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On Board President Harding's Funeral Train, Marshalltown, Iowa, Aug. 6.—The funeral train of President Harding arrived here at 9:30 a. m. today.

Many of those dead lives in from farms before daylight and others had remained up all night, but all had the same desire—to stand uncovered by the railroad's side as the train representing the nation's sorrow hurried by.

Many were gathered at Council Bluffs when the train passed there shortly before 4 o'clock this morning. There were many at smaller towns.

Even in the smaller places there stood always a band of World War service men forming a guard of honor and farmers living miles from town went to the nearest road crossings with their families.

At one town a circus train stood on a siding, and beside it stood the circus folk in honor of the President who was always their friend.

At that time the funeral train was approaching Council Bluffs, Iowa, having passed Beverly, Iowa, at 9:58 a. m.

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PRIZES GIVEN AWAY AT PARKS-BELK CO.'S STORE

Tremendous Crowd Attended the Distribution of Ten Prizes Saturday. A crowd of persons which would be hard to estimate packed every available space in the big store of the Parks-Belk Company here on Saturday afternoon at 6 o'clock, when ten free prizes were given away at the close of the twelfth annual clearance sale.

EX-PRESIDENT WILSON CAN'T ATTEND FUNERAL. (By the Associated Press.) Washington, Aug. 6.—Woodrow Wilson in a letter to President Coolidge made public today, said that he would "esteem it an honor to take part in the funeral procession."

The letter, under date of yesterday, was in response to one from President Coolidge inviting him to participate in the funeral of the late President.

DISTRICT CONVENTION Of the Improved Order of Red Men Held Here Saturday.

The district convention of the Improved Order of Redmen of America, convened at Concord, August 4th, 1923. The meeting was called to order by Rev. Mr. Cain, of Concord, District Sachem, at 3 p. m.

At the sound of the tonnahawk this vast assemblage, rose in respect to the passing of our great Executive, and brother, Mr. Harding, while Dr. Martin, of the First Baptist Church, offered prayer for our nation and its widow.

Mr. Perdue, of Concord, delivered the address of welcome and said in part: We extend to you today a welcome to Concord, the best paved city of its size in the United States.

The yarn required to produce this colossal achievement will measure 131,000,000 miles. We have 51 textile plants in this county, employing 7,000 happy and contented employees at a payroll of \$5,000,000.

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WASHINGTON GETTING READY FOR FUNERAL OF LATE PRESIDENT

All From President Coolidge Make Plans for Services Their First Consideration. BODY TO ARRIVE AT ONE P. M. TUESDAY

Three Presidents to Be in Procession—In All Departments of Service Work is Almost at Standstill.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 6 (By the Associated Press).—The American government responding to the grief of the hundreds of millions and more for whom it acts, prayerfully made ready today to prepare the nation's last rites of loving remembrance for President Harding.

Not only President Coolidge but all other high officials in Washington made the funeral plans their first consideration, putting into the background for the present all issues of foreign and domestic concern which so recently had seemed of over-shadowing importance.

In all departments and bureaus the ordinary business of federal administration had almost come to a standstill while agencies in every sub-division of the government were called into service for the task of preparation.

Work will stop entirely at 1 p. m. tomorrow when the funeral train enters here its long journey from the Pacific coast every federal building will remain closed until the body of the Chief Executive has been laid to rest in Marion on Friday.

Three presidents will be in the funeral procession which follows the body of Mr. Harding when it is taken from the East Room of the White House to lie in state at the Capitol. President Coolidge will ride directly behind the immediate members of the family, and both Woodrow Wilson and Wm. Howard Taft will follow in the long line that will move up Pennsylvania avenue to symbolize the mourning of a nation.

EX-PRESIDENT WILSON HOPES TO PARTICIPATE

Send Word He Will Take Part in Funeral Ceremonies as Far as Possible. Washington, Aug. 5.—Woodrow Wilson authorized the statement today that he "will participate as far as possible" in the funeral ceremonies here Wednesday for President Harding.

The extent of the former President's participation was not made known but the statement was taken to mean that he at least will ride in the funeral cortege from the White House to the capitol.

Whether he will attend the services in the rotunda probably will depend upon his physical condition at that time.

