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## Power Plant Equipment To Be Operating Soon

Utilities Director George P. Womble indicated the power plant equipment, for which an \$83,451 contract was awarded only Thursday, will be installed and ready for operation within 160 days after the contract is executed, provided nothing unforeseen develops.

Mr. Womble said the equipment should be installed and ready for operation "within 160 days from the time of execution of the contract." The equipment will include a boiler, stoker, smoke flue and the necessary piping.

The contract was awarded only Thursday night to Babcock, Wilson and company at the aldermen session as the low bid.

The utilities director had not been informed as to the exact date the equipment would arrive in Rocky Mount as it is the manufacturers' job to care for that.

## Group Returns From The Hill

High School's Original Play Wins First Place In Tournament—Cup Awarded

A group of about 30 young actors and actresses and those interested in dramatics at Rocky Mount high school had returned from the thirteenth annual festival and the state dramatic tournament at Chapel Hill with a first place in the original folk play production contest for the presentation of "The Drums of Death."

The festival and tournament, begun April 1, ended only Saturday night, and all awards for the various contests were made then with Prof. Frederick Koch, head of dramatics at the University of North Carolina, giving them.

The local high school had an entry in the city high school play production contest also. "The Drums of Death," but Southern Pines High school outranked the locals and 3 other schools.

Sadie Mae Deal, local student, wrote and acted in "The Drums of Death," which won over one from Anderson. Also in the play were Frank Lee Greathouse, Joyce Powell and Joe Hollowell. This was the original folk play production contest. It won first place and a cup.

In the city high school play contest were Joe Hollowell, Bobbie Williams, Nell Speight, and Tom Ayers, Jr., in "Drums of Death."

A. W. House, Hayward Taylor, and Allen Whitehead served as stage crew.

The group went in charge of C. M. Edison, director who has charge of the dramatics class at the school here, and Mrs. F. L. Greathouse, Sr., and included several students who went as interested onlookers.

The group left Thursday and came back Sunday afternoon.

Officials praised the scenery for the local productions.

Nell Speight won first in the make-up contest in the state for the high schools, and Annie Belle Proctor and Hilda Harper entered the costume contest.

Frances Walker read the prologue to one of the plays.

## Edgecombe Man Is Interred

John Henry Fly, 62, prominent Edgecombe county farmer, was laid in his final resting place in Powell cemetery, Edgecombe county, following rites from his home near here, Elder A. B. Denson, Primitive Baptist minister, held final services.

Mr. Fly, a native of Edgecombe county, lived on Route 2, Rocky Mount, and died at home about 11 o'clock Sunday morning. He had been ill for several years.

He was the son of the late Edgar W. H. Fly and Harriet E. Thomas Fly, both of Edgecombe county and was unmarried.

Two brothers, Richard Fly and Will Fly, both of Edgecombe county and three sisters, Anna Fly, Route 2, city; and Mrs. J. L. Brako and Mrs. J. A. Brako, also of Edgecombe county, are survivors.

His neighbors were pallbearers.

"MIRACLE" AIDS CRIPPLE

Keyport, N. J.—Crippled by arthritis for fifteen years and unable to walk unassisted, Miss Adeline Slover, 40, has had the use of her arms and legs, restored through what she claims as "a miracle from Heaven."

She relates that while lying in bed repeating the Lord's Prayer, a bolt of lightning "flashed before my face and I fell back stunned." She then began to shake all over and from that time had "feeling" in her arms and legs. She recently went for a walk alone, to the astonishment of her neighbors.

Johnstown asks \$10,000,000 Federal funds for rebuilding.

## Push Farm Plan In Nash County

Whirlwind Campaign Opens In Interest Of State Conservation

Nashville, April 6.—Momeyer farmers met in the school building there tonight to hear Vocational Agricultural Instructor T. H. LeCroy in the first of a series of county-wide discussions aimed at familiarizing growers with the provisions of the soil conservation act. During the week leaders and committeemen will conduct similar meetings through the county.

