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"Try Prohibition

50 Years"-Landis

CHICAGO, April 7 .- The coun-

try should give the prohibition

amendment a trial for about fifty

years to see whether it is the best

thing for us or not, in the opin-

ion of Judge K. M. Landis, who

expressed himself on the subject

last night at an anniversary cel-

the war.

ebration of America's entry into

amendment is in danger of abuse

at the hands of government bu-

reau heads. Those abuses of of-

ficialdom are making it easy for

a lot of persons to sell booze in

bottles labeled "25 per cent alcor

hol, for medicinal purposes only.'

He Is Charged With Having Stol-

en the Automobile of

Frank Allen Here.

ernoon before Magistrate W. G.

Brown and bound over to Guilford

superior court under bond of \$1,000

mobile of Frank Allen, of near this

city. Probable cause was found by

Hubbard took the stand and tes-

that Hubbard borrowed the automo-

bile, which was owned by Brown,

for the supposed purpose of taking

a young lady to church. The wit-

ness said he did not return and that

the next time he saw Hubbard was

T. J. Gold represented the state

was retained as counsel for the de-

fendant Stone. Hubbard was not

Affect the Market

Liverpool, which reacted sharply

after an early advance. May con-

about 13 to 16 points net lower un-

der liquidation and Wall street sell-

ing, but there was good commission

Cotton futures opened barely

mercial Club Building At

6:30 O'clock.

Plans for presenting High Point's

a location for the proposed Methe-

dist Protestant college will be form-

in the Commercial club building at

6:30 o'clock tomorrow night. Sup-

in the event that it is decided to

per will be served at that hour.

work is invited to attend.

steady: May, 11.75; July, 12.25;

house and local demand.

January, 13.18.

in the jail at Mount Airy.

represented by a lawyer.

Labor Troubles

the trial judge.

"I warn you that the 18th

THE STATE ARE

Opinions As to Mr. Watts' Fitness for the Appointment Vary Widely.

DISAPPOINTMENT IS NOTED

Raleigh Times Charges "Made for Political Reasons and Not for Common Good"

RALEIGH, April 17.-While the appointment of Col. Alston D. Watts as commissioner of revenue and taxation is considered by many papers of the state as purely a political appointment but few express the belief that Watts was named for the purpose of furthering Governor Cameron Morrison's future political ambitions.

There has developed considerable opposition to the appointment and the Raleigh News and Observer, after deciaring the appointment shocks the state," says: "There had been gossip that his (Watts) name was under consideration but it was not believed that Governor Morrison would seriously consider appointing to that important position a man whose only equipment is that of organizing and directing factional political agencies.'

"Governor Morrison has made an on a charge of the theft of the autoappointment which has all the earmarks of 'pie distribution' and one that will hardly meet with approval outside the political faction, largely controlled by the appointee," is the the situation. "Colonel Watts' only claim to the office." says the Free "was preferment on the ice" and thinks the coloned's friends in the alleged theft. have not made "any serious claims to his peculiar fitness for this particular office, or his qualifications as a tax expert." On the other hand with the case, but was absolutely the Hickory Record concludes that innocent. 'All papers concede that Mr. Watts has the ability" but doubts the wisdom of the appointment since "Mr. Watts does not enjoy the confidence leged, attempted to sell the auto- could be found. of the people." The governor, The mobile to a garage man of that Record concludes, "has lost in pub-

lic esteem by his action." The Raleigh Times sees in the naming of Watts a political appoint- defendants back to High Point. ment. "made for political reasons, and not primarily for the common It may square governor's debt to Watts; it places both of them heavily in arrears to the people of North Carolina. If they meet this obligation, well and good, and none will be more highly appreciative than those who are now most dubious." Whether Governor Morrison has "made an end of his policy of appointing men by reason of at the trial, while L. B. Williams their proven capacity for the sort of work assigned to them" is a question raised by The Times in connection with the appointment of Watts.

'Viewed from the political angle it would have been almost impossible," says the Salisbury Post, "for Governor Morrison to turn down the Statesville man. If any one man made Morrison governor it would be Watts. More than any other man Watts contributed to the election of Morrison and to refuse that man the place, asked for, especially when hundreds and perhaps thousands of mighty good citizens and party workers pleaded for him, would have been an act beyond most men. The Post thinks the friends of Mr. Watts will justify the appointment but submits that "The unfortunate part of the matter is that such an important place must be filled for political purposes, that a political

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Mrs. Furgurson Is Dead at Home Here CANVASSERS WIL

Mrs. Sarah E. Furgurson, widow of the late Larkin F. Furgurson, died this morning at 4:30 o'clock at the home, No. 515 Smith street, following an illness of many months. Mrs. Furgurson was born in Randolph county on May 1, 1836. She was a daughter of Joseph and Annie Alexander. Surviving are one brother, Robert

Alexander, of Randolph county, and two sisters, Mrs. George Meddlin and Mrs. Angle McCanless.

