

GOVERNMENT STUDENTS VISIT WASHINGTON

Thirty-five Girls Left Thursday Night, March 27, For A 3 Days Stay In Capital City. Trip To Be Conducted By Miss Elliott. Lincoln Young Lady In Party.

The Carolinian, the college paper published at N. C. C. W. at Greensboro, last week contained the following item of interest to Lincoln people, one of the young ladies of the party being Miss Oeland Putnam, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Putnam, of Lincoln:

Thirty-five girls will leave Thursday night, March 27, with Miss Harriet Elliott, of the department of Political Science of this college, for a three days' stay in Washington, D. C. This sight-seeing trip, which is personally conducted by Miss Elliott for the students of her government classes each year, promises to be the most interesting and helpful than any of the previous ones.

The girls will arrive in Washington, Friday morning, and will stay at the Hotel Cario while they are in the city.

Friday will be spent in the Senate and the House of Representatives, where the girls will hear the discussions, and meet some of the Congressmen. The party will also visit the various departments which are around the Capitol.

On Saturday morning, the White House, the Pan-American buildings, and other interesting places in the vicinity will be visited. Saturday afternoon will be spent in a trip to Mt. Vernon and Arlington, through Rock Creek Park and the lovely Cathedral where Woodrow Wilson is buried.

A special trip to the Congressional Library will be made on Saturday night.

On Sunday the party will visit the U. S. N. A. at Annapolis. After this they will return to Washington, and leave for Greensboro Sunday night.

The girls who are going to Washington with Miss Elliott are: Elizabeth Gaskins, Juanita Matthews, Mary Belo Moore, Womra McCombs, Mary Klutz, Ethel Crew, Ethel Watson, Sarah Jameson, Edna Bigham, Katherine Wolff, Lella Mae Sitterson, Anna Watson, Lillian Moore, Elizabeth Boyd, Frances Hoyle, Lois Williamson, Julia Franck, Hazel Shepherd, Johnnie Heilig, Clara Foscoe, Susan Whitaker, Georgia Kirkpatrick, Elizabeth Crossman, Kathleen Dyer, Ruby Gibson, Nannie Earl, Naomi Alexander, Vera Roseman, Annie Hornaday, Audrey Brengear, Oeland Putnam, Margaret Copeland, Lois Justice, Evelyn Boyd, Mary Cobb, and Sara Cowan.

OFFICER HOUSER CAPTURES BIG STILL IN LINCOLN

Gastonia Gazette.
Federal Prohibition Officer Evan L. Houser captured one of the biggest stills Monday in the history of his career. It was of 80 gallons capacity, and was a regular steam outfit. An engine and boiler completely fitted up was destroyed together with 5,000 gallons of beer in 17 boxes each one 3-1/2 by 3-1/2 feet.

The still was found in Lincoln county on the land of J. L. Abernethy near Mariposa. Four men were working at the still when Houser and the Stanley policeman approached, but they made their get-away.

Mr. Houser said that the still was one of the most complete outfits he had ever seen.

PRINCE DID SOME GOOD WORK

On Wednesday morning Policeman Gabriel had a phone message from Sheriff Miller of Alleghany county for him to come and bring Prince, the bloodhound of Newton.

Deputy Sheriff Curlee and Policeman Cline took Prince in a car and started for Laurel Springs in Alleghany county. They reached the place about four o'clock.

There had been things stolen the night before, but Mr. Cline soon after his arrival had Prince on the job and he traced the stolen goods for about two miles and found them in an old Ford roadster.

They found a five gallon can of oil and other items that had been stolen the night before.

The man who did the stealing, it is thought, saw the men and Prince trailing him and took to tall timber. The officers over there knew who the man is and will likely get him.

Prince, the bloodhound, of Newton, made good—especially good when the length of time is considered.—Newton News Enterprise.

That critic who says the age of blind faith is gone should see some of the entrants in our beauty contests.—Syracuse Post-Standard.