President Coolidge extended an invitation to Mr. Wilson yesterday to take part in the funeral, but after a conference with the President's aide, Colonel Sherrill and Rear Admiral Grayson, Mr. Wilson's physician, the announcement was made that because of the state of his health the former President regretted he could not participate.

Mr. Wilson decided later, however, that so far as his physical condition will permit he will join publicly in the last tributes to be paid to the dead President, whose kindness and courtesy to him on March 4, 1921, was one of the outstanding features of that inaugural day.

Should Mr. Wilson find it possible to appear in person in the funeral cortege, it will be his first public appearance since the burial of the Unknown Soldier on Armistice day, 1921, and his third since he left the White House, to seek seclusion and rest in the home that had been prepared for him on S Street.

Speaks in Interest of Home Mission Work. Miss Laura J. Reed, a representative of the Home Mission Board of the Methodist Protestant Church, made a splendid address at the First Methodist Protestant church yesterday morning on the activities and needs of the work of this board.

Mourning Period Until December 1. Washington, Aug. 4.—By direction of President Coolidge Secretary Hughes today telegraphed governors of the various states advising them that a period of mourning would be observed by officials of the United States until December 1. Until this date there will be no official entertainments by government officers.

Mr. F. J. Hayward returned last night from Black Mountain, where he went to spend the week-end with his family.

THE PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL

The Faculty is Now Complete.—New Building Will Not Be Ready for the Fall Term. The faculty of the Concord schools is now complete. The Board has exercised great diligence in filling the places of those that declined their election and they have every reason to feel that they have provided a strong corps of teachers for our schools.

In the High School Miss Muriel Bulwinkle will teach English and Latin. Miss Bulwinkle has had several years of experience as teacher of English and Latin in the Dallas schools. She holds a High School principals' certificate. She is a sister of Mrs. S. A. Wolf and has many friends in Concord. She comes of a family of distinguished educators.

Miss Nina Lewis, of Conway, S. C., is an A. B. graduate of Winthrop College and has had several years of successful experience. She has been teaching mathematics and science in the Lamar High School and will have the same subjects here. Her former superintendent says of her, "In the school room Miss Lewis is a complete master of the situation, showing thorough training and careful planning of work. She has excellent progressive methods of teaching. She commands the respect and secures the confidence of her pupils; thus maintaining good order and discipline."

Concord will have a school building second to none and it is the purpose of the Board to furnish a corps of teachers that shall be second to none anywhere and they believe that they have accomplished this purpose.

Of course it would be fine to open up the new building but circumstances beyond our control have made this impossible.

The school authorities will do the very best they can under the circumstances and with the hearty co-operation of parents and pupils we will have a school of which we all will be proud.

All the vacancies in the other schools have been supplied. Miss Alma G. Lewis, of Gallivants Ferry, S. C., an B. S. graduate of Winthrop College, will teach one of the seventh grades at Central. Miss Lewis comes with the very highest recommendations.

HICKORY WANTS TO KEEP LENOIR COLLEGE

Citizens Think Their Support of 30 Years Worthy of Consideration. Hickory, Aug. 4.—Daniel E. Rhyne's letter urging the removal of Lenoir-Rhyne College from Hickory, created a great deal of surprise here, especially on the part of those people who have been interested and instrumental in the growth of the institution since it was established here more than 30 years ago.

These people recall the struggle the college had in maintaining a high standard when students were scarce and poor; when its founders signed notes and pledged their homes to keep it going; when professors worked for a mere pittance; and when no benefactor stepped into the breach, Lenoir College, they say, obtained its character during those trying years. It was a flourishing, high grade institution, with a bright future before it, when a few men started the agitation for removal.

Friends of the college here say they know the men back of the movement, and Lutherans will be ready for them when the synod meets in November. It is not claimed that Hickory is any better than the average town, but it is asserted that it is no worse. It is felt here that Mr. Rhyne has been imposed upon.

Ancient Code of Honor Revived Again in France. Paris, Aug. 6.—Paris has taken one more step back to pre-war conditions by reviving duelling. Two barristers who insisted on settling a personal difference with duelling swords revived a procedure which, since the war, has appeared ridiculous even in the eyes of the French, who still maintain that there are some duels that can only be decided "on the field of honor."

General opinion, however, is still against duelling for anything short of the gravest reasons, and one writer regretting its revival has suggested that a new article in the duelling code should prescribe that encounters can only take place in the devastated regions, close to a battlefield or in a military cemetery.

