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SEC. DENBY HAS RESIGNED

RESIGNATION BECOMES EFFECTIVE MARCH 10TH

Resigns For Fear He Might "Increase Embarrassments" of President.

Washington, Feb. 18.—The resignation of Edwin Denby as secretary of the navy to be effective March 10 was received and accepted by President Coolidge today.

Tendered voluntarily by the secretary for fear his remaining might "increase the embarrassments" of the President and as an outgrowth of the senate inquiry into the leasing of naval oil lands, the resignation marks the first break in the cabinet which Mr. Coolidge took over intact upon the death of President Harding.

Expressing regret in accepting the resignation President Coolidge declared in a letter to the naval secretary that "you will go with the knowledge that your honesty and integrity have not been impugned."

Mr. Denby on the other hand informed the chief executive that "it will always be a gratifying thought to me that neither you nor any one else at any time advised me to resign."

Although the action of the naval secretary at once started a flood of rumors concerning the probability of other resignations, Assistant Secretary Roosevelt whose name has been linked with that of Mr. Denby in the oil leasing cases declared that he had not resigned.

BASKETBALL FRIDAY NIGHT.

The basketball fans will have the pleasure on Friday night of witnessing a game which promises to be of real interest. Bethel Hill High School will go up against the strong team of Mt. Pleasant. Mt. Pleasant has played 17 games and scored 700 points, while Bethel Hill has played 10 games and scored more than 400 points. In weight the two teams average as follows: Mt. Pleasant 150 pounds, Bethel Hill, approximately 140 pounds.

Let the fans turn out strongly for this game, and let's give our County team a good send off. This game is one of the State championship series, and want it root loud and strong for Bethel Hill.

MOTHERS! AND FATHERS!

Are you interested in what your children are doing in school? Would you like to have them in a good strong debate? If so come to the next meeting of the Parent-Teacher association Thursday, February 28th, at the graded school, 3:45 P. M. Subject of debate: Resolved, That pupils making an average of 90 in monthly grades should be exempt from mid-term and final examination. Misses Eunice White, Janie Burns, Roxana Yancey and Mr. Charles Woods, Jr., of the 10th grade will be the debaters—Miss Mildred Satterfield's English class.

Other important questions of vital interest to all parents will be discussed. Mr. Stalvey will explain to the parents the importance of daily grades in the pupils reports, and the great importance of good daily recitations by all pupils.

Miss Dodson will tell us how much or how little we parents should help our children in getting up their lessons.

Don't forget the date, Feb. 28th. Let us go to school on that afternoon and get better acquainted with our teachers and with each other.

R. L. Wilburn,
Program Committee.

MR. LONG GETS BIG ADVANCE.

Mr. G. T. Long delivered a load of tobacco to the Co-op Association in Mabane for which he received the following advance: For 2342 pounds he received a first payment of \$447.36 averaging almost \$20.00 for the big load.

A NOTED SINGER!

At Bethel Hill High School Auditorium on February 26, 1924. Next Tuesday Night if you love good singing don't fail to come. Prices for admission will be 50 cents. Get your ticket now.

AUCTION HOUSES TO CLOSE ON MARCH 7th.

It Has Been a Very Satisfactory Season, With An Increase in Sales.

At a meeting of the Tobacco Board of Trade it was decided to close the auction warehouses here on Friday, March 7th.

It has been a very successful season, the sales running beyond those of last year. We have not at hand the total amount but we know sales have increased, and while the average has not been as good as a year ago still, considering the difference in the grade of the crop the farmers have been fairly well satisfied.

Every indication just now is that the crop will be cut this year, quite a number of farmers are going to try some cotton, as it was proven the past year that cotton can be successfully raised in this section, and prospects are good for high priced cotton, with everything pointing to a low average for tobacco.

Mr. W. T. Pass, of the Hyco Warehouse, says he advises all who have any tobacco on hand to get it in shape just as soon as possible and bring it in.

NOTED SINGER TO APPEAR.

The music loving public is to have an exceptional opportunity on Tuesday night, February 26th, when Mrs. Franceska Kaspar Lawson, noted soprano makes her appearance at the Bethel Hill High School. Every music lover in Roxboro should avail themselves of this opportunity, in fact there should be enough from Roxboro alone to fill this large auditorium.

The Franklin Times of Louisburg says of Mrs. Franceska Kaspar Lawson:

It will be recalled that she gave a concert in the Louisburg College Chapel a few years ago. Possibly no singer has ever won more favorable comment than Franceska Kaspar Lawson. She has appeared before the greatest colleges and universities in America and everywhere has won unstinted praise. She has sung as soloist with the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra has sung at recital at the White House in Washington and before audiences throughout the country, and everywhere her work has aroused the greatest enthusiasm.

