

FIRST TIME IN SIX YEARS THE STATE PRISON HAS PROFIT

Operations Resulted in a Profit During 1925 According to Report by Scott, Charnley & Co. THE PRISON IS NOW SELF-SUPPORTING

The Prison Facilities Now in Excellent Condition. A New Era of Independence Is Begun.

Raleigh Bureau of The Concord Daily Tribune Raleigh, March 29.—For the first time in six years, operations of the North Carolina State prison resulted in a profit during the calendar year 1925, according to the report of the audit, made by Scott, Charnley & Co., public accountants of Charlotte, made public today by Governor Angus W. McLean.

The total net operating profits for the State's prison as a whole for the calendar year amount to \$42,543.31, but when the amount paid to prisoners upon their discharge for themselves and their families in commutation, \$24,449.88, is subtracted, the profit is reduced to \$18,093.43.

For many years the prison was operated not only on a self-supporting basis but in such a manner that it was able to turn over to the State each year nice sums in profits from operations over all expenses.

As a result of these factors, and others, it became increasingly hard to show profits each year and, since that had become almost a part of the State's ritual, various kinds of economies were put into practice to meet the decreases in revenue.

By December, 1920, the surplus had been reduced to \$10,000, which was the last figure shown in that column of the annual reports. But, not only had the profits been all but wiped out in those last few years of financial independence, but buildings and other facilities had begun to show ill effects from the system of rigid economy and a good share of the revenues in the past six years had to be devoted to repairs to existing facilities and additional improvements, which, except for the seemingly necessary for scripping and saving in the earlier years, would have been spread over ten years instead of being packed into six.

That, and the steady increase in the number of prisoners, accounts in a large measure for the profitless reports of the past several years. As late as June 30, 1925, a deficit of some \$160,000 was shown in operations for the fiscal year, but that was due, in part, to the fact that the crops then were in the ground and, strictly speaking, could not be counted at their full probable value as assets.

\$1,000,000



Seven years ago Frank R. Patterson went to Detroit with a college degree and just enough money to rent a small office and go to work as a civil engineer. Now he has just paid a \$20,000 premium on a million-dollar life insurance policy. He is head of one of the largest construction firms in Detroit.

ILLITERACY CRUSADE IS PLANNED BEFORE CENSUS

New York Has Enough Illiterates to Make a City the Size of Denver. Washington, March 29.—(AP)—The federal census takers of 1930 would be unable to discover any illiterates in the United States, if the national illiteracy crusade, just organized here, had its way.

Mrs. Cora Wilson Stewart, national director of the group, who is in charge of the newly-opened headquarters here, and who has been active in educational work in the south, disclosed these findings: There are 10,000 who cannot read or write in the city of Washington. Philadelphia has nearly 60,000 illiterates.

There are many counties in the United States where twenty-five to thirty per cent of the people are unable to read and write and some counties where forty to fifty per cent are illiterate.

The lead pencil business would be increased \$3,000,000 annually, by the wiping out of illiteracy. "More can be done during the next five years in eliminating illiteracy than has been done in any fifty years before," said Mrs. Stewart.

The new processes of the public and private schools cannot cope unaided with illiteracy. These schools have done their best but 5,000,000 men and women in the United States have missed them, and must now be campaigned into school. Our program is to put the fight into every section of the United States.

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A THRIFT TALK TO BUSINESS MEN

YOU owe yourself a safe "building and loan" investment account as a form of insurance against the hazards of ordinary business. With every dollar adequately secured by real estate first mortgages ours is generally considered the safest type of investment in the world.

TRIAL OF CRANFORD WILL BE STARTED TUESDAY MORNING

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MURDER CHARGE AGAINST CRANFORD

Former "Convict Boss" of Stanly County Is Charged With Deaths of Two Convicts.

Albemarle, March 29.—(AP)—The State was not ready today to proceed with the trial of N. C. Cranford, former "convict boss" of Stanly county, charged with first degree murder in connection with the deaths of two convicts, and the case will not begin before tomorrow.

