



(By PETER KEEGAN)

**THIS IS THE OPEN** season for scandal in high places. Hardly anyone is escaping. Secretary of the Treasury Mellon and Internal Revenue Commissioner Blair are charged with thwarting the efforts of Prohibition Commissioner Haynes to keep the country dry as the Volstead Act contemplates. Charles R. Forbes, former director of the United States Veterans Bureau, is accused of planning to feather his nest by getting a share of the money spent on building hospitals for disabled ex-soldiers. A Senate committee is investigating the leasing of large naval oil reserves in Wyoming to private interests, and the activities of former Secretary of the Interior Work, Secretary of the Navy, Denby and Assistant Secretary of the Navy Roosevelt are being scrutinized in this connection.

**THE FORBES SCANDAL** is causing the most excitement in Washington, involving as it does a man who was a close friend of the late President Harding and who is ready, he says, to produce letters of commendation from Harding to prove that he is innocent of any wrong doing. While a Senate Committee continues to probe charges of alleged graft and corruption in the expenditure of funds set aside for incapacitated world war veterans, the Department of Justice is standing by to start criminal proceedings whenever the time is deemed propitious.

**OF COURSE**, there is a lot of politics connected with all these exposes. One Democratic Senator pointed out, for instance, that if the Government didn't move fast in indicting the Republican officials or ex-officials who might be involved in the Veterans Bureau scandal, hundreds of thousands of ex-soldiers in the country would be expected to turn against the party and to take another change with a Democratic Administration.

**THE BEAUTIFUL "Greek Temple"** which is being erected just across Lafayette Park from the White House and which will be the headquarters of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States is raising a row out in the wheat belt, according to reports reaching the capital. The Chamber of Commerce represents Business with a capital B, and as such is the hereditary enemy of the Farmer-Labor legions and their friends and co-workers. The first public criticisms of the chamber's new home was voiced in New Orleans by Senator Smith Wildman Brookhart of Iowa, who pointed to the edifice as an indication of the wealth and power of the organization which he denounced because of the influence which it wields over national legislation affecting commercial and financial interests.

**EVENTS ARE NOW** moving toward a new reparations conference in Paris in which the United States will be represented. France has finally agreed "in principle" to the plan advanced first by Secretary of State Hughes and later by Prime Minister Baldwin of Great Britain to have a group of non-political economic experts get their heads together to determine how much and how soon Germany can pay the big reparations bills levied by the Treaty of Versailles. When the conference actually gets under way, France may suggest the cancellation or reduction of the \$4,500,000 debt, which she owes the United States but all she will get will be a polite, but emphatic refusal.

**CONSIDERABLE PRESSURE** is being brought to bear upon Senator Hiram Johnson of California to announce himself as a candidate for the Republican presidential nomination. If Johnson throws his hat into the ring, it will be the signal for the entrance of a flock of "favorite sons" who have been holding back for just such an event. Among these may be Senators Wadsworth of New York, Watson of Indiana, McCormick of Illinois, and Governor Pinchot of Pennsylvania.

John Mitchem of Bessemer City was the best judge of seeds and plants among the club boys at the State Fair. Lee Ingle of Whitsett was a close second.

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**MURFREESBORO NEWS**

**Leaves**  
The first change was told in olive green and gold;  
But Nature paints in tones that gleam and glow,  
And soon the earth began to make a show  
Then the mellow glory of green and gold  
Changed from soft splendor to colors more bold—  
Magenta, orange crimson-edged and yellow toned to brown,  
Maroon, ochre and saffron painted red  
O, the leaves, how they shed!

The West Chowan Association in its annual session here last week was both pleasant and informative in all the attendant features. Several of Murfreesboro's former residents returned for the occasion and hearty greetings were exchanged and old friendships renewed.

Everybody and his wife were out on Wednesday evening to see the "Diamond Pageant" presented at Chowan College in celebration of its 75th anniversary. It was truly a brilliant occasion, revealing the progress and development of the institution from many angles; and each face glittered. So good was the acting and so much was the pageant enjoyed, it was considered to be one of the best affairs the college has given.

