

Hotel Campaign Is Off With \$252,300 Reported

More Than Quarter of Million Dollars Already Subscribed by Citizens Who Want a New Hotel for the City.

FIRST MEETING MONDAY NIGHT

Of Total Reported Executive Committee Has Raised the Greater Part—Number of Salesmen Busy Now.

More than \$250,000 had been subscribed at noon today for a new hotel in Concord. The exact figures reported at the luncheon meeting at the Y at noon today were \$252,300.

The campaign began with a dinner meeting at the Y Monday night and such inspiration was gained by the workers at the meeting that they tackled their job this morning with renewed vigor and optimism.

The reports for the morning canvass were made at the luncheon at the Y at noon today. The reports, carried at the head of this column, show the energetic manner in which the group members have gone about their work.

The first reports in the campaign were made Monday night at the dinner meeting. When it was reported that stock worth \$235,400 had already been sold there were prolonged cheers for the workers.

The reports came after an interesting program had been rendered. T. D. Maness, chairman of the executive committee, presided at the meeting and in a short talk outlined plans for the hotel and what it would mean to Concord.

R. H. Keltner, representative of the company which is putting over the campaign, briefly explained the manner in which the reports are to be made each day.

After his talk the group members were allowed ten minutes in which to subscribe stock, and when A. G. Odell, General Sales Manager, called for reports, the following were submitted:

Division "A," A. E. Howard, manager and W. A. Foll, B. E. Harris and R. E. Ridenhour, Jr., group leaders—\$6,000. Division "B," Dr. S. W. Rankin, manager and C. W. Byrd, A. R. Hooper and Parks M. Lafferty group leaders—\$26,000.

Division "C," L. M. Richmond manager, and E. L. Hicks, Dr. B. W. King, and Cameron McCrae group leaders—\$17,700. Division "D," C. S. Smart, manager and L. T. Hartsell, J. Y. Pharr and W. B. Ward, group leaders—\$17,100.

Executive Committee—\$165,000. The money reported by the groups represents what the group members themselves have purchased, as they had not tried to sell any stock when the meeting was held.

DOES NOT APPLY TO BEVERAGES MADE IN HOME

Judge Hill Case Decided That the "One Half of One Per Cent. Clause Does Not So Apply."

(By the Associated Press.) Baltimore, Md., Nov. 11.—A trial of Representative John Philip Hill in the U. S. court here today for alleged violations of the Volstead Act, Judge Morris A. Soper ruled that the "1-2 of 1 per cent" clause in the Volstead law does not apply to beverages made in the home for home consumption.

Judge Soper said: "Congress seems to have used the word 'manufacturing' differently in one section from what it did in another. To my mind Congress plainly intended that persons manufacturing cider and wine exclusively for use in their homes should be in a class by themselves, or otherwise there is no apparent need for this section (section 2b)."

The only reasonable explanation for Congress singling out home made cider and wine makers is that Congress did not intend to punish men for such manufacture unless the beverage is intoxicating in fact.

Decision Affects Prohibition Policies. Washington, Nov. 11.—The finding of Federal Judge Soper in the case of Representative John Philip Hill at Baltimore today is regarded here as necessitating a revision of the policies and regulations of the prohibition department.

ASHEVILLE MECCA FOR HUNDREDS OF PERSONS

Agricultural Exposition and Armistice Day Festivities Attract Many Persons.

(By the Associated Press.) Asheville, Nov. 11.—Hundreds of persons from eighteen counties of western North Carolina arrived in Asheville today to attend the opening of the district agricultural and livestock exposition and also the Armistice Day festivities.

Coincident with the exposition is the annual meeting of the western division, State Livestock Association. The livestock men have offered elaborate prizes in a judging contest to be held Friday between members of the boys agricultural clubs and agricultural vocation students.

A half dozen auction sales of pure bred livestock will be held each day until the exposition closes Friday night. A corn and poultry show is being held, and the proceeds to support the purchase of pure bred livestock.

NOT KNOWN YET WHO KILLED HARVEY KATZ

Well Known Los Angeles Man Shot as He Opened Door to Apartment.

(By the Associated Press.) Los Angeles, Calif., Nov. 11.—The identity of the person who shot and killed Harry Katz, musician, art collector, real estate operator, and purveyor of diamonds to the motion picture colony as he opened the door of his apartments in a fashionable residence district here last night, remained a matter of mystery today. It was a few minutes after the shooting.

