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GOSSETT TRIAL TO BE RESUMED THURSDAY

Four Motions By Counsel For Defense Are Overruled--Change of Venue, Illegally Constituted Court, Illegal Venire and Continuance Motions All Lost

GENERAL BONHAM RETAINED

The trial of Kenneth and John Gossett will be resumed here Thursday morning at 10 o'clock, motion for a change of venue having been denied Tuesday evening by Judge Sease.

It is understood that General Milledge L. Bonham, former inspector general, and native of Abbeville, has been retained as attorney by defense in the Gossett case and is expected to arrive tonight from Anderson.

General Bonham is one of the best known and most distinguished lawyers in the State and his addition to counsel for defense will be of interest not only to his many friends here, but will be a matter of statewide interest.

Four Motions Overruled

Four motions were argued by attorneys for defense before Judge Sease Wednesday morning. All were overruled.

The first of these motions was that the court was unconstitutionally constituted and the second to quash the indictment on the ground that the court, ordered by the governor was unconstitutionally constituted in that the governor had exceeded his constitutional powers and invaded the judiciary in ordering a special term of court. Counsel for defense maintained that only the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court had this authority, while the Supreme Court was not in session.

In overruling this motion Judge Sease said that it was his opinion that the governor did not have the authority to order a special term of court, but that Chief Justice Eugene B. Gary had sanctioned the order by appointing a judge to hold the court and had thus recognized the order of the governor.

Motion to Quash Venire

The third motion was to quash venire on the grounds that the court for which the panel had been drawn was not legally constituted, because unconstitutionally ordered by the governor; in that notice of the drawing of the jury had been published March 19 for a panel to be drawn March 24, 5 days intervening, when the law provided that a ten day notice should be given; further that the jury commission had illegally thrown out from three to six names in the drawing, when it had no authority to reject names drawn unless the persons drawn were known to be disqualified. This last motion was overruled.

The fourth motion was for a continuance on the grounds that the defense had not been able to get local counsel; that sufficient time for the preparation of the case had not been allowed and that the defense thought that they could get material witnesses if they were given further time. This motion was also overruled.

A Public Trial

George Bell Timmerman, one of counsel for defense, raised the question as to how the testimony of prosecutrix in case should be taken, asking the court to allow it to be taken by the clerk of court and brought by him into court. This was disallowed by court and in doing so court said that it intended that the

trial should be as open and as public as possible; that nothing would be secret.

Two Questions Decided

Two questions were decided by Judge Sease Tuesday in the Gossett case. The first was the denial of a motion by counsel for defense for change of venue. The second was the definite and clear cut pronouncement by the court that no soldier would come into the courtroom during the trial.

In making this last statement Judge Sease said that he wanted no show of Prussianism, no sign of militarism with bristling bayonets in a civil court; that the tendency toward such an order of things has already progressed too far.

The court further said that he felt certain that Sheriff Burts could handle the situation with a select corps of civilian deputies.

Judge Sease, in fact by his firm stand on this question placed the matter on the high ground of appealing to the honor and integrity of the people of Abbeville County. He did not believe that there would be any mob violence and that he felt sure the citizens of this county would bear him out in his attitude.

Sheriff Burts when interviewed last night said that no attempt would be made to "slip" the two Gossetts to Abbeville for trial, but that they would be brought here openly under guard of a few deputies; and that only a few deputies would be kept in the Court House during the trial.

In denying the petition for change of venue, Judge Sease said that he believed Kenneth and John Gossett could get a fair trial in Abbeville County; that there was no danger of mob violence and that he was firmly convinced that the people of Abbeville County did not want to see the two Gossetts punished unless they were guilty.

The motion for a change of venue was argued Tuesday afternoon before Judge Sease, court convening at 3 o'clock. From that hour until shortly after six o'clock attorneys for defense and prosecution spoke, coupling cogent reasoning with eloquent appeal. Proctor Bonham, of Bonham and Price, attorneys for defense, made an unusually masterly address in his appeal for a change of venue. He was answered by George Bell Timmerman, of the prosecution. More than 150 affidavits from various sections of the county were offered to sustain the plea that the two Gossetts could not obtain a fair trial in Abbeville County. A great deal was made of the fact by Mr. Bonham that local counsel could not be obtained.

The prosecution in reply also offered affidavits to show that a fair trial could be obtained in Abbeville County.

