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HALE AND TRAMMEL EXCHANGE WORDS

SENATORS HAVE TILT BEFORE NAVAL INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE—TESTIMONY OF McKEAN IS CAUSE—COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN REPROVES ADMIRAL AND IS REBUKED.

Washington, April 27.—Sharp criticism of Rear Admiral Sims voiced today before the senate naval investigating committee by Rear Admiral J. S. McKean, former assistant chief of naval operations, resulted in a tilt between Chairman Hale and Senator Trammell, Democrat, of Florida when Admiral McKean was reprimanded by Senator Hale for indulging in "personalities." The officer declared he was only following a precedent set by Admiral Sims in his testimony while Senator Trammell remarked that the chairman's objections to personalities had not run against Admiral Sims' "snappy comment."

Admiral McKean, whose appearance followed completion of the cross examination of Capt. W. F. Pratt, who had been on the stand several days, insisted he was not seeking to defend Secretary Daniels or to "damn Sims" in what he said.

Admiral Sims' charge that delays on the part of the navy department early in the war prolonged hostilities four months and cost 500,000 additional lives were "monstrous," Admiral McKean said, adding that if it had been made by a patient in the "government insane asylum," it could be understood, but that coming from a rear admiral on the active list, the head of the naval war college it was an insult to every officer and man in the navy or whosoever was in the navy during the war."

EDWARDS WINS IN NEW JERSEY PRIMARY

Boston, April 28.—Returns received early today from all but 41 of the 1,198 precincts in the state in yesterday's primary showed the election of the four delegates at large who as a group headed the Republican ticket. They are Senator Lodge, Speaker Gillett, former Senator Crane and Edward A. Thurston.

On the Democratic ticket the "regular" slate headed by Senator Walsh appeared assured of election, as former Congressman O'Connell, the fifth candidate was far behind the other four. Senator Walsh's associates are Richard H. Long, twice Democratic nominee for governor, District Attorney Pelliteir and Daniel F. Doherty.

Early returns showed the election of 15 unpledged delegates including those at large, to the Republican national convention.

New Jersey Elections

In the fight for the Republican "big four" returns from 540 districts showed that United States Senators Walter Edge and Joseph S. Freylinghuysen pledged to the choice of voters as expressed at the primary, were running a close race for the head of the ticket with former Gov. E. S. Stokes, pledged to General Wood and Mulford L. Ballard pledged to Senator Johnson, following in that order.

The Democratic big four pledged to the candidacy of Gov. Edward I. Edwards, who has announced that he would carry his fight against prohibition into the San Francisco convention was elected without opposition.

A SWEET GIRL GRADUATE

Miss Kate Haskell has returned to Winthrop after a two week's visit to her home people. Miss Kate will graduate in June, her course in college having reflected great credit on herself and added distinction to the record made by Abbeville girls in College.

CANDIDATES FAVOR FARMERS

Answers Are Made Public From Lowden, Hoover, Wood, Gerard and Owen.

Washington, April 28.—Approval of cooperative bargaining, improved rural credits, reduction in the "growing evil" of farm tenantry, and national conservation was voiced by presidential candidates who have answered the recent political questionnaire of the National Board of Farm Organizations. Replies were made public today from Governor Lowden, Senator Owens, James W. Gerard, former ambassador to Germany, Herbert Hoover, Maj. Gen. Leonard Wood. That from William G. McAdoo has already been published.

Governor Lowden, Mr Hoover and General Wood, each called attention to speeches or printed articles which they said, fully answered the questionnaire.

"I believe in bringing the farmer nearer the consumer," General Wood wrote, "and in giving farmer organizations every right and privilege which other lawfully constituted organizations enjoy. I believe that we should spread the war burden over a much longer period of years than at present contemplated; and that good business should be encouraged and bad business regulated."

"I am very doubtful concerning government ownership of railroads; my doubts arising from our experience during the war."

Senator Owens approved all the planks of the farmers platform except that making the nominee for secretary of agriculture acceptable to farmer organizations!

TO SAVE MUCH MONEY, FOR THE GOVERNMENT

Department of Justice Investigation Has Uncovered Alleged Fraud In War Contracts

Washington, April 28.—Attorney General Palmer announced today that investigation by the department of justice of alleged fraudulent war contracts had "uncovered illegal transactions involving millions of dollars" and that through civil and criminal prosecutions now contemplated or under way large sums would be saved for the government.

