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# STATE MAY OWN RADIO STATIONS

BILL CARRYING APPROPRIATION MAY BE OFFERED IN LEGISLATURE.

Raleigh. Senator Paul D. Grady, of Johnson, favors the erection of a radio broadcasting station at the North Carolina State College of Agriculture and Engineering, to cost, if necessary, \$25,000, and stands ready to introduce and champion the necessary legislation.

"The state should own and operate such a station," he said. "I am so thoroughly convinced that it would meet with popular approval that I would not hesitate to favor a liberal appropriation. It seems to be that \$25,000 would not be too much to begin with. However, I am going to write experts and find out how much it will take. Also, I am planning a series of conferences with Captain George Cox, of the electrical faculty of State college, who, I believe, can render valuable assistance on account of his record as a radio expert during the world war."

Continuing, Senator Grady indicated that when he has received the data he desires he will draw a bill providing for the establishment of a state-owned and state-operated station of no mean dimensions.

"There are thousands of people in the rural districts," he went on "whose only amusement comes from the outside world. Comparatively few are able to buy expensive receiving sets. With the establishment of a station in Raleigh, they could purchase inexpensive receiving sets and enjoy radio just like people who have plenty of money."

"Then, aside from the purely amusement features that would be furnished our people, they could be kept informed on subjects very vital to them. I have in mind particularly agriculture. For instance weather conditions and crop reports could be broadcast daily. This would greatly aid the farmer. The extension division of the college could use the service to promote the things it is trying to do, and if the state superintendent of public instruction so desired, he could hold a state-wide teachers' meeting once a week.

Again, there is the state highway commission. If such a station is established, Mr. Page and his assistants could keep our people constantly informed about detours, the opening of new routes and the condition of the highways generally. It rainy weather this service would be very valuable."

Senator Grady plans to go thoroughly into the subject and to push his fight for a state owned broadcasting station. The State college is the logical place for it, he thinks. This view was also expressed by Senator O. B. Moss, of Nash county, who declared, "I am thoroughly in sympathy with the movement, and at the proper time I shall give it my active support."

## Send Out Movie Films.

Fifty miles of motion picture films are being sent out weekly by the Visual Education Division of the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction of the 75 public schools of the state equipped with motion picture machines according to James B. Williamson, director of this division.

"These films," said Mr. Williamson, "are sent free of all charges, except those incident to their transportation. They include various subjects. Some of the films are purely educational in their nature. Others are designed to amuse the people who see them. No film of doubtful character is ever purchased by the department or sent out for exhibition. Each is thoroughly censored before we turn it loose. I believe good, wholesome pictures are helpful."

"These programs," continued Mr. Williamson, "go largely to the rural districts. They reach people who otherwise could not enjoy screen productions. We buy many programs already filmed and, on the other hand, we make many films ourselves."

Mr. Williamson is planning to take pictures of the inauguration of Governor McLean. These will be shown in the rural schools equipped with motion picture machines. Also, he recently took pictures of the opening of new inlets in eastern North Carolina.

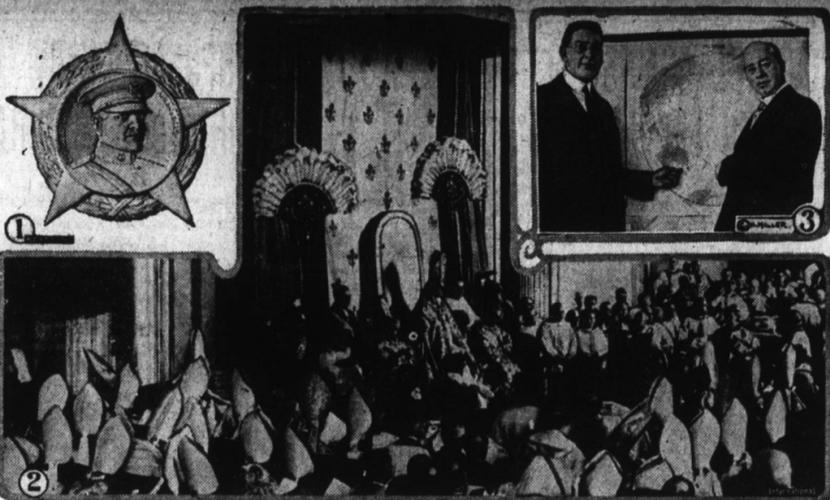
## Making Plans For Convention.