IRON STATION ROUTE 1 ITEMS

On account of the ill health of Mr. J. E. Reinhardt, Mr. and Mrs. Puckette of Salisbury, Mrs. Pockette being a daughter, have moved into the house with Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Reinhardt. One day last week, Wednesday Mr. Reinhardt wished to visit some friends in Rutherford and he was driven in a car through the country by Mr. F. A. Reinhardt, being accompanied by Mrs. J. E. Reinhardt.

After spending a short time in the home of his parents Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Dellinger, Mrs. Samuel Dellinger has returned to his position in Raleigh.

Mr. Beam, a member of the Iron Station Graded School resigned his position to farm the coming summer and his position is being filled by Miss Kate Whitner of Stanley.

AL JENNINGS SAYS JAKE HAMON TOLD HIM ONE MILLION WOULD BRING ABOUT THE NOMINATION OF WARREN HARDING

Washington, March 27.—Al Jennings, once a famous train rober and now a California real estate dealer, related today before the oil committee one of the most unusual tales congressional investigators have ever heard.

It revolved around a \$1,000,000 payment which he said he had been told figures in the Republican national convention at Chicago in 1920. He said his only information, however, had come from the late Jake Hamon, who at the time was the Republican national committeeman from Oklahoma.

In a Chicago hotel room during the convention, the witness said, Hamon told him that the nomination of Harding would cost him \$1,000,000 that he (Hamon) had "put up" \$250,000 of this sum to the late Senator Penrose, of Pennsylvania; \$25,000 to Harry M. Daugherty; \$25,000 to Will H. Hays, the chairman of the Republican national committee and another \$25,000 to a fourth man from Ohio named Manning, or something similar.

Besides, he quoted Hamon as saying, "money was used indiscriminately with the Oklahoma delegation and it cost him like hell to get the New York delegation." Jennings said he could not recall that he had been told of any other individual payments of money.

It also was a part of the story that Daugherty, Hays and others had agreed to make Hamon secretary of the interior; that Hamon was to take over what the Democratic administration had left of the public lands; and that Hamon expected to make a great deal of money out of them and then get himself elected as the next President.

Hamon was quoted as saying that Daugherty at first had wanted Albert B. Falls as secretary of the interior, but that he had "put it all over him" on that proposition. Asked as to the correctness of Hamon's expectations, Jennings replied that of course they were not fulfilled as he had not lived. Hamon was shot and killed by Clara Smith Hamon late in 1920.

Jennings was on the stand less than half an hour and was scheduled to only a brief cross-examination. Senator Spencer, Republican, Missouri, brought out in each instance as their names were mentioned that Harding, Penrose and Hamon are dead.

Immediately after Jennings was excused, Senator Walsh, the committee prosecutor and Senator Spencer, who only recently was appointed to the committee, got into a row which promises many new developments both within the committee and on the floor of the senate.

Later in the day Senator Spencer laid the ground work for an inquiry along other lines, causing subpoenas to be issued for George White, former chairman of the Democratic national committee; Wilber Marsh, its former treasurer; Edward L. Doherty, and John Walsh, a brother of Senator Walsh, and a Washington lawyer.

Through the former Democratic committee officials Senator Spencer got into Democratic campaign contributions in 1920, but the reasons for summoning the other witnesses remained obscure. Senator Spencer characterized as an "improper" question as to why Senator Walsh's brother had been summoned.

After the subpoena was issued, Senator Walsh stated that as was well known his brother had been under investigation for two months or more. He previously had stated that a full investigation of both himself and his brother was conducted.

230 LBS. FISH SLAPS MAN DOWN

Giant Sturgeon Caught In Cape Fear River Creates Whale Like Excitement.

During the spring season fancy turns to angling, and possibly Lincoln people who go fishing or who desire to sit on the banks will be interested to know that the big fellows are being caught this year. Down at Wilmington, the N. C. Seacoast town, according to a Wilmington dispatch. Mr. Acipenser Sturio, of Richards, arrived in the city last night, and his coming created a wee bit of excitement about the offices of the American Railway Express Company.

Mr. Sturio, let it be known is a fish, and a whopper of a fish at that. He is eight feet long from tip to tail and weighs just 230 pounds.

