

TRAGEDY ENACTED AT BOGALUSA, LA.

THREE MEN KILLED WHILE DEFENDING A NEGRO I. W. W. MEMBER.

RADICALISM OUT

Loyalty League Plays Part In Running Radicals Out Of Bogalusa, Louisiana.

Bogalusa, La., Nov., 23.—Bogalusa is quiet today following the pitched battle of yesterday in which three white labor leaders were killed by special policemen and two white men wounded in a fight over the apprehension of Sol Dakus, negro, president of the local timber workers.

Three men are dead: Lum E. Williams, president of the Allied Trades Council and editor of the Free Press a local labor paper; J. P. Bouchillon, union man, and Thomas Gaines, union carpenter.

Two men are in the hospital from gunshot and pistol wounds. They are: S. J. O'Rourke, secretary of the Allied Trades Council, and Jules Le Blanc, owner of a garage, a special policeman and a former captain in the United States Infantry.

Dakus Is At Large. Sol Dakus, alleged negro agitator and head of the negro union, against whom a warrant for arrest has been sworn, is at large.

Twelve members of the Self-Preservation and Loyalty League, an organization of 200-tax-paying citizens who are non-union members and non-employees of the Great Southern Lumber Company, which operates several plants here, are facing a federal charge in New Orleans of unlawfully wearing the United States Army uniform, the affidavits having been sworn out by William L. Donnels, general organizer of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners, following the deportation of Ed O'Brien, a union man, last Wednesday for his alleged remarks approving the killing of former soldiers at Centralia, Wash., during an Armistice Day parade.

A warrant is in the hands of the police chief for the arrest of O'Brien if he returns to Bogalusa.

The Great Southern Lumber Company sawmill is practically closed down awaiting the arrival of a cylinder for a giant engine before resuming full operation and is guarded by heavily armed patrols day and night with a machine gun and wire entanglements defense.

Reports were received here that William L. Donnels has telegraphed Attorney General Palmer for an investigation of the battle of yesterday and that O'Donnells says that his life has been threatened here.

The outbreak of yesterday according to B. B. Talley, city attorney, was the culmination of trouble which has been brewing for more than a year and developed into armed hostilities upon the parading of the negro labor leader down the main street of the city by O'Rourke and Bouchillon, both armed with shot-guns.

Dakus, the negro, was wanted by the police on the charge of being a dangerous and suspicious character.

Deputies Are Called Out.

When the parade of the negro in daylight down Columbia Street began Bouchillon and O'Rourke, protecting him, T. A. Magee, chief of police, was notified. Warrants were issued for arrest of Bouchillon and O'Rourke on the charge of disturbing the peace and because trouble was almost certain, 45 of the special officers who had been sworn in to serve as policemen in emergency but without pay were dispatched to make the arrest.

The parade proceeded to the garage of Lum Williams, union headquarters. W. C. Magee, of the regular police force and Jules Leblanc, left the main body of officers at the gate to the lot on which the garage stood 150 feet back from the street, and started to serve the warrants.

Thomas Gaines, according to W. C. Magee, appeared near the garage

JUDGE EVANS HONORED

Named Jefferson County Circuit Court Judge by Kilby.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Nov. 22.—Judge Richard V. Evans, former associate judge of the court of appeals of Alabama, and for several months an assistant attorney general, was named associate judge of the Jefferson circuit court on Saturday by Gov. Kilby. He will succeed Judge C. W. Ferguson, deceased. Judge Evans will take up his new duties at once, leaving for the magic city late Saturday. The executive selected Judge Evans from a list of five applicants who have been active since the death of Judge Ferguson last week. The governor first planned to name the judge two days after the death of Judge Ferguson, but the friends of all applicants asked for permission to discuss the matter.

BISHOP GREEN HERE.

Rt. Rev. William Mercer Green, Bishop Co-Adjutor of the Diocese of Mississippi, visited St. Paul's parish last Monday in an official capacity, meeting the vestry of the church in the afternoon and conducting service at night administering the rite of confirmation to two.

Bishop Green is a man of power in the pulpit and he has a strong following of friends in this parish. He was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. G. Y. Banks while in this city.

Maj. J. R. Thomas of the prairie section was a visitor in Columbus Monday.

