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### Spotted Preacher For Yeggman Senate Passes Divorce Measure-

Policemen Were All Set to Nab Yeggman and as Passengers Alighted Only Man Whose Appearance Convicted Him Was Able to Prove That He is a Preacher,

Things will happen. It was Tuestake good care of the situation. The train came in and the officers looked the passengers over. Only one man

It was later learned that the yeggtowards Raleigh.

Indian Merchant of Pembroke Bound of abandonment. Stolen Goods-Gave Bond.

knowing that they were stolen. This case grew out of the finding of goods stolen from the store of Mr. W. L. Everett of Rennert in Thomas' store. Secretary of Labor—J. J. Davis, of Pennsylvania and Illinois, a former union steel worker, who has become the highest official of the Moose frastitution would be offered only, would ternity.

Secretary of Labor—J. J. Davis, of raining and cold. Miss Green, advertised as having been associated with union steel worker, who has become the highest official of the Moose frastitution would be offered only, would ternity. the night of January 6.

other counts, one charging larceny and the other charging that defendthat they were stolen. This case resulted from the fact that goods thrown off a freight train near Buie were found in Thomas' store the next day after Mr. Lacy Prevatt was shot Governors for their pardon records

#### WM. F. MCCOMBS PASSES.

Man Who Organized Campaign That Resulted in Election of President Wilson Died Tuesday.

William F. McCombs, who organized the campaign that resulted in President Wilson's first nomination and election, died of heart trouble Tuesday in Greenwich, Conn, states a New York dispatch. Stricken with a heart attack several months ago. the former Democratic national chairman grew steadily worse and his death had been momentarily expected for the last few weeks.

The body will be taken to Little Rock, Ark., for burial.

Known as a brilliant lawyer and suche became campaign manager for Woodrow Wilson in 1912. Later he ed a bill Tuesday to provide a license post of ambassador to France offered | tied. him by President Wilson after his election.

was graduated from Princeton uni- 20 years.

Song and Dramatic Recital at School

Auditorium Tomorrow Evening. Under the auspices of the Athletic and Literary Society, which hopes to realize something extra to reader, will give a song and dramatic State hospital for the insane. tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock. Mr. the Boys' Athletic and Literary Society think they can assure patrons that they will enjoy the recital, and they hope to make something to meet their own needs in the way of equipment.

Lady Fired at Night Prowler.

A man who was prowling about street, one night recently left the pre-It was then that she fired two shots at the intruder, who faded away int the darkness hurridly.

Mr. M. J. Merritt is spending the day in Wilmington on business.

## **General Assembly**

Varser Leads Attack on Proposed Modification of Divorce Laws.

ground for absolute divorce from 10 gives the following: to 5 years separation. The bill was introduced in the House by Miss Ex- ed a tentative decision on every place um Clement and passed by that body. in his Cabinet, and unless there are day morning that Chief of Police D. The third reading of the bill was set last-minute changes the official cir-M Barker was advised by wire that for a special order for this morning cle of the next administration will be three yeggmen were on the Seaboard and the News and Observer says that composed of these men: train from Charlotte and to be on the Senator Varser announced that he watch for them. The yeggmen had would today offer an amendment Hughes, of New York, former Gover- could see how the whole world is so the bill: blown a safe in Charlotte according abolishing divorce on account of de- nor, justice of the Supreme Court linked together that if Jonnie Smith A levy to the wire message from the Char- sertien altogether. The Senate re- and in 1916 Republican nominee for stubs his toe in Robeson county it ties for public schools. to the wire message from the Charlotte officer. Knowing how tricky jected an amendment reducing the the Presidency.

In the description of the Presidency of the Presidency.

