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# CAROLINA'S LAYMEN

Dr. Lilly Presiding - Addresses by Prominent **Speakers Today** 

### IS THE BEST CONVENTION

Far More Interest Than at Previous Gathering-Enrollment Expected to Go to 2,000-Delegates from All Over the State

By D. T. EDWARDS, Free Press Staff Correspondent.

Greensboro, Feb .10 .- Dr. D. Clay Lilly of Nashville, Tenn., presided at the big Laymen's meeting in West Market Street church today. He made an address in which he showed the growing impetus the movement has gathered in all the cities he has

There is much more interest in this meeting than in the preceding convention six years ago.

Dr. Lilly this morning called for Scripture texts showing biblical foundation for the movement. This was followed by a number of prayers.

Dr. Lilly referred to prominent laymen of the old testament and declared that the modern laymen have allowed this prominence to slip away from them. He said that reformation is at hand in which lays the prominence that is to be restored through the enlarged service of lay-

Dr. Lilly introduced Rev. George Green, M. D., medical missionary of the Southern Baptist Convention, located in West Africa. Dr. Green gave an interesting account of his work in equatorial Africa, telling of the wonderful effectiveness of physicians in preparing the way for the preaching of God's word with convincing power. His experiences brought sadness in that he found difficulty in convincing those people of his limitations. The work is calling for co-operation between Christian men, he said.

The great audience sang "Rescue the Perishing," and Dr. Sylvester Newlin, pastor of the Friends church of High Point, spoke on the pastor's missionary opportunity. He was listened to with much interest and applause. Dr. Lilly suggested that the pastor, himself the leader, must be led. The audience sang, "I Need Thee Every Hour," after which was introduced Dr. C. J. Thompson of Raleigh, who in a strong address, spoke of the present world crisis and its meaning to us in America. He declared some present day facts in the mission world to be a transition which the non-Christian world is undergoing and new attitude toward Christianity as a turning away from prejudice to confidence. A great spiritual awakening is very marked, he declared, and the present crisis is one evidence. He showed wherein the Christian world is weak, and closed by showing our needs to be a Christian-like vision and compassion for the lost world and a self-giving.

Denominational conferences are to be held this afternoon and the regular program tonight. The enrollment will probably reach 2,000. Men are here from all parts of the State.

Scales Presides Over Opening Session.

Greensboro, Feb. 10-Twelve hundred delegates were present last night at the opening session of the convention of the Laymen's Missionary Movement in North Carolina in West Market Street Methodist church. It is expected that the number will go to 1,500 by tonight. Hon. A. M. Scales, chairman of the executive committee of the convention. presided over the first session in the absence of Dr. D. Clay Lilly of Ten-

nessee, who had not arrived. Dr. John N. Mills of Washington, D. C., a noted lecturer, addressed the convention Wednesday night on "A Tourist's View of Missions. Rev. J. ns. Rev. J. S. C.; A. G. Sipley of China spoke on ville, To "Winging China for Christ." Rev. of Atlan

## **NAVY AND MERCHANT** MARINE CHIEF NEEDS

Nation Needs Them Worse Than Anything, Daniels Tells United States Chamber of Commerce-Constructive Program of Administration Will Result In Complete Navy Shortly

(By the United Press) Washington, Feb. 10 .- A merchant marine and adequate navy are the Nation's chief needs, Secretary Daniels today told the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, The Administration program is a constructive one, he said, and by 1921 the United States will have a com-

## **GERMAN SEAPLANES** ATTACK KENT COAST

London, Feb. 9.-Two women and one child were injured this afternoon when two German sea planes raided the Kentish coast, dropping bombs. Three missiles fell on the outskirts of Ramsgate and four near a school at Broadstairs. The material damage is said by the war office to have been confined to the shatter- ships in company with her. The reing of glass.

A number of naval and military aeroplanes and seaplanes ascended to attack the Germans, but they immediately retreated.

