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## WILL CHECK UP COMMODITY RATES

Support of the community will be interested to know that the railroads have convened the Carolina commodity commission to begin checking of all commodity rates existing in this state, in accordance with the decision of the interstate commerce commission of December 2, 1921.

In order that the manufacturers of Hickory secure every possible benefit from the railroads by the establishment and revision of commodity rates, especially in less car load shipment, Secretary Van Herpe has requested every shipper desiring of commodity rates to any given points, to advise him at once that more advantageous rates may be secured at these hearings. All articles which should have consideration of not being included in present tariffs will be taken up in their regular order as presented to the North Carolina corporation commission, and for that reason prompt action is essential.

According to a letter from W. G. Womble, rate clerk of the corporation commission, to the Chamber of Commerce, the carriers are now ready to comply with the order of the interstate commerce commission tickets Nos. 19500 and 10515, which in effect means an all around reduction of freight rates in this territory and a readjustment of all commodity rates on the new basis.

At the same time Mr. Womble has sent out a notice to this effect: "The former Carolina's committee has been reorganized and charged particularly with the duty of revising rates on commodities between the east and North Carolina points along the lines laid down by the interstate commerce commission in its decision in Dockets 10500 and 10515. The committee is in session at the moment and engaged in the collection of such preliminary data as is needed for consideration of the matter."

"In the meantime I have thought I will write you with a view to securing your suggestion as to the articles which should have preferred consideration and as to the order in which they shall be taken up. It is our purpose to deal first with commodity rates from the East to North Carolina and it is our desire to first check-out revised rates on regular commodities which move in large quantities, such as cotton, sugar, etc. are of the most importance to the shippers and others in North Carolina and if you can consistently do so I would be glad to have you write me as early as convenient indicating a few of the more important commodities which you think should be given preference in determining the revised rates, and indicating also the order in which you should suggest they be taken up."

"When we begin to check up the rates on a given commodity from the east to North Carolina we contemplate revising the rates not only to all points in North Carolina and to points in South Carolina. It goes without saying, of course, that the committee can only check rates on the commodity at a time and for that reason we desire our work to be carried on in such manner as to meet the wishes of the greatest number of those interested."

**COTTON**  
By the Associated Press.  
New York, May 11.—Reports of improving weather conditions in the south seemed to outweigh bullish Manchester trade advices and favorable reports in the domestic goods trade in the cotton market here today. The opening was barely steady at a decline of 15 to 22 points, making new low ground for the reaction and a decline of about 60 to 68 points from the recent high prices.

## RUSSIAN REPLY FOR ANOTHER BOARD

By the Associated Press.  
Genoa, May 11.—Foreign Minister Tchitcherin of soviet Russia personally handed Russian reply to the allied memorandum today to Foreign Minister Sancha of Italy in the latter's room at a hotel. The only other person present was an Italian financial expert.

A friendly conversation of 45 minutes followed in which the Russian foreign minister stressed the fact that the answer had been prepared under direct instructions from Moscow.

Tchitcherin repeated assurance of his goodwill and his desire to cooperate with the other delegation.

After the Russian delegation had left Senor Sancha read the note which consists of 15 pages. The first part of the note was argumentative, but the second half was reported to be constructive, dealing with financial questions.

The note suggests the appointment of a new special committee by the conference to continue the negotiations at the close of the Genoa meeting.

By the Associated Press.  
Chicago, May 11.—Declaring that he agreed with the contention made by the police that Chicago "is in a state of warfare," Judge Tinkham Scanlon today refused to issue writs of habeas corpus releasing Cornelius Shea and John Kaferty, labor leaders, arrested in connection with the killing of two policemen yesterday morning.

He told the police these two men should be held at least until Saturday.

At the same time Judge Joseph Davis in effect refused to replace "Big Tim" Murphy and Fred Mader, the latter an ex-convict and head of the building trades unions. Judge Davis refused to hear the pleas postponing the case until tomorrow at the request of the police.

**ROBT. A. COOPER ON FARM LOAN BOARD**  
By the Associated Press.  
Washington, May 11.—Selection of Robt. A. Cooper of South Carolina to fill the vacancy on the federal farm loan board caused by the resignation of A. F. Lever, is understood to have been made by President Harding and will be sent to the senate soon.

