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## NEAR EAST CAMPAIGN ON IN LINCOLN COUNTY

Lincoln County's campaign for Near East Relief will be held from January 21 to February 28th, it has just been announced by George W. Smyre, County Chairman.

Lincoln County's quota is \$840, which will feed, clothe and educate the fourteen little children who are motherless and fatherless, and assigned to this county for support. So efficient is the work of the Near East Relief over seas, that each child can be taken care of and given an education on \$60 a year—\$5 a month—17c a day.

Mr. Smyre will have the active cooperation and assistance of a number of leading men and women of Lincoln County in this great work. His plans will be announced at an early date.

In making this announcement, Mr. Smyre pointed out that although the need has been doubled in the stricken Bible lands as a result of the recent massacre at Smyrna, the county's minimum quota has not been increased over last year. More than 800,000 refugees were driven into Thrace and suddenly thrown on the hands of the Near East Relief as a result of the horrible massacre of 150,000 Christians in Smyrna. Other hundreds of thousands are now leaving Anatolia to escape a similar fate.

The regular quota of Lincoln County will take care of its fourteen children, which is paramount, to the feeding of the refugees. All funds received over and above the regular quota will be used to feed these Smyrna and Anatolia refugees, thousands of whom have already starved to death.

The fathers of many of these children, who are now in the North Carolina orphanages at Trebleton, a port on the black sea, far removed from the danger of a Turkish raid, were killed in the Great War, defending the oil fields of Baku. The failure of the Germans to get this precious oil supply caused their sudden collapse, in the opinion of military experts. North Carolina really owes a debt of gratitude to the fathers of these children, Chairman Smyre states.

North Carolina is raising \$200,000 this year to take care of the 3,334 children assigned to it. Josephus Daniels of Raleigh is Honorary State Chairman and George W. Smyre of Lincoln, is County Chairman in charge of this work.

## UNDERGROUND STILL IN VICINITY OF HICKORY

Hickory, Jan. 22.—With a fruit jar half full of money on a kitchen shelf, with an overshoot water wheel on a nearby stream kicking water into his house, which was equipped with plumbing and with a smile that apparently was cordial, Fate Mitchem, who lives about four miles southwest of Hickory, greeted Deputy Sheriff P. P. Jones when the latter called on him the other day.

"Whatche doing with all this money, Fate?" the officer inquired.

Fate allowed as he had sold a few haws and things.

Mr. Jones thought he smelled a rat in the atmosphere and began a search for it. The sniffling Mitchem ached heartily in the search as the officer poked his head here and there, tapped on the flooring or removed a rug. The home was equipped with water and plumbing, as was stated.

The officer saw the jar of money on a shelf and bent low over the fireplace. He lifted a pot—and Fate was gone when he looked up.

"Where you going, Fate?" asked the officer.

"Be back d'rectly," replied Fate, increasing the 50 yards to 75 as he spoke.

Persuaded to return, Mitchem saw the officer proceed with his investigation. Lifting the rock in the kitchen hearth, Deputy Jones observed a secret entrance to the basement, which was walled in and cemented, and discovered the source of Mitchem's revenue. It was a 50-gallon copper still, fully equipped, and had been in operation off and on, the officer said, for nearly two years.

A pipe line brought fresh water and another pipe line carried off the still sloop and dumped it into a stream far from the owner's house. Mitchem has been placed under \$1,000 bond pending a hearing before Recorder Russell Tuesday. He has a wife and several children, all of whom lived above his distillery.

## SIMMONS AND WATTS WILL VISIT CRAIG

Asheville, Jan. 19.—Senator F. M. Simmons and Colonel A. D. Watts, the latter State Commissioner of Revenue, are scheduled to reach Asheville at 11.15 o'clock Sunday morning for a brief visit with former Governor Locks Craig, with whom they have been life-long friends and who has been seriously ill at his home on the Swannanoa river near this city.

## OUR FARMS EQUIPPED FOR COTTON GROWING

Farmers Want to Continue Raising Fleecy Staple and Weevil Must be Checked.

Raleigh, Jan. 22.—North Carolina farms are composed largely of those specially designed and equipped for cotton production and for this and other reasons the farmers desire to continue growing the fleecy staple under the latest methods of combating the boll weevil, according to C. B. Williams dean of the North Carolina State College, tonight in his third article on plans for cotton farming in this state in 1923.