By following up the threads of the man's various activities, police hoped to discover a motive for the slaying. The results of a night of investigation left unsettled the question whether money, diamonds, a woman or disputes centering about a German-built yacht lay at the bottom of the killing.

Woman's Hot Air Plant

London, Nov. 11.—A woman is responsible for a plan now under consideration for helping the farmers by means of "hot air." The Oxford University Institute of Agricultural Engineering is now carrying on research into the possibility of making farmers independent of weather conditions in harvesting their crops. The novel plan for drying the crops by means of blasts of hot air was advanced by the wife of the director of the institute, who derived the idea from the hairdressers' methods of drying hair.

At campaign headquarters it was explained that the goal of the hotel campaign is \$375,000, exclusive of anything to be done by the Concord National Bank. This sum will mean a modern hotel of 100 rooms fully equipped.

BULL MOVEMENT IN NEW YORK STATE MARKET RESUMED

Speculative Interests Switch From the Railroad Shares to the Industrials on Today's Market.

THE TEXTILES MAKE BRISK RECOVERIES

More Than a Score of Industrials Broke Through Their Previous Maximum Price for the Year.

(By the Associated Press.) New York, Nov. 11.—The "bull" movement in the stock market was resumed with vigor today as speculative interests switched the railroad shares to the industrials. While there was a decrease in the number of large blocks of stock dealt in during the first half hour, there were more individual sales, the volume of business in that period falling slightly below 300,000 shares. Heavy profit taking was again apparent in the railroad list.

More than a score of industrials broke through their previous maximum prices for the year, with the oils, tobaccos and coppers giving the best demonstrations of group strength, and the textiles and sugars making brisk recoveries from recent heaviness.

LAST DAY TO ENTER U. S. OFFICERS RESERVE CORPS

Without a Mental Examination—Time Expires November 11th.

(By the Associated Press.) Raleigh, N. C., Nov. 10.—Armistice Day marks the last chance that former officers of the World War will have to enter the United States Officers Reserve Corps without a mental examination and in the same rank as they held when mustered out of service, it was announced here today at headquarters of the 321st Infantry by Colonel James M. Little, executive officer.

After mid-night of Armistice Day all persons entering the Reserve Officers Corps will be required to take a complete examination, both mental and physical, and will be commissioned only in the rank of second lieutenant, so reads the latest orders of the War Department. This date is said to be positively final in which special privileges to ex-officers will be granted. The time limitation on this privilege originally expired on November 11, 1923, but due to the many requests for the extension of time, the War Department extended the time until November 11, 1924.

Colonel Little points out that only about 380 officers of the Reserve Corps are now in the 51st Division in North Carolina and about 350 officers of the reserve in the Fourth Army Corps in North Carolina, while there should be many more. Other states are forging ahead in this field, he said, including Georgia and South Carolina, the latter state having 550 in the Fourth Army Corps.

While the offices at headquarters are being over-worked to take care of the eleven-hour rushes as they were last year, Colonel Little has tended his assistance to all former officers of the World War who wish to enter the Reserve Corps, and will receive applications until mid-night of November 11, 1924. These applications may be made in person, by letter or by wire, to the executive officer at headquarters here in Raleigh.

According to Colonel Little, former officers should enter the Reserve Corps at once in order to keep the file system to their credit, for them they will get their former rank and have an early start on the files, otherwise graduates of the C. M. T. C. and the R. O. T. C. of colleges will be their seniors when they enter later.

TWO WOMEN BADLY HURT WHEN CAR IS WRECKED

Dr. Stephen Brown's Machine Plunges Into Railroad Cut in Town of Cleveland.

Cleveland, Nov. 10.—Mrs. George Brown sustained a broken hip, Mrs. J. Stephen Brown had several ribs broken and other passengers injured, and a three car motor car was wrecked and crushed when the automobile, driven by Dr. J. Stephen Brown, plunged into the railroad cut in the western part of the town Sunday afternoon. Besides Dr. Brown and the two injured women, the other occupants of the car were Dr. and Mrs. Stephen Brown's child and Miss Mollie Harringer, of Mt. Ulla.

The accident happened on a sharp curve, and that no one was killed is little less than remarkable.

"Contributions to World Peace." Buffalo, N. Y., Nov. 11.—With "Contributions to World Peace" as its general theme, the ninth annual Congress of the American Council of the World Alliance for International Friendship Through the Churches was opened here today with many speakers of international reputation on the program. The general purpose of the conference, which will continue its sessions several days, is to make a survey of all the agencies which are doing effective work, looking toward a Christian world order.