UNIFIED ROAD SYSTEM FOR THE COUNTY

Mr. C. H. Cocke has taken the initiative in a movement which has for its end a unified road system for Lowndes county. He has sent an invitation to all of the county road commissioners, asking them to meet upon an agreed date in this city for the purpose of discussing a road system which will be adequate for the needs of the county.

Heretofore in Lowndes county all road construction has been done upon the subdivision of the county plan. Thus we find some of the supervisors' districts not only working under the district plan but in many cases a district is divided into several subdivisions. The result is that there are innumerable commissioners all over the county, interested in their particular project without regard to the interest and welfare of the county as a whole.

One chief objection to the present system is that good men agreed to serve upon these commissions with the idea of securing their own roads, and after securing roads to their neighborhoods their interest in their work was largely abated. Even the repair work under the present system is being neglected and it is feared that the whole road system of the county will be lost unless some broad comprehensive system for their support and maintenance is put into effect at once.

The meeting will be held in this city at an early date and The Dispatch will give full publicity to it.

and was ordered to drop his gun.

"Come and get it," was Gaines' retort, the officer said, as the former stepped inside the garage and warned the men inside.

Lum Williams, armed, then stepped out of his office. Magee said he ordered Williams to drop the gun and notified him of the warrant for Dakus' arrest. The reply, according to Magee, was a shot from Williams which struck Leblanc in the arm.

The desperate and determined battle then began with Williams dropping dead in his tracks from a quick volley by the special officers. The policemen said that Bouchillon was killed at the window when his pump-jammed as he was attempting to shoot. Gaines, they said, fired through the garage door first with a pistol and later with a shot gun. His body was found in the middle of the garage. Dakus and an unknown number of white men made a dash for the woods and escaped. O'Rourke and James Williams climbed out of a window, police officials said, and made a break for safety but O'Rourke fell with buckshot wounds in his breast and Williams threw up his hands. Officers said a shotgun was found near O'Rourke.

PAPER ADVANCES 600 PER CENT

COUNTRY PAPERS BEING FORCED TO SUSPEND; DAILIES BEING CARED FOR OVER WEEKLIES.

NEWS 13 CTS. POUND

Profiteering Upon Gigantic Scale Now Going On; All Subscription and Advertising Rates Advance.

NEW YORK.—Thirteen cents a pound, f. o. b. mill, was asked for print paper here during this week. The price was for car load lots, and was made to one of the largest purchasers of print paper in the country. The mill refused to make a price of anything less than thirteen cents.

CHICAGO.—It is reliably reported here that one of the large daily papers of the city has made an offer of ten cents a pound for 1,000 tons of roll print, and has not found a mill that will take the order. The Chicago papers are being forced to omit a large amount of advertising from every issue because of the shortage of print paper.

WASHINGTON.—Complaints of inability to secure paper are pouring into government offices here. Newspapers are reporting prices of eight, nine and as high as twelve cents being asked for print paper, and when orders are placed at these prices it is possible to secure only very small quantities, not nearly enough to meet their demands.

OMAHA.—One of the largest wholesale paper dealers of the country reports print paper prices going upward every day, with a raise in the week of more than \$1 a hundred. Many mills are refusing to accept orders at any price, and a forced suspension of many papers is looked for as there is no prospect of any relief in the immediate future.

NEW YORK.—The price of print paper is soaring skyward, with the limit nowhere in sight, and every newspaper publisher forced by circumstances to bid for every pound of paper that can be secured. There is undoubtedly a shortage in production in proportion to the demand, but it is charged that the manufacturers have taken advantage of the situation to boost the prices just as high as the publishers will pay, and regardless of what price is necessary to provide for a reasonable, or even liberal, profit.

Without any evidence of reason pulp prices went from \$26.00 to \$40.00 a ton at one jump, and print paper went up proportionately and then some. But paper did not stop with that jump. New record prices are being made every day and almost every hour, and the manufacturers and brokers are reaping tremendous profits. The paper jobbers are helpless in the face of conditions, and the great majority of them are actually selling print at a loss. The jobbers are accepting such orders as are necessary to keep regular customers supplied, and when they attempt to get the paper with which to fill these orders they find the manufacturers' price out of all proportion to the price at which they have sold their customer. In fact, the situation has become so serious that jobbers are afraid to accept orders, and it is rumored that a number of them may withdraw from the print paper market entirely.

