

Capital News Letter

(By Thompson Greenwood)

FIGHTING MAD—Governor R. Gregg Cherry was fighting mad last week when the Northampton county jury failed to indict alleged mob members who it is said attempted to lynch (incidentally, one has confessed to it) Godwin (Buddy) Bush, 22-year-old Negro, who they thought had made an attempt to attack a white woman of Rich square. He was too fast for them, got away. She had admitted privately since then that she was merely highly nervous at the time. Her screaming turned out to be just a touch of female hysteria. She says Bush did not try to attack her.

The freedom so speedily granted the seven was just a little too much for Governor Cherry, who is usually in high good humor. When he heard the news, he called in Private Sec-

retary John Harden, he called in the press, and he went on the radio. He was in a winding way.

His decision to have the case retried—in a slightly different manner—won him virtually unanimous support, except possibly in Northampton, which casts a rather small vote—and anyhow, Cherry can't run to succeed himself. However, Negro-haters—and there are still too many of them in North Carolina—can and may take their vengeance out on anybody Cherry supports.

NOT MISSING A BET—Speaking of support, Senator William B. Umstead's Durham office is now sending out a few will-you-support-me letters in widely varying directions. Just to show you how thoroughly they are going about this business of soliciting votes: Last week one

of Raleigh's leading citizens received one of the Umstead pieces of mail. It urged him to cast his lot with the incumbent. But he hardly will.

P. S. He's a brother-in-law of J. M. Broughton.

FOR CHARITY—The 100,000 Baptists in North Carolina who read the "Charity and Children." Thomasville Orphanage paper, each Sunday after church—and sometimes during church—may not know it, but they have been looking over some rather fancy writing, here lately particularly.

That's right, Arch (Whispering Mac) McMillan, editor, has been in Baptist Hospital in Winston-Salem recuperating from a heart attack. During this time, guest editors have appeared. But one of these visiting writers (whose articles have not been signed) has at times probably received as high as 50 cents per word for some of his historical utterances on paper. That's Archibald Johnson of Baltimore Evening Sun fame—

and of Charity and Children fame, for that matter. These Johnson's McMillan's, McNeill's and Memory's can all write all right. They can sing, too, when they gather for a night in Riverton.

NOTES—Lo, how the mighty hath fallen! Two months ago Hudson School Principal R. L. Fritz, Jr., was the man of the hour in North Carolina. His future looked exceedingly bright . . . Maybe state Superintendent of Schools some day . . . Overnight he was ruined, the State School Board revoking even his certificate to teach. He's still NCEA president, but is expected to resign . . . However, don't close your book on the matter . . . J. M. Broughton was conspicuous by his absence at Dr. J. Y. Joyner's big day at La Grange last week . . . But his name was uppermost in discussions at Congressman Monroe Rellon's big Hendersonville barbecue . . . Been reading about Charlie Phillips second conviction for allegedly murdering his wife? Lillington and North Carolina have hit the big papers throughout the nation . . . Don't be surprised if another indictment grows out of the second trial.

HOW WOULD YOU VOTE?—Johnston Matthews of the State Parole Commission received his job under the then Governor, J. M. Broughton . . . But his wife worked as secretary to Senator William B. Umstead for 18 years. Mrs. Matthews, cousin to Bill Horner of Sanford, who was defeated for Congress last year by C. E. Deane, is also politically minded. The Matthews' want to vote for the same man. Under these circumstances, how would you vote?

IT TAKES MONEY—You keep hearing talk and you continue reading items about the possibility of probability of Lt. Gov. L. Y. Ballentine or State Democratic Committee Chairman Wilkins P. Horton or State Sen. Libby Ward running for Governor. Do you know why they have not as yet announced? There is one main reason. The other reasons run exceedingly poor seconds. The real reason is insufficient financial support. It takes money to run for Governor. Oh, yes, there is a \$12,000 limit to a candidate's expenditures. But that's a joke, son, as almost everybody knows.

