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CITY ITEMS

W. W. Westmoreland Here—W. W. Westmoreland, one of the best known employees of the Seaboard Air Line, who has been conducting a train to this city for over 25 years, was here yesterday. He said that in Atlanta there had been found a solution for the prohibition question in the licensing of beer saloons. Mr. Westmoreland gave it as his opinion that if the legislature would at its coming session make it legal to sell beer and light wines to no blind tigers would exist and that prohibition would be unthought of four years hence.

"Unless this is done," said Mr. Westmoreland, "we will have blind tigers as of old and will also have a recurrence of the prohibition question four years from now. I am in favor of the plan Georgia has outlined to license the beer saloons and then whisky will be a thing of the past."

Fairfield to Celebrate—The fifth anniversary of Fairfield will be celebrated next Thursday with appropriate ceremonies. A program of great interest has been arranged. Five years ago next Thursday the first spade was struck in Fairfield, which is today one of the most beautiful sections for industrial employees in the United States. From persons of national reputation words of praise and commendation have been heard and the citizens feel a deep pride in what has been accomplished. The affair of Thursday will be under the auspices of the Chamber of Commerce and will be attended by many citizens of wide influence in this city and state.

Tusculum Report Discounted—The report from Tusculum that the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railroad company intended to build coke ovens near this city and resume operation of furnaces there was not taken very seriously in Birmingham. Officials of the Tennessee company were unwilling to make any comment on the report. It is stated that the company has a sufficient number of coke ovens here to take care of all needs and that until idle furnaces in this city are resumed no attempt will be made to operate stacks so far away as Tusculum. In the meantime the officials of the company wish conditions were such as to justify the operations.

Huntsville Business Man Here—H. B. Sugg, well known business man of Huntsville, was here yesterday visiting local friends. He was at the News paper club and other clubs of this city and met many old friends. Mr. Sugg said yesterday that business was improving to a very marked extent in Huntsville and that everyone was of the opinion that the war scene was a thing of the past. Mr. Sugg said that Huntsville was getting along better than any city in the state of its size and that the future would go to show that Huntsville was a place of great stability and soundness. He returned to Huntsville yesterday.

R. E. Steiner Here—R. E. Steiner of Montgomery, one of the best known attorneys of that city, spent yesterday in Birmingham. Mr. Steiner came here on some legal matters. He said that the recess work of the legislative committee would probably prove of great value to the state, but that unfortunately no one had yet been informed as to what legislation was to be attempted, as none of the members had indicated what opinions had been formed after hearing the many statements since the recent adjournment. Mr. Steiner returned to Montgomery yesterday afternoon.

Henry DeBardeleben Here—Henry DeBardeleben of Selma, a cousin of the DeBardeleben boys of this city, was here yesterday from Selma. He gave an order here for 5000 tons of coal which was greatly appreciated by the local coal merchant who received the order. Mr. DeBardeleben said that Selma was progressing and that business was getting better. He said that the domestic coal trade in Selma was proving very good and that he had no complaint to make over the volume of business being handled.

Commission Meets Today—The regular meeting of the city commissioners will take place this morning in the city hall. It was announced yesterday by Secretary Ryall that so far as known there was no question of moment to be taken up at the meeting. The commissioners have several matters before them of consequence, but it is presumed these will go over for a few days.

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ASK PRELIMINARY SURVEY OF ROAD TO THE WARRIOR RIVER

Joint Committee From Civic Chamber Before City and County Boards

PROPOSE TO DIVIDE THE COST EQUALLY

Committee Has Been in Touch With Government Engineers and Has Considerable Data—Question Is Taken Under Advisement

For the purpose of persuading the board of revenue and the city commissioners to defray the expense of a preliminary survey of a boulevard from this city to the Warrior river to be used to connect Birmingham with that waterway, a committee from the Chamber of Commerce appeared before the two bodies first named yesterday morning. The committee petitioned that the city and the county engage in that undertaking and after all was over the general opinion was that a marked impression had been made on the officials.

The committee pointed out to the members of the board and to the commissioners that Birmingham now possessed an opportunity of participating in the most wonderful of all recent developments here and that one of the most vital propositions was the construction of a boulevard from this city to the water. The points were made that every taxpayer in the county would be benefited by the proposition, especially the taxpayers of Birmingham, Bessemer and other points to be touched by the proposed boulevard. It was suggested that the city of Birmingham and this county could well afford to divide that cost for the construction of a road which would be of such value and service to this community.