Deputy Sheriff T. L. Cann, Deputy U. S. Marshal C. J. Bruce and a squad of picked deputies left Wednesday morning on the 10:00 o'clock Southern train for Greenville. This posse will bring the Gossetts to Abbeville in time for the opening of court at 10 o'clock Thursday morning. During the trial the Gossetts will be kept in the Abbeville County jail under a guard of civilian deputies. Among the deputies were Thomas Findley and W. T. Cason.

REWARD FOR FINDING OF BODIES DROWNED SUNDAY IN SAVANNAH

The latest news from Harpers ferry concerning the unfortunate drowning of ten persons, most of whom were children, last Sunday evening brings the tidings that none of the bodies has been found, though the river was carefully dragged for two miles below the ferry Tuesday afternoon.

One thousand dollars was raised in the Lowndesville section Tuesday to be paid as rewards for the finding of the bodies. \$100 is to be given to the person finding one body and the whole amount will be given for the finding of all the bodies.

Several thousands of persons were gathered on the banks of the river Tuesday, while many were dragging the river. People from Greenwood, McCormick, Anderson and other nearby towns were there. Many were relatives of the drowned people. All came to assist in the search for the bodies.

An undergarment of one of the girls was found late Tuesday afternoon about five miles below Harpers Ferry. The garment had caught on a snag near the bank and was recognized by the mother of one of the girls.

The ferry was one of the typical Savannah river ferriers, consisting of a flat bottom boat, which is held in place by two strands of wire cable connecting the boat to another larger cable which extends from one bank of the river to the other. The flow of the river furnishes the power to propel the flat. The front cable is taken up and the rear cable lengthened, making the flat present on oblique surface to the force of the river's flow, thereby propelling it across the stream.

The main cable which is usually moored on each side of the river in some large tree or post which has been especially constructed is generally fastened to a spool and ratchet, it being highly necessary for the principal cable to be kept taut to secure the flat and to make it travel across the river. It was the spool which gave away Sunday afternoon, loosening the big cable and causing the boat to sink. While the cable held tight, the loaded boat naturally kept itself suspended, the force of the river bearing it up, but when it was loosened, the "flies" or sweeps on the side of the boat caused the current to dip the upper end of the flat under water. The flat quickly sank out of sight.

ROBERT L. CADE CALLED TO REST

Mr. Robert L. Cade, 45 years old, died last Friday morning at his home at Lisbon. He belonged to an old and prominent family of this section and was one of the most lovable men in the state. His remains were buried at Friendship church in Wilkes county on Saturday. Mr. Cade is survived by his mother, Mrs. L. O. Cade, to whom he showed a love and devotion that challenged the admiration of all who knew him. He also leaves one brother, John S. Cade, of Mt. Carmel, S. C. Hundreds of friends will learn with profound sorrow of his going away.—Elberton Star.

LAND SOLD

L. M. Tolbert, of the Dixie Land Co., sold this week to J. A. Shands 175 acres of the Gordon White place, four miles south of town, the price paid being about \$50 per acre.

Mr. McKissick in Town

Mr. Rion McKissick, editor of the Greenville Piedmont, arrived here this morning to handle the Gossett case for his paper. Mr. McKissick has many friends in Abbeville who were glad to see him.

BOLL WORM MOST SERIOUS MENACE TO COTTON INDUSTRY

Department of Agriculture Alarmed Over Failure to Control the Pest

Washington, April 6.—Re-appearance of the pink boll worm in Texas and discovery of the insect in Louisiana present the most serious situation which has ever confronted the cotton industry of the United States, according to experts of the Department of Agriculture. Unless preventative measures be immediately taken, a review of the situation issued today said, the boll worm will become a permanent and serious limiting factor in the production of cotton.

The drastic quarantine now being enforced in Louisiana gives hope of an eradication of the pest in that section, the review said but the "unfortunate result" of the resumption of cotton growing in Texas districts where the boll worm has become entrenched threatens to undo the work of stamping out the destroyers.

"As a result of the failure of the state of Texas to carry out the program of control which had been promised, if the insect should reappear," the review stated, "a new and very serious phase of the situation developed early in 1920. The one drawback to success now is the delay in Texas in establishing non-cotton zones for the infected areas, a delay which already has resulted in the planting of considerable areas in cotton. Destruction of this cotton later on, if authorized by the state, will simply mean that much greater cost."