Franceska Lawson will appear here under the auspices of the Louisburg College Department of Music, and it is felt by all that the public is to have a rare opportunity on the occasion of her appearance.

ATTENDED THE HALL-CARTER WEDDING.

Mr. G. W. Pulliam, Mrs. M. U. Daniel, Mrs. G. Otis Hall and Miss Mary Willie Hall spent last Thursday evening in South Boston attending the wedding of Miss Ruby Hall and Mr. Irvin R. Carter.

GOOD BOOKS TO READ FOR ALL.

The public library will be open each week on Monday and Friday from 3:30 to 5 o'clock, P. M. We hope all who are interested will come to the club room, Kaplan building, and look over the books. "Book Week" proved to be very successful, approximately one hundred and forty volumes being added to the library.

Mrs. T. C. Brooks, Librarian.

MRS. REAMS IMPROVING.

Mrs. John F. Reams, who was carried to the hospital in Raleigh about ten days ago, was operated on last Saturday and her friends will be glad to know she is doing nicely.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH.

Sexagesima Sunday, Feb. 24th. Church School at 10:00 A. M. Morning Prayer, sermon and Holy Communion at 11:00 A. M. Evening Prayer and sermon at 7:30 P. M. Come! Worship with us.

J. L. Martin, Rector.

RETURNED FROM NORTHERN MARKETS.

Mr. A. M. Burns and Miss Glenna Woods have returned from New York after spending about ten days making the purchases for Messrs. Harris & Burns. Mr. Burns says the market is flat on prices, but the apples for spring are indeed pretty and will greatly appeal to the ladies.

PROPOSED COUNTY WIDE REORGANIZATION

INTERESTING LETTER FROM PROF. TRABUE

Person County May Soon Take a Place of Leadership in N. C. on Educational Matters.

February 15, 1924.

My dear Mr. Noell:

Having discussed the proposed county-wide reorganization of public schools with the Roxboro Board of School Trustees, the Person County Board of Education, and several groups of intelligent citizens, I feel confident that Person County may soon take a place of leadership in North Carolina on educational matters. There are in the county only two sources of possible defeat for an efficient program of modern education; misunderstandings and local or personal prejudices. Unless the citizens of Roxboro and of the surrounding territory are willing to get together and to look at education as a common problem to be solved in cooperation, misunderstandings will kill the enterprise, and everyone will suffer in consequence. In order to avoid misunderstandings of the proposals I am submitting, I should like you to give as much publicity as possible to the following statements.

POINT OF VIEW. The state recognizes no other point of view in the organization and establishment of schools than that of the most efficient education of its children. The majority of the present schools in

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HALL-CARTER.

Miss Ruby L. Hall of Roxboro and Mr. Irvin R. Carter of Chula, Va., were married at the Methodist parsonage at South Boston, Va., on Thursday P. M., Feb. 14th by Rev. J. J. Unruh.

The bride was very attractive in a blue coat-suit with gray accessories. She is a young lady of pleasing personality and many friends regret that her marriage takes her away from Roxboro. Mr. Carter is a young man of sterling qualities and holds a responsible position with the Southern Railway at Mattox, Va. After a bridal trip to Richmond, Washington and Baltimore the happy couple will be at home in Chula, Va., March 1st.

NEW BOOK COMPANY.

The Southern Book Company, Greensboro, N. C., is a new firm in the State, and possibly the only exclusive book store in North Carolina. This house does a wholesale and retail business, has a New York connection, and can supply any book that is published. They have a slogan: "We have it—or we can get it."

THE GROUND HOG MAKING GOOD.

The ground hog has sure been on his job this week—everything covered with sleet. If your coal pile is running low you had better see Henry Gates for there is yet four more weeks of ground hog weather due.

AROUND THE WORLD.

"Around the world" is about the only way you can describe where Mr. Lawrence Wood has been during the past three years. He enlisted in the Marines and for three years has been on the go, but his enlistment having expired he returned home last Friday. His friends hope he will decide that Roxboro is the best place, and will enter business here.

NOTICE JUNIORS.

All members of Brookdale Council No. 414 requested to be present at meeting Saturday night Feb. 23rd. Important business.

G. L. Brooks,
Councillor.

MASONIC SERMON.

Upon invitation Rev. E. E. White will deliver a special sermon to the masons on next Sunday night at 7:30. The members are requested to assemble at the lodge room at 6 o'clock and march to the church in body. All visiting masons are cordially invited to join in this service.

The Courier is a community paper. You get out of it exactly what you put in it. If the news of your church, your lodge or society, is not found in its columns, it is your own fault. Appoint your press reporter. We refuse no news from any community.

