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## COL. ROOSEVELT DIED MONDAY

Twenty-Sixth President of the United States and One of the Country's Most Illustrious Citizens—The Simple Funeral Will Be Held Tomorrow—Served as Governor of New York, Vice-President and President—He Was 60 Years Old.

This morning's papers carry the news that Colonel Theodore Roosevelt, former President of the United States, died early yesterday morning at his home in Oyster Bay, New York. We give the story in brief taken from this morning's News and Observer:

Oyster Bay, N. Y., Jan. 6.—Colonel Theodore Roosevelt, twenty-sixth President of the United States, died at his home on Sagamore Hill early today while asleep, presumably of rheumatism of the heart. He will be laid to rest without pomp or ceremony in Young's Memorial Cemetery in this village Wednesday afternoon. He will be buried on a knoll overlooking Long Island Sound, a plot which he and Mrs. Roosevelt selected soon after he left the White House.

In the words of the clergyman who will conduct the funeral service, "America's most typical American, known in every corner of the earth, will go to his grave as a quiet, democratic, Christian, country-gentleman beloved by his neighbors."

After prayers at the Roosevelt home, at which only members of the family will be present, the funeral service will be held at 12:45 o'clock in Christ Episcopal Church, the little old frame structure where for years the Colonel and his family worshipped.

At the request of Mrs. Roosevelt, no flowers will be sent. The altar will be decorated only with laurel placed on it for the Christmas season. Also in conformance with Mrs. Roosevelt's wishes, there will be no music and no eulogy, but only the simple service of the Episcopal Church conducted by the pastor, the Rev. George E. Talmage.

The church, founded in 1705, will accommodate less than 500 persons, so admittance will be by card only.

It was at 4:15 o'clock this morning that the former President died in his sleep, painlessly. His death was due directly to a blood clot lodged in one lung, the result of inflammatory rheumatism.

"Put the light out, please," were the former President's last words. They were addressed to his personal attendant, James Amos, a young negro who had been in his service since he left the White House and who was sitting at the foot of the bed.

Some time later Amos noticed the patient was breathing heavily, and became alarmed. He left the room to call the nurse who had been summoned from Oyster Bay yesterday. When they returned Col. Roosevelt had breathed his last. They called Mrs. Roosevelt, the only member of the family who was at home. There had been a family gathering Christmas Day, but as no alarm was felt over the Colonel's condition, the children who were able to spend the holidays with their parents had gone to different parts of the country.

Colonel Roosevelt was born in New York City October 27, 1858, and was in his 61st year. He had served as Governor of New York one term, was elected Vice-President in 1900 with McKinley, and when McKinley was killed in 1901, he became President, at the age of 42, the youngest man who was ever called to this high position. He was elected President in 1904.

His career has been one of great activity. He was a strong, virile American citizen and his passing is heard with profound regret.

## DIRECTOR GENERAL HOOVER.

He Has Been Chosen to Handle the International Food Organization.

President Wilson has appointed Herbert C. Hoover Director General of an international organization for the relief of liberated countries, both neutral and enemy. Norman Davis, formerly on the staff of Oscar T. Crosby, special commissioner of finance, for the United States in Europe, will act as Mr. Hoover's assistant.

This was announced Friday by the American peace commission in a statement which says that the designation of Mr. Hoover to take charge of the relief work is in conformity with the request of the allied governments that the United States take a predominant part in the organization and direction of relief measures. The statement says:

"Upon President Wilson's arrival the results of the investigations of the United States and allied government officials into the food situation of the liberated countries, neutral and enemy, were laid before him. Since his arrival in addition to his discussion with the representatives of Great Britain, France and Italy respecting the general peace settlement, he had been advised with regard to the conferences held between the governments concerning the methods of organization for the relief of these populations.

"The allied governments had advised the President that they desired that the United States should take the lead in the organization and administration of relief. Under this arrangement between the United States and the allied countries there are being appointed two representatives of each government to secure the co-operation of food, finances and shipping resources in the solution of the problems connected with the relief.

"The President has appointed Mr. Herbert Hoover and Mr. Norman Davis as the two American representatives in the council and Mr. Hoover will act as director general of the undertaking."

## Germany's Submarine Losses.

London, Jan. 4.—Interesting figures are now available about Germany's loss of submarines during the war. The total of German losses was 202. In addition, 14 submarines were destroyed by the Germans, 10 in the Adriatic and four in Flanders. Seven more were interned in neutral countries.

The Germans are still building submarines, with the Allies making no objection because obviously it is necessary to keep workers employed and when submarines are built and launched they would be disposed of by the Allies.