"The production of specialized crops requires for success special technical knowledge and skill, which comes from years of practical experience and the vast majority of North Carolina farmers are not fitted by training and experience to go into specialized types of farming except in a limited way. There can hardly be any doubt, however, that as experience is gained with special crops like trucking or other specialized lines more of our farmers will go into this type of farming and these specialized lines of agriculture will gradually increase in importance in the state.

"Through long years of experience our farmers have learned how to grow cotton as it is evidenced by the relatively high yield per acre North Carolina farmers are securing as compared with the cotton belt as a whole. Its production requires neither need of special high priced implements and machinery, nor specialized training, and experience for success as do the specialized types of agriculture. With the proper handling of the boll weevil the growing of cotton is not nearly so expensive and hazardous as many specialized types of agriculture. With ton, too, is a nonperishable crop, and it salable with proper care any day throughout the year.

"There are some reasons why North Carolina and southern farmers generally persist in the growth of cotton. To continue its profitable production in the future, our farmers will be forced in the most parts of the state, on account of the boll weevil, to observe certain precautions other than poisoning the pest, such as early and proper preparation of the land, plowing the crop early, use of suitable varieties, proper fertilization, frequent and thorough cultivation.

"These methods are designed (a) to reduce the number of boll weevils that live through the winter and (b) to stimulate the cotton crop to set a large number of bolls by the first of August or earlier, before the weevils have had an opportunity to multiply in sufficient numbers to become destructive."

## DR. PEACOCK WANTS TO KNOW CHARGES AGAINST HIM IN N. CAROLINA

Lakeland, Fla., Jan. 22.—Attorneys for Dr. J. W. Peacock, who escaped from the criminally insane department of the North Carolina penitentiary last year after having killed the Thomasville police chief, said tonight that he would make no further move towards returning to North Carolina until he learn the nature of the charges the North Carolina authorities want him on.

A hearing on the request of North Carolina for extradition for Dr. Peacock, who has been declared sane at Arcadia, Florida, will be held in Governor Hardee's office at Tallahassee. He will be represented by counsel, but it is not believed he will attend in person.

Dr. Peacock has stated he will return voluntarily to North Carolina, if he is to be tried only to determine whether he is sane, but does not plan to go if there are any other charges against him. He has not been seen since Sunday night and efforts to find him proved unavailing. There has been no warrant issued for him.

## TRANSPORT ARRIVES TO HAUL RHINE TROOPS BACK TO U. S.

Antwerp, Jan. 22.—The United States transport St. Michel, which is to carry home the remaining American forces on the Rhine, arrived in Antwerp today.

Embarkation of the men's baggage was immediately commenced under the direction of Captain John Bigger, Q. M. C., who expressed great satisfaction at the arrangements allowing direct transfer from the train to the steamer.

The troops, to the number of 900, under Col. Walter T. Bates, commander of the eighth infantry, are expected to arrive from Coblenz Thursday morning. The families of the officers and men are mostly due Wednesday. The troops will embark at some distance from the city, where they will be conveyed directly by train along the quay.

## SAYS 25 TO 50 PERSONS A MESSAGE TO CHILDREN OF LINCOLN COUNTY WILL BE ARRESTED SOON

Bastrop, La., Jan. 22.—On returning here today from Baton Rouge, where he conferred with Governor Parker, Attorney General Coco said that the hearing in the Daniel-Richard kidnaping and murder investigation had established that the Ku Klux Klan is responsible for the disorder and lawlessness bordering on revolution in Morehouse parish, and that a super-government has usurped the powers and duties of government authorities. He also said that from 25 to 50 persons, members of the Klan, will be arrested on from 100 to 150 charges. The offenses committed run from simple assault to murder.

Here are some of them: Assault, trespass, disturbance of the peace, disturbing public worship, kidnapping, conspiracy and murder. A blanket charge of conspiracy against all klansmen in the parish may be made. It is being considered. The hearing may close this week, and the state attorneys go to New Orleans to put the testimony in shape for the grand jury.

In addition to the offenses named, perjury will be charged against persons who have tried to alibi friends and fellow klansmen. Mr. Coco said today that when the trial of the men charged with these crimes comes up for a final showdown the same attorneys acting for the state will be on hand then.

## RUM FLEET TAKES ON PROPORTIONS OF BIG ARMADA OFF JERSEY

New York, Jan. 22.—Substitution of a 12-mile limit for the three-mile limit now drawn by international law has been recommended to Washington as a means of combating the rum fleet off the New Jersey coast.