## SCHMIDT MUST GO TO CHAIR, SAYS GOVERNOR

(By the United Press)

Whitman Refuses to Interfere Execution of Unfrocked Priest Convicted of Murder of Sweetheart -Will Die Sometime During Week Beginning Monday in the Electric

(By the United Press) Albany, N. Y., Feb. 10 -Governor Whitman has refused to interfere in the execution of Hans Schmidt, the unfrocked priest, who murdered Anna Aumueller, set for next week. Execution Next Week.

Albany, N. Y., Feb. 9.-Hans Schmidt, the former priest convicted of the murder of Anna Aumulier in New York in September, 1913, must pay the penalty for his crime in the electric chair in Sing Sing prison during the week of Feb. 13. Governor Whitman tonight declined to interfere with the execution.

## **NEWS OF THE DAY** IN OTHER CITIES

The proposition to consolidate four rural schools in Beaver Dam township, Pitt county, for which a special election was held, failed to carry. The advocates lacked five votes.

The police at Washington have 16 gallons of whisky, a revolver, and a pocketful of ammunition and "Hhe Baltimore Kid," colored. The "kid" had the whisky put off at a rural station and drove into Washington with it. The police were on to the

Mrs. Fannie Williams has been eeper of the Craven county poorhouse 29 years. She celebrated the anniversary by dining the commis-

Beaufort county will have a county commencement of the public schools in March or April.

Twenty dollars and the which he had paid over for two berths was the award of Soperior Court at New Bern to W. E. Turnbull, who asked \$3.000 from the Pullman Company. Turnbull and his wife missed a train and the conductor let others have the berths, but the Turnbulls caught it at another

the speakers, had for his subject perintendents and Engineers to 'The Message and Mission of Christ.' Highway Commissions," and others. Allied meetings for women, non-registered men and colored people were in progress in other places at the to road builders.

Speakers for today are Rev. Geo. Green of Africa; Rev. J. G. Dale of South Carolina; Dr. Lilly, who will preside; Rev. C. J. Thompson of Ra-Cronk of Columbia. , Pinson of Nash-Rev. R. W. Patton

That German Commerce Destroyer Had Been Taken After Long Fight With British Battleship

(By the United Press)

Hamilton, Bermuda, Feb. 10 .-Nothing is known here yet of the reported capture of the German commerce raider Roon, by the British battleship Drake, reported in New York dispatches, after a three-hour battle near the Bermudas. Reported Capture of Roon.

New York, Feb. 10.-It was reported here last night that the German cruiser Roon, which is supposed to have directed the capture of the liner Appam by the Moewe, had been captured by the British battleship Drake, together with two merchant port said that the Drake took 32 officers and about 720 men. The scene of the capture was said to have been near the Bermuda islands. The Drake, it was stated lost an officer and 18 men in a fight with the Roon, which lost a third of her comple-

A query to Hamilton, Bermuda, brought a reply that nothing was known there of the action and cap-

# FROM STANDARD OIL

Washington Asks the Austrian Government for Explanation — Captain Declares Petrolite Flew American Flag

(By the United Press)

Washington, Feb. 10 .- A memorandum asking Austria to investigate and report on the action of a submarine in stopping the Standard Oil tanker Petrolite has been sent by the State Department to Vienna. This action followed receipt of af-

fidavits from Captain Thompson, who said the vessel was flying the United States flag when stopped. Stores were taken off.

