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## Rental Business Advances In Salisbury Plan To Repeal Liquor Law In 11 Weeks

### Scarcity Of Houses Prevails

Survey Reveals "Doubling Up" Of Families on Wane.

#### NEW PEOPLE IN CITY

Salisbury's Development As Geographical Center Boosting Population.

The real estate rental business in Salisbury is showing a decided increase, it was learned from a survey of some of the city's leading rental men yesterday.

There is a scarcity of houses in the average price field and it was pointed out that many of these could be rented if they were available. The rapid development of Salisbury along the lines of a geographical center has brought many new families to the city in the past several weeks and has resulted in a good improvement in this type of business, it was declared.

Another factor in the improved rental field was pointed to by realtors as the fact that better business conditions with a decrease in the employment problem are making it possible for a number of families to stop "doubling up" as has been the case for more than a year.

As more men were left without work, families in this and other cities would get together in one house or one apartment to save expenses. While this living arrangement was far from satisfactory, it was all that could be done for a long time and now that conditions are better the first thing that these people think of is getting a home, real estate men declared.

Apartments, idle for months, while those who would have lived in them have used small apartments, are now in demand once more and the real estate men are daily becoming more optimistic, it was declared.

### Doughton Cold To 1936 Contest

Says He Is Not Candidate For Governor, as Far As Anybody Knows.

Washington, Aug. 23—If the gubernatorial bee is buzzing in the familiar black sombrero of Congressman Bob Doughton, he did not indicate it during his visit to Washington, this week which ended when he made a last-minute call at the agricultural adjustment administration to get data for constituents as to the application of new taxes on processing farm and mill products.

"Are you a candidate for governor?" the chairman of the mighty ways and means committee was asked.

"Not that any one knows of," was his laconic reply.

"But your name is being mentioned as a candidate in 1936 campaign; how about it?"

"Yes, they always talk about a campaign long before it takes place. The gubernatorial contest in North Carolina is too far away to say anything about it. I am too busy trying to help the people out of the present crisis even to think about such things," the congressman replied.

Now let's get the boys out of the red by Christmas.

### NEWS BRIEF

**FOUR MURDER TRIALS END**  
On a claim of self-defense, Blume Weddington won acquittal at Concord in his slaying of Joe Apperson on June 16. At Smithfield a jury found Erby Holt guilty of the slaying of David Price, last November, and he was given 20 to 25 years in prison. At Lumberton, Lee Jones got 30 years for killing Bob Jones and Charlie Clark, Indian, got 30 years for killing his wife.

**WALDROP NEW ROAD ENGINEER**  
Acting upon order of Governor Ehringhaus, who disclosed no ground for it, the state highway and public works commission has dismissed Leslie R. Ames as chief engineer and named John D. Waldrop, construction engineer, to the post.

**LEGION ELECTS DANIELS**  
Captain Thomas C. Daniels, 65, overseas veteran of New Bern, was at Wilmington chosen by the state department American Legion as commander for the ensuing year. F. V. Fields, Mooresville, was made head of the 40 and 8 society. Mrs. W. R. Absher, North Wilkesboro, was elected president of the Legion auxiliary. Miss Edna Taylor, Washington, was chosen Miss North Carolina in the beauty contest, winning over 98 contestants.

**ASK 20 HIGHWAY BIDS**  
Bids for the construction of 20 highway projects in the state, to be financed by federal funds, will be opened by the state highway and public works body on August 29 and awards will be made on August 31. The total cost of the 20 projects is estimated at around \$800,000.

**ELECTROCUTED ON POLE**  
While strapped to a pole with a safety belt, James Harden, 30, construction worker, came in contact with a high-voltage wire near Greenville and was instantly electrocuted. Fellow workmen climbed the pole to bring the body down.

**VAN KILLS 6 ON HIGHWAY**  
A heavy van sideswiped a make-shift farm bus on a road near Southbend, Ind., killed six outright and injured 12 others. The van sped on, the driver refusing to aid the dead and dying.

**WOMAN HELD FOR 3 MURDERS**

Mathilda Roberts, 39, of Lindsey, W. Va., is held on a charge of slaying three men whose dead bodies were found in a car near Grundy, Va. She admitted being in the car, but claims she left before the shooting.

**DIES IN SHELBY WRECK**

Two automobiles collided at a Shelby street intersection. Mrs. Ellsworth Tessier of Florida, was killed, and seven more injured, two seriously.

**UNKNOWN DIES UNDER TRAIN**

Attempting to swing on a fast freight at Marion, an unidentified white man fell under the wheels and was crushed to death.

**DIAMOND FOUND IN HOTEL**

Berkeley, Calif.—A diamond lost three days ago by Mrs. L. W. Frank of Fresno, was found imbedded in the rubber heel of a shoe worn by her 14-year-old niece, Betty Lou Gardner, at whose home she is living.

## Uncle Sam Presses His War On Kidnapers

Federal agents, operating under instructions from the department of justice, are covering the entire country in a new war against kidnaping, racketeering and crime. During the past week federal officers have made a number of sensational arrests and have sent scores to federal prisons for various crimes.