Mr. Cooper is serving a second term as governor of South Carolina. His term expires next January, and his appointment will necessitate his resignation.

## Sheeted Klansmen Appear at a Funeral



Appearing suddenly and mysteriously, six white-sheeted Ku Klux Klansmen placed a cross of red roses on the grave of S. H. Turley, ex-soldier, who died the streets of Birmingham, Ala., after having been, it is alleged, turned away from the hospital doors. The crowd maintained an avid silence during the presence of the Klansmen and immediately after the last volley by the firing squad the white-garbed figures vanished as mysteriously as they had come.

## JACOB M. STINE DIED LAST NIGHT

Mr. Jacob M. Stine, one of the best known farmers in Catawba county, died suddenly at his home in Clines township, about 10 miles east of Hickory, last night at 11 o'clock. He had been in declining health for a year or more and for the past six months he had broken rapidly. He was aged 77 years and 13 days. The funeral will be held at St. Peter's Lutheran church tomorrow at 11 o'clock.

There was no citizen in Catawba county who had more friends than Mr. Stine or whose life could be measured by greater honesty. Splendid in appearance, his conduct at all times stamped him as a man of honor. It was a pleasure to know him and the family reunions that have been held at his fine country home to celebrate a birthday anniversary have brought relatives and friends from afar.

Mr. Stine is survived by his widow, who was Miss Kate Little before marriage, four children and 11 grandchildren. His wife was a daughter of the late Joshua Little. The surviving children are John M. and V. M. Stine of Charlotte, Mrs. D. F. Cline of Hickory and Mrs. W. F. Smith of Maiden.

## ATTEND FUNERAL OF ROSS FORBES

A number of Hickory Masons went to Gaston county today to attend the funeral of Ross Forbes, who was killed yesterday when his automobile was struck by a passenger train. Dr. E. M. Craig will conduct the services, assisted by the Presbyterian minister at Gastonia.

Among those attending the funeral from here were W. L. Boatright, Gascon Blackwelder, C. V. Garth, Frank A. Henderson, Aldis C. Henderson, Robert Bell, S. S. Short, Donald T. Applegate, E. S. Smith and Geo. R. Wooten.

## HARDING TO WAIT ANOTHER FEW DAYS

By the Associated Press.  
Washington, May 11.—Transmission by President Harding of his views on pending bonus legislation to members of the senate finance committee will await the return of the executive from his week-end trip to New Jersey, it was said by Senator Watson of Indiana, one of the members of conference, after his return from the white house.

Mr. Harding was also represented as feeling that inasmuch as his letter would be in the nature of a public statement of his position, he should give it careful study.

## WEST HICKORY HAS SUCCESSFUL YEAR

West Hickory graded school closed a very successful term April 28 with fine high school graduates. The first exercises were held in the Y. M. C. A. Thursday evening. This program was rendered by the primary and grammar grades and while the weather was very inclement the hall was far too small to seat the enormous crowd.

The children dressed in their beautiful costumes were so thoroughly trained and performed so well which made the evening thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended.

The program for the first evening follows:  
1.—Welcome song—Grammar grades.  
2.—The baby show at Pineville—Primary grades.  
3.—A child's mirror—Ethel Chester.  
4.—Pantomime—Coming Through the Rye—3rd and 4th grades.  
5.—Blossom drill—Primary grades.  
6.—A bay and his stomach—Howard Newton.  
7.—Negro minstrel—Grammar grade boys.  
8.—Tableau—Liberty.  
9.—Old King Cole—Primary boys.  
10.—Health play—4th and 5th grades.  
11.—Vacation song—Grammar grades.  
12.—My jump rope—Kathryn Jones.  
13.—Awarding of diplomas.

The closing exercises of the high school department were given Monday night May 1st. The crowd attending was so large that a vast number were unable to get inside the building which demonstrated the fact that West Hickory's school spirit, it has greatly outgrown the school facilities. The Indian hussler drill which was the first number on the program was especially fine. The figures in the drill and the costumes were very beautiful. The high school play, "Which One Won," held the audience spell-bound for two hours. This play was carried through by the twelve actors in fine style which demonstrated very fine talent and great preparation.

