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WEATHER Showers tonight and Wednesday; no change in temperature.

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DEMOCRATS MET HERE YESTERDAY

The county convention of the Democratic clubs of the county was called to order by the county chairman, Mr. J. A. Sawyer, at 12 o'clock, noon. A full delegation seemed to be present.

The first session of the meeting was the election of a temporary chairman and secretary of the convention resulting as follows: J. A. Sawyer, chairman; Mrs. McEachern, temporary secretary.

The committee on credentials was next appointed by the chairman as follows: Judge J. M. Greer, Dr. F. M. Ellerbe and Mr. Ashmore Vanderford.

Credentialed Committee's Report. Delegates: Lockhart, 11; Kelton, 6; Coleraine, 2; Santuc, 5; Carlisle, 6; West Springs, 5; Bogansville, 3; Cross Keys, 8; Jonesville, 14; Meador, 2; Black Rock, 3; Gibbs, 2; Monarch Mills, 15; Ward 1, 7; Ward 2, 10; Ward 3, 6; Excelsior Mills, 8; Ward 4, 8; Adamsburg, 3; Buffalo, 10.

Election of permanent chairman resulted in reelection of Mr. J. A. Sawyer and the temporary secretary, Mrs. Louise Long McEachern, elected permanent secretary; R. C. Williams was elected treasurer.

County Chairman J. A. Sawyer was reelected by acclamation. County executive committee, Mr. Macbeth Young reelected by acclamation.

Resolution by L. J. Browning endorsing Mr. William Coleman for governor and he be invited to speak before the convention.

"Be it resolved by the Democratic party of Union county in convention assembled: 'First, That we most heartily endorse the candidacy of our fellow citizen, William Coleman, for the governorship of this state;'

"Second, That we commend him to our fellow Democrats of the state as one well worthy of their confidence and support;'

"Third, That the chair appoint a committee of three to wait upon Mr. Coleman and invite him to address this convention upon the grave issues which now confront the people of our state."

Committee appointed by chairman to wait upon Mr. Coleman as follows: L. J. Browning, J. W. Scott and Hay Wilburn. Mr. Coleman was brought forward and introduced by the chairman, Mr. Sawyer.

TAFT ASKED TO APPOINT CHAIRMAN

Genoa, May 1 (By the Associated Press).—Chief Justice Taft of the United States supreme court will be asked to name the chairman of the mixed arbitral committee to be established for controlling the debts owed by the Russian government to foreign bondholders, according to the plan arranged today.

The other members of this commission will represent all the bondholders and the Russian government, respectively. The commission will have power to remit interest and decide all questions affecting foreign bondholders and Russia's ability to meet her obligations; a time limit will be fixed in which bondholders may make their own arrangements with the Russian government if they desire.

Mixed arbitral tribunals, one for every interested nation, will be set up to deal with the question of the property of foreigners which has been nationalized, the chairman of each will be named by the chairman of the mixed arbitral commission.

Labor day was a real labor day for the Genoa conference. The subcommittee on Russian affairs rushed its consideration of the Russian reconstruction plans and came through late tonight with approval of the draft of the proposals.

Belgium alone held out on the section relative to the treatment to be given to the property of foreigners nationalized by the Soviet government.

In the discussion relating to the treatment of foreigners, the administration of justice and the general liberty of foreigners to travel and engage in enterprises in Russia, it was decided to abandon those sections of the London experts' report which referred to certain measures whereby the immediate restoration of Russia would be facilitated.

Concerning the general question of the treatment of foreigners a paragraph was inserted setting forth that inasmuch as proper restitution of Russia depends upon the reestablishment of freedom of movement and honest and equitable administration of justice the Russian government promises to undertake the establishment of these conditions immediately.

France Asks for Information

Paris, May 2.—The American debt funding commission has been informed that France will be glad to receive the government's observations on what it has to offer concerning the payment of the interest on the French debt to the United States and amortization of the capital.

Two Dead as Result of Feud

Philadelphia, May 2.—Harry Stinger and Buck Bailey were shot and killed in what the police believe to be an underworld feud. The former's story was that the men quarreled over women, the police said.

