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## CONGRESSMEN HAVE MANY WORRIES ALL THEIR OWN

### They Are No Sooner Elected Than They Must Defend Their Records Before Some Aspirant in Party or From Opposition—Some Put Out of Action All the Time

Washington, May 20.—If members of the house of representatives leave Washington as is now proposed, along about June 5, for a recess contemplated until the middle of November, many of them may find radical changes to have taken place in their political fortunes in the interim. Some of them may have failed of re-nomination and others who are re-nominated may have failed of re-election.

For the time between now and November 2 will be a critical period for scores of members of the lower house and possibly for a few senators, as well. The primaries, in a number of states have already settled the question of re-nomination. For the most part, in the primary states the present members have been re-nominated by their respective parties. In the southern states, this of course is tantamount to reelection, so the statesmen in this class have their troubles behind them, of if fate has been unkind, already know the worst.

Many states do not nominate for congress until June, July, August and even September; this deferment for the purpose of shortening the campaign. And then comes the tug of war, "getting elected."

Had it not been for the exigencies of the war and the extra session of congress necessitated thereby, this congress would have commenced its sessions last December, what is known as the "regular" or long session. It could have continued until the first Monday in next December, when the "short" session would commence, to end by limitation on the succeeding 4th of March. As it is, this session will probably run up to a day or two before the first Monday in December.

All in a Stew.  
Under the present system of elections to and terms of congress, a member of the house hardly has time to get acquainted with his surroundings before he has to come up for re-nomination and reelection. He must pause right now, in the midst of his congressional work to lay his plans for being returned to congress, if he wants a come-back. If he should be defeated, he is still a member of the house until the succeeding 4th of March, but it can be imagined how enthusiastic a member is after the November elections, and during the three months after reassembling under the consciousness that his constituents have "turned him down" and that he is only keeping a seat warm for a successor already chosen.

It is yet more embarrassing for the representative from Maine, since the Maine elections come off in August prior to the general elections in November. This year, Maine will be watched with unusual interest, as there is a general impression that the Maine election may be regarded as a "straw" forecasting how the outcome of the national election will be. It is not always proved infallible, but it is a fact that the supposed moral effect of the outcome of the Maine elections is held in such importance by the political managers that they often put forth extraordinary efforts to carry the "down east" state.

Psychological Year.  
This promises to be a year when the psychology of the campaign may be expected to figure largely. Some of the political leaders think that the voters are in a state of unrest of mind which bodes ill for their work along normal lines of campaigning and promises well for surprises and upsets. The voters may go in masses, impelled by some psychological wave of sentiment or feeling, or they may be restive of control, un-reasonable to argument, and split and divide along unexpected lines, driven by mood or impulse or the occurrence of the hour.

All the old campaign war horses, in both parties, confess that they are totally at a loss to be able to correctly gauge public sentiment. The primaries have shown one thing very clearly in the states where primaries have been held, and it may be taken as indicative of a like condition in non-primary states; and that is that the stay-at-home vote is overwhelmingly in the primary states did not turn out to take part in the primaries.

The campaign managers are worried over this situation. They do not know how to account for it. Several theories are advanced but none is conclusive. For one thing, it may be that the presidential candidates may not have stirred the people deeply; or, that the voters have made up their minds now they will vote as to party, and are indifferent as to candidates; or, and this is the most disturbing thought of all, they fear that the voters may be out of patience with political parties generally, and are waiting to see what the platform will be before they indicate any party preference.

All political leaders in Washington agree that there never has been a time in the past 25 years when there was so much independence of party lines as at present, or when the voters were as restive under party control as they are now.

## CRAP ARTISTS ARE SEEN THROUGH GLASS

Roosevelt Dula, Lewis Parker and Marcellus Harris, a trio of artists, walked nonchalantly around a restaurant in South Hickory this morning and inquired in a casual way if they could do anything for Chief Lentz and Sergeant Pope, who were making a visit to the neighborhood. Little did they realize—Marcellus and Roosevelt—that Officer Pope a few minutes earlier had seen their eyes but when Davis threw a natural on the sidewalk Little did they realize that the officer saw a buffalo nickel change hands or a dime leave Marcellus for Roosevelt.

How were they to know it? Shooting craps on the sidewalk in front of this restaurant has been a popular diversion. One with his face looking north can sweep the official horizon and detect the first appearance of the cloud of trouble. That has been demonstrated so many times that it was a more commonplace.

This time, however, Mr. Pope went to the second floor of a high building and adjusted a pair of field glasses to his eyes. He saw every movement and he and the chief went down and after the preliminaries, the trio of crap-shooters were brought to the police station. They expressed a keen desire to enlist in the battalion of service, preferring some branch of the army, and as their records were not bad, they were given the opportunity.