An imposing array of counsel faced each other for the trial, led by Solicitor Don Phillips for the prosecution, while J. R. Price, R. L. Smith, G. D. B. Reynolds, H. C. Turner and the firm of Brown & Sikes represented the defendant.

Cranford's trial grew out of the deaths of James Terry and James Howell, who died while serving on his changing crew in 1918.

It is charged that the men were beaten unmercifully by Cranford, who at the time was superintendent of the Stanly county convict system.

Court was convened by Judge A. M. Stack at 10 o'clock. Calling a venire was the first matter before the court, and indications were that the defense would press for a jury from another county.

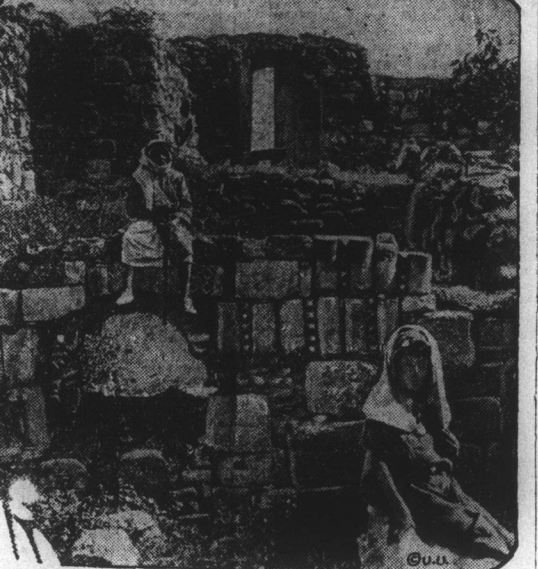
Named Prohibition Administrator for Florida by Secretary Andrews. Washington, March 29.—(AP)—P. H. Hambach was appointed prohibition administrator for Florida today by Assistant Secretary Andrews in charge of prohibition enforcement.

Hambach has been assistant administrator and he succeeds D. T. Simmons, who resigned recently. He will make headquarters at Tampa.

John Cameron, Sage of Sharron, Answers Call. Kinston, Mar. 28.—John E. Cameron, grand master of the grand lodge of Masons of North Carolina, died at his "Rose of Sharon" home at 1 o'clock this morning.

Advertisement for Cabarrus County B. L. & S. Association, Office in Concord National Bank. Includes text about new series of building and loan business.

Christ Visited in This Home On Holy Week Wednesday



Here are the ruins of the home of Mary and Martha in Bethany, near Jerusalem, whither Christ retired on Wednesday of Holy Week—the day before He returned to Jerusalem for The Last Supper.

SAFRIT BOUND OVER TO SUPERIOR COURT

Waives Preliminary Hearing When Taken Before Squire G. M. Lore at the Court House Today.

Ralph Safrit, 22-year-old white man of the Rimer community of this county, waived preliminary hearing this morning and was bound over to Cabarrus Superior Court.

Safrit was charged in the warrant with an attack on a girl with intent to rape. The warrant was signed by her brother, court attaches said.

The girl was in the court room with her mother and other relatives. She appears to be about 14 or 15 years of age.

Senator Johnson is After Some Information. Wants to Know About Land Grant to Mexican-Japanese Syndicate.

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THREE NEGROES PERISH IN FIRE Burned to Death in Bed When Shanty is Destroyed.

With Our Advertisers. Today and Tuesday at the Concord Theatre "Tell Me Why," dealing with birth control.

Seeking Delay in Ratifying Debt Settlement Plan. Washington, March 29.—(AP)—Delay in the ratification of the Italian debt settlement was urged today in the Senate by the Democratic floor leader, Senator Robinson, of Arkansas.

DRY CHIEF PLANNING SWING AROUND THE COUNTRY IN FUTURE

Secretary Andrews Going to Visit All Parts of the Country to Make a Personal Survey.

COMING SOUTH AT THE JUMP

Later Will Visit the Pacific Coast and Then He Will Swing to the Canadian Border.

