Veterans Plan

Robert K. Dennis And Committe Work Out Details for District Assembly

Plans for a fifth district American legion and Legion Auxiliary eeting to be held at the Masonic Temple here on Friday evening at seven o'clock, March 1, were disclosed today by the committee on arrangements for the gathering which is headed by Robert K. Dennis.

The session will bring a number of Legion notables to this city as well as representatives from the thirteen posts in the fifth district. Mr. Dennis said. District Commander Jack Lang of Scotland Neck and Raleigh, and State Commander Hubert Olive of Lexington will be the featured speakers for the occasion, and a number of local leaders and officials will be invited as guests of the Legion and Auxiliary.

Supper supplied by Buck Overton and served by ladies of the Eastern Star will be provided on the dutch basis for a nominal sum, according to plans of the committee. In addition to Mr. Dennis, members of the group in charge of perfecting details of the supper are C. C. Gray, L. B. Aycock, L. A. Cox, A. B Casey and Ben E. Fountain.

The meeting will be in charge of V. Drake, commander of the Coleman-Pitt post, who is expected to turn the meeting over to Mr. Lang shortly after the program is started. Mr. Drake is in charge of arrangements for music for the

The district is composed of posts here and in Tarboro, Wilson, Enfield, Nashville, Spring Hope, Weldon, Scotland Neck, Roanoke Rapids, Greenville, Farmville, Littleton and Middlesex.

We expect that a large represen tation from each of the posts will First Methodist Chur he present, Mr. Dennis said, and in- nearly 68 years old. vitations have been issued to all the posts to attend. Legion members are urged to bring their wives and their sweethearts.

All white veterans, whether they are members of the local post or not, are invited to be present, the ommittee has said.

Other details of the arrangements for the district gathering are expected to be made later.

MR. AND MRS. OWENS ARRIVE I NSTATES FROM ORIENT

Mr. and Mrs. A. Bingham Owens and their small son arrived in San Francisco on February 13 on board the S. S. "Hoover," sailing from China. Mrs. Owens and little Jimmy Braswell Owens came directly here, having been joined in Richinond yesterday by her parents, Mr and Mrs. J. C. Braswell, while Mr. Owens remained in Chicago. He will make the trip from that point by motor.

Mr. and Mrs. Owens have returned to the States to make their home after a residence in Tientsin, China manager of the Dupont manufacturing company's branch for the past ten years. He has been transferred to Wilmington, Delaware, where he and his family will make their home in the future. Mrs. Owens and Master Jimmy plan to remain this city for enextended visit and they will also visit Mr. Owens' parents, the Rev. and Mrs. R. Bingham Owens, in Charlotte, before going to Wilmington.

ERICKSON BEGINS REVIVAL SERIES

Rev. and Mrs. R. L. Erickson to day began a special ten-day revival at the city mission. No. 245 Howard Street, after which they Will leave for a northwestern evangelistic tour. Other workers will take charge of the mission after their revival closes on the twentyeighth of this month.

The public is invited to attend the losing meetings of Evangelist Erickson, who recently opened up the mission here.

Japan asserts U.S. plans agssion in the Far East.

Readers, when you pur-chase goods advertised in these columns tell the merchants you saw it in THE HERALD.

District Meeting Weldon Man Meeting In City American Legion

The District Meeting of the American Legion will be held in Rocky Mount Friday night March 1st., 19-35 guests of the Coleman Pitt Local

It will be a joint meeting of the Legion and the Womans Auxiliary. Commander and will be present. Also State Commander Hubert Olive of Lexington, N. C., will be present and deliver an address.

There will be several other dis-

ber of City Officials.

ifax and other counties. All white World War veterans and pital. auxiliary members are invited

A barbecue supper will be served at 7 P. M. Masonic Temple, Dutch plan, 50c per plate.

Frank Parker Buried Tues.

Aged Man Has Heart Attack At Home-Services Were Held Tuesday Afternoon

Frank Baker Parker, aged local man who is known throughout eastern North Carolina, died Monday at his home, No. 128 Nash Street, of a

heart attack. Mr. Parker, a native of Edgecombe County, was one of the older residents of Rocky Mount, and has lived here with his wife, the former Miss Effie Brown, and his daughter, Miss Lola Parker, since 1902.

He was a faithful member of the First Methodist Church, and was

Rev. George W. Perry, his pastor, held the services Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock from the home and interment followed in the family plot in a local cemetery.

Mr. Parker had been retired for about five years. Prior to his retirement he had travelled for about 25 years as a salesman for a Lynchburg, Virginia, firm and was known throughout this part of the state. Register Your His parents were the late Weeks Baker Parker and Anna Pitt Parker, both of Edgecombe county.