Below are listed the kidnappings that have recently stirred the nation into its war against crime: James DeJute, Jr., was kidnaped at Niles, Ohio, March, 1932. Two people were sentenced to life imprisonment and a third from one to twenty years.

Haskell Bohn was kidnaped at St. Paul, Minn., June 30, 1932. One of the participants was sentenced to twenty-five years. One is now a fugitive, but his identity is known and he is being sought for.

George N. Davis was kidnaped at Lewisburg, W. Va., Aug. 1, 1932. Three persons are serving a sentence therefor, totaling forty-eight years.

Fred DeFillippi and Ahhemar Hughes were kidnaped on Dec. 9 last from East Moline, Ill. Six persons are now serving sentences, totaling 152 years for this crime. Charles Boettcher 2d was kid-

napped in Denver, Colo., Feb. 12, 1933. Two persons are now serving sentences totaling 42 years for the crime. Others implicated are now fugitives, but their identity is known.

Margaret McMath was kidnaped at Harwichport, Mass., May 2, 1933. Her kidnaper is now serving a twenty-five-year sentence.

Mary McElroy was kidnaped at Kansas City, Mo., May 27, this year. One man has been sentenced to death, two of his fellow conspirators are in custody awaiting immediate trial, and a third is a fugitive, his identity known.

William Hamm, Jr., was kidnaped at St. Paul, Minn., June 15, 1933. Four notorious characters of the Chicago underworld have now been indicted and are under arrest, each under \$50,000 bond, in Milwaukee.

John Factor of Chicago was kidnaped on July 1, 1933, and one of his alleged kidnapers is now in custody. Several others have been identified, and every effort is being made to bring about their apprehension. Airplanes have been used in this search.

John K. Ottley was kidnaped on June 6 last. Two of the kidnapers have been identified and both are in custody.

August Luer, 77, was kidnaped at Alton, Ill., early this summer, and less than thirty days later seven of the conspirators were lodged in jail where they are now waiting trial in the State courts of Illinois.

Through the efforts of the Department of Justice, Mr. Luer was released from captivity and returned to his home without the payment of any ransom. After apprehending the accused and collecting the necessary evidence, the Federal department delivered the seven defendants to the Illinois State authorities, seeking the maximum punishment of death provided by the Illinois law.

Charles F. Urschel was kidnaped at Oklahoma City, July 23 last. Several of those involved in the conspiracy are now under arrest, and two of the principals are lodged in jail, one of whom was a participant in the attack made upon Federal officers in Kansas City several months ago, resulting in the death of three officers of the law.

John J. O'Connell, Jr., was kidnaped July 7 last, at Albany. He is now released, and the Federal Government, despite several handicaps, is doing its utmost to apprehend the criminals and bring them to justice.

## 2 Killed, 13 Injured As Crescent Limited Dives In Mud Bank

Two were killed and thirteen injured when the Crescent Limited, crack Southern special, en route from New York to New Orleans was derailed near Washington at an early hour Thursday morning. A bridge, over the Anacostia river, just outside of Washington, was weakened by recent heavy rains. The engine, while crossing this river, plunged into a mud-bank, killing two and injuring 13. A. H. Bryde, Washington, engineer, and J. H. Faye, fireman, were killed.

**SKUNK DISTURBS WORSHIP**

Holdenville, Okla.—Charged with disturbing religious worship by throwing a skunk into the schoolhouse at Bethel, three youths were sought by Hughes county officers. Members of the congregation ejected the skunk only after the animal had expressed its displeasure according to instinct.

**CARLOADINGS GAIN**

Chicago—During the week ended August 12, loadings of revenue freight totaled 622,759 cars, an increase of 9,647 cars over the total for the preceding week and a gain of 110,794 cars over the total for the corresponding period of 1932, the American Railway association announced.

## Roosevelt's Ten Days Record

Here are Some of the Things President Roosevelt Accomplished During the Past Ten Days:

Sent warships to Cuba. Withdrew them, as the situation quieted down.

Speeded up the recovery campaign, obtaining an agreement on the steel code and smoothing out some of the obstacles in the way of oil and coal. Signed the lumber code. Disclosed that he would personally administer the oil code.

Approved several plans for aiding agriculture, including relief for hog and dairy industries, and details of paying benefits to farmers for cotton-crop reduction.

Speeded up the public works-job providing program in which allocations of about \$70,000,000 were made. Coordinated all recovery activities in conferences with his aides.

Announced a decision to abandon a number of army posts to save money. Completed the reorganization of his Latin-American diplomatic corps.

Received recommendations for inflation, without committing himself, but studied price charts closely. Expressed pleasure at reports showing increased factory employment and payrolls.

Decided to extend the civilian conservation corps through the winter.

Arranged to open negotiations with Latin-American countries on reciprocal tariff agreements.

### GOOD MORNING

A firm advertised for a stenographer and next morning was overwhelmed with applicants. The office boy was told to admit no more.