Notwithstanding the fact that he was dragged from his native element in the Cape Fear yesterday afternoon and brought to Wilmington on the A. and Y. train suffering from a severe wound in the head, and the humiliation of having been caught in an ordinary fish net, Mr. Sturio, or sturgeon, as he is commonly known, was still very much alive when he was bundled unceremoniously into a baggage truck at the station, and showed how he felt by it, by bowling over a negro workman with one sweep of his mighty tail.

He attracted considerable attention for several hours, a number of people calling at the express office to view the piscatorial monster.

The big fish was caught in the river near Richards and accompanied to the city by L. R. Stuckey. It was consigned to J. B. Fales and Company, fish dealers.

The sturgeon is common to the waters of the north temperate zone and is at home in either fresh or salt water. It usually enters fresh water streams to spawn. It has a long, toothless mouth, and is covered by a thick tough skin. The flesh is edible, and the roe is made into caviar. Isinglass is manufactured from the sturgeon's bladder.

MAN IN LINCOLN JAIL ENJOYS VISITORS

Keeper of the County Jail W. J. Summey hands the News the following note from one of his prisoners, with request to print: "To the Editor of the News: Will you allow me space in the News; as I am a prisoner. I saw a piece in the News about us prisoners having such good music. We surely do have it and our good people and officers do love to hear it; but that don't get us out of jail; so if any one wants to see us, come in, the welcome string hangs on the outside of the jail door, pull and come in. Mr. Hoover and Mr. Leathman visited us at the jail last Monday, and enjoyed the music. Deputy Charles Hinson goes all over the county and brings people in here to hear the music and he gets jealous and comes and takes them out; he wants to hear it all himself. Print and oblige a prisoner. O. F. King. P. S. Mr. Ed Mace was a jail visitor Tuesday. He is good company."

Washington, March 28.—Having disposed of Attorney General Daugherty, as well as Secretary Denby, the coalition senate attack on the administration today turned on Secretary Mellon, with indications that more cabinet officers might come under the bombardment. No speaker had the attorney general's resignation been submitted than Senator McKellar, democrat, Tennessee, introduced a resolution directing the judiciary committee to investigate whether Secretary Mellon is holding office in violation of the law which forbids the treasury head to be engaged in trade or commerce.

CONDURMS BY FIRE FIEND

Why is the man with a cracked chimney in his house like a person who has been exposed to influenza? He is in danger from the flu.

Why is the man with no fire insurance like a dish of ice-cream? A fire would ruin him.

Why is a house with a chingle roof like a worthless employee? It gets fired quickly and then it soon has no means of support.

Why is a man with adequate fire insurance like a cigar dealer? It does not work him to smell smoke.

Sometimes we despair of seeing the world made safe for democracy, and would be content if only the highways could be made so.—San Deigo Union.

MR. QUICKEL SPEAKS TO KIWANIAN

A. L. Quickel, member of the legislature from Lincoln county, and a prominent local attorney, was the principal speaker at the regular Kiwanis supper at the club rooms on East Main street last Friday night. Mr. Quickel's subject was "Parliamentary Law" which subject he handled ably, and gave a clear insight into parliamentary usages which was very helpful to the lay mind. His address was enjoyable as well as helpful, and he was given rapt attention throughout.

President Beam presided and the program was in charge of A. W. Webber, of the Good Cheer committee, his program consisting of a song "America by the club at the beginning and the singing of two others during the evening these being "Smile" and "Old McDonald." The attendance trophy given by Cashier M. H. Cline was awarded to Rev. Walter B. West.

A communication read by Secretary Anderson was referred to Dr. Self of the public affairs committee. This letter has reference to the visit of the Second Field Artillery, of Ft. Bragg to Lincoln on April 23. In this command there will be 28 men and 35 horses, and the Artillery company has included Lincoln in its tour of this state, in quest of recruits. Local organizations and officials, have been asked to make necessary preparations for taking care of the Artillerymen during their stay of 3 days at Lincoln for the purpose of interesting young men in military service. Local organizations are asked to see that a suitable place for the three days camp is provided, that water be handy, etc., and the Kiwanis committee is cooperating with others in this matter.