## A BALE OF COTTON FOR EVERY ROBESON CITIZEN.

Lumberton, Jan. 4.—Prior to December 13, there had been ginned in Robeson county 54,854 bales of cotton from the 1918 crop as compared with 45,202 to the same date from the 1917 crop. It has been said that Robeson county, the largest county in the State, grows one bale of cotton for every person living in the county, and it came near doing that last year.

Last year's crop of lint and seed at present prices is worth around \$10,000,000. Robeson leads the State in cotton growing, and besides it is one of the greatest tobacco growing counties in the State. In fact, Robeson leads the State in agriculture any way you put it.—Charlotte Observer.

## EX-KAISER IS IN VERY BAD SHAPE.

Even the wonderful spring-like weather of the new year did not bring the former German Emperor outside the Amerongen castle, although his condition is improving daily. The principal cause of his indisposition appears to be mental depression, induced by the gradual realization of the full extent of his downfall. Recent reports from Germany are said to have accentuated this feeling.

Lack of open air exercise and the continual brooding have had such telling effect on Herr Hohenzollern's appearance that he scarcely is recognizable to those who saw him when he first came to Amerongen. His wife, who is with him almost constantly, displays much more buoyant spirits and makes every effort to cheer him.

## DEATH OF MR. JOHN E. HUDSON.

Former Johnstonian Died at His Home in Kinston December 14, of Pneumonia Following an Attack of Influenza—Was Prominent Business Man of Kinston.

A copy of the Kinston Daily Free Press of December 15, has been sent us by a friend. It gives an account of the death of Mr. John E. Hudson, who conducted a drug store in Smithfield several years ago. Mr. Hudson died on December 14 after a ten-days' illness of influenza and pneumonia. He was buried in Maplewood cemetery at Kinston on Sunday, December 15, the funeral service being conducted by Rev. B. W. Spilman and Rev. M. H. Tuttle.

The following is taken from the Free Press:

Mr. Hudson was a native of Johnston county and came to Kinston to make his home about 14 years ago. Two years later he was married to Miss Bessie Rendolph and there is living one child, Elvira, 10 years old, as a result of that union. Upon the death of Mrs. Randolph's father, Mr. C. T. Randolph, who left a large estate, Mr. Hudson assumed the responsible dual duties of administrator and guardian for a number of minor children. He measured up to the high responsibilities in a manner that won the esteem of those who knew. He embarked in business for himself and as head of the Hudson Buggy Company and the Hudson Drug Company he was rapidly winning success when cut down by the grim reaper.

In the death of Mr. Hudson the community lost a valuable citizen. He was progressive, fair-minded and believed in the future of this city. He was cordial and true to his friends and fair to all.

Following is a tribute of one who was intimately associated with Mr. Hudson in business and legal matters and a fair estimate of the character of Mr. Hudson. Mr. G. V. Cowper says:

"The passing of Mr. J. E. Hudson has brought universal regret and genuine sorrow to the people of Kinston. He was a man of the highest integrity and a citizen of sterling qualities.

"The real character and true worth of J. E. Hudson was demonstrated after the death of the late C. T. Randolph, who left a large estate and a number of infant children. As administrator of the estate and as guardian of these children, he has undertaken and performed his trust with such fidelity and at the same time so graciously as to bring him a lasting debt of gratitude from those whom he served and a place of honor among his fellow men. It was because of his good business judgment and the tender sense of his sacred obligation to his wards that I had the opportunity to measure the length and depth of his character. It so arrested my attention and earned my admiration that I cannot refrain at this time from paying this voluntary and unsought tribute.

"Added to the foregoing, it may be said with confidence that he was a Christian gentleman. And after all, what more can be said by the living of the dead?"

## STATUS OF CAMP GREENE IS BEING CONSIDERED.

Future to Be Decided Soon—Camp Bragg Named as Field Artillery Training Ground.

Washington, Jan. 4.—The status of Camp Greene is being considered now, according to Assistant Secretary Crowell, who appeared before the House Military Affairs Committee today. Mr. Crowell asserted that the National Guard camps would be given definite place later.

Camp Bragg, at Fayetteville, is to be a field artillery training camp. Originally the plans called for 46,000 men, six brigades of field artillery, one aerial squadron, and two balloon squadrons. Since the armistice the plans have been changed to take care of 16,000 men, two brigades of field artillery, one aerial squadron, and one balloon squadron. The size will be 135,000 acres, costing \$1,500,000. Mr. Crowell made the point that these sites and appropriations have already been authorized in legislation by Congress, but that the War Department was seeking the advice of Congress about continuing.—H. E. C. Bryant in Charlotte Observer.

## STATE ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE.

Tenth Biennial Convention to Be Held in Raleigh January 16-17—Prominent Speakers to Attend.

Raleigh, Jan. 6.—The Tenth Biennial Convention of the State Anti-Saloon League will be held in Raleigh January 16-17, 1919, beginning at 10 a. m. Thursday.