MRS. FLORENCE HARDING NOW LYING AT DEATH'S DOOR

STATE HAS 1,370 MILES HARD SURFACE ROADS

The System Under State Direction Consists of 6,000 Miles.

(By the Associated Press.) Greensboro, Nov. 11.—North Carolina now has 1,370 miles of hard surfaced highways, according to an announcement given out by the Carolina Motor Club, C. W. Roberts, vice president, as having come from H. K. Witherspoon, director of publicity of the State highway commission. Of this amount there are 730 miles of asphalt and 644 miles of concrete, with a program that provides for the hard surfacing of approximately 3,500 miles. The system under State direction and maintenance consists of 6,000 miles, it is announced.

"Tourists continue to pour into North Carolina," stated Mr. Roberts in the statement issued yesterday. "Invariably they request of our highway routes which will take them on their journey and keep them in North Carolina longest. This is an evidence of the benefit of good roads—as direct as it is possible to get it. More than three hundred tourists are obtaining information at the various offices of the club and we have the opportunity of checking up on this. Six thousand miles is a pile of roads, and any one who will stop to consider it will agree with most tourists that a 'whole of a job' has been done well in the maintenance and construction of these miles. When the tourist is told the story of the construction of 1,370 miles of hard surface; 274 miles of bituminous macadam, 511 miles of gravel, 2,468 miles of sand-clay and top-soil, 959 miles of dirt and 71 miles of shale and brick, he wonders. It is proper for Carolinians to wonder, too, and with the gradual closing of links here and stretches here, the State highways are becoming surprisingly real and definite."

STUDENT GOVERNMENT AT THE M. P. COLLEGE

Joseph Holmes, of Graham, Is Chosen Student President—The Postoffice Recedes.

High Point, Nov. 10.—Student government has been inaugurated at the High Point college, based on a plan outlined by Dean Young while taking work at Columbia University last summer. Joseph Holmes, of Graham, has been elected student government president. Other officers are Miss Pomona Johnson, of Mebane, vice president; Miss Laura Thompson, of Greensboro, secretary, and Harris Meadows, treasurer.

Two chief divisions in the government are the boys' council and girls' council, which consider and dispose of petty matters arising among students. Chairman of the boys' council is Ralph Finch, of Henderson; vice chairman, H. E. Coble, of Burlington; secretary, Treasurer, William Arent, of Whitakers.

For each section of the boys' dormitory a monitor has been appointed. The monitors are Cornelius Sides, of Concord and Raymond Lemonds, of Stokesdale.

Miss Ethel Blackwelder, of Concord, is chairman of the girls' council; Miss Ethel Rich, of Graham, vice chairman; Miss Estel Tarkington, of High Point, secretary and treasurer. Prompters are Miss Alice Saulker, of Henderson, and Miss Ruth Vunnamon, of this city.

Chil Labor Law is Defeated at Polls.

Boston, Nov. 10.—The question of whether the voters of Massachusetts should instruct the legislature to ratify the child labor amendment to the Federal constitution was decided emphatically in the negative on election day by a majority of more than 400,000. By a margin of only a few thousand votes a State prohibition enforcement act was ratified. Little popular support was found for a proposition for a tax of 2 cents a gallon on gasoline, the adverse majority being about 220,000.

BOGUS "PASTOR" NEARLY ESCAPES WITH OFFERING

Yonkers Church Folk Run Down Visitor Whose Brief Talks Netted \$315.

New York, Nov. 9.—A man who said he was Rev. Isaac Solomon, of Irvington street, Manhattan, entered the English Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, on Elliott avenue, Yonkers, this morning, addressed a Sunday school class, took a collection which had been intended for the church in which he spoke, and departed. He was followed by churchfolks and Policeman McCormick and arrested as he came out of a Presbyterian church two blocks away. In his pockets were found \$5 in small coins and \$313 in bills.

Arthur Koentz, superintendent of the Lutheran Sunday school, told the police Solomon walked in and politely asked permission to address the class of 90 children. This was granted. He spoke briefly, Koentz continued, then, without authorization, took up a collection, obtaining two or three dollars. He walked out before Koentz could protest.

CHARLOTTE SELLS BIG BLOCK OF HER BONDS

Million Dollar Issue City Improvement Bonds Bought by American Trust Company.