The children throughout the entire exercises carried on their parts splendidly which showed thorough training and great pains on the part of the teachers. The graduates this year are Misses Ruth Humphries, Ossie Setzer, Narva Hawn, Lena Berns and Albert Stamey. In awarding the diplomas to the graduating class Prof. Kiser, the principal of the school, spoke of the rapid growth of the school during the past two years and appealed to the patrons and friends of the school to stand united in their determination to give the children of West Hickory a new adequate school building and school facilities second to none in the county.

At the close of the exercise Atty. W. A. Self very fittingly and with his usual eloquence addressed the audience in a brief discussion of the great need in West Hickory for a new modern equipped school building expressing the confidence that the good people of West Hickory would not be satisfied any longer with their school accommodations and that in a very short time they would have a new building.

The school enrollment for the past year was 382 with 46 in the high school department, and consisted of ten teachers. The school board, teachers and patrons have thoroughly cooperated the entire year the result of which has been a most excellent school. It is hoped by all the patrons that all the teachers will return next year.  
J. T. L.

## FIVE PERSONS DEAD IN NEBRASKA BLOW

By the Associated Press.  
Paris, May 11.—The newspaper L'Eclair today printed the text of a military convention said to have been signed by representatives of the Russian soviet army and the German general staff in Berlin April 3 by the terms of which the Germans offer to supply the Russians with material for equipping 180 regiments. The Germans promise to recognize the Russian Baltic and Black sea fleet and to supply material for 500 airplanes.

The Germans would send experts into Russia.

The red army staff guarantees the establishment in Russia of three German plants, one for the manufacture of airplanes, one for poison gas and one for arms on condition that the Russian army can use the output when needed.

Finally, the convention says, the two countries will bind themselves for Russia's entrance into the Baltic and Black seas.

## TO LET CONTRACT FOR FINE BUILDING

The First Building and Loan Association will receive bids for the erection of its new home on May 29 at noon and the work of putting up a three story stone and brick finished structure will proceed rapidly. There will be three stories and basement on Fourteenth street and four stories in the rear. Alleys will provide good light.

The building complete will cost around \$30,000 and will be a credit to the community. The first floor will be a mezzanine floor 19 feet high and the open balcony may be used for meetings of directors and other organizations.

It is hoped to have the new building ready for use in four months.

## ANOTHER WOULD LEASE BIG PLANT

By the Associated Press.  
Washington, May 11.—A new proposal for the lease and operation of the government's nitrate and power projects at Muscle Shoals, Ala., submitted by L. Stern, consulting engineer and manufacturer of Baltimore, Md., was made public today by Chairman Norris of the senate agriculture committee, which is investigating the matter.

Mr. Stern offered to take over the properties for operation "for a term of 25 to 50 years or such other time as may be agreeable" to complete the plants at government cost and to repay all expenditures already made at Muscle Shoals at the rate of two per cent annually. Power developed at the shoals would be used "to manufacture fertilizers to such as may be feasible" and other products.

A letter to the committee transmitting the proposal said Mr. Stern had communicated with the secretary of war regarding the Muscle Shoals project and that Mr. Weeks had advised sending the proposal direct to the senate committee, as the preliminary negotiations have passed out of his hands.

## WAR ALLIANCE IS DECLARED FORMED

By the Associated Press.  
Chicago, May 11.—The detective bureau and city jails were crowded today with 400 labor leaders and others held in connection with the murder of two policemen here early yesterday and the bombing of two buildings which police attributed to labor disorders.

Two men have been pointed out as resembling two men in the automobile from which shots were fired here from which shots which killed Terneet Lion, acting lieutenant were fired.

Rewards totaling \$20,000 have been offered for the arrest of the slayers.

More than 100 labor leaders, including "Big Tim" Murphy, Cornelius Shea and Fred Mader, president of the building trades council, are among those under arrest. Raids on labor headquarters yesterday brought in labor bosses by the score.

## CLEAN UP WEEK STARTS HERE MONDAY

City Manager Ballew is making preparations for the annual clean up week in Hickory, to be observed from May 15 to 20, and to be pushed every hour of the working day during next week.

As usual the city teams will operate in the business district on Monday and on Tuesday will enter the first ward, on Wednesday the second, and on Thursday the third and on Friday the fourth, giving Saturday over to the job of picking up the loose trash.

There never was a time when the people were not quick to take advantage of clean up week, and they will be ready by Tuesday.