Questionable vouchers unearthed in one class of contracts alone, have resulted in the withholding of payments by the government amounting to approximately \$4,420,000," the department declared in a statement. "These contracts have been under investigation for months and they affect a very restricted area. Reports to the department indicate that as a result of indictments already returned against 15 defendants in the Northern Pacific division at Seattle about \$150,000 will be recovered from ship builders and former representatives of the United States shipping board, emergency fleet corporation in that section. Similar cases in the same district involving approximately \$265,000 will be presented to grand juries within the next few days.

The bureau of investigation of the department now has before it 15 large fraud cases in which special investigations have been ordered. All of these involve large sums claimed from the government. One of them which is now being prepared for presentation to the grand jury in Ohio involves \$325,000."

AMUNDSEN TO RETURN

Washington, Apr. 27.—Roald Amundsen who set out two years ago in an effort to reach the North pole, is returning to Nome, Alaska, according to a message received by the navy radio station at Cordova, Alaska, today from Anadyr, Siberia.

Amundsen arrived at Anadyr last week from his ship the Maud, which is ice bound near the mouth of the Kolyma river, and left soon afterwards. From Nome he will go to Seattle under his present plans.

SUGAR SITUATION BEING DISCUSSED

Conference in Washington Gets Under Way—Reports Persist That Prices Will Go Up

Washington, Apr. 27.—Representatives of large sugar refineries and department of justice officials, conferring here today, progressed no further than discussion of the "whole sugar situation," they said. The conference will be resumed tomorrow. Meanwhile, reports persisted that another rise in sugar prices was in prospect.

Howard Figg, assistant to the attorney general and in charge of the price reduction campaign, would not discuss the proceedings of the conference. It developed tonight, however, that much of the day's discussion bore directly on prices.

Refineries who are in attendance at the conference said there had been "much talking but no action" thus far. Government officials who attended refused to divulge more than subjects debated, nor would they indicate what efforts were under consideration toward halting a further skyrocketing in prices. Refiners declared they could not guarantee adequate supplies without further increases. The abnormal demand for sugar has forced them into hard competition with foreign buyers they said.

Mr. Figg's recent efforts in connection with the sugar situation have been directed at developing sources of supply which will prove sufficient to meet requirements. He was said to have asked the refiners to make a survey of the world's visible supply and for a statement of amount of their present stock. None of the refiners were said to have even "normal" supplies in their warehouses.

It was said that Mr. Figg had made "several propositions" to the trade representatives, which would be considered tomorrow.

NEW YORK, APR. 27.—Five ships loaded with 100,000 bags of Cuban raw sugar are at the local docks, it was announced on the sugar exchange today. Two vessels began unloading today. The American Sugar Refining company here today announced the addition of one cent to the price of granulated, making the selling price now 18 1/2 cents wholesale and 21 1/2 cents retail.

SUBJECT FOR DEBATE

Some days ago a spirited debate took place at the High School on this query, "Resolved that brother Gambrell is a worse boy than Barnard Roche." We have another query to propose. It grows out of a business transaction in this office. Col. Pat Roche came into the office several days ago and advertised one plug mule for sale in our want columns. He sold it so quickly that he brought in another plug from his farm, and sold it on the same advertisement, making the ad do double duty. We, therefore, suggest this query for the next debate at the high school, Resolved that Col. Pat Roche owes the Press and Banner fifty cents additional on plug mule advertisement.

NATIONAL BANK TO MOVE

The National Bank will move this week into its handsome quarters which have been remodelled, making one of the most up-to-date bank buildings in the State. The only feature of the bank which is not complete is the vault and this has not arrived, but the bank has made arrangements to care for its cash, books and valuable papers until the new vault has arrived and is installed.

Antreville Club Reorganized

The Antreville Democratic Club was reorganized last Saturday with Henry J. Power as president, and J. A. Anderson, secretary.

The following were named as delegates to the county convention: H. J. Power, A. M. Erwin, Jack Brownlee and Joseph Anderson. Henry J. Power was named as executive committeeman.