Washington, March 29.—(AP)—A nation-wide survey of prohibition conditions will be made this summer by Assistant Secretary Andrews in charge of the treasury's dry enforcement organization.

Andrew to Be Witness. Washington, March 29.—(AP)—Assistant Secretary Andrews, of the Treasury, in charge of dry enforcement organization, was summoned today as the first witness to appear next Monday before the Senate Judiciary Committee at hearings to modify the prohibition law.

Three Amendments Offered. Washington, March 29.—(AP)—Three amendments to the Edge resolution proposing a nationwide referendum on prohibition were offered today by Senator Borah, republican, Idaho.

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Star Theatre TODAY AND TOMORROW POLA NEGRO IN "Flower of Night"

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Amanda Ziegler of York Pa., has bobbed hair for the past 50 years, and thus wears curlings ahead of the earliest flappers. She doesn't approve of lipstick, rouge or rolled stockings, however.

WHAT ATTITUDE WILL CHAPLAIN SHACKLETTE TAKE?

Hearing to Be Continued Thursday.—Speculation Is Rife. Raleigh Bureau of The Concord Daily Tribune Raleigh, March 28.—Excitement caused in State capitol circles by the rather sensational charges of Rev. W. S. Shacklette, prison chaplain, against Prison Superintendent George Poy and Commissioner of Pardons H. Hoyle Sink, had simmered down today, but speculation was rife as to the attitude the chaplain will take in next Thursday's continued hearing of the prison board.

Then, with his attorney present, he will have no good excuse for reticence concerning his allegations and the sources of his information. In yesterday's hearing he denied having connected Superintendent Poy with the alleged "sale" of a pardon to W. W. Green and refused to discuss his charge against Commissioner Sink, in the same connection.

What proof the chaplain could possibly advance in support of such an allegation no one could conjecture and it was freely predicted that this charge, too, will be withdrawn when the board again convenes.

Reports of Unfavorable Weather in the South Reflected in Advances in Prices. New York, March 29.—(AP)—Reports of unfavorable weather with further delays in southern farm work were reflected by advances in the cotton market early today.

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598 KILLED DURING 2 MONTHS IN SOUTH IN TRAFFIC WRECKS

Figures Compiled From Records of Associated Press.—North Carolina Second on the List.

FLORIDA LEADER IN THE SOUTH

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(AP)—Eleven Southern States yielded a total of 598 dead and 3,316 injured in traffic accidents during the first three months of 1926, a consolidation of weekly surveys by the Associated Press revealed today. This consolidation left out the remaining three days of March, winding up the period with last night.

Accidents by trains, automobiles, trolley cars and motorcycles were taken into account in the combination of the survey. Florida and North Carolina led in chalking up the larger number of deaths, Florida's toll being 120 for three months, while North Carolina registered 115. Arkansas trailed the list with only 29 deaths for the period.

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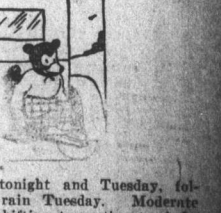
TOBACCO CO-OPS HAVE ANSWERED SUIT CHARGES Plea in Abatement Alleges "Fraud, Conspiracy and Misrepresentation of Facts."

Plaintiffs in the proceedings. Court recessed shortly after 11 o'clock until 2:30 this afternoon in order to give plaintiff attorneys time to present an answer to the charges contained in the plea of abatement.

It was alleged that the complaint was drawn without knowledge of who the plaintiffs would be, and then sent to Virginia, where one of counsel secured five signatures. It was further alleged that the five plaintiffs did not read the bill of complaint or know the nature of its contents.

24 Lawyers Disbarred. Washington, March 29.—(AP)—Twenty-four lawyers have been disbarred from practice before the Treasury department, as a result of an investigation of charges of collusion between them and employees of the Internal Revenue Bureau.

SAT'S BEAR SATS:



Cloudy tonight and Tuesday, followed by rain Tuesday. Moderate to unsteady shifting to northwest winds.