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ENDORSING MR. WILLIAMS.

that he will wage an active campaign him- may think about it. self, but he is in a receptive mood, he has The question of farm relief is certain, let it be known, and that is all the en- however, to come up in the next Repubcouragement needed by friends here and lican campaign. All of the Republicans elsewhere who feel that he is eminent- do not want Mr. Coolidge to run again out serving any good purpose. ly fitted by training and nature for the and they will use his veto of this bill as a district attorneyship.

ed harder for the Republican party than differenece about the merits of the bill, has Mr. Williams. He has given gener- particularly. We mean by this, that the ously of his time and talent and he has ac- President may have been or may not have complished much. He was the recogniz- been right about the bill failing in its ed under his leadership to the extent that was defeated because it sought to aid the all Republican candidates were elected farmer. We believe not 10 per cent. of for a number of years.

the bar; he is recognized over the State thing. They knew that such a bill had as well trained lawyer. He has had suf- been passed but we doubt if 10 per cent. ficient experience with such cases to be of them really understood what the bill familiar with the work that he would have would have done. However, labeled to do as a district attorney and his friends "farm relief" as it was, the bill was gen--Democrats and Republicans alike- erally supposed to be favorable to agriagree that he is well fitted for the post for culture and this will be a strong talking it is to be hoped that the bill will be which he has been suggested.

John J. Parker ran for Governor, was defeated and later was named to a fed- President in the next campaign. eral judgeship. Isaac Meekins ran for! candidate for Governor, but he has been nominee in 1928. a candidate when there was no chance of election simply because his party wanted him to be. Frank A. Linney and Johnson I. Haves both defeated candidates, are most favorably mentioned as judge of the new district. If their service, training or what-not, entitles either to that position, then Mr. Williams is entitled to the post for which his friends are supporting him. We do not intimate that eral job, but just the same he has made ognition for his work.

We would like to see him endorsed for this post by the same crowd and by the same unanimity of opinion that was in evidenece when he was asked to run for and Observer points out 'whenever the Congress, and for Superior Court judge Republicans nominate a candidate for and for Solicitor. Friends who asked Governor of North Carolina they do not him to make "hopeless" campaigns pick him with reference to anything conshould feel kindly toward him now that nected with the executive office. They

McADOO IN FLORIDA.

The Jacksonville, Fla., Journal, has just finished another one of those useless straw votes, in an effort to get the opinion of Florida people as to the next Democratic Presidential candidate. Nothing is more misleading often than a straw vote but just the same it affords some amusement and some newspaper copy.

If this ballot proves anything it is the fact that William G. McAdoo is the choice of Florida Democrats. The same thing now that he has his job the fight must may be true in other Southern States at the present time. There is no certainty, of course, that any of the candidates have voted in this newspaper poll will be named by the party, and the man finally named may be more popular than any one or all of them.

But on the face of returns as carried in this poll among a field of six, including Governor Al Smith, Senator Reed, Governor Ritchie, Governor Doheny and Senafor Walsh, the Californian had the lead. poll, however-that Senator Reed would poll more votes that Governor Ritchie. Each of the candidates is wet and the latter has been outstanding Chief Executive of Maryland, fighting always for Democratic principles, while Senator Reed has a judgeship as recompense and reward. the borrower has. bitterly opposed Democratic leaders and

principles at times. The Winston-Salem Journal thinks 'in North Carolina Mr. McAdoo would run got about four times as many votes as Tammany Hall's "wet" candidate was WHAT IS ADVANTAGE OF BILL?

able to poll.' voted on by the Jacksonville paper's expired terms?

Governor Smith _____ 428

Senator Reed	204
Governor Ritchie	7.6
Governor Donahey	41
Senator Walsh	36

WHAT WILL THE FARMERS DO

President Coolidge studied long and hard, no doubt, over the McNary-Haugen farm relief bill before vetoing it. It was one of the hardest tasks facing him as President and many argue that it had much to do with his political future.