ALCOTT CLASSIC "LITTLE MEN" ON THE SCREEN

Louisa Alcott's immortal "Little Men" will come to life on the Cameo Theatre screen on Monday and Tuesday in film version of the classic which has been an outstanding favorite with readers of three generations.

All of the book's matchless charm is assertedly recaptured on the screen, and the cast of "Little Men" is said to include one of the most imposing arrays of child and adult the Bureau of Vital Statistics of the stars ever assembled in Hollywood.

There is Ralph Morgan, distinguished stage and screen actor, in tor of quaint Plumfield School around which revolves this deathless story of New England in the seventies. There is lovely Erin O'Brien Moore, New York stage luminary, as "Jo." There are Junior Durkin, dainty Cora Sue Collins, and Phyllis Fraser; and a list of "Ittle men," headed by Frankie Darro, David Durand, and Dickie Moore,

MISS MELTON HEADS HOME MAKERS CLUB

Miss Sally Melton was elected president of the Young Girls' Home weekly session at W. Edgecombe school. Members of the home economics department comprise the personnel of the club and officers elected, aside from Miss Melton, include: Miss Minnie Ruth Griffin, vice-president; Miss Annie Laurie Ezzell, secretary and treasurer; Miss Rose Lee Pittman, newspaper reporter. The club has as its project for

the present time-the making of

zell, Edna Flood, Minnie Ruth Grif- walk, fractured his skull and died fin, Sally Melton, Christine Pollard, immediately. Rosa Lee Pittman, Margaret Walker and Linda Stacey, the advisor.

Roosevelt signs code for tobacc mnaufacturing industry.

Held Here

Joseph Barnes, Young Weldon Resi dent, Killed Here in Auto Crash

George Warren, young Weldon man, was free under a \$1,250 bond today following his arrest in connection with an accident on Jack Lang of Farmville is District Battleboro highway last night, Barnes, 23, also of Weldon.

The Nash County sheriff's office reported that Warren was the driver of the car which late last night tinguished guests, including a num- ran into the back of a car driven by J. C. Stewart of this city, threw The fifth District is composed of both Warren and Barnes from the Nash, Edgecombe, Wilson, Pitt, Hal- auto and caused the death of Barnes about an hour later in a local hos-

C. L. Johnson, Nash County sherwhether members of the legion or iff, signed the warrant, which charged manslaughter and reckless driv

Mr. Stewart, South Rocky Mount druggist, was reported uninjured by the impact of the car.

Cause for the wreck was unknown although local Nash officers express ed the opinion that Warren probably was driving at a high rate of speed. Deputies P. H. Johnson and J. R. Tanner both were on the scene last night.

A hearing for Warren has been set for 10 o'clock Friday morning before W. S. Swain. Nash justice of the peace, here, it has been announc-

Last night's accident marked the third highway tragedy and the fourth person killed in Nash and Edgecombe counties since Sunday. Ed gar Brockwell, well known Raleigh business man was drowned on Sunday morning when the car he was driving failed to make a curve on the Leggett's highway in Edgecombe county and plunged into Swif Creek, and Mrs. Vann Batchelor, 65, and her son, William Batchelor, 28, both of Nash County, were slain almost instantly early Sunday night when a hit and run driver struck them as they stood beside a stranded car at Joyner's cross roads in Nash County. No clue as to the identity of the hit and run driver had been discovered today by the

Baby Campaign

Raleigh, Feb. 19,-Wake County parents are starting their reports to Washington of the birth of children born in the county during the past 12 months. Cards mailed during the first two weeks of the "Register Your Baby" campaign show that 493 children have been properly registered.

State Board of Health in Raleigh Parents are urged by Dr. John H. Hamilton, director of the Bureau, to send in these cards as early as possible.

North Carolina had 75,238 births properly recorded in 1933, and incomplete figures show that 79,350 births had been recorded for 19-34, by which Dr. Hamilton estimates that enough more will be added to make the number of births in the State last year 80,000, or more.

With almost a 5,000 increase in births in 1934 over those in 1933, as shown by the records, it is be lieved that North Carolina has the chance of again taking her place at the head of the list in birth rate, a position held for many years, but Makers club when they met in from which she was dislodged last year by New Mexico, and tied with Utah for second place.

Complete recording of births is being urged in the State by the U. S. Bureau of the Census, the State Board of Health and the State Emergency Relief Administration.

DOG TRIPS BOY: HE DIES

Chicago.—Enroute to a candy Misses Jessie Brake, Margaret and Alta Croom, Annie Laurie Ezzell, Edna Flood, Minnie Brake, Margaret and tripped. He fell to the second secon

> hot in summer, has been notably per cent over the average for the Elizabeth City, moved here with cold this winter, with the heaviest year 1933, rising to 74.9 per cent his wife last July. snow in years.

