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COLONEL HOUSE RETURNS HOME

President Wilson's Personal Adviser Back From Paris—Comes Back In Poor Health—Has Nothing to Say—Friends Help Texan Down Gangplank in New York.

New York, Oct. 12.—Col. Edward M. House, personal adviser to President Wilson at the Paris peace conference, arrived here today on the transport Northern Pacific suffering from a "slight attack of grippé." Colonel House spent nearly a year in Paris, where he had been representing President Wilson in the supreme council since the latter's return home. With Colonel House were his wife, Commander McLean, his personal physician, and several others who have been members of the colonel's party at Hotel Crillon.

The colonel would make no statement regarding his health except to say that he was "much better," but it was noticed that friends helped him down the gangplank when he came ashore.

Passengers said that he rarely left his stateroom during the trip from Brest and that several times while at sea his personal physician called in Capt. E. L. Lee, the ship's surgeon, for consultation. Following these consultations it was stated that Colonel House was suffering from a "slight attack of grippé."

While newspaper men were admitted to the ship's saloon, for a short interview with the colonel, agreed that he seemed to be "a very sick man," several close friends of the diplomat expressed delight at finding him "looking so well."

'POSSUM HUNT WITH AUTOMOBILE SEARCHLIGHT

There are many ways to hunt the wary 'possum but Alvin Ellis, Hal Taggart, Paul Kennedy and Russell Thomson are telling a wonderful tale of an automobile hunt with the aid of an automobile searchlight between here and Due West while returning recently from the Clemson-Davidson football game.

As the machine was coming toward Abbeville about two miles out of Due West the headlight disclosed a 'possum running across the road and into the bushes on the side. The machine was stopped and the searchlight was manipulated so as to throw the light in any direction. Soon after Brer Possum was found, hugging the limb of a tree, affecting a somnolent indifference to the spotlight.

It was easy to bag him and the next day the four young men had 'possum and sweet potatoes for dinner.

LYCEUM COURSE BEGINS HERE ON OCT. 16.

The Lyceum Course, secured for the benefit of the Abbeville Memorial Hospital, will begin Thursday, October 16, with the presentation of "The Colleen". The Colleen program opens with a village scene in Ireland and the four young gladiators who comprise the company are appropriately dressed in Irish costumes. The program will consist of songs of Ireland, a Salvation Army sketch, rendition of selections from standard operas and an attractive playlet.

The second number of the Lyceum course will be given October 31, by Rich-Werno entertainers.

Mrs. J. Dendy Miller went over to Chester Saturday to see Walter Sherard, who is in the hospital there.

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS IN SESSION HERE THIS WEEK

The Court of Common Pleas convened here Monday morning, Judge R. W. Memminger, Charleston, presiding. Other court officials present were Clerk Perrin, Sheriff Burts and Stenographer Perrin.

One case, Robert Gilliam, Administrator, versus Southern Railway Company, was tried and a verdict of \$150 was brought in for plaintiff.

Court adjourned at 10 o'clock to convene again this morning at 9 o'clock.

The following is the schedule of case set for this week.

Tuesday: James Haddon vs. Southern Railway Co.

Wednesday: Mary Blackstone vs. City of Abbeville; Brownlee vs. Woods.

Thursday: S. H. Barnes vs. Campbell; Fuller vs. Christian Burial Aid Society; Fuler vs. Heard.

Monday, Oct. 20: Calhoun Mills vs. Black Diamond Collieries; First National Bank vs. Calhoun Mills.

SUGAR ECONOMY WILL BE PRACTICED

New York, Oct. 12.—Heavily increased use of sugar in candy, soft drinks, ice cream and other luxuries in the United States during the first nine months of 1919, it was announced here today, by the United States sugar equalization board means that such over indulgence in sweets "must now be curtailed in some sections of the East for the next three months."

George A. Zabriskie, president of the board, in a statement to the press, declared that although the talk of shortage persists, it was a fact that from last January to September, inclusive, 500,000 tons or 18 per cent more sugar had been delivered to American consumers than for the same period of 1918. The normal increase in consumption for the period named, he said, would have been 4 per cent.

The West should secure immediate relief from the harvesting of an average beet crop, said the statement, which will be in full swing within a week. The Louisiana supply of 100,000 tons available after November 1, while disappointing, will serve to supply the South until the new West Indian crop is ready next January. The East is dependent, however, it was said, on the old Cuban supply and "conservation," therefore, would have to be practiced for a time in this section of the country. To meet the condition in the East, Frank C. Lowery, it was announced, will supervise and direct the distribution of all sugar by the Eastern refiners.