The committee which appeared before the board of revenue and the commissioners was composed of Erskine Ramsay, Murray Brown, Conrad Ohme, an engineer of wide experience; M. P. Northington, President Crawford Johnson of the Chamber of Commerce and Secretary W. C. Radcliffe. After the committee had made known its plans Mr. McGeever of the board of revenue said that the proposition was one that appealed to him very much and that while he believed a bond issue would be necessary to get the plan through he thought the preliminary work might be done.

The committee at a special meeting held in the Chamber of Commerce adopted resolutions asking the city and the county make the appropriation and subsequently called upon the two official bodies. It was announced that Senator O. W. Underwood had placed members of the committee in touch with the government engineering department and that considerable data had been secured on the plans which have been outlined.

The committee making the call was a joint assembly of the good roads and transportation committee, the railways and the industrial committee. Erskine Ramsay and John W. Shiley both spoke in the interest of the movement. They pointed out the great opportunity offered to Birmingham by the opening of the Warrior and suggested that the plan recommended by the committee was perhaps the most economical which could be arranged. President Johnson of the Chamber of Commerce expressed himself as being in perfect harmony with the plan. The board of revenue referred the question to the county attorney to report upon the authority of the board, while the city commissioners said they would take the question under advisement.

In the meantime the proposition is gaining advocates fast and it is believed that the result will be the construction of the proposed highway to the Warrior river, which, it is believed, will provide an economical means of transporting commodities from this district to water navigation by means of motor trucks at a cost which will be very much less than could be otherwise provided.

Marriage Licenses
The following marriage licenses were yesterday recorded in the office of the probate judge:

John Doyle, Avondale, to Miss Beulah Starns.
Frank Kenyon Dehoney, Ensley, to Miss Winifred Sloggett Williams.
Frank Y. Anderson, Jr., Birmingham, to Miss Kathleen VanHoose.
Alfred C. Freeman, Birmingham, to Miss Dewey Pettyjohn.
Tom M. DeWalt, Birmingham, to Miss Pearl Maxine Lee.
John C. Ruud, Birmingham, to Miss Katherine May Thomas.

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WEST VIRGINIA HOTEL MAN MUCH IMPRESSED WITH CITY

J. Newton Marshall of the Greenbrier hotel, White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., is in Birmingham for a few days. He is registered at the Tutwiler. Mr. Marshall is a brother of Walter Marshall, manager of the Vanderbilt hotel in New York city, and has a great many friends here. Mr. Marshall is here in the interest of his hotel which has proved so popular with southern travelers. He said yesterday that the completion of the new \$225,000 bathing pavilion with all the advantages of European baths had caused much attention to be directed to White Sulphur Springs and that the indications pointed to an extremely profitable season during the summer. He called upon many men of prominence yesterday in the interest of his house and secured from a great number pledges to visit that famous resort. He met while here yesterday many members of the Virginia colony and others who exchanged with Mr. Marshall reminiscences of White Sulphur Springs. "Birmingham is a wonderful city," said Mr. Marshall yesterday. "This is my first trip here, but I have been told many

times of the greatness of this city and its attractions. I was in a measure prepared for a fine city, but even my rosiest opinions have been exceeded by the wonderful things here. I have never visited a more attractive place than the Birmingham newspaper club. I must say that I do not believe there exists a club of greater beauty or of more charm. That place should be a source of pride to every citizen of this place. The Tutwiler hotel is also a place of great charm and one of the most comfortable that I have ever visited. The men who made that possible should receive the thanks of everyone in this city."

Mr. Marshall said yesterday that Birmingham sent to White Sulphur Springs many men and women of note. He said that indications pointed to his securing a large number of Birmingham people to visit White Sulphur Springs. Mr. Marshall added that every effort was being put forth to make the hotel more popular. In this effort the great encouragement was being received from the leading people of this country. Mr. Marshall pointed out that European war had necessitated many persons remaining at home and that he had discovered many places in the United States as attractive and beneficial as Europe.

DELEGATION GOES TO RICHMOND SUNDAY

Johnson, Radcliffe and Shireman to Accompany Veterans to Reunion

In an effort to secure for Birmingham the 1916 meeting of the United Confederate Veterans there a large delegation will leave this city Sunday for Richmond. It was announced at the Chamber of Commerce yesterday that Crawford Johnson, president of that body; W. C. Radcliffe, secretary, and others would go to Richmond Sunday and exert every possible influence to secure for Birmingham the next meeting of the veterans.

In addition, it is stated, that F. B. Shireman, manager of the Tutwiler hotel, will also make a trip either to Louisville or Richmond in an effort to land the convention for this city. It is known that Mr. Shireman has been working on that plan for the past several days.