In the description of the Stop of years after its ratification. The banker and financier, member of a sea adds one leaf to her amidships to aid State high schools, the training says:

"Senator Varser led the attack uphad the appearance of a yeggman on the bill with the most forceful This one proved to be a minister and of the Senate. He declared that he had his credentials along to prove it, was unalterably opposed to divorce The officer "let go" when he was on any save Biblical grounds and that convinced that he had arrested a he interpreted the bill as 'back wash from Reno that has been a stench in the nostrils of the world'. He men changed trains at Hamlet, going pointed out that present laws already of Indiana, chairman of the Republi- meeting was won by the Sixth grade aries and fees is continued for the grant legal separation and stated that can national committee. what is aimed at is not relief from Over To Court more than one living consort. He marine corps. found further objection to the bill in Secretary o

to Higher Court to Answer Char-ges of Larceny and Receiving Constitutional Convention.

The Senate Tuesday passed the Recorder David H. Fuller found Stubbs bill calling for a constitutionprobable cause in the case of Troy al convention by a vote of 43 to 4. Thomas, Indian merchant of Pem- Under the terms of the bill the propbroke, Monday and bound him over osition would be submitted at the next to the Superior court on the charge general election and if the convention relief. of larceny and receiving stolen goods be called, it will assemble on the first Mr. Everett's store was robbed on adjourn for 60 days and reconvene for the purpose of adopting amendments. Thomas waived trial on two Senate Defeats Pardon Board Meas-

ant received stolen goods knowing Walker bill for submission of an twenty-four hours. This case reamendment to the constitution creat-Governors for their pardon records from ambush in a swamp near Buie, and was condemned by several Sena-about three weeks ago. Mr. Prevatt tors. Senator Long of Alamance dewas shot as he approached the goods clared that "no man has a right to where they had been hidden in the criticise the pardon record of a Govswamp. Thomas was placed under a ernor until he has examined the re-\$2,000 bond in each case, which he cord in the individual cases." Senator Varser, one of the 5 voting for the bill, is quoted as saying that he did so only in order to gain an opportunity to work for its defeat by the people, so that the records of former Governors might be completely vindicated.

Release Judges from Primary Law.
The Senate Tuesday passed the
Sams bill providing for the nomination of judges by convention, instead of in primary. The Senate does not believe the people are the ones to nominate their judges but thinks the lawyers should settle that matter for them.

Salary bills passed Tuesday by the each to the assistant attorney general and the State librarian.

Senator Varser offered a measure Tuesday directing the State auditor cessful politician in New York city, to audit, examine and provide a sys-Wiliam F. McCombs received his first tem of accounting for the various experience in national politics when State departments and institutions. Senator Jones of Edgecombe offer-

became chairman of the Democratic fee of \$5,000 for any warehouse sellnational committee and declined the ing tobacco that is ungraded and un-

Born of Southern parentage at State building fund for public school expectation is that he will. A for-Hamburg, Arkansas, Dec. 26, 1876, he buildings, totaling \$5,500,000, raised mal invitation is expected to go forreceived an elementary education at by bond issue and loaned to counties ward in a few hours. Webb school in Tennessee and later at a low interest rate for periods of

versity. He studied law at Harvard | The House Tuesday killed bills unversity and entered the profession emanating from the State Board of turn to Washington from the Chica-Health requiring the registration of go convention last year and later Mr. statistics. Debate centered around first of the "best minds" to be called putting an additional tax of \$1 on into conversation. Should he refuse

getting married. House Repeals Transfer of Prison. The House Tuesday passed a measinvest in equipment, Edward Brig- ure repealing the act of 2 years ago the government. ham, basso profundo and dramatic turning over the State prison to the

recital in the high school auditorium Proposed Changes in Revenue Law. Washington, Feb. 22.-The revenue Brigham is said to be "an artist of bill to be adopted as early in the Harrare power." Press comments herald ding administration as it can be put him as an artist who has delighted through will repeal the excess proaudiences all over the country. Ad- fits tax; reduce the sur-tax maximum mission, 50 and 25 cents. Members of from 73 to 40 cents; repeal the transportation tax and that part of the luxury tax known as the "soda wat-