So He Won't Spank the Wrong One



William Bortkewicz of Rockford, Ill., has discovered a novel method meting out the correct punishment for his twin daughters. Once the wrong one was spanked because the father couldn't tell them apart, so he decided to have them fingerprinted to prevent a similar mistake. Here is Dorothy, left, and Dolores being fingerprinted by Detective Maurice

Doughton For Governor

So far there has been no official announcement of any Candidate for Governor but it is generally believed in this part of the State that Hon. R. L. Doughton, affectionately known as Farmer Bob, will be a Candidate, and will probably make formal announcement before a great while. There has been a feeling in our State that Mr. Doughton would probably not run on account of his high position in Washington as Chairman of the Powerful Ways & Means Committee but according to the statement issued out of Washington last Sunday Mr. Doughton was quoted as stating that if he was not a Candidate for Governor it was his intention to retire from Congress after his twent-six years of service in that body. This to our mind clearly shows that it is the intention of Farmer Bob to be a Candidate for nomination for Governor in the next primary.

Should he announce we predict that he will make a most formidable candidate. He is recognized as being one of the leading farmers of the West and still operates his farms and he understands the problems that confront the farmer and this will make him strong with the farmer group. His opposition to the gross sales tax will give him great strength among the merchants and consuming class of our people. As Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee in Congress he has given leadership in financing the National Government without a gross sales tax. He is recognized as one of the leading business men in this country.

Some of the papers have stated that Farmer Bob is seventy-two years old but what of that? Those who know and have seen him know that he does not appear to be a day over fifty and it would take an athlete to outwalk him and there is not a more mentally alert statesman in Washington than Farmer Bob.

SALES TAX NOT NECESSARY

The substitute revenue Bill, which has been prepared by Representatives McDonald and Lumpkin, shows thought and research and clearly demonstrates that the gross sales This is compared with 1,890 children which were recorded as having been born in this county during the been born in this county during the tax is absolutely unnecessary in North Carolina. While we year 1933, as shown in the files of the Bureau of Vital Statisties of the great masses of the citizenship of our State.

Whatever may have been the emergency two years ago, and we doubt the said emergency ever existed if the proper leadership had been given by the Heads of the Revenue Department, it is clearly shown now that if it did exist there is absolutely no necessity for it's continuance and we agree most heartily with the statement given out by Representative Blount of Pitt, that this substitute bill should receive careful thought and attention by the members of the General Assembly.

Young Mother A. S. Harrison Dies Here

Funeral Services For Mrs. Jane Hockett Held In Virginia

Mrs. Jane Hockett, 14-year-old wife of P. J. Hockett of No. 15 West Elm Street, died early Monday in a local hospital where she had been undergoing treatment.

The body was sent to Meadow View, Virginia, home of the husband's parents Tuesday for burial. Mrs. Hockett is survived by her mother and stepfather, Mr. and Mrs. pital Sunday. L. B. Sadler, and a twin brother James Keeter.

WHOLESALE PRICES UP

Washington.—The general level of wholesale commodity prices in City today. Washington weather, notably 1934 showed an increase of 14 Mr. Harrison, who was born near of the 1926 average.

Passes Monday

Young Local Resident Was Buried at Weeksville Wednesday

Alva S. Harrison, 27, who lived at No. 716 Arlington Street, died Monday night at a local hospital. Kid ney trouble was given as the cause of his death.

He had been ill for about two years, and was brought to the hos-Mr. Harrison was buried Wednes-

day afternoon after services were held at 2 o'clock from the New Begun Methodist Church at Weeksville. Burial took place in the churchyard.

The body was taken to Elizabeth

Survivors include his wife, former- moved to this city.

PARAGRAPHS ON NATIONAL PROBLEMS AT WASHINGTON

Three Persons In CONGRESS IS BUSY ABOUT "PREVAILING WAGE" TROUBLES OF LEGISLATORS East Lose Lives PREPARING FOR WAR

Hit And Run Drivers Sought For .. Double Killing Near City

Highway fatalities claimed three ives in Nash and Edgecombe counties Sunday with an aged mother and her son counted among the

The first accident occurred Sun day morning about 8:30 o'clock when Edgar Brockwell, 45, well known Raleigh business man, was drowned in Swift Creek in Edge combe county when his car failed to make a curve at a bridge near Leggetts, while the second happen-Nash County when Mrs. Vann Batchelor, 65, of this city and her son, William Batchelor, 28, of Nash County, were struck and killed by a hit-and-run driver at Joyner's Cross Roads about five miles from Rocky Mount. Drunken driving also was charged.

P. H. Johnson and J. R. Tanner Nash County deputies who investigated the fatality, said that no clue as to the identity of the person responsible for the wreck had been obtained and that two cars were involved in the slaying.