The funeral will be held at the ulated at a meeting of canvassers home tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock, conducted by Rev. James Parker, of Randleman, and Rev. Samuel Haworth and Captain Mc-Abee. The interment will be in the cemetery at Springfield. Mrs. Furgurson was a member of the Friends church, this city.

Highland Scouts

The Boy Scout patrol of Highland Hill, with H. I. Coffield as scoutevening, at 7:30 o'clock, in High- poned until tomorrow night. land community lodge. A change in In announcing the meeting, those view to settling the coal strike was date of meeting was made by the in charge said that every High announced in the house of commons scout leader, on account of conflict. Pointer who has assisted in the by Premier Libyd George this after-

Clyde Manning's Tesetimony Regarding Killing of Negroes Is Corroborated.

STATE RESTS ITS CASE

Arguments Against the Georgia Planter Started This Afternoon in Covington Court.

COVINGTON, GA., April 7 .- Evidence in the trial of John S. Williams, charged with the murder of one of eleven negroes who met death after federal investigation into alleged peonage conditions, was concluded here today.

was Williams himself, who told the jury that "I am as innocent as a man can be."

Williams told the jury he had told federal agents he might be technically guilty if their statements as to the federal peonage laws were correct, and said that Clyde Monagents said Manning was as guilty as Williams was.

Williams confined his remarks to Preston, three of the negroes drowned in Newton county. He is specifically on trial for the death of Peterson.

A court recess was taken whe Williams left the stand and the arguments were assigned to start at the afternoon session, each side to have three speakers.

The state rested its case against John S. Williams, on trail charged son, one of the eleven negro farm Earle Hubbard, white, was given hands who met death after federal a preliminary hearing yesterday aft- investigations of alleged pecnage, begun in February. Court then suspended for fifteen minutes while counsel for the defense held a consmitation.

The last two of the state's witnesses who testified today corroborated the statements of Clyde Manning, negro farm boss. Manning told the jury yesterday that Wil-Ruscius Stone, who was indicted liams directed the killing of the way the Kinston Free Press views with Hubbard, was dismissed after men, three of whom were drowned in Yellow river. Rena Manning, the hearing of the case, it having wife of Clyde Manning, tetisfied in developed that there was no evi- corroboration of her husband's strength of factional political serv- dence that Stone had taken any part statement that on the night Peterson, Willy Preston and Harry Price were last seen alive Williams carried them and Manning and Charlie Chisholm off in his car.

tified that Stone was not connected Sheriff B. L. Johnson, of Newton county, testified that Manning identified the bodies of Peterson, Pres-The two men were arrested in ton and Price, found in the river. Mr. Daugherty Issues Statem dount Airy after Hubbard, it is al-

Club Is Organized town. Chief of Police Welch went to Mount Airy and brought the two In School Building Frank Allen was the principal

The Community Recreation club witness for the state at the hearing yesterday afternoon. He testified met in the Russell street school building Tuesday night and organized for work.

The first hour was spent in playing games and learning folk dance Following the games a business ession was held, Frederic A. Cummings acting as chairman and explaining the object of the club. Officers elected were: Robert Brown. president; Mary Annis Younts, vicepresident; Nannie Kirkman, secretary, and James Ellington, treas-

An advisory board was elected to meet with the officers and advise in working out programs. The board consists of Rev. Roy E. Leinbach. chairman; Rev. W. A. Lambeth, W. M. Marr, Rev. George R. Brown, Mrs. Haworth, Mrs. W. A. Copeland, NEW YORK, April 7.—The cotton market opened barely steady at H. G. Owens.

The president of the club and ada decline of 11 to 14 points, owing visory board compose the committee to less favorable British labor news

and disappointing late cables from on constitution. The next meeting will be held or Tuesday, April 12, in the basement tracts here sold off at 11.71 and of the First Reformed church.