These changes in the revenue law will lose to the Federal treasury, it Carriers association was held in the is estimated, about \$850,000,000 annually. To go about making up this of interest to members were discussed deficit-because it must be made up the back yard at the home of Mr. and in some manner-it is proposed to Mrs. E. R. McIntyre, East Fifth increase the normal corporation earnings tax by 5 per cent., making it 15 mises in much of a hurry after Mrs. instead of 10 per cent.; also to elimi-McIntyre fired two shots at him. Mrs. nate the \$2,000 exemption now allow-McIntyre was attracted by the bark- ed corporations. It is estimated that Meares were elected delegates to the ing of a dog and when she investigat- these will bring in revenue approxied she saw a man in the back yard. mating \$450,000,000, and the remainder of the deficit, it is figured, will be made up of increased duties to be levied at the customs ports,-Joe L. Baker in Raleigh News and Obser-

## Harding's Cabinet Miss Green Talks

President-Elect Has Reached Tentative Decision on Every Cabinet Place-List as it Now Stands.

The Senate yesterday by a vote of An Associated Press dispatch of 25 to 18 passed the bill reducing the February 22 from St. Augustine, Fla., An Associated Press dispatch of

President-elect Harding has reach-

and one of the officers nabbed him. speech he has yet made on the floor States Senator and in 1916 a candi- a small audience, for proper enforce-

ing in Mr. Harding's nomination.

Troy Thomas Bound present spouses but an opportunity to marry again and stated his opposibler of Congress, who has served as ing votes. Little Miss Lillian Carall sources for the calendar year of tion to any man or woman having an enlisted man in both the navy and lyle and Masters Hoyle Dougherty and 1920. The new law provides for the

> that it places a premium on the crime R. Fall, of New Mexico, now a United States Senator.

Wallace, of Iowa, editor of farm member that the flag represents publications.

administrator and conspicuous leader world. in various movements for European

ternity.

ing are expected by

ciates to stand. Assignment of the navy portfolio to had not been mentioned publicly in connection with the place until today. It is understood that from the announced on the posters, first he has been under consideration however, and was held in reserve for just such a contingency as Mr. Hard-Gov. Frank O. Lowden, of Illinois, declined to be considered for the navy secretaryship.

It is expected before the President-elect makes a formal tender to Mr. Denby, he will call him into conversation and go over with him the naval problems of the coming administration.

Today Mr. Harding was in com-Senate included increases of \$1,000 munication with some of the Michi- an increase in crime were newspaper gan members of congress regarding the appointment and it is understood to have secured their approval.

Ever since the early days of the campaign Mr. Hoover's name has been one of the storm centers of the Cabinet list, many Republicans urging his appointment as Secretary of State, interior, commerce or labor, and many opposing it because of his decided stand in favor of the League of Nations. Whether he will accept Matthews of Bertie offered in the the commerce portfelio is not defi-House Tuesday a bill providing for a nitely known here, but the general

The former food administrator was the first national figure with whom Mr. Harding conferred after his remarriage with the bureau of vital Hoover came to Marion among the to sit in the Cabinet he may be asked to head a commission for re-organization of the executive department of

# Letter Carriers Had Fine Meeting

Well-Attended Meeting of Robeson Rural Letter Carriers Association Held Here Tuesday-Officers Elec-

most interesting meetings in the history of the Robeson Rural Letter court hose here Tuesday. Matters and officers were elected for the ensuing year as follows: John Meares, Lumberton, president; N. G. Smith, Red Springs, vice-president; O. M. O. Denmark, St. Pauls, secretary - treasurer; Messrs. - Hardy M'White, N. G. Smith and Jno. B. State meeting which will be held in Asheville July 4.

Mr. J. L. Townsend of McDonalds was a Lumberton visitor Tuesday. Mr. W. T. Ivey of Proctorville was a Lumberton visitor yesterday.

