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## MOVE TO ABOLISH STATE ARCHITECT STARTS IN HOUSE

### Youngest House Member Springs a Surprise On Elder Statesmen Monday

## RETURN BUILDING TO COMPETITIVE BASIS

### Needed Architectural Plans Would Be Advertised For and All Architects Given An Opportunity To Submit Bids; Dissatisfaction Expressed Over Present Situation

The youngest member of the House, Representative M. R. Glover, of Nash, took the elder legislators unawares yesterday afternoon when he offered a bill designed primarily to abolish the office of State Architect, and return the work done under its direction to the competitive basis in force before the office of State Architect was created by the General Assembly of 1919.

Mr. Glover's proposition, which provides that at such times as the Building Commission contemplates the erection of new buildings, or the improvement of old ones, their intent shall be advertised in three daily newspapers, and architects invited to submit plans.

J. A. Salter, who established himself as an architect in Raleigh some years ago has held the office of State Architect, since the place was created, giving a part of his time to the State's work for a salary of \$5,000 per year. Opposition to the office is based, it is understood partly upon the fact that the holder receives a higher salary than other State officers, and devotes only a part of his time to the work.

## DEVELOPMENTS PROMISED

Developments in connection with the measure are expected to be interesting, and its sponsor declares that he has every intention of making a stiff fight for its passage. He declares that he has figures in hand that will prove startling to the people of the State when they are disclosed in debate if the matter comes to debate. Mr. Salter is not without friends, nor is the office, and around this measure may develop one of the most interesting features of the session.

Otherwise, yesterday's session of the House was without outstanding interest. Representative Darden offered a measure to repeal the discount given for the early payment of taxes, and to discontinue the penalties attached to delayed payments. The matter has not been discussed generally, but some opposition is expected to crop out before it comes to its final vote in the House. No other bills of more than local interest were offered. The House was convened with prayer by Rev. W. E. Bruner, D. D., pastor of the Tabernacle Baptist church and adjourned after a 25 minute session to convene today at 10 o'clock.

## MEMBER COMMITTEES NAMED

Lieutenant-Governor Gardner yesterday announced eleven standing committees in addition to the fifteen previously announced. The Committee on Election Laws was reannounced with slight changes. It is expected that the remaining twenty committees will be announced today though there have been rumors that Lieutenant-Governor Cooper is not wholly satisfied with some of the appointments agreed upon by the outgoing and the incoming Lieutenant-Governors.

The chairmanships of the committees announced yesterday are distributed as follows: Insurance, J. Elmer Long, of Alamance; Insane Asylums, Leon S. Brassfield, of Wake; Caswell Training School, N. W. Outlaw, Pitt; Game Laws, L. M. Blue, Scotland; Institutions For The Deaf, C. E. Carpenter, Scotland; Institutions For The Blind, W. E. Walker, Rockingham; Immigration, T. W. Williams, Wilson; Fish, Fisheries and Shell Fish, Luther Hamilton, Caswell; Finance, L. B. Vassar, Robeson; Federal Relations, Paul Jones, Edgecombe; Election Law, Sutherland, Chatham; Repeal of the 1919 Bill, C. E. Carpenter, Scotland.

The Committee on Finance is the only one of the important committees named yesterday. Both of the Judiciary committees and those of Propositions and Grievances and Public Health are among those yet unannounced.

## SENATE COMMITTEES

The full list of committees named in the Senate yesterday follows: Insurance—Long, of Alamance, chairman; Mendall, Nash, McCoin, Carpenter, McGowan, Outlaw, Hamilton, Hartwell, Swain, Gallert, Hargett, Jones, Burgess, of Northampton, Delaney, Sims, Oates, Erwin, Dewar, Jones.

Insane Asylums—Brassfield, chairman; Taylor, Dunlap, Scott, Swain, Burgess, of Northampton, Jones, McGowan, McKinnis, Cameron, Sims, Gallert, Erwin, Kinsland, Patton, Byrd, Caswell Training School—Outlaw, chairman; Erwin, Griffin, Burgess, of Northampton, Jones, Hamilton, Taylor, McGowan, Dunlap, Kinsland, Cox, Weisard.

Game Laws—Blue, chairman; Hargett, Scott, Carpenter, Griffin, Williams, Brown, Kinsland, Hamilton, Byrd, Hargett.