It is openly charged here that the manufacturers and brokers are operating together; that the mills are selling almost exclusively through the brokers, and that the brokers are merely the representatives of the mill owners. In this way the tremendous profits that are being made are not reflected on the books of the mills, even though they find their way into the pockets of the mill owners.

These paper brokers must not in any way be confused with paper jobbers. The brokers do not carry a stock of paper; they have no investment in merchandise; in fact, the great majority of the paper they sell is not manufactured when the sale is made. Publishers have claimed that mills with which they have in the past dealt direct now turn down their orders, and that the only way they can secure papers is by dealing through these brokers, though in the end the paper is manufactured and shipped by the same mills that have declined

CHARGED PAPER MILLS WITH PROFITEERING

WASHINGTON.—Small daily and weekly newspapers are threatened with destruction because of inability to obtain print paper, the house was told by Representative Deavis (Rep.), Nebraska. He charged that newsprint manufacturers were refusing to sell small publishers, in order to fill the wants of the metropolitan dailies. Paper consumption by the big city dailies, and magazines has greatly increased, Mr. Reavis said, by an "extensive national advertising campaign conducted to defeat the government in collecting taxes. He urged that the internal revenue bureau investigate the returns of concerns conducting the campaign to discover to what extent their excess profits tax was reduced by the costs of advertising.

to accept their orders direct. It is said that in some cases orders for paper will pass through as many as seven different brokers before the orders reach the mills, each broker making a margin of profit. It is simply an extreme case of pyramiding profits, with seemingly no remedy for the trouble.

In 1914 and 1915 the daily papers of New York and Chicago were buying print at two cents or less delivered at their press rooms. During 1915 the price began to jump rapidly and for 1916 many of the papers had to contract at prices varying from three to three and one-half cents f.o.b. mill. To some of the New York papers this advance in price meant an increased cost per year of from one to two million dollars, and forced an increase in the subscription price.

But today three to three and one-half cent paper would be extremely welcome. In place of that the papers are just now confronted, so report says, with from nine to twelve cent paper, and have heard of quotations as high as thirteen and a quarter.

It is easy to see what this means to the press of the nation. Subscription or advertising rates can hardly go high enough to cover such a price for raw material, and it would seem that the print paper manufacturers are killing the goose that has been laying their golden eggs. A movement is now on foot to appeal to the department of justice for relief from the high-handed, profiteering methods. Just what form the appeal will take is not now known, or just what the result will be cannot be forecasted, but it is certain that if the newspapers are to survive the present squeeze, drastic action on the part of the government will be necessary, and this action will be needed quickly.

To avoid immediate disaster advertising rates are being pushed upward, and it is probable that subscription rates will also receive another boost, and what is being done by the smaller daily and weekly publications all over the nation. The publishers have no choice in the matter if they are to continue publication, and the sooner they realize this fact the nearer they will come to avoiding bankruptcy.

The paper baron is in the saddle, he has no mercy, and the newspapers of America are to be his victims. The one and only immediate hope for the publishers lies in higher advertising rates and higher subscription price.

DR. KOMP TO SPEAK AT WOMAN'S CLUB.

Dr. William Komp, Assistant Sanitary Engineer of the U. S. Public Health Service, will speak at the Woman's Club on next Friday morning at half past ten o'clock. He will treat in his address the subject of malaria, and will stress the importance of its eradication in this community.

A most cordial invitation is extended the public to attend and especially the members of the various Parent-Teachers Association of the public schools. All who are interested in public health matters are urged to be present, as the address will be illuminating along these lines.

Mr. S. B. Street, Sr.'s friends will regret to learn that he is at his home on Main street. Mr. Street went home Monday afternoon with a chill and has been in bed ever since.

JUDGE SPEEDS UP COURT BUSINESS

REGULAR TERM OF CIRCUIT COURT CONVENE MONDAY MORNING.

DOCKET SOUNDED

Speed Up Program Inaugurated By Judge Carroll Monday Morning; Docket Is Unusually Heavy.