Officers of the North Carolina Sunday School Association have announced that plans are already under way to make the annual State Sunday School Convention, which is to be held in the First Baptist church, Greensboro, April 28, 29 and 30, the largest gathering of Sunday School leaders ever held in the State.

## Commutation Granted Halifax Man.

Governor Morrison commuted to life imprisonment the death sentence of Gerson Cotton, of Halifax county, whose electrocution date had been set for January 12. Cotton was convicted of first degree murder at the August, 1924, term of Halifax court.

"Believing that the prisoner was in such a state of mental confusion and excitement as to make impossible that deliberation which would warrant his yapping the extreme penalty for his crime, I hereby commute his sentence to that of life imprisonment."



1—Bust relief of Genegal Pershing, by Julio Kilenyi, which is to be presented to him in May. 2—Pope Pius XI on his throne at the opening of the holy year. 3—Secretary of the Navy Wilbur and J. A. M. Elder, Australian commissioner in the United States, discussing the battle fleet's projected visit to Australia next summer.

# NEWS REVIEW OF CURRENT EVENTS

## Senate Rejects Government Ownership for Muscle Shoals Properties.

By EDWARD W. PICKARD

GOVERNMENT ownership of Muscle Shoals received its death blow in the senate when that body, as the committee of the whole, by a vote of 48 to 37, substituted the Underwood leading bill for the Norris bill, which had been reported by the committee on agriculture as a substitute for the Henry Ford measure passed by the house. The Underwood measure, however, may not be finally passed by the senate. Instead, the Jones substitute is quite likely to be successful. This provides for the appointment of a commission of three, comprised of the secretary of war, the secretary of agriculture and one other to be selected by the President, to study the entire problem and report a solution to congress next winter. Most of the government ownership advocates are said to prefer this to the Underwood bill, under which the President is authorized to lease the Muscle Shoals property at any time up to September 1, on terms similar to the Henry Ford offer, except that the lease is limited to fifty years. If no satisfactory lease can be made a government corporation will be created. The bill emphasizes production of fertilizer for agricultural purposes, and specifies the amount of air nitrogen which must be produced by a lessee.

## WITH a margin of only one vote

the senate refused to override President Coolidge's veto of the postal employees' pay raise bill. Fifty-five senators voted for the measure, but 29 stood firm in sustaining the veto and the prestige of the White House, and of Senator Curtis, the new majority leader of the senate, was saved. This was done by the aid of Senator Dial, Democrat, who voted to sustain the veto, and of King, Owen and Shields, also Democrats, who were absent. Several who originally favored the bill changed over and voted against it.

It was at once announced by the administration leaders that they would now push the Moses bill, which provides for wage increases for postal employees and for postal rate advances amounting to \$60,000,000. But it was believed the chances to get this measure through in this session were small.

## JOSEPH McKENNA, for 26 years

an associate justice of the United States Supreme court, retired from that exalted position, and on the same day the President nominated Attorney General Harlan Fiske Stone to succeed him. As a mark of the affection in which Justice McKenna was held by his associates his resignation was made known with unusual ceremony. A large basket of roses was placed on the bench in front of him and Chief Justice Taft announced his retirement Justice McKenna read a letter to his colleagues, and then, as he withdrew to the robing room, the court and the audience in the chamber arose and stood silent.

Until the President selects a new attorney general the place will be filled automatically by Solicitor General Beck. Several men were considered for the vacancy by Mr. Coolidge, and it was said he looked with especial favor on Charles Beecher, Warren of Michigan, former ambassador to Japan and Mexico. This stirred up the entire Michigan delegation in congress, and also Governor Groesbeck of that state, who had himself been suggested for the place. Senator Couzens carried to the White House the information that the Michigan delegation had arranged to take the state's delegation to the executive mansion to back up his assertion. The opposition to Mr. Warren grows partly out of factional Republican politics in Michigan and partly out of personal misunderstandings between Mr. Warren and various Republican leaders in his own state.

## Other possible choices for the attorney generalship were said to be Mr. Beck, Silas Strawa of Chicago, Secre-

## NEWS REVIEW OF CURRENT EVENTS

### Working rapidly and smoothly,

the senate passed the appropriation bills for the Interior and Agricultural departments and the combined Treasury-Post-Office measure. Only slight changes were made in any of them. The house passed an emergency deficiency bill carrying \$157,000,000 for immediate expenditure. Major provisions of the bill, in addition to the Inland Waterways corporation item, are \$150,000,000 to be used in refunding internal revenue taxes illegally assessed and collected; \$3,501,200 for continuing work on dam No. 2 at Muscle Shoals, Ala.; \$275,000 for eradicating reported epidemics of bubonic plague among rats at New Orleans and Oakland, Cal., and \$150,000 for repairing the coast guard cutter Manning.