With Our Advertisers. Ribbons in all colors and combinations at the Specialty Hat Shop. The August clean-up sale at Fisher's is going on—no left overs there.

Keep your valuables in a safe deposit vault. You can rent a box at the Citizens Bank and Trust Company for a whole year for \$1.50 and up.

Venetian beauty sachets, to remove blackheads easily, at the Gibson Drug Store. You get from 20 to 30 miles from a gallon of gas with a Star. See J. C. Blume's new ad.

Oscar Underwood is invited to Charlotte September 25. Charlotte, Aug. 4.—Senator Oscar W. Underwood, of Alabama, who recently told his home folk in Montgomery that he would become a candidate for the Democratic nomination for President again if Alabama wanted him to, will address the Charlotte chamber of commerce at a dinner on September 25. It was announced today by Col. T. L. Kirkpatrick, president of the chamber. Senators Simmons and Overman and Congressman Bulwinkle also have been invited but have not yet accepted.

Has Not Made Up Mind As To

Extra Session of Congress

AUDITORS SAY MAXWELL WAS RIGHT IN STATEMENT. Actual Cash Deficit December 31, 1922, Was \$5,132,087.82.

Charlotte, N. C., Aug. 6.—That a deficit of approximately \$5,000,000 as claimed by Corporation Commissioner A. J. Maxwell to exist in the state's finances, figured on a cash basis as of December 31, 1922, actually existed, is the admission made in a letter received by Mr. Maxwell from Price, Waterhouse & Co., New York auditors, who made an audit of the state's finances.

"If money equal to the notes outstanding on December 31, 1922, had not been borrowed, and in all other respects the transactions were the same, the overdraft of \$2,189,970.49 would have been greater by the amount of the notes," said the auditors in their letter to Mr. Maxwell. "Exhibit F of the audit shows that \$2,942,117.33 of these cash receipts were borrowed money not repaid," said Mr. Maxwell in a statement last night, and that amount added to the \$2,189,970.49 makes the actual cash deficit on that date \$5,132,087.82."

Morrison Declines to Make Statement. Charlotte, N. C., Aug. 6.—Governor Morrison declined today to comment on the statement issued last night at Raleigh by Corporation Commissioner A. J. Maxwell in which the latter declared his charge that the state faced December 31, 1922, a deficit of \$5,000,000 was proven by explanations by the firm which recently completed the state audit.

"I have no desire to prolong the controversy," the Governor stated, adding he believed the auditor's report should be accepted as final. "This audit is the first balance sheet ever struck on state's finances, and the report is good," he said.

Governor Morrison said he would return to Asheville today and would issue tonight a proclamation regarding the state's observance of Wednesday as a day of mourning for President Harding. He had not decided, he said, whether he could attend the state funeral of President Harding in Washington on Wednesday.

THE COTTON MARKET

Continuance of Dry, Hot Weather in the Southwest Alarms Traders. (By the Associated Press.) New York, Aug. 6.—Continuance dry hot weather in southwest was evidently considered alarming by cotton traders at the opening of the cotton market today. The belief was more or less generally expressed that the crop must be suffering in Texas and after opening firm at an advance of 40 to 57 points, active months soon showed net advances of 65 to 75 points with October 23.35 and January at 25.65.

Cotton futures opened firm: October 23.00; December 23.15; January 22.85; March 22.25; May 22.09.

Police Powerless to Prevent Scenes in Irish Trade Union Congress. Dublin, Aug. 6 (By the Associated Press).—Wild scenes occurred in Dublin today in connection with the Irish Trade Unions Congress. Delegates going to the mansion have found the approach blocked by a crowd of demonstrators who tried to seize the building shouting "Release the prisoners," "Up, Larkin!" "Irish labor leader!"

Harding's Estate Valued at \$700,000 to \$800,000. Marion, Ohio, Aug. 4.—Close friends of the late President, Harding tonight estimated that his estate probably was worth between \$700,000 and \$800,000. Before he assumed the presidency, Mr. Harding was regarded as wealthy having amassed a fortune of some dimensions from The Marion Star, the newspaper which he owned since 1884, until it was sold recently. The controlling interest, held by Mr. Harding, was said to have brought more than a half million dollars.