Shortly after this an aggressive lady arrived, and pushing her way past the others, demanded to see the boss. By this time the office boy had grown deaf to all protestations, and had but one answer.

"Not today, madam," he said.

"But I'm his wife."

"Not today, madam," was the inexorable answer.—Boston Transcript.

Business man—"What do you do with all these pictures you paint?"

Modernist artist—"I sell them, sir."

Business man—"Well, name your terms, my man. I've been looking for a salesman like you for years."

Little Joan—"What do the angels do in heaven, mummy?"

Mother—"They sing and play harps."

Little Joan—"Haven't they any radios?"—Boston Transcript.

The beer they had in Josh Billings' time wasn't intoxicating. At any rate. Josh tells of a German who sat up all night drinking it and "was obliged to go home in the morning entirely sober. I have seen the same man drink 16 glasses," writes Josh, "and if he was drunk he was drunk in German and nobody could understand it."—San Francisco Chronicle.

The aggrieved one—"She's been throwing at me ever since we were married."

Magistrate—"Then why have you not complained before?"

The aggrieved one—"This is the first time she's hit me."

Mess cook—"Did you say you wanted those eggs turned over?"

Hard-boiled gob—"Yeh, to the Museum of Natural History."—Virginia Mountaineer.

He—"Why didn't you answer my letter?"

She—"I didn't get it."

He—"You didn't get it?"

She—"No, and besides, I didn't like some of the things you said in it."

"I think I'll ask those new neighbors over to dinner; they live right next door," said the thrifty wife.

"Yes," said her husband; "what for?"

Wife—"Well, the butcher left their roast here by mistake and it would seem only fair."

"When you quarrel today, you let your husband have the last word. That was not usual."

"No, but I wanted to give him a little pleasure; it's his birthday."—Boston Transcript.

Jim—"My dad must have been into all sorts of mischief when he was a boy."

Sam—"What makes you think so?"

Jim—"He knows exactly what questions to ask me when he wants to find out what I've been doing."

"I suppose at the efficiency expert's wedding you didn't do anything so wasteful as throwing rice?"

"Oh, yes we did, but as a concession to this teaching we had the rice done up in cotton bags, each missile weighing two pounds."—Rocky Mountain News.

## 17 States Will Vote On Issue

Possibility of Quick Repeal Shown By Figures of States' Vote This Year.

The quick-step repeal votes by 22 states in unbroken succession, topped by Missouri's 3 to 1 ballot, showed the possibility that the Eighteenth amendment could be voted out of the constitution within the next 78 days.

With only 14 more state votes needed to ratify the Twenty-first or repealing amendment, there is a strong probability that at least 17 states will ballot within that 11-week period.

In addition to the 15 states that have set definite election dates before November 8, the legislatures of two more commonwealths now are in session to name voting days.

Virginia to Vote  
In Virginia, Gov. John G. Pollard has recommended to a special session of the assembly that October 3 be named.

Another special session in Kentucky is considering November 7 for a vote, with approval likely. In addition, Gov. O. K. Allen of Louisiana has announced he will call a special session for this purpose, but has named no date.

A skeleton compilation of the repeal results thus far, with the exception of Missouri where the final count will not be available for several days follows:

Michigan	April 10—99 to 1
Wisconsin	April 5—15 to 0
Rhode Island	May 8—31 to 0
Wyoming	May 25—64 to 0
New Jersey	June 1—202 to 2
Nevada	June 10—40 to 9
Delaware	June 24—17 to 0
Indiana	June 26—246 to 83
Mass.	June 26—45 to 0
Calif.	June 27—22 to 0
New York	June 27—150 to 0
West Va.	June 27—20 to 0
Illinois	July 10—50 to 0
Iowa	July 10—99 to 0
Connecticut	July 11—50 to 0
N. Hampshire	July 11—10 to 0
Arkansas	Aug. 1—75 to 0
Oregon	Aug. 7—110 to 5
Alabama	Aug. 8—116 to 0
Tennessee	Aug. 11—57 to 0

In addition, Arizona also has voted 37,409 to 11,028 for repeal and has set a ratifying convention for September 9, which will be attended by 14 unopposed wet delegates.

Definite dates thus far set for other votes follow: August 26, Texas; August 29, Washington; September 5, Colorado and Vermont; September 11, Maine; September 12, Maryland and Minnesota; September 19, Idaho and New Mexico; October 10, Florida; November 7, Utah, North Carolina and South Carolina, Pennsylvania and Ohio.

### MISSING 22 YEARS, HUSBAND TURNS UP

Seattle—A woman who thought her husband had been dead 22 years, learned here that he had "sprung to life two and a half years ago."

In being given an uncontested divorce. Mrs. Jessie Fleury, mother of six grown children, revealed the facts. They were married October 17, 1892, at West Depere, Wis.

### GANDHI BEGINS DEATH FAST

Unless he is given full rights to continue his work of promoting civil disobedience to English rule in India Mahatma Gandhi says the fast he opened last week will continue to his death.