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And now we will be privileged to learn
whom the legislators decided upon for Gov-
ernor in 1940.

If some fellow would invent a doodad
that would prevent an "axis" from clicking,
certain European diplomats would be very
happy, indeed.

They're wondering who is financing Sen-
ator Reynolds' "Vindicator." Well, Hitler
expressed his appreciation of the Senator's
attitude toward Germany, didn't he?

Here's That Man Again!

When a legislature must consider legis-
lation which for one reason or another it
doesn't want to enact, yet which for political
reasons it is afraid to smother outright—
there is one recourse to which it can always
turn: Name a commission to study it for a
spell.

There was that "commission" named by
the Governor after the 1937 session to, fig-
ure out the proper approach in applying the
homestead tax exemption as voted into the
constitution by the citizens of the State in
approving an amendment to that effect. The
commission "studied"—but nothing ever
came of it.

There was that "commission" which la-
bored all summer to formulate plans for a
better co-ordination of justice in North
Carolina, but the General Assembly paid it
little mind—couldn't even agree to do any-
thing toward purging the justice of the
peace system.

The teachers have been clamoring for
some sort of retirement legislation, and
while Governor Hoey professes a deep in-
terest in their welfare, and while the legis-
lators give lip-service to their needs, the
best that could be done for them was to ap-
point a "commission," which added to the
one they already have, ought to be able to
gather impressive facts for the benefit of
the 1941 session, although there is no as-
surance that the report will fare any better
than the others. But at least it will keep
the teachers out of the hair of the politi-
cians for two years.

The legislature refused to enact any sort
of wage-hour legislation. A measure that
seemed to be fair and reasonable, was so
weighted down with amendments as to
make it worse than the laws we already
have, and those who wrote the bill and
pressed for its enactment, actually asked
that it be shelved. Came then a group to
Governor Hoey to protest against the inac-
tion, and what does he tell them? Just this:
It's too late to do anything now, unless it be
to ask for the appointment of a "commis-
sion" to "study" the matter and report in—
1941.

For the last word in an effective smoke-
screen to cover the delinquencies of our so-
called statesmen, we nominate—a "commis-
sion."

What Should Be Done With It?

Over in Burke county the other day law
enforcement officials captured a truck load
of tax-paid liquor. Under the new law the
liquor was sold to eastern Carolina ABC
stores, at a much lower price than the same
brands could be bought for from the
makers, and the county received a neat lit-
tle sum to dump into its treasury.

But when a similar capture was made in
Mecklenburg, the commissioners couldn't
make up their minds to sell the stuff to the
State. Some of them didn't propose to en-
gage in the liquor traffic; they are teetotal-
ers themselves and wanted no part or parcel
in passing it on to others. They will be
right or wrong, depending on the viewpoint
of those who would appraise them.

The present session of the legislature
passed a law which permits a dry county to
sell liquor seized from rum runners to the
ABC stores instead of destroying it. And
again that will appear to be a sensible law,
or born of iniquity, depending entirely upon
who is doing the appraising.

Yet bottled liquor, upon which the tax
has been paid, is being bought by the State
every day. Likewise between every sun,
here and there among the various dry coun-
ties officers seize these same brands that
the State plunks down its hard dollars for.
To take this liquor out and break the bottles
against a brick wall is the same as shoveling
dollars into a creek.

It seems reasonable to argue that if this
liquor has economic value, it should be
turned into dollars instead of into the gut-
ter. It doesn't make sense to destroy it,
when the dollars can be used so advantage-
ously. The only purpose it serves is to ben-
efit the distillers who thus may count the
gutters in their list of "consumers." For

every bottle thus destroyed, a new market is
created for another.

If those who have conscientious scruples
against turning this seized liquor into dol-
lars by selling it to ABC stores, in turn to
be sold to guzzlers, are to prevail in their
prejudice, then some way ought to be found
to avoid this waste by a process that would
make it usable for other purposes than to
pour into human stomachs. It could be put
to commercial use without pinching any-
body's conscience. To destroy it, to pour it
into the gutter, when it could be turned into
money with which to buy milk for children
who need milk, is nothing less than juve-
nilish.

The Two Don't Jibe

These words coming from our own Sen-
ator Fred Folger are right down our alley:

"I'm not going to sit here and vote a sal-
ary boost of \$1,500 a year for Stanley Win-
borne or anybody else after sitting on the ap-
propriations committee and hearing that we
couldn't vote increased money for State hos-
pital where they are feeding patients on 14
cents a day."

Senator Folger was rebelling against re-
porting favorably a bill to authorize "addi-
tional pay of not to exceed \$1,500 per year,"
for the utilities commissioner. Yet in spite
of Senator Folger's protest, Commissioner
Winborne gets his raise, so do half a dozen
others, but not including the Commissioner
of Agriculture who was slated for a boost.

