

WANT \$50,000,000 FOR BIG STATE HIGHWAY

ENTHUSIASTIC MEETING HELD AT CHARLOTTE.

Dr. L. B. Morse, of Hendersonville, Member of Executive Committee for This District.

A campaign is now on to get a bill through the special session of the general assembly, which will probably be called for February, for the Asheville-Wilmington-Charlotte highway, a hard surface highway from the mountains to the sea.

The meeting was presided over by W. A. McGill, of Wilmington, president of the North Carolina Good Roads association.

Advocates of good roads from all over North Carolina and the members of the North Carolina Good Roads association will be requested to join hands with the Asheville-Wilmington-Charlotte association in putting forth every effort to secure the adoption of this \$50,000,000 road building program by the special session of the legislature to be held this year.

The committee indicated that it felt all sections of the state should unite in every good roads project and to this end the members of the Asheville-Wilmington-Charlotte Highway association stands ready it was declared to assist every movement in the state in securing permanent roads and in turn will appreciate the assistance of the entire state in securing necessary legislation to carry out the planned Asheville-Wilmington-Charlotte highway.

Definite steps were taken during the meeting for perfecting working organization for every section of the state in order to make a proper and necessary representation to Governor Bickett, the members of the legislature and the state highway commission, showing the great need in North Carolina for this elaborate system of road building and the great and immeasurable benefits that will result to the state if carried out on a big basis, but which at the same time is as small a program as North Carolina could undertake and keep step with her sister states, it was pointed out.

RELIEF FUND CHAIRMEN WILL HOLD CONFERENCE

N. C. Leaders in Armenian Work to Meet in Raleigh Jan. 19.

RALEIGH, Jan. 4.—A conference of all county chairmen and other workers for Armenian and Syrian relief from North Carolina will be held in Raleigh, Monday, January 19, at which time prominent speakers of the New York headquarters of the near east relief will appear on the program.

The conference has been arranged by State Chairman George H. Bellamy and plans are being made to take care of over a hundred workers who are expected to spend the day here.

The headliners on the program will be Captain James M. D. Washington representative of the American Committee for Armenian Independence; Mrs. Florence Spencer Duryea, head of the department of women's clubs of the near east committee; Mr. John W. Mace, assistant general field secretary of the near east relief, and Mr. James O. Arroll, stationed two years in the near east as relief workers among the Armenians and Syrians.

The conference is being arranged as a preliminary event to the big relief campaign to be waged throughout America during February. The county chairmen of North Carolina, all of whom have been working enthusiastically in the interest of the relief work, will have a store of information awaiting them when they gather in Raleigh, January 19.

Beginning at 10 o'clock in the morning the conference will last all day with a luncheon at the Yarrowborough hotel. The afternoon session of the conference will be devoted to the women who will be addressed by Mrs. Duryea. A number of the prominent club women of the state including Mrs. C. C. Hook of Charlotte, Mrs. B. H. Griffin of Raleigh and Mrs. Felix Harvey of Kinston will attend the conference.

The response of the people of North Carolina to the appeals for aid to the suffering people of the near east has been very gratifying to Chairman Bellamy. All indications now point to a very successful campaign for the adoption of 3,354 orphans allotted to this state. Hundreds of donations have already been received at Raleigh headquarters.

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RECORD YEAR FOR NATIONAL BANKS

Deposits and Resources Had Unparalleled Growth.

Not a Failure That Involved a Dollar Loss to a Depositor.

(Special to The Citizen) WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—The last year for the national banks of the country was unparalleled in the nation's history. Deposits and resources had an unparalleled growth, and there was never a time when a depositor could feel so certain that his money was secure.

There was not a national bank failure that involved a dollar loss to a depositor during the fiscal year ending October 31, 1919. The number of banking institutions under the supervision of the comptroller of the currency at the close of business on December 31 was exactly 8,000, which included 7,943 national banks in the United States, Alaska and Hawaii, and 57 savings banks, building and loan and trust companies in the District of Columbia.

There have been chartered during the present administration, or since March 4, 1913, more than 1,000 new national banks. On the date of the last call made November 17, 1919, the completion of which has not yet been completed, the national bank resources approximated \$22,500,000,000, or nearly \$1,000,000,000 more than ever before reported.

These banks have grown more in the last six years than in any other period in their history. In 1913, for example, they had in the entire 49-year history of the national banking system in 1863 up to 1913.

The report of the comptroller of the currency shows that the increases in deposits and total assets are scattered widely throughout the country. The increase in resources in the so-called country banks, those outside the federal reserve cities, since June 30, last, has been close to \$800,000,000. The country banks of North Carolina gained over \$1,000,000,000, or 38 per cent in these six months, while those in Texas gained \$134,000,000, or 34 per cent during the same time.