Raymond Goodman, who has been getting into trouble about as fast as he can do it, was given a six-months' road sentence by the recorder yesterday for immoral relations with Lou Linn, a character of the South Mountains. She drew two years at the reformatory for girls and women.

## WON'T BUY SUGAR AT PRESENT PRICES

By the Associated Press.  
New York, May 20.—The national preservers and fruits products association announced today that its members will stay out of the sugar market until sugar comes down from its present high level. The association claims to represent 85 per cent of manufacturers of jams, preserves and jellies.

## AMERICANS MUST BE RELEASED ALSO

By the Associated Press.  
Washington, May 20.—Hungarian communists held by the Austrian authorities must not be transferred to Russia without the reciprocal release of all Americans now held in soviet Russia, the American state department announced today.

## EXPORTS SHOW BIG DECREASE

By the Associated Press.  
Washington, May 20.—Exports for April decreased \$135,000,000 while imports fell off \$30,000,000 as compared with the trade figures for March. It was announced today by the department of commerce.

Exports for the month were valued at \$384,000,000 against \$520,000,000 in March and \$715,000,000 in April last year, while imports amounted to \$495,000,000 compared with \$524,000,000 for the preceding month and \$273,000,000 for April 1919.

Members of the house of representatives have more reason than senators to be apprehensive of this independent spirit so widely prevalent for they are nearer the people. Moreover, all of them are up for reelection and only one-third of the senators.

## CLOSING EVENT TO INVESTIGATE SPENDING OF MONEY AT CATAWBA COLLEGE

Newton, May 19.—Catawba College commencement exercises closed today with a business session of the alumni association. The meeting was more largely attended than usual. The following classes were represented: 1892, '95, '94, 1910, '12, '14, '16 and '19. In addition to routine it was reported that the Davidson Forsyth branch had been organized recently at Lexington by Rev. J. A. Palmer. The home branch has been organized nearly two years. The trustees of the college asked the association to appoint a committee to assist President Wolfinger in securing 800 members to Catawba leagues. The following were selected to act with President Wolfinger as chairman: Rev. S. J. Kirk, of Burlington; Rev. J. A. Palmer, of Lexington; Rev. S. A. Troxell, of Mt. Pleasant; Rev. A. R. Toshi and Prof. A. C. Sherwill. The following were chosen officers for the year: Rev. H. A. Fesperman, president; Clarence Clapp, vice president; Miss Gienna Lentz, secretary-treasurer; W. L. Warlick, orator for 1921, and Rev. C. C. Wagoner, alternate. Dr. Wolfinger, Prof. H. G. Kopenhaver and Rev. J. A. Coons were made honorary members of the association. All the members present felt that a brighter, bigger day for Catawba college is just ahead and all are eager to take part in the noble work.

About one hundred alumni and their friends attended the annual luncheon in the college dining hall today at 1 p. m. A sumptuous feast prepared under the direction of Miss Crice, the matron, was enjoyed by all. Dr. Clapp was toastmaster. "A Greater Catawba College" was the general topic. Dr. Clapp represented the trustees; Rev. J. A. Palmer, the alumni; and Harvey W. Black, the students. President Wolfinger outlined briefly the plans for the future. A number of yells for the different classes during the meal enlivened the occasion.

This morning at 10:30 Dr. J. E. Abernethy, of Salisbury, delivered the address, which was one of the finest ever given at Catawba college. His subject was "Measure of a Man." This discourse was not only of interest in choice diction, but full of common sense and sensible advice to all young people. The speaker mentioned the first quality in the measure of a man as character, the next the self-reliance, then preparation, and last high aspirations. Three kinds of boys were pictured, the first, the one with no purposes, the next is a dreamer, but does nothing; the last has an aim in life and willing to pay the price of success. The third class is the one that does things in spite of difficulties and lack of opportunities. The speaker is well versed in literature and history and was able to cite instances and make apt quotations to prove his propositions. Clarence Marlin Arcey received the degree of A. B. Certificates were given in the special departments as follows: Business, Seth White, Miss Charles McCorkle; Piano, Miss Elsie Hunsucker, of Conover; Expression, Miss Kathleen Bacon.

Last night the alumni oration was delivered by Rev. S. J. Kirk, class of 1912 of Burlington. His subject was "Democracy and Christian Education." This was a masterful discourse, delivered with energy and in choice language. Those who heard it pronounce it one of the very best ever given here. Medals were presented by Rev. J. A. Palmer as follows: The Idahoan recitation medal to Miss Mary Drum; the Emergentian declaimers to Ray Peeler, the orator's medal to Andrew Sigmon. After the exercises the president gave his annual reception to the students and visitors.