The floating theatre, Adams manager, with 30 actors, has anchored up here on the Meherrin river for a week's stay. The same show was here a little over a year and a half ago. Many are attending the plays again.

Little Miss Margaret Payne celebrated her 11th anniversary Saturday afternoon at party given by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Payne. Margaret entertained her little friends with out-door games and they had a romping good time. Fruit, candy, cake and cream were served by Mrs. Payne.

A music and song recital was given in the high school auditorium here last Friday evening by a group of Hawaiians, four in number. The auditorium was packed with an audience that was charmed.

Mr. Henry Carter and Mr. Edward Vinson who lately met with painful accidents were both in Murfreesboro Saturday. It is supposed they are coming out unscathed, seriously.

The teachers of Murfreesboro High School attended the County teachers meeting in Winton Saturday.

Mrs. K. S. DeLoatch of Norfolk, Miss Emma Wise of Raleigh and Mrs. Georgia White of High Point, who attended the West Chowan Association and were guests of Miss Maude Vinson, have returned to their homes.

The local schools will give holiday on Wednesday to afford an opportunity for teachers and students to attend the Hertford County Fair at Winton.

Mr. R. Sewell has returned from his annual trip to the markets in Baltimore.

Mr. Joseph Evans of Cofield was a guest Tuesday night in the home of Mr. Nathaniel Pope.

Mrs. Laura Blanchard, who has been spending some time with her daughter, Mrs. Walter Futrell, returned to her home in Woodland Sunday.

Miss Francis Lawrence has left for Boykins where she will spend the winter with her aunt, Mrs. J. L. Leavitt.

Mr. and Mrs. Britton of Seaboard and Mrs. W. T. Bolds of Como, were guests last week of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Payne.

Rev. and Mrs. Larkin were in Union Thursday night of last week where Mr. Larkin conducted prayer service.

Miss Minnie Gaskins of Windsor, who for many years was employed as matron at Chowan College, is visiting friends here.

Mr. J. B. Barnes, Jr., of Como was a visitor Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Parker.

Mr. and Mrs. Britton of Seaboard and Mrs. W. T. Bolds of Como were guests last week of Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Payne.

Mr. and Mrs. Peabody went to Norfolk last week to attend the funeral and burial of Mrs. Peabody's brother who passed away Tuesday of last week.

The students of the local high school took their first quarter's examinations last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Sumner and two little girls of Menola spent Sunday here with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Futrell.

**Aid Society Will Hold Bazaar**  
The Ladies Aid Society of the Baptist church will hold their next meeting on November 12th at the church. It is urged and hoped that each member be present to help complete plans for the approaching bazaar which must be given the first of December before the regular December meeting of the society. The following new officers have been elected for the

**Ladies Aid:** President, Mrs. Cecil Forehand; Vice-President, Mrs. Elmo Parker; Secretary, Mrs. W. E. Deans.

**COLERAIN NEWS**

Rev. and Mrs. Walters attended the Association at Murfreesboro Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mr. N. G. Phelps made a business trip to Ahoskie last Tuesday.

Mesdames Copeland, Cullens and Sharp of Harrellsville were in town Tuesday.

Mr. Story of Edenton was in town last Tuesday in the interest of his paper, The Albemarle Observer.

Dr. and Mrs. Mercer of Ahoskie spent last Tuesday night here.

Mrs. T. E. Beasley left Wednesday for Fountain to spend some time with her son, Dr. Bruce Beasley.

Messrs. H. O. White and J. J. Beasley went to Norfolk Wednesday to bring out new Fords.

Mr. J. C. Beasley went to Windsor last Wednesday.

Mr. Joe Umphlett of Ahoskie was in town Wednesday.

Miss Rose Nowell went to Murfreesboro last Wednesday to attend the alumnae meeting at Chowan college.

Mr. Joseph Cherry of Windsor was a visitor in town Wednesday.

