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Wilson As Citizen Appeals For Peace

Committee Works on Another Plan—Roads' Executives Turn Over to Few Task of Finding Path Out of Tangle—Some Reason for Hope of Amicable Settlement Appears.

Washington, Aug. 21.—As one American citizen to another, President Wilson today appealed to each of the executives of the country's principal railroads on grounds of patriotism to accept his plans for averting the threatened disaster of a nationwide strike. He emphasized the necessity for keeping the railroads in service as a part of the national defense, and to make possible preparation for meeting conditions that will exist after the European war.

On leaving the White House the railroad presidents, augmented during the day by arrivals from the West, held a conference at which sentiment was said to be against agreeing to the president's proposal in its present form. Hope was expressed, however, that some satisfactory counterproposal might be advanced, and it was decided to turn over to a committee the task of drafting a final reply to the president. With more than 60 men, most of them with their own ideas about what ought to be done, the executives found it difficult to "get down to brass tacks," as one of them expressed it. Tomorrow another meeting will be held and every effort will be made to reach a decision promptly.

Too Much?
The heads staff insist that Wilson is asking them to principle of arbitration. The chairman of the national peace committee of railways, is statement tonight in which he

That the railroads should grant, under a threat of a national strike, a \$50,000,000 wage preferment to a small minority of their employees with out a hearing before a public tribunal is inconceivable in a democracy like ours. All questions at issue—wages, costs, operating conditions—are submerged by the greater issue; Shall arbitration be abandoned in the settlement of industrial disputes?

The statement suggests, however, that the railroads stand ready to take whatever action the people of the country desire.

While the officials were listening to President Wilson and later conferring at their hotel, the general committee of 640 representatives of the employees, who already have accepted the president's plan, held a perfunctory meeting and marked time awaiting the decision of the employers. They said they would wait until President Wilson dismissed them, but stood ready to call a strike should the negotiations fail.

EXCURSION DATE IS FIXED

Farmers to Go to Knoxville on September the 4th.

The date of the Educational Tour to Knoxville, Tenn., has been definitely fixed. The excursion train will leave Anderson at 7 o'clock Monday morning, September 4th. The roundtrip fare will be \$4.75 with privileges of stopping over at any or all stations. A pullman car will be attached to the train for persons who care for this additional service.

The tour was scheduled to be made on August 8th, but the floods in the mountains caused the Southern railway to make a change in the date. August 21st was the date tentatively agreed upon. Later it developed, however, that the annual Seashore Mountain excursions will be run during the week of the 21st, and for this reason the date has been changed and September 4th has been decided upon.

"September 4th is the date the excursion will leave Anderson. This is final," declared Secretary Fitzgerald today. "The advertising matter for the tour will arrive here probably tomorrow."

The excursion train really originates at Newberry. The train will leave Newberry at 6 a. m. Monday morning and will merge with the Anderson train at Belton. This merged train will be operated all the way through to Knoxville. Some of the farmers have expressed a desire to stop over at Newport, Tenn. Those who care to make the stop over will occupy one car and this car will be dropped at Newport, to be picked up by a regular train next day.

A PARTY FOR MRS. POWER.

Mrs. J. R. Power was the honor guest at another delightful party on last Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. L. McMillan, given by Mrs. Otto Bristow. Progressive Bridge and rook were played and after many games, punch, ice cream and cake were served by Misses Fannie DuPre and Esther Graydon.

ELECTION RETURNS.

Arrangements have been made for receiving the election returns Tuesday night over the Western Union wires. Unless the vote for State offices should be closed, as was the case two years ago, we should know by midnight who are the winners, or who will go into the second race. The managers at the different boxes of the county should get their returns to Abbeville by telephone as early after the votes are counted as possible. The returns from the county and state election will be displayed at some convenient point, probably at the Opera House.

GEN. GEORGE SMITH.

Gen. George Smith is at home after a pleasant visit to the mountains and to friends in Clinton. He is much improved in health and is ready for the fall drive and for an energetic dash on Turkey about Thanksgiving.

BACK ON A VISIT.

Miss Mamie Devlin is in the city the guest of her friend, Miss Maggie Brooks. She has spent the summer pleasantly at the University of Virginia and returns to Abbeville much improved in health.