Out of town guests of the club included Prof. Curtis Weathers and Supt. I. C. Griffin of the Shelby schools. Mr. L. V. Padgett was also a guest.

RESIGNS AND FIGHTS BACK AT PRESIDENT

Daugherty Fights Back at Coolidge in an Open Letter—Attacks President's Reason for Asking for Resignation.

Washington, March 28.—Harry M. Daugherty passed out of public life today in a temper that terminated befittingly his three stormy years as attorney general.

His appointment to the cabinet by President Harding was the subject of criticism, and his resignation came at the virtual demand of President Coolidge and in the midst of a sensation-producing senate investigation of his official acts.

President Coolidge asked for the resignation because he felt he could not depend on Mr. Daugherty for disinterested advice and because he believed the attorney general could not perform sufficiently the duties of his office under the conditions resulting from the senate inquiry.

Mr. Daugherty tendered his resignation "solely out of deference" to the President's request and asked that it be effective at once.

Then as a private citizen he addressed an open letter to the President scathingly denouncing those who had advocated his retirement and declaring Mr. Coolidge's stated reasons for asking for his resignation were "hardly warranted by the facts." The letter bristled with declarations that the President's "suggestion that an attack upon a cabinet officer disqualifies him for further service is a dangerous doctrine" and that "cowardice and surrender of principle are never expedient."

Before this letter was received at the White House, Mr. Daugherty cleared his desk, left the department of justice and soon was aboard a train en route to Atlantic City. He plans to return to Washington next week for the purpose only of closing up his private affairs.

By reason of Mr. Daugherty's retirement, President Coolidge for the second time within six weeks is faced with selection of a new cabinet officer. Immediately Mr. Daugherty's resignation became known there arose a discussion of many names.

"Is the motor-car an asset to the church?" asks a weekly paper. One theory is that it brings a good deal of business to the churchyard.—Punch (London).

LINCOLN FAIR PROPERTTY TO BE SOLD

If the Lincoln Fair is to continue it will be necessary for the stockholders to take some action in regard to continuing that institution here. A letter has recently been sent to all stockholders, which will be of interest to the people of the county generally. The letter mailed to stockholders reads:

"Lincolnton, March 28, 1924.
"Dear Stockholder: Mr. J. L. Lineberger, president of the Lincoln Amusement Co. has called a special meeting of said company to be held in J. G. Morrison's office at courthouse on Tuesday, April 1, at two o'clock p. m. to discuss and agree what is to be done in regard to paying off notes of Lincoln Amusement Co. as this property is now advertised to be sold under mortgage by the endorsers of said notes on Monday, April 7, 1924. Your presence is desired at this meeting.
Yours very truly,
Edgar L. Heavner, Secy.,
Lincolnton Amusement Co., Inc.

THINK DAUGHERTY SHOULD HAVE BEEN OUT LONG AGO

Washington, March 28.—Democrats generally believe that President Coolidge should have forced Attorney General Daugherty out of the cabinet months ago. They believe that the only reason he kept him was to capitalize his political influence. Many of them doubt if he was fair to him today. But there is no doubt that Mr. Daugherty was hurting the administration. Mr. Coolidge and his intimate political advisers have seen that for some time.

Senator Robinson, of Arkansas, democratic leader, today said: "It has been apparent that the department of justice was not functioning, particularly with respect to the recovery of the naval oil reserves and the exposure of the inefficiency and corruption as it relates to that department."

The President should have asked the attorney general to give place to another when he charges against him were first made, and indeed when he became so discredited before the public that his usefulness terminated. That was during the Harding administration. The effort of the attorney general to commit the President to his refusal to furnish information against himself shows how absurd it has been to keep the department of justice under the control of Mr. Daugherty while the latter is being investigated.

"The country will sustain the President and it would have justified him in demanding Mr. Daugherty's resignation when he first became President, but he could not have done this and capitalized the Harding strength."