LAWYERS CLASH AT CHARLESTON

Charleston, W. Va., (By the Associated Press).—Testimony of the killing of Deputy Sheriff John Gore on Blair mountain and of compelling men to join in the march on Logan and Mingo counties last year was enlivened today by a clash between excited lawyers, in which Harold W. Houston marked as "a lie" an implication in remarks by A. M. Belcher that he had prior knowledge of the shooting of Sheriff Don Chafin at the union headquarters in Charleston.

Although the trial was on a treason charge against William Blizard, he was mentioned in the testimony of only one of the witnesses. The clash between attorneys came on Mr. Belcher's objection to questions by the chief defense attorney, who was asking a Logan county deputy sheriff about Sheriff Chafin's interests in coal mines.

The defense counsel pulled off his glasses as he rose and waving his finger up and down before Belcher's face, shouted: "If you imply that I knew anything about that, it's a lie."

"I can prove that you did and I'll meet you anywhere you say for that purpose," Mr. Belcher added, while the court admonished against any further "outbursts."

Mr. Houston apologized to the court for his statement, but added he did believe Belcher had gone too far. The Rev. John Wilburn, Baptist preacher of Jeffery, led the party which killed Gore, according to the testimony of Jack Brinkham, musician with carnivals and touring musical comedy companies.

Brinkham said he was compelled to join the marchers at Danville, provided the bulk of the testimony of seven witnesses heard today. He was in the large group from which some half dozen detached themselves when they met Gore and others on Blair mountain.

It was Wilburn, the counter-sign, after each had asked the other, "Who are you?" When the deputy answered "Amen," the shooting began, which resulted in the death of Gore, James Munsey and another man.

"Where to?" as a challenge, and "To Mingo" as an answer were the first pass words of the miners' forces, Brinkham testified, but after the first clash between miners and Logan county deputy sheriffs this was changed. The later forms, he said were: "Who comes?" for the challenge and "I come creeping" for the answer.

Munsey and Carfargo fell at the first volley of the six men who were in advance of the column in which the witness was, but Gore raised his rifle and lowered it again when a bullet struck his hand. He fired two shots from the shelter of a tree, Brinkham thought, before he was killed. Munsey said: "Boys, you've shot the wrong man," when they came up to where he was lying and asked them not to shoot again, according to the testimony, but one of the men presented a high powered rifle about eight inches from his head and fired another shot that struck him just above the left eye.

Fighting Waxes Warm in China

Peking, May 2.—Wu Pie Fu's drive for Peking was resumed in the vicinity of Changshintien, 12 miles south of the capital, Chihlites are attacking gallantly the Fengtingners' flanks. The casualties of the latter have been severe. It is reported that General Tung Cheng Kun, of the Chihli forces and General Lian Chou Tung of the Fengtingners have been killed.

Suffering Almost Certain in Flood District

Natchez, Miss., May 2.—Thousands of persons in Concordia parish, Louisiana, are still in flooded homes, it is reported today. Suffering is certain unless relief is speedily arranged, the officials stated. Some have been compelled to place their belongings on rafts and are suffering from exposure.

MANY AT WORK IN FLOOD ZONE

New Orleans, May 1.—Relief organizations were continuing to work today to prevent hunger, exposure and disease among the tens of thousands of homeless in the stricken flood zones of Louisiana and Mississippi. Particular efforts were directed to the area in eastern and central Louisiana where a lake of more than 1,400 square miles now exists on erstwhile fertile farm lands and thriving commercial towns as a result of the breaking of the levee of the Mississippi river near Ferriday.

Harrisonburg, La., far west of the river but yet in the flood zone, continues to present the most serious problem. Food is the crying need of the thousands of residents and several thousand refugees who fled to that town or were brought there by their rescuers.

Stocks of local merchants have become exhausted. Today it was reported that some food had been brought in by boat from neighboring communities which it is hoped will last until a boat with food which left New Orleans last Saturday arrives. In addition to those in need at that town, it was reported today that boats laden with 1,000 more refugees were en route there.