Mr. J. W. Stokes made a business trip to Ahoskie last Thursday.

Mr. C. B. Morris went to Windsor last Thursday.

Mrs. Joe Stokes left Thursday for Wingate, N. C., where she will visit her parents.

Mrs. Coleman of Henderson spent last Wednesday night and Thursday with Rev. and Mrs. Walters.

The Methodists held their quarterly conference here last Thursday. The presiding elder, Mr. Mercer, was present, also a number of visitors.

Mrs. Addie Williams returned here last Thursday to be with her daughter, Mrs. C. W. Beasley after having spent some time in Tarboro and Ahoskie.

Mrs. Charles Callis and daughter of Harrellsville were in town last Friday.

Mrs. L. H. White and Miss Martha White spent last Saturday in Windsor.

Mr. K. T. Raynor of Ahoskie was a visitor in town Saturday.

Mr. J. T. White is confined to his room with rheumatism this week.

Mr. McCoy of Norfolk spent the week-end here with his wife who is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Northcott and mother.

The James Adams theatre closed their series of shows on last Saturday evening having large crowds each night.

Mr. White and Miss Montague and Dr. Z. P. Mitchell and family were visitors in Washington last Sunday.

Rev. Walters filled his appointment here last Sunday morning and evening, preaching some strong sermons.

Mr. Pilston Godwin and family of Gatesville were visitors here last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Britton went to Winton last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Phelps and children of Ahoskie visited relatives here Sunday.

Mesdames Nowell and Henry left last Monday for Baltimore for a few days.

Dr. L. A. Nowell went to Ahoskie last Monday.

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**Inactive Liver**

"I have had trouble with an inactive liver," wrote Mrs. S. Nichols, of 4412 Spencer St., Houston, Texas. "When I would get constipated, I would feel a light, dizzy feeling in my head. To get up in the morning with a lightness in the head and a tremble feeling is often a sign that the stomach is out of order. For this I took *Theford's Black-Draught*, and without a doubt can say I have never found its equal in any liver medicine. It not only cleans the liver, but leaves you in such a good condition. I have used it a long time, when food does not seem to set well, or the stomach is a little sour."

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**NOTICE OF SALE UNDER MORTGAGE**

Under and by virtue of power and authority contained in a certain mortgage deed executed on the 6th day of May, 1920, by Abner Taylor to The Aulander Live Stock & Supply Co., which is duly recorded in Hertford County Register of Deeds office in Book 65 at page 376, we will on

Saturday, November 10, 1923

At the hour of noon, in front of the Court House door at Winton, Hertford county, expose for sale for cash to the highest bidder, the following described real estate:

A certain tract of land lying and being in Hertford County, St. Johns Township, and described and defined as follows:

One acre more or less, known as the Abner Taylor home place, and consisting of one four-room dwelling and one store and lot, adjoining the lands of T. J. White, Felix Moore and others, being the same lands acquired by purchase from M. L. Taylor. For further reference see deed from M. L. Taylor to Abner Taylor.

Place of sale—Front of Court House door, Winton, N. C.

Time of sale—Twelve O'clock, (noon), November 10, 1923.

Terms of sale—Cash.

AULANDER LIVE STOCK & SUPPLY CO., Mortgagee.

A. Simpson, Attorney.

10-19-23-4t.

North Carolina—Hertford County; Superior Court—Before The Clerk;

C. W. Sykes vs Nora E. Sykes

NOTICE

The defendant above named will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Hertford County, N. C., to obtain a divorce "A VINCULO MATRIMONII" upon the grounds of adultery, and the said defendant will further take notice that she is required to appear before the Clerk of the Superior Court of Hertford County, at his office in Winton, N. C., on or before the 17th day of November, 1923, and answer or demur, to the complaint of the plaintiff in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

This the 23rd day of October, 1923.

10-26-23-4t. D. R. McGLOHON,

Clerk of Superior Court.

C. W. Jones, Attorney for Plaintiff.

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