

HOUSE PASSES BILL FOR PROBING COSTS

Measure Appropriates \$400,000 To Investigate High Price of Foods

(By The Associated Press.) Washington, Feb. 24.—The House tonight adopted as an amendment to the sundry civil appropriation bill, an appropriation of \$400,000 for an investigation by the Federal Trade Commission of the high cost of food.

The investigation was ordered by President Wilson, who directed that particular attention be given to charges of combinations to control food prices. The Department of Agriculture was asked to assist. The trade commission has outlined an investigation to last six months and to go into every detail of food production and distribution.

If the appropriation is approved by the Senate the commission will start immediately on the inquiry, taking up first the packing industry. The Agricultural Department has pursued a food investigation for months, but lack of "inquisitorial powers has handicapped it."

The Department of Justice's investigation has been confined solely to law violations. The trade commission has power to take up all phases. The Interstate Commerce Commission today received reports from its investigators in Chicago, Buffalo, Detroit, Pittsburgh, Cleveland and other large railroad centers saying that the freight congestion was being rapidly relieved.

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CHIEF RECOMMENDS REPRIMAND FOR OFFICER

Having considered Mangum as one of his best officers but realized he acted too hastily, Chief Koonce has recommended that the policeman for his misconduct be reprimanded. The commission issued a statement expressing its confidence in the car service commission of the American Railway Association, saying the organization was doing much excellent work in the interest of the general public.

Death of Mrs. J. Marvin Culbreth. Mrs. Culbreth, former pastor of Epworth Church of this city, will regret to learn of the death of his wife. She died in St. Louis after a brief illness of pneumonia. Mr. Culbreth was transferred to St. Louis at the last session of the North Carolina Conference.

MOGULS TO DEPOSIT GUARANTEE MONEY ON MONDAY AFTERNOON

At a luncheon of citizens, financially interested in the new company to take over the local franchise of the Carolina League, at 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon final arrangements were made for depositing the \$1,000 guarantee. This will be done Monday afternoon.

With the matter of franchise settled, the directors will begin the work of planning for the training period and signing of players for the team. However, the first thing to be done is the election of directors and inauguration of a campaign to raise some cash for defray expenses such as buying uniforms and other equipment and meeting a small debt on the park.

President Church stated yesterday that he is in touch with several highly recommended managers and announcement of Raleigh's new pilot will be made within the next few days. Several players here last year will likely be given a trial here again this spring but the majority of the 1917 club members will be new players to Raleigh fans.

Y. BRYAN YAMASHITA A VISITOR TO THE CITY

Japanese Protege Of Hon. William Jennings Bryan On Visit To Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Hargreaves. Raleigh is to have as a visitor for two days a native of Japan with a history, and a history linked with the life of former Secretary of State William Jennings Bryan. This is Y. Bryan Yamashita, who will reach Raleigh tomorrow from Miami, Fla., where he has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Bryan, his visit to Raleigh being as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Richard L. Hargreaves, the latter the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bryan.

There are interesting facts about the friendship of Mr. Bryan and Mr. Yamashita. It began because of the speech which won Mr. Bryan the Democratic nomination for President in 1896. That speech was translated into Japanese, and young Yamashita read it in Tokio. It made an impression on him. After awhile he came to America.

For a year he worked in San Francisco, and being in need of funds he headed for Lincoln, Neb., to see Mr. Bryan. When he reached the home of the Congressman, and came to know him personally, he adopted Mr. Bryan, for in Japan the custom is for a young man to adopt a father in place of the older man adopting a son. Mr. Bryan became interested and took young Yamashita, then about 20 years of age, into his home. Later he sent him to the University of Nebraska, assuming charge of his education. And the young man from Tokio took "Bryan" for his middle name.

After his university days, Y. Bryan Yamashita returned to Japan, and in the 12 years since he left America, he has held important positions under the Japanese Government. He is now visiting the United States as the representative of one of the largest banking firms in Japan, and naturally went to Miami to see Mr. and Mrs. Bryan. His visit to Raleigh will give him some other views of the South and its people.

GOOD HEADWAY MADE ON ORPHANAGE FUND

Contributions received by the Methodist Orphanage yesterday amounted to \$95.50. With the addition of yesterday's contributions this fund now stands at a grand total of \$2,775.23, the amount previously reported being \$2,179.73. It has been less than two weeks since the orphanage suffered the loss by fire of the Boys' Building together with all the equipment in that building and the personal effects of the inmates. This fund is being raised for the purpose of rebuilding, and to meet such other needs that were created by the fire. Contributions have been coming in from all over the State, from individuals, firms and the different organizations, and it is with great appreciation that the orphanage officials are seeing the appeal met with such hearty responses. Donations in money or clothing will be gratefully accepted.