Charlotte, Nov. 10.—City improvement bonds in the sum of \$1,100,000 were sold today by the city commission, local financial institution. The bonds will bear interest at a rate of 4 1/2 per cent annually. The American Trust company paid a premium of \$810 on its purchase.

Eight other financial concerns submitted bids for the bonds, but all, with the exception of the successful bidder, specified an interest rate of 4 3/4 per cent. Among the unsuccessful bidders specified an interest rate of 4 3/4 per cent. Among the unsuccessful bidders was the Carolina Security Company, of Greensboro, which offered a premium of \$26,270 for the bonds at an interest rate of 4 3/4 per cent.

Of the money derived from the sale \$500,000 will be used in erection of a new city hall and other municipal structures; \$400,000 in improvements on and extension of the water and sewer systems; and \$200,000 in street improvements.

The sale today was less favorable than the last sale in August, according to the commissioners. They announced that no more bonds will be offered for sale until next spring.

SECRETARY DAVIS TO RETIRE AFTER MARCH 4

Has Informed President Coolidge That He Wishes to Leave Cabinet At That Time.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, Nov. 11.—Secretary Davis, of the Labor Department, has informed President Coolidge he wishes to retire from the cabinet after March 4, next. Mr. Davis is the only cabinet member who has indicated he desires to retire, it was said officially today at the White House. Meanwhile it was said, the President has given no consideration to other possible changes in his cabinet and has expressed the hope that Mr. Davis will remain.

Armistice Day Celebration at State Capital. (By the Associated Press.) Raleigh, Nov. 11.—Armistice Day broke here with cloudy skies and cool weather, but despite this veterans of the world war went ahead with their plans for a parade, barbecue and various other events planned as a feature for the sixth celebration of the signing of the armistice in 1918.

ARMISTICE DAY AT THE NATION'S CAPITAL

Services in Memory of Woodrow Wilson One of the Features.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, Nov. 11.—The State Library participation today in the nationwide celebration of Armistice Day centered as heretofore about the tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Arlington national cemetery. In addition, numerous patriotic exercises similar to those in other cities were arranged by various organizations and foreign groups, and the day also marked the opening of the annual roll call of the American Red Cross.

The Unknown Soldier's tomb was the shrine for many pilgrimages led by the annual visit of the President in accordance with a custom established by President Harding. Services in memory of Woodrow Wilson in the national cathedral where he is buried were arranged by the committee which prior to his death took charge of the Armistice Day pilgrimages to his home on S Street.

None of the government departments closed for the day, President Harding having found that he lacked authority to declare a holiday in the absence of action by Congress.

THE COTTON MARKET

Nervous and Irregular Fluctuations Followed Yesterday's Big Advance.

(By the Associated Press.) New York, Nov. 11.—Yesterday's big advance in the cotton market was followed by nervous and irregular fluctuations in today's early trading. There was evidently a good deal of realizing combined with Southern selling, and some selling for a reaction, but buying on the decline was encouraged by reports from the domestic goods trade and private advices from Liverpool, stating that Lancashire spinners would increase their working hours after the end of this month.

The market opened steady at a decline of 1 to 1 1/2 points, January easing off to 24.25, but early offerings were well enough taken to steady prices, and there were rallies of 8 or 10 points by the end of the first hour.

Cotton futures opened steady. Dec. 24.00; Jan. 24.25; March 24.60; May 24.85; July 24.60.

PRESIDENT MAY NOT HAVE INAUGURAL BALL

However, Chief Executive Has Given Little Thought to the Question So Far.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, Nov. 11.—President Coolidge is not inclined to hold an inaugural ball, although it was said today at the White House he had not given consideration yet to plans for the inauguration. White House officials said the President had made inquiries as to whether he himself would have to attend an inaugural ball if one were held, and thereafter expressed his disinclination for such a function.

It is the general expectation that all of the inaugural plans will be marked by simplicity and economy.

T. E. COOPER AND J. C. ROURKE ON TRIAL

Charged With Violating the Banking Laws of North Carolina.

(By the Associated Press.) Wilmington, N. C., Nov. 11.—Thomas E. Cooper, president, and J. C. Rourke, cashier of the defunct Liberty Savings Bank, were today on trial in superior court on charges of violating the state banking laws. The bank failed following the failure of the Commercial National Bank in December 1922.