WOMAN SHOOTS TWO

SONS AND SUICIDES Fort Worth, Texas, Feb. 9.-Mrs. Nina Kelly, aged 28, shot her two sons, eleven and eight years of age, then killed herself here today. One of the boys, physicians believe, will recover. Mrs. Kelly conducted a boarding house. The woman and her husband have been separated some

## **NEARLY ALL COUNTIES** REPRESENTED AT THE N. C. ROAD INSTITUTE

(Special to The Free Press) -Chapel Hill, Feb. 10 .- Nine-tenths of the counties in the State are now represented at the North Carolina Road Institute in progress here. Among the speakers so far have been Prof. Collier Cobb, on the subject of "Good Roads In Other Lands," W. S. Fallis, "Steam Shovels," Pro-J. F. Love of Richmond, another of fessor Williams, "Relationship of Su-These and other experts led in discussion of various topics of interest

FISHERIES BUREAU IS

FORTY-FIVE YEARS OLD. Washington, Peb. 9 .- The 45th anniversary of its establishment was celebrated today by the United States Bureau of Fisheries with the unveiling of a tablet in memory of its Lodge has founder, Spencer Fullerton Baird. lief Day.

## THE TESTIMONY OF IOWA GERMANS HAVE LOST ROOM'S CAPTURE IS MAN HAD NO EFFECT HEAVILY ALONG THE NOT TO BE HAD YET ON BRANDEIS' CASE LINES OF BRITISI

Reported In New York Say Friends of President's Nominee for the Supreme Court Bench

### DIFFERENCE 0F IDEAS

Between Himself and Bostonian All That Clifford Thorne Proved, Declared -Supporters of Lawyer Are Confident, Say

(By the United Press) Washington, Feb. 10 .- Brandeis' friends are confident of the outcome of the hearing on his fitness for the Supreme Court, as the result of the apparent failure of Clifford Thorne, Iowa Railroad Commissioner, to impress the Senate judiciary sub-committee with his charges.

The majority thought Thorne simply proved that he and Brandeis were of different ideas about how to conduct the rate case, it is indicated. Statement by Thorne Denied.

J. W. Carmalt, Interstate Commerce Commission examiner, flatly contradicted a statement by Thorne yesterday that he (Carmalt) was surprised at an alleged statement by Brandeis that the railroads should have more money. Carmalt said he told this to Thorne himself. Brandeis, said Carmalt, was employed to develop all sides of the case.

## PLENTY OF MATERIAL AT WEST RALEIGH TO **BUILD UP GOOD NINE**

(Special to The Free Press) West Raleigh. Feb. 10 .- Fifty candidates have shown up on the A. & M. diamond for the baseball team this year. Practice began Tuesday with a large number of players reporting, and a stiff batting practice was engaged in. Picking a team will e a rather difficult job this year or account of the large number of players reporting who have had experience and with good records on high school teams. But it will more than likely be the case that members of last year's team will have first opportunity to cinch the positions. Those of last year's team showing up were Evans and Webb pitchers. Winston and Lewis, catchers, Johnson, first baseman, Hodgin, second baseman, Wheeler, shortstop, and Thrash, outfielder.

## BULLETINS

(By the United Press)

FRENCH PREMIER IN ITALY. Rome, Feb. 10.-French Premier Aristide Briand arrived today to confer with King Victor ma-

ORISSA SAFE IN FRENCH PORT.

New York, Feb. 10 .- The British liner Orissa, rumored to have been sunk by a German commerce raider, has put in at the French port of St. Nazaire. She was crippled when she struck a rock.

HOUSE TO SAIL ON 20TH.

London, Feb. 10 .- Col. House expects to sail for New York on February 20. He expects to see Premier Asquith and Sir Edward Grey before sailing.

PLOT TO GIVE AWAY ARMY SECRETS.

Boston, Feb. 10 .- Dictograph evidence said to indicate a plot to betray the secrets of Boston harbor fortifications to the Germans, will be presented to the Federal Grand Jury.

ARMENIAN RELIEF.

Washington, Feb. 10. Senator Lodge has proposed an Armenian Re-

Casualties in 10 Days 60, 000 More Than Allies Lost In Same Sector in September Offensive-Fighting at Heights of Vimy

(By the United Press)

London, Feb. 10.-German losses in the last ten days along some lines totalled sixty thousand more than the British lost in the September offensive. The French, counter attacking, are seeking to capture Vimy Heights, overlooking Lens Douai, held by the Germans.