Yesterday's contributions were as follows: P. H. Williams, Elizabeth City, \$25.00; Circles, St. Paul's Church, \$7.50; Goldsboro, \$5.00; Mrs. W. L. Draper, Warrenton, \$2.00; A Friend, \$5.00; A Friend, \$1.00. Total yesterday \$95.50. Amount previously reported, \$2,179.73. Grand Total \$2,275.23.

EDITOR SAM H. FARABEE TELLS OF HICKORY PROGRESS. Catawba county is in better shape than ever before, according to S. H. Farabee, editor of the Hickory Daily Record, who arrived in the city last night to spend a few hours amid old surroundings. While that county was hit rather hard by the July floods, the people shouldered their losses and went right ahead planning for the future.

"We have some dairy farms in Catawba that would delight any eye," Mr. Farabee said, "and the products of the Hickory creamery are in demand throughout the union. That institution is one of the biggest industries in the city, and is responsible for many fine herds of cattle."

"Catawba people are interested in good roads just now and a movement is on foot to vote \$400,000 in bonds for highways, with a provision for maintenance. Catawba folks say the bonds will carry and our Gas Self has been down here in the interest of the State good roads bill."

"Quite naturally I think Hickory is the best town in the world. Its climate is declared to be the best in the United States throughout the year, and the people are hospitable and co-operative. They have made our newspaper possible, and the publishers are made to feel every day that they have not only the good town of Hickory back of them, but the fine county of Catawba and much of the adjoining counties. Under the circumstances, I could not conceive of a better place to live than Hickory."



The Brummitt-McLendon education bill, originated by Senator McCain, and which passed the Senate on Friday night, found no favor with Senator Pearson, of Franklin county, who voted against it. Yesterday morning the Senator asked the consent of the Senate for two minutes to say a few words and receiving this consent he had the following to say which was aimed at the educational bill referred to above.

"Mr. President and fellow Senators: Last night this body crossed the pons asinorum, with what political experts denominated a legislative monstrosity. "Mr. President: Our political life has its counterpart in animal life. "The lowest form of horse life is the Quagga, a small, runty zebra roaming the veldts of South Africa. The largest form of antelope life is the Vilderbeeste, roaming the same veldts. They sometimes cross, when a bull Quagga and a cow Vilderbeeste fall in love. The result is something fearfully and wonderfully made, and of horrible aspect. It can't be used as a beast of burden, for it won't work, nor used for food, for the lowest form of jungle life refuse to eat it; nor as a pet, on account of its unspeakable hideousness. Naturalists have not been able to agree upon a name for this hybrid, and they say it is needless to give it a name, for it can't live long, can't reproduce its kind, and while living, can serve no useful purpose, except to warn the world against an abortion of nature."

Mrs. Jackie Daniels Thresh, of Toronto, president of the United Daughters of the Confederacy of the State, wrote to a friend in the city that she regretted exceedingly that she could not be here at the hearing on Friday, at which the bill was considered for an increase for Confederate Veterans. Mrs. Thresh was prevented from being here on account of sickness. She is very much interested in the bill and hopes that the legislature will increase the pensions for these worthy old heroes.

The North Carolina T. P. A. is responsible for three of the most important measures which have become laws at this session of the legislature. The traveling men, however, will not be the only beneficiaries of these laws as they are measures in which the general public will share. The measures referred to are the absentee voters bill, the hotel inspection bill and that which requires the counties to erect guide posts at all the principal cross roads, giving direction and distance to the towns to which they lead. In getting this legislation the T. P. A. has been represented by Mr. A. L. Bryd, of Charlotte, a former president of the association. While all are highly meritorious measures it is unlikely that they would have gotten

through but for the untiring and intelligent work of Mr. Bryd. His personal knowledge of conditions were the smoothing iron that fattened out what to the uninformed appeared to be kinks.

Representative Gray B. King, of Nash, in a letter to the editor of the News and Observer writes as follows: "My opposition to the judicial district bill defeated in the House yesterday was so well known to some people that my being recorded as voting 'aye' without an explanation may be cause of surprise if not of suspicion from some sources. I was not included among those you named as explaining their votes. My vote of 'aye' was purely to give the friends of the bill a chance to offer a satisfactory substitute on the third reading. I ask that you will do me the courtesy to make this explanation."

