

SENATE UPHOLDS HARDING'S VETO

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The senate roll call showed 44 yeas to 28 nays, or four less than the two-thirds majority necessary to enact the measure without the president's approval.

Although it was reported that a new bonus bill might be introduced tomorrow, it was certain the bonus fight would not be renewed at least until the next session of congress, which will begin December 4.

There were two changes in the senate. Senator Cameron (Republican) of Arizona, who voted for the bonus originally, voting to sustain the veto while Senator McKinley (Republican) of Illinois, who it was announced was favorable to the bill on the first vote was paired against it.

Union County Singing Convention

The following persons have been appointed as a committee on arrangements for the Union County Singing Convention.

First Baptist church—C. C. Sanders, S. L. Sparks, J. Wylie Sanders, Miss Ruby O'Shields.

Westside Baptist church—W. I. Kennett, J. Byrum Lawson, J. M. McMillan.

Tabernacle Baptist church—G. L. Kirby, Eugene Gregory Mr. Bishop. Moneta Baptist church—J. A. Crosby, L. D. Neighbors.

Presbyterian church—Sam J. Harris, Miss Vera Murrach.

Grace Methodist church—C. C. Cooper, M. O. Lancaster, Miss Catherine Layton.

Green Street Methodist church—Rance Foster, Mr. Leonhardt.

Bethel Methodist church—Rev. Cogburn, Grover West W. T. Farr. Unity Methodist church—J. A. Parson, Simoa Smith.

Episcopal church—W. W. Johnson. Meeting is to be held Thursday evening at 7:30 at the rooms of the Young Men's Business League. All members of the various committees are urged to come.

Wrestling Match

It was a little disappointment to many last night who attended the wrestling match at the Salvation Army hall and as the music from the First S. C. Regimental Band began the wrestling fans lined up but on finding the door wide open and no one selling tickets and seeing no wrestlers they were somewhat puzzled, then as they went on the inside and the curtain went back and Adjutant Davis began to read some scripture about God wrestling with Jacob and so on they began to realize that it was one on them and while some could not stand the joke others stayed and enjoyed the service. The fans are in their admission fees and Adjutant Davis is out thirty cents, cost of advertising.

Adjutant J. Davis, Salvation Army.

SWYGERT GUILTY OF MANSLAUGHTER

Lexington, Sept. 20.—Early tonight the jury in the case of Job C. Swygert, charged with murder for the killing of Dr. J. C. Nicholson of Leesville, returned a verdict of guilty of manslaughter with recommendation to mercy.

Mr. Swygert fatally wounded Dr. Nicholson on the streets of Leesville two years ago. The case was called Monday afternoon and consumed all the time up to this afternoon, going to the jury at 4:30 o'clock.

Mr. Swygert shot Dr. J. C. Nicholson on the streets of Leesville on Sunday morning, April 3, 1920. Dr. Nicholson was carried to a hospital in Columbia shortly after the shooting and died there that night.

The court will take up the case against George W. Miller tomorrow morning. Miller is charged with assault and battery with intent to kill. He shot and seriously wounded D. E. Hammond at Gilbert last fall and has been confined in the Lexington jail, the state penitentiary and the State hospital since that time for safekeeping.

Noted Composer-Humorist To Appear Here

Due to an unexpected cancellation in his bookings Mr. Edwin McConnell, famous popular and sacred song composer and humorist, has been secured by the management of the Rialto Theatre to appear here for three days beginning Thursday of this week.

Mr. McConnell has a national reputation as a writer and composer; his songs having long been famous. Among the great number of "hits" he has written are "Wonderful Girl," "Goodbye Germany," "Never Can Tell," "Down in Dixie Land," "Heart-Breaking Blues," "Buddies," "Sunshine, Shadows and Rain," "Pretty Babies," etc.

There is no doubt that many will take advantage of the opportunity to hear these famous entertainers. They are without doubt the highest priced vaudeville act ever to appear upon a local stage.

Storm Warnings Displayed

Washington, Sept. 21.—The South Atlantic storm is central this morning off Cape Hatteras and is moving northeastward, so the weather bureau reported today. The storm warning was displayed along the coast from Cape Hatteras to Boston.