At one time or other Mr. Harding had been a stockholder in practically every industrial enterprise in Marion. At the time of his death he was a director in the Marion County Bank, the leading financial institution of the city, and the Home Building & Loan Savings Company.

Mr. Harding's last will, made just before he left Washington for Alaska, has not been probated.

Week's Weather Outlook Beginning With Monday. Washington, Aug. 6.—Weather outlook for the week beginning Monday: Middle Atlantic States: Considerable cloudiness, moderate temperature, except quite warm at beginning of week, and occasional shower and local thunderstorms.

South Atlantic and Gulf states: Temperature near normal; generally fair except that scattered thunder showers are probable. West Gulf states: Temperature near normal; weather generally fair except that scattered thundershowers are probable. Tennessee. Considerable cloudiness and occasional local showers and thundershowers; moderate temperatures.

Death of Dr. James Power Smith. (By the Associated Press.) Greensboro, N. C., Aug. 6.—Dr. James Power Smith died this morning shortly before 10 o'clock at the home of Dr. Chas. F. Myers.

Dr. Smith, clergyman, author, soldier, was born in Athens, Ohio, July 4, 1837, the son of Rev. Jos. and Eliza Bell Smith. He was educated at Jefferson College, and later attended Union Theological Seminary. He received his D. D. degree from Hampden Sidney College and was ordained a Presbyterian minister in 1866.

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GOMPERS CONFERS WITH PRESIDENT

President Coolidge Told Gompers and Morrison He Was Reserving a Definite Decision Till Later. (By the Associated Press.) Washington, Aug. 6.—President Coolidge apparently has no present intention of calling a special session of Congress, but those who called on him today received the impression that he had not made a final decision.

The possibility of an extra session was discussed with the President, with Samuel Gompers president, and Frank Morrison, secretary, of the American Federation of Labor. Mr. Gompers said the President appeared to have no intention now of calling Congress together ahead of time, but was reserving any definite decision.

The subject was brought up by Mr. Gompers because of his desire to submit legislative proposals on behalf of organizer labor. He made an engagement to submit labor policies which are to be discussed this month at the meeting of the Federal executive council.

STATE FEDERATION OF LABOR Seventeenth Annual Convention to Be Held in Greensboro August 13-15. (By the Associated Press.) Greensboro, N. C., Aug. 6.—W. L. Hutchinson, General President of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America, Indianapolis, Ind., and J. L. Bradford, General Organizer of the same organization, will be among the principal speakers at the 17th annual convention of the North Carolina State Federation of Labor, which opens here next Monday, August 13, with sessions that will continue through Wednesday, August 15.

Invitations have been extended to Samuel Gompers and Frank Morrison, President and Secretary, respectively, of the American Federation of Labor, to deliver addresses, but their acceptances have not yet been received.

The convention will open at 10 o'clock on the morning of August 13, at the Spring street school building. The visitors will be welcomed to Greensboro in address by Mayor Claud Kiser. J. M. Ellis, President of the Federation, will deliver the response. The remainder of the initial session will be devoted to organization.

On Monday evening the visiting labor men will be the guests of the Greensboro Chamber of Commerce on a sight seeing tour in and about the city.

Resolutions and reports will occupy the attention of the convention on Tuesday morning. The afternoon meeting Tuesday will be featured with addresses by W. L. Hutchinson, President of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America, and J. L. Bradford, Indianapolis, Ind., General Organizer. Others on the program for addresses include: J. F. McMahon, Raleigh; James F. Barrett, Charlotte; Rev. Tom P. Jimison, Spencer; W. F. Moody, Raleigh, and R. W. H. Stone, President of the Farmers' State organization.

On Tuesday evening the delegates will attend an athletic exhibition. Reports of committees, the election of officers and the selection of the 1924 meeting place, will be the principal business before the convention on Wednesday morning. Following this, the convention will adjourn.

On Wednesday evening the entire delegation will go to Guilford College where they will be guests of the Greensboro Labor Union at a barbecue.

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Fisher Reunion at Lower Stone Aug. 23. The eighth annual Fisher reunion and association will be held at Lower Stone church on Thursday, August 23. Rev. W. H. Causey, of Salisbury, H. A. Fesperman, of Greensboro, and J. H. Keller, of China Grove, will make addresses.

Turko-American Treaty Signed. Lausanne, Aug. 6 (By the Associated Press).—The Turko-American treaty was signed at 4:12 p. m. today.