THE DAY IN CONGRESS

SENATE: Met at 10:30 a. m. Agreed to conference report on Danish West Indies government bill. Senator Poindester protested against elimination from conference report on the legislative appropriation bill of provision covering postmasters into the civil service. Republicans stiffened their filibuster and Democrats decided to hold Senate in continuous session over Sunday if necessary to break it up. Debate on revenue bill was turned into a discussion of the international crisis. Senator Fall introduced a bill to empower the President to use the armed forces of the United States to protect lives and property. Agreed to vote Wednesday on administration revenue bill, breaking up the Republican filibuster. Recessed 12:15 (Sunday) until 2 p. m. Sunday, when memorial services will be held for the late Representative Finley of South Carolina and others.

HOUSE: Met at 11 a. m. Debated sundry civil appropriation bill including provision for food investigation by Federal Trade Commission. Agreed on Porto Rican citizenship bill. Paul G. McCorkle swore in to succeed the late Representative Finley of South Carolina. Continued session through evening. Representative Morris of Pennsylvania introduced bill for \$1,000,000 bond issue for national defense. Adopted amendment to sundry civil bill to appropriate \$400,000 for Federal Trade Commission inquiry into high cost of food. Secretary McAdoo urged immediate appropriation of \$1,400,000 to purchase the quarantine stations. Adjourned at 10:55 p. m., until noon Sunday when memorial services will be held for the late Representative Finley of South Carolina and the late Senator Burleigh of Maine.

It is just as easy to look pleasant as it is to wear a long face and look as if you dined on crabapples. Shoddy society is made up of the social drags thrown by the waves of commercial convulsions.

Just Behold What Will Replace Furs



HER EVENING WRAP: Maise colored chiffon, a long, wide scarf of it, hemstitched on to a band of gold metal cloth, makes this spring sovely for maidens who dance. There is any number of ecouetlish ways of wearing it.

State Society

SCOTLAND NECK: Scotland Neck, Feb. 24.—On Saturday afternoon Miss Louise Josey was hostess to the Seissors Club. Her home on Church Street was beautifully decorated, the hearts and Cupids carrying out the valentine idea. Some time was spent in sewing, then the guests were given hand-painted hearts and requested to write a valentine wish for Miss Sallie Mae Josey, who, in March, is to become the bride of Mr. Ralph Phillips. These were then read by Mrs. Henry Clark. The hostess then brought in and presented to Miss Josey a large heart-shaped box. On opening this it was found to contain many dainty gifts from the club members and others present. Miss Josey, in a charming manner, thanked each and everyone for her tokens of love. A delicious two-course luncheon was then served. The Recreation Club was entertained Tuesday afternoon by Mrs. Frank Tilbery. Delicious refreshments were served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs.