The discussions follow up B. Troy Ferguson's address to 1500 farmers in the courthouse here last week. Those in charge of the meetings are LeCroy, John J. Wolfe, K. H. McIntyre, R. P. Sherin, E. B. Sellers, V. C. Powers, and A. Q. Phillips.

The meetings, set for 7:30 P. M., are as follows: Tuesday, Middlesex; Wednesday, Whitakers, Nashville and Stanhope; Thursday, Castalia, Griffins, Battleboro, Macedonia, Salem, Coopers Union and Oak Level; Friday, Sharpsburg, Spring Hope, Bailey and Benvenue; Saturday, Convention colored school and Samaria; Monday, April 13, Mt. Pleasant and Tuesday, April 14, Red Oak. With the exception of Nashville, the meetings will convene in the school houses. The Nashville meetings will be in the county courthouse.

## Dr. Carltons Health Talk

The importance of heart disease in children was emphasized in Dr. R. L. Carlton's health talk Monday night. "It often occurs that following measles or scarlet fever or even what the family may have regarded as a simple sore throat accompanied by pain in the joints that the child one day complains of discomfort in the heart or he is short of breath and the doctor discovers that he has a heart murmur," said Dr. Carlton.

"A good rule for parents to remember is that after any serious illness, such as rheumatic fever or diphtheria or measles it is wise to have the doctor examine the child thoroughly before he goes back to school. This prevents serious trouble later on."

The speakers pointed out that the pulse is more rapid in children than in adults. Sometimes the heart does not slow down as the child develops and such children should be watched.

"Some children are found with hearts which are not quite rightly formed and they have loud murmurs. The important thing is to find out whether this trouble is due merely to the formation of the heart or if it follows rheumatic trouble."

"It is a serious thing to make an invalid of a child because he has a heart murmur—so it is important to differentiate between the child who may have a functional disorder and one who has a mild degree of congenital disorder."

"The average person understands little about rheumatic heart disease. Rheumatic fever often steals up on a child like a thief in the night. It may masquerade as a cold. So-called 'growing pains' may be unrecognized rheumatic fever."

"In considering occupations for heart patients the most important considerations are regular hours, the amount of work and exercise to be carried on and the avoidance of hurry. The heart must be thought of as any other strained part of the body and the child's activity planned accordingly."

"It is therefore important to cooperate with the family physician to avoid any error in the true appraisal of the nature and degree of the heart trouble."

"On the one hand children are found with congenital murmurs or functional trouble who have suffered much hardship from restrictions based on the supposition that they are rheumatic. On the other hand great caution is necessary to prevent the development of rheumatic fever which is the forerunner of so many cardiac breakdowns. Don't forget to consult your doctor!"

## MRS. HARRIS RECEIVES PLAYMAKERS AWARD

The Playmakers' award for the best original short play of the State Drama Festival, which ended a four-day program at Chapel Hill, Saturday, was presented to Mrs. Bernice Kelly Harris of the Northampton county Players, author of "Three Foolish Virgins." The awards were announced by Prof. Frederick H. Koch, director of the Carolina Playmakers and were presented by President Frank P. Graham.

Mrs. Harris, formerly from near Clayton, is a sister-in-law of Mrs. Viola Fuller Kelly.

CONSCIENCE HURTS 40 YEARS

Bluffton, Ind.—An unidentified person recently sent 50 cents to a church to pay for candy stolen at a children's party in 1896. His conscience just wouldn't let him rest, he said.

Edward, VIII, on slum tour, assures boy he is "really the new King."

## They Kept the Pigs in the Parlor



The floods which brought death and destruction to many parts of the East had many curious after-effects, but few as strange as this. Anxious to save his livestock from the raging waters, farmer Doka, near Mountain View, N. J., "invited" the animals to share his home with him. Madam Sow and her litter of little porkers were welcomed to the guest bedroom by Doka's young son, Joseph. So it was "Pigs in the Parlor," until the waters subsided.

## Congressmen Ask Extra Session—Bailey Does Not Join

It is very clear that in order to make the new Agricultural Act effective, it is necessary that the legislature be called into an extra session.

