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Rain tonight  
Thursday, warmer  
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## TO DIVIDE STATE INTO INCOME DISTRICTS

**BY MAN SHERNETT**  
Raleigh, Jan. 4.—Commissioner of Revenue A. D. Watts will today divide the state into 16 income districts so that his deputy commissioners may begin work at once on the collection of the 1921 income tax and schedule D taxes levied by the state.

Division of the state is to be made at once by the commissioner. He announced so there will be no delay in putting the division deputies in the field, nine collectors having been named yesterday. Others will be appointed soon and they will come to Raleigh for instructions. Under the plan mapped out by Commissioner Watts each deputy will be allotted a population of approximately 200,000 and this indicates that the assignments must be made with care. The state is going to collect its taxes with the seven deputies which is less than one-sixth the number of field men the Federal government detailed in North Carolina for the collection of Federal taxes.

General deputies will be A. H. Cole, of Franklin county, in the east and C. H. Hayes, of Surry county, in the west. Those men will direct the work of the division deputies under the commissioner of revenue. Mr. Cole and Mr. Hayes will draw salaries of \$7,000 and the division deputies \$2,500 yearly. A. S. Carson of Alleghany county has been appointed cashier of the revenue department and the following are the division deputies named yesterday: R. P. Tuttle, Chowan county; John C. Thomas, Jr., Craven county; George H. Bellamy, New Hanover county; W. C. Hammond, Randolph county; J. M. Cunningham, Guilford county; N. J. Crawford, Forsyth county; John Morrison, Richmond county; G. E. Gardner, Vance county; H. L. Reed, Edgecombe county.

## RALEIGH MURDER MYSTERY AIRED

Raleigh, Jan. 4.—Investigation by the coroner's jury into the killing of R. H. Hamilton, Richmond county, yesterday, was resumed today. The coroner's jury yesterday, on the testimony of Solicitor H. E. Norris, blamed for the killing has not been placed but the investigation has been discontinued. The statements made by Miss Irene Green, former wife and companion of Hamilton at the time he was murdered, Richard Taylor, a farmer living near the scene of the killing, testifying that the shot was fired from the right side of the road just after the Hamilton car passed them. The bullets lodged in the left side of Hamilton's head and he died soon afterward.

## INSURANCE FOLKS ARRIVE IN TAMPA

Miami, Fla., Jan. 4.—Nearly 300 agents of a life insurance company leaving its headquarters in North Carolina arrived here last night about a special train of 16 cars to hold a convention. Agents came from the states of Texas, Louisiana, Alabama, Mississippi, Tennessee, Kentucky, Arkansas, North and South Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia, Georgia and Florida.

## REHEARSALS UNDER WAY

The rehearsals for the Rotary minstrel which will be given this evening are well under way and last night the choir and men went through one of the best practices yet had. The minstrel promises to be a splendid drawing card and one of the best entertainments of the season.

## WILEY CANDY COMPANY HAS FIRE

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 4.—Fire of undetermined origin practically destroyed the three-story brick building of the Wiley Candy Company early today. The loss to the stock was \$50,000.

## SOLDIERS WERE HANGED WITH NOOSES ON NECKS

Witness at Tom Watson's Hearing Declares He Found Three Black Caps Over Faces of Bodies He Took Up—Only One Clash During Long Session Today

By the Associated Press.  
Washington, Jan. 4.—Rufus H. Hubbard of New York, employed by the American Graves Registration Service, told a senate committee today that he found a rope around the neck of each and a black cap over each face.

Hubbard testified that he had been ordered to a town where disturbances were in progress. A negro in his command, he said, rushed up and seized his head. Ordered to let go, he said, the negro jerked out his pistol, but the officer shot him first. Hubbard was tried by court martial and unanimously acquitted, it being shown that the killing was unavoidable.

## STATE WILL SELL SOME MORE BONDS

Raleigh, Jan. 4.—The council of state meets Thursday at the instigation of Treasurer R. B. Lacey to consider the sale of bonds for \$107,000. The amount of the sale will be \$107,000.

## BUDGET REDUCED BY COMMITTEE OF HOUSE

Washington, Jan. 4.—Despite the urgent request of administration officials for proper consideration of the budget bill the treasury department's appropriation bill reported today by the house appropriations committee disclosed a cut of approximately 2 per cent. The measure is the first of the regular supply provided in the new system of fitting money.

## TWO GIRLS KILLED BY STILL EXPLOSION

Cairo, Ill., Jan. 4.—Marie Hogan, 17 years old, and Gladys Hogan, nine, sisters were burned to death in a fire today which police attributed three jugs of moonshine liquor were of Dennis E. Hogan, father of the girls, was destroyed. The still and three jugs of moonshine liquor were found. Hogan and his wife and other children escaped.

## CHINESE TARIFF RATE FIXED TODAY

By the Associated Press.  
Washington, Jan. 4.—Final completion of the report to be submitted to the committee of naval affairs by the full committee and members of the subcommittee on Chinese tariff rates was made today. The committee's report was made today in the armament conference.

## ABANDON THEORY OF ACCIDENTAL SHOOTING

Working on the theory that the shot which landed in the back of the head of Major Hayward was fired by the soldier, the committee today abandoned the theory of accidental shooting. The committee today abandoned the theory of accidental shooting.

## URGENT CLEMENCY FOR LIPPARD PRINCIPAL

Application for commutation of 15 year sentence of Lone Young, convicted with Lippard and Patton for the murder of Glenn, made by the attorney of Lone Young, who is in the custody of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, was made today.

## DEBATE STARTED ON LYNCHING BILL

By the Associated Press.  
Washington, Jan. 4.—In the face of opposition from southern Democrats, the house today began debate on the bill to prohibit lynching. The bill is the first of its kind since the passage of the Dyer bill in 1901.

## FORMER FEDERAL AGENT IS ACCUSED

New York, Jan. 4.—Harold L. Hart, former federal prohibition director for the state of New York, was among the state of defendants named in the secret indictment by the federal grand jury in session here.

## HAYS CONSIDERS HUGE PICTURE OFFER

By the Associated Press.  
Washington, Jan. 4.—Postmaster General Hays said today he had not yet decided whether to leave the cabinet and accept the place he has been offered in the motion picture industry and will not make up his mind for several days.

## SEVERAL INJURED IN TROLLEY CRASH

Cleveland, O., Jan. 4.—Between 15 and 20 persons were injured, two probably fatally today when a street car headed southbound Cleveland at Akron was derailed near Bedford. The accident was caused by a broken flange.

## BRITISH SCHOONER

By the Associated Press.  
Boston, Jan. 4.—The British schooner North Duke reported by wireless today that she had been in collision with the British schooner Cape God last night. The British ship was damaged and the crew were rescued.

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