Secretary Radcliffe said yesterday that there had been under advisement a plan to carry the boys' industrial school band to Richmond and while he was unable at this time to announce definitely it was probable that the boys would be taken to the Virginia capital. Mr. Radcliffe said that the information received here was very favorable to Birmingham, and he was of the opinion that the next convention would be secured for this city. Mr. Radcliffe was very hopeful over the chances of Birmingham for the next convention and said that he believed the influence this city would be able to exert would be great enough to secure for the convention.

WHITE ON TRIAL FOR MURDER OF FERRELL

Daniels Tells of Tracking the Negro and His Arrest

The trial of Jesse White, negro, charged with the murder of Dr. C. C. Ferrell, who was assassinated at Prato several weeks ago, was commenced yesterday afternoon in the first division of the criminal court, Judge W. E. Fort presiding. Solicitor Hugo L. Black and Circuit Solicitor Joseph R. Tate are representing the state. Defendant's attorneys are Judge A. M. Douglass and Mr. Ray, who were appointed by the court to defend him. When the case was called both sides announced ready and the examination of the witnesses for the state commenced. Emma Ruffin, a negro woman who was employed by Dr. Ferrell, testified as to hearing the shots and that she ran out and found the doctor dying and that she called in assistance.

J. A. Daniels, dog warden at the mines, testified as to the dogs tracking the defendant to his home and of his arrest. Deputy Sheriff Chris Hartsfield testified as to the statements made by the defendant while in the county jail which were to the effect that the negro shot thinking he was being attacked. The witness testified the defendant gave the statement voluntarily and without apparent reservation. Court adjourned at 6:30 until this morning when the trial will be resumed.

DR. WELCH AND EAVES HAVE NARROW ESCAPE

Auto Skids and Plunges Over Embankment on Red Mountain While Returning From Mountain Lake

Dr. Stuart Welch and George Eaves, Jr., had a narrow escape from death yesterday afternoon at 12:30 o'clock when the machine in which they were returning from Mountain Lake skidded just as they crossed Shades creek and began the descent of Red mountain. Eaves was riding on the running board of the car when the machine plunged over the embankment. Dr. Welch was painfully bruised and cut and the car was demolished.

In telling of the accident Mr. Eaves made the following statement: "Dr. Welch and I were returning from Mountain Lake, where a party of us had been camping. The tonneau of the car was loaded with mattresses we were bringing into town and in the front we had several articles. Just as we crossed the creek and began the descent of Red mountain we came to a spot in the road which was muddy. On account of the weight on the rear of the car the machine skidded sharply and somersaulted down the embankment. I was riding on the running board at the time and jumped. Luckily some of the mattresses in the rear of the car got between Dr. Welch and the earth. This saved his life in my opinion. In a few minutes some people in another machine came along and brought us into town."

Dr. Mueller Honored
Buenos Aires, May 24.—The University of Buenos Aires today conferred the honorary degree of doctor of science upon Dr. Lauro Muller, foreign minister of Brazil, who is traveling in South America on a mission to cement political relations between Argentina, Brazil and Chile.

ED NORMAN NOW AT THE POSTOFFICE

Well Known and Popular Newspaper Man Assistant Postmaster

E. R. Norman, one of the best known newspaper men in the state and formerly connected with the Birmingham Ledger, assumed his duties as assistant postmaster of the Birmingham postoffice yesterday morning. Mr. Norman was appointed to the position some months ago by Senator Oscar Underwood and his action gave much satisfaction to his many friends throughout the state. Several days ago he was notified by the department to prepare and file his bond, which was for \$20,000. Last Friday Postmaster T. H. Aldrich received word that the bond had been approved and that Mr. Norman might begin his new duties at once.

The new assistant postmaster has been familiarizing himself with the duties of the office since his appointment and that he will fill the position to the entire satisfaction of the department and his associates is a foregone conclusion. He received many congratulations and best wishes for success yesterday.

There never was a more popular newspaper man in the state than Ed Norman, both among his associates and the many people with whom he came in contact. As a political writer he had few equals and had a wonderful knowledge of the politics of the state and country. His absolute reliability and fairness in all his writings made him friends among all factions and political parties and it was a rare occurrence that the "editor" failed to get a story he went after.

The assistant postmastership has been vacant for sometime. C. L. Stanton, superintendent of the mails, has been attending to both positions. The salary is \$2500 a year. C. H. M.