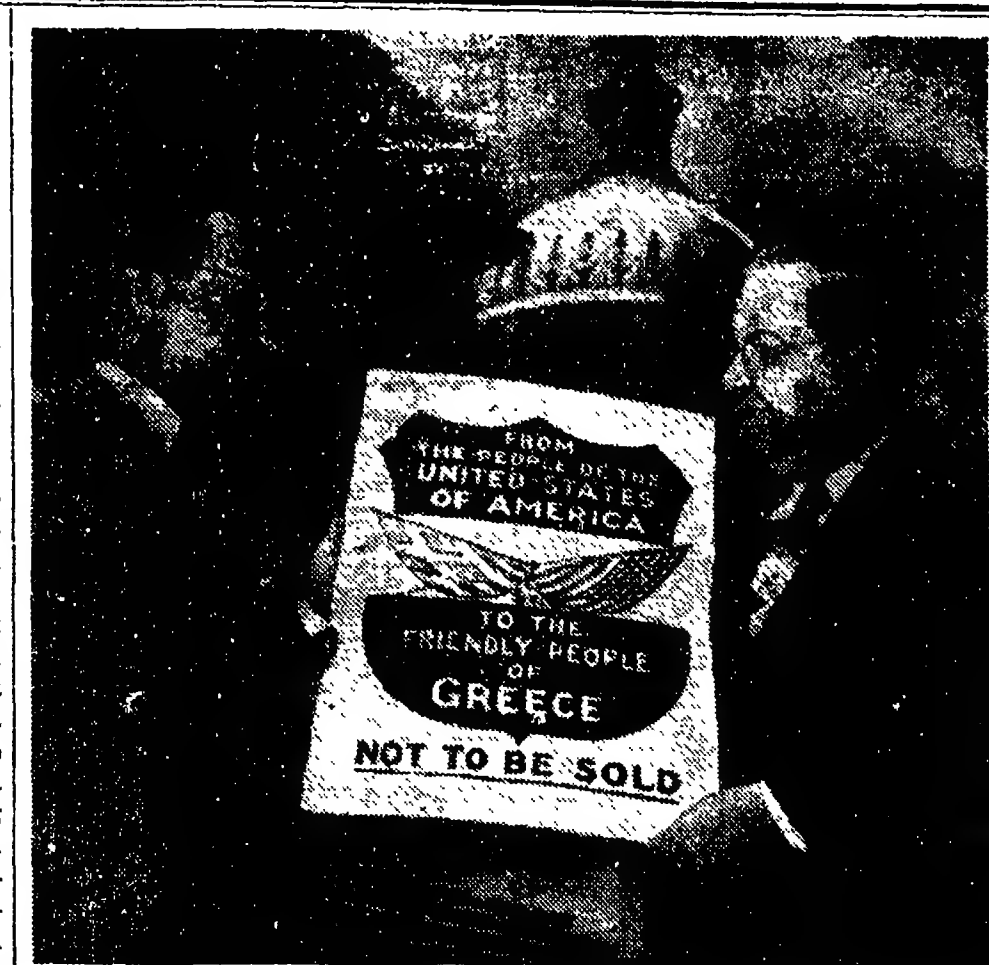
JUST SMART—R. M. Albright thinks he can do it on the \$12,000. Oscar Barker of Durham believes he can nullify the needs for big expenditures by teacher support. But the three boys mentioned above are more realistic. They are smart. Show any one of them where he could depend upon \$50,000 financial backing, and he might announce a few minutes thereafter. They have not seen this much money falling in their direction, and have not announced, and won't until they do see it.

THAT NAME—Mayne Albright and wife are in the process of leaving the "Civic Club Circuit" now that they have that trailer, and will soon be out discussing campaign issues with you. That name "Challenger" on the trailer is intriguing. Trailer was first named "Invader," but the Albright's finally decided on "Challenger" after friends had suggested such names as "Buster" (written within a broken ring), "Blount Street (the street the Mansion is on) or Bust," and because of the trailer's shape, "The Egg and Us."

OFF THE CUFF—Three good pictures are now touring the State, and you may want to see them: "Great Expectations," "Possessed," and "The Hucksters" . . . Word from Washington is that Kenneth Royall (he has his own financial support) of Goldsboro, Secretary of the Army, is sure to run for Governor . . . Well, not too sure . . . Pow Bailey, son of the late Senator Josiah Williams, is practicing law in Raleigh and is attracting right much favorable attention around . . . He's expected to have some little part in the Senatorial race next year . . . School lunches will cost five cents more—at least that—this year. Decreased Federal appropriations.

