

GOV. McLEAN GIVES REVIEW OF 1925 AND A FORECAST OF 1926

North Carolina in the Year of 1925 Had a Period of Great Industrial and Commercial Activity

OUTLOOK FOR 1926 IS BRIGHT
Good Roads Great Contributor to Our Prosperity—Textile Depression Now Passing Away

Greensboro, N. C., Jan. 20.—The Greensboro Daily Record has made available to The Associated Press a copy of an address written by Governor A. W. McLean, of North Carolina, giving a review of 1925 and forecast of 1926.

That the year 1925 was in North Carolina a period of material advancement and industrial and commercial activity is a fact within the personal experience and observation of every citizen of the state, whatever his residence.

Life among our people has never been more active and hopeful. In fact, the enterprise that a few years ago was exceptional has become a rule of conduct. There is not a city or town that does not feel in its community consciousness the impulse to grow and determination to improve its facilities.

Put in material terms we have produced in agricultural wealth the past year a cotton crop of more than a million bales, which will produce at a minimum price at least \$100,000,000.

LAST OF FOUNDERS OF ELKS DIES AT FLORIDA HOSPITAL

John F. "Dad" Norris, Believed to Be Last of "7 Jolly Corks," Dies in West Palm Beach.

West Palm Beach, Fla., Jan. 20.—John F. "Dad" Norris, 80, believed to be the last of the "seven jolly corks," an organization from which sprang the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, died early today at the Good Samaritan Hospital here.

Edwin M. Neil, secretary of the local lodge No. 1532 was making an effort this morning to communicate with Dad's lodge at Providence, R. I., for funeral arrangements.

CHILD'S CUSTODY TO BE DECIDED BY WOMEN'S EMOTIONS ON SCREEN

Detroit, Jan. 19.—King Solomon's methods, revamped for the movies, were adopted by Circuit Judge Vincent M. Brennan yesterday as a means of settling a custody case in which a three-year-old girl...

Martin Durkin Arrested in St. Louis. St. Louis, Jan. 20.—Martin Durkin, Chicago murderer sought in a nationwide search, was arrested by department of justice agents here today upon his arrival from San Antonio.

SATAN IN SABLES By Bradley King. Illustration of a man and woman.

Galveston Fire Causes \$1,000,000 Loss

Property valued at more than \$1,450,000 bales of cotton went up in smoke and four city blocks were reduced to ashes. Four piers were burned, 600,000 was destroyed when a disastrous fire swept the waterfront at Galveston, Tex., last night.

WANTS REHEARING ON ROAD DECISION

Attorney General of Texas Asks Supreme Court for Rehearing on the Archer County Road Case.

Washington, Jan. 20.—Attorney General Moody, of Texas, today asked the Supreme Court for a rehearing in the Archer County case in which the court recently held that the organization of the road district No. 2 in that county was unconstitutional.

MONTAGUE MUST DIE FOR CRIME

Morganton, Jan. 19.—Governor McLean today declined to commute the death sentence imposed in Burke county on Arthur Montague for an attack on a deaf and dumb child of a State institution at Morganton.

Montague, a 22-year-old negro, was convicted in Burke County Superior Court at the June, 1925, term of court. Sentenced to die by electrocution, he appealed to the Supreme Court, which upheld the judgment of the lower court.

Senators Do Not Like Speech He Made Over Radio Tuesday Night. Washington, Jan. 20.—Vice-President Dawes got a reaction with a kick in it today as soon as Senators had read a radio speech in which he renewed last night his campaign for revision of the Senate rules.

Motion Picture Men at Charlotte. Charlotte, Jan. 20.—Motion picture owners and exhibitors of the Carolinas will be welcomed here tonight in semi-annual gathering by Mayor Moore, who will deliver a welcoming address.

Protect Against Petroleum Law Mexico City, Jan. 20.—Several additional foreign oil companies have filed applications for injunctions against the restrictiveness provisions of the new petroleum law.

MERCHANDISE SENT TO FOREIGN MARKETS

Manufactured Cotton Predominates Among the State's Exports. Raleigh, Jan. 20.—Merchandise amounting in value to \$8,468,244 was shipped from North Carolina to foreign markets during the three months ended September 30, 1925, according to statistics released for publication today by the United States department of commerce.

THE COTTON MARKET
Opened Barely Steady at Decline of 1 Points to Advance of 2 Points.

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TAX BILL FORMALLY PRESENTED TO BODY
Given to the Senate by Finance Committee.—Another Bill Will Be Presented Next Week.

Washington, Jan. 20.—The tax reduction bill was formally presented to the Senate today by its finance committee. Chairman Smoot, however, had not completed the report on the compromise measure worked out by the committee, and he said he would not ask the Senate to take up the bill before Monday.

COACH BILL FEZTER IS PAID GLOWING TRIBUTE
He Was One of Most Able Coaches North Carolina Has Produced.

Wanted to Do More for His Country. Wake Forest, Jan. 19.—"It is a matter of great pride to that North Carolina has produced a coach as great as 'Bill' Fetzer," said Dr. G. W. Paschal in an interview here today regarding the loss of Fetzer to inter-collegiate athletics of the state caused by his recent resignation as head coach of athletics at the University.

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