INSURANCE MEN WILL MEET HERE

Representatives of Twelve Southern Companies to Be Here Tomorrow

Tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock at the Tutwiler hotel will gather in annual session a conference of about one dozen southern life insurance companies, having their home offices in Alabama and adjoining states. These 12 insurance companies have in force business to the amount of a little less than \$200,000,000; they have assets of something over \$30,000,000. The business of these companies increased last year something like \$18,000,000, and their assets about \$3,000,000. They are in a highly prosperous state. The officers are full of enthusiasm and vigor.

The conference will have before it for discussion matters of importance to the companies involved. The members will discuss policy forms, applications and medical examination blanks, agents, and finances in general. A handsome program has been arranged. The conference will be presided over by George A. Grimsley of the Jefferson Standard Life Insurance company, of Greensboro, N. C. It will be in session tomorrow and Thursday of this week.

SWISS LEGATION DENIES REPORT

Washington, May 24.—The Swiss legation here issued a statement tonight denying that Switzerland had made representations to Germany on account of the reported loss of Swiss lives with the Lusitania. "The Swiss government," said the statement, "inquiries made by the legation, moreover, established the fact that no Swiss citizens are claimed to have been on board that steamer."

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WILL NOT SUMMON RESERVISTS DOWN THE UNITED STATES

This Is Opinion of the Local Consular Agent of Italian Government

1500 NOW IN THE MINERAL DISTRICT

Says Death of King Constantine Would Mean Entry of Greece Into War—Italy Has Four Million Troops in Readiness

In a statement to an Age-Herald reporter at his home last night, Frank Carpianti, local consular agent of the Imperial Italian government, said that only as a last resort would his government call to the colors the reservists now in the United States. He said his government had an army of 3,000,000 men, fitted out with the most modern equipment and stronger probably than any other army now in Europe. This army will be augmented by the reservists in England, France and Russia and in an incredibly short time Italy will be able to place in the field an army of 4,500,000 men fully equipped.

Mr. Carpianti said that his government had in its possession a new machine gun which was very destructive and much more efficient than those that have been in use in the fighting that has taken place since the beginning of the war in Europe. With this new machine of death in the hands of trained experts and a fresh army of more than 4,000,000 thrown into the European cauldron of battle, the Italian consul said that he did not believe the war would last more than five months longer. "It may be ended within three months," he added.

Discusses Italy's Reasons
Discussing Italy's reasons for entering the war, Mr. Carpianti told The Age-Herald's reporter that his country was forced into the war. It was not alone the ancient grievance against Austria that caused the declaration of war. Nor was it greed, as some have charged, but the instinct of self-preservation, he said.

"With the nations around about us engaged in war; with all industry at a standstill; with the fields that were intended for grain reeking with the blood of humanity, and Italy's supplies of bread getting low, it was imperative that my government do something to relieve the situation," he declared. "Austria made overtures and promises to Italy, conditioned upon her remaining neutral. She agreed to cede territory if my country would keep out of the war."

"Keep out! Yes! But for how long? Three months? Six months? We could not keep out always. Germany is strong. The nations now at war with her had made no headway toward subduing her. Until Germany is beaten the war will continue. The conflict, Italy, France, England and Russia, to beat Germany is to starve her to death. Their fighting men could not cope with Germany's army, notwithstanding the fact that they were a much larger force."

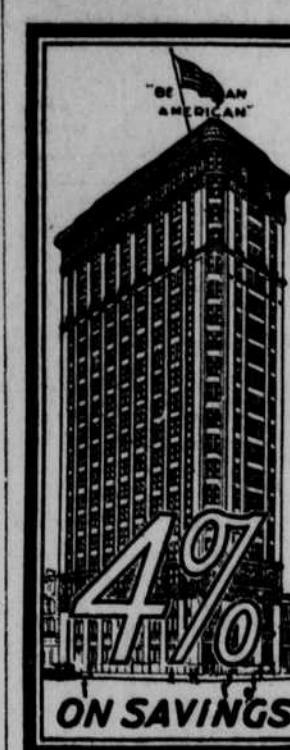
"Italy was the only nation left in Europe that could decide which way the war would turn. The conflict, Italy, France, England and Russia, to beat Germany is to starve her to death. Their fighting men could not cope with Germany's army, notwithstanding the fact that they were a much larger force."

Constantine's Death Means War
"Greece at the present time is in a state of turmoil, due to the lines of the king. Should the king die, there is little doubt but that this country will declare war upon the Germanic allies. Greece has a grievance against the Turk and will strike her first blow at Constantinople," which she feels really belongs to her. She will retake the Isle of Crete, which formerly was a possession of the Greeks. The Queen of Greece is a sister of Kaiser Wilhelm of Germany, and if the King dies, nothing short of the hand of God can keep the Greeks from fighting."