SECEDER LADIES TO SERVE ICE CREAM

The ladies of the A. R. P. Church will sell ice cream Thursday afternoon on the lawn at Mrs. C. H. McMurray's on North Main street, for the benefit of the organ.

MISS PARKS HONORED.

The lovely home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Hill, near the city, was a scene of a delightful social affair last Monday evening when Miss Mary Hill entertained in honor of her visitor, Miss Lilly Parks. The time was spent in dancing and pleasant conversation on the lawn, after which delicious refreshments of ice cream and cake were served by Miss Susie Hill.

DEATH OF MRS. L. C. HASKELL

Mrs. Langdon Cheves Haskell died at her home on Greenville street last Thursday, August 17th, 1916, at midday.

Some weeks ago Mrs. Haskell went out west where she visited friends and relatives, here she was taken sick and come home, since which time many anxious inquiries have been heard as to her welfare. She was taken to Baltimore and treated there for several weeks, but all that loving thought and medical science was of no avail for the time of her departure had come. She went to her reward without fear and in peace.

Mrs. Haskell was the oldest child of Sarah Tilman and E. B. Calhoun and was born at Monterey Nov. 8th, 1861. She lived here until her marriage on Jan. 12, 1887, to Mr. L. C. Haskell. To this happy union were born the following children, Ella, Calhoun, Langdon, Sarah, Kate and Allen. In 1898 Mr. and Mrs. Haskell moved from the Haskell place in the Monterey section to Abbeville, and have since made their home among us.

Mrs. Haskell had long been a member of the Presbyterian church, and it was here that funeral services were held Friday afternoon at five o'clock conducted by Rev. H. W. Pratt, and in the presence of a host of sorrowing friends and relatives. Messrs. S. J. Link, J. L. Perrin, J. S. Stark, James Bowie, and T. G. White acted as pall bearers and the casket was followed by the family, her relations and her neighbors. The interment was at Long Cane cemetery.

Mrs. Haskell led a quiet life, believing that home keeping hearts are happiest. She was supreme in the affections of her husband and children and she made for them a home bright and beautiful in its happiness. Her pride was in her children and she was repaid in that all are taking up the burdens of life in an honorable way and are doing well their part in the world.

Mrs. Haskell was a lover of flowers and the beauty of her home showed the painstaking care that she had expended on her place.

Many beautiful floral offerings were sent to the home attesting the high esteem in which Mrs. Haskell was held and the sincere sympathy felt for the bereaved family.

Mrs. Haskell is survived by her husband and her six children, her father, Mr. E. B. Calhoun, and her sisters, Miss Frances, Miss Lillie, Miss Eunice, and Miss Ivy Calhoun, and Messrs. John, Arthur and Charlie Calhoun, her brothers.

SCHOOLS TO OPEN SEPT. 9th

The Graded and High School, and the public school at the Cotton Mill, will open on September 9th, which is two weeks from next Monday. The buildings are being put in proper shape for the opening, and the prospects are that the next session will be a successful one for the Abbeville schools.

Prof. Cheatham has just returned from Columbia University in New York, where he has been attending the summer school, preparing himself for better discharging the duties of his position. He is full of energy and will enter on the work with the determination to give the people of the city the best school we have ever had.

The children at the Abbeville Cotton Mill will attend the schools up town with the exception of the smaller children in the first grade. A teacher will be furnished for the work in this grade in the building at the mill. The plan to have all the children of the town attend one school has worked admirably. Some of the people at the mill opposed the venture at first, but experience has shown the wisdom of the change. The children from that community have been amongst the best students in the Graded School as well as the High School. The better facilities furnished up-town in these schools make it desirable that all, who can do so, attend these schools.

The people of the school district and the corporate and other property in the district pay a large amount of money for the support of these public schools and all the people should be interested to see that good schools are provided, and that every child in the district secures the benefit of the best instruction the district can furnish.

Assignment of teachers of the City Schools, session 1916-17.

First Grade—Misses Elizabeth Allen and Carrie B. Anderson.

Second Grade—Miss Elizabeth Epling and Miss Olive Brock.