Witnesses Give Details The officers quoted witnesses as saying that two cars were approaching the site where the Batchelor party was stationed beside the old

Raleigh road where the car, owned Mrs. Batchelor back to town, had just been pulled out of a "soft shoulder" on the road where it had stuck. There was a crash just before the car reached the site and officers were led to believe that the car in the rear had struck the front car. Whether the front car or the rear car struck the two persons a moment later was problematical.

Both mother and son died almost instantly, it was stated, while the two automobiles roared away gaining speed and swaying in the road. Deputy Johnson said that drunker driving would enter into the charges because of the zigzag tracks along the highway.

Funeral services for the mother and son were held Monday afterfrom the home of the son with Rev. J. B. Ferrell, Free Will Baptist minister, in charge. Interment followed in the Boone ceme

William Batchelor is survived by his wife and two young children, while the mother, Mrs. Mollie Batchelor, is survived by her husband, Vann Batchelor, and a number of other relatives. William Batchelor was a Nash County farmer. The Raleigh man, a locksmith,

was enroute to Hamilton to open a safe when the tragedy occurred. His ear had been submerged in 16 feet of water and had drifted nearly 20 feet when finally recovered about three hours after the accident. Brother Visits City

Sherwood Brockwell, state marshall and brother of the slain man, stopped briefly in the city last night enroute back to Raleigh after visiting the scene of the trag-

Working on meager information obtained from Falker, the driver of the car which was bringing the mother back to the city after a week-end visit to her son, and Elisha Neville, resident of the coun ty who was aiding in pulling out the stranded automobile. Nash officers were endeavoring to discover any clues as to the possible drivers of the two racing automobiles.

TWO ARE BOUND OVER IN DOUBLE HOMICIDE

Tarboro, Feb. 19 .- When arraing ed Monday before Recorder W Stamps Howard, James Coffield, Negro, was held for Superior Court gro, was held for Superior Court he intimates that the drafting of the charge of killing Frank the bill should be left to the wis-Black, Negro, in No. 4 Township last Thursday night. John Daniel, Negro. of Whitakers, was also held on a homicide charge, the victim in this case also having been a Negro.

ly Miss Thelma Mitchell; one brother, Oswald Harrison, and his pa rents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Harrison, of Weeksville. He had no children He worked with the State highway department in Tarboro before he

NRA REVISION IS HOT HUGE SUMS FOR DEFENSE

By Hugo Sims, Special Washington Correspondent

Congress is having a busy time with many legislative problems before it. Among them may be included the \$4,800,000,000 work relief bill, economic security, transportation and aviation, national resources, renewal and revision of NRA, new powers for the Federal Reserve Board, the budget, the bonus, the munitions inquiry, and the problem of expanding our foreign trade.

The committees dealing with hese major issues are working these major issues are ed Saturday night about 8:45 in hard, but progress seems to be difficult and unless some speed is shown in the near future, the congressmen will be spending the summer in Washington or else rushing legislation pell-mell in order to get through and go home.

Last week the Work Relief resolution was being considered by a Senate committee, which at one one time voted for the payment of "prevailing wage scale on all gov-ernmental projects." This was something of a victory for the American Federation of Labor but was short-lived because, upon reconsideration, the committee reversed itself. Labor leaders contended that when the government set up a wage scale below that for similar work in by Ed Walker, which was bringing bring down the scale for private private industry, the effect is to employment.

> The Administration, on the other hand, insisted that the "prevailing wage" provision would increase the cost of the work relief bill by two or three billion dollars and defeat the essential purpose of the President's program, which is to provide a substitute for the dole. The proposed wgaes would be larger than the relief contribution of the government but, as the President stated, Not so much as to encourage the rejection of opportunities for private employment or the leaving of private employment to engage in Government work."

It is beginning to be apparent that some congressmen are beginning to worry about the charge that the legislative body is becoming a "rubber stamp" for the President. Any observer realizes that Congress seldom originates legislation. As a result, Administration leaders in Congress - and, particularly in the Senate, are seldom in a position to talk freely or comprehensively of legislative plans.

In fact, Administrative steersmen sometimes are unaware of the de tails of legislative plans until they Executive Department. Moreover, originated in the Executive Department, the plans are subject to change without notice, which would leave the congressional spokesmen suspended high and dry in the event that he attempted to take the role of prophet.

Again, there seems to be some friction developing between the House and the Senate because the former, accepting the gag rule, has limited debate and refused to accept any amendments at the President's request. Then, the members become hot and bothered when the Senate mangles the measure, sends it into a conference where the House has to recede or do the fighting.

Some observers professed to see the President's answer to the "rubber stamp" complaint when he submitted to Congress the framing of legislation extending the life and powers of the NRA. While the President will urge such an extension, dom and judgment of Congress. Inasmuch as the NRA is under heavy fire from organized labor, as well as a number of other people, the Congress has been given a "live wire" to hold.

No reader of current news events can fail to be impressed by the ominous preparations for war

which seems to be underway in (Please turn to page eight)