

SEVEN JUDGES FOR THE SUPREME BENCH URGED

Asheville Political Leaders Advocating Number of New Laws For State.

WOULD TAX BUS LINES

Asheville, Dec. 7.—Legislation to increase the number of judges of the state supreme court from five to seven, provision of additional clerical assistance, and a bill to place bus lines and public service automobile lines under control of the state corporation commission will be among the legislative programs of state-wide interest to come before the general assembly, according to word being passed around the Buncombe county political camps.

portion during the past few years with many cities passing various measures to handle the problem makes the bus legislation a matter of wide interest and action is imperative according to those interested. With the North Carolina corporation commission having general supervision over public utilities, it is believed that bus lines should be added and tax of bus transportation lines that were common carriers of freight and passengers will probably be a future of the legislation advocated.

AMERICA OPPOSES THE TURKS' PLANS TO EXPEL GREEKS FROM COUNTRY

(Continued from Page One.) The exchange plans only on condition that the Greek residents were permitted to remain in Constantinople. The Greek delegation issued a statement that the Holy See's appeal in behalf of the Christians in Constantinople was not based on Greek information, but on observations by various representatives that the Greek were being mistreated. "Turkey should listen to this high spiritual authority," says the statement, "and take measures to reas-

sure the Christian populations of Turkey." LAUSANNE DELEGATIONS ARE ASKED TO HELP ARMENIANS Lausanne, Dec. 7.—(By Associated Press).—Ambassador Child and the heads of the other delegations to the near east conference were asked today to lend their aid in providing a national homeland for the Armenians. Rev. Dr. George R. Montgomery, director of the Armenian-American society, visited the delegations separately and presented a petition on behalf of those Americans who have given millions of dollars to help the Armenians suffering as a result of the war.

THIEVES LOCK THE UNLOCKED SAFE OF GREENLEAF MERCHANT

(Special to Daily News.) Goldsboro, Dec. 7.—Thieves locked the unlocked safe of B. F. Talbot, Greenleaf merchant, yesterday, in their efforts to break into it. They did not know that Mr. Talbot had left the safe unlocked and they hammered and battered the door until Mr. Talbot is of the opinion now he will have to have the safe dynamited to get it open. But was about the tenth time that thieves have attempted to enter Mr. Talbot's safe. Mr. Talbot has found that it is cheaper to take his money out of the safe and leave it unlocked with the books and valuable papers inside to protect them against fire than to buy a new safe every time the thieves visit him. Next time he thinks he will post a sign on his safe that it is unlocked. Chink Rhoden, deputy sheriff here, who investigated it, said he had heard of men who tried to butt down a brick wall rather than walk around it, but that this is the first time he has ever encountered one.

in Greensboro, Asheville and other North Carolina towns, where better buildings were needed, but he added that it was extremely doubtful about getting any building legislation on the statute books during this session of Congress, as the administration is "set" against allowing an appropriation for this purpose to be made on the score of economy. Nevertheless, the committee intends to put the problem up to Congress and the administration, for the sooner a public buildings bill is passed the more money will be saved to the treasury. In the opinion of Chairman Langley, he thinks for the government to allow its public buildings to fall into decay as many of them are doing, is a sheer waste of money.

Knuckers Paraded in Mount Olive

Mount Olive, Dec. 7.—Mount Olive folks—and hundreds from the rural districts round about—had their first opportunity last night to satisfy their curiosity as to what a Ku Klux klanman, officially robed, looks like. True to their announcement, they marched into town about 8:30 p.m. strong. This said they first met in the ball park, four blocks out West Main, and there donned their klux regalia, and formed their march.

COMMISSIONER SCOTT HOLDS NEW BERN FIRE BRIGADE RESPONSIBLE

(Continued From Page One) among Baptists since he came into this work 18 years ago. Here are some interesting cases of growth:

Table with 2 columns: Category and Amount. Includes Churches (1,350), Church Members (202,184), Baptisms (13,225), S. S. Members (139,467), Contributions (\$120,917.92), W. M. U. Soc. (994), Members (12,066), B. Y. P. U. Organizations (No report), B. Y. P. U. Mem. (No report).

There were 20,601 baptisms—a gain of only 121 over last year, but this is the largest number ever reported. One painful fact is that last year 522 churches reported no baptisms. For those reporting the average per church was 12. In the entire state there was one baptism for every 15 members. The per capita for the entire convention is \$2.55 for denominational objects and \$2.88 for all objects. The associations giving above the average for denominational objects are as follows: Beulah \$3.08; Buncombe \$4.24; Catawaba River \$3; Central \$6.93; Chowan \$2.05; Cumberland \$2.74; Gaston \$4.03; Kings Mt. \$3.31; Mt. Zion \$4.52; Neuse-Atlantic \$3.11; Pee Dee \$5.75; Piedmont \$6.44; Pilot Mt. \$4.36; Raleigh \$4.85; Roanoke \$5.37; Robeson \$4.71; Sandy Creek \$2.89; Yadkin \$2.60; Surry \$4.27; West Chowan, \$3.08 and Wilmington, \$3.81.

