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ROCKY MOUNT, NORTH CAROLINA, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 1936

Spring Hope Irmy Squadrom **Coming To City**

tes Anounced For Visit Of Lang ley Field Group Are October 4 To 17

A full squadron of Army airplanes, cluding nine bombers, will come re October 4 to October 17 to ase e Boeky Mount airport as an aux-ary camp for staging a series of neuvers, Colonel C. B. Oldfield, Mangley Field, Va., was quoted tating today while inspecting field.

onel Oldfield, who was here that an hour this morning, indicat-the field was all right, and that squadron of about 25 planes ading nine bombers, will come the encampment. Included in group will be about 20 officers from 90 to 100 enlisted Army with Major McDuffie, in com-Colonel Oldfield left after a

tay. Lee, airport manager and Lattimore, of this city, dis-to plans for the encampment. They ndicated the site for the en-ment is not determined, but Major McDuffie will select it arrival. Colonel Oldfield said decision to come here October October 17 was reached at an y staff meeting yesterday morn-

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will be used as an auxiliary and the squadron will fly here to the coast for the ma-es, expected to be about seven

Both night and day flying will participated in by the squadron mbers, according to Mr. Lee.

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amston, Sept 3.—Children's at the Williamston Fair, which be held the week of September will be outstanding in the his-of eastern North Carolina exa dation to the server definition to the solution of the server definition to the ground of the server definition to the children of the server definition to the entertainment definition

Changes Studies Per

Spring Hope, Sept. 2.—Two changes in the high school curricu-lum at Spring Hope have been an nounced by Principal D. H. Holli-day. Latin is to be eliminated while Geography is to be taught for the first time here in high school. It is expected to prove a popular course. Several changes in textbooks have also been announced, these effec tive only in high school. Books will be sold and rented on the same plan as last year. Plans are being completed for high school band practice this year.

Finis are being completed for high school band practice this year. S. A. Braxton of Raleigh as direc-tor. A special practice room is to be provided this winter and prospects are good for a first class high school band here. Classes will begin imm₂-diately after school opens.

Nichols Resigns Sergeants Post

Local Night Desk Sergeant Gives Up Post In Order To Work in Daytime

Night Desk Sergeant J. I. Nichols, of the local police force, tendered his resignation as desk sergeant af-tor serving 26 months in that post, indicating he wanted "some sun-light" after such a period of con-tinuous nicht most.

light" after such a period of con-tinuous night work. City Manager L. B. Aycock indi-cated his understanding is that Po-lice Chief O. P. Hedgepeth will name a "headquarters man" from time to time, and that this man will remain in headquarters possi-bly for a week. Then another such officer will be named. From what he said, no permanent successor to Sergeant Nichols will be named. Chief Hedgepeth will name various of the officers on night duty as "headquarters man" from time to time."

The city manager indicated he did not blame Sergeant Nichols at all for wanting to get some sunlight and have an opportunity to work during the daytime. Sergeant Nichols' resignation is not from the force but only from the post of night sergeant. He will re-main on the force, and have the opportunity to day duty along with the other officers. He served 26 menths as night sergeant and has been on the force five years.

N. C. Behind **In Retail Sales**

Capita In 1933 Was \$115 While In Nation It Was \$204

Washington, Aug. 29.—A report y the Commerce Department show 1 today that North Carolina's 19by the Commerce Department stow-ed today that North Carolina's 19-33 retail sales totaled \$363,111,000, nearly one and one-haif per cent of the national retail transactions of \$25,037,225,000.

\$25,037,225,000. The nation's average per capita expenditures at retail establishments was \$204. North Carolina's per cap-ita was \$115. Of the state's total expenditures in retail purchases \$252,195,000 was in cities and towns of more than 2.500 population.

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Carolina that year amounted to \$423,127,000, compared to the na tional total of \$32,151,373,000. Receipts for service, amusement and hotels in the state were \$26,840,000, and 1934 postal receipts were report-ed at \$5,907,000.

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1ation. The national average was 31.7 per 1,000. The urban population, number-ing 25.54 per cent of the North Carolina total, made 69.45 per cent of the retail purchases and 79.72 per cent of those at wholesale. Charlotte, with a retail per capi-ta average of \$346 accounted for \$28,596,000 of retail sales and \$99,-575,000 at wholesale. Greensboro had \$17,195,000 in retail sales, a per cap-ita of \$321, and wholesale transac-tions totaling \$34,314,000, while Win-ston-Salem's retail total was \$16,-158,000, the per capita \$215, and the wholesale turnover \$18,631,000. Other retail sales, per capita fig-

