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HARDING BREAKS PRECEDENT IN CONGRESS

By the Associated Press.
Washington, Dec. 5.—President Harding broke a precedent today by permitting the second day of the new congress to pass without delivering an address "on the state of the union."
It was said at the white house that no date had been fixed for the president's appearance before the senate and house, but that he expected to complete his message in time to deliver it before the end of the week. Officials added no formal explanation of the day, but said that press of business prevented him from preparing his address for the second day.
There is no provision of law requiring that the president report to congress at the beginning of the annual short session, the constitution merely requiring that he should "give to the congress information as to the state of the union and recommend for their consideration such measures as he should judge necessary and expedient."

HAMMER WOMAN KILLER, GETS AWAY

By the Associated Press.
Los Angeles, Dec. 5.—Clara Phillips climbed out of a window in the woman's section of the county jail early today and escaped.
She was under a sentence of ten years to the penitentiary after conviction of the hammer murder of Alberta Meadows. She was held in jail pending the result of an appeal.
With the aid of several steel saws, her escape was effected at 2 p. m., according to a report to the sheriff by the jailer. Belief was expressed that she had been aided by other inmates.
After crawling out of the window, she dropped to the roof of an adjoining building and disappeared.
The escape was not discovered by jail authorities for several hours. It is believed she escaped in an automobile.

SUGGESTS ORGANIZATION OF COTTON COMMISSION

Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 5.—Plans for the organization of a permanent governmental cotton commission, with representatives from every cotton producing state for the purpose of recommending legislation by the States which will aid in solving the problem now confronting the industry were proposed here at the second annual meeting of the cotton commission composed of delegates named by the Governors of 12 Southern States.
Under the plan suggested by A. W. McLean, of North Carolina, which will be acted upon by the conference before adjournment on Wednesday, a uniform act may be formulated for presentation to the Legislatures of cotton producing States and which will provide for a permanent commission, the members of which will be named by the Governor of Legislature of each State.
The necessity of uniform State legislation which would enable the cotton producing sections of the country to work together in controlling and eradicating insect pests and the adoption of better methods of marketing and warehousing the staple was strongly urged not only by Governor and State experts, but by a number of other branches of the industry.
Tomorrow Henry C. Wallace, Secretary of Agriculture will deliver the principal address, outlining the work which the Department has done and is prepared to do for the cotton growers.
The act providing for a permanent commission, as proposed by Mr. McLean should by its terms be declared, confine the action of the Commission "to matters common to the industry and which there shall be no conflict of interest" and should provide, he declared, that all actions of such a commission should be recommended only unless and until the various states concerned shall, by legislative act, give affirmative sanction to the measures proposed by the commission and provide the means of making the same effective.
In his address, Mr. McLean said that the most pressing and urgent question now facing the cotton industry in the South was the control and eradication of insect pests.

ROBINSON SEEKS LEADERSHIP OF SENATE

By the Associated Press.
Washington, Dec. 5.—A contest appeared certain today between Senator Simmons of North Carolina and Robinson of Arkansas for the Democratic senate leadership in the next congress to succeed Senator Underwood of Alabama who is to retire as leader voluntarily because of his health. Friends of both began an active campaign today, though neither senator has expressed himself.
Senator Simmons is the ranking Democrat in point of service and was chairman of the finance committee during the Wilson administration. Senator Robinson, also a veteran but a younger man, has been in the public eye for some time and was chairman of the last national convention at San Francisco.

DENIES MOTION

By the Associated Press.
Oxford, Miss., Dec. 5.—Judge E. R. Holmes overruled the demurrer of Gov. M. L. Russell asking that the petition of Miss Frances Birkhead be dismissed on the basis of no grounds for action when his court convened this morning.

MORRISON LEAVES FOR VIEW OF CITY

By the Associated Press.
Charlotte, N. C., Dec. 5.—Governor Morrison left here early today for New Bern to make a personal investigation of the 3,000 persons rendered homeless by the fire last week. Prior to his departure the governor issued an appeal to North Carolina citizens to aid New Bern by sending contributions to Mayor Edward Clark.
Governor Morrison discussed the situation over the telephone with Edw. Metz who said conditions in the fire-stricken city were more acute than was at first thought. The governor was asked to go there. The housing situation was the most acute. The governor will go from Raleigh to New Bern by automobile.