Maybe these gentlemen are worth more
than they are being paid, but with the leg-
islature denying other state needs for lack
of funds, the holders of these offices, if
they are impatient about their pay, have the
privilege of quitting. Five and six thousand
dollars a year, which is the sum now paid
these officials, looks like a barn to the
teacher who must work for \$2.71 a day, and
who now sees these salaries boosted by more
than her total year's wages.

But while we are willing to go down the
line with Senator Folger on this salary busi-
ness we cannot string along with him on his
proposal to make "markers" of election of-
ficials. The two attitudes don't jibe—if in-
terest in the public weal is to be the meas-
uring stick.

Those familiar with our elections know
that our "marker" system is more iniqui-
tous than the absentee ballot ever could be;
know that it is the one way the buyer of
votes can cinch delivery through a
system that no other State in the Union
employs. Senator Folger's proposed amend-
ment would have simply shifted the activi-
ty from one set of hands to another—and
political honesty would have suffered in the
shuffle. You can't make anything else out
of it.

The fact that his amendment carried in
the Senate by only one vote, and that it was
blocked in the house, encourages the
thought that eventually we may have elec-
tion reforms written into laws by friends,
not foes, of such reform.

The compromise will allow "marking"
with restrictions which may or may not re-
strict—time alone will tell.

Favorite Sons

In Washington the other day, Vice Pres-
ident Jack Garner, who presides over the
Senate, very modestly vacated the chair
during the reading of a resolution passed by
the Texas legislature endorsing him for the
presidency. That makes him an official
and willing candidate for the place, and
gives him a slight start on the others.

It was revealed that at the meeting of
Young Democrats in Virginia recently, cam-
paigners for Garner were there with more
money than they could spend, and so it
seems that somebody is taking the Garner
campaign seriously. Not that they or Mr.
Garner think that he will be nominated or
elected, for the notion here is that they
don't. But there is nothing like being in po-
sition to trade, and first-off one must have
something to swap.

Mr. Garner knows what political trading
means. Fresh in his mind is the successful
"release" of his supporters on one other oc-
casion that started Mr. Roosevelt to the
White House. At the last convention he
was too busy "enlisting for the duration" to
do any gum-shoeing, and besides everything
was already in the bag at that pow-wow.
But it's different now. Mr. Garner and a
lot of his fellows want to wrest control of
the Democratic party from the hands of the
liberals and take it back to that good old
conservatism of other days when there was
no pestering about social security and all
those other ideologies that Mr. Roosevelt
brought along, and when a fellow could play
politics with everything including misery.
And Mr. Garner's candidacy is calculated to
help bring that about. At next election
time Mr. Garner will be more than seventy
years old and we are not in the habit of
sending old men to the White House.

But North Carolina has a "favorite son"
too. The legislature officially nominated
Governor Hoey for the presidency—a fine
gesture that shows how thoughtful a well-
behaved General Assembly can be. Of
course Governor Hoey appreciated this in-
terest but right-off he said that he had "no
illusions about the matter."

Governor Hoey realizes that what the
legislature was doing was simply tying the
delegates to the next Democratic national
convention into a prize package that will not
be opened except for the benefit of whoever
seems to be headed toward town with the
nomination.

These "favorite son" candidacies may
sometimes land the presidency for a South-
erner, but it won't be next year, and you can
mark our words on that.

SOCIETY

Mrs. Lillard Is Hostess to Yadkin
Valley Garden Club
Mrs. Mason Lillard entertained
members of the Yadkin Valley
Garden Club at an enjoyable
meeting at her home on Gwyn
avenue Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Lillard presented Walter
Burgess, well-known local photo-
grapher, who showed home
movies of mountain and city gar-
dens, including the beautiful
azaleas, rhododendrons and laurel
gardens of the Blue Ridge coun-
try, also many local gardens and
spots of beauty in this and sur-
rounding sections.

Further entertainment for the
guests was the description by
Mrs. W. W. Whitaker of the In-
ternational Flower show, which
she recently attended in New
York. Mrs. Whitaker pictured
the magnificent gardens and
some of the more unusual flowers
exhibited at the show.

Guests in addition to the club
members were Mesdames P. W.
Tucker and J. L. Lillard.
A beautifully appointed colla-
tion was served at the conclusion
of the program.

Mrs. McDaniel Is Hostess to
Jonathan Hunt D. A. R.
Entertaining for the first time
in her new home, Mrs. E. W. Mc-
Daniel was hostess to the Jona-
than Hunt Chapter of the Daughters
of the American Revolution
Thursday afternoon.

The meeting opened with the
ritual, in charge of Mrs. Joe Biv-
ins, regent. Mrs. Bivins also pre-
sided over the business session,
which featured routine matters.

An interesting program was
presented by Mrs. W. R. Wellborn
on Mangano, one of the oldest
apple orchards in America, locat-
ed in the Estancia Valley of New
Mexico. The orchard dates so
far back into history that its
origin is shrouded in mystery.
Rediscovered in the nineteenth
century, the orchard continues to
thrive and is a mecca for tourists
in that section.