PAPER SHORTAGE WILL BE PROBED

Congressional Investigation to Be Started—Assistance of State Department Also Invoked

Washington, Apr. 27.—Congressional investigation of the print paper shortage will be started next Wednesday by a subcommittee of the senate committee on manufacturers headed by Senator Reed, Democrat, Missouri. The committee's plans include inquiry into supplies, distribution and prevailing prices.

Pending congressional action, the assistance of the state department was invoked in connection with efforts to secure removal of restrictions upon exports from Canada of raw materials used in paper manufacture. Chairman Porter of the house foreign affairs committee, accompanied by representatives of the paper inquiry conferred with Secretary Colby and received assurance that the suggestion of making the restrictions the subject of diplomatic correspondence would be given careful consideration.

Publishers of leading papers will be invited to appear before the investigating committee. Senator Reed said as New York publishers will be heard Wednesday and on succeeding days those of Boston, Philadelphia and Providence. Before the committee concludes its investigation it expects to give publishers of all classes of newspapers an opportunity to express their views.

Appointment of a commission to seek removal of Canadian embargoes on pulp wood was urged by Senator Underwood, Democrat, Ala., before the house foreign affairs committee, earlier in the day. Retaliatory legislation should be enacted he said, if friendly efforts toward this end were unsuccessful.

"Serious injury will be suffered by our newspapers in a few years if there is no legislation," Senator Underwood said.

GEORGE GAMBRELL LOCATES

George C. Gambrell has resigned his position with the Internal Revenue department, and after May 1st, will be with W. H. McFall, at Darlington, in his drug business. The Press and Banner carried a notice of the buying of the Park Hotel at Darlington by Mr. McFall in a recent issue, and also a notice that he had moved his drug business into new quarters. On account of his going into the hotel business, Mr. McFall found it necessary to have a first class man to put in charge in the drug business, and quite naturally he thought first of an Abbeville man.

Mr. Gambrell is a first class salesman as well as business man and we have no doubt he will make a success of the business in Darlington. If energy and push amount to anything he will succeed.

The new drug store of Mr. McFall is stated to be one of the prettiest and best stocked drug stores in the state. George promises to furnish the service, which he says is his middle name.

GERMANY IS NEAR A FINANCIAL COLLAPSE

Berlin, April 27.—Germany's financial collapse is near, according to a statement made before the national assembly today by Dr. Wirth, minister of the treasury, while presenting the budget for the coming year. The minister attacked war profiteers who he declared "are turning the nation's economic plight to their own advantage."

The postal deficit was given as one billion marks and the shortage on account of state railways was 12,000,000.

Dr. Wirth favored the flotation of an internal loan and demanded that Germany's obligations imposed by treaty of Versailles be fixed.

SEEING THE CITY

Major and Mrs. Fulp and their boys, and Mr. Haddon went up to Due West Monday afternoon and saw the sights of the town.

ELECTION OF TEACHERS

At Meeting of Trustees Held Tuesday.—All Salaries Have Been Increased.

The trustees of the city schools met Tuesday afternoon and elected the following teachers:

First grade, Misses Kate H. Martin, of Darlington and Ola Snoggins, of Due West.

Second grade, Misses Georgia Ott and Mary Cornwell.

Third grade, Misses May Robertson and Annie Gantt.

Fourth grade, Miss Adams and Miss Harriet Coan, of Winnsboro.

Fifth grade, Miss Mary D. Sullivan, of Honea Path and Miss Martin, of Darlington.

Sixth grade, Miss Susie Lown (one vacancy to be filled.)

Seventh grade, Miss Annie Hill (one place to be filled.)

Miss Sadie Magill was elected as teacher of history, and Miss Wardlaw, of Due West as teacher of Latin for next year. A teacher of English is yet to be elected.

Miss Ella May Tribble and Mrs. James Shelley were re-elected as teachers at The Abbeville Cotton Mill school.

The salaries of the first grade and high school teachers were fixed at \$100 per month, and of the other teachers at \$90 per month. Miss May Robertson, who is to fill the position of principal at the Graded school in addition to teaching the third grade will receive a salary of \$1200 for the year.

As stated sometime ago, Prof. Fulp and Prof. Daniel have already been elected for the next session. Both have accepted.

The other teachers of the present faculty did not apply for re-election.

MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE FOR AMERICAN DEAD

Paris, April 28.—Memorial day exercises will be held at American cemeteries in France by the Paris post, American Legion. This organization has 100,000 francs in its treasury and expects contributions from the United States to assist in the purchase of flowers and provide for other expenses of the day.

Major General H. T. Allen, in command of American forces at Coblenz, will furnish firing squads and bands for the ceremonies, and committees will be taken to each cemetery in automobiles provided by the Red Cross.

SEVERAL TO ENTER RACE FOR SOLICITOR

Edgefield, Apr. 24.—News from Lexington has been received that George Bell Timmerman, for the last eighteen years solicitor of this circuit has definitely announced that he would not offer for reelection and close upon this announcement several have made it known that they would stand for the position among them being T. C. Callison, a law partner of the retiring solicitor; State Senators Griffin, of Saluda County; S. M. Smith, of the Edgefield bar, and J. R. Ross, of McCormick. Others may possibly try to win the place, it is thought.

RETURNS TO OLD POSITION

Miss Mattie Eakin has accepted a position with the Water and Electric Plant and will return to her former position May 1. Mr. Corley, who has been bookkeeper for the plant for the past few months has accepted a position in Greenville. Miss Eakin left the Water and Electric Plant last fall to go with the Acker Building and Supply Co.

ABBEVILLE VS GREENWOOD

The Abbeville High School baseball team left Wednesday morning for Greenwood, where a game is scheduled for Wednesday afternoon with the Greenwood high team.

The Greenwood team defeated the local team at Abbeville some time ago, by the score of 15 to 8, but the Abbeville boys feel confident that they can make a better showing today.

CITY VOTES MORE BONDS

BY A VOTE OF 153 TO 3 THE PEOPLE OF ABBEVILLE DECIDE TO EXTEND THE PAVED STREETS TO ALL PARTS OF TOWN.

Decided interest was shown by the voters yesterday in the election held on the paving question. There was no contest to speak of because everybody was in favor of issuing bonds to extend the paved streets to all parts of the city. But this makes it the more remarkable that so many turned out to vote. In the school election some days ago only twenty-nine votes were cast, but yesterday one hundred and fifty-six qualified electors went to the polls and voted on the bond issue. Out of this number only three voted against the bonds.

The election was ordered to decide whether or not the city would issue \$80,000 additional in bonds to do paving on other streets. Already applications are in from the residents of streets calling for an expenditure of seventy-five thousand dollars, and the City Council estimates that it will be necessary to sell the full issue of ninety-thousand dollars.

The City Council met yesterday and declared the result of the election, and ordered that advertisements for the sale of not less than \$75,000 and not more than \$90,000 be gotten out at once. The bonds will bear interest at five and one-half per cent.

BODY OF MR. CONWELL FOUND.

The body of Mr. W. L. Conwell, who was drowned Tuesday of last week while he and Mr. Partain were crossing Savannah River at Gregg Shoals, was recovered yesterday at Cherokee Falls, about ten miles below the place of drowning.

It will be recalled that as the two were crossing from the Georgia side to this side of the river, the boat in which they were making the trip was swept down the river towards the dam. Both men jumped out when it appeared certain that they would be carried over the dam. Mr. Partain caught on one of the piers of the dam, and was marooned for thirty-two hours without bread or water before he could be rescued. Mr. Conwell made an effort to save himself in the same way, but missed his hold and went over the dam, where it is supposed he was killed by being forced with violence against the stones below the dam. A constant watch for his body was not rewarded until yesterday.

ANOTHER BODY RECOVERED.

The body of Miss Annie Manning, another of the party of young people drowned at Harp's Ferry, Sunday April 4th, was located yesterday at McCalla's Island, about fifteen miles down the Savannah River from the place of the accident. This makes seven bodies which have been recovered, leaving those of Miss Allie Bradshaw and Messrs Lester Waters and Charles Meschine yet to be found.

SERVICES AT LONG CANE

The Rev. George M. Telford, of Pisgah, Kentucky, will preach at Upper Long Cane church next Sunday, May 2nd, at the usual hour.

COTTON MARKET.

Spot	43.00
May	40.35
July	38.38
Oct.	35.32
Dec.	34.38
Jan.	33.82