After October 15 and until January 1, it was said, all territory west of Pittsburgh and Buffalo and north of the Ohio river, will have to depend upon the sugar beet producers. Deliveries of sugar to the trade in the East, it was said, during October, November and December would approximate those made in October, 1918. Considerably more beet sugar will be marketed this year than last.

No Trace of Turner.

Charlotte, N. C., Oct. 12.—Joe Turner, the negro wanted in Greenville, charged with the murder of two policemen last Sunday morning, is believed to have escaped from this vicinity. The local police have maintained vigilant watch ever since the fugitive arrived here on a freight train Friday night and for several hours was thought to be surrounded by police and an armed posse, but no trace of him has been found since he was said to have been seen by a negro tenant a few miles north of the city Saturday morning.

Home From New York.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Foster Barrwell returned Friday afternoon from a visit to New York. Mr. Barrwell's visit was on business, while Mrs. Barrwell enjoyed the style shows and the sights of the big city.

COTTON BRINGS TOP OF MARKET

Abbeville Cotton Market Is As Good As Any In State—The State Shows Variation in Prices in Towns of South Carolina on Saturday's Market.

Cotton brought 34 1-4 and seed .95 per bushel in Abbeville Saturday, as high a price as paid in any market in the State. The Columbia State in its issue of Sunday published reports from the various towns of the State showing the prices. There was a big variation both in the prices paid for cotton and for cotton seed. The reports as published in The State follow:

Newberry, Oct. 1.—Cotton 34 1-4; seed \$1.03 per bushel.

Rock Hill, Oct. 11.—Cotton 34 1-8 cents; seed \$1 per bushel.

Charleston, Oct. 11.—Cotton 33 cents; seed per bushel, \$1.08.

Greenwood, Oct. 11.—Cotton 34 cents; highest price 34 1-16; seed \$67 per ton.

Camden, Oct. 11.—Middling cotton 33 cents; seed 67 cents per bushel wagon lots, \$67 per ton car load lots.

Dillon, Oct. 11.—Cotton 32.65 cents; seed \$1.05 per bushel.

Bamberg, Oct. 11.—Middling cotton sold for 33 5-8 cents on the Bamberg market today; seed \$70 per ton.

Edgefield, Oct. 11.—Cotton 33 7-8 cents today; seed \$1 per bushel.

St. Matthews, Oct. 11.—Cotton sold freely here today at 38 cents; seed at \$73 per ton.

York, Oct. 11.—The prevailing price for cotton on the York market today was 35 cents; seed \$1 per bushel.

Chester, Oct. 11.—Cotton 34 cents; \$1.04 was paid here today for seed.

Bishopville, Oct. 11.—Short staple cotton sold here today for 33 cents; long staple 57 cents; seed \$70 per ton.

Greenville, Oct. 11.—Middling cotton was quoted as high as 33 1-2 cts. here today, although the prevailing price here and in other Piedmont markets was 33 cents even; seed was quoted at 55 cents per bushel.

Darlington, Oct. 11.—Short staple cotton sold here today for 33 1-2 cts; long staple 55 to 57 1-2 cents; seed \$60 per ton.

Sumter, Oct. 11.—Middling cotton sold here today at 32 3-4 cents; seed by the car load at \$1.09 per bushel and wagon seed at 97 cents.

Springfield, Oct. 11.—Cotton brought 33 1-2 cents on the market here today; seed \$1.05 per bushel.

Money For Memorial.

Last week the students of the Abbeville city schools raised over \$100 for the South Carolina memorial and the amount raised Friday, the day set by the commission of the school drives, was \$99.99, and was subscribed by the pupils.

Capt. J. D. Fulp, the superintendent, had instructed the teachers the first of the week to daily remind the children of the plan and encourage them to earn the money rather than ask their parents for it. The children's interest and hard work is shown by the sum realized.

TREASURER'S OFFICE READY FOR BUSINESS

Treasurer Jones opened his 1919 Tax books today for business. Taxpayers have until January 1 before the first penalty of 1 percent is imposed. On February 1, the second penalty of 2 percent, is imposed and on March 1 those who have not paid their taxes will have to pay 7 percent more. The taxes this year with the exception of the school tax, is the same as last year, 18 1-2 mills.