# On Prohibition

Social Worker Representing Anti-Saloon League Tells a Dry Audience in Out of the Wet Why They Should be Dryer Still and Wage Eternal War on the Bootlegger-Sixth Grade Won Handsome U. S.

through a little knothole, if such of Massachusettes, former United thodist church Monday night, before officers. Daugherty, of Ohio, who managed ing example to people in Eng-custodial institutions. the pre-convention campaign result- land who cannot get a chance to vote The distinctive fea Secretary of Agriculture-Henry them she wanted them always to re- of agency within the State, America, that America is the hope

Secretary of Labor—J. J. Davis, of raining and cold. Miss Green, adver-"Pussyfoot" Johnson in the prohibithe highest official of the Moose fra- tion campaign in the British isles, to 3 per cent on \$10,000 and over, If changes are made they are most ings in those blessed isles on account same as for the Federal law, \$1,000 likely to affect the appointments for of rain they'd never go, and that she for unmarried and \$2,000 for married navy, commerce and labor, all of had had good crowds there when it which are understood to have come to was raining cats and dogs, so to each child. The following deductions The Senate Tuesday defeated the the point of decision within the last speak, and that folk had even stood are allowed. in the rain for an hour and listened about that.

Miss Green spoke mostly of conditions in England. The keenest minds Mr. Denby, who is a Detroit lawyer, there, she said, say that the empire furnished the first real surprise of will go down is they can't get rid of the Cabinet situation, for his name whiskey. They say that their only hope is in what America has done. And that was her subject, not, as World's Good Samaritan, "America the Hope of the World." Miss Green described appaling condiing faced last week when former tions in England due to drink and the struggle of a few to bring the matter to a vote. As it is now, the matter cannot be gotton to a vote. The liquor interests have proved too strong.

She-paid her respects to the argument that more liquor is drunk in America than before prohibition and that there has been an increase in crime. She proved by statistics that newspaper statistics tending to show lies. She had statistics of her own to prove fewer instances of crime of all kinds in Washington, as one instance, where she could make the newspapers that had published statistics to the contrary blush for

obligation upon citizens of this coun- Cabinet. ty, is in the fact that this country being watched and if you give liberty to one bootlegger in your community you are giving liberty to

wreck somebody's home. Miss Green represents the Anti-Saloon League. At the conclusion of her hour-long speech 5-year-pledge cards were passed out and then collected. How much was pledged has not been learned. It has not been so very long since another representative of the league addressed a Lum- under the circumstances. berton audience from the same pulpit and gathered in some pledges. So terest the small audience that shiverto warn them into realization of appalling conditions in rum-ruled countries and the duty of citizens of this

Will Plant Much Food Stuff, Judging from the general talk among the farmers, there will be more acres planted in cora, potatoes The best attended and one of the and other foodstuffs in Robeson this year than heretofore. A mighty fine program, if carried out.

> -And it came to pass during the day vesterday that as Sheriff R.E. Lewis and two of his deputies passed a man's home they saw him fade away into the wilderness on "high' They had no "papers" for this cear. particular man, but a guilty concience or something else caused him He was taking no chances.

-License has been issued for the marriage of Quince Wilson and Bet-Wilson; Wm. H. Taylor and Patie Mae Odum.

is in town today.

# Finance Act Start-

Carries 5 Cents Ad Valorem Tax-Property Tax Will be Used Exclusively as School Equalizing Fund-Income Features Follow Federal Act Closely.