Third Grade—Miss May Robertson and Miss Annie Richards.

Fourth Grade—Miss Eloise Britt and Miss Sara Edwards.

Fifth Grade—Miss Julia Brice and Miss Lalla Dial.

Sixth Grade—Miss Cornelia Tennant and Miss Mary Plaxco.

Seventh Grade—Miss Lillian Swet-enberg.

High School—Miss Sara Perrin.

Ninth Grade—Miss Sara Brooks.

Tenth Grade—Miss Sadie Magill.

Only the first grade will be continued at the Mill. All other children will attend the schools at the Graded School or the High School.

One dollar per month tuition will be collected in advance from each child attending the city schools from other school districts.

The next session will begin on Monday, September 11th. Parents are urged to have children begin on the first day and attend regularly through the year.

No pupil will be admitted to any class without a card signed by the Superintendent. New pupils should report to the office of the Superintendent for classification on Friday, September 8th.

See papers for further notices.

R. B. Cheatham,
Superintendent.

SAD DEATH OF FABIOLA PURLION

Fabiola, the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Stone, after an illness of two weeks with typhoid fever, passed away last Thursday afternoon at three o'clock.

The funeral services with low mass, was held at the Catholic church by Rev. Father Tobin of Greenville, Friday morning in the presence of many sorrowing friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Stone with their family, moved to our city about six months ago from Bedford, Maine, and have made a host of friends who sympathize with them in their loss.

The following men acted as pall bearers: Messrs A. S. Thomas, G. W. Shirley, Julian Roche, E. C. Little, W. M. Langley and R. M. Casey.

NEW COTTON SELLING

Fifteen Bales on Market in Sumter.

Sumter, Aug. 19.—Fifteen bales of new cotton were bought on the local market at a price averaging 13-80, basis middling. This was not the first new cotton sold here, however, as the first bale of the season was sold on last Saturday to Levi Bros. by W. G. Pierson at 15 cents. Cotton is opening rapidly and picking is becoming general.

BUYS 100 BALES AT 14 CENT

Mr. C. E. Williamson Monday purchased one hundred bales of cotton at fourteen cents, delivery to be made at anytime before December 1st. Mr. Williamson was buying for the Webb firm in Greenville. He will enter the market actively during the Fall months and it is his purpose to make the cotton offered on this market bring what is worth, or buy it all.

GOOD PROSPECT FOR DEMOCRATS

WILSON'S REELECTION SEEMS TO BE CERTAIN. HUGHES PROVES WEAK.

Washington, Aug. 19.—Without in the least "stretching the blanket," reports received in Washington from different parts of the United States indicate the reelection of Woodrow Wilson and the continuation of the Democratic party in power for four years more.

These reports indicate that not only will Wilson remain in the White House, but that Republican leaders are beginning to realize that there is a very different man in Justice Charles Evans Hughes of the United States supreme court and the same man as a candidate for the presidency. Their idol is shattered.

As opposed to this, Democratic leaders are most optimistic as to the result of this fall.

It is evident from the way they talk that the whole country will go Democratic this fall and that Mr. Hughes has failed utterly. If the Republicans get a single State they will be lucky. Some of the Democratic leaders will not concede a solitary State to the G. O. P. except perhaps Vermont. After their conference with the president today they appeared even more sanguine, and all sorts of predictions were made.

It is apparent that the campaign committee is going to make herculean efforts in the West, and there doubtless will be persistent and insistent demands upon Treasurer Marsh for funds to help carry various States.

National Committeeman Dockweiler of California, a new member of the committee, and Gavin McNabb, the California member of the campaign committee, told their colleagues that California is likely to go Democratic.

"It looks like it will be the 1912 fight over again in California," said Mr. Dockweiler. "The result in the States for the national ticket will depend largely upon the outcome of the senatorial fight," said Mr. Dockweiler. "Frank Heney has withdrawn from the contest for the Democratic nomination, leaving George S. Patton a free field. Mr. Patton is one of the strong men of the Pacific coast. The regular Republicans want Willis Booth as their candidate for senator, but Gov. Hiram Johnson who is going to run for the Senate also, wants the Republicans as well as the Progressives to nominate him. I do not think the Republicans will listen to such a plan; certainly Booth will not get out of the race, and if he gets the Republican nomination, as he probably will, Johnson will have to run independently as a Progressive. The Progressives retain their organization, and with a three cornered fight it would appear that the Democrats will have much the best of it. I believe we shall surely elect Patton, and that the election for president will go along with the senatorship."