The President vetoed the bill, he said, Much support should develop for H. S. because it did not do what it was sup-Williams, of Concord, who has been sug-posed to do-benefit the farmer. That gested by friends as a candidate for Dis- was sufficient reason and the President trict Attorney of the new Federal district is to be congratulated upon doing what recently created in North Carolina. Mr. he thought best, regardless of what the Williams is not a candidate in the sense politicians in some of the western States

means of trying to break down his in-Few men in North Carolina have work- fluences with the farmer. It makes no the farmers knew anything about the bill, Mr. Williams has been successful at so they can be made to believe most anypoint for Frank Lowden and others who are expected to offer opposition to the

Mr. Lowden approved the bill so may Governor, was defeated and later was be the measure will become one of the appointed to a federal judgeship. Mr. political issues. It might go far in de-Williams has never been the Republican termining who will be the Republican

WHO WILL GET THE JOB?

Everybody knows that some Republican will be named judge of the new Federal District in North Carolina but so far there seems to be no agreement as to who will get the job.

With one Democratic and one Republican judge in the State and the Republi-"hope of reward" in the nature of a fed- doubt about the party affiliations of the man to be named, but it seems that the sacrifices for the party, regardless of the Republicans themselves can't agree. Sevreasons, and he is entitled to some receleral candidates are in the field, but it is generally presumed that the fight lays between Johnson J. Hayes and District Attorney Linney.

Discussing the case the Raleigh News he has a chance to really land something. know he will not be elected. The purpose of making the nomination is to give him a certificate he can present at Washington for a Federal judgeship. John Parker ran for Governor and was made Circuit Court judge. Isaac Meekins ran for Governor and was made district

That's about the way the thing goes, but the trouble is there is no recently defeated candidate for Governor available. There has been no Republican gubernatorial candidate since Judge Meekins and be between some other men.

That brings up the names of District Attorney Linney and Johnson J. Hayes. Mr. Linney was defeated for Governor about twelve years ago and Mr. Hayes was defeated for the Senate in the last campaign. Who has the preference? Discussing the case further the Raleigh contemporary says:

"Your claim is barred by the statute of limitations," say partisans of Johnson J Hayes, "and besides you got 'yourn' when There is one surprising thing about the you took the job of district attorney."

"There are other applicants, but the se- In commenting on this piece of legislection was made in the Republican con- lation and its intent to do good, the News vention when it named a candidate to and Observer would have every avenue feel that the necessity will have to be matters. take a drubbing cheerfully for Governor guarded so that the loan shark may not rather aggravated before the Governor even stronger. Certainly his lead over or United States Senator. Which? Prec- operate under the cover of legislation. acts. The tax commission should be Al Smith in this State would be much edents would favor Linney, but he has a The Raleigh paper therefore opposes a larger than it was in Florida, where he pone of bread and Johnson Hayes wants bill to provide a larger rate of interest may come then. However, there is the may have more merit than merely increasing the natural transfer of the provided in the city of character without consideration. It a slice of pie.'

the State from \$150,000 to \$175,000 to hold and kitchen furniture, the note to be tion members in North Carolina from a queen from Rumania tours the the country. Judges may go "a leetle

offset this item of cost?

appointee would have an advantage in fact that a man is in the Senate would help maybe, but it might prove disastrous. Certainly any one named to fill an unexwould not suffer in the meantime.

The people of North Carolina have great confidence in any man they elect to the governorship, we believe, and they would be willing for him to make the appointment. He has other appointive powers. Are these to be taken from him also, for fear he will give favor to some one?

We can see no reason for the propos ed law. It is purely a political move and would cost the State much money with

THOUSAND BOOKS FOR THE LI BRARY.

The recent book drive for the Concord Public Library was a success. It is reported that approximately 1,000 books were secured during the drive and these ed leader of the party in Cabarrus coun- purpose. The politician will go before will do much to relieve the shortage that

The result of the drive shows, we think, the attitude of the public toward the litoo, that every class of citizens is interested in the library.

