

SEVEN REPUBLICANS AND ONE DEMOCRAT WANT POST OFFICE

Reliable Report Says Seven Men and One Woman Sent in Applications to Be Postmaster in This City.

POLITICAL "PULL" MAY LAND PLACE Appointment Not Rest on Merit Alone For Politics Has Always Played Part in Naming of Postmasters.

Who is to be the favored son when the administration decides upon a postmaster for Concord? Or instead of a son being favored is the administration to smile upon a recently enfranchised voter of the feminine sex who made application for the office?

These are questions of peculiar interest in Concord now, following the filing of applications on November 15th by eight persons who wish to represent Uncle Sam in Concord in the title of postmaster.

J. F. Harris, former register of deeds; G. Ed. Kestler, W. B. Ward, T. J. Smith, W. L. Robbins, S. N. Neal, John L. Miller and Mrs. Ethel Williams. With the exception of Mr. Miller, the present postmaster, all of the applicants are Republicans.

And each of the seven Republicans has some "pull," and although the postmaster is supposed to be appointed on merit rather than pull, there are few who do not realize that this is not always done.

Take the case of Mr. Kestler, for instance. He has been prominent in Republican ranks of the county for years. He has edited a Republican newspaper for years and has wielded influence for his party through his paper.

Mr. Harris was a public servant for a number of years and an efficient one. As register of deeds he ran well with the leaders nominated each year by his party and he made many friends.

Mr. Smith has never taken a very active part in politics, but he has been very active and successful in business and he is considered well qualified for the office.

Mr. Ward is a power in the Republican party in the county, but his status in the race is talked of little. Mr. Ward was always considered a close friend of Mr. H. S. Williams, Republican leader in the county, but as Mrs. Williams is a candidate for the postmastership, Mr. Williams is not expected to support Mr. Ward or any of the other candidates.

The public has shown surprise that Mr. Neal sent in his application. As assistant postmaster it is generally conceded that he has the advantage on the other candidates so far as qualifications are concerned, but he has never been a little politician in politics and has but very active working influence.

MISS OVERTON FOUND AFTER LONG SEARCH

Daughter of Captain Overton, of Salisbury, Is Found at Home of C. E. Helms, Near Salisbury.

Salisbury, Nov. 23.—Miss Frances Overton, 19-year-old daughter of Captain and Mrs. W. S. Overton, was located this afternoon at the home of C. E. Helms, several miles south of the city after a search that continued from early last night.

Miss Overton was at her Fulton Street home at 7 o'clock last evening but at 7:30 when she was called to supper she did not respond.

Miss Overton had been in ill health for some time and had been in a hospital recently. Her father, Captain Overton, is a veteran passenger conductor on the western division of the Southern.

THE COTTON MARKET

There Was Renewed Realizing on Settling Liquidation During Early Trading.

New York, Nov. 23.—There was a renewed realizing or scattering liquidation in the cotton market during today's early trading. Liverpool made a relatively firm showing but the opening here was steady at a decline of 3 to 8 points.

Four Kings Sign Up For Golden Rule Day.

New York, Nov. 23.—Four "kings" are included in the latest list of supporters of Golden Rule Day, December 2.

Forestry Conference Adjourns.

New Orleans, Nov. 23.—Organization of the Southern States Reclamation Association was authorized at the closing session here yesterday of the Forestry Reclamation and Home Making Conference of the Southern Pine Association, Nevada and Mississippi development boards and New Orleans Association of Commerce.

Seaboard Wants to Issue Bonds.

Washington, Nov. 23.—The Seaboard Air Line Railway asked the Interstate Commerce Commission today for authority to issue \$1,683,000 in consolidated mortgage bonds.

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What Sam's Bear Says.

Cloudy and somewhat colder tonight. Rain in northeast portions; Saturday fair and somewhat colder on the coast.