Yesterday afternoon the board of trustees were in session. Rev. W. W. Rowe, of Hickory, presiding. The following out of town members of the board were present: Rev. Dr. J. G. Leonard, of Lexington; H. C. Lentz, Gold Hill; Jacob Moore, Concord; J. W. Feeler, Rockwell; J. L. Fleming, China Grove; Edgar Whitener, High Point; Dr. Foil, Mt. Pleasant; D. M. Carpenter, Maiden; W. G. Hinkle, Thomasville. This board planned to secure 800 subscribers to Catawba League which will take care of current expenses till the endowment fund is available. Dr. Clarence Clapp was elected president of the board. The most of the teachers were re-elected. Miss Agnes Andrew, class of '19, was elected instructor in the Academy.

Sunday evening the program began with a professional. "Praise also Ye the Lord." The invocation by Rev. W. W. Rowe, solo by Mrs. R. B. Tucker, of the Methodist church. The baccalaureate sermon was preached by Rev. C. B. Alspack, of Philadelphia. It was a powerful plea for peace against war, concord against strife. The picture of the two men as shown in the text, Prov. 16:32, was brought out in strong contrast.

## BANDITS SHOOT UP AN OHIO TOWN

By the Associated Press.  
Toledo, O., May 20.—In true western style six bandits this morning shot up the main street of Delta, O., near here, seriously wounded a banker, invaded the People's Savings Bank and escaped with \$12,000 in cash and Liberty bonds.

## SHRINERS MEET IMPORTERS OF LUXURIES FEEL PRESSURE OF BANK

By the Associated Press.  
Washington, May 20.—The resolution of Senator Borah, Republican, of Idaho, providing for an investigation by the privileges and election sub-committee was adopted without a record vote by the senate today.

## STOCK DIVIDEND TAX CARRIES SLIGHTLY

By the Associated Press.  
Washington, May 20.—A 10 per cent stock dividend tax retroactive to last March 15 was approved today by the house ways and means committee as a part of the taxation scheme to finance the soldier bonus.

The tax provision carried by a margin of one vote, precipitated such a fight in the committee that reporting of the bill was delayed. The committee refused by a strict party vote to accept an 80 per cent retroactive war profits tax proposed by Democratic committee.

## CONCORDIA COLLEGE CLOSING EXERCISES

Concordia College, at Conover, will close June 2. The Rev. George Lucke, of Accident, Md., will preach the baccalaureate sermon in Concordia church on Tuesday evening, June 1, at 8 o'clock. He will also deliver the literary address in the college chapel on Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock. The graduates are: Mr. Walter Spencer and Miss Annie Yount. The students' annual entertainment will take place on Monday evening, May 31.

## MARKETS

COTTON.  
By the Associated Press.  
New York, May 20.—The cotton market howed renewed weakness at the opening this morning under a continuation of yesterday's selling, which came largely from Wall street sources. First prices were 31 to 40 points lower on later months, with May selling off to 20.00 or 46 points lower while July and later deliveries showed net losses of 58 to 62 points shortly after the call.

	Open.	Close.
May	42.30	42.45
July	38.30	38.75
October	35.50	35.75
December	34.18	34.67
January	33.60	33.94

## Weather

For North Carolina: Generally fair tonight and Friday, gentle northeast winds.

## GEORGIA RAILROAD CLERKS STILL OUT

By the Associated Press.  
Savannah, Ga., May 20.—Clerks of the Central of Georgia Railway, who went on strike Tuesday noon, are still out and there are no immediate indications of when the strike will end. Freight handlers also went out, but the road hopes to have sufficient force to handle a freight in less than carload lots. National officers of the clerks' union are expected here tomorrow to address the clerks.

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By the Associated Press.  
Goldboro, May 20.—The keys to the city of Goldboro have been turned over to the members of the Sudan temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, who are holding their spring ceremonial here today. The streets of the city, bedecked in gay colors were crowded today with visiting shriners, who have taken complete possession of Goldboro. An elaborate program of entertainment has been arranged for the visiting nobles and their friends. A short business session was held this morning which was followed by a mammoth parade of the Shriners through the principal streets of the city at noon. A luncheon was served at 12:30 and at 2:30 this afternoon the ceremonial was held, at which a large class of candidates "crossed the big sands" into the mysteries of the shrine. Immediately following the ceremonial exercises, the nobles were given an automobile ride to points of interest in the city.

A banquet and a torchlight parade were among features on the program for this evening. The ceremonial will come to an end tonight with the traditional shrine ball.

## WORK IN PROGRESS ON CITY SIDEWALKS

City Manager Henry's force is completing the Fifteenth street sidewalk between Fourteenth and Seventeenth streets and will begin soon on the sidewalks on Twelfth avenue between Twelfth and Tenth streets. Cement will be laid on both sides, a petition having been filed some time ago with council requesting the work.