Institutions For The Deaf—Carpenter, chairman; Stot, Dunlap, Burgess, of Northampton, Hamilton, Taylor, Brown, Brassfield, Nash, Gallert, Kinsley, Patton.

Institutions For The Blind—Walker, chairman; Mendall, Griffin, Outlaw, Williams, Hargett, Long, Walker, Burgess, of New Hanover, Hamilton, Brassfield, Oates, Dunlap, Scott, Cox, Weisard.

Immigration—Williams, chairman; Stot, Oates, Griffin, Swain, Hargett.

## HARDING ASKS THAT INAUGURAL CEREMONY PLAN BE ABANDONED

Marion, O., Jan. 10.—In the interest of national thrift, President-elect Harding tonight requested officials arranging for his inauguration to abandon all plans for an inaugural ceremony.

The President-elect made his decision after conferences with several of his party leaders, to whom he expressed vigorously his repugnance to any show of extravagance.

The need for National economy and thrift is one of which he has spoken many times publicly, and the criticism in Congress over proposed appropriations for the inauguration have made a deep impression on his mind.

Just how far Mr. Harding's action actually will curtail the ceremonies is uncertain. It is taken for granted that at least the inaugural ball, which disappeared from inaugural festivities at Woodrow Wilson's instance in 1913, will

## ABANDON PLANS TO HAVE BIG SPREAD AT INAUGURATION

### Announcement of President-elect's Decision Comes After Appropriation

## CONGRESS PROVIDES FOR FUND OF FIFTY THOUSAND

### Republican Leaders Expected To Take Steps To Have Bill Reconsidered and Killed; Disbanding of Committees On Preparations Expected To Begin at Once

Washington, Jan. 10.—Abandonment immediately of all plans for a celebration in connection with the inauguration of President-elect Harding was announced tonight by E. B. McLean, chairman of the Washington Inaugural committee, in accordance with the desire of Mr. Harding.

Mr. McLean upon receiving the request of the President-elect for abandonment of the celebration plans issued immediately a statement to the effect that the British government exercises surveillance over American cable business, official as well as private, passing through the British Isles and that the State Department had extended its controversy with the Western Union Telegraph and Cable Company to bring in the Cuban government some new

## COPIES OF CABLES GIVEN TO BRITISH FOR SURVEILLANCE

### Carlton Tells of Surveillance of American Cable Messages in England

## DISTURBED CONDITIONS CAUSED BRITISH ORDER

### Charges That State Department Extended Cable Controversy With Western Union To Involve Cuban Government Flatly Denied By Under Secretary Davis

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## INAUGURATION WILL BE MOST NOTABLE IN STATE HISTORY

### Elaborate Arrangements Completed For Morrison's Inclusion

## THREE GREAT BANDS TO LEAD PROCESSION

### Massed Instruments Will Render Farewell "General's March" For Governor Bickett With Trumpet Fanfare and Greet New Governor; Cannon To Fire Salute

Three massed bands with an aggregate strength of more than 150 pieces, and a company of buglers from the Seventeenth Artillery of Camp Bragg, will herald the coming of Cameron Morrison, governor-elect of North Carolina, as he rides to the City Auditorium to take the oath that will invest him with the high office to which he has been chosen.

## NAVAL BALLOONISTS TO FINISH FIRST LEG TODAY

### Three Aviators With Day's Journey of Civilization, Report States

Mattice, Ont., Jan. 10.—The three American naval balloonists, who are "mushing" their way back to civilization from Moose Factory, Ont., where they found shelter after one of the most thrilling adventures in the annals of the American Navy, will arrive here tomorrow afternoon. They are en-camped tonight at Stank Island, a day's journey from Mattice.

## COTTON MILLS IN MECKLENBURG OPEN

### Eight Large Mills Resume Operations; Large Inauguration Delegation

Charlotte, Jan. 10.—Eight cotton mills which were closed last year, are now open again on the payroll. The mills include the Chadwick Hoskins system and the Highland Park system. The Highland Park mill at Concord also resumed work. The managements of both systems plan to operate for an indefinite period. The mills have been closed about two months.

