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LOUISIANA MAY SUPPRESS WORK OF KU KLUX KLAN

GOVERNOR AROUSED NO SERIOUS INJURY

Suggests the Enactment of Legislation "To Make it a Felony for Any Man to Hide Behind a Mask to Drag the Good Name of the State in the Miry."

Baton Rouge, La., Mar. 23.—Governor Parker today issued an appeal to the law officers of Louisiana "to suppress with an iron hand the evil of Ku Kluxism wherever it raises its head." He said this action had been taken in view of "repeated complaints which have come to him from different parts of the state."

The governor added at the approaching session of the legislature he will appeal to that body in "the name of order and good government to enact a law to make it a felony for any man to hide behind a mask to drag the good name of this state in the mire and bring contempt for law and civilization into action."

Where great evils exist he said, honest and brave men will stand in the open fearlessly, to see that they are corrected, with no need of disguise.

SHORTAGE IN TAXES

Washington, Mar. 23.—On a basis of reported collection of income and profits tax on March 15th, installment a shortage of \$200,000,000 in the estimated revenues from these sources for the calendar year 1922 was estimated today by the treasury.

SUBMARINE SUNK.

London, Mar. 23.—The British submarine H-42 has been lost with all hands in the Mediterranean says an Exchange telegraph dispatch when it collided with a destroyed during maneuvers.

GOLDSBORO AND WILSON DEBATE

Winners to Participate for the State Debating Contest Will be Decided Friday Evening.

The annual debate between the Wilson High School and the Goldsboro High School will take place in the High School auditorium here tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock. The debate is to be an unusually timely and interesting one this year on the query "Resolved: That the United States should enter the League of Nations," this being interpreted to mean with the "Hitchcock reservations."

The negative team from the Wilson High School will go to Goldsboro Friday while the Wilson affirmative team will remain in Wilson.

Miss Juanita McDougald and Miss Carson of the history department have been most interested in the debates and have coached the debaters, Miss McDougald being interested in the affirmative side and Miss Carson in the negative side.

Miss Carson will accompany the negative team to Goldsboro. The negative team is composed of Miss Frances Woodard, Anderson Boswell, Chas. Thorne and Thos. Bridges, two of which will be selected to speak.

The affirmative team is composed of Miss Rose Tilghman, William Anderson and John Selby Peterson.

These students will debate whether Wilson of Goldsboro helps in the State of North Carolina was formerly a

CARS OVERTURNED BY OPEN SWITCH ON SEABOARD ROAD

Passengers in Five Overtaken Pullmans Were Rescued by Passengers in Another Car Which Remained on the Tracks Taken to Washington on Later Train.

Washington, Mar. 23.—Striking an open switch near Alberta, Va., 60 miles south of Richmond the Seaboard Air Line mid-South special was derailed early today, five sleepers leaving the track and turning over. Passengers who reported the wreck said no one was seriously injured.

The train was bound northward from Columbia, S. C., and carried a number of passengers for New York and other northern points and was traveling at a moderate speed when the switch was reached. Major W. T. Romaine, of the United States army one of the passengers said, "The engine, tender and baggage car held to the rails, but all of the sleepers except the rear one went into a shallow ravine along the tracks." Passengers in the sleepers that stayed on the track assisted the passengers in the overturned cars and all were brought to Washington on a later train.

OKLA. GOVERNOR NOW IN TROUBLE

Charged With Illegal Transactions Involving Banking Institutions.

Ocmulgee, Okla., Mar. 23.—Governor J. B. A. Robertson of Oklahoma and several officials of Ocmulgee banks were under bond today for trial on indictments alleging illegal transactions involving two local banking institutions.

Governor Robertson is charged with accepting part of \$25,000 bribe to place \$150,000 state funds in the former guaranty State Bank to prevent closure when that bank was known to have been insolvent. The state executive came here tonight accepted service of a warrant furnished bond of \$5,000 and left immediately.

The Governor declined further comment on the charge stating the case was in the hands of his state attorneys.

VENICE FLOODED.

London, Mar. 23.—A Central News dispatch from Venice says a tidal wave late last night inundated the city the water rising to more than 3 feet in the public square.

WEATHER.

For North Carolina, fair and not quite so cold tonight, probably light frost tonight, Friday fair and warmer, moderate to fresh northeast and east winds.

GENERAL NEWS

The Chairman of the French army commission has declared in the Chamber of Deputies that "France must have three men to one for Germany many when the zero hour sounds again."

A verdict awarding the Taylor estate \$23,150 was returned in Forsyth Superior Court yesterday in the case of Mrs. J. E. Taylor who asked for \$40,000 in her suit against Dr. J. W. Peacock of Thomasville because of the killing of her husband by Peacock.

