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Harry M. Daugherty, at Request of Coolidge, Resigns His Place As Atty. Gen. Amid a Tempest

LEAVING A SHARP NOTE FOR THE PRESIDENT, HE GOES TO ATLANTIC CITY

Resigns Solely Out of Deference To Coolidge's Wish; Parting Shot Is Bitter.

QUITS OFFICE AT ONCE

Washington, March 28.—Harry M. Daugherty passed out of public life today in a tempest that terminated befittingly his three stormy years as Attorney General.

His appointment to the Cabinet by President Harding was the subject of criticism, and his resignation came at the virtual demand of President Coolidge and in the midst of a sensation-producing Senate investigation of his official acts.

President Coolidge asked for the resignation because he felt he could not depend on Mr. Daugherty for disinterested advice and because he believed the Attorney General could not perform satisfactorily the duties of his office under the conditions resulting from the Senate inquiry.

Mr. Daugherty tendered his resignation "solely out of defence" to the President's request and asked that it be effective at once.

Then, as a private citizen, he addressed an open letter to the President scathingly denouncing those who had voted his retirement and declaring Mr. Coolidge's stated reasons for asking his resignation were "hardly warranted by the facts." The letter bristled with declarations that the President's "suggestion that an attack upon a Cabinet officer disqualifies him for further service is a 'dangerous doctrine' and that 'cowardice and surrender of principle are never expedient.'"

Before this letter was received at the White House, Mr. Daugherty cleared his desk, left the Department of Justice and soon was aboard a train en route to Atlantic City. He plans to return to Washington next week for the purpose only of closing up his private affairs.

By reason of Mr. Daugherty's retirement, President Coolidge for the second time within six weeks, is faced with selection of a new Cabinet officer. Immediately Mr. Daugherty's resignation became known there arose a discussion of many names. Some were eliminated as soon as mentioned for one reason or another, and others were dropped during the day with the result that the list of those being mentioned tonight included Chief Justice Arthur E. Rugg of Massachusetts supreme judicial court; Harlan F. Stone, dean of the Columbia University School of Law; Governor Alexander J. Groesbeck of Michigan; William S. Kenyon, former Senator from Iowa and now judge of the Federal circuit court of appeals, Eighth District, and Secretary of State Hughes.

The President has given no consideration yet as to any particular persons, but has decided that the man he selects as Attorney General must have a knowledge of law and must possess administrative capacity.

Selma Debating Team Win Both Sides Question

Selma, March 29.—The affirmative upheld by Lucy Talton and Mabel Nordan defeated the Nashville negative team here Friday evening by a vote of two to one. At the same time Harry Candler and Hazel Smith upholding the negative side defeated the Enfield team at Enfield.

These debaters will represent the Selma high school in the finals at Chapel Hill, April 10 and 11.

McLean Club For Smithfield To Meet at Court House To-night

There will be a meeting of Smithfield Township in the interest of Hon. A. W. McLean, candidate for Governor of North Carolina, in the Court House tonight at 7:30 o'clock for the purpose of organizing Smithfield Township for the coming campaign. It is hoped that all of Mr. McLean's friends will be present at this call meeting so that a permanent organization can be effected in Smithfield Township.

Be sure to come at 7:30.
J. W. STEPHENSON,
Temporary Chairman.
JOHN A. NARRON,
Secretary

W. W. COLE PASSES TO THE GREAT BEYOND

Death Claims Prominent Attorney After Lingered Illness

Saturday morning the sad news of the passing of Mr. W. W. Cole was carried from lip to lip, his spirit having gently flown to its home in the Great Beyond in the early morning hours about 3:30 o'clock. For four years or more he had been a sufferer from chronic diabetes probably and hardening of the arteries, and for probably two years he had been unable to attend to his law practice. For a week he had been critically ill and those who watched by his bedside knew that the end was near.

The funeral was held Sunday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock in the Methodist church, Rev. D. H. Tuttle, pastor of the church, and Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt. of the Methodist Orphanage at Raleigh, conducting the service. Lovely floral offerings, silent reminders of the sympathy of friends, were banked around the altar, placed there by friends of the sorrowing widow, who later bore them to the cemetery. The service was simple, Rev. D. H. Tuttle paying a tribute to the deceased and Rev. Mr. Barnes leading in prayer. The choir sang as a special selection Whittier's lines which begin "When on My Day of Life the Night Is Falling." The Johnston County Bar Association was present in a body and Mr. F. H. Brooks made an appropriate talk on behalf of the association, stating that resolutions in honor of their deceased brother had been drafted which would be presented in Recorder's court Tuesday morning.

At the conclusion of the service, the body was taken to the city cemetery for interment. The pall bearers were as follows: Messrs. W. D. Hood, S. T. Honeycutt, F. K. Broadhurst, J. D. Spiers, T. R. Hood, H. V. Rose, J. L. Scotton and Dr. N. T. Holland. Willis W. Cole, familiarly known by all his friends as "Bud" Cole, was born in Bentonville Township Oct. 13, 1868 making his sojourn on earth 55

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Officers Arrive in Nick of Time to Prevent a Hold-up By Robbers

New York, March 30.—Three policemen surprised four bandits today in the act of relieving 26 a Harlem social organization, of members of the White Doves club, money, watches and jewelry worth \$5,000, and arrested the four men. With the night stick they had to fight off the robbers' victims, who made a rush at the disarmed prisoners. The officers got their captives to the street after a lively scrimmage.

LOCAL MERCHANTS AGREE TO CLOSE UP STORES AT 6:30 P.M.