**Shopping for
Her Customers**

Mrs. Jas. S. Cochran, of the well-known millinery firm, bearing her name, leaves Abbeville today for Baltimore, Philadelphia and New York, to buy some of everything that's new in ladies' headgear. Mrs. Cochran will be in the markets several days.

DEATH OF MRS. McKELVEY.

Mrs. McKelvey died at Dr. Pryor's Hospital in Chester last Friday afternoon after a prolonged illness of many weeks. Mrs. McKelvey was ill with typhoid fever for several weeks before it was necessary to take her to the hospital. The body was taken to her old home near Charlotte immediately and was laid to rest there Saturday afternoon in the presence of many relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. McKelvey have made their home in our city for more than a year and have many friends here who sympathize with the family in their loss.

BORN

At Monroe, N. C., August 15, 1916 to Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Bundy, a son, Dale Barksdale.

At Abbeville, August 22, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. M. Barnwell, a daughter, Julia Fretwell.

Will Retain Guard On Border For Present

"A TEXI-CAB."

Abbeville is to the front again. Lawyer Cowan has purchased the latest cut in a Ford Limousine from Gordon White, the Ford Dealer, and is running it for the accommodation of the public. He has named it a "Texi-Cab," as will be noted by the large red letters, with trimmings, tacked on the "Texi." Like the late firm of Moon & Son, he is now in business to serve the public either by day or night, and he will treat you right. If you want to go anywhere phone for the "Texi." You can't down a Lawyer.

Sixty-Two Years of Married Life

Abbeville, S. C., Aug. 9, 1916. Editor Press and Banner:

Should you think the following article of sufficient interest for publication, you can do so. The subjects of this sketch were until recently citizens of this county but now reside at Anderson, S. C. They are still living, hale and hearty. Eight children were born to them, five of whom are now living.

Very truly,
M. E. Hollingsworth.

"John W. McCurry was born at Lowndesville, Abbeville county, Jan. 15th, 1829.

"Margaret M. Campbell was born at Pendleton, S. C., Jan. 20th, 1832."

The two were married Jan. 20th, 1854. They have therefore been living together as man and wife for sixty-two years.

IN CHARLESTON ON BUSINESS

Dr. C. C. Gambrell and Dr. J. R. Power are in Charleston this week on business. They are attending some meeting of the doctors on the Isle of Palms.

THE BRIDGE CLUB.

The regular meeting of the bridge club will be held at the home of Mrs. Frank B. Gary Friday afternoon at five o'clock.

CHAIRMEN APPOINTED FOR FAIR

Antreville, Aug. 21.—The people of Antreville met at the school house Friday and appointed the following chairmen to work up the Community Fair:

Fancy work—Mrs. J. A. Anderson.
Canning—Ms. J. H. Ferguson.
Cooking—Mrs. W. W. McCarter.
Flowers—Mrs. Hude Prince.
Agriculture—S. J. Wakefield.
Poultry—P. Harkness.
Live Stock—J. E. Sutherland.

Each chairman will appoint two committees to help. The distance being six miles around Antreville, the center. The Antreville people are very much interested over their great fair and it is hoped they will have a good fair. The chairmen and all parents who want to boost their school, community and their home, also themselves, are requested and urged to be present Saturday afternoon to elect president and other officers. County Demonstrator J. E. Cheatham was present Friday and gave many good ideas concerning the Fair.

Miss Ethel Anderson attended the picnic at Bradberry's Grove Saturday and spent Saturday night with Miss Eunice Ferguson.

Miss Zula Suber is visiting relatives in Abbeville this week.

Mr. Archie Keaton and sister, Miss Winton Keaton, are visiting relatives in Georgia.

Miss Lillis Carville spent the day Saturday with Miss Sadie Prince.

Miss Ruby Lipscomb has returned to her home in Ninety-Six after a pleasant stay with her cousin, Miss Beth Anderson.