Kathleen Kelly and Miss Virginia Tilbery. LOUISBURG

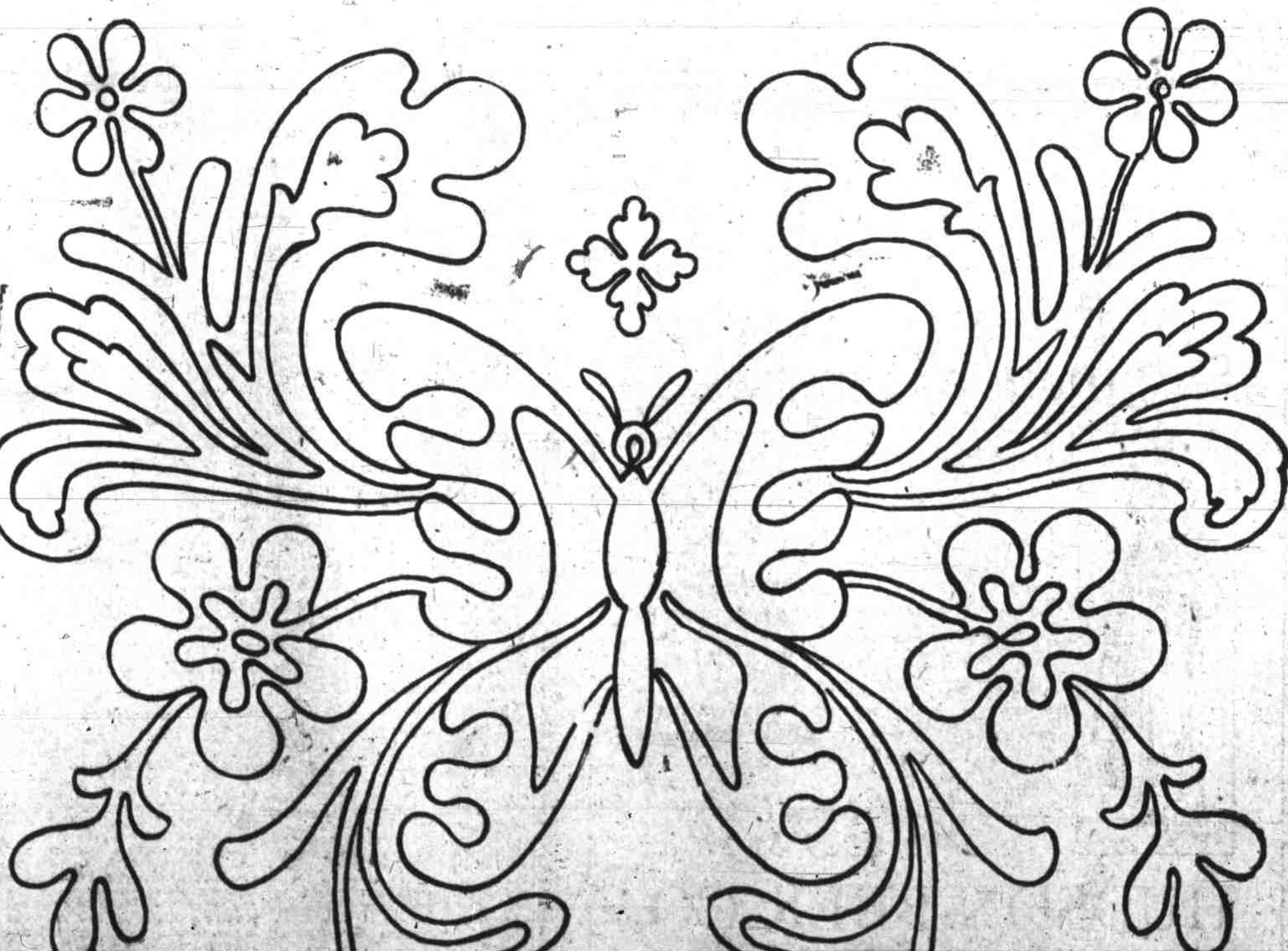
Louisburg, Feb. 24.—At their home on Main Street Misses Edith and Mary Yarborough were the charming hostesses of the Current Literature Book Club Tuesday afternoon, the general subject of the program being "Christopher Marlowe." Mrs. Ivey Allen gave a talk on the "Life and Characteristics of Marlowe." Miss Annie Mizell gave the story and comparison of the "Jew of Malta" and "The Merchant of Venice." Mrs. Malcolm McKinnis gave a reading selection from "The Jew of Malta." After the literary program delicious refreshments were served. Besides the club members, the following invited guests were present: Mesdames R. F. Yarborough, L. E. Scoggia, W. H. Ruffin, W. H. Allen, E. S. Ford, H. G. McBrayer, K. K. Allen, F. H. Allen, E. P. Early, W. R. Mills, J. B. Cole, W. H. Yarborough, J. B. Yarborough, Misses Sue and Hodgie Alston.

Miss Annie Belle King entertained most delightfully the Junior Book Club Tuesday afternoon at her home on Main Street, the decorations and favors all suggesting the Washington birthday idea. "French Women" was the general topic of the evening. "Madame de Pompadour" was the theme of Miss Burdette Joyner. "Madame de Barry" was Miss Ruth Gattling's, while Mrs. H. A. Newell discussed "Marie Antoinette." "If I Were a Bird" was beautifully rendered by Miss Nellie Clapp. A three-course luncheon was served. Mrs. H. G. McBrayer and Misses Beulah Tucker and Leona Lambertson were the guests of honor.

Mrs. E. L. Hart, of Wilmington, is visiting her brothers here Messrs. F. B., D. F. and Malcolm McKinnis. Miss Georgia Joyner spent the weekend with her parents at La Grange. According to a time-honored custom, the Junior Class of Louisburg College entertained at dinner on Monday night the Senior Class and the faculty. The company assembled in the parlors, where they repaired to the dining hall, where each guest found her seat by consulting the menu card bearing their names. The president of the Junior Class, Miss Elizabeth Hicks Allen, acting as toastmistress, graciously welcomed her guests, and proposed a toast to the class of 1917, which Miss Mamie Ellerbe, president of the Senior Class, charmingly responded. A five-course dinner was then served, the guests being entertained at intervals by toasts, both frivolous and serious. After the toast to the seniors, Miss Jessie Thomas toasted the honorary teachers of the Senior Class, to which Miss Ruth Gattling responded with a tribute to the honorary teachers of the hostesses. Then, as a necessary adjunct to the college life, the beaux of the guests were toasted by Miss Ruth Hall, and Miss Mary Bradley very fittingly replied. In her usual happy style, Miss Lucy Fuller then proposed a toast to "Our College President, Mrs. Ivey Allen," following which the company arose, and, after singing a verse of "Auld Lang Syne," dispersed. The dining hall was tastefully decorated in red, the favors of tiny condiment baskets being tied with the Senior Class colors, while the menu cards carried out the junior colors.

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