The recommendation, it was said today, was an outgrowth of the conference Saturday between Acting Collector of the Port Stuart and prohibition enforcement authorities.

The rum fleet off the coast is taking on the proportions of an armada and is well armed, according to officers of two vessels which arrived today. The captain of the Roquette which arrived from Sierra Leone, Africa, estimated the fleet at from 25 to 60 vessels.

"The rum boats were drifting around like a lot of ducks," Second Officer Martin said. "There was a heavy fog when we passed Fire Island at 2 o'clock this morning and from then until 4 o'clock, when we passed Ambrose lightship my heart was in my mouth."

"There were ringing bells, blowing horns and firing guns to give us their position. It was like New Year night on Broadway, only more so. I slowed down to half speed when I found what the situation was, but once I had to order full speed astern and throw my helm hard over to keep from cutting a steamer in half."

## Anti-Masking Measure Reported Unfavorably

Raleigh, Jan. 23.—Baggett unmasking bill, which the author declared was directed against all murderers or secret assassins and not against the Ku Klux Klan in any ordinary exercise of the purpose of a fraternal order, was reported unfavorable by the committee late today, following a public hearing in which advocate of legislation to reach to Ku Klux Klan spoke in its favor.

## ANOTHER AFTERMATH OF JENKINS' ASSAULT CASE

Taylorville Jan. 21.—The principal case of interest on docket at the next term of Alexander superior court, which convenes here February 19, will be featured with the defendants in the S. L. Jenkins' hold-up and assault case, which took place here on the night of August 10, when Dan and Mack Jones of Alleghany county, alleged to have assaulted Marguerite Smith alias Minnie Jones, and F. A. Tucker, traveling man, of New York, is charged with aiding in a conspiracy against the woman. The above named defendants were tried before Magistrate H. C. Pane in October, and were released under bond for their appearance at the regular term of court which convenes next month.

As will be remembered, S. L. Jenkins, merchant, of Winston-Salem, was making a trip through to Blowing Rock on the night of August 10 and was in the act of conveying Minnie Jones of Greensboro, to Blowing Rock, when a band of masked men held up Jenkins' car on the suburbs of Taylorville about 10 o'clock at night, assaulted the woman occupant of his car, and threatened her with a knife. It is claimed that the assault and holdup had been previously arranged with the above named defendants, who are charged with assault on a female and aiding in a conspiracy.

## The Meaning of Tuberculosis—What Is Tuberculosis

(By The Health Nurse.)

The most common form of tuberculosis also consumption.) There is lots of it around. People catch it very easily and often die of it, but if taken in time, it can be cured. Those who are sick with it give it to healthy persons. How Do You Know When You Have Tuberculosis?

You cough and become somewhat feverish toward night. You lose appetite and feel weak. You grow thin and take to coughing and spitting and sometimes spit up blood. Tuberculosis of the intestines is shown particularly by fever and diarrhoea.

What is the Cause of Tuberculosis? Tuberculosis is caused by a tiny living thing which scientists call a germ, sometimes so very, very small that to see it you must use an instrument called a microscope.

Does Tuberculosis attack another part of the body as well as the lungs? Yes indeed, you can have it in the bones, or in the joints, or in the glands of the neck, or in the intestines or in the throat.

How you get Tuberculosis. You get tuberculosis when the microbes step in and find they can live in your lungs.

Can the germ live outside the human body? Why yes, when ever a sick person spits on the floor, or the carpet or on his clothes, and whenever he coughs or sneezes without putting his handkerchief in front of his mouth, he scatters about him millions of these little germs. They can live for a number of months, especially in damp or dark places, though they are killed quickly by sunlight and fresh air.

How do Microbes get into the body? These little germs are very light and so can be carried in the dust of which the air is always thick or less full. People who have tuberculosis spread the germs every where by coughing and sneezing. Then, with the next breath you take, in walks Mister Germ. You may also swallow the little fellow by drinking the unboiled milk of cows that happen to have tuberculosis.

What sort of people are likely to catch disease? Almost anybody may have it, but it most often attacks those who live in large cities or who are already weakened by other diseases. Children are especially likely to get it. Those who live an irregular life, who drink alcoholic drinks; or those who don't get enough to eat or are overworked as well as those who live in quarters that lack air and light or where too many people are crowded together are especially liable to the disease. In cases like these a person loses his strength and cannot fight tuberculosis.