## N. C. CONGRESSMEN OPPOSE REPEAL OF PRIMARY IN STATE

### Senator Overman Expresses Himself Strongly in Favor of The Primary

## OTHER MEMBERS ALSO OPPOSED TO NEAL BILL

### Junior Senator Would Not Approve Repeal Without a Mandate From The Voters of The State; Simmons Withholds Statement For Present; Other Members' Views

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Washington, Jan. 10.—Members of the North Carolina delegation in Congress are, as a rule, strongly opposed to the repeal of the state primary law, as proposed by Representative Neal, of McDowell county, in a bill they are

## SALARY BILL IS CUT BY COMMITTEE

### All Hope of Full Measure of Relief Planned, Is Shattered By Day's Events

Events yesterday shattered all hope that Constitutional State Officers will receive the full measure of relief that has been urged for them and left a question as to any relief at all.

At a joint meeting of the committees on Salaries and Fees of the two Houses today, the measure recommended by the Senate Committee was reduced from \$1,500 to \$1,000 and judicial officers were eliminated from the provisions of the bill.

Neither House acted on the measure yesterday and some discussion arose among members as to whether the officers affected will benefit if passage of the bill is delayed until Wednesday morning, prior to the inauguration of the officers. Assistant Attorney General Frank Nash declined yesterday to make a formal ruling on the matter without further investigation, but stated that he is of the opinion that if the act is ratified before the officers actually qualify tomorrow, the increases would become operative at once.

"Under the Constitution a State Officer holds office until his successor qualifies and our Supreme Court has held that the law disregarding fractions of days is purely technical in order to gain beneficial results and that fractions of days can be regarded where the interest of parties are materially affected," said Mr. Nash.

The only serious clash between the Senate and the House Committees yesterday was on the question of whether Supreme Court and Superior Court Judges should be included in the bill. A roll call found all members of the Senate Committee in favor of including the judges except Senator Benham Cameron of Durham. The House committee voted the other way by a vote of nine to three, Representatives Bowie, Everette, of Durham, and Dawson standing for the Judges. The difference was adjusted by the appointment of a conference committee composed of Senators Cameron and Sims and Representative Doughton and Dawson. The conferees unanimously recommended that only the five State officers be included in the bill. The only other record vote was on the amount of the increase. Senator Vassar was recorded in the negative as were former Speaker Bowie and Representatives Mehee and McGuire, the Republican members of the committee. The Republicans favored some increase and voted to vote for an increase of \$750, but Governor Doughton thought they were quibbling over too small a sum. The question arose as to whether the Republican members were expressing their own views or those of their party. Both insisted they were speaking for themselves alone and stated some of their colleagues were opposed to any increase.

Considerable sentiment developed in the committee for a measure giving each of the officers the same salary, but the question did not reach a vote. The Governor's recommendation of salaries of \$5,000 found favor but there was no advocate of salaries of \$6,000, the amount contained in the original bill.

Under the bill as approved by the two committees the officers affected will receive the following salaries: Superintendent of Public Instruction, \$5,000; Secretary of State, \$4,500; Treasurer, \$4,500; Attorney General, \$4,000; Auditor, \$4,000.

Senate Passes The Duck.  
The substitute bill was favorably reported to the Senate, but that body acted upon the advice of Senator Harry W. Stubbs, who spoke from the wisdom of 25 years' experience and passed the bill to the House. The veteran Senator thought that as the lower House is supposed to be closer to the mass of the people they should vote first upon the proposition. He further opined that if the Senate should be followed the House might be spared the necessity of voting at all.

On motion of Senator Stubbs, the Senate's only action after taking up the measure under a special order at three o'clock yesterday afternoon was

## PRESIDENT CONTINUES IMPROVEMENT IN HEALTH

### ABLE TO WORK TWO HOURS DAILY WITHOUT FATIGUE; GRAYSON ISSUES STATEMENT

Washington, Jan. 10.—President Wilson is now able to work two hours daily without fatigue, Rear Admiral Cary T. Grayson, his physician, said today in discussing the President's health. He added, however, that the President was not yet ready for a full day's work.

Commenting further on the visit to the White House yesterday of Dr. Francis X. Dercum, of Philadelphia, Dr. Grayson said he had called in the specialist because he feared that he himself might have gotten "stale" in his assessment of the executive's condition. It so happened, he said, that on the occasion of Dr. Dercum's visit the President had one of the best days since his illness.

## FRATRICIDE OCCURS IN MONROE SECTION

### Ranson Baucem Held For Killing One Brother and For Wounding Another

Monroe, Jan. 10.—Ranson Baucem shot and instantly killed his brother, Charlie Baucem, at the former's home in New Salem township Saturday night. Another brother, Gaston Baucem, was struck on the face and painfully wounded during the fight. Ranson surrendered to officers, who arrived a short time after the shooting and is now in jail here.