THE BUSY MAN'S NEWSPAPER



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U. D. C. MEMBERS STAND WITH WOODROW WILSON

Delegates Assure Mr. Wilson They 'Always Stand With You.' Washington, Nov. 23.—Former President Wilson was assured that the Daughters of the Confederacy "always stand with you" during an enthusiastic exchange of greetings late yesterday at the former President's South Street home.

NEW YORK BANKER IS OPTIMISTIC AT PRESENT

President of the Bank of America Says Mellon Tax Plan Will Help Business. Greensboro, N. C., Nov. 23.—Highly optimistic over present conditions and over the prospects for a great improvement in general business in the United States next year, Col. Edward C. DeLafayette, of New York City, president of the Bank of America, one of the oldest and largest New York banks, declared here today that Secretary Mellon's plan for tax reduction is excellent, and will result in stimulating trade considerably.

JOSEPH W. TOLBERT IS NOW OUT OF OFFICE

Sends Resignation to President Harding and He Has Accepted It. Washington, Nov. 23.—President Coolidge has received and accepted the resignation of Joseph W. Tolbert, as United States Marshal for the western district of South Carolina, thereby ending a controversy which raged in the last Senate over confirmation of Tolbert's nomination, and over the recess appointment given him by President Harding today.

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Woodrow Wilson Will Eat Refugee Ration

Washington, Nov. 23.—Ex-President Woodrow Wilson has signed a Golden Rule Day pledge-card, in which he promises that he and his household will sit down on December 2 to a Sunday dinner of beans, corn grits and soup—typical orphans fare as served to the refugees of the Near East. Mr. Wilson's card says: "I am in sympathy with the proposal for the international observance of the Golden Rule on December 2, and I will arrange for suitable observance in my own household, providing a simple menu for at least one meal, approximating that which is used every day in the orphanages of the Near East. The difference in cost of this orphanage menu and the usual meal I will contribute for the purchase of food for the orphans of the Near East Relief."

Former Governor Harvey on Trial

Charleston, S. C., Nov. 23.—Trial of Wilson G. Harvey, former Governor of South Carolina, on charges of violating State banking laws in connection with the failure of the Enterprise Bank of this city, which he was President, opened this morning in the court of general sessions, Judge I. W. Bowman, is presiding. Many spectators were on hand.

Reclamation Projects May Be Failures

Washington, Nov. 23.—A practical moratorium will have to be granted by the government on a number of reclamation projects to prevent their being disastrous failures to the present tenants, Chairman Campbell of the Interior Department's special advisory committee, said today in reviewing the investigation to date.

AMERICAN LEGION

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DEMOCRATIC WOMEN OF SOUTH ARE CONFIDENT

Optimistic Forecasts Made by Them During Their Regional Meeting at Atlanta.

(By the Associated Press.) Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 23.—Optimistic casts for the Democratic party in the national campaign next year were brought here today by Democratic women of eleven Southern States, when they gathered for the initial session of a two days' conference. Prediction of a victory for the Democratic standard bearers in the Presidential campaign next year were heard on all sides when the fraternal leaders of the party went into the opening meeting.

Next Year Will Be Democratic One.

Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 23.—Next year is a Democratic year. The eyes of the country are on the Democratic party, and the eyes of the party are on the Democratic women, Mrs. Benton McMillan, of Nashville, Tenn., regional director for the third district, told delegates from eleven Southern states here today at the opening session of a two days' conference. Mrs. McMillan denounced the Fordney-McCumber tariff act and called on the Democratic party to work for a downward revision of the tariff.

JURORS CLEAR PRETTY GIRL

Stanly Young Woman Driver Not Guilty of Murdering Aged Vet. Albemarle, Nov. 22.—The jury having under consideration the guilt of incoincidence Miss Mary Melton, the pretty 18-year-old daughter of L. D. Melton, of eastern Stanly, upon a charge of manslaughter in connection with the killing of Allen Carpenter on the 15th of last July, returned a verdict of "not guilty" yesterday afternoon after having been out a few minutes, and the girl was released.