Great Britain's War Debt to U. S.

Washington, Sept. 21.—Great Britain's payment of interest on her war debt to the United States due October 15 will amount to approximately \$50,000,000, according to belief today in high treasury officials.

Preaching at Hebron

Next Sunday, the 24th, is the regular preaching day at Hebron church. Everybody is invited to attend. Services at 8:30 p. m.

Death of An Infant

On Tuesday, Sept. 19, 1922, the death angel entered the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hyder and took away their eight months old daughter, Mary Rosa. The little one was ill only a few days.

Furman Student Dismissed for Hazing

Greenville, Sept. 21.—"Bud" Langford, the star of Furman University's football team, has been indefinitely suspended from college as a result of charges growing out of hazing the freshman. The student body held a meeting and drew up a petition in view of having Langford reinstated.

BRITISH PREPARE FOR TURKISH MOVE

London, Sept. 20 (By the Associated Press).—Beyond the fact that the result of Lord Curzon's conference at Paris with Premier Poincare was an agreement among the three allied powers, Great Britain, France and Italy, on the advisability of convening a peace conference, little has become known of today's developments in the Near East crisis.

The sudden and unexpected call for a ministerial conference in London this afternoon, which led to a formal council, caused renewed alarms concerning possible critical developments, but these were allayed later when, although no official communication was issued throwing light on the origin of the sudden conference, it was intimated that the situation instead of having undergone a change for the worse might be considered much easier.

The assumption is that the council considered the projected peace conference and M. Poincare's explicit statement that under no circumstances would French soldiers be employed against the Kemalists.

Evidence that the British government has apprehensions that Kemal Pasha may attempt to invade the neutral zone is found in the anxiety the government displays to make clear that the Greeks at no time have been within the Chanak neutral zone. An official statement in this connection admits that on one occasion Greeks pursuing brigands last May crossed into the neutral zone, but on meeting British troops immediately withdrew and this was the only occasion on which they violated the neutral line.

This statement reveals the desire to prove that Kemal Pasha has no excuse to violate the neutral zone. That this anxiety is not misplaced is indicated by news dispatches from the Associated Press correspondent today that the Ankara assembly has confirmed Kemal Pasha's dictatorship and accorded him a free hand in the present crisis and the report current in Constantinople that the Kemalists are preparing for an attempt on the straits before the end of the present week and before Great Britain is able to get up reinforcements. Although it seems evident that in any such development England will be left to act alone, it is emphasized in official quarters tonight that there has been no request from France for the withdrawal of British troops from the Asiatic side of the straits. The Daily Mail in its conduct of an anti-government campaign insistently demands that Great Britain follow the example of France and Italy and withdraw all British forces from Chanak. It argues that their exposed position is a military blunder and a serious danger because "while politicians are talking the men on the spot may find themselves compelled to start fighting."

Notice to Public

The United States Treasury Department announces that after September 30, 1922, the \$1 Treasury Saving Stamps will not be on sale and the purchase prices of Treasury Saving Certificates will be advanced from \$20 to \$20.50 for the \$25 certificates, from \$80 to \$82 for the \$100 certificates and from \$800 to \$820 for the \$1,000 certificates. Postmaster at Union, who has just been advised of this change in prices of savings certificates, states that it will be possible for persons to make purchases at the present prices of \$20, \$80 and \$800, respectively, until the close of business September 30, 1922. Treasury Savings Certificates, on sale at the post office, are for those seeking an investment with the assurance of absolute safety and a guarantee of the return of principal with interest at the rate of 4-1/2 per cent on present issue price, compounded semi-annually, if held to maturity. Postal Savings are also offered by the post office for the safe deposit of funds, amounts being received from 10 cents up to \$2,500. An interest bearing account in Postal Savings may be opened for \$1, paying 2 per cent per annum, accounts may be transferred without cost between post offices, deposits and withdrawals may be made by mail and funds deposited are subject to withdrawal on demand at the post office where the deposit is made. Postal Savings appeal to those who do not have a banking connection.