Old men and women and children upon their arrival at Harrisonburg already showed the effects of undernourishment as the backwaters of the rivers had been creeping into their homes for many days before they decided to flee.

There is a serious shortage of shelter at Harrisonburg. Only 40 tents are available and many are sleeping on the ground in the open. There is also a lack of medical supplies.

In southern Louisiana, where the river is continuing to spread through a crevasse in St. Bernard parish, refugees are being brought to the outskirts of New Orleans where better shelter, medical attention and food can be given them. Relief camps established in the flood zone have in many instances been abandoned as the result of the spreading of the waters.

In central Louisiana, Mississippi, relief efforts were going forward to rescue the marooned in the Yazoo basin where a stretch of land covering 1,700 square miles is today a mighty lake. Relief bodies are being taxed to capacity to provide for the refugees who continue to pour in at the isolated high spots and larger towns. Food, shelter, clothing and medical supplies must be supplied for 17,500 of these in the devastated area, it is estimated.

With the crest still to come in the lower and central reaches of the river, scores of towns and villages in Arkansas, Mississippi and Louisiana are covered with water to a depth in some instances of 20 feet while many larger communities have encircled themselves in hastily constructed embankments which they hope will hold the water out, in the mean time being isolated from the world with the exception of communication by boats.

Dr. Herbert Roberts Dead

Belville, Ill., May 2.—Dr. Herbert Roberts, the internationally known X-ray and radium specialist, is dead at his home here.

John Vance Cheney Dead

San Diego, Cal., May 2.—John Vance Cheney, poet, essayist and musician of national reputation, is dead here.

Inquiry to Identify Man Who Abducted Minister

Lawton, Okla., May 2.—A civil court inquiry is under way to determine the identity of the three men who Saturday night abducted Rev. Thomas J. Yirwin of the Lawton Presbyterian church, filing criminal charges against the defendant upon the result of the investigation.

Three Men Killed When Locomotive Blew Up

Myersdale, Pa., May 2.—Three trainmen were killed today when the fast freight of the Baltimore and Ohio was wrecked at Fair Hope, seven miles east of here, when the locomotive blew up.

SECRET PROCESS IN FORD'S PLANS

Washington, May 1.—Manufacture of commercial fertilizers by a secret process and their delivery to consumers at one-half the existing market prices was held out to the senate agriculture committee today by W. B. Mayo, chief engineer for Henry Ford, as a possible factor in the development of the government's properties at Muscle Shoals, Ala., under the offer for their purchase and lease by the Detroit manufacturer.

Chairman Norris of the committee by direct questioning caused Mr. Mayo to reveal Mr. Ford's plans to use the "secret process" in the making of fertilizers at Muscle Shoals. The chairman and witness had been discussing the ability of the bidder to compete in the open market with commercial producers of fertilizers when Mr. Mayo declared his belief that Mr. Ford would be able to manufacture that commodity at one-half the present cost price.

Mr. Mayo said there was a "secret process" but declined to give the committee any additional information. The witness advised the committee that it was Mr. Ford's intention to devote every effort to fertilizer production at Muscle Shoals and to extend the power production at Muscle Shoals property well into the upper Tennessee river. None of the power, Mr. Mayo declared, would be sold to private interests, but would be consumed by the industrial enterprises to be established on the Tennessee. About \$50,000,000 would be expended in the creation of new industries and power facilities in the vicinity of Muscle Shoals, Mr. Mayo said.

Because of the large investment Mr. Ford would make, the witness explained, he had declined to modify the proposal for purchase and lease of the projects so as to reduce the 100 year term to 50 years.

Death of J. E. Gault

Mr. J. E. Gault died suddenly yesterday afternoon about 1 o'clock. He was working in the field and died almost immediately. Mr. Gault was 72 years of age. He is survived by the following children: Mrs. S. A. McCaskill of Camden, Miss. Lorraine Gault of Ludlow, H. L. Gault of Dennison, Texas, Frank D. Gault of Texas, Horace J. Gault of Indianapolis, Ind., and Louis M. Gault of Union, S. C. He is survived by one sister, Mrs. S. A. Moorehead of Blacksburg and one brother, Joe Gault, of Union Mills, N. C.

