

LOWDEN DECLINES POST IN CABINET

President-Elect Again "Up in Air" Over Filling Secretary of Navy Post

St. Augustine, Fla., Feb. 17.—President-elect Harding's cabinet problem developed another difficulty today when Frank O. Lowden, former Governor of Illinois and a leading candidate for President at last year's Republican convention, sent word that he could not permit himself to be considered longer for Secretary of the Navy.

The former governor's definite declination left a blank in the cabinet slate which may not be readily filled. Although he had indicated before that he did not desire the appointment Mr. Harding and his advisers had stood pat and counted on a change of mind to make the selection.

In asking that his name be erased from the tentative cabinet list, Mr. Lowden wired the President-elect that his personal affairs made it impossible for him to enter the public service at the present time.

It is considered likely that in casting about for an available man for the navy portfolio, Mr. Harding will give particular attention to the qualifications of the Southern republicans now being put forward for cabinet honors.

As a Pacific coast representative in the cabinet circle the qualifications of Senator Miles Poindexter, of Washington, to be secretary of the navy have been called to the President-elect's attention and he also has received recommendations for several members of the House Naval committee.

Headaches from Slight Colds GROVE'S LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE Tablets relieve the Headache by curing the Cold. A tonic laxative and germ destroyer. The genuine bears the signature of E. W. Grove. (Be sure you get BROMO.) 30c.—Adv.

JOHNSTON COUNTY SELLS HALF MILLION IN BONDS Smithfield, Feb. 17.—The board of commissioners of Johnston county today sold \$500,000 worth of 6 per cent bonds for the construction of a courthouse and jail to Pruden & Co., of Toledo, Ohio, at par with a premium of \$10,000.

At the same time the commissioners confirmed the letting of the contract recently to J. M. Stout & Co., of Sanford, Harry Barton, of Greensboro, is the architect.

The Weather table with columns for Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 17, and various weather statistics including temperature, precipitation, and humidity.

HOW TO GET RID OF CONSTIPATION advertisement for Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, describing the benefits for digestive health.

DAVIDSON LOSES TO STATE QUINT

State Wakes Up in 2nd Half and in Lively Scrap Defeats Presbyterians 29 To 28

After having secured only 17 points in the first half, against the 17 gained by their opponents, the State College quint came vigorously to life in the second half of the game with Davidson last night and defeated the Presbyterians narrowly by a score of 29 to 28.

The first half was more or less lifeless, with Davidson awaking immediately into the lead, and increasing it until the half-time whistle. Both teams played slowly and with no noticeable go, Davidson passing better than State and State lacking entirely the stiffness of defense which they showed to such advantage in the recent Elton game.

But State woke up and went into the second half with new scrapping spirit and immediately began getting in on the scoring. The nine-point lead of the visitors gradually dwindled until a remarkable long clean shot by Park from almost center put State one point ahead. This was followed up by State by speedy and snappy passing and brilliant work on the part of Grooms. Davidson lunged close, however, threatening to end, with the score swinging to its favor often by a narrow margin.

Grooms played a star game for State in the second half, and was well supported by Deal and Williams. The visitors had no special luminary, playing a mediocre game throughout.

State scoring—Field goals: Grooms 7, Deal 2, Williams 2; Park; four goals, Grooms 5. Davidson scoring—Field goals: J. Schenk 4, Roberts 4, Crawford 3, Davis and Romefelt; foul goals, Roberts and Romefelt.

Substitutions—Johnson for Silverman, Davis for L. Schenk, L. Schenk for Romefelt. Referee—Mr. Doak, of Guilford.

COMPENSATION BILL TO SUB-COMMITTEE A compromise workmen's compensation bill, under consideration by the legislative committee of the House yesterday got no further than its predecessors, and when the committee adjourned after an hour or more of desultory wrangling, cross questioning and more or less pointless explanations, the bill was held up for consideration by a sub-committee composed of Representatives Quickel, Austin, Williams, Bowie, Everett and Coughenour.