While we realize that calling the legislature into an extra session is important and should not be called except in cases of emergency, Agricultural Relief being the greatest problem in our economic life at this time, we feel that the emergency is at hand.

The members of Congress from our State who have been working and dealing with this subject, ask that the legislature be called into extra session and if it were not necessary, we feel quite sure that they would not have asked that it be done.

They are more familiar with this question than probably any other body of men, having given great study in trying to overcome the effect of the Supreme Court's Nullification of the Farm Relief Bill.

We notice from a Washington correspondent a statement that Senator Bailey had declined to join with the Congressmen in requesting the extra session.

This however is nothing new, as Senator Bailey has fought all Farm Relief Bills up to this time and if he was sincere in 1933, it would be but natural that he would take this position at this time.

## APPOINT NORTH CAROLINANS BY ALL MEANS

The last General Assembly authorized the Governor to appoint two Commissions for study. One to study the road question and investigate the amount of loans which were furnished by the counties that went into the highway system.

The other was a commission to study the liquor question.

Up to this time the Governor has not appointed these two commissions and we notice through the press that, when he was asked why these commissions had not been appointed, he stated that it was difficult to find people to serve on these two commissions. Probably, that may be so, yet it does look like North Carolina could furnish people with sufficient brains and character to work on the commissions.

We certainly hope that the Governor is not delaying the grounds of the necessity of going out of the State to hire a commission. He states that he can not find men in the State to man these commissions.

North Carolina has already suffered under the hand of an imported commission, to wit, the Brookings Institute that took our money and made recommendations we would take from the average citizen, his last vestige having any part in the running of the Government.

We certainly hope that if an investigation is to be made it will be made by citizens of North Carolina.

## New Store Is Opened Here

The B. and R. Clothing Store announces the opening of its new store at 176 N. Main Street, next door to the Quinn Furniture Company.

Harry Burk, formerly of Henderson, will be the active manager. This store will carry a large line of men's and women's ready to wear, and it is expected to be one of the leading stores of the town.

## A SPRING FEVER REMEDY

Chicago.—Are you feeling the effects of Spring fever? Well, here's how to get rid of it, according to Dr. Karl A. Meyer: Eat plenty of fresh fruit, vegetables and drink milk. Drink eight or ten glasses of water a day and exercise in the open air. He explains that "Spring fever" is a weariness which follows a long winter, with consequent lack of sunshine and vitamins.

## Fountain Hits Bailey Record

New Bern, April 6.—R. T. Fountain of Rocky Mount, seeking the Democratic nomination for the United States Senate, attacked the record of Senator J. W. Bailey in an address here today.

Bailey, Fountain said, "employed all the arguments which the Liberty League group has used in opposing President Roosevelt's recovery program," in opposition to the first farm relief bill.

Fountain endorsed the policies of the administration and pledged his support to President Roosevelt.

The former lieutenant governor plans to spend much of this week campaigning in the eastern part of the State, but will go to Charlotte Friday to speak before the Labor Council, a labor organization.

## Old Age Pension Meeting Planned

Executive Groups To Convene In Raleigh Friday—General Session Too

Members of the executive committees of the old-age pension associations in the state are asked to attend a meeting at Raleigh Friday morning prior to a general session held later in the morning. T. P. Thorne, president of the Nash-Edgecombe county old-age pension association, announced.

President Thorne, a local resident said the executive committees will meet at 10 o'clock at the Bland hotel and that the Nash-Edgecombe executive group is expected to attend along with the rest.

Following this will be a general meeting at 11 o'clock at the House of Representatives in Raleigh with S. G. Daniels, president of the state old-age pension association; Charles U. Harris, of Raleigh; and Mr. Thorne on the program. Everyone interested is invited to the second meeting at the House of Representatives, Mr. Thorne indicated.

## Personnel Of Bank Banquets

Planters National Bank And Trust Company Of Rocky Mount, N. C. Has Thirty-Seventh Anniversary Dinner

The officers, directors, attorneys and employees of the Planters National Bank and Trust Co., gathered for their thirty-seventh anniversary dinner on Tuesday evening, April 7th, in the Ricks Hotel Dining Room.