No Montenegrins Armed Now. Vienna, Feb. 10.-The disarming

of Montenegrin troops has been completed by the Austrians, it is said Russians Gaining In Persia. Paris, Feb. 10 .- Russian troops are

steadily pushing back the Kurds and Turks, commanded by Germans. throughout Persia, it is reported. Turks Resume Massacres, Reported. Geneva, Feb. 10.-The Turks have resumed the massacres of Armenians,

according to dispatches received today. Thousands of men and boys have been shot and many girls sent to Constantinople and sold into Turkish harems, it is reported.

# CITY, IS PROBABLE

Mothers' Club Interested and Appoints Committee to Ask Doctors' Co-Operation-National Observance Week of March 4th

Mothers' Club in Baby Week is taken to mean that the week, beginning March 4, will be observed here. The observance, under the auspices of the National Children's Bureau. will be Nation-wide, and most towns and cities of the size of Kinston and larger will participate.

The Mothers' Club Wednesday afternoon appointed a committee to solicit the aid of the physicians. The latter, as a body, several weeks ago announced their willingness to help. A program, it is expected, will be arranged by the club and the doctors jointly, and a campaign started to arouse the interest of the community in the matter.

Misses Watson and Jennie Shaw, of the City Schools, talked to the club at the meeting Wednesday. They advised that children be kept from picture shows during the times when they should be studying, and asked the mothers with children enrolled to visit the schools. Miss Shaw brought a suggestion from Superintendent Caldwell that the club use its influence toward the employment of a community nurse.

## **BELVIDERE BROOKS OF WESTERN UNION DEAD**

(By the United Press) New York, Feb. 10.-Belvedere Brooks, vice-president and general manager of the Western Union Telegraph Company died today.

NO STRINGS TO PRESENTS TO EPISCOPALIANS, SAY

New York, Feb. 9 .- The Protestant Episcopal Church will consider the acceptance of Rockefeller Foundation donations for its university and hospital at Shanghai, China, provided that such acceptance "does not interfere in any way with our own control of our church institutions," according to a resolution adopted here today by the board of foreign missions of the church.

## HITCHCOCK THINKS HUGHES BEST MAN

Former Postmaster General Would Like to See Justice Nominated for Presidency-Disclaims Telephone Conversation With Staunton, Va. Man on That Subject, However

(By the United Press) New York. Feb. 10 .- Although he denied flatly as purely a fictitious story of a telephone conversation with H. Brown Allen of Staunton, Va., in which he was said to have described a movement to nominate Justice Hughes for the presidency, F. H. Hitchcock, former postmaster general, today said he is strongly in favor of Hughes' nomination if it can be brought about. He believes him

## REPORT OF TODAY'S COTTON MARKET

the strongest candidate.

Eight bales of cotton had been sold on the local exchange by 3 o'clock today. Prices ranged from 91-2c to 11 1-4c. New York futures quotations were: Open 2:120 12.42 12.55

## DOCTORS TO MEET AT THE CASWELL SCHOOL

Second District Physicians Will Be Guests of Dr. C. B. McNairy on March 8, When Convention Is Held Here-Dinner at the Institution-May Be More Than 100 In Attendance

The sessions of the Second District Medical Society, to hold a one-day meeting here on March 8, will be conducted at the Caswell Training School, Dr. C. B. McNairy's invitation to the Lenoir County Medical Society to use the Central building at the school has been accepted. Children of the school will render a program of some sort for the hundred or more visiting physicians at 10:30 a. m., after which the society will be dined by Supt. McNairy. The business session will be held in the afternoon.

Drs. McNairy. Stanley Whitaker and George Kornegay are a committee from the Lenoir County Society to receive the visiting M. Ds., and assist in entertaining them. New Bern, Greenville, Washington, Morehead City and Beaufort and a number of smaller towns will be represented at the meeting.

