

NOIR CAMPAIGN PRESENTED HERE IN FINE SERVICE

Large and Representative Audience in St. James Lutheran Church Thursday.

ALUMNI BANQUET AT THE Y. M. C. A.

Members of the State Have Been Asked to Raise Greater Part of \$850,000 the College Needs Now.

Most representative body of students ever seen in this section...

Dr. J. B. Robertson as toastmaster...

Prof. A. S. Webb is general chairman...

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EVANGELISTIC SERVICES AT TRINITY REFORMED CHURCH

Began March 18—Revs. Keller and Leonard to Be Here.

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KIWANIANS MEET

Address by Prof. C. E. Roger the Feature of the Weekly Meeting Friday Evening.

The regular meeting of the Kiwanis Club of Concord at the Y. M. C. A. on Friday evening was featured by an address by Prof. C. E. Roger...

The talk by Prof. Roger was a plea for the support of the people of Concord for the state's institution which is engaged in reclaiming the boys of this generation...

The results accomplished by the Jackson Training School, said Mr. Roger, is wonderful, when it is remembered what kind of boys are sent to it, and the large number that are changed into useful and trustworthy citizens...

The attendance prize, given by Maj. Foll, was drawn by Jay L. Cannon.

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TWO CAROLINAS IN COMPARISON.

Industrial Commission, Recently Created, Makes Report to South Carolina Governor.

Columbia, S. C., March 16.—There has been a much greater development in manufacturing industries taken as a whole in the state of North Carolina than in South Carolina...

Thus reads the report of the industrial commission, created by the present legislature, at the suggestion of Governor McLeod, early in the session. The commission, composed of B. E. Geer, of Greenville; R. B. Beller, of Sumter; Senator Allen Johnston, of Newberry; Representative J. W. McKay, of Dillon, and President W. M. Figgis, of Clemson college, and the governor will report it to the legislature Saturday.

The committee says that it believes that taxation has not been the determining factor in the greater industrial development which has taken place in North Carolina. The commission finds no disposition on the part of South Carolina to attract or encourage industrial corporations.

As to factors that have brought about large industrial development in North Carolina the commission refers to the smaller cotton mills, owned locally, the larger amount of capital invested in industries, the larger variety and number of resources, the larger territory and population and "chief among the factors contributing to North Carolina's reputation for progressiveness may be mentioned its modern state revenue system, its ambitious road program and its recent large contributions to education."

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And those friends are authority for the statement that Watts is sure to be in the campaign next year exactly as he was for Governor Morrison two years ago—constantly on the move and just as energetic for the man of his choice as he ever was. The Statesville man has no notion of quitting; he has merely removed himself from an office.

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WATTS FINED \$100

He Will Resume Active Work With His Federal Income Audit Company.

Tom Post in Greensboro News. Former Revenue Commissioner A. D. Watts today paid in police court a fine of \$100 and costs on a submission to charges of aiding and abetting prostitution. He denied the act itself and was acquitted of that accusation.

The Democratic leader, who is the father of statewide prohibition, who was several times Iredell's representative in the lower house and in the Senate, private secretary to Senator Simmons, President Wilson's collector of internal revenue for almost the entire eight years, from Colonel J. W. Bailey's choice for revenue commissioner and Governor Morrison's appointee for 20-month months, motored from Statesville to answer personally today. He has been in the hospital almost the entire time since he was divested of the unusual honors and politically divorced from his most distinguished associates. To have lost so much and to have suffered so long, he looks surprisingly well. He called on Governor Morrison, his life-long friend and fellow in politics and had the colonel been minded to do so, he could have pulled off a reception not given anybody in the state in recent years.

Instead, he went to police court, submitted to a charge which could not have been proved, paid the fine, opened not his mouth, then went to the hotel. He brought friends with him. All of them went with him unashamed. The warrant charged him with engaging in an act of prostitution with Grace Grantham, the girl found in the Shepherd building apartments occupied by the former Democratic leader. It was the arrest and the allegations which, paraded in the public press, set Pharissism agog and the colonel conceding a point to the public just quit.