The record for immunity from failure for the 22 months from January 1, 1918, to the close of the last fiscal year, October 31, 1919, was 20 times, or 2,000 per cent, better than the record of the forty years prior to 1914. There was no failure involving the loss of a dollar to a depositor in any national bank during the fiscal year ending October 31.

Earnings of the national banks also surpassed any previous records during last year, and will approximate \$1,000,000,000 net, and not far from \$300,000,000 net.

This splendid record but furnishes further testimony to the high efficiency and invaluable aid of the federal reserve system to the country's commerce, industry, agriculture and business of every kind, and is regarded as one of the greatest achievements of the present administration.

TWELVE COURSES IN MECHANICS SCHOOL

Experts in Aviation Teach Separate Classes in Aviation Mechanics at Great Lakes.

J. W. Hensley, of Marion was accepted for enlistment at the local navy recruiting station Saturday. He enlisted as apprentice seaman for aviation mechanic and will be sent to the aviation mechanic school at Great Lakes, Ill., for a course of instruction.

The aviation mechanics school consists of twelve complete courses of instruction. Two of these are apprentice courses, one in woodworking and the other in metal work. It is the purpose of these courses to take recruits of good aptitude, but little previous trade experience, and to educate them in the fundamentals of carpentry and machine shop practice. Students of these courses who prove themselves worthy of advanced instruction, are transferred upon completion of the course to either the plane maintenance school or the engine maintenance school. Under the plane maintenance school there are four courses, the quarter-masters course, advanced carpenters course, carpenter's mate course, and the cooper's mate course.

Men are trained in these courses for the purpose of maintaining all parts of the airplane other than the engine. In the engine maintenance department there are also four courses, two of which are for the training of machinists' mates for aviation engines; the third being the advanced course. The fourth is a special course for ignition of aviation engines. There are three other courses known as miscellaneous courses for training of gunners, instrument makers and dirigible crews. There is available at these schools almost unlimited equipment for the proper training of their crews. The staff of instructors have been carefully chosen from among the experts in aviation lines who must also be men teachers. The school therefore offers an opportunity to young men to educate themselves in everything pertaining to aviation maintenance. Upon the completion of their three year enlistment they can return to civil life as trained mechanics or wood-workers, with unusual training in along mechanical lines especially in the aviation branch. A man's full pay continues while he is undergoing instruction and he is furnished with a complete outfit of uniform equipment, board, lodging and medical attention. He has no expense except for his own pleasures. Further information regarding this and other navy trade schools may be obtained at the local navy recruiting station, Pack square, Asheville.

NEGRO WANTED FOR MURDER

DUBLIN, Jan. 4.—After hiding in the swamp 10 miles from here since Tuesday night, Matt Edwards, 56, came out today and surrendered to Sheriff W. N. Watson. Edwards was being hunted on a charge of murder, it being alleged that he shot and killed his wife as she ran from her home.

Several others who were fired upon escaped. Edwards was in bad shape and was unable to stand, and his feet were frost bitten. Cold weather last night and today drove him out of his hiding place, he admitted.

COL. BLANK TRYING TO PICK CONGRESSMAN

WITH EGGS \$1 DOZEN, POLITICS PICKS UP, HE SAYS.

He Concludes That He Does Not Know as Much About Politics as He Thought.

Col. John Blank concludes that he does not know as much about Tenth district politics as he thought he did. "Well, sir," he remarked yesterday, "eggs is pretty near up to a dollar a short dozen so I reckon I better be making up my mind about who to vote for for congress. I seem my old friend, J. Scoop Styles is a running fer it."

"I thought you says a while back only Zeb Weaver was going to run on the democrat ticket," suggested a critical person in the crowd. "That's what," admitted the Colonel, "truly I ain't knowin' so much as I thought I knowed about politics. I says also Mr. Jenkins is runnin' fer to be nominated by the radicals kerblam, just like that, but now, well that's some-thing else."

Some one wanted to know why the doubt about Mr. Jenkins' nomination. "Like this," said the Colonel. "They says they wuz a going fer to have a primary and hearin' these Republicans out in the woods talkin' I knowed they wuz all a going to vote fer him. But if they don't get no chance to vote fer him how they going fer to elect him? You tell me that."

"Well, they air a fixin' to have a primary jest like the democrats, ain't they?" asked one of the crowd. "Yes," replied the Colonel, "jest exactly not like the democrats. The way the democrats going to do is they put Zeb, and Scoop both on the ticket and you vote fer one or tuther, but the Republicans ain't a going to have but one name on the ticket, and they ain't nobody else fer to vote fer. I don't call that no primary. You expect that feller is a goin' to sweeten a feller some jest fer election and him not get nobody runnin' aginst him? No sir, not in Buncombe county, N. C., ner Swain county nuther, ner nowhere."