Ice Prices Are Lowered. The Arctic Ice and Coal company today announced a ten per cent. reduction in the price of ice coupon books. This will give High Point a

October, 12.85; December 13.10; lower price on ice than either Greensboro or Winston-Salem. A ten per cent. reduction means a price of 72 cents per hundred pounds, instead of \$0 cents, the

Plan to Have Supper in the Com-

claims to the committee looking for Railwaymen to Join English Miners in Wage Controversy-Negotiations Fail-

LONDON, April 7 .- (By hte Associated Press) .- The national union It is proposed to have the com- of railwaymen today unanimously mittee visit High Point and look decided to support the coal miners in

over the sites that have been offered their strike, Leaders of the miners' union who establish the institution in the conferred with Prime Minister Lloyd Furniture City. How local citizens George this morning refused to ordwill go about it will be decided at er the men affected by the strike the meeting tomorrow night when back to work, pending negotiations Will Have Meet suggestions are offered by those with the mine owners. As a result who have worked in the movement of this refusal the miners and their

Campaign Against Blue Sky Salesmen

RALEIGH, April 17 .- An extensive campaign contemplating action against the activities of unlicensed "Blue-sky" stock salesmen was started today when Commissioner Stacy Wade sent telegrams to thirty-four chiefs of police in North Carolina. The telegrams authorize the arrest of anyone attempting to sell such stocks emphasizing the fact that there is not a licensed "Blue-sky" stock salesman in North Carolina at the present time.

May Shed Some Light On New York Mystery

BUFFALO, N. Y., April 7 .- Al- | 000. though Roy Harris, alias Geb Leonard, had not deviated from the origining, negro farm boss, told him the nal story of his alleged part in the murder last June of Joseph C. Elwell, wealthy New York clubman, the death of Peterson, Pric: and the Buffalo police today after a pointed to the following defects in his story:

Harris fixed the time of the shooting of Elwell at shortly after three o'clock in the morning. He also said his alleged pal, Bill Duncan, used a small calibre revolver. Elwell's death wound was inflicted by a bulwith the murder of Lindsey Peter- let of large calibre and had the wound been made by a smaller cartridge he could have lived from the time mentioned by Harris until several hours later

> Harris also fixed the date of the murder as June 12, whereas it occurred on the morning of June 11.

On the other hand Harris showed an intimate knowledge of many of killing of Elwell, or a most thorough study of the case from beginning to

That Department of Justice Will Be on the Job

department of justice will counten- rogance. ance no violations of the law was issued today by Attorney General Daugherty.

The country, Mr. Daugherty said, should take notice that a "new day and a new way" have come and those who have been guilty of illegal practices should "not close their eyes" to the law. The statement, he added, was a modest but emphatic warning to those for whom it was intended and should be regarded as an opportunity for them to "mend their ways."

The attorney general said the department of justice did not intend to harass business, but it did intend to enforce the law. He pointed out that while certain sections of the Leever act had been declared unconstitutional, the department could still proceed under the provisions of the Sherman anti-trust law.

Mr. Daugherty was discussing specifically the situation in the building material industry, which he declared reports to the department of justice showed to be "intolerable." He said the department of justice proposed to investigate "wherever warranted." conditions Indictments have already been returned in New York and Chicago, he said, and complaints have come from Pittsburgh, St. Louis, Cleve land and elsewhere.

Two Automobiles In a Collision gallery.

An automobile driven by William Strickland, negro, collided with the police car, occupied by Officers Friddie and James, on North Main street near Roland park last night shortly after 10 o'clock. Both machines were badly damaged, but no one was injured.

The police car, according to information concerning the accident, was being driven north, while the negro Flying Debris and Rock Believed was headed south. Officer Friddle said Strickland's machine was on the wrong side of the street. The left front wheel on each car was demol-

Strickland was taken to the police station, but was later released

Railroad Cannot

CHICAGO, April 7.-Permission the wages of unskilled labor on the The supper was supposed to have tions.

Inied by the railway labor board yesbeen served last Monday night, but A complete break-up between repfor unavoidable reasons was nost resentatives of the infrare and mine. New York Central railroad was demaster, will meet tomorrow. Friday, for unavoidable reasons was post- resentatives of the miners and mine question to put cuts of 17 to 31 per buckling rail derailed three coaches sing is also necessary. poned until tomorrow night.

In announcing the meeting, those in charge said that every High announced in the house of commons ter the railroads and employes had work is invited to attend.

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Between \$500,000 and \$750,000 Stolen from a Single Sack of Registered Mail.

TAKEN FROM A TRUCK One of the Biggest Thefts in History Is Pulled Off-No

Arrests Are Made.

CHICAGO. April 7 .- An abandoned mail sack found by the police early today and believed to be the registered pouch stolen by bandits from a mail truck late yesterday. when wrappers for incney which the The only witness for the defense Suspect Held by Buffalo Police police said shows that from \$500,-000 to \$750,000 was obtained by the robbers. It was reported last night that the loss would not exceed \$50,-

The abandoned pouch contained wrappers indicating that the pouch contained \$40,000 in one dollar bills package holding \$50,000 in cur rency; another containing a hundred \$1,000 bills and five large sacks concareful analysis of his statements signed to branches of the federal rezerve bank, each sack containing five smaller bags which neld currency of large denominations.