Hunting Up Kinsfolks.

Mr. C. D. Corley and Mr. Claude Spears, two handsome young men from Clinton, were in town Sunday visiting people whom they hope to make close kin to them soon.

FLYING PARSON FIRST IN RACE

Makes Ocean-to-Ocean Trip in Fastest Time—Return Trip Oct. 28.

General Satisfaction in Army Circles Over Result of the Race.

New York, Oct. 12.—Lieutenant B. W. Maynard, the "flying parson," today was speed king of the army air service, having completed the first trans-continental air flight in history yesterday when he arrived at San Francisco at 12:07 p. m., from Roosevelt field, Mineola. Lieutenant Maynard's total time in the air for the 2,701-mile flight was unofficially estimated at 24 hours, 58 minutes, 55 and one-half seconds.

Lieutenant E. C. Kiel, first of the San Francisco entries to reach Mineola, touched the wheels of his landing gear at Roosevelt field at 6:35:10. Twenty seconds later, Major Carl Spatz, another Pacific coast starter, landed. Major Spatz had lost four minutes and a half by mistaking Hazelhurst field for Roosevelt and added he would not think of contesting the point.

Figured in eastern time, the hour of Maynard's arrival would be 4:12:07, giving him a lead of two hours and twenty-three minutes over the first to check in from the west. Major Spatz and Lieutenant Kiel's flying time had not been computed today. Major Spatz calculated roughly that he had averaged two miles a minutes over the entire course.

Seven Expect to Finish.

Seven flyers in the great trans-continental air race, four winding their way westward and three eastward, were expected today to check in at the finish lines on both coasts.

Racing from Mineola to San Francisco, Captain H. C. Drayton, in a De Haviland 4, was reported to be nearing the Pacific coast in the latest advices received by the American flying club here. Captain Drayton had left Battle Mountain, Nev., on his way to Reno and Sacramento.

Three more westward flyers, who reached Salduro, Utah, yesterday afternoon, were expected today to resume their trip to San Francisco. These men were Lieutenant L. S. Webster, Captain J. O. Donaldson, and Lieutenant Alex Pearson, Jr.

Return Trip October 28.

Captain Lowell H. Smith, who threatened to nose out Maynard at one stage of the race, had made the greatest progress among the remaining entrants in the eastward flight. He had reached Rochester in the last reports received by the flying club here and was expected to land at Mineola this afternoon. Lieutenant M. E. Queen and Lieutenant R. S. Worthington were reported from Cleveland, and they, too, if weather permitted, were scheduled to conclude their flight.

General satisfaction was expressed in flying circles today over the date set for the return trip, October 20. Although the return originally was scheduled for an earlier date, it was decided that many of the planes would require a thorough overhauling and that the pilots would need several days' rest before resuming their long journey.

But forty planes of the original sixty-three entries remain in the race and this number is expected to be reduced further when the return flights begin.

Seeking Knowledge.

Since his visit to Abbeville this summer, Dr. A. L. Harvin has been to New York and taken a special course in dentistry, and is back at his offices in Washington. Everybody in Abbeville loves Dr. Harvin and is interested in his career, wanting him to learn enough soon, to come back to Abbeville and live among his own folks. Washington is no place for a really smart man.

THE PLANTERS BANK ANNOUNCES OPENING OF NEW INSTITUTION

The Planters Bank announces today the opening of that institution. A half-page in this issue sets forth the purposes, equipment and facilities of the bank. As is stated in the advertisement, Abbeville's progress and prosperity is clearly reflected in the up-to-date banking institution.

The home of the Planters Bank is one of the best equipped in the State. It is a modern home in every respect. The furnishings and fixtures are beautiful and pleasing—a bank that can certainly meet the needs of its patrons.

The officials of the bank extend a cordial invitation to the public to call in and meet the officers personally. It will be well worth the time spent to drop in and inspect the new bank.

The officers of the new bank are: J. S. Stark, president; Otto Bristow, cashier; L. C. Parker, vice-president.

REUNION CLOSURES WITH GRAND BALL

Atlanta, Ga., Oct. 10.—The Confederate veterans' reunion of 1919 came to a close tonight with a grand ball at the auditorium armory but the crowning feature of the day was the sight of the old soldiers themselves marching in their annual parade.