Senator Overman said:

"The President should have taken that step two months ago. He ought to have acted on the advice of his friends in the senate. Nobody has had any confidence in Mr. Daugherty. He has done nothing to bring the guilty to the bar of justice. While no evidence of actual corruption has been found, it is plain that he has shielded men who should have been tried and convicted. Mr. Harding put him in to pay a political debt. He was never considered a great lawyer. He had no great cases. His associates have been men of doubtful character."

DR. GAMBLE IS KICKED WAS THE REPORT

In quest of news a certain fellow on the street asked the reporter if he had heard about Dr. Gamble being seriously injured; as that looked like a news item, it concerning the expedient, and a prominent physician, we asked about it and was informed that spark plug kicked the industrious doctor. We left the scene, amid a chorus of laughter extending clear down Lincoln's gold plated white way district. Boys and girls this news gathering game has its hazards. But keep on telling it to us.

Washington, March 28.—Presentation of the senate's contempt charge against Harry F. Sinclair to the District of Columbia grand jury and another spirited row between Senator Walsh, the oil committee prosecutor, and Senator Spencer, republican, Missouri, were the major happenings today in the oil matter.

The Dark Ages have returned to Washington. They are boiling 'em in oil.—Kansas City Star.

EAST LINCOLN CITIZEN WRITES ABOUT GRAHAM

It is doubtless true that no man in the State is more familiar with the agricultural conditions and the agricultural needs of North Carolina than William A. Graham, the present Commissioner of Agriculture. Born and reared on his father's farm, the most of which he now owns, he has made farming and its allied interests his life work. He has travelled the State from end to end and side to side, and has observed and studied with great care her economic and agricultural requirements and opportunities.

During the incumbency of Hon. S. L. Patterson, he was Chief Clerk of the Department of Agriculture, and during the absence of Mr. Patterson caused by protracted illness, William Graham was Acting-Commissioner and filled the position in a manner entirely satisfactory not only to his associates in the Department but to the people of the State.

During his father's term of office, Mr. Graham kept in close touch with the details of the work and was of great assistance to his father who had great confidence in his business judgment and acumen, and conferred with him upon nearly all questions relating to the promotion of the agricultural interests of the State.

Mr. Graham has always been a staunch advocate organization as a means of protection and advancement of the farmer. In the days of the Farmers Alliance he was President of the Lincoln County Alliance and one of its local lecturers. Earnestly desiring to promote the growth of cotton and to secure a better price for the staple, he joined the Cotton Grower's Cooperative Association and pooled the product of his farm with this Association.

In 1921 he was elected a delegate to the Southern Cotton Association Convention at Montgomery, Ala.

In 1922 he was nominated and elected by an overwhelming majority, as one of the State Senators from Lincoln, Iredell and Catawba Counties.

At the session of the Legislature of 1923, in recognition of his ability and his familiarity with the subject, he was made Chairman of the Committee on Agriculture, one of the most important positions in the Senate, and by his judicious handling of all matters relating to agriculture that came before his committee, demonstrated the wisdom of his appointment.

Difficult indeed will be the task of any man to fill the chair so acceptably as the illustrious father of the subject of our sketch, whose inaugural motto "It Shall Be My Task To See That This Department Of The State Government Is Known Outside The Walls Of The Building In Which It Is Housed," he lived to see it fulfilled to the utmost in the projection of the activities of the department into practically every walk of life in the advancement of the State from twenty-third to fourth place in the value of its agricultural products, in the development of the institution into a model of its kind and in the erection of the present magnificent temple of agriculture in the city of Raleigh.

Difficult, indeed, as that task will be, we doubt if there is another man in the State better qualified for it than the Major's eldest son, William, who will bring to the performance of his duties a pleasing personality, consummated state pride, inherent ability, mature judgement, vision and patriotic ambition.

Mr. Graham, since his earliest manhood, has been active in the affairs of his county. He has been a member of the Executive Committee of his precinct since he became 21 years old and is now chairman, also a member of the Democratic Executive Committee of his county, as well as a member of the State Democratic Executive Committee from his District.