Authority to Issue Stock

Washington, Sept. 21.—The interstate commerce commission today granted authority to Tennessee, Alabama, Georgia railway to issue \$200,000 of common capital stock, \$400,000 of preferred and to assume obligations for \$97,000 in promissory notes.

Renw Efforts to Put Down Strike Violence

Birmingham, Sept. 21.—Outbreaks of violence in the Birmingham railroad district last night caused renewed energy on the part of the authorities today in an effort to put down the use of high explosives. Rigid inquiry is being made in connection with the blowing up of a box car used as a bunk house in the yards of the Louisville and Nashville railroad. The explosion smashed the car to pieces and one man, Clarence Bones, was severely injured.

DOUBLE MURDER REMAINS MYSTERY

New Brunswick, Sept. 21.—The Old Hill Top Farm where the murdered bodies of Rev. Edward Wheeler Hall and the leader of his choir, Mrs. James Mills, were found Saturday, was the play grounds for the minister's wife when a child. Every nook and corner of the place was familiar to Mrs. Hall and her eccentric brother, Willie Steven, whose movements the night of the murder has been under inquiry by the detectives.

New Brunswick, N. J. Sept. 20 (By the Associated Press).—The snares spread by the prosecuting and detective staffs of two counties five days ago for the person or persons responsible for the killing of the Rev. Edward Wheeler Hall, rector of the Protestant Episcopal church of St. John the Evangelist, and Mrs. James Mills, choir leader in the church were closing in tonight, the police said, on a single suspect.

"We will not be rushed in this case," said Prosecutor Stricker of Middlesex county. "To make an arrest now would be to open the way for habeas corpus proceedings, which would force us to disclose the lines along which we have been working."

Detectives of Middlesex and Somerset counties were reported working in widely scattered points of New Jersey throughout the day and all were understood to be working to make more tangible the theory in which the unnamed suspect is the central figure.

Detectives Totten and members of the prosecutor's staff of Somerset questioned every member of the family at the Hall home. Totten, carried with him the revolver found yesterday, which is believed to be the weapon with which the clergyman and Mrs. Mills were killed. The detective quoted Willie Stevens as denying that the gun was his, while at the same time admitting that he had a pistol.

Union Masons Have Historical Charters

Union Masons have three old historical charters, one of which bears the signature of George Washington, the signature of the late Dr. Albert G. Mackey, of Charleston, S. C. These charters are property of Union Lodge No. 75, Ancient Free Masons and were issued to Union Masons by the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge Ancient Free Masons of South Carolina, all of which are prized very highly.

The oldest of these charters is one granted to Union Lodge No. 43, A. F. M., which is 104 years old and was issued by M. W. Grand Master Thomas W. Bacot December 26, 1818. This is a very quaint and unique written document and is a very interesting find for students of rare and ancient documents.

Weather and Crop Conditions in S. C.

Excepting intermittent showers and some locally heavy rains in the coast counties, the weather has continued dry, with abundant sunshine, becoming cooler toward the week end. All late crops in the interior show the effects of drought, and fall plowing has been materially retarded, due to hard soil. Late corn and late gardens are poor, especially up-state, where adequate rains have not fallen for a long time. Sweet potatoes, fall white potatoes and peanuts are in good condition generally, but would be improved by rain. Large quantities of good forage have been secured. Cotton is in poor productive condition and has steadily deteriorated, due to dry weather and weevil ravages; the top crop is practically destroyed, and large sized bolls in the intermediate crop have been punctured; the crop is opening rapidly, and picking is well advanced. Good apples and grapes are being marketed, but good vegetables are becoming rather scarce. Generous rains are needed for all late crops, except in sections of the coast counties. Richard H. Sullivan.

TURKS EAGER TO Press Advantage

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MEETING PREVENTS WAR IN EAST

Paris, Sept. 20 (By the Associated Press).—Definite assurance that there will be no war in the Near East and the calling of a peace conference for the settlement of the Turkish problem were the chief results of the allied meeting this afternoon. Premier Poincare, Lord Curzon and Count Sforza were the participants in the conference.