Mrs. McDaniel gave a report of
the recent D. A. R. state conven-

Named To High Court



WASHINGTON, D. C.—William
O. Douglas, chairman of the Se-
curities and Exchange Commis-
sion, who will fill the vacancy on
the United States Supreme Court
bench caused by the resignation of
Louis D. Brandeis.

tion in Statesville, which she at-
tended as a delegate from the lo-
cal chapter.

A dessert course was served
during a pleasant social hour.

Junior-Senior Banquet Is Gala Event

Members of the junior class of
Mountain Park high school feted
their upper classmen at a de-
lightful banquet Friday evening
in the school gymnasium. The
dinner was prepared and served
by the home economics depart-
ment, under the supervision of
their teacher, Mrs. Conrad Gen-
try.

A clever and unique program
was arranged for the evening.
The room was decorated in the
rainbow colors.

Annie Laura Johnson, presi-
dent of the junior class, was
toastmaster for the evening. An-
nie Laura Johnson gave a toast
to the senior class to which Ethel
Saylor, president of the class, re-
sponded. J. Sam Gentry, princi-
pal of the school, introduced the
guests after which John W. Com-
er made a brief talk.

The banquet was concluded

with a farewell song by the mem-
bers of the classes.

The guests for the evening
were members of the faculty,
their husbands and wives, mem-
bers of the school board, and
the county superintendent.

T. F. COOLEY NEW
MANAGER KLONDIKE

T. F. Cooley, who has been with
Clemson College in South Caro-
lina for a number of years as
dairy specialist, will arrive here
April 15, to assume the manage-
ment of Klondike Farm, succeed-
ing the late Ruohs Pylon.

Mr. Cooley is well known in
dairying and breeding fields
throughout the South.

Mrs. Cooley and their seven
year old son will join him within
a few weeks.

THREE MARRIAGE
LICENSES ISSUED

Three marriage license have
been issued during the past week
by the Surry county register of
deeds. The license were issued to
the following couples: Testis B.
Carter and Miss Effie Mae Hor-
ton, both of Shorts Creek, Va.; W.
M. Wilborn, Elkin, and Miss Dorsie
Haynes, State Road; James W.
Davis, Petersburg, Va., and Miss
Willie Lee Powell, Hopewell, Va.

J. CORBITT GENTRY
DIES OF PNEUMONIA

J. Corbitt Gentry, 39, of Twin
Oaks, near Burch, died at the lo-
cal hospital Sunday only a few
minutes after he was admitted.
Mr. Gentry had been ill four days
with pneumonia.

He was a native of Alleghany
county where funeral services
were held Monday.
Survivors include his wife,
three daughters and two sons.

SUNDAY SCHOOL MEET
AT MT. AIRY SUNDAY

The monthly Surry Baptist
Sunday school association
meeting will be held Sunday af-
ternoon at 2:15 at Calvary Bat-
tist church in Mount Airy. All
churches in the association are
requested to have a delegation
present.

GLADE VALLEY CLASS
WILL PRESENT PLAY

Members of the senior class of
Glade Valley high school will
present a mystery farce, "Hob-
goblin House," in three acts, Sat-
urday evening, April 8, at 8:00
o'clock, in the school auditorium.
The story, by Jay Tobias, is
packed full of exciting moments.
A cordial invitation is extended
the public to attend.

Left Dangling in Air

A salesman was eloquent about
the merits of a vacuum cleaner,
but the Yorkshire woman told
him to talk less and show her
what the thing could do.

He took off his coat, fitted up
the chimney, thrust his arm up the
chimney and brought down sev-
eral handfuls of soot, which he
scattered over the drawing-room
carpet. He then shoved some
ash from the grate and sprinkled
the carpet with it, adding a shov-
elful of soil from the garden.
Then he smiled and rubbed his
hands.

"Now I'll show you what this
vacuum cleaner can do. Where's
the electric switch?"

"Switch?" echoed the woman.
"Switch? We've nothing but gas!"

Feature Distortions

There was a sociable in a cer-
tain neighborhood and one of
the members suggested a play
called "Feature Distortion," or to
be plain, which member could
look the ugliest for one minute,
with a prize for the winner. A
boy and a girl were chatting
away, unmindful of the play. One
of the judges came to the girl
and said: "Madam, you are en-
titled to this prize by a unani-
mous decision."

"Why," she said, "I was not
playing, only laughing at the rich
jokes of my male friend."

NOTICE

This is to advise that I, O. D.
Causey, have on the 27th day of
March, 1939, purchased the busi-
ness known as Western Auto As-
sociate Store, owned by J. B.
Curtis, in Elkin, N. C., and will
not be responsible for any in-
debtedness of the store prior to
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4-20c Signed, O. D. CAUSEY.

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