## COMPLETE PROGRAM FOR LENOIR FINALS

The commencement program of Lenoir College, May 21-26, is as follows:  
Friday, 8:30 P. M., Annual Concert.  
Saturday, 8:30 P. M., Contest in Oratory.  
Sunday, 8:30 A. M., Baccalaureate Sermon, Rev. O. H. Panmoke, D. D.  
8:30 P. M., Address before Luther League, Rev. H. B. Schaeffer.  
Monday, 10:30 A. M., Contest in Declaration.  
2:00 P. M., Meeting of Trustees.  
8:30 P. M., College Play.  
Tuesday, 10:30 A. M., Alumni Addresses.  
2:00 P. M., Alumni Dinner. Class Exercises, Business.  
8:30 P. M., Literary Address, President Howard Woodburn Chase, of the University of North Carolina.  
Wednesday, 10:30 A. M., Graduation Exercises. Announcements.  
The Alumni day exercises on Tuesday are as follows:  
10:30 A. M., Alumni Address, Auditorium.  
Address of Welcome, John J. George, President Alumni Association.  
What Lenoir Must Do to Win, Marcus L. Mauney.  
What the Alumni Must Do to Make Lenoir Win, J. A. Rudisill.  
2:00 P. M., Alumni Banquet at Highland Hall.

## SENATE TO INSIST ON NATIONAL GUARD

By the Associated Press.  
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## MATTEWAN QUIET FOLLOWING RIOTS

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## TAR HEER TEACHER IS LOST ON YACHT

By the Associated Press.  
Miami, Fla., May 20.—Airlanes were sent out this morning to search for the gas yacht Gray Duck. Captain Burton Mark, which has not been heard from since it left this morning for the Bahaba islands. The Gray Duck is a 32-ton boat and carries a passenger list of eight, including Vivian I. Risps, of Marietta, N. C., a teacher in the Miami schools. The loss of the Gray Duck has been reported to Washington by the coast guard.

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New York, May 20.—New York banks today applied pressure to importers of luxuries and non-essentials in response to the federal reserve board's request to improve the financial condition of the industry. Creditors who handle such lines as jewelry, automobiles, furs, art exhibits and the more luxurious articles of wearing apparel were notified that for the time being they would be accorded such credit accommodations as were absolutely necessary for the conduct of their business.

## NO CANDIDATE HAS WALKOVER AT CHICAGO

By the Associated Press.  
Chicago, May 20.—With the Republican national convention only 18 days away and the 888 of the 955 delegates already elected, the situation is that no candidate will go into the convention with enough votes to elect him on the first ballot.

Forty-seven of the 53 states and territories have chosen the delegations and are sending to Chicago 537 unattached delegates, 44 more than a majority of all those who will sit in the convention.

Major General Wood, on the face of the returns to date, will lead in the number of pledged delegates. Wood's nearest competitor in the delegates already pledged is Senator Johnson of California and Governor Lowden of Illinois is third.

## ROYALL IS CAPTAIN U. N. C. TRACK TEAM

By the Associated Press.  
Chapel Hill, N. C., May 20.—William A. Royall, of Goldsboro, N. C., has been elected captain of the track team of the University of North Carolina. The new leader has been the track team for two years, as a sprinter, later as a quarter mile and half-mile runner.

## REDS CONTINUE BIG OFFENSIVE

By the Associated Press.  
London, May 20.—The offensive begun last Friday by the bolsheviks against the Poles on the 53-northern front was continuing successfully up to Wednesday according to a Moscow wireless dispatch. The Polish retreat was continuing and was waddly in places, the report added.

## LOCAL DEMOCRATS REGISTER RAPID

By the Associated Press.  
Lincoln county also has a candidate for early next month and one of the warmest contests on in the state since 1908. Democrats are registering rapidly in Catawba county, according to the several registrars. Into here is largely in the race for congress, in which Judge Council is a strong favorite.

## PRESBYTERIAN ASSEMBLY IN CHARLOTTE

Charlotte, N. C., May 20.—The 60th general assembly of the Southern Presbyterian church opens today with a sermon by Rev. F. Frazer, D. D., retiring moderator. The assembly will continue through the 27th of the month. The annual report of the executive committee on Christian education and ministerial relief showed receipts for the year of \$23,711, a decrease of \$68,667 for the previous year.

## RAILWAY STRIKERS TAKE NEW PLACE

By the Associated Press.  
Youngstown, O., May 20.—General headquarters for Ohio of Erie Railroad announced today that old employees are returning to work as new men following the board's action in refusing to recognize outlaw unions.

## DAYLIGHT SAVING TO REMAIN IN NEW YORK

Albany, N. Y., May 20.—Daylight saving will remain in effect in New York state, Governor Smith vetoed the Fowler bill for the repeal of the act.

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