Cooper and Rourke are charged with, among other things, "paying dividends when they knew the bank to be insolvent," and "making loans in excessive amounts."

STATE REVENUES DO NOT SHOW DECREASE

Revenue Department of State Up to October 1st Had Collected \$5,801,425.

(By the Associated Press.) Raleigh, Nov. 11.—Collections by the state revenue department up to October 1st, of this year were \$5,801,425 as compared with \$5,750,000 for the same period a year ago, according to announcement by Commissioner of Revenue R. A. Doughton. Depressed conditions in the textile industry have not yet been reflected in tax collections.

With Our Advertisers. Winter shoes and overalls at Parker's Shoe Store. Buck's Starlight for comfort and economy. See new ad. of Concord Furniture Co. When you want your car washed or greased, Howard's Filling Station wants to do it. W. C. Correll Jewelry Co. has a complete assortment of ladies' and gents' Green watches. Everything for your fruit cake at the Piggy Wigly. Blue Label red pitted cherries at the Sanitary Grocery Co. The Eagle Company wants to clean your furs, coats and wraps. Phone 648. See notice of sale of property of Southern Motor Service Co. by Southern Loan and Trust Co. You will find specials of all kinds in coats and dresses at Ebird's.

EIGHT MEMBERS OF THE ELKS HOME AT BEDFORD ARE DEAD

And Seventeen Others Are in a Serious Condition as a Result of Drinking Cider There Monday.

CIDER CONTAINED ARSENATE OF LEAD

It Was Delivered in a Barrel Thought to Have Contained Arsenate of Lead Used for Spraying Fruit Trees.

(By the Associated Press.) Lynchburg, Va., Nov. 11.—Eight members of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, residents of the Elks National Home at Bedford, about 25 miles from here, are dead today and seventeen others are in a serious condition from drinking sweet cider late yesterday. The cider is said by physicians, Charles Mosby, superintendent of the home, and county officials, to have contained arsenate of lead. At least two of the sick are said to be in a critical condition.

The cider was delivered to the home yesterday afternoon in a barrel thought to have been used at some time to hold arsenate of lead for the spraying of fruit trees. Supt. Mosby and county officials said they are satisfied there was no criminal intention in using the keg, and there seems to be no likelihood of an inquiry into the deaths of the eight men. All the victims came from western states.

SENATOR LODGE'S FUNERAL

Service to Be Held Tomorrow to Be Simple in Character.

(By the Associated Press.) Boston, Nov. 11.—Simplicity will be observed at the funeral tomorrow of Senator Henry Cabot Lodge in accordance with the family wishes. President Coolidge directed that the officers in the command of military units do all in their power to carry out the wishes of Senator Lodge's relatives. It was said to be probable that military escorts will be accorded, however.

Secretary Hughes, Secretary of War Weeks, and Chief of Adolphus Andrews, naval aide to the President will attend. There will be delegations from the House and Senate.

OFFICIAL VOTE TO BE KNOWN NOVEMBER 27TH

On That Date the State Election Board Will Meet and Canvass Returns.

(By the Associated Press.) Raleigh, Nov. 11.—The official result of the North Carolina election of November 4th will be known on November 27th. On that date the State election board, composed of Walter H. Neal, chairman, of Lenoir; Clarence Call, of Wilkesboro; R. T. Claywell, of Morganton; W. J. Davis, of Hendersonville, and B. S. Boyster, of Oxford, will meet in the hall of the House of Representatives here and canvass the returns sent in by the county boards of election.

Most of the returns are expected to be mailed to Raleigh within the next week, although not all are expected until a few days before the board meeting.

MRS. HARDING HOVERING BETWEEN LIFE AND DEATH

Little Hope is Now Held Out For Her Recovery.

(By the Associated Press.) Marion, Ohio, Nov. 11.—Mrs. Warren G. Harding was reported as hovering between life and death today by her physician, Dr. Carl W. Sawyer, who reported her condition as unchanged from yesterday. Little hope was held for her recovery.

Novel Sun Clock

London, Nov. 11.—A novel "sun clock" invented by the government astronomer of New South Wales, is now on view here. The dial is enclosed in a small glass case as a protection from the weather. By turning a handle the sun's shadow is thrown through a small hole on to a diagram showing the month and the day of the week. When the "spot" is thrown on the present date the exact time is shown on the clock dial.

WHAT SMITTY'S CAT SAYS

Partly cloudy tonight and Wednesday; warmer Wednesday in west portion.