STILL PILING ON THE PROOF OF ROTTENNESS IN RING POLITICS

The Load Gets Heavier Every Day and Hour. The Machine Afraid of Itself. About to Ask for Convention Postponement.

By C. W. Hunt

The man who knows the ways of ring politicians, and who knows anything about the ways of the Charlotte Observer, laughed the "horse laugh" when he read the reply of Wade Harris editor and Brock Bakley, Raleigh correspondent of a bunch of subsidized papers, and noted the impudence of the pair when Josiah William Bailey "called" them for misrepresenting him. Both made matters worse than if they had not said a thing, and every time the "bell weather" Harris tries to make it appear that Bailey is digging his own grave, and dodging a fair answer, he makes votes for his opponent. Many writers had taken a shot at his tough editorial hide, only to make him fonder, but Josiah Wm. Bailey put a crimp in the sails, that has stayed in.

If you have access to the work of either of these detractors, go back and note how busy they have been making it appear that McLean was sweeping the earth before him, even before announcing, and that Bailey had ulterior motives, and then to see how they try to make readers believe they are fair to every body; even unto saying that old Charlotte Observer did not try to mould public opinion, but was trying to reflect it. The vilest rot; the more especially after being party to all the dirt practiced to put the present governor in place, and sticking to him through all the embarrassing positions he has been in since that time, holding him up as a second god and savior of the universe; has even held him up as a religionist, getting him, in that way, into the church papers. Never tried to mould public opinion? Has done little else for years, and according to some of his correspondents has moulded some backwards from the intent, in that his business is reacting. Have you noted how steadily he has backed the governor in seeing how much money he could borrow and spend, and how he has belittled the farmers when they complain of the burden of taxes, trying all the while to laugh them into believing they were paying no tax at all? Anything, everything, so Morrison said it or did it. Short five million in revenue to meet expenses, spending weeks and days in New York borrowing more money; all, everything perfectly lovely provided it came from Morrison. Too simple and honest (?) to see that all he has ever said for his ring tied governor was discounted twice before it was ever uttered because he held a pre-paid political office earned and delivered for helping to elect his hand-picked man; and with the brass to tell the world that he picked him over.

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CHANGE IN BUSINESS.

Having sold an interest in my business to Mr. J. J. Woody the firm name in the future will be E. D. Cheek & Co. This change will necessitate my closing up all matters on my books and I urgently ask all who are indebted to me to please come in promptly and settle their account. Your prompt attention to this will be greatly appreciated and save me a great deal of trouble. Kindly give this your attention and oblige.

Yours truly,
E. D. Cheek.

POLK SUCCEEDS PITTMAN AS JUDGE IN THIRD.

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 18. Judge Thomas M. Pittman, resident judge of the third judicial district, has resigned, and F. H. Polk of Washington, has been appointed his successor according to an announcement from Governor Morrison's office today.

MCADOO PRE-EMINENTLY THE MAN, SAY BACKERS

RAIL UNIONS ARE FOR HIM

Men From 48 States Proclaim McAdoo As Progressive Leader For National Clean-Up.

Chicago, Feb. 18.—McAdoo supporters from all sections of the country gathered here for an "availability conference" late today unanimously adopted a resolution that "William G. McAdoo is pre-eminently available as the Democratic candidate for the high office of President of the United States and is the hope of the progressive thought of the nation."

The resolution declared it to be the further sense of the conference that the "record of McAdoo is an open book." "We unanimously demand his leadership," the resolution concludes. After adoption of the resolution Mr. McAdoo was called upon to address the assemblage and was accorded a noisy ovation.

The platform pledges: To drive out corruption from official Washington, a new international conference in the American capital to "promote peace, reduce the burdens of armament, restore international justice and stability; revive prosperity" and consider economic problems; submission of the question of American participation in such conference to a popular referendum; and "to take the grip of Wall street" off the treasury department and the federal reserve system. Other pledges include: "Repeal of the Fordney-McCumber tariff bill; to bring about prompt railroad reforms; to put agriculture on its feet again; to enforce the 18th amendment of the constitution and all laws in pursuance thereof; reduce taxes; secure legislation setting up a labor code; passage of a child labor amendment to the constitution; to clean out the veterans bureau, and pay a soldiers' bonus."

VALUABLE TOWN PROPERTY FOR SALE.

On March 3rd at 11 A. M. on the premises I will sell at public auction the house and lots belonging to the late Mrs. Harriet A. Hamlett.

This property will be subdivided and sold, and then sold as a whole. Terms, one fourth cash; balance in 6, 12 and 18 months.

B. E. Love,
Commissioner

PRESBYTERIAN SERVICES.

If the condition of weather permits I will hold services next Sunday at Hurdle Mills at 11 o'clock. Services at Bushy Fork High School at 3 o'clock, P. M. The public is cordially invited to both services.