## **HUGHES NOT IN RACE** FOR PRESIDENT, SAYS

Washington, Feb. 9.—Representative Slemp, chairman of the Virginia Republican committee, today made public a letter from Justice Hughes declaring: "I am totally opposed to the use of my name in connection with the nomination and to the selection or instruction of any delegates in my interest directly or re-

## TRANSATLANTIC TRIP WILL BE MADE IN VERY FEW HOURS, PREDICTS

London, Feb. 10 .- In twenty years travelers will go from New York to London in fifteen hours on giant aeroplanes capable of flying 200 miles an hour, Claude Graham-White declared in a published article today.

WOULD INVESTIGATE AND INDICT BRIDGE PLAYERS.

Madisonville. Ky., Feb. 9 .- Society matrons of Madisonville were perturbed today over instructions delivered to the Hopkins county grand jury to investigate all bridge parties and "indict every woman, no matter who she is, if she is caught playing cards for booty."

PECULIAR FACTS ABOUT

WELL KNOWN PEOPLE. Washington, D. C., Feb. 10 .- Dr. Gary T. Grayson, president Wilson's physician, wanted to go to Europe with the Bed Cross surgeons, but the President wouldn't release him,

Formal Exchange In Few Days Expected to Wind Up Incident

## WILSON BACKS TILLMAN

In Plan to Rush the Armor Plate Plant Bill-Revenue for Defense Up Before Ways and Means Committee-Sugar First

(By United Press)

Washington, Feb. 10 .- Official Washington expects to see the close of the Lusitania question early in next week. Germany's final acceptance of the American demands is ex-12.02 pected by then if satisfactory as ex-12.22 pected. Secretary Lansing will immediately cable this government's acceptance.

President Approves Tillman's Plan.

President Wilson has approved the plan of Senator Tillman to push the government armor plate plant bill. Tilman's ceply has threats by plate manufacturers, is coming up in special order Monday.

National Defense Revenue Up.

The problem of raising revenue for national defense was taken up by the ways and means committee today. The first action was to draft a resolution retaining the sugar du-

Keating Bill Sure to Pass, Say Friends.

The Kenting Child Labor bill is practically certain of passage, its friends today said. The House hearing will be on February 15, with a rapid report promised.

OHIO GAS BOOM DYING AND INVESTORS LOSE CASH

Cltveland, O., Feb. 10.-The Citveland, O., Feb. 10.—The gas boom in this vicinity is over. Too many persons wanted toget rich at once, and as a result investors have lost hundreds of thousands of dollars. Experts today placed the gas flow in Cuyahoga county fields at 35,000,000 cubic feet per day. A year ago it was 100,000,000, and the field was rated as the most active in the world. Hundreds of wells, driven at a cost of \$6.000 each, are being pullled, and the piping sold for \$600. Most of the gas being used here is piped from West Virginia.

### KANSAS WOMAN CAMPAIGNS FOR SEAT IN CONGRESS

Topeka, Kan., Feb. 10.—Declaring for national good roads, river improvement, old age pensions, rural credits and nation wide prohibition. Dr. Eva Harding of Topeka, is out for the Democratic nomination for Congress in the first district: Dr. Harding holds that men and .women working together can turn out better laws than one sex legislates for both. In her announcement, Dr. Harding declared against the growing spirit of militarism in this coun-

## SUGGESTS MEANS FOR **EDUCATING OFFICERS**

(By the United Press.) Washington, Feb. 10 .- Military scholarships to the number of 250 a year for boys willing to enter milltary colleges, was advocated by President James of the University of Illineis today before the House Military committee.

THE ODDEST STORY

IN THE DAY'S NEWS. Cleveland. O., Feb. 10.-H. H. Knapp, prone to do what his name implies after the slarm clock rings in the morning, used to get up, shut the thing off, and go back to bed and oversleep so much that he got three more arousers, put one in each corner of the room and more, by the time he has made the rounds and