A bill to provide a bond issue for funds to erect and equip a modern library here has been forwarded to Raleigh and been given. rushed through the Legislature. Confashion insofar as borrowing the books is craft of various kinds on the harbors, as interested in giving financial support. money to adequately finance the institu- property in Nicaragua? tion. It takes all of the present funds for of the institution felt that the public had protection to British subjects. rather support the institution by taxation than by donation.

ture or by the voters of the city the future of the institution apparently is doom-

THE BABE WILL NOT QUIT.

Babe Ruth has been getting \$52,000 a year from the Yankees and he's worth it Wherever he goes he is a big attraction. Last year was one of his best, despite the fact that he could not establish a new home run record. However, he took his work seriously and as a result the other Yankees did the same thing and the result was another pennant for the crowd.

This year Babe wants more than \$52,-000. It is said that Ty Cobb will get \$60,-100 at least from the Athletics and the

Ruth to quit the game unless he gets commission is another. wants to get as much as possible, but he enough. too much for that.

STOP THE INTEREST EXTOR-TIONISTS.

Walter Murphy has presented to the They further allege that when Hayes Legislature a bill designed to stop the agreed to be the sacrifice to run against practice of extortionists who prey on Overman and spoke to empty benches in wage-earners in need of money for the

Observer saying in this connection:

Eliminating the scattered votes, tabu- What is the real advantage of the bill "And now that the Murphy bill would year. lation shows the following distribution of which would require successors of Sena- reduce bootleg extortion of the poor, up ballots among the first choice candidates tors to be elected by the people to fill un- springs a corporation asking to be licensed to lent money at the rate of 3 per cent. It would cost the various counties of a month, with mortgage on wages, house- The bill prohibiting secret organiza- the Columbian exposition stirred the American bench partly because

chattle mortgage piece of slavery which eral Assembly. The bill was introduced the Legislature is asked to impose upon early in the week and passed before the favor of the bill is that a gubernatorial families in distress and to compel them week was out.

borrowers." Carolina do everything possible to pre- ent of a similar bill two years ago. this position:

"The strong arm of the State should be used to protect to the utmost that class to cease functioning in North Carolina, of earners who are subjected to the conditions out of which the loan shark grows have decided against masking? Or did Moreover, the and prospers. Every small loan made to the Klansmen say nothing on the assumpsmall borrowers should be regulated; ev- tion that they would not be arrested de- time students ery means possible taken to guarantee spite the law? that this small borrower be not mulched by greed and that he find a way to secure a loan under conditions that are just and fair and do not bring him into distress."

5400 TROOPERS IN NICARAGUA.

Nicaragua to protect about 150 Ameri- has made a wise mose. If it plans to dis- Charlotte Observe cans. Or at least the administration has regard the law then it should be dealt ty for many years and the party prosper- the farm people with the cry that the bill has handicapped the library for several insisted that the soldiers are there sim- with mercilessly. ply as a protection.

The people of the country have never been informed fully as to the American brary. These books came from homes in aims and purposes in Nicaragua. Secreall sections of the city, this demonstrating tary Kellogg has spoken on the matter, to be sure, and President Coolidge has had something to say in regard to the llanding of troops in the South American country, but the full facts have never

We have established about 10 neutral zones in the country with the 5400 solcord people support the library in lavish diers and in addition we have fighting concerned and we believe they are just ready for an eventuality. Just how much force does it take for the United States

What has happened to the American marines that 54,000 of them cannot pro-If the bill is ratified by the Legislature tect 150 Americans? The public feels could you do it? and accepted by the people of Concord that something more than "protection"

the future of the library is assured. If is at the bottom of the American policy

the bill is defected either by the Leville in Your presence feel new cans in power in Washington there is no the future of the library is assured. If is at the bottom of the American policy the bill is defeated either by the Legisla- in Nicaragua and that same public is en- health and courage ! titled to the facts.

> landing of more troops and the dispatch they are the salt of the ministry. of more cruisers or battleships to Nicara-

We are getting deeper and deeper into The Fourth Estate. the trouble in this South American re-

TALK OF SPECIAL SESSION.