What favors the development of Tuberculosis? Colds and even the slight chills that you don't take care of. Not that these cause tuberculosis, but they help the germs to develop in the lungs.

What are some conditions of life that aggravate the disease? Overwork, or living in a dusty, badly ventilated room or over crowded ones. When a careless consumptive spits on the ground, the spit dries and the germs, being so light, remain in the air with the dust. These you inhale, and you are apt to become a consumptive, if you are not extra strong.

Is it healthy to live in rooms lately occupied by a consumptive? No, it is very risky to live in such rooms until they have been cleaned and disinfected.

## GIVE ENGLAND LONG TIME TO PAY DEBT, SAYS POU

Washington, Jan. 16.—Commending the announced determination of Great Britain to pay its four billion war debt to the United States, Representative Pou, democrat, North Carolina, declared in the house today that the American debt commission should be vested with the largest powers of adjustment, rearing the one condition that there be no cancellation of any part of it.

"I believe we ought to give Great Britain the longest terms of payment—60 years, if it wants that much—and the very lowest rate of interest," said Mr. Pou. "Then after the bonds have been made satisfactory to Great Britain this government would have a chance to take care of adjusted compensation for former service men. We ought to remove disgrace on our name today for failure to act."

Mr. Pou said President Harding had stated that the only obstacle in the way of the bonus was a means of raising money.

"Here is one," he shouted. "Bring the bill in and remove the stigma by passing it."

## 63 MURDERS IN ENGLAND TO 9,500 HERE WITH THE LEGISLATURE

Raleigh, Jan. 23.—Dead certainties, willing to take any sort of odds on beating the administration boat line bill, were willing today to concede the possibility of a compromise whereby the state may yield a commercial club at any hour the assembled wisdom of the gubernatorial commission and the council of state gave the word to strike. Before anybody went home Saturday and the sole question was whether the state would up and buy \$2,000,000 worth of ships, it looked a dreary prospect in both houses. But visits down east have shown to members an amazing interest in boats.

Raleigh, Jan. 23.—The following bills were introduced in the general assembly today: Senate Bills.

Health.—To appropriate \$1,000 to rescue from oblivion record of North Carolina sailors who served in Confederate navy.

Graham, by request.—To increase the appropriation to indemnify for cattle killed because of tuberculosis and horses and mules killed because of glander.

Harris of Wake, Long and Sams.—Mother's aid bill. House bills included.

The following new legislation was offered in the House:

H. B. 219, by Quickel: To place hospitals on parity with boarding houses in providing penalties for jumping board bills.

H. B. 229, by Quickel: To amend law relative to registration of nurses.

## PARDON BOARD BEATEN BY VOTE OF SENATORS

Raleigh, Jan. 22.—The senate would not give Senator McDonald's bill to create a pardon board a moments consideration, although it has been reported favorably by the constitutional amendments committee and a motion by Graham of Lincoln that it "do lie upon the table" was carried without a dissenting vote.

The McDonald bill would have submitted a constitutional amendment creating a board of three, appointed by the governor, in whom would rest the power and authority in the granting of pardons and commutations now vested solely in the chief executive.

There has been much talk of legislative action to relieve the governor of the responsibility for pardons but the senate's judgement on the McDonald bill tonight gives little encouragement to those who may have considered leading in this movement. Governor Morrison personally is opposed to a pardon board and the general assembly shows little disposition to relieve him of a burden which he himself does not complain of.

Senator Heath's bill authorizing county commissioners to establish and maintain orphanages was passed after considerable discussion of it. Senator Heath prepared the measure as a local one, but so many senators wanted their counties in on it that he made it a state-wide proposition. When the time came to vote some senator wanted to restrict it to Senator Heath's home county of Union, but when the bill was read and showed only the authorization for establishing orphanages and nothing in the way of mandate it was allowed to go through.

## Ray of Macon Puts In Bill To Pay \$3 A Head For Macon Wild Cats

Raleigh, Jan. 22.—Representative Frank Ray tonight introduced into the house a bonus bill providing \$3 for each wild cat scalped by a Macon citizen.

It was a night of startles in the house. Grand Old Man Rufe Doughton gave the first thrill when he introduced a bill bringing Alleghany under the statute primary act. The house led by George Ross, of Moore, applauded vigorously and the grand old man smiled broadly. Grist, of Caldwell, sent the house into an irrepressible roar when he offered a bill "to make it unlawful to secretly look into a room occupied by women." Many of the bills were purely local.

