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Superior Court Judge Placed Under Arrest

Judge John Harwood Suspended; At Preliminary Trial Tuesday He Was Held For Superior Court Under \$1000 Bond; His Daughter Charged With Embezzlement.

RALEIGH, Feb. 16—Judge John H. Harwood waived preliminary hearing in police court here today on charges of tampering with records of the state touching on civil and criminal actions against his daughter, Miss Lola Harwood of Bryson City.

The jurist was bound over to superior court under \$1,000 bond, the same as was required when he was arrested here Saturday.

Tomorrow the criminal case of the state against Miss Harwood is scheduled to be called in Wake superior court. She was alleged to be short some \$4,828 in her accounts as a clerk in the revenue department, a position she resigned a year ago.

Willis Smith, of counsel for Miss Harwood, said the case will be fought out on its merits.

By M. R. DUNNAGAN

RALEIGH, Feb. 15—Special Judge John H. Harwood, Bryson City suspended without pay at his own request, was placed under \$1000 bond here Saturday for preliminary hearing Tuesday morning in Raleigh police court on charges of being an accessory after the fact and of obliterating, injuring and destroying certain original documents in the action of the state against his daughter, Miss Lola Harwood, charged with embezzlement of State funds while a license clerk in the Department of Revenue.

The action was brought on sworn complaint of Commissioner of Revenue A. J. Maxwell, charging that Judge Harwood, while he had access to records of the Department of Revenue on court order and in connection with the criminal and civil action against his daughter, mutilated, substituted and otherwise tampered with the department records, all such mutilation tending to exculpate Miss Harwood, whom the State charges converted to her own use \$4,903 in license fees passing through her hands. Civil and criminal actions have been brought against her, and deposits in Raleigh banks of \$2,987.32 attached.

J. M. Broughton, Raleigh lawyer, was named as a referee to hear the civil action and set a hearing date on February 1. However, a conference of lawyers of Miss Harwood and Revenue Department officials on that date brought out notes of Judge Harwood referring to certain records, which Revenue officials claim are carbon copies of letters purporting to have been written in the office, but were not written by them. Reported steps toward a compromise of the civil action against Miss Harwood on the payment of \$4,828 did not mature.

Judge Harwood was holding court in Rockingham and came to Raleigh Friday night at the request of Governor, with whom he conferred that night and Saturday morning. Attorney General Dennis Brummitt and Assistant Walter D. Siler and A. A. F. Seawell attended the night conference. Judge Harwood issued a statement denying he had mutilated or changed the records he examined, but had found changes and letters which he supposed the auditors had overlooked, but that he was informed by them that they were changed after the audit. He has served as a special judge since 1927.

Big Prohibition Meeting
The "flying squadron" of the allied campaigners in the interest of continued prohibition, in Raleigh two days last week, had large crowds and enthusiasm at most of the meetings and apparently did good for the drys.

However, one attendant at one meeting said the bunch, judging from that gathering, was an excellent adjunct to the Republican National Committee, in that the principal speaker on that occasion gave all credit for the prohibition movement to the Republicans—to such an extent that the driest of the drys, Associate Justice Heriot Clarkson, is given credit for giving him a healthy call-down after he finished speaking.

Justice Clarkson pointed out to the speaker that North Carolina's 10 congressmen and two senators during the past 20 years had been dry, that the prohibition amendment was submitted by a Democratic Congress.

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Washington Snapshots

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16—President Hoover has called upon the Nation to return its hoarded savings into the channels of industry. More than \$1,300,000,000 of hoarded money is withheld from trade and commerce, he said, with the result that credit facilities are diminished by many billions of dollars. In order to end the hoarding and its crippling effect upon credit, the President announced he would organize a national body to direct a campaign to that end.

The President has felt it wise and helpful to take public notice of the continued disposition of misinformed or hysterical people to draw their money from banks in order to hide it under a mattress or in an old stocking—or, in what is really the modern equivalent, a safety deposit box. The process has been going on for a year or so with fluctuating intensity and still keeps up. It has all along been foolish and unpatriotic, but is doubly so now that the Reconstruction Finance Corporation has been set up and supplied with funds to come to the aid of any bank exposed to a run while really solvent.