Raleigh reports indicate that there is Babe craves to be the highest salaried quite a bit of talk there now about a specman in the game. We feel that he ial session of the Legislature in 1928. should be, but we doubt that he is worth Judge Winston's bill to revise the constithe \$75,000 he is said to have demanded. Itution is one reason suggested for the ed to ministers that the finer sensibilities of the We can't take seriously the threat of special session, and the report of the tax public can be reached by newspaper advertising

what he wants. He talks about a string | Nothing will be done before 1928 in all and churches—as well as to buy merchandise from of gymnasiums and a correspondence probability. The tax commission would course in physical culture but that's not investigate fully the tax system of the like making more than a thousand a State, especially as it relates to industry, week for the year by playing about five and certainly it could not be ready with months. The Yankees want to sign the a report this year. And besides one ses- ning its way through the legislative halls has at star at the least possible figure and he sion of the Legislature in a year is last been brought to a permanent halt. The House

ferences will be settled. Babe Ruth has should be done about the tax matter. but it was noticed that the tark was not the tark no idea of quitting. He loves the "cash", There may be nothing to the charges by are nor nay, perhaps in assurance that talk on its over, is about \$5,000.00 corporations that they are paying too part was unnecessary. It was opposed mainly on United States assay much taxes, yet there's a lot of smoke it would create a burden upon the tax payers about this thing, indicting that there is which might as well be avoided. fire somewhere. We do not argue or be- that kind might not be legislatively consisten, for, lieve that corporations are trying to dodge increase the tax burden, right on its heeis came a all taxes. They appreciate the advant-salary-increase bill. The Governor's compensation ages of North Carolina, but at the same aries of other Staate officers would get a thousand time they feel that taxes have increased dollar lift. There can be no contention among fair- in this section of the Eastern North Carolina to 'uphold the time being. They collect high interest faster than income and that something public officials ought to be better compensated, for THE ERROR WOLLD banner of the G. O. P." he was promised and take a mortgage on about everything should be done to remedy the ills they the salaries now prevailing were fixed before the are now confronted with.

Governor McLean will call the special session if he deems it necessary, but we show how hard it is for a Legislature to establish over until the Legislature meets that

THE KLAN MAKES NO OBJEC-

hold a special primary and a special elec- husband and wife and probably by other wearing masks and keeping their identi- Boston Transcript.

tion. What good feature has the bill to members of the family. It is a sort of ty unknown, has been passed by the Gen-

to pay interest of 3 per cent, a month for There are several remarkable things The remarkable the chains this legalized loan shark cor- about this bill. There was not a dissent-That might be true and it might not. The poration would rivet upon necessitous ing vote and it was introduced by Rev. We want to see the State of North Klan, and Senator Johnson, bitter oppon-

pired term could be defeated at the next vent extortion by law. A law has been Members of the Klan must not have election and the chances are the State presented giving certain companies the made objection for more than likely they real symptom right to charge more than the legal rate could have secured some votes if not a of interest. We should have no such law. majority. But the bill apparently has We agree with The Salisbury Post in the approval of all and it had easy sailing tion of less the

There is no evidence that the Klan is Robin to make a so does the bill mean that its members a tidal way

Our most serious objection to the Klan the has been the fact that its memberes al- of colleges ways went masked when they had any- The colleges are thing to do in the open. We have never have taken place had faith in an organization that hid its present age. The E face. If the Klan has decided to come out pends on the liver The United States has 5400 troopers in into the open in North Carolina then it

> The Australian ballot bill was defeated. Of course the politicians will be givthe credit. It has been charged all along that the politicians were afraid of county histories. the bill and were against it, so naturally the charge will be made that they defeated it. And the charge may be true. for production of a hi The average politician is pretty well satisfied with the present voting system in history of Mecklenburg

TEST FOR MINISTERS.

Dearborn Weekly.