TOM AND CARL—Tom Bost, Sr., is known as the dean of Raleigh newspapermen. He has done more to make the Greensboro Daily News what it is today than any other living person. Carl Goerch, who is the State Magazine, did what you and I said was impossible when he established this publication, and what is more, kept the dangd thing going! Tom and Carl are different in many ways, and are alike in some respects. Bost can be seen almost any day going in a full, foot-slapping gallop across Capitol Square. Goerch walks in a semi-foxtrot all the time. Both are public speakers, but Goerch seldom preaches, while Tom Bost does, quite frequently. Carl, however, is paid more for his public appearances than Tom.

Neither is what any person would call handsome, but their personalities are so strong that this shortcoming is hardly apparent. They both look like dogs: Tom like a friendly old Collie; Carl like a screw-tailed Bull Terrier. Carl wears an owlsh, is-that-so expression. Tom looks as if he is surprise-proof. They are both against prohibition. However, Carl won't accept alcoholic advertising for his magazine, and Tom is a tee-



LABEL FOR GIFTS TO GREECE . . . Rep. Leo E. Allen (Rep., Ill.) and John Baer, cartoonist and former congressman from North Dakota, display the emblem submitted by Baer for house approval in connection with a bill introduced by Allen for the labeling of all goods donated by the U. S. to the relief of war-torn countries. The measure would provide that indelible markings on all such gifts tell their origin, destination and unsalability.

totaler. Tom is pushing 70; Carl, 60. They are both in robust health, apparently. Both are what is known as "Characters." Furthermore, Carl is also known as something of a "card," whatever that means. You frequently hear someone say! "Ah, that Carl Goerch is a card!"

Anyway, you should go out of your way, if necessary, to read Tom's article on prohibition in the current issue of Carl's "The State."

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and Mary Champion of the home, Mrs. Lois Champion Cook of Marion, and Mrs. Mattie Belle Brown of Fuquay Springs R-1; six grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. R. K. Hancock of East Gastonia and Mrs. Sallie Starling of Raleigh; one brother, J. B. Jones of Baltimore, Md.

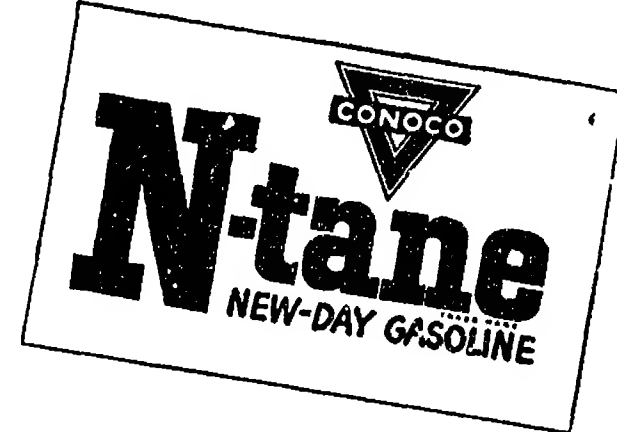
MRS. BERTHA WICKER
Mrs. Bertha Wicker, 62, of Sanford R-5, widow of Edward S. Wicker, who died three years ago, died in Lee County Hospital Saturday afternoon after a long illness. Mrs. Wicker was born in Moore County, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Thomas Wicker. She had resided in Lee county for several years and was a member of Poplar Springs Methodist Church. Funeral services were held at the church at 3 p. m. Sunday, the Rev. W. E. Smith, pastor, and the Rev. Roy A. Morris of Sanford, officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery, surviving are two sons, Clyde and Ernest Wicker of Sanford, R-5; a daughter, Mrs. D. E. Thomas of Jonesboro, R-1; a brother, E. S. Wicker of Route 5, Sanford; two sisters, Mrs. J. W. Glass of Sanford, and Mrs. Flowers Spivey of Sanford Route 5; and six grandchildren.