Andrew W. Mellon, Secretary of the Treasury, has been appointed Ambassador to Great Britain, has accepted the post and is expected to withdraw from the Cabinet in a few days. President Hoover issued a statement saying that the services of Mr. Mellon were urgently needed in the foreign field to deal with grave economic problems and that tender of the Ambassadorship had been made and had been accepted. Confirmation of Mr. Mellon would terminate the longest tenure of a Secretary of the Treasury in more than a century. Mr. Mellon having held the post nearly eleven years. Ogden L. Mills, Under Secretary of the Treasury, will succeed Mr. Mellon, and Arthur A. Ballantine, Assistant Secretary in charge of fiscal offices, will take over Mr. Mills' post.

Secretary Stimson conferred privately with Katsujii Debuchi, Japanese Ambassador, and afterward reported to President Hoover. The subject of the conversation was understood to be some compromise on the basis of which Japan can accept the peace proposals made at Nankin and Tokyo by the United States, Great Britain, France and Italy. Although Japan has not yet officially made known what her reply will be, enough information already has reached Washington to make it reasonably sure that the Japanese counter-plan will be accepted.

The international commission of inquiry, which the League of Nations is sending to Manchuria consists of British, French, Italian and German representatives. They will be joined in New York by Major Gen. Frank R. McCoy, the American member, and will proceed to San Francisco in an effort to catch the steamer President Coolidge, which may be held a few hours for them.

Admiral Montgomery M. Taylor, Commander in Chief of the United States Asiatic fleet has been directed by the Navy Department to assure the other neutral naval and military authorities at Shanghai of "one hundred per cent naval and military cooperation" by the United States Navy in maintaining the neutrality and the safety of the International Settlement at Shanghai.

An attack upon the petitions for disarmament, signed by 600,000 American women and taken to Geneva by the American delegation to the arms conference, was made by the Women's Patriotic Conference of National Defense. The conference sent a cablegram to Hugh S. Gibson, acting chairman of the American delegation at Geneva, signed by the chairman of the conference, which has a membership of 987,275. The message stated that "the disarmament petitions, as presented by various women's organizations do not represent the viewpoint of the women of our conference. We ask your delegation to safeguard the security of the United States of America by preserving our National Defense act intact and our navy at London treaty strength."

Loans instead of gifts for relief of unemployment were proposed in the Senate by Democratic leaders, who offered a bill to appropriate \$375,000,000 for this purpose and \$375,000,000 for road building, as a substitute.

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COST OF ROADS FOR SIX MONTHS

Amount Is Considerably Less Than Was Spent By The Counties Formerly

By M. R. DUNNAGAN

RALEIGH, Feb. 16—North Carolina roads during the last six months of 1931 cost, including construction, maintenance, administration, patrol, debt service and all other items, a total of \$14,593,602.62 which includes about \$10,000,000 from gasoline and other motor vehicles taxes and around \$4,500,000 in Federal Aid funds according to figures in the office of Chairman E. B. Jeffress.

Of this amount, \$2,591,941.08 was expended during the first six months of State maintenance of county roads, with slight increases to the 44,604 mileage. This expenditure was from the \$3,000,000 for the half-year county road financing, but did not reach the estimated amount due to delay in getting into full operation after July 1. Probably \$75,000 of the total, sums ranging from \$10,000 to \$20,000 in each of the five divisions, was used in new construction, but the bulk was for road and bridge maintenance.

While the nearly \$2,592,000 in six months is considerably less than the approximately \$8,000,000 a year spent by the counties, belief is expressed that county roads are now in better shape generally than they have ever been.

In the five divisions, the letters beginning in the east and running westward, the figures from the records for the six months are as follows:

Division A, 8,368 miles, or 18.76 per cent of the State's total, spent on road and bridge maintenance \$477,568.99; undistributed \$25,170.19.

Division B, 9,322 miles, or 20.90 per cent of State's total, spent on maintenance \$458,031.62; undistributed \$30,019.12.