The Headquarters Committee, who have in charge the arranging of the program, are preparing a feast of oratory and other good things for the prohibitionists of the State. Among the out-of-State speakers are Dr. P. A. Baker, General Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of America; Bishop James Cannon, Jr., of the M. E. Church, South; the inimitable George R. Stewart, of Birmingham, Alabama; Hon. Wayne B. Wheeler, General Counsel of the Anti-Saloon League of America; and Hon. Wm. H. Anderson, of New York City.

Among prominent men of the State on the program are W. B. Cooper, State Senator from Wilmington; W. L. Poteat, L.L.D., president of Wake Forest College; W. T. Shaw, manufacturer of Weldon; Hon. O. M. Mull, representative from Cleveland, and the law partner of Congressman E. Y. Webb; Wm. Allen Harper, L.L.D., president of Elon College; Hon. W. O. Sanders, representative from Pasquotank; Hon. J. D. Eckles, of Buncombe; Judge John A. Oates, of Fayetteville; Rev. R. L. Davis, Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League; Rev. L. S. Massey, editor of the Raleigh Christian Advocate, and Dr. W. S. Rankin, Secretary of the State Board of Health.

This convention will no doubt get behind the legislative program outlined by the Board of Trustees and lend a hand in passing further legislation to rid our State of blind tigers and blockade stills.

It is expected that many churches, Sunday Schools and other organizations will send delegates to this convention, and that hundreds of citizens throughout the State who want to break up the blind tiger and blockade business will attend. All who attend have the rights and privileges of the floor as well as those sent as delegates.

## PEACE CONFERENCE PLANS.

Paris Paper Prints a Forecast of the Order of Proceedings.

Paris, Jan. 4.—The Peace Conference, according to the Petit Journal, will proceed as follows:

1. A conference of the four great Powers.
2. Representatives of Belgium and Serbia to be admitted for a study of the general situation.
3. Admission of the other Allies for conferences on the problems interesting them.
4. Presentation of conditions successfully to Germany, Bulgaria, Turkey, German-Austria, and Hungary, and the signing of the peace preliminaries.
5. A general conference concerning the questions of a league of nations, freedom of the seas, limitation of armaments, and related topics.

## Negro Shoots Rocky Mount Citizen.

Rocky Mount, Jan. 5.—Rocky Mount Police officers are today searching for an unidentified negro who last night shot and fatally injured Charles Devine, a young white man of this city, and also Policeman C. S. Henry in the knee, inflicting a severe wound. The officer is now in a local hospital.

## Made Assistant Health Secretary.

Miss Kate M. Herring, who was loaned by the State Board of Health to the State War Savings committee as publicity director during the past year, wins a flattering promotion in returning to the health department as assistant secretary to the State Board. The announcement was made Saturday from the department.

## Wounded Men of 30th Division Stop in Raleigh.

Veterans of St. Quentin and other battles, 280 men of the 30th division passed through Raleigh at 11 o'clock Sunday morning, and stopped for an hour in front of the Red Cross canteen. Each of them had been wounded from one to eight times. One-third of them are from this State.

## 1919 WAR SAVINGS CAMPAIGN.

Drive to Be Begun With Celebration Jan. 17, Directors Are Told.

The 1919 war savings campaign will be opened actively by a nation-wide celebration on January 17, the anniversary of the birth of Benjamin Franklin. District war savings directors in conference here yesterday were so informed by Harold Braddock, the new national director of the war savings movement.

That day will be devoted particularly, Mr. Braddock said, to the organization of thousands of war savings societies in industries, offices, business houses, churches and communities to systematize the preaching of thrift and promote the sale of \$2,000,000,000 worth of stamps during the year.

The business men, educators and publicists from the twelve Federal reserve districts who will have charge of the campaign were welcomed to the conference by Secretary Glass, who urged that they press their work on the basis that the war will not be over until the United States has met its every commitment.

"The war is not over," he said, "so far as the Treasury Department is concerned. Two billion dollars a month is being spent at the present time. Now is not the time to lay patriotism aside. It is not difficult during the delirium of war for the people to respond to the nation's call, but it is more difficult after the cessation of hostilities."—Washington Post.

## BAPTISTS READY FOR CONVENTION.

Program Arranged for Annual Session at Greensboro.

The deferred session of the Baptist State Convention, which will meet in the auditorium of the First Baptist church of Greensboro, Tuesday afternoon, January 14, at 4 o'clock, gives promise of being one of unusual interest, and a large attendance is anticipated. The entertainment will be the Harvard plan, which the Baptists adopted for their conventions several years ago. According to the plan, the hosts have only to provide lodging and breakfast, thus making the task of entertainment less taxing.