COTTON

By the Associated Press.
New York, Dec. 5.—The cotton market was firm at the opening today with first prices 11 to 21 points higher. There was covering and probably fresh buying on reports that private returns indicated a ginning of only 9,200,000 bales to December 1, an indicated total crop of 9,640,000 bales.

	Open	Close
March	25.06	24.35
December	25.06	24.37
January	25.13	24.49
March	25.03	24.42
May	25.03	24.42
July	24.75	24.11

Hickory cotton 24 1-2 cents.

SHANTUNG PORT CITY HELD BY BANDITS

By the Associated Press.
Tien-Tsin, China, Dec. 5.—Reports received here say that Chinese bandits have taken control of Tsing-Tao, Shantung, the Kiachow port, whose stormy career in war and diplomacy was to culminate today in its return to China after 24 years of alien rule, the first 16 under Germany and the last eight under Japan. The population is reported fleeing from the city.
Trains leaving Tsing-Tao are said to be crowded with refugees Chinese policemen sent from Peking are reported riven from their barracks.
The bandits, according to the telegram, demanded \$100,000 for the delivery of officials held in their hands. The outlaws hold out for the leader of their band to be appointed governor of the city.

NEW GOVERNOR OF IRELAND

By the Associated Press.
London, Dec. 5.—Official announcement was made this afternoon of the appointment of Timothy Healy as governor general of the Irish Free state.



The out-of-work and the needy are many in New York despite reports that unemployment is at a low ebb. This breadline conducted at Cherry street, New York, finds its offerings in increased demand at this season.

Days of Breadline Return

New Bern Fire Caused By Terra Cotta Flue

Deputy Insurance Commissioner Scott Says Blaze Was not Incendiary in Its Origin—City Needs Help From Other Places—Relief Work Well Under Way Now.

SAYS 'NEXT WAR' IS AGAINST RABBLE

By the Associated Press.
Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 5.—William Hiram Foukes, New York, general secretary of the new era movement of the Presbyterian church, speaking before the opening session here last night of the Presbyterian laymen's movement, declared that the "next war" is at hand and "what it takes generations to write into our constitution an alien rabble shall not destroy."
Referring to what he termed the "next war," Mr. Foukes said, it "threatens to break down our constitutional government. The hardest battle we fight today is between the lawabiding citizen and the lawless rabble under the guise of personal liberty."

3 BANDITS ESCAPE WITH GAS MONEY

By the Associated Press.
West Newark, N. J., Dec. 5.—Three bandits today attacked the cashier of the Public Service Gas Company and a policeman who guarded him as they left the company's offices, felled them with pistol butts and fled with a handbag containing \$8,770 in cash and checks calling for about \$5,000.

SELL CHARLOTTE CHURCHES TO SATISFY TAX COLLECTOR

Charlotte, Dec. 5.—When 75 pieces of property were sold here at public auction for street assessments, the city of Charlotte acquired two churches which were included in the lot.
The Westminster Presbyterian church and the Dilworth Methodist church were those which went over the block. Rev. W. B. West, of the Methodist edifice, said his church would be redeemed immediately. The Presbyterian church was said to have been sold by a fluke, as the money to pay the street assessments was collected some time ago.

OPENING OF NEW HIGHWAY IS POSTPONED UNTIL LATER DAY

High Point, Dec. 5.—The celebration which has been planned by citizens of High Point and Winston-Salem to mark the formal opening of the new hard surface road between the two cities has been indefinitely postponed, it was announced this afternoon by F. J. Sizemore, a representative of the High Point committee. The celebration was scheduled to be held tomorrow at Winston-Salem, half way between Winston-Salem and High Point. Postponement was necessary because of the unfavorable weather.

