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TAYLOR MURDER IS NOT YET SOLVED

By the Associated Press.
Raleigh, Feb. 8.—Location of the body of the late Mrs. Mary Miles Taylor, who was murdered by William Desmond Taylor, film director, the complaint charging Edward F. Snodgrass, secretary-butler and chief of detectives, that the slain director was killed on the night of the murder, is the subject of the police investigation into the murder.

Three detectives working on the case. The letters were written to Taylor by Snodgrass and for which he was appointed secretary-butler and chief of detectives. The letters were returned to her, and three detectives working on the case.

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DRUGGISTS SEEK MEMBERSHIP ON BOARD

(BY MAX ABERNETHY)
Raleigh, Feb. 8.—North Carolina druggists are seeking representation on the state board of health and will carry their request to Governor Morrison it was learned here today following a meeting yesterday of a committee representing the North Carolina Pharmaceutical Association.

The question is one that the druggists have long considered but no formal action seeing its answer was taken in the state until the meeting here yesterday. Many states, it is claimed, already have given the druggists a place on the board of health and the North Carolina Pharmaceutical Association will push its case.

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Balfour Renews His Pledge to the Zionists



Arthur James Balfour, head of the British delegation to the arms conference, receiving the members of the Zionist Organization of America at the British embassy, where he repeated his famous pledge made in November, 1917, in favor of a Jewish Palestine. The reception was attended by more than sixty representative Zionists from all parts of the country.

TRYING TO FIND RICHMOND HOTEL IF MEN WERE HANGED FIRE LOSS IS 4 TODAY

By the Associated Press.
Washington, Feb. 8.—Further efforts were made today by the senate committee investigating charges that American soldiers were illegally executed in France to clear up the alleged shooting of a soldier by a firing squad at Chateaufort in July, 1918.

George W. Yarborough, a high school teacher of Roanoke, Ala., who recently testified that he was an eye witness, was described by his commanding officer, Capt. E. L. Edwards as a soldier above the average.

Answering Senator Watson, Democrat of Georgia, Captain Edwards declared Yarborough was a good man and that he would not doubt his word.

Captain Edwards and other officers attached to the Yarborough command, testified, however, that they had never heard of the shooting of a soldier from the Alabama man at Chateaufort.

The shooting of William "Bugs" Taylor, a recruiting corporal, by a machine gun, which was taken to him to St. Nazaire for being drunk, was described by W. L. Davis of Georgia.

"Foolishness was so drunk he could not stand on his feet," said Davis. "Soon after the guard left him I heard a shot, and they said he had strangled them. But he was too drunk for that and the next day there was a military funeral."

Edwin Hill, a negro of Memphis, Tenn., about as big a jockey, was called. "Did you see a hanging at Is-Sort-Tille?" Senator Watson asked. "Yes."

"What did they hang him to?" "A limb."

CLERICAL ERROR COST NEARLY \$30,000

(BY MAX ABERNETHY)
Raleigh, Feb. 8.—Correction of the error made by the senate clerk in the 1921 legislature through a special session last December cost the state exactly \$1,905.93 per day for the fifteen days sitting.

The total cost, actual expenses, as compiled by State Auditor Baxter Durham, runs the figures to \$28,583.95. These are the figures available in the auditor's office for warrants issued by that department up to the treasurer and includes salaries of house and senate members, clerk hire, stenographers, printing of bills and incidental expenditures while the legislators were in session.

Because the special session dropped all committee clerks it was thought the expenditures would be held down considerably but as compared with regular sessions the expenses were more for the extra-ordinary session than the regular sessions. Hereafter the six-day session here cost around \$100,000. The 1921 session cost a few hundred dollars less than that figure, which was, in round figures, \$15,000 per day. Consequently lawmakers at the special session was more expensive than at the regular biennial session.

Applicants asking for work at the six-day employment bureau in the state during the week ending February 4 were far in excess of positions available.

There was a total of 542 registrations during the period and work was found for only 329, according to Commissioner M. L. Shipman of the State Department of Labor and Printing. The report for the week by cities follows:

Registration, 542 requests for help, 351, referred 478; placed 329. Asheville placed 42; Charlotte, 70; Greensboro, 48; Raleigh, 55; Wilmington, 71 and Winston-Salem, 47. Of the 339 men and women who were placed in positions 226 were skilled workers, 43 were unskilled, 33 clerical and professional, 23 domestic and 4 industrial.

Forty-two of the 339 placed were women, the report shows.

FAMILY OF FOUR BURN
By the Associated Press.
Montreal, Feb. 8.—Mrs. Anna Henkel and her three children today were burned to death when fire destroyed their home in the East end.

GOVERNMENT LOST IN RUNNING ROADS

By the Associated Press.
Washington, Feb. 8.—Charges that labor union influence caused railroad efficiency to decrease 30 per cent when the government took over the carriers during the war with further decreases of five to ten per cent during operation were made by C. G. Porier of Columbus, Ohio, president of the grand order of supervising railroad officers, who said he represented 5,000 superintendents, foremen and similar organizations in the United States and Canada.

Mr. Porier said that railroad men in general relying on their union affiliations, were hard to manage. "The employees felt they were no longer road employees and could do as they pleased. They told their foremen that they had but one boss

INDEPENDENT, HE LOSES CHANCE TO PAY

(BY E. H. LOWRY)
Newton, Feb. 8.—Catawba county superior court which convened here Monday afternoon, drew another large crowd yesterday. The first case was that of state against John McFar, charged with operating a car in a reckless manner and also with an attempt to elude the police.