During the discussion of this measure it came out that the appropriations committee had turned down requests of the President for money to pay the expenses of the St. Lawrence and the agricultural commissions, and that Chairman Martin Madden had sharply questioned the legal right of the President to appoint commissions without the authorization of congress.

### MORE than a million farmers in 18

states were represented by leaders of the co-operative marketing movement who gathered in Washington last week, and those leaders declared themselves opposed to any coddling by the government and emphatically against the proposal of the Capper-Williams bill to unite producers and speculators into one organization. The men who dominate the national council of farmers' co-operative marketing associations now ask only that the government take up, in behalf of co-operation, the introduction of a senate resolution calling for an investigation of alleged unfair tactics by the American Tobacco company and the Imperial Tobacco company (British) against the Tobacco Growers' Co-operative association.

The Dearborn Independent has been printing a series of articles designed to show that the co-operative movement is a plan of an international group of Jews "to turn over to an organized international interest the entire agricultural industry of the republic." The magazine mentions the names of Julius Rosenwald, Otto Kahn, Bernard M. Baruch, Albert D. Lasker, Eugene Meyer, Jr., and Aaron Sapiro. The last named is counsel for several of the co-operative organizations, and he has taken steps toward bringing suit against Ford and others for a retraction within thirty days, this being required by Michigan laws as a preliminary to a libel suit.

### WIDESPREAD disregard of the

eighteenth amendment and violations of the national and state prohibition laws led to the formation of the national citizens' committee of one thousand on law enforcement, which last week concluded its annual meeting in New York. It adopted resolutions for presentation to the President and the governors of the states, and a special committee carried these to Washington, where it was entertained by Mr. Coolidge at breakfast. One of the resolutions requested the President and the governors to urge all officials "of every rank and classification, appointive or elective, to join them—by precept and personal example and, so far as they may by active participation in all administrative efforts, in maintaining among the citizens of our republic the high determination to obey and enforce the law of the land."

A second resolution "commends to the people of the United States, and particularly to their official representatives, the attitude of the President in his obedience to the provisions of the eighteenth amendment to the Constitution in the hope that the example of the first citizen of our country may induce those who are now willfully violating the prohibitory statute to accept his leadership in conduct and in practice the integrity of his fidelity to the supremacy of the law."

This same subject of dry law violation has aroused some of the reformers in congress, because the testimony in the divorce case of Representative Scott of Michigan has brought out the

alleged fact that various congressmen are among the frequent offenders. Mr. Upshaw of Georgia intimates that an effort may be made to expel from the house those members who drink intoxicating liquors.

### SENATOR LADD of North Dakota,

one of the four LaFollette supporters who were read out of the Republican party by the senate caucus, found opportunity last week to denounce that action and to declare he would not submit to it. He said the same method would have meant the death of the Republican party in 1912. Thereupon Senator Edge said the Republicans would welcome Senator Ladd back into the party if the section of his address relative to the return of Roosevelt to the party was an indication of "your plans to march in line in the future."

On the Democratic side, Senator Dial recently made an address blaming Democratic members of congress for the party's defeat last November. For this he was hotly assailed by other Democratic senators, and he asked leave to withdraw his remarks, saying he had not intended to be offensive, seeking only a way to re-unify his party.

### CHICAGO, the upper Mississippi valley

and all cities on the Great Lakes are vitally interested in the decision of the United States Supreme court forbidding, after 60 days, the withdrawal of more than 4,107 cubic feet of water per second from Lake Michigan for the Chicago drainage canal. As at present constructed and operated, the Chicago drainage system requires two or three times this amount of water, and if the court's order stands a new program of sewage disposal will have to be undertaken at great expense. The suit was brought by the government years ago. The real complainants are the lake cities, which claim the lake level is being dangerously lowered, and the people of the Illinois and Mississippi river valleys, who say the water was contaminated. The Chicago congressmen are seeking temporary relief from the secretary of war and permanent relief from congress.

### EARLY and amicable settlement of

America's claim for payment of its occupational army costs and war damages from the Dawes plan proceeds was forecast by the talk in the allied financial conference which met in Paris. Col. James A. Logan, American unofficial observer, and Chancellor Winston Churchill had several friendly conversations, and Ambassadors Kellogg and Herrick took part in the negotiations. The British seemed ready to drop their objections to payment of America from the reparations receipts, and Colonel Logan made concessions as to the amounts of the annual payments asked. The matter of the interallied war debts also was taken up, unofficially, and it was reported that, while there would be no international debt conference, France would proceed at once to negotiate settlements with America and Great Britain through diplomatic channels.