The prisoner's version of the affair was to the effect that on Saturday night Charlie and Gaston came to his store and wanted to buy some gasoline on credit. Ranson refused to sell them and they went off, shooting several times at the store as they left. In a few minutes they returned and assaulted Ranson, knocking him down and attempting to choke him. Ranson succeeded in getting loose from them and ran into his home and secured a shotgun. He struck Gaston across the face with the gun barrel, and then shot Charlie at close range. Death was practically instantaneous.

Both Ranson and Charlie were married. Gaston is not married. Ranson Baucem is being held without bail pending a preliminary hearing, which will probably be held next week.

## LEONARD TO ADDRESS ROCKY MT. MERCHANTS

Rocky Mount, Jan. 10.—Announcement was made today by officials of the Rocky Mount Merchants Association that J. Paul Leonard, of Statesville, secretary of the State Merchants Association, will address the local association at its regular monthly meeting Tuesday evening.

While the exact subject of Mr. Leonard's address has not been given, it is understood that he will discuss the necessity for organization and the benefits to be derived therefrom. The speaker is also expected to have something to say about the present business conditions and the prospects for the future as he sees them.

## JAKE WELLS NEW HEAD OF THE RICHMOND CLUB

Richmond, Va., Jan. 10.—Jake Wells, veteran baseball player and manager, and now a theatrical magnate, will head the Richmond baseball club next season, according to an announcement made today by W. B. Bradley, president of the Virginia League. Wells is given the franchise forfeited by the former owners and also will take over reserved players. Verbal agreements have been reached by all parties including the President Bradley and members of the franchise committee of the league have acquiesced in the arrangement.

## SNOW 18 INCHES DEEP AT ROANOKE, VIRGINIA

Roanoke, Va., Jan. 10.—One of the heaviest snows in the history of Roanoke has fallen in the last 24 hours. It has reached a depth of from 15 to 18 inches on a level and was still falling but with evidence of early cessation at 9 o'clock. Vehicular traffic is practically suspended and at least one building has collapsed under the weight of snow on its roof.

Joseph Lister, Jr., killed.  
New Orleans, Jan. 10.—Joseph Lister, Jr., aged 14, son of Joseph Lister, millionaire Chicago and Washington resident, was killed today by the accidental discharge of a shotgun while returning from a duck hunt near the latter camp at Chateau Courant near the mouth of the Mississippi river.

## PRICELESS RECORDS OF CENSUS BUREAU BURNED

### Fire in Dept. of Commerce Building Causes Disastrous Loss of Records

Washington, Jan. 10.—Priceless census records dating back to 1790, when the first enumeration of the United States was taken, were destroyed tonight in a fire of unknown origin at the Department of Commerce. The records also include figures from every census up to the present one and officials said that it would be days before even an estimate of the damage could be given.

The blaze originated in the basement of the Commerce building and spread quickly through every piece of apparatus in downtown Washington to the scene and more than twenty hours of loss completed the damage done to the records by pouring tons of water through windows into vaults where the records were kept.

During the two and a half hours which firemen fought the blaze, three firemen were overcome by smoke and taken to the hospital. Among them was Frank Newman, recipient of the 1920 bravery medal.

T. J. Fitzgerald, chief clerk of the Census Bureau, said that the actual fire loss was very slight, but "the records destroyed could not be replaced if we had the entire wealth of the United States at our disposal. There are no duplicates."

## RICHMOND NIGHT WATCHMAN VICTIM OF BRUTAL ATTACK

Richmond, Va., Jan. 10.—John Hinson, aged 64, a watchman at the Hund wharf, was found dead in his shanty yesterday. He had been the victim of the most brutal murder committed here in years, being hit in the head many times with an axe, beaten about the face with a billiard cue and stabbed about the body three times with a knife. Jordan Spicer, a negro, is under arrest as a suspect.

## PROHIBIT BOXERS FROM WEARING AMERICAN FLAG

Boston, Mass., Jan. 10.—Wearing of the American flag by boxers appears to be prohibited in a ruling announced today by the State boxing commission. The ruling was made at the request of the American Legion. The commission also requested that boxers refrain from making religious signs in the ring.