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800 MILES OF HIGHWAY TO BE CONSTRUCTED IN STATE

400 Miles Hard-Surface Road Included in the Program.—Commission in Session.

Brook Barkley in Charlotte Observer. Raleigh, March 15.—The State Highway Commission, beginning its first meeting of 1923, and with two new commissioners present, is laying plans for the construction during the year of 800 miles of highway, one-half of it in hard-surface. The commission will be in session through tomorrow. It will hear a few delegations, but most of the time will be taken up in organization plans and outlining a plan for the year's work.

Commissioner Hanes, of Winston-Salem, and Commissioner Kistler, of Morganton, the two new members of the board, are sitting with the commission for the first time. They are two of exceptional ability and Chairman Frank Page is a representative of their appointment and the maintenance of the high standard of the commission. Mr. Hanes succeeded former Commissioner R. A. Doughton, who resigned to become commissioner of revenue. Mr. Kistler succeeded John C. McBee, who resigned in January following complaints of citizens of his district over road work.

The commission carried through successfully last year's program of a 650-mile road, some 600 miles of which was in hard surface. Chairman Page said today 800 miles would be set as the goal for this year. The first contracts of 1923 will be let April 3, when projects for some 200 miles will be awarded.

The cement situation is causing highway officials considerable concern just now. Mr. Page said it is almost impossible to make satisfactory contracts for the delivery of cement. Increased demands throughout the country are partly responsible. The commission undertook last year to procure this product from foreign countries, but the plan did not prove feasible, and the necessity again arose to depend practically altogether on the American market. Procurement of cement in large quantities and at lower cost was expected to result from the foreign connections.

The Lutheran meeting at China Grove Sunday.

Mass Meeting in Connection With the Appeal for Lenoir College.

China Grove, March 16.—Lutherans in and about China Grove will gather at St. Mark's Lutheran Church, China Grove, Sunday evening for a great mass meeting held in connection with the appeal for \$850,000 for endowment and expansion of Lenoir College, Hickory, N. C. Speakers nationally known in educational and religious circles will address the meeting and the famous Lenoir Appeal Glee Club, which has attracted great attention in the rallies in other districts, will sing.

Two special meetings will be held Sunday evening at St. Mark's Church—At 7:30 a special workers meeting of all who are most active in the interest of Lenoir College in the China Grove district, and at 8:15 a public rally attended by members of all the congregations represented.

The Lutheran pastors and congregations of the district who will be represented at the meetings are: Rev. C. A. Brown, Luther Chapel, China Grove, and Center Grove Church at Kannapolis; P. D. Risinger, Landis Lutheran Church and Concordia congregation, Landis; Rev. C. P. Fisher, St. Mark's Church, China Grove; Rev. S. Wassinger, Mt. Moriah and St. Mark's churches, near China Grove; Rev. P. L. Miller, Organ Lutheran congregation at Organ Church, and Ebenezer, near China Grove; Rev. G. W. Cobb, Grace Church, near China Grove, and Salem congregation near Barber, and Rev. G. O. Ritchie, Faith Lutheran at Faith and Wittenburg congregation, Granite Quarry.

MAN WITH TWO WIVES IS IN DOUBLE TROUBLE

Salisbury Man Held in Richmond For Non-Support of Number One.

Richmond, Va., March 15.—Walter E. Crawley, when arrested here today for the Salisbury, N. C., authorities on a charge of non-support told the police he was "in double trouble."

The police declare that on further questioning he told them that after leaving his wife and five children at Salisbury he went to Wilmington, N. C., where on Christmas day married wife No. 2. Crawley is being held for the Salisbury authorities.

LIGHTER INFESTATION OF BOLL WEEVIL THIS YEAR

Number Wintered Successfully Will Be Less Than That of a Year Ago.

Raleigh, N. C., March 16.—Only an average number of boll weevils is "wintering successfully and this number will be far less than that of one year ago," according to a report received from the Delta Laboratory of the United States Department of Agriculture, Annullah, La., made public here today by Franklin Sherman, chief of the Division of Entomology of the North Carolina Experiment Station.

"I wish to caution the farmers to remember that this does not mean the weevil injury for the whole season will be less than it was last year, for this will be greatly influenced by weather conditions during the late spring and summer," he said.