Circuit court slipped into high Monday morning when Judge T. B. Carroll launched a speed-up program in order to expedite the handling of an unusually heavy docket of both civil and criminal cases.

The special term ended Saturday night and Judge Carroll opened court Monday morning with a determination to speed the business of the court as much as possible. The docket was sounded after the juries had been drawn and when witnesses and litigants failed to answer to the call of the court bonds were forfeited right and left and attachments were ordered against absent witnesses.

A total of eight criminal cases faced the court Monday morning and these were weeded out with all possible ease and the court announced that the criminal docket would be cleared so far as the present term of court is concerned by Wednesday night.

The following compose petit jury No. 1: Messrs. C. O. Shackelford, J. J. Goolsby, J. N. McNeese, Ross Griffin, L. A. Vaughan, J. B. Green, L. A. Halbert, Jr., G. T. Fields, C. W. Walters, R. C. Smith, W. D. Bishop and J. F. Goolsby.

The first case to come up for trial Monday was that of the State versus Buster Evans, a negro. He was charged with stealing twenty bales of hay from Mr. T. L. Lloyd. After hearing the evidence the jury brought in a verdict of guilty. Two other negroes were held in connection with the same case. The case against Will Claiborne was not pronounced and Anderson Whitfield entered a plea of guilty.

The jury brought in a verdict of guilty against Evans. Tuesday morning Roxie Lacy was found guilty of selling liquor. Mr. Tom Andrews was found guilty of carrying concealed weapons.

Amzi Love was tried on a charge of unlawfully having liquor in his possession and the jury promptly brought in a verdict of not guilty.

The following compose petit jury No. 2: Messrs. J. M. McReynolds, C. H. Ellis, Louis Ellis, J. P. Wiggins, R. L. Morris, J. A. Dowdle, S. L. Howard, J. H. Wells, R. S. Loftis, F. M. Couchman, C. M. Reeves and C. A. Dodson.

"HELLO" PEOPLE MEET HERE TODAY

TELEPHONE EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION HOLD FIRST SESSION IN COLUMBUS.

ABOUT 50 COMING

Mr. W. A. Deale Is President Of Association; Session Here Will Be Important One; Other Meetings Planned.

The first session of the Associated Bell Telephone Employees of the Tupelo district will convene in this city today.

Employees of the company from all sections of the Tupelo district, more than fifty in number, are coming to Columbus for the meeting. They will begin to arrive in the city today at noon.

The sessions will be held at the office of the telephone company in this city and Mr. W. A. Deale, first president of the association, will preside over the sessions and Miss Blanche Jones of Tupelo, will officiate as secretary.

The association was formerly organized in Tupelo last month and it was decided to hold the first session in Columbus. Sessions will be held monthly and the place of holding the December session will be decided upon

SUNRISE SERVICE SUNDAY MORNING

Baptist Will Gather In Prayerful Service For Success Of Drive.

Victory Week in the great Baptist 75 Million campaign will be ushered in Sunday morning with sunrise prayer service at the First Baptist church.

Members of the church and especially the campaign workers will meet at the church at 7 o'clock and engage in a prayer service asking Divine guidance and success for the campaign.

The Baptists of the First Church of Columbus face the task of raising \$37,500 and the Second church \$4,500. The teams will start work at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. It is hoped that the victory will be gained the first day of the drive and President H. L. Whitfield, organizer for the local church, is confident of success. He conducted the services at the church Sunday morning and laid the matter before the church in a most forceful and effective manner.

Dr. R. S. Gavin, county director, is enthusiastic over the prospects for success from the county as a whole. Reports from every church in the county will reach him Sunday night and a general report for the Columbus churches and the county at large will be made at the church Sunday night.

Next Sunday is expected to be a great day for Baptists. Over 3,000,000 members of the denomination in the South will be engaged in the same task and a great wave of victory is expected to sweep over the Southland.

EXCITEMENT AT COLLEGE.

Monday evening about nine-thirty some excitement occurred at the college. A man attempted to enter one of the rooms of the students and it threw the institution into an uproar. He was an old man so the story goes, in threads and patches, and after his attempt had failed he disappeared in the darkness and has not been heard of since.