Ship and Water Transportation Commission Adjourns After Two Days' Executive Session

Raleigh, Nov. 22.—A report from the ship and water transportation commission on Governor Morrison's proposal for water commerce development may come early next year, it was indicated today when the commission adjourned its November meeting to meet again in January for consideration of definite details of the report.

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Will Beat Charlotte To It.

Greensboro, Nov. 21.—Endorsement of a proposal to build a 17-acre athletic stadium here, modeled after the Yale bowl, to seat 10,000 persons, was made by the Lions Club today. Fred Archer, superintendent of schools, told of plans for the stadium. It was predicted colleges of this and other states would be glad to stage contests here in such a stadium, which would be the largest in the State.

Amoskeag Mills to Resume Work.

Manchester, N. H., Nov. 23.—Four more mills of the Amoskeag Manufacturing Company, cotton division, will resume operations Monday, November 26, the company announced today. Several of the mills now operating on part time will go on full time schedule.

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While Hunting For Escaped Convict in Knox County, Kentucky. (By the Associated Press.) Barbourville, Ky., Nov. 23.—Jailer Charles West and Deputy Sheriff Foster Mercer were killed and Dan Alden, a deputy, was seriously wounded when shot down from ambush on Stinking Creek, Knox county, early today, according to reports reaching here from Flat Lick. The officers had gone to Stinking Creek with a warrant for the arrest of Pete Bailey, who had escaped from jail here last week.

COMMUNIST PARTY

GERMANY WILL BE DISSOLVED NOW

Dissolution Order Issued by Gen. Von Seeckh, Commander of the Reichswehr, and Came as Surprise.

OTHER PARTIES IN GERMANY AFFECTED

Nationalists and National Socialist Party Organizations Also Are Included in General Dissolution Order.

Berlin, Nov. 23 (By the Associated Press).—Gen. von Seeckh, national commander of the reichswehr, today ordered the dissolution of the German communist party and the confiscation of its funds. His decree also prohibited the holding of communist meetings, and publication of communist papers.

Krupp Directors Released From Prison.

Berlin, Nov. 23 (By the Associated Press).—All the directors of the Krupp plant who were imprisoned last spring on charges of resisting the French, growing out of the rioting at the Krupp works on March 31st, have been released, says a dispatch from Cologne today.

Vote of Confidence.

Berlin, Nov. 23.—Balloting on the motion of confidence in the Stresemann government, introduced in Reichstag by the three government parties, was postponed this afternoon until 7 o'clock tonight.

German Discuss Ability to Pay.

Paris, Nov. 23 (By the Associated Press).—The allied reparations commission today heard the German delegation regarding the capacity of the reich to pay. The sitting lasted one and one-half hours being entirely occupied by an exposition of the German economic and financial situation by Dr. Fischer, under secretary of the treasury for the reich.

Accord on Ruhr Question.

Paris, Nov. 23 (By the Associated Press).—Premier Poincare began his statement on foreign affairs in the chamber of deputies today with a declaration that the Belgian and French governments were in absolute accord on the Ruhr question. Referring to Foreign Minister Jaspar's speech before the Belgian chamber he said no difference had ever existed between Brussels and Paris on this subject.

No One Willing to Watch Smoking School Teacher

Put on Probation, But Board Is in Quandary. Secaucus, N. J., Nov. 23.—The Board of Education, which frowns upon cigarette-smoking by women teachers, faces a quandary. After placing Miss Helen Clark, a teacher in the Huber Street School, on probation for two months for smoking and "acting like a flapper," it is unable to find anyone to act as probation officer.

Sharp Earthquake Is Felt in Japan Cities

No Damage Was Done, But People Rushed to the Streets in Fear. Tokyo, Nov. 23 (By the Associated Press).—A sharp earthquake was felt here at 11:30 o'clock this morning. No damage was done, but the people rushed into the streets in fear. The quake centered about 825 miles west of Tokyo, and lasted eleven minutes. Many people have left the city or taken other precautions as a result of rumors that another serious tremor is due at the end of this week. Seismographs say the rumors are unfounded.

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