The finance act was started in the House Tuesday night, the bill being Urging her hearers to quit looking introduced by Chairman Doughton of the finance committee. The News was their daily walk and conversa- and Observer gives the following Secretary of State-Charles Evans tion, and get a broad view so they brief summary of the provisions of

A levy of \$2 poll tax by the coun-

News and Observer story this morn-family reputed to be among the wardrobe it changes the center of ing of teachers and the payment of a ing says:

| Wealthiest in the country. | gravity of the universe, Miss Ida A. part of the salaries of superinten-Secretary of War-John W. Weeks, Green plead at at Chestnut Street Me. dents of county schools, and welfare

No property tax is levied by the date for the Presidential nomination. ment of prohibition in Robeson so State for the upkeep of its institu-Attorney General - Harry M. that it may be pointed out as a shin- tions of higher education, its penal or

The distinctive feature of the reon liquor. The flag offered for se- venue bill is the new income tax law. Postmaster General-Will H. Hays, curing the best attendance at the The old act, taxing incomes from salof the graded school with 12 votes. year 1911 only, these incomes to be Secretary of the Navy-Edwin The Third grade came second with listed with list cakers in the counties Raymond Huggins went forward to taxing of incomes on the same basis Secretary of the Interior-Albert claim the flag for their grade, and as the present Federal law, on resi-Miss Green presented it to them, a dent individuals, domestic corporalarge United States flag. She told duals porations havings a business

Maximum Three Cents The tax on corporations is fixed at Secretary of Commerce-Herbert of the world, and that children of a flat rate of 3 per cent on net in-Hoover, of California, former food this day can make it the hope of the comes, from which may be deducted orld.

No wonder the crowd was small. special session, which is continued

The rate of tax as to individuals is graduated in regular \$2,500 brackets, from one per cent on the first \$2,500 said if folks stayed away from meet- above the exemption, which are the

Taxes for the income year, except

Dividends from stocks in any corporation the income from which shall have been assessed and tax on such income paid by the corporation under the provisions of the revenue act, provided that when they are only part of the income of any corporation shall have been assessed under the act dends received therefrom shall be deducted.

The administrative feature of the bill follow the general scheme of administration of the Federal income partment will take part. Patrons are tax law on reports and remittances to be made to the State Tax Commission, with authority to appoint such district agents as are necessary for administration.

#### DAUGHERTY OF OHIO WILL

Harding Announces Another Cabinet Appointment-Says Cabinet Will Whole Country.

shame. The false figures were given announced definitely his decision to in the chamber. It was in reply to out by the liquor people, who were appoint Harry M. Daugherty of Ohio the Former Democrat's assertion that spreading their propaganda, she to the Attorney Generalship and at if stock law passed, it would mean the same time laid down in pointed Where all this interests Robeson fashion the public and political con- the extinction of the Democratic parcounty, Miss Green said, and lays siderations on which he is building his ty in the east. Mr. Murphy told the

In making the announcement, at St. Augustine, the President-elect paid tribute to Mr. Daugherty, who was his campaign manager, as a splendid man who will make a great Attorney the goat ought also to be immersed General, and added that opposition had only strengthened his faith in the wisdom of the appointment. Later Mr. Daugherty isued a brief statement from Harding headquarters here saying that no one could refuse to serve

Speaking of the Cabinet generally, Mr. Harding declared three broad Miss Green had uphill business to in- principles were guiding his selections. land rudely on the bank. The first quality of an ideal Cabinet, ed in a cold church while she tried he said, was a capacity for efficient dip him right," cried Jimmie, who was public service, while the second was presiding at the less dangerous exan ability to command popular sup- tremity of the beast. port, and the third must grow out of natural and proper political consideration.

"This is going to be a Republican Cabinet," continued the Presidentelect, "you may count on that. And you may be sure that it will be a Cabinet of which the whole country can be proud.

#### Health Conditions Good in Robeson.

very good. The only epidemic in the widow and several children and county at present is chicken pox, ac- grand-children. Interment was made health officer. Much chicken pox day. Deceased was a member of the has been reported in and around Baptist church and was a good citiumberton and scattered cases have zen. move when the offficers came near. wheen reported from other sections of the county. One case of measing recently has been reported from Parkon and there are several cases in the ville township. Only two cases of tv-Mr. D. F. Britt of R. 2, Lumberton, board of health since January 1.

#### COTTON MARKET.

Middling cotton is quoted on the ed In House local market today at 11 1-4 cents the pound; strict middling 12 1-4 cents.