There are reported Sunday schools, 2,174, a gain of 70. Some were lost to Tennessee as over 100 mission schools are not reported. The membership is 265,496, a gain of 17,787. In two years we have gained 44,468. This is more than was ever gained in four years in the past. Total number of unions to date 1,025, a gain of 414. Of these 730 are senior, 88 intermediate, 207 junior, with a combined membership of 46,123. There are 41 H. Y. P. U.'s in our schools and colleges. New societies, 264; 70 W. M. S.; 27 Y. W. A.; 29 G. A.; 106 Sunbeams; 27 B. A. Total number societies 2,112. Contributions \$258,693.21, which was 5 per cent less than the contributions of the previous year. Number of letters, 2,598, which was a gain over the preceding year of 120. Mrs. W. M. U. Banner, which stands for the most marked improvement and for excellence of work, was won by the South Fork association, of which Mrs. J. Y. Killian, of Newtyn, is superintendent.

Mr. Clayton, garage man of Fayetteville, went on trial today again for receiving stolen automobiles, notwithstanding his acquittal yesterday on a like charge. District Attorney Irvin H. Tucker had a new jury today and some new facts against the dealer whose case gives the government a lot of trouble in the effort to fix on his guilty knowledge. Witnesses have testified that he guaranteed the cars sold them and when John C. Hulen appeared today as prosecutor he said his Ford sedan bought from Clayton, aroused suspicion by the finding of a woman's handbag. Clayton agreed to make the match good if any thing happened. Something did happen—the officers took the car away by claim and delivery proceedings. Clayton hasn't made anything good.

Mrs. Betty Jones, pretty New York woman, lost her Cadillac by Frank Eckles, auto chief who traded as Cummings with Clayton. She recovered the car after a long chase but the chaser lost it. J. C. Adams, of Linden, bought a handsome Cadillac which was soon taken from him. Clayton never made it good. One of the jurors applied the hears today. He asked Eckles, the Auburn long term, if "Mr. Clayton knew that these cars you sold him were stolen." Eckles said he didn't. That caused a deal of legal talking. The lawyers could not have asked that question, but the juror did. The break made strength for the defense. Judge Connor promised to straighten it out when his time came.

The secretary of state today chartered the Elizabeth Apartment company of Charlotte with \$100,000 authorized and \$20,000 paid in by Earle Whitton, Lee Kinney, Henry Hackney and Hamilton C. Jones. The Carolina Realty and Securities corporation of Pollockville, Jones county, is a \$50,000 business with \$1,000 paid in by Annie C. Hughes, G. R. Hughes and others. The Dacotan cotton mills, incorporated of Lexington, increase their capital by an amendment to the charter. The amount from which it goes to reach the \$1,000,000 authorized is \$180,000. The Motor Tire company, of Concord, increases from \$100,000 to \$200,000.

HIGH POINT NEGROES HELP FIRE VICTIMS

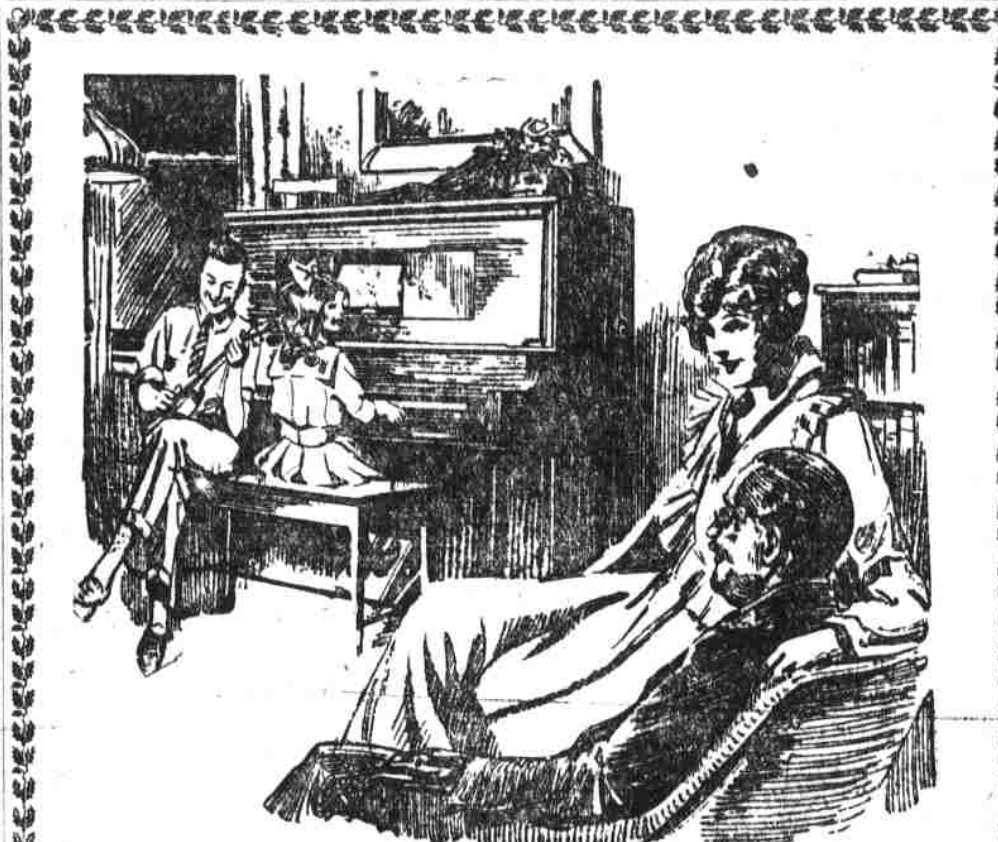
City Sells \$25,000 Worth Of Municipal Bonds To a Charlotte Concern. (Special to Daily News.) High Point, Dec. 7.—At mass meeting here High Point negroes raised \$101.75 to be used as a fund for the relief of victims of New Bern fire. Quantities of clothing were also collected. The negroes will hold another mass meeting next Sunday at which time they hope to make substantial additions to their New Bern relief funds.