105,000, the per capita \$215, and the wholesale transactions in-ciaded: Burlington, \$5,341,000, \$549, and \$2,414,000; Washington, \$2,339,000, \$404, and \$2,373,000; Asheville, \$15,-185,000, \$303, and \$9,308,000; Con-cord, \$3,128,000, \$265, and \$2,133, 000; New Bern, \$2,232,000, \$270, and \$3,461,000. Fayetteville, \$5,060,000, \$388, and \$4,757,000; Durham, \$14,659,000, \$282, and \$16,163,000; Rocky Mount, \$5,-976,000, \$279, and \$9,303,000; Tar-boro, \$1.997,000, \$313, and \$1,310,-000; Gastonia, \$5,650,000, \$331, and \$13,655,000; High Point, \$7,746,000, \$211, and \$5,333,000; Kinston, \$4,-497,000, \$396, and \$12,562,000; South-ern Pines, \$697,000 and \$276 (whole-sale not reported); Wilmington, \$5,-

sale not reported); Wilmington, \$8,-242,000, \$255, and \$11,028,000; Eliz-abeth City, \$2,587,000, \$258, and \$2,

abeth City, \$2,587,000, \$258, and \$2, 624,000; Greenville, \$4,590,000, \$499, and \$20,075,000; Lumberton, \$2,908, out and \$702 (wholesale not re-ported); Salisbury, \$6,690,000, \$395, and \$3,707,000; Henderson, \$3,002,-000, \$473, and \$4,579,000; Raleigh, \$14,256,000, \$381, and \$15,583,007; Goldsboro, \$4,459,000, \$289, and \$3,-685,000; Wilson, \$4,488,000, \$356, and \$19,945,000; Statesville, \$2,764,000, \$263, and \$697,000; Shelby, \$2,947,-000, \$273, and \$1,778,000; and Hick ory, \$3,221,000, \$437, and \$2,145,000.

Tarboro Board

Tarboro, Sept. 1.—A new fiscal budget adopted by the city commis-sioners of Tarboro contemplates a total expenditure of \$125,614.79 this



Trio Will Hole Up in the Arctic

If Teddy Lenore Hinckley, four-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Hinckley, gets cold this winter while romping with Eskimo chil-dren on lonely Saint Lawrence Island in the Bering Sea, it won't be the fault of her parents. Before leaving Seattle with her parents, Teddy was outfitted in a specially designed parka, fringed with fur and covering her from head to foot. The three are pictured just before they sailed for Gambell, Saint Lawrence Island. The parents, both former University of Washington students, will teach Eskimo children in a government school, direct affairs of the community, operate a radio sta-tion and manage a native store. They expect to be in the Far North three years.

Harmony Desired

The most important thing in the Democratic Party now is harmony. If there were a division in the primary, which has brought to the attention of the electorate certain matters which a large portion of the people believe should be corrected, it is the duty of those to whom leadership has been given to undertake to iron out these dif-ferences, rather than to abuse, condemn, criticise and neglect those who have views and opinions different from the controlling group.

Recent newspaper articles emenating from press reporters of certain factions in the party are not conducive to the harmony which is so much needed at this time.

The recent speech of Senator Bailey has been criticised by many of the leading newspapers of the State for his attack on all of those who differ with the ruling group of the present State Administration.

The Senator, of all the people in the State, should desire harmony at this time, it looks like to us that it would be Senator Bailey who came through, if at all, by the skin of his teeth.

Of all the leaders in the State who should seek to use the means to promote harmony within the party should be Senator Bailey, whose continuance in politics depends upon the harmony and good will of the electorate this fall.

The welfare of the nation at large, we think, is depend-ent upon the election of President Roosevelt. There are many in our State who profess to be Democrats, because they vote the State Democratic ticket, but do not vote the Sets Budget National Democratic ticket. The platform of the Demo-cratic Party is President Roosevelt and what he has stood for in these four years and all differences should be subordinated in the interest of his re-election.

SANITARY TOILETS

The News and Observer has recently written an editorial, calling to the attention of our citizens, the importance of keeping public and semi-public toilets in a sanitary con- fire order.

Employee Shoots McLendon Tells

Martin Gardner Admits Shooting Miss Helen Adler; Withholds Motive

Tarboro, Sept. 1.—Martin Gardner 30, shot and perhaps fatally wound-ed his employer, Miss Helen Adlec, 28, with a shotgun in the store she operates at Pinetops, eight miles from here, late this afternoon. The woman, with the back of her head filled with No. 8 shot, was rushed to a Rocky Mount hospital where physicians, after an examina-tion, said her condition was not se-rious. Questioned in the Edgecombe County jail here, to which he was brought by Chief of Police J. T. Parker, of Pinetops, Gardner de-elared that "no one will ever know who did it unless she tells—I nev-er will." Tarboro, Sept. 1 .- Martin Gardner er will.

er will." Gardner, who said he had been employed by Miss Adler for nearly five years, is a member of a well-known Edgecombe County family.