More Indictments Expected by N. Y. Vice Crusader

New York, April 6.—Assistant District Attorney James E. Smith, vice crusader, announced today he expected more members of the police department would be indicted next Thursday when the regular grand jury resumed its consideration of charges that the tenderloin is "wide open." Third Deputy Commissioner Porter and two detectives already are under indictment.

The Fourth inspection district, over which Inspector Dominick Henry has charge, was described by Mr. Smith as "the skunk hole of New York." He added that charges of Rev. John Roach Straton, made Sunday in a sermon at Calvary Baptist church, that vice was rampant along the great white way were "correct."

Palmer Blamed For Sugar Prices

Washington, April 6.—Hearings in connection with the investigation of Attorney General Palmer's action in fixing a 17 1/8 cent price for Louisiana cane sugar as figures that would govern federal actions against sugar profiteers was begun today before a sub-committee of the House judiciary committee. Representative Tinkham, Republican, Massachusetts, author of resolutions proposing the inquiry, appeared before the committee.

He would prove, Mr. Tinkham said, before concluding his presentation that Mr. Palmer's action cost the people of the country \$900,000,000 in increased sugar prices.

Representative Tinkham contended that the Attorney General was without authority under the Lever act or any other statute to fix the price of sugar.

Navy Plane Will Cross the Pacific. Daniels Believes

Washington April 6.—Secretary Daniels told the Senate naval committee today that he hoped that "in two years or less we will have a machine that has flown across the Pacific."

The Secretary was discussing a provision in the annual naval bill for the preservation of the trans-Atlantic seaplane N. C.-4 in the national museum. He did not go into any details as to the proposed trans-Pacific flight.

Mrs. C. B. Alexander of Ware Shoals, is spending the week with her sisters, Mrs. Engles Mrs. Middleton and Mrs. Greene.

Plan to Raise Red Flag in the East

Moscow, March 29.—At a meeting of the Persian communist party held March 27, a manifesto was issued saying:

"The time is not far distant when the Red flag of the free proletariat will be raised in the east," according to advices received here.

Southern Freight Rate Association Is Now Organized

Atlanta, Ga., April 6.—Organization of the Southern Freight Rate Committee, with offices in the transportation building at Atlanta, has been completed, it was announced today by Lincoln Green, vice president of the Southern railway and chairman of the executive committee of the Southern Freight Rate Association.

The committee is composed of the following:

G. K. Caldwell, formerly assistant freight traffic manager, Southern railway system, Atlanta, chairman; S. B. Mitchell, formerly assistant to the freight traffic manager, Louisville & Nashville railroad; Louisville, Ky.; C. McD. Davis, formerly general freight agent, Atlantic Coast Line, Wilmington, N. C.; E. K. Bryan, formerly assistant general freight agent, Illinois Central, Memphis, Tenn.; G. S. Rains, formerly assistant general freight agent, Seaboard Air Line, Norfolk, Va.; L. E. Chalenor, Atlanta, formerly chairman of the Old South-eastern Freight Association, secretary.

The committee will have jurisdiction in the entire territory south of the Ohio and Potomac and east of the Mississippi rivers.

Opposition to the Government General Throughout Ireland

Dublin, April 6.—Opposition to the government never has been so general throughout Ireland as it is today. Some critics protest against the severity of military regime but their attacks are met by demands from others who assert that steps taken have not been sufficiently drastic and that measures intended to be coercive have failed in their object.

Inability to discover leaders of recent disorders and failures to gain information as to plans for raids in future has resulted in sharp criticism.

Government agents are apparently often victims of misinformation and some military raids seem to have been based on data given by persons who are desirous of embarrassing the administration. From time to time raids result in the capture of arms and ammunition but very often the soldiers take only quantities of seditious literature. So much is printed adverse to the government that many homes quite innocent of sympathy with rebellion contain pamphlets that might be easily classified as seditious but possession of such literature is in itself a criminal offense.

Palmer Attacks Smith and Backs

President Wilson

Gainesville, Ga., April 6.—Opening his campaign to obtain the support of Georgia's delegation to the Democratic national convention, Attorney General Palmer in an address here today attacked the candidacy of Senator Hoke Smith for the Democratic Presidential nomination, assailed the record of the Republican majority in congress and upheld the position of President Wilson in the treaty controversy.