CHARLIE E. MILLS
Charlie E. Mills, 62, died at his home on Lillington R-3, Saturday at 3 p. m. Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock at Antioch Baptist Church, conducted by the pastor, the Rev. R. E. Moore. Burial was in the church cemetery. Surviving are his wife; four daughters, Betty, Ernestine, Lonnie and Ruth of the home; two brothers, Bob Mills of Apex and Monroe Mills of Raleigh; two sisters, Elaine Mills of Durham and Mrs. Charlie Sears of Burlington.

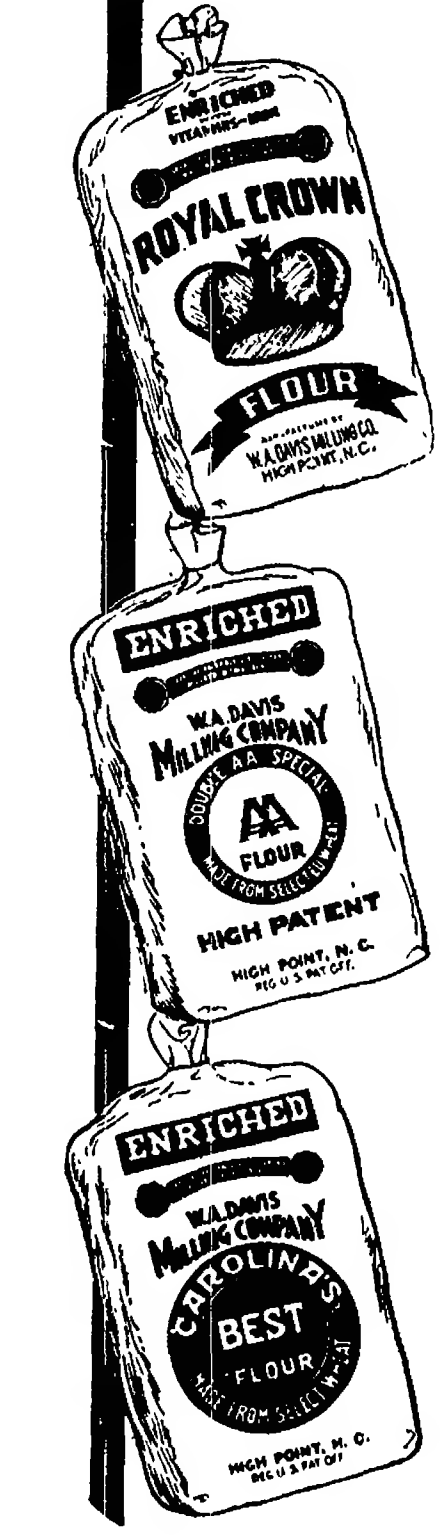
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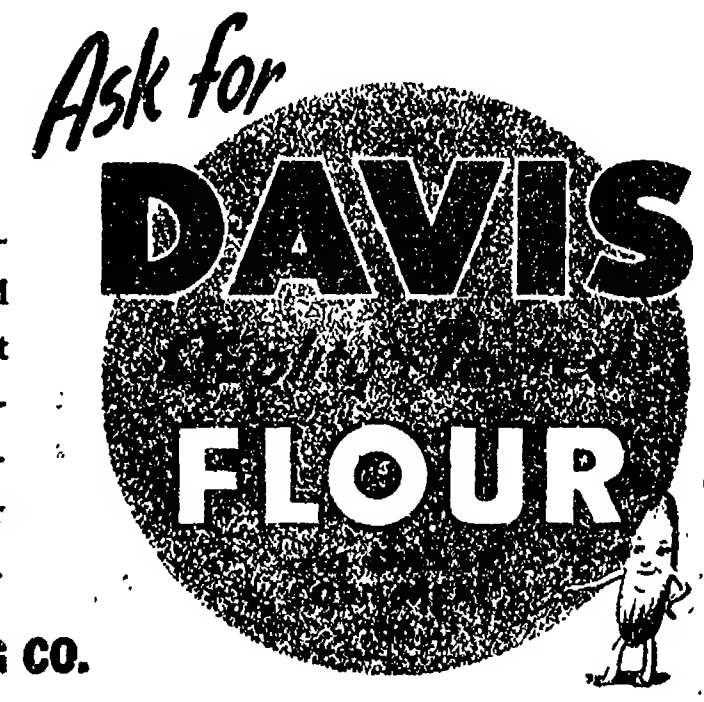
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