Although it will be one of the most important sessions of the convention ever held, yet the program committee deemed it wise to shorten the program. It will begin proper on Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock, and last until the following Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Some of the most important topics for discussion will be presented Wednesday. In the afternoon reports from Association managers of the Million Dollar Campaign, which has been waged during the past few months, will be heard.

## GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO MEET TOMORROW.

The General Assembly of the great State of North Carolina, consisting of one hundred and twenty representatives in the lower and fifty senators in the upper house, will meet in Raleigh in its biennial session at 12 o'clock tomorrow. Tonight the Democrats—ninety-three in the House and forty in the Senate—will meet in their separate caucuses to choose a speaker and a president pro-tem of the Senate and elect the other officers in the respective branches. The Republicans will hold a joint caucus also tonight.

## DR. W. H. HECK IS CLAIMED BY DEATH.

Many friends in Raleigh were deeply grieved Saturday at the news of the death of Dr. William Harry Heck, of the Rockefeller chair of education at the University of Virginia. He passed away Saturday morning at 5 o'clock at the university, following an attack of influenza, with pleurisy and other complications. He was a son of Mrs. J. M. Heck of Raleigh, and of the late Colonel Heck.

## RALEIGH Y. W. C. A. IS NOW CERTAINTY.

After many years of hope Raleigh is to have a Young Woman's Christian Association. Tentative plans call for the organization of the association some time this month or more particularly on a date between January 16 and 20.

## 30TH DIVISION COMING HOME

37th and 91st Also Designated for Early Return—Demobilization of the Army is Approaching Its Final Phases, Marsh Shows.

Demobilization of the army is approaching its final phases with the breaking up of the combat divisions in this country, and the issuance of orders for early return of the first three fighting divisions from France, says a Washington dispatch in Sunday's papers.

General March, chief of staff, announced today that General Pershing had designated the Thirtieth and Thirty-seventh (national guard) and the Ninety-first (national guard) divisions for early return, while in the home training camps, 4,500 men of the combat divisions heretofore held intact, had been ordered discharged.

The Thirtieth includes national guard troops from Tennessee, North Carolina and South Carolina; the Thirty-seventh, Ohio, and West Virginia guardsmen, and the Ninety-first, Pacific coast troops.

The three overseas divisions with the headquarters troops of Major General Reade's second corps, also designated for return, total 83,000 men. General March said that including these divisions the total number of men available for discharge was 1,379,000, and that 40,491 officers and 630,369 men had been mustered out up to yesterday.

The chief of staff also disclosed that the war department was preparing to take into the regular army, under the proposed reorganization plan, those reserve and temporary officers whose records during the war show them to be fitted for professional military life.

Official records of the War Department, announced General March, show that the first regular division, the first unit to arrive in France, landed in June, 1917, and that the last American division to land was the Eighth in October last. Between those dates 40 divisions were sent overseas, the advance elements of each being landed as follows:

August, 1917, second division; September 26th; November, 42nd; December, 41st; February, 1918, 32nd; May 82nd, 35th, fourth, 27th, 60th and March fifth and third; April, 77th; May 82nd, 35th, 28th, fourth, 27th, 60th, 33d 30th and 80th; June, 78th, 83d, 89th, 92d, 90th, 37th and 29th; July, 76th, 79th, 91st and 36th; August, 85th, seventh, 81st, 88th, 39th; September 87th, 84th, 86th and 34th; October, 31st and 38th.

## INFLUENZA STATISTICS BY CENSUS BUREAU.

Washington, Jan. 5.—The influenza epidemic which swept the country during the latter part of last year caused 111,688 deaths in the 56 largest cities and increased the combined death rate for those communities in 1918 to 19.6 per thousand, according to statistics made public today by the Census Bureau. Total figures for the country were not available.

Baltimore, with 26.8 per thousand, and Nashville, with 26.4, had the highest rates of the registration cities while St. Paul, with 13.9 and Minneapolis, Grand Rapids, with 14 each, had the lowest.

Deaths from influenza totalled 69,439, with 41,149 deaths from pneumonia.

The year's total death rate in New York City was 18.8 per thousand compared with 15.2 for 1917. In Chicago it was 17.1 against 14.9 the year before and in Philadelphia where the influenza epidemic was very severe, it was 24.2 compared with 17.1 in 1917.

## 8 Below Zero in Chicago.

Chicago, Jan. 4.—The thermometer registered 8 degrees below zero at seven o'clock this morning but the weather forecast for tonight is "much warmer."

## Saturday Joffre's Birthday.

Sixty-seven years ago Saturday Joseph Jacques Joffre, Marshal of France and hero of the Marne, was born at Rivesalts. His anniversary was celebrated throughout France, England and in New York city.