Division C, 10,075 miles, or 23.59 per cent of State's total, \$556,129.65 spent on maintenance; undistributed \$23,364.86.

Division D, 9,449 miles, or 21.18 per cent of State's total, \$598,407.94 spent on maintenance; undistributed \$26,449.67.

Division E, 7,390 miles, or 16.57 per cent of State total, \$501,248.06 spent on maintenance; undistributed \$27,952.63.

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FIRST HOUSE STARTED FOR DURHAM COLONY

A contract has been let and work started on the first house to be built on the property bought last year by Durham capitalists on Bogue Banks. E. W. Guthrie of Morehead City was given the contract by George Carr Watts of Durham, Mrs. Roland McClamroch of Chapel Hill will occupy the house which is to be an eleven room cottage built on typical ocean frontage lines. It is to cost about \$4000 and will be finished by March 15th.

The tract of land owned by the Durham people was formerly the property of H. C. Jones of Beaufort and is located near Fort Macon. At the time of the sale it was announced that a number of summer homes would be built for Durham people. It is reported that several other buildings will be erected there in time for the summer season.

THE DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVENTION PROBABLY WILL GO TO CHARLOTTE

By M. R. DUNNAGAN

RALEIGH, Feb. 16—Carteret county will have 18 delegates and the same number of alternates, based on one or both for every 150 votes or major fraction thereof in the last gubernatorial election, to the State Democratic Convention, which will probably be held in May, either in Raleigh or Charlotte, as determined at the meeting of the State Democratic Executive Committee of 120 members, called to meet in Raleigh March 1st by State Chairman Odus M. Mull, Shelby, who was in Raleigh for the week end.

The executive committee will set a common day for precinct meetings, to be followed by a common day for county conventions, at which delegates will be elected to the State Convention, preceding which, on the day, will be held the Congressional district meetings of the delegates to name members of the executive committee, platform and other convention committees.

Belief now is that the State Convention will be held in Charlotte, since it is expected that there will be uncertainty when the executive

Training of Teachers In N. C. Has Improved

(Special to the News)
RALEIGH, Feb. 14—The training of the white school teachers in North Carolina has been increased by the equivalent of nearly two years of college preparation, or from slightly more than one year to approximately three years, in the past 10 years, while the training of colored teachers has increased by about a year and a half of college training, State School Facts, published by Dr. A. T. Allen, State superintendent of public instruction, shows.

"Standard" teachers, those having certificates based on a minimum training of graduation from a standard, or equivalent, high school numbered 22, 927, or 17,771 white and 5,156 colored teachers in 1930-31 while there were only 973 teachers, 887 colored and 86 white, who had not reached that standard.

This publication shows that 46.2 per cent of the white and 15.2 per cent of the colored teachers have had training of four years in college; 22.3 per cent of the white and 22.2 per cent of the colored teachers, have had three years in college; 14 per cent of white and 12.9 per cent of the colored teachers had two years in college, and 13.2 per cent of the white and 19.9 per cent of the colored teachers had one year in college. White teachers who had less than that training are 4.3 per cent of the total, and colored teachers 29.8 per cent of the total.

Mecklenburg county retains its lead as having the best trained white teachers in the State, the average training being 4.9 years in college. Durham and Guilford have second and third places.

Rural schools show a greater improvement than charter schools in 10 years, their increase in training being slightly more than two years, while that of the charter school teachers is slightly less than one year in increase.

Carteret rural schools take 55th place among the 100 counties of the State in extent of teacher training, the average in the county being 2.68 years in college, for the whites, and 7th place with 2.33 years of college training for the colored teachers.

WHITE OAK PUPILS VISIT BEAUFORT NEWS

The News had a visit yesterday afternoon from some of the members of the White Oak high school. Principal W. W. Clarke was in charge of the party. They spent about a half hour in the News shop and were shown some of the processes of producing a weekly newspaper. The following students were in the party: Misses Annie Mae Gible, Rosaline Lewis, Thelma Jones, Iris Brinson, Lillian Dudley, Nellie Taylor, Edith Taylor and Roy Rhue, Sidney Taylor, Robert Adams, Elijah Guthrie.