"The report does indicate, however, that there will be lighter infestation to begin with, and this will give the farmer a chance to use good cultural methods and to get a good start toward setting an early crop of bolls ahead of the heavy infestation.

"I believe that if the season from the present date is at all adverse to the weevil, it might delay the dusting process somewhat, possibly, calling for less applications than in 1922. Farmers must remember, however, that in the southern counties of North Carolina the weevil had scarcely reached its full abundance in 1922, and in the counties of Anson, Scotland, Robeson and others in this section, there will be equally as great damage this year."

Mr. Sherman said that the reports from the Delta laboratory are always fairly accurate, especially in its bulletins on boll weevil conditions. Last year, he continued, the laboratory found that a heavy emergence of weevils would result because of the successful winter the weevils were passing, and these proved the reports to be correct.

TAX ON ALL OCCUPATIONS.

South Carolina Senate Passes a Sweeping Measure.

Columbia, S. C., March 13.—The South Carolina State Senate today passed a bill levying an occupational tax of almost every firm and individual in the State.

The measure, a substitute for a commodity tax bill passed by the House, also levies a tax on gross receipts of all corporations and persons receiving more than \$500 a year from any source.

The measure passed by the Senate is regarded here as one of the most inclusive tax bills ever brought before a State Legislature. From the negro laborer in the field to the owner of thousands of acres of land and from the office boy to the President of the firm, none is missed. The tax provided in the bill is in addition to the State income tax already levied and it is estimated it will yield \$5,000,000 to \$5,000,000 a year.

The measure provides that every firm, corporation or person in the State working for gain must pay to the State Treasurer a license fee of \$2.00 a year. In addition to this, individuals or firms having gross receipts from any source for the year in excess of \$500, must pay from one-tenth of one per cent, to one-half of one per cent, of the total exceeding that figure. Gasoline dealers and Federal employes are expected while persons selling farm products are not required to pay taxes on such products.

EASTER ISLAND "MISSING."

French Ship's Captain Reports It Has Vanished in Pacific.

What About the May Election?

Second grade—Clarence Cox, Mary Ella Herlocker, Catherine Rowland, Leon Ketter, Estler Hillender.

Fourth grade—Woodrow Millsapps, Estelle Kluge—John Williams, Lee Fink, Joe Howard, Virginia Millsapps, Mildred Miller, Sarah Brice Johnson, Martha Day, Nannie Belle Rymer, Harrison Shikmore, Bertha Gandy, Ruby Barnhardt, Minnie Trull, Ruby Griffin, Lillian Day, Clarence Robinson, Walter Every, Julius Shankle, Mary Runstranz, Franceller Baucher, Evelyn Furr, Kathleen Verble.

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Sixth grade—Coy Phillips, Flake Arrowwood, Violet Probst.

Seventh grade—Elizabeth Brooks.

Prospective Candidate For Attorney General.

Oxford, March 16.—D. G. Brummitt is confined in his home by influenza. He has made no statement in regard to his candidacy for attorney general, though his friends in Oxford and over the entire state are hoping that in the next few days he will announce. Should he decide to do so, he will have a strong support from the ardent admirers in this section of the state and over the state generally.

The wise manner in which he managed the affairs of the Legislature while speaker of the House, showed that he will make a strong candidate.

Bachelor Asks Jail Terms for Home Wreckers in Ohio.

Columbus, Ohio, March 14.—Senator McCoy, of Mahoning county, one of the few bachelor in the upper house of the Ohio Legislature, introduced a bill today providing a penitentiary sentence for one to fifteen years for any man found guilty of inducing another man's wife to leave him and for any woman convicted of taking away the husband of another woman.

Carolina Baby Wins Prize in Kansas.

Abbeville, S. C., March 16.—Harrison Anderson, young son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hays, of Abbeville, has won a prize of five prizes of \$100 each in the state of Kansas in a baby contest. Photographs of his babies were submitted, and it is reported that he has an Abbeville baby one of five of the best in the state. Harrison Anderson Hays is 18 months old, weighs 19 1/2 pounds, has 18 teeth long and has an 18-inch chest and an 18-inch chest measurement.