#### BRIEF ITEMS LOCAL NEWS

The bird-hunting season closes

Tuesday, March 1. -Mr. A. Weinstein left Sunday night for New York to buy goods for

his department store. Meeting of Order of the Eastern Star this evening at 7:30 oin the Masonic hall. Members urged to at-

Mr. Frank Gough went Tuesday evening to Raleigh to attend a meeting of the State prison board, of

which he is a member. Mr. W. H. Ivey and family have moved to Lumberton from Fayers ville and are living in the eastern part of town. Mr. Ivey represents the Virginia Life Insurance company. Misses Bonnie Sessoms and Ethel Pitman returned yesterday from a trip to Florida. They visited several

points of interest in Florida and saw

President-elect Harding at St. Augustine. Mr. C. D. Williamson and son, Master Wilbur, of Parkton, were Lumberton visitors Tuesday. Mr. Williamson is one of The Robesonian's valued correspondents. He came to town Tuesday to attend the meet-

ing of the rural letter carriers. -Miss Amelia Linkhauer and Mr. Frank Gough, Jr., returned Monday from New York, where Miss Linkhauer spent several days buying spring goods for the Style shop, of which she is proprietress. New York was wrapped in snow Sunday when they left for home.

Mr. W. H. Adams of Buie has been appointed special agent for the cotton census in North Robeson, saceeding Mr. J. A. McLeod, who resigned. Mr. Adams' appointment was recommended by Mr. McLeod, the appointment being made by the Bureau

of the Census, Washington. -Mr. S. McIntyre left Tuesday eveining for Winston-Salem, where vesterday he attended a meeting of the Baptist hospital commission. Today Mr. McIntyre is attending a meeting of the executive committee of the Thomasville Baptist orphanage, of which committee he is a member. He will return home tonight

or tomorrow -Mr. J. H. Parham of Howellsville township brought to The Robesonian office yesterday a new sort of 3 in 1-three cobs inside one ear of corn. Good ear, too-nothing to indicate, except the shape of three cobs at one end, that it started in to be a freak and reformed. Mr. Parham says he never saw anything like it before. Anybody in the audience ever see?

All right, make it unanimous.

-The primary department of the only a corresponding part of the divi- Lumberton graded school will give a play, "The Coming of Liberty," in school auditorium tomorrow morning at 9:30 o'clock. A number of the children of the primary depenecially invited to be present. A silver offering will be taken at the goor for the Armenian sufferers, Friday being set aside by the state as Armenian Relief Day in the schools in North Carolina.

#### BE ATTORNEY GENERAL What Happened When They Tried to Immerse the Goat.

Pete Murphy told no less than eleven stories while he was fending off be Republican and Will Please the champions of the sacred scrub heifer Friday morning and one of President-elect Harding Monday them almost broke up the proceedings not only involved territory, but also story of the two boys in a Baptist family who became seized and possessed of a goat.

Being steeped in religious thought, the possessors of the goat felt that according to the rites of the church. And accordingly, they herded him down to the creek to baptize him. Together with the goat, one lad at one extremity of the animal and the other at the other, they descended into the waters. Johnnie, who was attending the front end of the goat, found himself suddenly lifted out and

"Gome on back, Johnnie, and let's

"Sprinkle him and let him go to hell," groaned the prostrate Johnnie. -From "Under the Dome" in Raleigh News and Observer.

#### THE RECORD OF DEATHS.

Mr. Joseph Britt of Britts Township. Mr. Joseph Britt, aged 82 years, died Tuesday at his home in Britts township of the infirmaties of old Health conditions in the county are lage. Deceased in survived by his cording to Dr. E. R. Hardin, county in the family burying ground yester-

#### Raeford Hayes, Colored.

Raeford Hayes, colored, aged years, died suddenly Monday at his Recan public school district, Howells. home in the "Meadows," near Lumberton. "Uncle" Raeford was well phoid fever have been reported to the known and had many friends among the white people.