The attorney general at the outset of his address said he had entered the Georgia primary because "certain enemies of the administration proposed to enter a candidate" with the intention "only to secure a delegation to the San Francisco convention which might be controlled by the critics of the administration."

"The change in the plans of the opponents of the administration which has resulted in the entering of the name of a distinguished citizen of Georgia as a candidate does not materially alter the situation nor change my duty with respect to it.

Toledo Officials Plan to Restore Traction Service

Toledo, O., April 6.—Following refusal last night of city council to recede to cover a wage raise demanded by striking street carmen, Mayor Cornell Schreiber, Judge John M. Killits of the United States district court, and Henry I. Doherty, head of the Toledo traction interests, planned a conference today in which an attempt will be made to restore car service.

City officials were working frantically today trying to install an efficient motor bus service to take care of the working public, many of whom have been obliged to walk to and from work since Saturday morning when the carmen walked out.

Snow and freezing temperatures are adding to the discomforts of former car riders and downtown business is said to have felt the result of the strike.

Albany, Ga., Shows Healthy Increase

Washington, April 6.—Population statistics announced today by the census bureau include:

Albany, Ga., 11,555, an increase of 2,295, or 24.7 per cent over 1910.

Campbell, Pa., 10,501, an increase of 4,287 or 71.7 per cent.

WOMEN PICKETERS AT CAPITAL LAND IN DETENTION HOUSE

Irish Sympathizers Now Plan to Bomb British Embassy With Literature

Washington, April 6. Disregarding the warnings of the federal government that they would be prosecuted under federal penal statutes, two women favorable to an Irish republic resumed today the picketing of the British embassy which led yesterday to two arrests.

A few minutes after the women appeared carrying banners they were warned by the police to leave and when they failed to obey were arrested. They gave their names as Mrs. Honor, Germantown, Pa., and Miss Elaine Barrie, of Washington.

The second group of women arrested were Miss Helen O'Brien, of St. Louis and Miss Kathleen O'Brien of Philadelphia. They also were taken to the House of Detention.

After being booked at police headquarters on charges of violating the federal statute making it a felony to assault a diplomatic representative of a foreign government the women were taken to the House of Detention, United States District Attorney Laskey, who gave orders for the arrest, placed the amount of bond at \$1,000. It was not furnished and the women were locked up.

As soon as the word of the arrests reached headquarters of the women at a hotel, two more picketers with banners were sent to the embassy and it was announced that the picketers would be sent out in relays as rapidly as those "on duty" were arrested.

When two women appeared the police stationed at the embassy summoned the patrol with police women to arrest them.

Later when it was announced the police were interfering with the picketing on the street, it was then planned to send women up in an airplane to drop literature on the embassy. The first flight, it was said, would take place today, at 4:30 P. M.,

Red Cross Home Section Meets.

The Home Service Section of the Abbeville Chapter American Red Cross held an interesting meeting in the Red Cross rooms yesterday afternoon. Reports covering the work done during the past three months was submitted, showing that the opportunity for service has not decreased but is broadening each day.

The Section is planning to conduct a "Model Office" during the month of May. The plan is an educational campaign to increase interest in Home Service and to secure volunteers. Assistance in this campaign will be given by experts from the Division and a great benefit to the County is expected as a result.

Miss Annie Doty, Supervisor from the Southern Division, is expected in the city today to visit the Chapter and assist in planning for the "Model Office."

Rev. Louis J. Bristow, Maj. J. D. Fulp, Hon. J. M. Nickles, Mrs. J. Denny Miller, Mrs. Foster B. McLane, Miss Eliza Lindsay and Mrs. M. T. Coleman were present at the meeting.

Republicans Pick Candidates Today

New York, April 6.—Republican contests in 17 congressional districts and one in the state at large for delegates to the national convention furnished the principal interest in today's state-wide primaries.

With the exception of the Seventh district in Manhattan, where two independent candidates for delegates are pledged to support Herbert Hoover for the Presidential nomination, all of the contests were made by candidates favoring the nomination of Senator Hiram W. Johnson of California. The "regular" Republican delegates, named by the unofficial state convention last February, will go to the convention unopposed.

COTTON MARKET.

Spot Cotton	43.25
May	40.97
July	38.58
October	35.95
December	33.95