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THANKS GOING TO SOUTH DAKOTA

Coolidge Will Send Acknowledgment—White House Officials Pleased With Victory Over Johnson.

Washington, Dec. 5.—President Coolidge will acknowledge the action of the South Dakota Republican proposal convention in granting him preference for the presidential primary and will send a communication to Republican leaders of that state which may go a long way toward indicating his attitude toward 1924.

His intention to recognize publicly the South Dakota convention's endorsement was made known at the White House today where officials made no attempt to disguise their satisfaction in the majority given the President over Hiram Johnson.

Pierre, S. D., Dec. 5.—President Coolidge was yesterday given preference for the Republican presidential primary by South Dakota Republican proposal convention.

A resolution favoring McAdoo for the Democratic presidential primary was adopted unanimously by the South Dakota Democratic proposal convention.

Senator La Follette was endorsed for the Farmer-Labor party.

The selection of Coolidge, McAdoo and La Follette was made over Hiram Johnson, Republican, and Henry Ford, who was named by both Democrats and Farmer-Laborites.



FRED D. CARTWRIGHT

Young People's superintendent, New York Sunday School Association, who is one of the speakers in the County Sunday School Convention, in session this week at Christ Church.

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORKERS ARRIVE

And County Sunday School Convention Got Under Way at Christ Church Wednesday Afternoon.

COMMISSION VOTES TO BUY A TRACTOR

The Pasquotank Highway Commission in regular session Tuesday voted to buy a Fordson tractor for use in dragging the roads of the County.

This step was taken on the recommendation of Superintendent Provo, who was of the opinion that dragging could be done more efficiently and economically with the tractor than under the present system of getting the work done by farmers with teams in various sections of the County. The principal objection to the present system is that the roads are seldom or never dragged. In the case of those that are dragged, it is the opinion of Mr. Provo that the cost is too high and the dragging too infrequent.

The practice of having roads dragged by individuals with teams is to be discontinued as soon as practicable, if the tractor proves as successful as Mr. Provo hopes it will.

In addition to a road dragging program for this winter, sentiment at the Commission meeting Tuesday was outspoken for a program of widening the dirt roads of the County next spring. A wide dirt road, where all traffic does not have to follow the same rut, it has been observed in Newland where the State is building such a road across the Dismal Swamp, with regular dragging and average weather, stands up under traffic fairly well the whole year round.

The Pasquotank Highway Commission adjourned Tuesday about 1 o'clock after about a three hour session. All members of the Commission were present except J. N. Williams.

ATHLETIC CONTESTS WHERE SOLDIERS DIED

Verdun, Dec. 5.—A standard athletic stadium, with regulation rugby and association football fields, running tracks, velodrome, grandstands and club house, being erected on the edge of this battered city, simultaneously with the work of reconstructing homes to provide shelter for the war victims, is evidence of the place which outdoor sports and athletics now occupy in French life.

"London Park" as the new grounds will be known, in grateful appreciation of the fact that 250,000 francs of the amount necessary for the expense involved were subscribed in London, is to be officially inaugurated by Premier Poincare next summer. Invitations will be sent to celebrated foreign athletes and their participation is expected greatly to enhance the ceremony from an athletic point of view.

A straightway cinder path chute of 200 metres is now completed and the plans call for a circular cinder track of 500 metres. Seating accommodations will be provided for 10,000 spectators with additional room for 20,000 standees.

SEEKING EMPLOYES FROM OUTSIDE STATE

Raleigh, December 5.—Requests for help from outside states have been greater during the last week than the available supply in the State, according to the weekly report M. L. Shipman, Federal and State Commissioner of Labor, made public here tonight. These requests, according to the report, have come chiefly from ship yards and mines.

Wilmington led during the week with the number of men placed in positions, the figure being 107, while Asheville led in women, the number placed being 31. The total placements in the state were 437 divided between 353 men and 84 women.



Calls His Father "Failure"



ALVA M. LUMPKIN

Governor Carolinas District Kiwanis Club, with headquarters at Columbia, South Carolina, who will be the speaker of the evening at the Kiwanis Banquet Friday night of this week. Governor Lumpkin was on the program at the recent Capital District Kiwanis meet at Baltimore, and according to members of the Kiwanis quartet, who were present, made one of the biggest speeches of the meet. Mr. Lumpkin is a practicing lawyer at Columbia, S. C. With him as speaker of the evening and with a banquet served by the local degree of Pocahontas, Elizabeth City Kiwanians are looking forward to this week's banquet with an unusual degree of pleasure.