Atlantic Coast

GOVERNMENT WILL FORBID DISORDER IN COAL STRIKE

The Attorney General Holds That a Coal Shortage Will Interfere With Transportation and That on These Grounds the Government May Have a Say So.

Washington, Mar. 23.—Warning that the federal government would tolerate no violence to prevent coal production during the coal strike was issued by Attorney General Daugherty today.

Mr. Daugherty declared he was making no threats and he believed a man or set of men have the right to strike in an orderly manner but they did not have the right to interfere with those who took their places.

The attorney general did not disclose the government plan for the miners' walkout but it is understood he conferred with President Harding and Secretary Davis on the possibility of a public appeal by the President to avert the strike.

Mr. Daugherty said he did not believe the government would have to wait until there was an actual coal shortage before it could take action. His stand he explained was that since fuel was an indispensable part of transportation the government had the same power to act in the case of any interference to coal production that it would in the event of any interruption in the nation's transportation.

The attorney general without elaborating on his statement then proceeded to say that action by the government in connection with a coal strike would be a little farther step than had been taken by any other country a little more drastic and a little more specific but his mind was set upon it and only a court could block it. He added that it was possible one minute past midnight on March 31 the Justice department would have something to say on the strike subject.

Mr. Calvin Young went to Kenly today.

MARKETS

COTTON.

New York, Mar. 23.—Opening steady at a decline of from 1 to 7 points the cotton market showed little feature outside of relative weakness in March contracts. There were 13 notices issued and the local bureau inspected 3,468 bales yesterday which leaves about 8,000 bales to be inspected this month. The weather was again clear over the entire belt. After the opening, the market held steady on Wall Street, Japanese and trade buying and favorable Liverpool and Manchester news, with the market from 1 to 4 points net lower.

New York, Mar. 23.—Cotton futures opened steady: Mar. 17.95, May 17.85, July 17.31, Oct. 16.90, Dec. 16.80.

The market at noon was as follows: Jan. 16.66, Mar. 17.68, May 17.75, July 17.27, Oct. 16.95, Dec. 16.82.

Spots, Wilson market 16 5-8c.

The market closed at 3.15 as follows: Jan. 16.65, Mar. 17.50, May 17.89, July 17.24, Oct. 16.84, Dec. 16.81.

STOCKS.

New York, Mar. 23.—Northern Pacific registered an extreme decline of 3 points at the opening of today's stock market as a result of the reduction of the annual dividend from 7 to 5 per cent. Great North

AMERICA FINDS A NEED FOR BOARD ON REPARATIONS

And Mr. Harding Sees That if America is to Have an Authoritative Word in Her Claim for Rhine Expenses and the Dye Question This Nation Wants on Board.

(By David Lawrence.)
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Washington, Mar. 22.—The United States will take its place at the table of the Reparations Commission before very long.

This conclusion is inescapable after the developments of the last 24 hours here—the expression from the White House that Congress should authorize American membership—and the decision today to make public tomorrow the full text of the American note to Great Britain, France, Belgium, Italy and Japan asking that the claim for \$241,000,000 for payment of the expenses of the American army of occupation on the Rhine be considered by the Allied powers who are doing out German reparation money.

No less a person than the President himself has told Congress that the situation over the import of dyes from German-American textile industry is so serious that American participation in the deliberations of the Reparations Commission is absolutely essential. Mr. Harding now puts the issue squarely up to Congress and says the responsibility for the absence of an American member on the Reparations Commission lies with Congress.

This is a new tack for the Executive. Heretofore the initiative in international cooperation has been with the President or Secretary of State but so jealous has Congress become over all dealings with Europe that Mr. Harding is not apt to project the question especially at a time when the treaties negotiated by the Arms Conference are having such hard sledding.

It is significant that both Senators Lodge and Underwood, leaders of the Republican and Democratic parties respectively in the Senate are crying out against the Allied neglect of the American claim for \$241,000,000 and are insisting on its payment. The claim would not now be in question if the United States had been represented on the Reparations Commission but he has hinted as much and the chances are that he will permit the country to believe Congress rather than the Executive is responsible.

Incidentally, the pressure for American representation on the reparations commission comes from many different sides. The textile manufacturers who say they are unable to obtain certain dyes not made in this country are insisting that the American government exercise its rights and get those dyes from Germany through the reparations commission which is in full charge of what is done with Germany's dyes. It would be possible for instance to take dyes in payment of a part of the \$241,000,000 owed America. These dyes would then be sold to American firms by the United States government which would credit the receipts against the original sum expended for maintaining the army on the Rhine.