LEONARD SPEAKS TO MERCHANTS OF HICKORY

J. Paul Leonard, secretary of the North Carolina Merchants' Association, spoke before the Hickory Merchants' Association last night on matters of particular interest to them at this time. He was presented by Neil W. Clark, president of the local association, and at the conclusion of the talk the members discussed informally advertising and related subjects. The crowd, owing to the severe weather and the prevalence of flu here, was small.
Mr. Leonard gave a short history of the growth of the distribution system in the United States and argued that because of this extensive organization, employing many thousands of persons, prices were better for the producer. If these men were not in the distribution business they would be engaged in production, probably of the articles they handle, and the result would be lower prices, poor wages and less general progress.
The merchant is the most important of these distributors, Mr. Leonard declared, and this fact is being realized more every day. They are being "gotten" something from every part of the country and make it available for the table at all times. The retailer averages in the United States, according to an investigation made by a special committee, less than two per cent net on the article sold. There was propaganda to the effect that the merchant was a profiteer, but these officials who howled did not take into account the fact that merchants had to carry large stocks and dispose of many articles out of season for less than the first cost simply to give his customers up to the minute service. These merchants were in competition with each other and sold at the lowest price consistent with good business policy.
Mr. Leonard said that of the 900,000 retailers in the United States less than 40,000 were in organizations. This was less than four per cent of the total.
The speaker referred to the need for strengthening the law to require the advertiser to state the truth in his copy and urged a ten per cent garnishment law in order to protect both the merchant and the public against dead beats. The public pays the bills of those persons who won't pay their own, Mr. Leonard said, and they are getting a law would tend to bring down prices.
Here the speaker said that the multiplication of good roads made every town a competitor and urged the necessity of raising the standard here and at other places. It is no distance over good roads to the larger cities, and Mr. Leonard declared that the way to build up a town is to assist the daily newspaper. He said the Record could be of inestimable service in bringing trade here if it were given the support due it. He said people in this section should be given such a good newspaper that they would not care particularly for the papers published elsewhere. If that were done, the advertisements would have greater pulling power. Statesville merchant, decided that they wanted a daily paper and are giving it their support.
A good daily newspaper, Mr. Leonard said, is the best town builder in the community.
Mr. Leonard discussed the Merchants' Mutual Insurance Association, told of its growth and asked for part of the business. It was agreed that this association should get a part of the business here and the association will assist the secretary in writing policies.
Mr. Leonard was given a vote of thanks for coming to present the cause of the merchants to the local members.

ANALYZE LIQUOR THAT KILLED YOUTH

By the Associated Press.
Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 5.—Analysis of whiskey seized at the home of W. A. Smith, residing near Nashville, probably will result in the substantiation or abandonment of the charge of murder against Smith and his wife for the death of Russell at his home in Springfield as the result of poisoning.
The young high school student and football star bought the liquor when caught his death at the home of Smith, according to his companions.
It is charged that "buckeyes," a species of chestnuts, were found in the liquor. Buckeyes were often used to season whiskey, it is said, but chemists declare they are a powerful poison.

BUTLER'S NOMINATION AGAIN WITH SENATE

By the Associated Press.
Washington, Dec. 5.—The nomination of Pierce Butler of Minnesota to be an associate of justice of the supreme court, which failed of confirmation at the special session of congress, was returned to the senate today by President Harding.

KING SIGNS BILL

By the Associated Press.
London, Dec. 5.—King George this evening gave royal sanction to the legislation setting up the Irish Free state as a dominion of the empire.

ROBENSON TO BUILD HOME AT JACKSON

Concord, Dec. 5.—James P. Cook, chairman of the board of trustees of the Stonehill Jackson Training school state's home of correction for boys located near here, announced here last night that the board of commissioners of Robeson county had appropriated enough money to build a cottage at the school following the plan adopted by several other counties in the state. Mr. Cook appeared before the board of commissioners of Robeson county in October and asked for the appropriation which will total about \$20,000, was made to Mr. Cook in a telegram from the chairman of the board of Robeson county.
There are 13 cottages at the school now, seven of which have been built by various counties in the state.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS CLOSED FOR WEEK