Morton Williams was tried for an assault on his wife and entered a plea of guilty and the judge released him on condition that he would enter into a bond of \$200 to support his wife and appear before the clerk of the court every first Monday for a period of four years and show that he was supporting his wife and children and treating them right.

In the case of state against Horace Heffner, charged with non-support of his wife, L. E. Klutz, representing the private prosecution and D. L. Russell, of Hickory, representing the defendant, served on the sum of \$200 which the defendant was to pay to the prosecuting witness, but on account of the conduct of the defendant in court, in that he acted in an independent manner, when discussing his wife with Judge Byson, the court refused to permit the matter to be settled and ordered the defendant in the custody of the sheriff.

The greater part of the afternoon was taken up in selecting a jury to try Fred Peppay, colored of Hickory, for the murder of Sam Allison, also colored in Hickory on the 6th of last August. The defendant is represented by A. A. Whitener of Hickory, and the state by Solicitor Hayes and S. L. Murphy of Hickory.

Will Hays' career would make a feature picture; his salary alone is enough to make one reel—Washington Post.

HICKORY'S CIVIC CLUBS PLAN HARMONY

The presidents of various civic organizations yesterday afternoon met at the Chamber of Commerce rooms for an informal discussion leading to the formation of a supreme council for all clubs and organizations striving for the uplift and amelioration of Hickory.

The meeting was convened at the instance of the board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce; and acting under their instructions Secretary Van Dervie outlined a plan to prevent in the future any overlapping of activities by the several organizations by bringing to the notice of such a central clearing house any work of a public, civic or charitable nature.

The meeting was the first attempt here as solidification of all public projects for Hickory, and the presidents were enthusiastically in favor of such a supreme council. Tree planting, Boy Scouts, Red Cross work, boys work, public buildings, charity and various other topics were discussed and the formation of such a higher committee agreed upon. It further agreed that in case of division of opinion on any project, the club sponsoring such a project would have a free hand to independently work out their theories and accomplish what they set out to do.

In practice this means that hereafter any important movement undertaken by any civic organization will first be scrutinized for approval by the supreme council, and if adopted by that body, will receive the synchronous cooperation and support of all.

ABEE ASKED HAYS TO APPOINT HEFNER

As early as November 16 last Horace H. Abee, recently eliminated as a factor for the local postoffice, wrote Postmaster General Hays suggesting that Raymond L. Hefner, assistant postmaster, would be the best choice. Mr. Abee had made a rating in the examination. His letter which is quoted below, shows that he had no axe to grind, but favored what was in his opinion the man most competent for the position. The letter and reply follow:

Hon. Will H. Hays,
Postmaster General,
Washington, D. C.
Dear Sir:

I beg to advise that in my opinion, it will be to the best interest of the mail service at the Hickory postoffice to appoint Mr. Raymond L. Hefner, postmaster at Hickory, N. C., for the following reasons: He has the highest grade as to fitness and experience under the civil service examination; he is an upright Christian gentleman, he is and has been a loyal Republican all his life; he has been assistant postmaster for several years, and I believe in promotion in any business where it can be done, because it is an incentive to an employe to give the best service he is capable of rendering in his line.

I am satisfied that his appointment will give entire satisfaction to more than ninety per cent of the patrons of the office. I also beg to advise that I am an applicant for this position and I am one of the three highest of the applicants making a passing grade under the civil service examination, and I assure you that my only motive in asking you to appoint Mr. Hefner is that I feel that with his long experience in the postal service, he can give better service than I or any one can that has not had the training he has had.

Awaiting your pleasure in the matter, I remain,
Sincerely yours,
H. H. ABEE,
President Hickory Township Republican Club,
Member of Catawba county and 9th Congressional Executive Committee.

PROMISED ATTENTION
The reply under date of December 6, last follows:
Mr. H. H. Abee,
Hickory, North Carolina.
My dear Sir:

The postmaster general has referred to me your letter of the 16th ultimo and you may be sure your statements regarding the postmaster at Hickory will have careful attention with other papers in the case.

TO RAISE BONUS FROM DIRECT TAXATION

By the Associated Press.
Washington, Feb. 8.—Funds for the soldiers' bonus would be raised by taxation under the present plans of the majority member of the house ways and means committee today after those members had returned from conference.

It was stated that it was not the purpose to depend upon any part of the interest or principal of the foreign debt.

ST TRANSPORT BURNS AT SEA TODAY

By the Associated Press.
New York, Feb. 8.—The former ship Northern Pacific—which carried mail in 1919 when it was wrecked in a sandbar off Fiji—was being towed back from French Frigate Shoals by fire cutters of the U. S. Navy.

The ship was the only one of the type of the mail ship now in service and was a fine specimen of the type. It was built in 1919 and was a fine specimen of the type. It was built in 1919 and was a fine specimen of the type.

HICKORY CAVALRY PAY DAY TOMORROW

It will be pay day tomorrow night for the Hickory Black Horse cavalry and Capt. Walter C. Taylor is expecting attendance of 100 per cent. The boys will draw \$1,893.39 for their drills during the last half of 1921. All this money will be turned loose in Hickory.

LONDON EXCHANGE MAKES NEW RECORD

By the Associated Press.
New York, Feb. 8.—Exchange on London made still another new high record soon after the opening of today's dealings, demand bills advancing seven-eighths of one cent to \$4.55 5-8, only 51 cents under its par or pre-war value.

French and other European changes made proportionate gain in the opening sales.

Writers complain that there are no big tips since prohibition came in. This is because people are not so tipsy now.—Washington Post.