Until last November, the Textile Alliance, an organization created by the textile industry, was getting German dyes by virtue of an arrangement with the Department of State which in turn was dealing directly with the Reparations Commission. The Department of State would be

SOLDIER BONUS MEASURE ASSURED OF PASSAGE IN THE HOUSE BEFORE ADJOURNMENT

PARTY LINES ARE UPSET

The Vote for Suspension of Rules in Consideration of the Measure Was Taken in the Midst of a Great Hub Bub; a four Hour Discussion Was Launched With the Speakers given One Minute or Two or Three for Their Discussions.

Washington, March 23.—Passage of the four billion dollar soldier bonus bill by the house before adjournment was made certain today with adoption of the resolution providing for consideration of the measure under suspension of the rules.

The vote was 221 to 121 and was without a roll call. Previously the house had adopted a motion for the question by roll call vote of 276 to 126. As the roll call proceeded there was more than the usual hub bub on the floor, and those in the galleries unused to the procedure in the house looked down in surprise as the members milled about talking and laughing while the clerk read the 335 names on the list. Those voting were forced to shout at the tops of their voices in an effort to have their vote heard at the clerk's desk. There was a breaking of party lines on the vote on the suspension resolution. Many of the Democrats who voted in the negative on this motion were counted upon to support the bonus on the final vote, and leaders were confident that more than the two-thirds majority would be obtained.

Chairman Fordney of the ways and means committee was at once recognized by Speaker Gillette for a motion to suspend rules and pass the bill whereupon the house launched into four hours of discussion. Some members were given only one minute, others two, others three but by unanimous consent all had leave to extend their remarks in the Congressional records.

CONFERENCE ON STRIKE SUBJECT

The Miners Have Little Hope That the Strike Will be Averted, Scheduled for April First.

New York, Mar. 23.—In an eleventh hour attempt to halt preparations for a nation wide strike in the coal industry the arbitration committee of miners and operators sat behind locked doors.

The committee was composed of eight men, four miners and four operators. With them sat two non-voting neutrals, a chairman and a secretary. Upon the conference will depend whether the 200,000 anthracite workers will proceed with their 400,000 brethren in the bituminous fields and prepare to drop their tools April 1st, while their 19 wage demands are given consideration.

The miners representatives entered the meeting with little expectation of an agreement.

Representatives of the operators declined to make any predictions as to the outcome.

INVESTIGATE MINE AFFAIRS

Washington, Mar. 23.—Investigation of conditions in the coal mining industry by a special commission to be appointed by the president is called for in a resolution introduced by Representative Bland of Indiana.

The commission which would

BIG BATTLE OVER FOUR POWER PACT

Leaders Claim That Enough Votes are Pledged to Insure Passage of the Measure.

Washington, Mar. 23.—What was expected to be the final forensic battle over the four power Pacific treaty began in the senate today with the administration leaders holding their lines intact against the onslaught of the irreconcilables and predicting ratification would be voted tomorrow with no reservations except that approved by the foreign relations committee.

Enough votes were pledged the leaders said to reject all other proposed reservations and amendments and to insure the necessary two thirds for final ratification.

The ratification vote is to be taken at the outset of tomorrow's session under the unanimous consent agreement which limited debate to one hour for each senator.

Another series of prepared addresses was delivered at the outset of the session which began an hour earlier than usual.

APPOINT DIVISION CHIEFS.

Washington, Mar. 23.—Appointment of division chiefs and designation of headquarters for 18 prohibition enforcement territories throughout the country were announced today by Commissioner Haynes. They include Norfolk, Va., for North Carolina and part of Virginia in charge of John A. Murphy.

MISSISSIPPI IS STILL RISING.

Memphis, Tenn., Mar. 23.—A Mississippi rise of 42 feet or more before March 30 was forecast today by J. H. Scott of the United States weather bureau, Helena, Ark., will get 52 or more feet of water the first week in April the special warning stated. All persons living on unprotected lands outside the levees are warned to move to a place of safety immediately.

MARY GARDEN GETS WARM RECEPTION

Governor of Washington and Mayor of Seattle Greeted Her With Kisses.

Portland, Ore., March 23.—Mary Garden here at the head of the Chicago Grand Opera Company, says that Portland is the first city to which she had ever been welcomed with kisses from both the Governor and the Mayor.

Upon arrival of Miss Garden's special train yesterday a reception committee and thousands of others awaited her at the station. When Miss Garden appeared Mayor Geo. L. Baker rushed forward and kissed her. Governor Ben Olcott who was next in line looked a little doubtful as to what course to pursue. "Well, governor, you're next," yelled a crowd and the governor, as he saw it.

Miss Garden strove to keep her face to tears but soon she was in a

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