known Edgecombe County family. "I am willing to take whatever pun-ishment they give me," he said. "I shot her and I meant to shoot her." Told-that the woman was not dead and asked if he was glad or sorry, Gardner replied, "Well, I meant to kill her, but I reckon it would be easier on me if she lives. Im sorry I did it only for my mother's sake. Gardner said he kept the shot-gun in the store at all times. When no other were around this after-

no other were around this after-noon, he fired at close range. Peo-ple outside, hearing the shot, rush-ed in as he was placing the weapon

ed in as he was placing the weapon on a counter. "Had you planned it a long time?" he was asked, and "Why did you pick this particular after-noon instead of some other?" Both questions brought the usual answer. "No one will ever know unless she tells—I never will." Gardner, unmærtied and a patiga Gardner, unmarried and a native

Gardner, unmarried and a native of Pinetops, has never been in trouble before. According to Miss Addler, Gard-ner entered her place today about noon, intoxicated and brandishing a shotgun. When her persuasion failed to remove him, she threaten-ed to cell police to stop the distur-

dot call police to stop the distur-bance. As she reached the front door of her shop, Gardner fired from behind her, she said. She fled, screaming, to a nearby drug store, where she slumped to the floor

floor. Miss Adler said she could give no reason other than intoxication for Gardner's action. She denied that they had engaged in a quarrel prior to the shooting and that the assail-

ant was prompted by a fit of jealousy

Wilson Man Recalls **Charleston** 'Quake

Wilson, Aug. 30.—Tomorrow will mark the 50th anniversary of the one and only earthquake that Wil-son has ever had. On the eveninng of August 21, 886, the tremors of the famous On the eveninng of August 21, 1886, the tremors of the famous Charleston (S. C.) earthquake struck here. Little damage was done but the shocks caused a few dishes to fall off of tables and scared the 1,200 people in the town at the time half to death. Today Doane Herring, prominent 73-year-old druggist of the town, said that he remembered the 'quake clearly and that it had brok-en up a party at his home that

en up a party at his home that night, and had mad_{Θ} people jump out the windows and through the doors of his home here in rapid-

Pinetops Woman What Is Wrong

(From "Under the Dome" In The News and Observer)

News and Observer) PROMISES—The recent remarks of Senator J. W. Bailey to Young Democratic officials at Wrightsville Beach have been the subject of caustic controversy lately. The Sen-ator has explained and amplified his statements in a communication to the press and the Liberal Democrats of North Carolina have placed their own interpretation on his address. But, all the discussion has not altered the pledge and promise which Senator Bailey made for the Dem-ocratic party in North Carolina when he said, "If there is anything wrong with the election laws, lec some Democrat point out the fault and the Democratic party in North

some Democrat point out the fault and the Democratic party in North Carolina will fix it." As the Senator may recall, that'a exactly what Major L. P. McLen-don, chairman of the State Board of Elections, has done ("point out the fault") and what he has asked the party to do ("fix it.") And Ma-jor McLendon is not only a Demo-crat but, as Senator Bailey would concede readily, a "good Democrat," as well. as well.

About the faults of the election About the faults of the election laws, Major McLendon was more specific than the newspapermen of Bailey's acquaintance seem to have been. "I have never seen a news paperman who could point out a sin-gle thing wrong with them," the Senator said. The report of the State Board of

Senator said. The report of the State Board of Elections to the General Assembly of 1935 said the following things ought to be done about the election ought to be done about the election laws—and the man speaking in this instance is not Ralph McDonald cr Dick Fountain or Paul Grady or any other defeated candidata but the man who administers the laws about which Senator Bailey says "all this hollering and squawking in the newspapers" has been done: "The experience of the Board dur-ing this biennium and especially the disclosures conducted by it have convinced the Board that our elec-tion laws, both as to primaries and

tion laws, both as to primaries and general elections, should be revised and amended in several particu-

lars. "The election laws relating to pri-maries as well as general elections should be uniform throughout the "That a State-wide new registra-

tion be made mandatory for the year 1936

"That an entirely separate reg-istration be required for primary elections

"That the registration of voters in the primary elections be made by the political parties on separate books

books. "That our present statutes author-izing absentee voting be repealed outright or that they be amended so as to limit and restrict the priv-ilege of absentee voting. "That the office of marker be abolished in all elections . . . ". . That some procedure should be set up for the expeditious trial and final determination by the courts of election contests in both primaries and elections.

courts of election contests in both primaries and elections. "That the law be amended so us to require o fall precinct registrars that they deliver, on the day fixed by law for the county canvass of the vote, the registration and poll books to the chairman of the Coun-ty Board of Elections and take hus receint for same "

eccipt for same The report of the Board of Elections also recommended that pre-cincts in which there are 1,200 or more electors be split, that more stringent regulations governing the boards of appointment of county

