

Tar Heel Teams Leave For Conference Tournament

First Games Of Annual Tilt Scheduled Today

State, Carolina And Duke Carry Full Squads To Atlanta For Games

Raleigh, Feb. 26.—(AP)—Basketball teams of Duke university, the University of North Carolina and N. C. State college, the three members in this state left last night for Atlanta to participate in the Southern conference tournament starting today.

Duke's quintet, carrying the third North Carolina state championship in a row as part of its season's record, barely top North Carolina's five in possibilities as the Tar Heels whipped Maryland's Old Liners in the only conference game the champions of last year lost this season.

State college's Red Terrors, with an up and down season behind them, are regarded as the dark horse entry from this section. Playing brilliantly at times, the Terrors scored two victories over the Tar Heels but lost twice to Duke. Should the Terrors click in the tourney, however, they will give any opposition a battle-royal and may upset lots of dogs.

The three teams left for Atlanta on the same train.

Duke, with a record of never having been whipped in first round play of the conference tourney and having been in the finals twice in the last three years, took nine players.

State college, which used an entirely new line-up to beat the Tar Heels 35 to 1 Tuesday night, sent eight players.

CONSOLATION PLAY IN TOURNEY OPENS

Vance County Cage Teams Battle For Consolation Honors Tonight

Consolation play in the Third Annual Vance County Basketball Tournament will begin tonight when two games are scheduled to be played here. Boys teams from Aycock and Henderson high schools will meet in one game with the winner to get a chance to meet Middleburg high in the final test for county honors.

The Aycock girls and the Middleburg boys won the top place in the county tournament through elimination play, but the consolation play may result in other teams taking the lead. The chance of the other teams upsetting the county leaders is remote however.

Says Government Could Cut Force Fully A Half

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housed together in one building.

About vacation time in 1918 I left, not to return until early in 1924.

In that interval the navy department had been crowded completely out of its old quarters into an enormous edifice of its own, all but a few of the war department's offices had overflowed into a companion structure of similar proportions and the original State, War and Navy building was jammed to suffocation with state department functionaries and a lingering handful of military folk.

The treasury, justice, interior, agriculture, commerce and labor departments had undergone a like process of inflation.

Independent bureaus had multiplied approximately three in number.

The postoffice—the one public service which really gives to the average individual a tolerable return on his money—alone appeared to be operating at something the same capacity as when I last had seen it.

American participation in the war of course was responsible for the growth, which I especially observed because of my absence during the transition.

To be sure, the government began to expand from very soon after the establishment of the republic. That's evident from the fact that it began with five cabinet departments and had reached ten by 1913, its earlier expansion, however, was by almost imperceptible degrees in comparison with

WILDCAT GRIDDERS TO PERFORM AGAIN

New Coaches To Get Chance To See Team In Action Once More

Davidson, Feb. 26.—Doc Newton and Gene McEver, Davidson college new football coaches, will get another chance to see their charges in action Saturday afternoon, when the third practice game of the winter football practice will be played on Richardson field at 3:00 o'clock. Two games already have served to give the coaches a pretty good index on how their instruction has been going over, and they have been working all this week in smoothing out the rough places in the newly installed system.

The close of freshman and varsity basketball and freshman wrestling seasons early this week will give the mentors a dozen more men with which to bull their teams Saturday, and lets loose from the regular winter sports several of the most promising prospects for next year's team.

Newton got about six new linemen from the group, some of whom will form the nucleus around which he will build his first string line.

Last Saturday's showing was much improved over the first game, and the plays ran off with much more smoothness and precision than before. When every man carried out his assignment, the ball carriers generally got through for substantial gains.

Mills reeled off several 20-yard jaunts, and once got loose for 90 yards and a touchdown.

With another week's work and better line material, observers are hoping to get a good slant on just how the team will be functioning when it opens its season next September.

The International Uniform Lesson for February 26 is John 11:1 to 12:11, particularly 11:32-44, the Golden Text being John 11:25.