Sympathy in Speech At New York City.

NEW YORK, April 7 .- Hostility to the "hyphen and hyphenates" was pronounced here by F. W. Galbraith. Jr., national commander of the the details in connection with the American legion, who, in a state ment commemorative of the fourth anniversary of the declaration the United States of war against Germany, pledged anew the soldier organization's "faith in America, its raditions and its ideals."

"Four years ago yesterday," said the statement, "we declared war against Germany. The hyphen, realizing that it was an ally of our enemy, promptly took cover. The

"Then there was an armistice. which signified that the danger was over; and with the passing of dan-WASHINGTON, April 7.—A gen- into view. Finally it became bold ger the hyphen crept back slowly eral warning to business that the and asserted itself with its old ar-

"This anniversary is a fitting time to serve notice on the hyphen and hyphenates that there may have been an armistice for our late enemies but there never can be an armistice with the hyphen. An honest adversary we can admire and forgive. We never can make a truce with those citizens who affirm allegiance to two masters.

"It is fitting that on this day, reminiscent of patriotic fervor, pledge anew our faith in America, its traditions and its ideals one country, one tongue, one flag."

GET MONEY'S WORTH! Where? By Climbing to the Pea-

nut Gallery. PHILADELPHIA, April 7 .- The

best place to sit in a theater to hear and thoroughly enjoy music is in the peanut gallery!"

Whenever he gets a "night off" he goes up int o the pennut gallery of the old Academy of Music in Philadelphia to hear his own orchestra

"In the seven years that I have Dr. Stokowski, "I have had the opportunity of hearing it only two or picture. three times. On those rare occasions I have made it a rule to treat myself to a seat up here in the

"Those poor people down stairs hear only one-half of the music!"

to Have Caused Deaths in Royal Palm Disaster

Crescent route near New River, Ten- | quainted with High Pointers, Make Wage Cuts ducted today by officials of the South meeting tonight.

here today. of the scene of the wreck,

Blooie! Explosion Breaks Up Night Court, New York

NEW YORK, April 7.—New York's night court, busy as a result of the police department's drive for enforcement of the state prohibition laws, adjourned suddenly early today when a quart bottle of liquor exploded. A detective stood before the

magistrate supporting a man who with bowed head was confessing that he had taken too freely of a bottle of intoxfcants. The magistrate and others in the court room gathered outside,

returning only when the real cause of the explosion was learn-The next defendant on the docket, a father of ten, still trem-

bling as a result of the explosion, took a plege to abstain for ever and ever.

'Where is the evidence?" asked the court, The prisoner's hand moved

slowly toward his hip pocket. Suddenly there was a loud re port. Someone shouted "bomb" and a rush for the exit began. The detective was hurled to the floor. as was his prisoner.

Rev. W. A. Lambeth Inaugurated Head of Local Rotary Club.

Rev. W. A. Lambeth, pastor of conal church, was inaugurated pres- dollars and at the present rate the Col Galbraith Assails Germany ident of the High Point Retary club county boards are authorizing horiat the weekly luncheon of Rotarians zontal reductions in land valuation in the Commercial club building this fall far short of that amount. Nor afternoon

ter Dalton, who has served for the past year as head of the local organ- Morrison that the five cents adization. The local minister was valorem tax is worth more to the named president by the board of di- state in seeking to obtain money rectors, which was chosen by the members at the meeting of the club

hyphen dug in and hid its head and, comment. Dr. John Burrus spoke will speak tonight. so long as the roar of battle sounded, it maintained an exceedingly low ed during the past year by John Peaof Durham and the board of water Harry Raymond. sergeant-at-arms. Jew of that city, because of injuries red-blooded American citizen. Dr. water department. The high court Tomlinson had accomplished as vice who non-suited the case in Durham

> directors. feature of the meeting today. Mr. and Mrs. J. Oliver Brison were guests of the Rotarians and instilled pep into the gathering when they led the singing.

Harry Raymond and Dr Houston Hiatt spoke of the district convention to be held in Norfolk on Tuesday. Wednesday and Thursday of next week. The High Point club high court holds that Gray cannot will be largely represented in the Virginia city.