## MEMORIAL DAY IS OBSERVED IN HICKORY

Heroes of the Civil war, Spanish-American and World wars were honored yesterday when Memorial day was observed at Oakwood cemetery by the Abel A. Shuford chapter, U. D. C. and Hickory Post No. 48, American legion, with tender and fitting exercises in memory of those who made supreme sacrifice for home and flag.

The school children from the North and South schools marched to the cemetery in a body and made an impressive sight with their garlands of flowers and evergreen which were later placed upon the graves of the fallen heroes. The leaders of the two columns from the North school carried aloft a picture of General Robert E. Lee draped in the national colors.

Rev. S. B. Stroup, Chaplain, invoked divine grace after which the school children, led by Prof. Barbe, sang America. Mr. Stroup made the memorial address, basing his remarks upon the beloved and illustrious Southern leader Robert E. Lee, memorial hero of this year's study in chapters throughout the state.

The presentation of the Confederate flag from Mrs. E. L. Shuford, president of the Abel A. Shuford chapter, U. D. C., for the school having the best percentage of scholarship present was very effective. The presentation speech was made by Lieut. James Keever, who is in remarks paid homage to the heroes of previous wars and to his comrades in France. The flag was awarded to the North school whose attendance was 99 and a fraction percent. The South school was given honorable mention, having a percentage present of 89. It is especially fitting to mention this school as its advantages of attendance were less than that the North school, the pupils having a much greater distance to march to and from school. In other years this was the only school in attendance at the Memorial day services.

Acceptance of the flag was by Master Tommy Mott of the Seventh grade at the North school, a lineal descendant of Confederate heroes, whose words of appreciation were his own and were delivered in a remarkable manner. Carolina was sung by the entire assemblage after which Joseph L. Murney, commander of the American legion, spoke feelingly of the Civil war heroes as well as those of the later wars.

Large flags were draped about the five graves of the overseas dead whose bodies were brought home for their last resting place and the children placed wreaths and garlands on all the graves of the fallen soldiers. The benediction was pronounced by Chaplain Stroup and the Memorial service, beautiful and impressive, was brought to a close but it was not without gratitude and feeling of deepest reverence and memory that the tributes were paid to these men who laid down their lives for others by the eight hundred people who were present yesterday.

Liberal contributions were received for the Robert E. Lee memorial fund.

## SIMMONS OPPOSES ROUSE AT NEW BERN

By the Associated Press.  
Washington, May 11.—Senator Simmons said today that he had decided to oppose confirmation of Walter B. Rouse, nominated for postmaster of New Bern, N. C., the senator's home. He declared the people opposed Rouse, who had the lowest rating of the three men on the eligible list.

## RED CROSS WILL RAISE FLOOD MONEY

By the Associated Press.  
Chicago, May 11.—Local members of the American Red Cross were requested today by the national chairman to solicit for funds to be used for relief in the flooded valleys of the Mississippi, Ohio and Illinois rivers. Half a million dollars is needed. President Harding has approved the campaign.

"Shooting Renewed in Belfast," says a local headline; which will be news to rest of us, who can't remember when it stopped.—Philadelphia Record.

In saying so long to Lady Astor it seems hardly necessary to add the usual "take care of yourself."—Richmond Times Dispatch.

## CONTINUE ELECT BISHOPS FOR LIFE

By the Associated Press.  
Hot Springs, Ark., May 11.—Bishops of the Methodist Episcopal church, south, will continue to be elected for life instead for a limited term.

## NO TRACE FOUND OF BEAUFORT NEGRO

By the Associated Press.  
Washington, N. C., May 11.—Although possemen today continued to search the surrounding country for Tony Gibbs, wanted for the murder of J. A. Adden here Monday night, no trace of him had been found and county officers expressed the belief that he made good his escape. A negro arrested at Hobgood, suspected of being Gibbs, was not the man.

**Moonshine Visibility Test.**  
One moon—pretty good; two moons—the real stuc; n moon—wood alcohol.—Life.

**A Great Hit Missed.**  
Stage Magnate—"All ready, run up the curtain."  
Stage Hand—"Says, what do you think I am, a squirrel?"—Froth.

**Of Course, Unintentional.**  
Joe—"Sweets to the sweet?"  
Sephine—"Oh, thank you; may I pass you the nuts?"—Goblin.