AUERBACH MILK CHOCOLATE advertisement featuring an illustration of a child and text describing the product's quality and availability.

FUND FROM UNITED RELIEF DRIVE TOTALS \$4,627.85

Chinese Get More Than Half; Checks Still Coming In; Not Too Late Yet

The fund from the United Relief drive was swelled yesterday by three new contributions, bringing the present total up to \$4,627.85, according to an announcement made by Rev. H. N. Childress. The latest contributors were First Mills Baptist Church, \$77.10; Epworth Methodist Church, \$50.50. The total of \$4,627.85 has been prorated as designated, as follows: Chinese Relief, \$2,783.24; Armenians, \$1,095.56; European, \$516.82; and local Associated Charities, \$412.24.

Mr. Childress announces that other checks are still coming in, and are being welcomed. If any persons still wish to contribute, it is not too late, and checks may be sent to Mr. H. N. Childress.

NO DEVELOPMENTS OF INTEREST IN HEARING Statesville, Feb. 17.—The fourth day in the Campbell-Doughton Congressional contest has brought out no new evidence or developments of special interest. It is only a continuation of yesterday's work, in which Dr. Campbell's attorneys are trying to ascertain whether the registrars in a number of precincts of Iredell county performed their duties according to the State election law.

Interest in the investigation here is on the wane, the testimony having grown rather monotonous today. It is now expected that the hearings here will close by the first of next week.

MRS. VARNER SOBS AS SINK TESTIFIES Sank about ten minutes and he closed his testimony. A number of character witnesses testified late this afternoon. Next to Mr. Sank, testimony for defense came strongest in O. P. Dickerson, superintendent of public works at Lexington, who declared that on nights of July 11, 22 and 23, 1920, he had seen McHary and Mrs. Varner making motions and signs with their hands that he had, as a consequence of this demonstration in front of the Varner theatre in Lexington, gone to Varner's premises and hid in line near back entrance that about

10 o'clock McHary came down lane through alley, passing in four feet of him, entered the Varner home, heard door open and shut; that he remained there until after 1 o'clock and that Mr. Varner passed by him again at that time leaving house; that for three consecutive nights he watched and same thing occurred; that he told his partner about it; made note of it in his memorandum; and ascertained that Mr. Varner was out of town at the time.

Other witnesses told how they had dragged McHary out from under house of night of August 9; one climbed on roof, two on porch, others talked and chatted, and took McHary to jail to prevent possible mob violence. Mrs. Varner testified that she did not hear any noise that night after Mr. Sank left earlier in the night. Mr. Varner will testify tomorrow.

BONDS OF DEFENDANTS IN CASE DOUBLED BY COURT Wilson, Feb. 17.—In superior court this afternoon upon motion of Solicitor Allbrook the bonds of the four defendants, W. T. Estes, J. R. Rutter, Frank V. Barnes, and R. L. Penner were increased from \$5,000 to \$10,000 and capias were issued for the two who are out on bail, Penner and Barnes. Solicitor Allbrook stated that his attention had been called to the matter by W. A. Lucas for the prosecution, in view of the enormity of the alleged offense and the amount of money involved, the alleged stealings running into hundreds of thousands of dollars. The cases were so complicated involving charges of forgery, conspiracy,

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STOP ITCHING SKIN advertisement for Zemo, the Clean, Antiseptic Liquid, which provides prompt relief for various skin conditions.

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CREAM FOR CATARRH OPENS UP NOSTRILS advertisement for a nasal treatment, promising quick relief for catarrh.

SPRING 1921 advertisement for Isaac Hamburger & Sons, Baltimore, Md., featuring an illustration of a man in a suit.

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HART SCHAFFNER & MARX advertisement for suits and overcoats, featuring a list of prices and the slogan 'At HALF PRICE'.