Foreign War Vets Show Movie Today

"Earthbound," a thrilling picture So says Dr. Leopold Stokowski, is being shown today and tomorrow leader of the Philadelphia orches- at the Rose theater under the auspices of the local post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

The picture is of unusual interest to ex-service men. Efforts are being made to raise money to finance the undertakings to be launched by the foreign war veterans and they been leader of this orchestra," says invite and urged High Pointers to give them assistance by seeing the

for Meeting in School Auditorium.

High Point's community music high school auditorium tonight at ed with an average decline of 4.8 7:30 o'clock. J. Oliver Brison, who per cent between those dates in the SOMERSET, Ky., April 7 .-- An in- represents the National Community last ten years. vestigation of the wreck of the Royal service, is now in the city and will Palm, limited, of the Queen and be present at the meeting to get ac- upon the acreage planted last fall. It is probable that classes in song-

nessee, with the loss of four lives. It is probable that classes in song and thirty-three injured was con- leadership will be organized at the Dawes Proposes

ern railway. Rock ledges near the Mr. Brison not only invites those track ripping open the day coaches who sing to be present at the gatherwas the cause of the deaths and in- ing, but persons who cannot sing to make provisional reductions in juries in the opinion of survivors are also extended a cordial invitation. He says it is not necessary ization of a veterans' service admin-to be a great singer to lead a song intration, consolidating existing gov-The train, which was bound from to be a great singer to lead a song

people sing.

Mr. Morrison Wishes People to Be Disillusioned Regarding Talk of Such Session

TO INVESTIGATE MONEY

Governor and State Treasurer to Go to New York to See About Selling State Bonds

RALEIGH, April 7 .- There will be no special session of the general assembly during the present calendar year, in the opinion of Governor Cameron Morrison, who is probably as well qualified to speak on the subject as any since his excellency and no other would issue the call in the event it was thought the legislators ought to assemble before

1923 Governor Morrison has made this plain to newspaper men and has asked that the reading portion of North Carolina be disillusioned as to the "special session talk." suggestion has not reached the governor from any of his advisers in the council of state nor from the men upon whom he depended at the regular session in getting his program adopted. The governor is anxious that the public understand that a special session, if he should call it together, would be powerless to do more than levy a five cent. advalorem tax since the constitu

tion limits the levy. This five cents tax on property, the governor points out, if levied Wesley Memorial Methodist Epis- treasurer more than one million would not bring into the state the total amount collected would will a five cents advalorem tax over-Rev. Mr. Lambeth succeeds Car- turn the money market within 24 hours

> for roads and improvements at the institutions unlevied than levied.

It is the opinion of Governor

The governor with Treasurer Ben last Thursday night. The board Lacy will go to New York the latter named Mr. Lambeth president this part of the wek to investigate the money market in connection with the sale of bonds authorized by the State Senator O. E. Mendenhall late session of the general assembly. paid tribute to Carter Dalton in a Governor Morrison leaves here this speech that caused much favorable afternoon for Greensboro where he

The supreme court in an opinion cock, secretary of the local club, commissioners are liable for damreceived the congratulations of Fred received by him at the hands of N. Tate, who described Harry as a Harvey Bolton, an employe of the W. A. Hayes spoke of what S. H. reverses the opinion of udge Calvert president of the club, while W. C. Bolton was convicted in superior county superior court in April, 1920. Idol praised the retiring board of court and fined. Munick sued for Community music was a pleasing out by Judge Calvert, appeal being damages and the case was thrown taken. Chief Justice Walter Clark writing the opinion finds the city is

liable for Bolton's action. The case of George W. Gray versus the Central Warehouse company in which the plaintiff is asking that an injunction against the Kinston board of trade be sustained was also handed down this week. The be barred from the floor of the tobacco warehouses because he does not hold membership in the board of trade and in upholding the action of the lower court the high tribunal points out that Gray can only be

barred for misconduct. Adjutant General Motts announced today that a battalien headquarters detachment of forty-Oxford under the direction of Captain Mayes who has been commissioned first lieutenant in the North Carolina National Guard.

General Beverly S. Royster is assisting in organization of the Oxford unit which will have the same officers and enlisted personnel as a headuarters company of a regiment. Major J. W. Jenkins, of Henderson, will be in command.

Winter Wheat Is Near Normal Crop

WASHINGTON, April 7 .- Forecast of a winter wheat crop of about 621,000,000,000 bushels was made J. Oliver Brison Will Be Present today by the department of agriculture in making an estimate on the condition of the crop April 1, which was within 9.1 per cent of normal, There was an increase of 3.1 per cent in the condition from December at a meeting of local citizens in the 1 last, to April 1 this year, compar-

The production forecast is based

Soldier Relief

WASHINGTON, April 7 .- Organ-