Among all of the tremendous claims made by our Lord Jesus Christ none is more stupendous than this one: "I am the resurrection and the life: he that believeth on me though he die, yet shall he live: and whosoever liveth and believeth on me shall never die."

If these words are true they deserve to be written over every grave and spoken over every death bed. That they are true and deserving of this use is proved by his raising of Lazarus from the grave immediately after he made the claim, and further proved by his own resurrection a little over a month later.

The genuine friendship of Jesus for Lazarus and his sisters is indicated in the brief message which the sisters sent to him, reading, "Lord, behold, he whom thou lovest is sick."

Jesus received the message in his place of retirement beyond Jordan. Then John adds a very revealing note: "Now Jesus loved Martha, and her sister, and Lazarus. When therefore he heard that he was sick, he abode at that time two days in the place where he was."

During these two days Lazarus dies and is buried, and Jesus does not return to the home of sorrow until the fourth day. So, today, when our prayers seem unanswered, his delay is the delay of love.

Both Martha and Mary, in identical words, chide his seeming indifference to their needs, saying, "Lord, if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died."

So we have felt, too, in our bereavements, little realizing how close he was all the while, and that nothing has happened except by his knowledge and within his loving provision for our comfort and well being and the glory of God.

The Supreme Claim. To Martha Jesus gave not only the assurance of her brother's future life, but the more blessed assurance that

Jesus Raises Lazarus From the Dead THE WEEKLY SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

The Golden Text



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he was even then alive because of a power over death which Jesus held within himself. "Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection and the life: he that believeth on me, though he die, shall he live; and whosoever liveth and believeth on me shall never die."

The Tears of Sympathy. "Jesus wept," may be the shortest verse in the Bible, but there are few more revealing as to his humanity and his sympathy with humanity in its times of sorrow.

Middleburg M. E. Circuit. Rev. P. D. Woodall, pastor. The subject of the sermon at Middleburg Methodist church next Sunday at 11 a. m. will be "Contentment and Discontentment."

Rural Churches. The public is invited to both these services.

Welfare Officers In All Counties Are Being Urged

Raleigh, Feb. 26.—The division of county organization of the State Board of Charities and Public Welfare is now launching a drive to increase the number of full-time superintendents of public welfare in the counties.

New York Cotton. (By J. S. F. Clark and Co.) New York, Feb. 26.—Cotton futures closed steady.

New Orleans Cotton. (By J. S. F. Clark and Co.) New Orleans, Feb. 26.—The cotton market closed steady today.

Cuba Market. Aluminum Co. 49 1/2 Electric Bond and Share 9 7/8 Ford Ltd 5 Cities Service 6 1/4 American Superpower 2 3/4

BIG CONGREGATION AT REVIVAL MEET

Rev. Mr. Whitten Preaches On "Presumptuous Sin" Thursday Night

A large congregation was present last night for the second evening service in the revival meeting at the First Christian church. The pastor, Rev. R. A. Whitten, who is doing the preaching, spoke on "Presumptuous Sin."

The message of Thursday evening, from the text in Psalm 10:13, follows, in part:

"The psalmist turns his eyes inward upon himself and prays to be kept from presumptuous sins. The word sin, as translated from the Greek, means missing the mark. A Christian may take deliberative aim and do his best and miss the target.

"Sin is willful transgression of God's revealed will. The sin of presumption, which is one of the chief sins of our day, is perhaps the most common sin among church people. Intentional, deliberate disobedience to God's law, Christian people are responsible for the enforcement, in a large measure of the promotion law, for the observance of the Lord's day, for the weakness of the church in this present age.

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Advertisement for SO. CAROLINA PLANS TEA AND COFFEE TAX. Columbia, S. C., Feb. 26 (AP)—A tax of five cents on each pound of coffee or tea sold in the state would be levied under a bill introduced in the House today by Randolph Lee of Dorchester and E. J. Williams, of Marion.

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