D. CHERRY.
Lincolnton, N. C. R. F. D.

DAUGHERTY REFUSES TO TALK IN PHILADELPHIA

Philadelphia, March 28.—Former Attorney General Harry M. Daugherty spent 20 minutes between trains in Philadelphia on his way to Atlantic City this afternoon and had nothing to say regarding his resignation.

"There has been too much said already," Mr. Daugherty remarked. "I have been a private citizen too short a time to be used to it," he added.

Posing for photographers, one of them asked him to step down from the train, and he remarked with a smile, "I don't step down for anybody."

SHORT ITEMS OF GENERAL NEWS

Washington March 27.—Reassuring advice were given out tonight at the residence of Senator LaFollette, of Wisconsin, who is ill with pneumonia.

The new concrete bridge on the highway between Morganton and Glen Alpine, which has been under construction for the last six months or more, was opened Monday. This bridge is over the railroad and cuts out a dangerous crossing. The news that it had been opened to the public will be of much interest, as rainy weather always put the detour in bad shape. It opens up a stretch of concrete road all the way from Morganton to Glen Alpine.—Morganton News Herald.

Shawnee, Okla., March 28.—Seven persons are known to have been killed, a score or more seriously injured and approximately 100 others slightly injured, when a tornado struck the northwest of this city late today. The tornado swept a path several blocks wide, demolishing the Jefferson graded school and wrecking between 150 and 200 hundred residences. The property damage is estimated at several hundred thousand dollars.

Moorseville, March 28.—Rev. W. S. Wilson, D. D., pastor of the West End Presbyterian church of Atlanta, Ga., left this morning for Black Mountain, where he will visit relatives and then go on to his home. He just closed a ten days meeting at the First Presbyterian church, of which he was formerly pastor for a period of 10 years.

Moorseville, March 28.—Farmers living along the Sandy Ridge and Lincolnton roads from this city have reconstructed their telephone lines, which were practically destroyed by the recent heavy freeze and cold snap late in February. These farmers have also built an electric line, have organized a corporate company for the establishment of an electrical company which will furnish electricity to all the homes along the route of the road mentioned above.

Shelby, March 28.—Davy Thackerson, 16-year-old orphan mill boy of Double Shoals, in Superior court Wednesday was adjudged not guilty of any deliberate connection with the death of his chum, Lorin Cook, who son, 16-year-old orphan mill boy of Thackerson at Double Shoals on December 12.

Mount Holly, March 27.—Last week's issue of the Manufacturers Record, a business publication of Baltimore carried a very interesting story of the Southern Power's plant at Mountain Island two miles above here. The Record is a booster and publicity periodical giving advertisement especially to all progressive business and organizations everywhere in the South. It never fails to hold up the great forward movements and business happenings from the Potomac to the Rio Grande. Its story of Mountain Island is accompanied by pictures of the plant, showing the rapid development of this section of the Piedmont. Mountain Island has become a source of big advertisement to Mt. Holly and this section.

SPARKS CIRCUS TO BE IN GASTONIA MONDAY APRIL 7

April 7th, afternoon and evening under huge masses of canvases, the finest circus ever made by the ingenuity and courage of men, will parade and show in Gastonia on Monday April 7th to make the young folks happy and the old folks young. The great parade is on Monday morning at 10:30 o'clock. First of all, a real wild animal circus is a 1923 acquisition, having been imported from the world's greatest wild animal training quarters at Stellingen, Germany. Included in these displays will be found lions, tigers, leopards, polar and grizzly bears—even trained ostrich will be seen in addition to the Sparks group of sixteen "Rotation" horses, the two elephant herds, fancy gaited and posing horses, the Bibb county Pig Circus, Captain "Tiebor's" seals, and hosts of others of a novel nature. The circus proper opens with an elaborately staged spectacle, "Echoes from the Rein of King Tut," in which all of the animals, performers, premier dancers and a large chorus participate. As a fitting finish to the all-feature performance, a genuine English Fox-Hunt, introducing real Irish-bred high jumpers, broad jumpers and perfectly schooled foxhounds, will replace the old-time and very dangerous chariot races usually to be found with other circuses. Don't forget the date, Gastonia, Monday, April 7th.