The eight interested powers including the Angora government, will gather around the peace table within three weeks, probably at Rome or Venice, and make a new treaty with Turkey to take the place of the treaty of Sevres.

The eight nations called together are Great Britain, France, Italy, Japan, Turkey, Greece, Rumania and Jugoslavia.

Japan's inclusion at the last minute came as a surprise. It was due to Lord Curzon's insistence. The British foreign secretary told Premier Poincare that his government frankly feared the close association it had reason to believe existed between Moscow and Angora and Japan's presence was desired to offset this Bolshevik influence. It was also explained that Japan was a signatory of the treaty of Sevres which is to be abandoned for the new agreement and was entitled to be present for that reason.

It is remarked in French circles, however, that the participation of Japan insures another vote for British policy in any issue which may arise in the conference. M. Poincare in consenting to the presence of Japan demanded also the presence of Rumania and Pugo-slavia.

While the United States was not included among the eight countries to participate it is regarded as certain that a mere intimation from the American government that it desires to attend, even an observer, will be followed by an instant invitation from the allies. In fact there is said to be strong sentiment in certain quarters in favor of asking the United States to send a representative, but in view of American aloofness from European affairs it was decided not to take the initiative.

Lord Curzon, M. Poincare and Count Sforza were in complete accord that there should be no war in the Near East, but Lord Curzon asserted Great Britain felt that the presence of a strong fleet in the straits was necessary to maintain freedom of passage.

Admiral Lord Beatty of the British navy and Admiral Grasset of the French navy, reported on the military and naval situation in the Dardanelles. Admiral Beatty is believed to have said that freedom of the straits could be maintained by the navy.

While insisting on what they term their legitimate claims to eastern Thrace, Adrianople and Constantinople, the Turks are understood to have informed M. Poincare that they would consent to remain masters of Asia Minor until the conference had given consideration to these other claims.

French officials are confident tonight of a complete agreement with Great Britain when the allied meeting resumes on Friday, and it is freely predicted that the British troops will retire. On the other hand, late tonight, in reply to a question, it was authoritatively stated in British quarters that the British troops were not in danger at Chanak, which gave rise to the report that they might remain there with the tacit approval of the Turks.

TODAY'S COTTON MARKET

Table with columns: Open, Close. Rows: October, December, January, March, May.

N. Y. Spot . . . . . 21.05 Local market . . . . . 21c

HOLDING COTTON IN WAREHOUSES

Approximately 150,000 bales of cotton, a large percentage being long staple, has been carried through the past summer by the state warehouse system and today this cotton is worth easily \$170 a bale, according to J. Clifton Rivers, state warehouse commissioner.

"The state system is growing and increasing each day. We are taking in new warehouses every day," Mr. Rivers said yesterday. With the old storage over the summer and the new cotton coming in every day the state warehouses will soon be full, Mr. Rivers pointed out. "Everything points to the present season being the most prosperous the state system has experienced in its history," the commissioner declared. "We have the best rate of insurance we have ever had and the letters we are receiving daily from people all over the state assure those in charge the state system is the most popular institution of our government—because it deals directly with those who produce, and cares for the product in their own communities."

The Truth About Freemasonry

(By William C. Lake, 32nd degree) Down through the ages from time immemorial has come to us this ancient and honorable order. It has thrived and prospered in every country and every clime and its votaries are to be found in all parts of God's green earth.

In darkest Africa where civilization has failed to penetrate, the principles of this order have been practiced by the inhabitants of the jungles.

In the wigwags and on the hunting grounds of the redskin its ceremonies have been witnessed by the paleface.

Its emblems have been carved in the frozen ice at the farthest point reached by the Arctic explorer by the promoters of the art.

It has been condemned and denounced from the pulpits of the churches in our land. It has been thrown into national American politics and its principles and teachings denounced from the stumps throughout the country.

Denunciations have been issued from the Vatican with a view toward crushing the order. Kings and Queens have issued royal edicts forbidding the assemblies of its members under penalty of death and authorizing the destruction of its property.

Thousands of its members have been harassed, persecuted, tormented and burned publicly at the stake on confessing any knowledge or connection of the order.