"It is my opinion that the war will be ended within the next five months at the most. It may be ended within three months. With the ending of the war, the United States will enjoy the greatest period of prosperity that this nation has ever seen or ever will see again. All Europe is destroyed. Its industries are dead. Its fields are not producing. The very flower of its manhood is being killed on the field of battle. When the war ends, there will remain old men, young boys, and widows. There will be no one to pick up the threads of industrial activity where it was dropped. It will be five years before any country in Europe will be able to look to the United States for supplies. Immigration will cease, for the immigrant consists of the family man. Men with families move to America, remain here for a few years, make enough money to send for the wife and children and spend their lives here. Now the head of the family is dying. He is being killed in wholesale lots. Women would not come to the United States alone, and if they did would be useless."

1500 in District
"In regard to the Italian reservists, there are about 1500 Italians in the Birmingham district. Of this number, I would estimate there are about 600 who are fit for service and subject to the call of my government. These have not been called, and will not be called except as a last resort. However, many of them are returning, and it was only about three weeks ago that I sent 12 back to Italy. Every one of these men paid his transportation. They did not anticipate trouble, but said they wanted to see their families. If we were there, and we will be ready," he declared as they left.

"Italy has been observing this war from the day of its inception. Our soldiers have profited by the mistakes of the armies that have been in the field for months. Our officers have learned how to avoid the mistakes of the contending armies of the past few months. Italy today is as strong or even stronger than Germany and her entrance into the war means that it cannot last much longer."



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DENIES PETITION FOR INJUNCTION

Grubb Decides Against the Rose Liquor Co.

ANTI-SHIPPING ACT

Judge Grubb Holds That to Grant Petition for Injunction at Present Time Would Bring About Unseemly Conflict Between Courts

Temporary injunction was denied by Judge Grubb in the case of the R. M. Rose Co. of Chattanooga, who sought to compel the Southern Express company to accept interstate shipments of liquor into "dry" territory of Alabama. The decision was handed down yesterday morning and is quite lengthy. The plaintiff sought to compel the express company to receive shipments of liquor in excess of the quantity prescribed by the antishipping law of the state. Quite a lot of litigation is pending in the state courts on the question and a decree was issued from a Montgomery court forbidding it to accept such shipments. Judge Grubb holds that to grant the injunction asked for at this time while the suits are pending would place the express company in a position in which it would have to disobey the order of one court or the other, which he states would be unjust and unseemly. The merits of the case were not gone into.

Attorneys for the plaintiff were Lawrence Maxwell of Cincinnati, Allison, Lynch & Phillips and Herbert Jackson of Chattanooga and Well, Stakely & Vardeman of Montgomery. Attorneys for the defendant are R. C. Alston of Atlanta, Judge S. D. Winkley, and Tillman, Bradley & Morrow.

The application for temporary injunction was filed by the plaintiff as a shipper of liquor from another state into Alabama, and sought to enjoin the defendant from refusing to accept shipments of liquor consigned to persons living in "dry" territory for personal consumption. The express company refused the shipments because of the antishipping law which prevents consumers receiving or having in their possession intoxicating liquors except in quantities limited by the terms of the act.

The plaintiff alleged that the antishipping act violated certain sections of the federal constitution. In his decision Judge Grubb reviews at length litigation pending in Alabama in its state courts in which the constitutionality of the antishipping law is attacked. A similar petition to the one in question was filed in the Montgomery city court in which a decree was rendered for the plaintiff perpetually enjoining the express company from refusing to accept shipments into dry territory in excess of the quantity fixed by law. An appeal to the supreme court was taken and will be argued during the present month. Other similar suits were filed and a decree requiring the company to refuse shipments rendered and all are now pending in the court of the state.

Judge Grubb holds that while the pendency of suits in the state does not operate to oust the jurisdiction of the federal court as a technicality is involved, he holds that granting of the injunction by the express company to the order of the Montgomery states would bring about a conflict between the state and federal courts, and that such a conflict is not to be invited. He holds that the state court is not to be placed in a position of hearing, trying and deciding a case, which exclusive matter is of the state of Alabama, and that the federal court is not to be placed in a position of hearing, trying and deciding a case, which exclusive matter is of the state of Alabama.

CHICAGO

Chicago, May 24.—The police of the city hall today announced that those who are charged with a hearing tomorrow at the police court, are charged with a hearing tomorrow at the police court, are charged with a hearing tomorrow at the police court.

Mr. Carpianti, Italy looked up of the present at they were eager believing they were people who caused own country and save themselves. He says he has yet in regard to the charge a statement to receive official ad.