It appears that he entered one of the dormitories by a side door and started into one of the rooms. He was very promptly stopped by the student and he made a hasty exit. Then the news began to spread. Lights were out and the screams of the students informed and alarmed the other students. Then lights were turned on and as they understood the cause of the excitement more screams were indulged in until nearly the whole student body was in turmoil. The watchmen and the matrons and the teachers and the president all came running to the rescue and the students were finally assured that all was safe.

Just who the man was and what was his purpose no one seems able to understand. It is supposed that he was under the influence of liquor or was unbalanced mentally at the time.

The police have been looking for the mysterious stranger but he has not been apprehended yet.

WEEKLY COTTON STATEMENT.

Following is the weekly statement of the Columbus Cotton Exchange for the week ending Friday, November 21:

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes Receipts last report, Corresponding date, Receipts this week, etc.

at the meeting in this city.

Matters of importance to the association, such as the adoption of a constitution and by-laws will come up for consideration at the meeting here and plans for the future activities of the association will be worked out.

The association will only be in session one day. A business session will be held from 2 to 4 this afternoon and at the conclusion of the meeting the visitors will be given an automobile ride over the city.

In the evening they will be tendered a banquet in the offices of the local company.

DOKEYS TO REIGN THANKSGIVING DAY

WILL TAKE CHARGE OF CITY IN AFTERNOON; TO STAGE CEREMONIAL.

BIG STREET PARADE

Imperial Prince Will Arrive In Afternoon; Class Of Nearly A Hundred Going In.

The Dokeys are going to run the town tomorrow.

It will be the occasion of the big Turkey Day ceremonial in celebration of the removal of Saladin Temple to Columbus and it will be a brilliant event.

Imperial Prince Harry W. Nice of Baltimore, Md., will be the distinguished guest of the occasion and there will be scores of other distinguished visitors from all sections of Mississippi. The Imperial Prince will be accompanied by his wife and they will arrive in the city over the Mobile and Ohio at 3:20 Thursday afternoon.

A committee from the temple will meet the distinguished visitor at the station and a committee of ladies will formally welcome Mrs. Nice.

The big public feature of the occasion will be the street parade. It will be the most spectacular fraternal pageant ever seen in Columbus.

There will be many comic features as well as beautiful and artistically decorated floats.

The cadet band of the A. and M. College will furnish music and give the parade a martial spirit. This band this year is composed of forty pieces and is one of the finest bands in the South.

There will be another band in the parade. It will be the "Tyro Jazz Band" and in the words of the leader Mr. Tony Butera, "It certainly does jazz a mean jazz." It will be made up of the "victims" who are billed to cross the hot sands that night.

The victims will be subjected to all kinds of rough treatment in the parade, the real tank Treat 'Em Rough stuff, and then again they will be put on the grill in the evening and they should get through this provided their strength holds out. The tiger's teeth are being sharpened and the sands are being heated.

It is believed close to a hundred candidates will compose the class. Nearly two thirds of this number have already been signed up.

A turkey banquet will be the social feature of the occasion. It will be given at the Brown Hotel at 6 o'clock in the evening. Twenty-five big farm turkeys have been fattening for days and a glorious feast is promised.

The ceremonial will be held at the Odd Fellows hall beginning at 7:30 o'clock.

The street parade will form at 3:30 o'clock in front of the city hall and move along Main and College streets. Following is the order of the parade: Decorated automobile leading.

Automobile carrying Imperial Prince Nice and committee.

A. and M. band.

Automobiles carrying visiting officers of the Temple.

Emblem float.

Automobiles carrying Mrs. Nice and ladies' committee.

Pageant float.

Members of temple in automobiles.

Floater.

Tyro Jazz band.

Royal Tiger in motorized cage.

Officers of Temple in full regalia.

Tyroes.

Brigant team.

PROMINENT MASON DEAD.

Mr. W. H. Carter received a message yesterday announcing the death of Past Grand Master, E. J. Martin, at Meridian, and summoning him to that city to attend the funeral today. Mr. Martin was superintendent of the Masonic Home in Meridian and was for a long number of years active in the Masonic fraternity of the State. He was probably one of the best known Masons in the State and the announcement of his death brings grief and sorrow to the hearts of thousands of the members of the order.

Mr. Saunders Wilbourne of Artesia, was among the business visitors in the city yesterday.