Its enemies have sought every means and put into execution every destructive act, word and deed known to the human mind to destroy and wipe out of existence this order.

Despite all the reverses, all the ravages of time and the attacks of its enemies it has stood the test, and it is with us today, great and good as the day it was founded. It will be handed down to posterity as the greatest fraternity.

"The Father of His Country," George Washington, was a devoted member of its art, and while president of the United States presided over its deliberations.

And so the greatest and best men, in all ages, have been encouragers and promoters of the art. It appeals to the best in man, and helps to make him a better, nobler and honorable citizen. The best friend of the free public schools is Freemasonry.

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EXPECT COTTON PRICES TO SOAR

Cotton at 35 or 40 cents a pound before another year is "entirely within the bounds of reason," according to J. Clifton Rivers, warehouse commissioner, in a statement issued yesterday.

Mr. Rivers urges to farmers to go slow in offering their cotton for sale as he expects a gain of from \$25 to \$50 a bale within a few weeks.

In discussing the general situation, Mr. Rivers made the following statement: "Knowing that it is not good policy to advise people concerning the future prices of cotton, I have refrained so far this year from appearing in the public prints, but conditions have forced themselves upon us, and in the face of a market steady and strong, and with the sale of Texas cotton at the rate of 50,000 bales per day, together with an industrial situation, the like of which at marketing time the cotton belt has never experienced, it is time for somebody to sit up and take notice."

"Cotton with all this trade of selling and violent bearish circumstances has remained steady at a price around 22 cents per pound; therefore, those who have studied the situation are convinced that as soon as the supply begins to diminish and the industrial situation has a prospect of settling, a great deal higher prices than at present will be realized for spot cotton."

"It, therefore, behooves every farmer who has a bale of cotton to go slow in offering it for sale, as a few weeks, in the opinion of the writer, will show a gain of \$25 to \$50 per bale in the amount realized from such sale. Store your cotton in a state-warehouse and get a receipt issued by the state and relieve yourselves of your liabilities and watch your product increase in value shortly by caps and bonds, at a minimum cost. It is entirely within the bounds of reason to predict that cotton will bring 35 to 40 cents per pound before another year, and this increase in value should be turned into the hands of the farmers rather than into the hands of the cotton speculators. Sell just as little cotton at present prices as you possibly can and store and hold for a few weeks and realize the profit, which in my opinion and in the opinion of others who have studied the situation, will be a great increase over the present price."

Baptists, Attention!

The members of the executive committee of the Union County Association, together with the pastors, are urgently asked to meet at the First Baptist church next Friday at 10 o'clock. Matters of great importance are to be considered.

Edw. S. Reaves, Chairman.

Tariff Bill Effective Tonight

Washington, Sept. 21.—President Harding today signed the tariff bill of 1922 making the new rates effective at midnight tonight.

Bill Signed by President

Washington, Sept. 21.—The Capper-Tincher bill providing for the regulation of trading in futures grain markets was signed today by President Harding.

Ford Plants to Reopen Tomorrow

Detroit, Sept. 21.—Plants of the Ford Motor company in the Detroit district, which closed last Saturday throwing 100,000 workers out of work because of the coal situation, thereby in different parts of the country, will reopen tomorrow, was officially announced. Orders for reopening the plants were telegraphed here by Edw. B. Ford, president of the company, who is in Cincinnati.

Injunction Made Permanent

Greensboro, N. C., Sept. 21.—The temporary injunction of the Southern Railway against he striking shopmen at Spencer restraining officials and members of the workers organizations from interference with the interstate commerce movement of the United States mails was made permanent by Judge Boyd, of the Federal court here today.

Macbeth Wagon left yesterday for Columbia to resume his studies at the University of South Carolina.

Miss Annie Wilburn is spending a few days with relatives on Route 2.

C. Allen has returned from the northern markets, where he went to purchase the fall and winter stock of C. Allen company.

W. T. Powell, who has been quite indisposed for sometime, is improving. He has hundreds of friends throughout Union county who will be pleased to hear this good news and hope soon to see him at his post of duty.