The remnant of Lee's army that marched today, was little more than 8,000 strong, some in uniform of the old Confederate gray and others in civilian clothes. The streets, gaily decorated for the occasion were literally jammed with spectators, who cheered and wept and laughed as the heroes of the '60s passed in review, many of them for the last time.

Boy Scouts carried water for the old soldiers and Red Cross ambulances followed in the wake of the various divisions, but few of those who started out to march would accept a ride even though overcome. Here and there veterans dropped out of line and rested on the curb, then joined the next division that came along.

Escorts In Line.

The parade took nearly two hours to pass the reviewing stand, the old soldiers themselves being almost outnumbered by their escorts of honor, and members of bands that accompanied them. The band and the machine gunne battalion of the Fifth division of regulars stationed at Camp Gordon was one of the escorts. Local military schools sent their cadets and various civic and fraternal organizations also were in line. There were also a few representatives of the Confederate navy, headed by Admiral Wright of Jacksonville.

Gen. J. M. Van Zandt, commander in chief of the veterans, headed the parade, accompanied by Brigadier General Lewis, commandant of Camp Gordon. As a token of esteem for the veterans the regulars on suggestion of their officers, saluted the Confederate flags, especially the score or more of battle town battle flags that were brought forth again and carried at the head of companies.

WALTER SHERARD HURT IN RAILWAY ACCIDENT

Walter Sherard, flagman on the Seaboard, was severely hurt Thursday near Maxwell, when he was knocked off the caboose on which he was riding by a car on another track. He was hanging on the hand rods with his feet on the steps and his body extending out some distance from the car. His back was badly cut and bruised. He was taken to Pryor Hospital, Chester, where he is reported as resting well. Mrs. Jas. Sherard accompanied him to the hospital.

Mrs. Perrin Sick.

Friends of Mrs. Mary Perrin hear with sorrow of her serious illness at her home on North Main street. Mrs. Perrin was stricken with paralysis Thursday afternoon and rallies slowly from the shock.

CONGRESS HAS POOR RECORD

Has Accomplished Nothing in the Way of Constructive Legislation—Johnson Amendments Come Up This Week—Vote to Be Closed—Twenty-Second Week.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 12.—With a record of little constructive or important legislation accomplished, congress enters tomorrow upon the twenty-second week of its special session.

This week finds the peace treaty still without ratification and final action improbable before the middle of November. Nothing definite has been done as to railroad legislation, although the administration plans to turn the common carriers back to their owners by the new year.

Army reorganization is still in abeyance. There is no policy as to immigration, the tariff and revenue matters; merchant marine issues have been undetermined, the soldiers settlement bill advocated by the interior department is seemingly no nearer passage, and the odds and ends of reconstruction legislation, important though they be, yet lie in the waste basket of an inactive but loquacious congress.

Someone at the capital, who has endeavored to keep track of the long debates in both houses and to check actions against words, observes that only four really important bills have so far received approval. It is a rather sad record for twenty odd weeks.

Perhaps the Johnson amendment to the peace treaty may come to a vote this week. This amendment proposes to equalize American and British representation in the assembly of the League of Nations. The result according to best information obtainable will be so close that one vote may determine whether the amendment fails or stands.

Some Democrats say that Senator Kellogg, Republican, of Minnesota, may determine the issue. The Republicans stand to lose four of their number on a party alignment, but four Democrats are expected to vote for the Johnson amendment. Should Senator Kellogg vote with the administration the vote would be a tie and the vice-president could save the treaty. This indicates the closeness and bitterness of the senate fight.

TWO CANDIDATES FOR SHERIFF IN ABBEVILLE

There are two avowed candidates for sheriff in this county—Deputy Marshal C. J. Bruce and Policeman Foster McLane. Neither one has officially entered the contest, but it is generally understood that they are in training for the race. Sheriff Burts has not said whether he intended to run for election or not. He was appointed by Governor Cooper when Sheriff C. J. Lyon was appointed United States Marshal.

Seeing the Pictures.

Mrs. Oscar Lanier brought her children to town Friday night to see "Daddy Long Legs", the attractive picture shown at the Opera House. Mrs. Lanier was the guest of Mrs. R. O. Edwards.

COTTON MARKET.

October 13,	
Spot Cotton	34.00
New York Cotton Market	
January	33.34
March	33.20
May	33.25
October	33.15
December	33.41