Some one wanted to know who determined whose name should be on the republican ticket in the republican primary. "That's where the funny business comes in," asserted the Colonel. "They says they's going to have a primary but 'fore that they's a going to have a convention fer to recommend somebody to be the on-ly one to run in the primary. 'Now, whose going to be the convention? Why, a lot of bosses and sikedunes which I don't know exactly what they is, and sich, and they all says 'Now we must have harmony,' and one says 'yes, that's right, so let Mr. Jenkins him not run,' and another one says, 'in the intrus' of harmony I move Mr. Harkins not run,' and some other feller he hops up and says 'Now we must have harmony,' and he wants to withdraw Mr. Jackson's name. And they go on thatter way, and squeeze all out exceptin' one, and

WORKS HARD TO AVERT FLU EPIDEMIC

Government and City Health Officials Warn People to Keep Clean.

Stay Away From People With Coughs and Colds.

"Avoid crowds if you want to avoid influenza," says Association for Improving the Conditions of the Poor of New York.

Keep your hands clean, drink plenty of fresh water; sleep with windows open; eat three uniform meals a day including a good breakfast.

People who have a cough or frequent colds invite influenza, declares a prominent Kentucky druggist.

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then they puts his name on the primary ticket. "Then when the republicans come to vote they ain't but one to vote fer. Somebody done been and voted fer to save them the trouble. What I says that kind of primary is a bad sign."

"Now jest supposin' the democrats wuz to act that way," suggested the Colonel. "Zeb and Scoop and they friends get together and each try to keep tuther feller's friends from bein' tuther. And Zeb, he elbows Scoop and says, 'Scoop, git out. What you mean comin' edgin' in here fer? You air tryin' fer to disharmonize the party.'"

"And then Scoop, he says, 'Zeb or fer retire in the intrus' of harmony. Ain't he seen my picture in the paper? You boys make Zeb be harmonious. Ain't you going to give a Jackson county farmer a chance? Then the little crowd they pulls off one or tuther and puts tuther feller's name on ticket, and has they primary. Why, these here democrats they wudn't never vote a tall in no such floundoodle primary."

"Then what will the republican boys do?" asked another man. "Oh like they be told to do," said the Colonel.

PROPOSE CHANGES IN TENNIS' ASSOC.

NEW YORK, Jan. 1.—Several changes among the officers of the National Lawn Tennis association for the coming year are likely as a result of the selections of the nominating committee submitted for the vote of members at the annual meeting to be held in this city, February 6. The recommendations of the committee for national officers include: president, Julian S. Myrick, of New York; to succeed George T. Adee, who refused a re-nomination; vice president, Edwin T. Torrey, of Clinton; secretary, George W. Wightman, of Boston; treasurer, Alfred H. Chapin, of Springfield, Mass.

Members of the executive committee, also to be elected, follow: regional delegates, serving until 1922, southwestern section, J. B. Adone, Jr., of Dallas, Texas; tri-state, William H. Hoppie, of Cincinnati, New England, Edwin Sheafe, of Boston. The northwestern section has named W. J. Burton, of Minneapolis, as its delegate and the California section has named Dr. Sumner Hardy of San Francisco.

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TELLEGEN HERE IN PICTURE AND PERSON

Distinguished Romantic Actor Will Be Seen at Auditorium Tonight in Person—Picture at Galax.

Lou Tellegen, characterized as one of the most romantic actors in America, arrived in the city last night, and tonight will appear in person at the Auditorium, and on the screen at the Galax moving picture theater, supporting his wife, Gertrude, in the play, "The World and Its Women."

Mr. Tellegen will have an opportunity to see himself on the screen, in support of his wife, the picture being one of the few in which the two appear together. Of course this opportunity will be for matinee only, as he appears in person at the Auditorium for the evening performance in "The Last of Gold."

Advance sale of tickets assure that a large number of theater goers will be present tonight for Mr. Tellegen's initial appearance here, and the reputation of this great romantic actor, known over the entire world, will cause the theatre which has just been remodeled and thoroughly overhauled to be packed, it is believed.

FROST DAMAGES CROPS.

MIAMI, Fla., Jan. 4.—Damage amounting to more than \$100,000 to early winter vegetable crops occurred here this morning as the result of a heavy frost. Lower temperatures were predicted for tonight.

VIRGINIAN SAYS HE'S JUST LIKE A NEW MAN

Berkely Resident Says He Was Unfit for Anything Before Taking Tanlac—Is Feeling Fine Now.

"A few bottles of Tanlac have made me feel like a new man all over," said James T. Powell, 15 Nelms place, Berkely, Va., recently. "For three years," he continued, "my appetite had been very poor, and I had gotten to be so badly rundown, weak and nervous that it was an effort for me to work at all. For the past eight months I couldn't eat a bit of breakfast and the little I managed to eat at other times seemed to do me very little good. I was so nervous and restless that I couldn't half sleep and always felt tired and worn out. I had no energy and but little strength left and miserable and unfit for anything."

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