usually stood at the front gate. Sometimes the wheels would be changed, front wheels placed on the back, and the back wheels placed in front, which makes a very ridiculous looking buggy. Others went even farther and would take the buggy down and perhaps carry into a barn loft and set up again in the loft; and the boy when leaving would find himself compelled to walk many miles to his home in the middle of the night, much to the joy of certain imps.

One custom prevailing even today of placing a tub of water in the middle of the room at a Hallowe'en party, with nice red apples floating about to be taken out with the teeth is past understanding even by understanding people. There must be a legend back of this custom somewhere, and it may go back as far as Adam and Eve. There is no telling where an apple story will lead you by the working back process.

One of the oldest and prettiest tests of true love and prophecies of future fate is the placing of two chestnuts side by side on the fire. If one hisses and steams it indicates a fretful temper in the owner; if both chestnuts misbehave it augurs strife. If one or both pop away it means separation; but if both turn to ashes tranquilly side by side a long life of undisturbed happiness will be the lot of the owners.

Breach of Trust.

Lem Jackson, a colored man, was placed in jail Saturday charged with breach of trust.

AMERICA INVITED TO PEACE PARLEY

AMBASSADORS OF ALLIED COUNTRIES SEE HUGHES.—UNITED STATES WILL NOT OFFICIALLY PARTICIPATE, SAYS SECRETARY OF STATE.

Washington, Oct. 29.—Another request that the United States actively participate with the Allied governments in the settlement of European difficulties, this time involving the establishment of peace between Turkey and the Allies and the States of the Dardanelles and Bosphorus straits, was received today by the Washington government.

Its formal presentation by Sir Auckland Geddes, the British ambassador, Count de Chamburn, acting for France in the absence of Ambassador Jusserand, and Charge Rossi, who appeared for Senator Ricci the Italian ambassador was followed by a statement from the State Department that this government yesterday had instructed its ambassadors in London, Paris and Rome to inform those governments that it could not officially participate in the Near East conference at Lausanne, Switzerland. At the same time it was pointed out that there were important interests in the Near East in which this government was keenly interested and treatment by them and the Lausanne conferees will be observed by American representatives.

Secretary Hughes' instruction to Ambassadors Harvey, Herriek and Child, it was understood, recounted the interests of the United States in subjects to come before the Lausanne meeting for adjustment. Outstanding among these were said to be that of protection of racial and religious minorities in Turkish territory and other humanitarian considerations, including those at the great missions and educational institutions.

Secretary Hughes listened attentively to the reading and received a copy of the invitation. He informed his callers then of the steps he had taken to acquaint their respective home governments with the attitude of the United States respecting the settlement of the Near Eastern questions at Lausanne. Mr. Hughes was understood to have promised the three diplomats, however, that he would respond later in writing to the invitation they had brought.

BY THE LAWS OF FRANCE

Ambassador Jusserand Comments on Dry Ruling.

New York, Oct. 29.—M. Jules Jusserand, French ambassador to the United States, on his arrival today on the Paris from France, asserted that in the face of the recent "bone dry" ruling of Attorney General Daugherty, which prohibits the use or carriage of any liquors on vessels entering American ports France can abide only by the laws of France.

He added, however, that no immediate action would be taken by the French embassy in Washington until the Supreme Court has passed upon the ruling.

WARE SHOALS MAN ARRESTED.

W. Higgins, of Ware Shoals, was arrested Saturday night by Deputies Ferguson and Prince of the Abbeville force and prohibition officer. Wright for violation of the prohibition law. He was placed in the Abbeville jail and will make application for bond this afternoon.

COTTON MARKET.

Cotton brought 25 cents on the local market today. Futures closed
Oct. 25.20
Dec. 23.96
Jan. 23.03
March 23.91
May 23.68