John R. Handley Building At Goldsboro Damaged By Fire

(Special to Daily News.) Goldsboro, Dec. 7.—The John R. Handley office building here, on John and Walnut streets, valued at \$40,000 is almost a total loss as a result of flames that broke out this morning at 4 o'clock. Firemen played four streams on it and were still fighting at 7 o'clock this morning. Fire Chief Teiverton thinks he will be able to confine the flames to the one building. Dr. C. F. Stronider, president of the chamber of commerce, who appeared before the board of aldermen last Monday and plead with them to install a high pressure pump was present at the fire. He said the fire equipment company had agreed to supply the city with such a pump to be paid for after the fixing of next year's budget. The board excused for not buying the pumper was that

the budget for this year had already been set. Fire Chief Teiverton and other officials have condemned the present equipment as totally inadequate to meet an emergency. The value of property in the city has increased since 1910 from \$2,000,000 to \$16,000,000, and fire protection has in no way increased in proportion.

Champion Steer Brings \$1.25 Pound. Chicago, Dec. 7.—Chenoweth Jock, the grand champion steer at the International livestock exhibition, today was auctioned for \$1.25 a pound for Christmas beef. The animal, which weighed 1,400 pounds and which won the honors for its owner, W. J. and H. A. Thomas, of Shelbyville, Ky., was sold to one of the large packers as agent for a local hotel. A Massachusetts inventor's row boat can be separated into three sections, each of which can be navigated separately.



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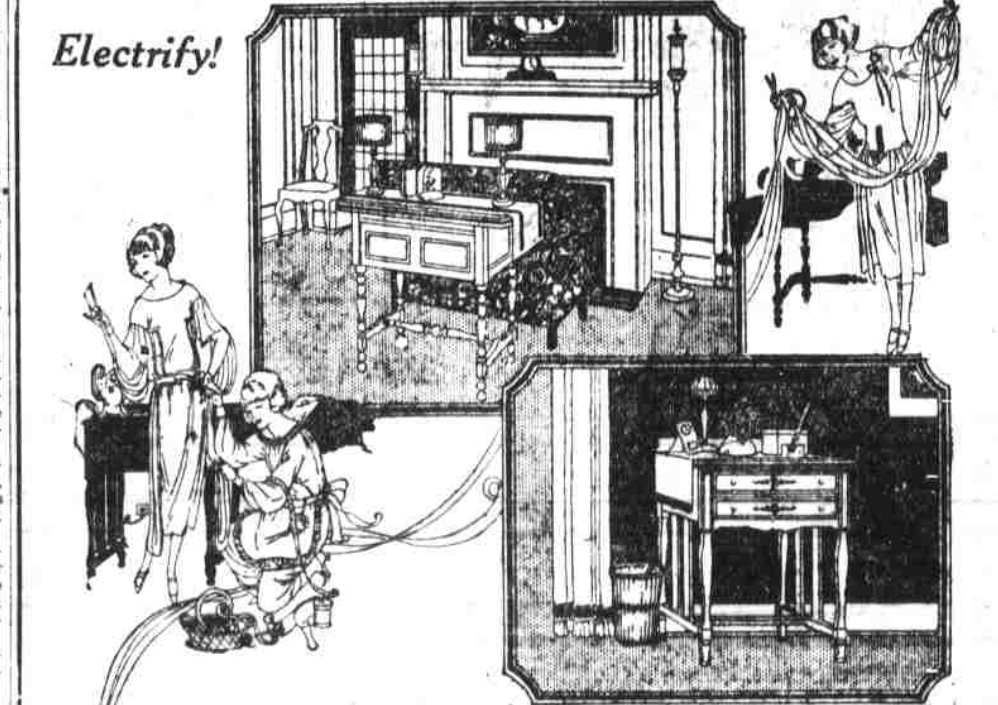
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