On the recommendation of Hickory physicians, who met last night with Dr. C. L. Hunsucker, city health officer, council has ordered the schools of Hickory closed for the remainder of the week on account of the general prevalence of influenza. Superintendent Carver said today that three teachers were ill with the disease, 34 pupils of the High school and about 45 in each of the other two schools. The situation is even worse in the colored school, it was said.
The following information on influenza was prepared by the North Carolina state board of health during the first epidemic and may be of service to Record readers at this time.
How And Where Influenza is Spread
1. By careless spitting, coughing, sneezing, and using the same drinking vessel or towel others have used. The disease germs are carried in the spittle and in the tiny drops of secretion.
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WILL HOLD DAIRY SCHOOL IN 5 COUNTIES

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 5.—Beginning January 2, the dairy extension workers of the state, cooperating with various county agents, will conduct a series of eight meetings in the rural schools of five counties, where cream now is being produced for creameries, it was announced today by John A. Avery, of the agricultural extension service.
"Since the beginning of the creamery industry, milk production has been more or less seasonal," said Mr. Avery. "It is natural for the dairy cow to give her heaviest flow of milk during the summer months when there is an abundance of succulent grasses, and then dry off as fall approaches. However, thoughtful dairymen find more profit and also many other advantages in favor of winter dairying when feeding is carried on in a business-like way."
"On the New York butter market for the past three years there has been a difference of about 5 cents per pound between the price paid 88 and 92 score butter. The quality of butter than any country can turn out is largely determined by the quality of her cream received, and this in turn controlled by the man producing the cream."
These two subjects will be discussed in the eight meetings to be held in each of the counties to be designated, he said. School children of the upper grades, farmers and their wives will be asked to attend the meetings.

PROGRESSIVE BLOC WINS FIRST FIGHT

By the Associated Press.
Washington, Dec. 5.—Members of the new progressive bloc in congress won their first legislative victory today by obtaining from the senate agricultural committee an amendment to provide for the direct election of the president and vice president.
The amendment also would change the inauguration day from March 4 to the third Monday in January and members of the senate and house would begin their service on the first Monday in January.

RALPH THORNBURG WINS THIRD PLACE IN CONTEST

Newton, Dec. 5.—At the state spelling contest held at Raleigh Thanksgiving, Catawba county was represented by Nora Deal, of Conover graded schools, and Ralph Thornburg of May's Chapel school. It is to the credit of Catawba county that Ralph Thornburg won third place, being the 84th speller to go down. To him is awarded a gold medal and to his school is awarded a banner. When you take into consideration that Ralph Thornburg spelled down representatives from some of the largest city schools in the state it makes his victory much more appreciable. Nora Deal, it is stated can spell all the words in the book but it is claimed that some words were given that were not in the book. Catawba county should appreciate the fact that she stands third in the state in spelling, being out-classed only by Iredell and Durham.

MR. BOST NAMES SOME OF HIS DEPUTIES

The new board of county commissioners, after organizing at Newton yesterday with J. D. Elliott as chairman, adjourned to meet next Monday at 10 o'clock for the transaction of business. The board employed the Carolina Audit Company of Hickory to check up the books turned over by the retiring county officers to see exactly where the county stands at this time.
Officers will be elected next Monday. The keeper of the county home already has been elected for another year and that place will not need to be filled.
Sheriff Geo. F. Bost, who is ill at his home here with the flu, was unable to be present, but he was represented by Chas. W. Bagby and the oath was administered by proxy. P. P. Jones of Hickory has agreed to assist Mr. Bost until he can organize his force. Mr. Jones has had wide experience in municipal, county and federal affairs and Mr. Bost, who is unable to start on his new work, feels lucky in inducing him to assist in the business.
The new sheriff has appointed the following deputies, the others to be named later:
R. O. Hahn, Hickory; R. A. Whitener, Jacobs Fork; David Gable, Mountain Creek; Nathan Bollinger, Bandys; J. R. McMinis, Catawba; George West, Newton.

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20 DAYS TO CHRISTMAS
HAVE YOU DONE YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING?
Illustration of a woman and a child shopping.