### BY MUZZLING the press and raiding

the organizations of the opposition, Premier Mussolini succeeded in "clearing the situation" in Italy and the Fascists are on top, safely for the present. What amounts to military law has been established, the prefects being given permission to take whatever steps they deem necessary for the safety and internal peace of the land. Parliament is in session again, but will consider only Mussolini's new electoral law and then disband, and thereafter parliamentary immunity from arrest will not operate. The opposition has not given up yet, but on all sides assurance is given that there will be no public disorders during the holy year, when many thousands of pilgrims are expected to visit Rome.

### FOR the first time an American

state has a woman governor, for Mrs. Nellie T. Ross has been inaugurated as chief executive of Wyoming. The ceremonies were severely simple, and Governor Ross announces that economy will be one of her guiding principles. On January 20 Mrs. Miriam Ferguson becomes governor of Texas. Already she has selected women for secretary of state and for a seat on the state Supreme court bench.

# HOW TO KEEP WELL

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## WHY SOME GERMS ARE INVISIBLE

THE British Association for the Advancement of Science met this year in Toronto, Canada. This is one of the few times when this dignified body of English scientific men has met on this side of the Atlantic. The president, Sir David Bruce, K. C. B., F. R. S., took for his presidential address, the important and practical subject, "The Prevention of Disease."

Of all the instruments which the mind and ingenuity of man has developed, the microscope, he said, is the most important. With it, in the last 50 years, the cause of almost all diseases caused by minute living things has been discovered. But there are a number of common and destructive diseases which are undoubtedly caused by germs which have never been seen by the human eye. This is not because they do not exist but probably because they are so small that not even the most powerful microscope is strong enough to make them visible. Influenza, measles and scarlet fever have all the peculiarities of germ diseases, yet, so far, no germs have been found which are, beyond doubt, the causes of these diseases. Smallpox is perhaps the most typical germ disease known, yet no one has ever been able to find its cause. Foot-and-mouth disease among animals is clearly due to some germ, yet no one knows what it is.

The generally accepted and probable explanation of this strange situation is that the germs responsible for these diseases are not only too small to be seen by the microscope but are also so small that they will pass freely through the finest filter made, and so cannot be "strained out," cultivated and examined as can the larger and more generally known germs.

An invisible germ cannot be studied. This means that until a germ is made visible, there is no way of knowing where it can be found in the body, how it affects the various organs, how it gets out of the body or in what form, what it lives on outside the body, whether it is carried by other animals or insects, how it gets back to the human body and how it can be controlled and the infection of healthy persons be avoided.

One hundred years ago, smallpox and yellow fever were equally mysterious. No one knew the cause of either disease. No one knew whether they were carried by animals or insects, whether contact with the sick person would cause it.

Today, we know that only mosquitoes can carry yellow fever, so we disregard everything else in controlling this disease. We suspect everything about a smallpox patient, just as our forefathers did 100 years ago.

Some day, the germ of smallpox will be found and then it will be as easy to stamp out this disease as it is to control yellow fever.

## FOOLING THE MALARIA BUGS

LONG before the transmission of malaria by mosquitoes was discovered, it was known that chills and fever disappeared in the fall after the first frost and that no new cases appeared until warm weather came the next spring. We know now that cold weather kills the mosquitoes, so there is no way by which the disease can be transmitted until the new generation of mosquitoes hatch out. But this rule, like all generalizations, has exceptions. Occasionally, there occurs in the spring, long before the breeding season for mosquitoes, a single case of malaria, what doctors call a "sporadic case."

Why do these solitary cases occur and how can they happen when there were no mosquitoes present? They would seem to prove that the mosquito is not the cause of malaria.

But the easiest explanation is not always the right one. Careful study of the blood of malaria patients proves that the malaria bug can live all winter in the patient's blood, resting, inactive, without causing any symptoms, hibernating, in fact, just like the bear which crawls into a cave in the fall and sleeps snug all winter. In the spring, when all nature awakens and when all forms of life begin to stir and grow, these malaria germs wake up.

What makes the germ which has slept all winter wake up when spring comes? The same thing that makes the grain of wheat, buried in the ground in the fall and lying apparently dead all winter, begin to swell and send up shoots when spring comes.

Sunlight is the source of all growth and life. It has the same stimulating effect on the malaria plant that it does on the wheat plant.

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