Cottage Prayer Meeting

Wednesday afternoon at 3:30. Mrs. J. E. McBeck, No. 18 Mill street. Tuesday evening at 7:30. Mrs. Flora Connor, No. 7 Academy street. J. B. Chick.

Vice Premier Barthou Has Gone to Paris

Genoa, May 2.—Vice Premier Barthou, head of the French delegation of economic conference left for Paris for a conference with Premier Poincare and cabinet. He conferred with Premier Lloyd George, who told him the meeting of the signatories treaty at Versailles desired the earliest possible moment in some Mediterranean town.

Will Preach at Lockhart

Rev. L. W. Blackwelder will preach at Lockhart Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The public is cordially invited.

TODAY'S COTTON MARKET

Table with columns: Open, Close, January, May, July, October, December, N. Y. Spots, Local market.

Dinner for Soldiers Saturday

The Wm. Wallace chapter, U. D. C. will give its annual dinner for the Confederate soldiers Saturday, May 6th, at the banquet hall of Grace Methodist church.

Important Notice

The members of the girls' sewing club at Kelly are requested to meet at Kelly school Thursday morning instead of Thursday afternoon. Please be there at 10 o'clock. Mahala J. Smith, County Agent.

MARKET CAMPAIGN GOES OVER TOP

Over 400,000 bales of cotton were signed to the cotton cooperative marketing contract by May 1 and the organization of the South Carolina Cotton Growers' Cooperative association is now assured. Announcement to this effect was made last night by Harry G. Kaminer, president of the organization committee, and R. C. Hamer, chairman of the campaign committee.

A total of 408,000 bales had been signed by Saturday night, April 29, and reports from over the state indicated that between 10,000 and 15,000 bales were signed yesterday, so that approximately 425,000 bales have now been signed. It will be several days before the tabulation is completed.

Announcement that the state had gone over the top caused much jubilation yesterday among the campaign workers and farmers over the state generally. All day long there was a stream of telegrams pouring into the offices of the association here from every section of the state asking the outcome and many called over the long distance telephone.

There was a great deal of interest in the campaign in other states also and many of the telegrams came from North Carolina, Georgia, Texas, Alabama and other states in the belt, which have already either organized or are in the process of organization. C. O. Moser, secretary of the American Cotton Growers' exchange, the overhead organization of the various state cooperative associations, wired: "Please accept my congratulations. Campaign has been great piece of work. Greetings."

F. R. Shanks, chairman of the campaign committee of the Alabama association, wired: "Congratulations to you on your great victory. Alabama sends you greetings." Dr. Clarence Poe, editor of The Progressive Farmer, wired: "Heartiest congratulations on great victory."

Now that the terms of the contract have been complied with and the 400,000 bales necessary signed by May 1, it was announced yesterday that opportunity would be given all who desire to join the association to do so during the next three weeks. The belief was expressed yesterday by officials of the association that there would be a heavy balance signed up during the next three weeks.

Revival at Mon-Aetna Baptist Church

The revival meeting at Mon-Aetna Baptist church is gaining in force and interest. There have been 30 responses for baptism, and six by letter during the meeting so far. The meeting will continue through Sunday evening. The revivalist, Rev. Thos. D. Toler, will speak at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon to men only. The subject will be "An Expensive Haircut."

Sunday School Exercises At Wesley's Chapel

There will be Sunday school exercises at Wesley's Chapel on Sunday, May 7, at 8 o'clock p. m. The public is cordially invited. Program will be rendered by the children.

Department Investigating Difficulties of Coal Industry

Washington, May 2.—Investigation by the commerce department into the underlying difficulties of the coal industry, such as intermittency of employment and irregularity of production is being expedited, it was learned today with a view to securing data which might be used in proposed administration plan for reorganizing the entire industry.