W. O. Sample.

YOU ARE EXPECTED.

On Friday night, Feb. 22nd, you are expected at the graded school auditorium. The Study Club will give "A Modern Sewing Society," and you will aid in a good cause and at the same time spend a delightful evening. There will be much "town gossip" and probably your name will figure in some of it—better be there to hear what they will say about you.

REGULAR AS THE DAY.

On last Saturday our good friend Mr. W. M. Clayton came in to renew. Just as regular as the day comes around on which his subscription to The Courier expires Mr. Clayton comes in. My, but how we wish every one on our list would adopt his method—it would save us much labor and considerable money. Mr. Clayton is one of our charter subscribers having been on the list since the first paper was issued.

IT'S COMING.

Princess Theatre Monday and Tuesday, March 17th and 18th, "LET NOT MAN PUT ASUNDER." Shall man-made laws defy divine Command?
Woman's Eternal Question! Man's age-old problem!
A powerful theme! A mighty picture!
Admission 20 and 40 cents.
Remember the dates.

Society

Mrs. M. U. Daniel was hostess at a delightful Valentine party and miscellaneous shower on Tuesday night, Feb. 12th at the new home of her mother on Court Street. The friends assembled in the attractive living room were invited in the honor of Miss Ruby Hall. The room was decorated for the occasion in red hearts, garlands of crepe-paper and cut flowers. Each guest was told to search the room for a heart. On one a secret was written which read, "Miss Ruby Hall and I. Ray Carter, Feb. 14th, 1924." The hostess then passed around the bride's book and each guest wrote a rule on how to keep a husband. This afforded much merriment.

After several Valentine games little Miss Margorie Thomas brought in an express wagon loaded with gifts for the bride. Each gift was beautiful and useful.

At the close of the evening the hostess, assisted by Miss Celia Daniel, Hilda Mitchell and Mrs. E. E. Thomas served a delicious ice course with cake. On the bride's plate was a miniature bride and each guest was given sweet peas for favors. Those enjoying this delightful occasion were Mesdames G. J. Cushman, G. Otis Hall, E. E. Thomas, W. T. Daniel, Misses Bivens Winstead, Bessie Daniel, Celia Daniel, Hilda Mitchell, Elma and Ross Thomas, Alma Day, Maude and Hallie Clay, Mary Willie and Ruby Hall.

The spirit of St. Valentine's Day reigned supreme on last Thursday afternoon when Mrs. K. C. Wagstaff entertained the Country Club at her lovely new home. Yellow jonquils and white hycincinths in a setting of maiden hair ferns and tiny red hearts were used to decorate the living room and dining room. Hand painted cards were given out and the guests engaged in the contest "Valentine Misses," after which each person was given three turns of the wheel of fortune.

In the dining room hand painted place cards directed the guests to their places where a delightful salad course, hot chocolate, cream, cake, stuffed dates and mints were served. Mrs. Wagstaff's guests were as follows: Mesdames T. C. Wagstaff, E. D. Morton, Maurice Daniel, Bernard Gardner, C. H. Dunkley, J. B. Satterfield, J. H. and T. T. Hester, Roland Register, R. T. and Emery Winstead, and Misses Ruth Hester, Mary Wagstaff, Nellie and Mary Winstead.

The Pleasure club met on Thursday afternoon with Mrs. E. G. Long. Five tables were placed for Boston rock. The Valentine idea was carried out beautifully, the decorations being red carnations and numbers of red hearts.

A lovely bowl of sweet peas was presented to Mrs. R. L. Harris who won the largest number of games. Delicious refreshments were served, while Valentine baskets filled with mints were given as favors to the following: Mesdames Sallie Morris, E. M. Davis, J. W. Noell, Frank Wilson, A. S. deVlaming, T. E. Austin, G. W. Thomas, Preston Satterfield, R. J. Teague, J. A. Long, M. R. Long, J. D. K. Richmond, W. F. Long, R. L. Harris, W. T. Pass, H. S. Morton, W. T. Long, T. B. Woody, H. W. Newell, B. G. Clayton and L. C. Bradsher.

The Research club held their regular meeting with Mrs. B. G. Clayton on Wednesday afternoon. After an hour of study the hostess served delightful refreshments.

On Thursday night a delightful Valentine party was given by the B. Y. P. U. of the Baptist church to the young people. Everything was beautifully arranged for the occasion, and a number of Valentine games were enjoyed. Mr. New and Edwards re-row straight through the center of a large heart. Mrs. J. L. Chestnut won the prize for finding the greatest number of concealed hearts.

After many interesting games led by Miss Helen White a delicious salad course with coffee was enjoyed.

The chicken harvest will largely be determined by the kind of stock from which eggs are secured for hatching purposes, say poultry specialists of the State College.