## Would Prohibit Sale of Number of Proprietary Medicines in Stores

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 23.—The drug bill introduced in the senate by Senator J. L. DeLaney, 20th district, restricting the sale of drugs, medicines and medical preparations, was subjected to alternation in text at the request of the North Carolina Pharmaceutical association, to make it less drastic, the senator stated today.

The effect of the bill would be to prohibit a number of proprietary medicines from sale in general stores, except in certain specified instances and in rural cases where general merchants might be licensed to handle them, it was stated.

Some people would do almost anything to get money, except the things that they don't want to do.

## SHORT NEWS ITEMS

Charlotte, Jan. 22.—Efrid department store is reported to have bought extensive property in Augusta, Ga., where it proposes to open another large enterprise, making 33 establishments which this concern is operating in the Carolinas and Virginia.

Charlotte, Jan. 22.—Charles Magill Davidson, native of Charlotte, former prominent business man of this city, committed suicide this morning by shooting himself through the head at his home on East Seventh street the ball penetrating the right temple. The shooting occurred about 7 o'clock and death at 2 p. m.

Washington, Jan. 22.—Criticism by Secretary Weeks of the house army bill provision refusing retirement pay to Major General Harbord, who retired to head a private radio corporation led Senator Caraway, Democrat, Arkansas, to declare in the senate today that Secretary Weeks had "shed tears" because of the treatment of General Harbord, but had "rejoiced" over defeat of the soldiers bonus bill. He added that few general officers were in real danger during the war.

Duesseldorf, Jan. 22.—The Germans and French are both claiming the advantage in today's movements in the economic battle which has been in progress here for the past ten days. The Germans hold that the strike of the miners is a complete success, but the French declare that the order for a general strike has not been followed by the miners; many of whom, although they did not report for work in the morning, went down into the pits later in the day.

Washington, Jan. 22.—Among administration leaders some nervousness had developed over the possibility that when the army appropriation bill, which passed the house on Saturday last, comes up in the senate, the progressive bloc led by La Follette may stage a filibuster that will force an extra session. If the senate should fail to pass this bill before adjournment, the President would either have to call an extra session, or after June 30 suspend the operations of the war department with its rivers and harbors projects. Not until this bill is disposed of can any one safely predict what may happen.

Winston-Salem, N. C., Jan. 20.—C. M. Sawyer, who was convicted yesterday on a charge of arson, was today sentenced to the state prison for a term of eight years. Willie Chapman, 18, who confessed to burning the building and who turned state's witness, was given three years. Notice of appeal was given by Sawyer's attorneys and the appeal bond was fixed at \$25,000. It was said the bond would be fixed today. Sawyer spent last night in jail, Judge Shaw remanding him to jail.

Wilmington, Jan. 12.—Hugh Morris, aged 34, was instantly killed at 9 o'clock this morning when the boiler of a saw mill at Vanceboro, Craven county, exploded. Morris was blown through a pile of slabs 75 feet away, and his body wrapped about a pine sapling. Physicians who viewed the remains said every bone in his body was broken.

## DEMOCRATS WOULD HAVE CHOSEN PRESIDENT IN 1922

Raleigh, Jan. 16.—Cal. A. D. Watts, master mathematician, has figured the United States Democratic by reason of the 1922 election.

The colonel has been talking about Democratic prospects in the country for a long time. It is a noble topic with him. To those who interpreted a 7,000,000 majority in 1920 to mean that the last Democrat President in a half century had been elected, Col. Watts replies that if a Democrat candidate had been running in the fall of 1922 and had received the vote that the national ticket polled, there would right now be in the White House a Democratic executive.

The Tredell man doesn't tamper with figures. He just assembles them and interprets them. He takes his statistics from official returns. The New York World Almanac is his authority. Statistics are made romantic under his artistic touch.

When asked about Democratic prospects in the nation, Mr. Watts said today: "The result of the recent elections in the various states of the Union, reported in detail in the Almanac gotten out by the New York World, shows that a Democrat would have been elected President, if 1922 had been a presidential year."

"Twenty-five states having 267 electoral votes, a majority of the electoral college, gave majorities for Democratic candidates for the house of representatives, and for the United States senate and the governorship in all states which elected senators and governors in 1922."