ENTERTAINING FOR MISS MARY ISAACS

Miss Dorothy Syfan entertained at a pleasant rook party last Friday morning in honor of her cousin, Miss Mary Isaacs, who is here from Chester visiting. There were several tables of players and the morning passed pleasantly. Plates of delicious salads were served at the close of the games.

HOME ON A VISIT.

Mrs. M. B. McCutcheon of Bishopville, is in Abbeville on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mansfield Hollingsworth. Mrs. McCutcheon is well remembered in Abbeville as Miss Janie Hollingsworth and her old friends are glad for her to come home and to know that she is happy and prosperous.

Baker Explains That Citizen-Soldiers Will Be Kept on Duty as Long as They Are Needed to Insure Safety for Frontier Regions.

Washington, Aug. 21.—The National Guard will be retained on the Mexican border until it can be withdrawn without again endangering American lives and property. Secretary Baker so declared the administration's policy today in answering letters from many parts of the country complaining that State troops were being held in service after the emergency for which they were called out apparently had passed.

In general the complainants, whose names were withheld, alleged that border service was entailing financial loss on militiamen and hardship on their families.

By its presence on the border, the secretary wrote to one, the guard is "winning bloodless victories daily." The department appreciates, Mr. Baker said in another letter, the fact that a call for military service upon militia organizations must "inevitably present cases of hardship."

Referring to the elaborate and extensive training the militiamen are receiving under supervision of regular army officers, the secretary expressed the opinion that it would fit them to act in time of war or other emergencies, as a supporting arm, or second line, for the regular army, furnishing an asset to national preparedness that could not have been obtained otherwise.

"Clearly so soon as a restored state of order on the border justifies it, these troops will be returned to their homes," he wrote. "In the meantime it is not possible for the department to say how soon such a situation will arise, although the Mexican situation is one of increasing hopefulness."

All the letters emphasized the scientific and highly successful manner in which the mobilization of the National Guard had been handled by army officers.

CAMPING AT THE MOUNTAIN.

Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Coleman are camping at Little Mountain for the next ten days. Miss Nellie Livingston and Miss Mary Von Koltitz are visiting the family and the young people are having a good time.

VISITORS FROM ORANGEBURG.

Mrs. L. H. Wannamaker and Mrs. C. V. Neuffer and the two Neuffer children are expected in Abbeville Thursday, where they will visit Mrs. G. A. Neuffer for about two weeks. Both have visited here before and have many friends who will be glad to see them.

From Abbeville Mrs. Neuffer will go on to Goldsboro, N. C., where Prof. Neuffer will have charge of the Graded Schools of that city.

OFF TO TEACH SCHOOL.

Miss Mary Lawson Link leaves Monday to take charge of a school neara Chetser, S. C. Her many friends wish her every good luck and success.

HERE FOR MRS. HASKELL'S FUNERAL

Miss Louise DeBruhl, Calhoun DeBruhl and Andrew DuPre came down from Greenville last Friday and attended the funeral of Mrs. L. C. Haskell.

A NEW MISSION FOR THE FORD

Some one asked Lawrence Parker, an old Anderson boy, who now lives at Abbeville, which he thought had done the most for humanity, Henry Ford or Billy Sunday. "Well," responded Lawrence, with that sly Parker grin, "I think Henry Ford has shaken more h—l out of the people than Billy Sunday ever did."—Daily Mail.

Mr. Philson in Northern Markets

Mr. R. C. Philson is in the north buying fall and winter goods for his firm, Philson and Henry.

EXPLOSION KILLS EIGHT

Three Boilers in Manufacturing Plant Explode.

Jersey City, Aug. 21.—Fire that started in one of more than 200 cars filled with explosives, caused the recent disaster on Black Tom island, which resulted in several fatalities and did \$20,000,000 property damage according to witnesses examined here today. Their testimony was taken at an inquest into the death of James Doherty, a policeman, a victim.

Albert B. Dickman, superintendent of the Lehigh Valley yards, at Black Tom, and Edward L. McKenzie, and Alexander Davidson, officials of the National Storage company, arrested after the explosion declined to testify after advice of counsel.