Announces For Senate

Dear Mr. Editor: May I not have the privilege of announcing through the columns of your paper to my friends over the county who have requested me to enter the race for the senate that I have decided to make the race? For I am convinced that, judging from the record, etc., that it is absolutely impossible for the present senator to think in the language of the man to whom a dollar is as large as a cart wheel, and that the citizens of Union county are desirous of having a real progressive man in the senate, a man who is for the interest of the people, who favors revolutionizing our present iniquitous state of taxation, and who would not vote with the "big interests" and the "big interests."

MAY DAY CLASH IN MEXICO CITY

Mexico City, May 1 (By the Associated Press).—Clashes between union laborers and Roman Catholics, resulting in one person being killed and several wounded, characterized the celebration of May day. Syndicalists at noon attacked a building occupied by the Association of Catholic Young Men, and during the encounter one boy was killed and numerous other persons were so badly hurt that they had to be taken to hospitals.

The building and its contents were wrecked and set on fire. The day was ushered in at dawn by the ringing of bells and the blowing of whistles, and shortly after 8 o'clock numerous parades began forming. By 10 o'clock the downtown districts of the city were closed to traffic, the streets being occupied by at least ten different lines of marchers.

Red and black banners were conspicuously displayed. Among the thousands of paraders were a considerable number of Communists, both men and women who waved red banners and wore red ribbons. As the marchers wended their way through the streets Bolshevik songs were sung and spectators on the sidewalk were compelled to doff their hats as the labor flags passed by. Persons who objected to uncovering were roughly treated.

A portion of the crowd gathered in front of the American consulate, where the usual execrations against capitalism were delivered by several orators. Tenants objecting to high rents, numbering, according to conservative estimates, 15,000, paraded the streets protesting against the landlords and announcing a general strike on rent paying until a 75 percent reduction in all house rents is made.

Shortly before noon the demonstrators became so riotous that many merchants closed their doors and pulled down the shutters. The paraders made efforts to stop all automobile traffic. Earlier in the day the street car employees had declared a 24 hour holiday, and the only transportation was by taxicabs. These ceased operation at noon.

The federal government and municipal offices were closed all day.

Memorial Exercises To Be Held May 10th at the High School, Northside E. Main Street, 6 O'clock P. M.

Dr. Edw. S. Reaves will open with prayer. Rev. J. W. Kigo, the address. Rev. L. W. Blackwelder, benediction.

Committees for Wreaths and Flowers for Presbyterian Cemetery—Mrs. L. M. Jordan, chairman, Mrs. D. M. Eaves, Mrs. B. B. James, Mrs. W. D. Arthur, Mrs. J. D. Arthur, Mrs. Macbeth Young, Mrs. Hettie V. Foster, Miss Mary Emma Prester, Mrs. W. H. Burris, Mrs. T. E. Bailey, Miss Margaret Flynn, Mrs. Mary Flynn, Mrs. O. L. P. Jackson, Mrs. A. A. Murrain, Mrs. J. Clough Wallace, Mrs. W. J. Halle, Mrs. C. C. Sanders, Mrs. A. R. Fripp, Mrs. R. A. Oliphant.

For Methodist Cemetery—Mrs. C. T. Murphy, chairman, Mrs. T. C. Duncan, Mrs. J. Frost Walker, Miss Pearl Harris, Miss Minnie Gregory, Mrs. Ida N. Baker, Mrs. Hunter Y. Gilliam. For Episcopal Cemetery—Mrs. J. E. McLure, chairman, Mrs. F. H. Garner, Mrs. Julia Thomas, Mrs. J. W. Mixson, Mrs. L. W. Blackwelder, Mrs. G. B. Barron, Mrs. Paul T. McNeill.

For Rosemont Cemetery—Mrs. Norman Jones, chairman, Mrs. Ida Perrin, Mrs. Ora Fant, Mrs. L. L. Wagnon, Miss Sara Morgan, Mrs. Davis Jeffries, Mrs. C. F. Hart, Mrs. R. E. White. For the Brandon Cemetery—Mrs. L. J. Hames, chairman, Mrs. Evelina Rice, Mrs. Paul K. Switzer, Mrs. A. B. Brannon.