DICKENS' LANDMARKS ARE FAST DISAPPEARING

New York, December 5.—Those who wish to see Dickens' literary landmarks in London should hurry, says A. A. Hopkins in the Mentor for December. The London County Council has decreed the widening of the Strand and landlords are not apt to be sentimental when it comes to improvements and higher rents.

There is hardly any part of London which is not associated in some way with Dickens' novels. Scores of houses, streets, hotels, taverns, inns, pumps and monuments have become familiar through that author's camera eye. There is no difficulty in locating over eight hundred Dickens London localities. Recent researches determined one hundred and twenty references to Fleet street and its tributaries and this is the part of London which must make way for improvement.

TRINITY OPENS NEW GYMNASIUM FRIDAY

Trinity College, Durham, Dec. 5.—The new Alumni Memorial Gymnasium will be formally opened to athletic contests on Friday night, December 7, when the Trinity mat artists meet the representatives from the University of North Carolina in the first wrestling match of the season for both institutions.

A great degree of interest is being manifested in the coming match between Trinity and Carolina. Last year Trinity defeated Carolina by a decisive score, winning the State championship. In fact, Trinity has had in championship honors in this State for two successive years. Last season Trinity lost the South Atlantic championship to V. M. I. by a margin of only 3 points.

The Methodists will be represented this year by the following members of last year's team, according to a recent announcement by Coach Bill Bailey:

Hardaway, 119 pounds; Daniels, 129 pounds; Mayes, 139 pounds; Midgett, 159 pounds; and Matheson, 179 pounds. The 149-pounds man is yet to be picked. Three strong men are out for this place and the winner will be chosen for that position before the match Friday night.

These men are Merritt, Legget, and Yearby. Trinity's heavyweight is also yet to be chosen. Three hefty

men are daily struggling for this position, and the representative for Friday's fray will be Herrin, Spruel, or Jordan, all of whom are showing up exceptionally well.

SEABOARD RAILWAY GETS LAST PAYMENT

Washington, Dec. 5.—Payment of \$650,188 to the Seaboard Air Line was authorized today by the Interstate Commerce Commission, completing the \$7,476,188 which the road was entitled from the Government in payment of the guarantee of earnings during the first six months after the termination of wartime Federal control.

WOMAN'S CLUB MEETS THURSDAY AFTERNOON

The regular meeting of the Woman's Club will be held in the Chamber of Commerce Rooms Wednesday afternoon at 3:30.

Reports from departments will be heard and many important matters will be taken up. It is urged, therefore, that all members attend.

COOLIDGE DELIVERS MESSAGE THURSDAY

Washington, Dec. 5.—President Coolidge's annual message to Congress will be delivered at the joint session of the Senate and House shortly after noon tomorrow.

Definite decision as to the time of his appearance was reached today after the White House had been in communication with leaders at the Capitol.

Mrs. Lena Yokeley has returned to her home in Scotland Neck after a visit to Mrs. G. P. Hood on Cedar street.



Mrs. G. R. Little

has returned from Raleigh where she visited her daughter, Miss Helen Little, who is attending St. Mary's.

HOLD UP CLERKS OF A BANK AT DAYTON

Dayton, O., Dec. 5.—Two unmasked men held up two clerks today in the Xenia Avenue branch of the City Savings & Trust Company and escaped with approximately \$10,000.

4:15—Record of Attendance.

4:25—"Let's Talk It Over" Period

—Conducted by D. W. Sims.

Evening Session

7:30—Devotional—Rev. R. F. Hall.

7:45—"Our Responsibility to the Young People"—Fred D. Cartwright.

8:20—Period of Business.

8:35—Better Results Through Better Co-operation—D. W. Sims.

9:10—Offering for Support of County and State Sunday School Associations.

Friday, Afternoon Session

3:00—Devotional — Rev. Daniel Lane.

3:15—"The Story—Testing and Telling It"—Miss Flora Davis.

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