Bruce Barton, in Coliter's for July seventeenth. and traditions. This writes an interesting article wherein a fictitious character, easily identified with many thoughtful persons, proposes certain qualifications for the Under the present law there is not enough to protect the 150 Americans and their examination of prospective ministers of religion. Among them are these:

"1. Could you conduct a successful carpenter Great Britain has sent one cruiser to shop? The Master did conduct one until He was salaries, janitor fees and other necessary | Nicaragua because the American consul thirty years of age. Most of the disciples had been expenses! That is the reason no new has advised the British government that Recognizing that the ministry is a far more diffibooks have been available. There could in case of further fighting the United cuit porfession than any other, would it not be an te no books without money and trustees States would not be able to guarantee excellent preparation if you were to demonstrate success in one of these lesser employments before

"2. If confronted with the task of entering the outer court of the temple alone and unarmed, and driving out a horde of greedy money changers,

These are practical tests.

the ministry is not imaginary. And the strange We have enough soldiers in Nicaragua thing is that many ministers could successfully to clean up the whole country, yet about pass them. They are not always the men of whom we hear most, they are not always found every week Washington reports the in the biggest pulpits. But they are there, and

CAUTIOUS CHURCHES.

How to increase church attendance is a question of interest alike to preachers, advertisers and public and apparently Washington does publishers. The New York Sun has recetnly issued not know how to get out. Apparently a folder bearing on the subject in the excellent way we are going to send our standing army to Increase Church Attendance," and while the there to protect a man who was refused presentation is principally from The Sun's standby the people as a Presidential choice. point, the lessons learned are helpful to all concerned. The Fourth Estate is pleased to quote from it these two paragraphs:

Clergymen no longer regard paid announcements in newspapers as a too worldly method of building up church attendance. The high character of present-day advertising has gained for it universal re-

spect and good-will. The large number of

paigns carried on by charitable institutions, welfare organizations, hospitals and schools have prov--that newspaper advertising will induce people to contribute to charity and to attend meetings-

HARD TO KEEP A BALANCE.

The Australian ballot bill which has been spin- yellow metal by imp put it in its coffin and clinched the lid upon it. For a bill destined to certain death, this Australian \$5,000,000 in gold. will be in the game this year for the dif- We are of the opinion that something ballot proposition has developed considerable talk, the score of expense, contention being made that years ago for the esp as the secret ballot was defeated because it might would be raised from \$6,500 to \$7,500 and the sal- and handling the or country heard of the "high cost of living," and the Governor and his official family could easily stand a raise. The incidents are of mention merely to and maintain a consistent attitude on certain related

It will not do to dismiss Representative (Miss) reading as follows: McLean's bill to embrace all of Mecklenburg county ready next year and if it is the session in the city of Charlotte without consideration. It to handle class of loans the Murphy bill possibility that nothing could be done delegation from Forsyth incorporate all that county would protect. So we find The News and before 1929 and the entire matter may go into the Winston-Salem municipality? And will Greensboro, Durham, Asheville, Raleigh and other ed. If the error had large towns do likewise Are we headed toward absorption of the country by the city, or improvement of the city by taking in the country?

> Philadelphia is still asking why the sesquicentennial failed. Philadelphia may again be reminded that the world has moved since the centennial and One Superior

a book that is produce book of the kind

a "Centennial History resenting the painstaking in historical work that ough every other county that is no

MR. TAFT WAS RI

Raleigh News and Observer Some years ago Mr. Taft nation in the civilized serious crimes increase lawlessness figure on avoiding detection and p severity of punishment that de of crime. It is the certaint City Star says Missouri tiquated bandit-coddling Carolina and some other gross miscarriage of just that protect and defend of "fixed juries." Missour chances of escaping pur Judge Hennings Missouri Association of Crin

for one committing murder 6 to 1 against any pu City 11 to 1. One c that the chances are 24 in Kansas City 28 to victed: and in cases St. Louis of getting away sas City 50 to 1; and after h is a good chance of not

A SLEEPING IND

Charlotte Observer. The Observer has alway of the industries that is t that of gold mining, for the g

face of this part of the

to find it, where the pr out. One encouraging fact that the famous p in Rowan County, h by a company that a certain eventuality And yet talk of counties, gives the that more gold is languished and finally of the developed exp

Asheville citizen

Our vigilant pro days ago that he cou serious damage to tri sort of a meeting held as saying "every The proof of the was not the express was what the story would have been do: interest in man