CAMELIAS IN BLOOM

Miss Charlotte Smith has in her garden this week, a sight that is worth driving miles to see. She has two camellia japonicas, one a bush of considerable proportions. Both are in full bloom, and are a lovely sight. Mrs. M. A. Hill has a small camellia in bloom, and there are several others in and around town that are in bud. Several plants are being put out in the courthouse grounds. These will be beautiful in a few years.

DANIELS DECLINES TO BE CANDIDATE

Raleigh Editor Thinks Best To Continue Newspaper Work

(Special to the News)
RALEIGH, Feb. 15—Josephus Daniels will not be a candidate for Governor of North Carolina.

In a more than two-column statement, published in today's News & Observer and given to the press yesterday, the Raleigh publisher renounces the honor and the demand of thousands of North Carolinians, saying he will stick to his editorial desk and adhere to his resolution of 40 years ago, when he became editor of the Raleigh paper, "never to become a candidate for public office."

Admittedly, he was giving serious consideration to the call, and, contrary to general belief, it is stated authoritatively that he has been nearer announcing his candidacy since his accident several weeks ago than he has before. The accident apparently had little relation to his decision.

His decision, it is firmly believed, closes the list of entrants, for it is now considered too late for any other candidate, except Mr. Daniels, to get into the race. However, it is a matter of much speculation as to which of the three active candidates Mr. Daniels will support. He is expected to take no sides in the primary contest, since neither of the men approach his views on many of the issues of the day, although it is hard to picture him quiet while a red hot campaign is raging in the State.

Mr. Daniels announces that he will be in the thick of the fray, fighting the cause of Democracy, and that his decision probably means that he has taken the hardest of the paths. The Governor is not in reality a power in the determination of policies and activities, anyway, he says, in so many words.

Candidates should be pledged to use their best endeavors toward seven activities, Mr. Daniels writes, enumerating, remove all six months school term costs from land, readjust the valuation of property for taxation, place a proper tax on stock investments, remove the six per cent income tax limit, provide adequate support for public schools and colleges, remove the "water" from public service corporations on which rates are based, and a tax on non-essentials and luxuries.

MOREHEAD CITY TO HAVE NEW READY TO WEAR SHOP

A new ladies ready to wear store is to be opened in Morehead City next week. It will be known as the "Betty May Dress Shop" and will be located in the Wade Theater building. Harold May of Wilmington will be the manager of the shop. Mr. May is an experienced man in this line of business. He lately returned from a business trip to New York city where he selected a stock of goods of the latest styles for his opening.

HOME GROWN STRAWBERRIES

Reverend E. A. Perkins of Beaufort brought in to the News office last week, several fine strawberries which were grown right here in Beaufort in his garden, also a nice nest of eggs, which he presented to the News office.

TIDE TABLE

Information as to the tides at Beaufort is given in this column. The figures are approximately correct and based on tables furnished by the U. S. Geodetic Survey. Some allowances must be made for variations in the wind and also with respect to the locality, that is whether near the inlet or at the heads of the estuaries.

High Tide	Low Tide
Friday, Feb. 19	
5:46 a. m.	11:13 a. m.
6:08 p. m.	12:01 p. m.
Saturday, Feb. 20	
6:32 a. m.	11:54 a. m.
6:53 p. m.	12:44 p. m.
Sunday, Feb. 21	
7:16 a. m.	12:51 a. m.
7:37 p. m.	1:26 p. m.
Monday, Feb. 22	
8:00 a. m.	1:35 a. m.
8:22 p. m.	2:07 p. m.
Tuesday, Feb. 23	
8:44 a. m.	2:27 a. m.
9:09 p. m.	2:49 p. m.
Wednesday, Feb. 24	
9:29 a. m.	3:15 a. m.
9:55 p. m.	3:32 p. m.
Thursday, Feb. 25	
10:16 a. m.	4:07 a. m.
10:46 p. m.	4:17 p. m.