F. E. Winslow acted as toastmaster and in his usual easy manner, interspersed the program with timely and witty remarks.

The scheduled speakers on the program and their subjects were as follows:

Wiley W. Meares—"Our Policies as Compared to the Policies of Other Banks."

W. S. Wilkinson—"How a Bank Director Can Be Helpful to His Bank."

C. C. Colston—"How We Should



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## PARAGRAPHS ON NATIONAL PROBLEMS AT WASHINGTON

### Hancock Says Congress Will Pass Tob. Bill

Fifth District Congressman Confident Measure Will Be Approved And Dispatched To President Roosevelt For His Approval—N. C. Special Session Necessary

Congress will enact the bill authorizing states to enter into a compact for the purpose of controlling the production and marketing of bright flue-cured tobacco and it will be done by the latter part of this week.

That is the opinion of Representative Frank W. Hancock, Fifth District representative, who spent the week-end at his home here.

He said further that the bill would probably be sent to President Roosevelt by airplane for his approval of the measure. The President is on a fishing cruise off the coast of Florida.

"North Carolina's failure to take action first has unquestionably delayed the effective date of this vitally important and necessary legislation, but if the Governor will act promptly in calling a special session of the General Assembly for the purpose of passing the State Control Act, much good should result in regulating the size of the crop this year, Mr. Hancock said.

"Of course with both laws in effect, the desired accomplishments will depend largely upon the administration of the State Act and the active and sincere cooperation of the growers."

"We must all think in terms of the general welfare. With a manifestation of this attitude and real cooperation with the Soil Conservation Act and the State Control Act, our tobacco farmers can face the future with greater confidence and hope for better times."

"President Roosevelt has his heart and soul behind the welfare of agriculture and with the Congress will never give up the fight, regardless of the Supreme Court's actions, until the program is permanently effective in placing agriculture on an equality with industry. It is the only way we can hope to have a balanced economy in this country and general prosperity among all the people."

"Calling a special session," Mr. Hancock continued, "should also insure State legislation for cooperation with the Social Security Act designed to provide assistance and pensions to our old people and unemployment insurance to those temporarily put out of work, security to the worthy and needy who have reached the dead-line of service should be the first objective of a great humanitarian government. The state's failure to cooperate with the Federal Government has already deprived those eligible for these benefits of thousands of dollars. Further delay cannot be justified or excused. Prompt and generous action will tend to mitigate the situation."

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REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES GROUPS NOW IN ACTION HOOVER LEADS ATTACK LONDON APPEARS AHEAD BORAH, THE PUZZLE KNOX AND THE TARIFF WILL BORAH BOLT? TWO COURT DECISIONS AVERAGE 70 YEARS, 4 MONTHS

By Hugo Sims, Special Washington Correspondent

In just about two months, the Republicans will gather in Cleveland and what the 1,001 delegates will do is the main topic of speculation at the national capital. With presidential preferential primaries already under way, a bitter battle is being waged for control of the convention, the delegates not being bound by the votes cast in the primaries of some States.

Several groups, or factions, are involved, including (1) the Borah backers, (2) the Hoover supporters dedicated to rallying the party behind denunciation of the New Deal; and (3) the so-called Old Guard, operating behind the banners of various favorite sons but really anxious for an unfettered flock of delegates and an opportunity to repeat ancient tactics of the conference rooms.

The situation revolves mainly around four men at this writing, although lesser stars walk the boards of the drama as the curtain prepares to ascend. Former President Herbert Hoover, who delivered his seventh attack on the New Deal at Fort Wayne, Ind., recently, is not now considered a possible choice of the delegates although, as the titular leader of the party, he has made effective speeches and delivered some advice to his fellow Republicans.

Recently breaking his silence to deny published reports that he was backing Senator Vandenberg, of Michigan. Mr. Hoover, through his secretary, declared he had encouraged no particular candidate, being engaged "solely in fighting the New Deal." He advocated lambasting the administration policies, the framing of a "courageous and constructive" program, the nomination of the "best qualified" man and the united effort of all Republicans to win the election.

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