18 Business Firms of Smithfield Will Close Stores Early For Benefit Employees.

FROM APRIL 1 TO SEPT. 1

In a recent issue of The Herald, an article by Mrs. W. T. Woodard of Selma called upon the merchants of Johnston county to close their stores at 6:30 o'clock in order to give employers and employees a chance for recreation, and for time to spend with their families.

It was a happy coincidence that Mr. Edward L. Woodall of this city, was working on some step for Smithfield when Mrs. Woodard's suggestion appeared in print, and for that reason Smithfield is perhaps the first town in the county to report a decision along this line. Eighteen business firms have signed the following agreement:

We the undersigned merchants agree to close our stores from April 1st to Sept. 1st at 6:30 p. m. with the exception of Saturday nights and at ten o'clock on that night.

Woodall's, W. J. Huntley, J. D. Spiers, W. Rubenstein, R. S. Smith & Co. A. G. Rabil, R. Lewis, Quality Store, Charles Davis, M. Hurwitz Co. Worley Furniture Co., W. M. Sanders & Son, N. B. Grantham, Austin-Stephenson Co., Cotter Underwood Co., Vara L. Smith & Co., T. C. Jordan & Son, Miss Ora Poole.

Any other stores that desire to fall in line, can add their name to the list any time.

Senior Class Play "A Trial of Hearts" Is Creditably Presented

The Seniors of the high school presented the play, "A Trial of Hearts," in the school auditorium Friday evening. The play was directed by Mrs. Alfred R. Wilson, the expression teacher, and the large number of Seniors taking part showed good training. The setting of the play was laid in a college town and the scenes were typical of college life. Between the first and second acts the fifty prizes which were given by different merchants and business men of the city were presented. Another pleasing feature of the evening was the duet by Miss Ava Wellons and Mr. Lawrence Wallace.

Music was furnished between acts by Jess's Honey Boys. A large crowd was present and enjoyed the entertainment.

Youth Hews Off His Hand And Gives Bible As Motive

Locust Grove, Ga., March 20.—(Special).—Holding the bleeding stump of his right hand aloft, Herbert Little, 17, late last night rushed into his home near here and informed the family that he had performed the amputation in accordance with the Biblical injunction, which says, "If thy right hand offend thee, cut it off."

Herbert Little is the son of a prominent family. His father, H. H. Little, is a well known and prosperous citizen and one of his uncles is sheriff of the county. According to neighbors and friends he had been seeking solitude a great deal during the last few months and his reticence and avoiding of people had become noticeable. When the recent spell of bad weather set in young Herbert always took the Bible with him when setting out upon his solitary walks along lonely roads or the secluded woods.

After first aid had been adminis-

Flood Waters Result In Enormous Property Loss

Latest Reports Indicate More Than a Dozen Persons Perished; Maryland and Pennsylvania Hardest Hit by Flood; Potomac and Ohio Rivers on Rampage; Railroad Traffic In and Out of Cumberland at a Standstill; Waters Receding.

Cumberland, Md., March 30.—The flood waters of Wills Creek and the Potomac river were returning to their channels today, leaving scenes of desolation in their wake. Only one small section was under water in the city proper and the water was receding rapidly. Ridgely and Dixley, however, two towns on the West Virginia side of the Potomac, remained inundated, as was a wide area in the lower Potomac valley.

Great havoc was wrought by the flood, but so far as could be learned no casualties resulted. Many miles of railroad track were washed away, two big steel bridges and a number of smaller structures were destroyed, while hundreds of buildings and houses were damaged and in some instances washed away.

Preparations were under way for relief work, but it was believed that local organizations would be able to handle the situation. Until the plans for relief work are perfected those affected are being cared for by their respective communities.

Railroad traffic in and out of Cumberland was at a standstill. Five Baltimore and Ohio passenger trains, including the Capital Limited, were flood-bound at various points, while one Western Maryland train was stranded three miles west of Keyser, W. Va. The passengers from that train spent the day at Keyser.

The railroads were the heaviest hit (Continued on page four)

Stork Brings 20 Lbs. of Triplets

New Bern, March 27.—The stork was generous to M. and Mrs. E. H. Williams, who live near Pollocksville, according to a report received from that town yesterday. Three boys that balanced the scales at twenty pounds were presented to them, and mother and sons were said to be getting along nicely.

Weather Man Predicts Cold Wave

Washington, Mch. 29. Much colder weather will overspread Mississippi Valley, the East Gulf and Tennessee Saturday night and Sunday, and the Atlantic states on Sunday, the Weather Bureau announced last night

YOUNG STRIBLING WHIPS McTIGUE BUT FAILS TO GET TITLE

Newark, N. J., March 31.—By the Associated Press.—Young Stribling, sensational Georgia school boy boxer, decisively whipped Mike McTigue, world's light-heavyweight champion in a 12 round match tonight before a crowd of more than 13,000 in the first Regiment Armory.

Stribling battered the champion from start to finish, and had McTigue on the verge of a knockout in the tenth round.

Although he gained the unanimous verdict of newspapermen at the ringside, the victory did NOT give Stribling possession of the light-heavyweight crown, under the New Jersey no-decision laws a title can NOT change hands except by a knockout or foul.

MORE DOCTORS WILL AID WAR DEPARTMENT

Several Physicians of This State Will Aid in Making Training Camp a Success

Word has been received from the Citizens' Military Training Camp officer, Fourth Area, Atlanta, Georgia, that the following named physicians of this state, members of the Medical Officers Reserve Corps, have promised to aid the War Department in making this year's Citizens' Military Training Camps a success, in addition to those whose names have formerly appeared in our columns.

Capt. R. L. Daniels, M. O. R. C. New Bern, N. C.; Capt. Philip S. Easley, Med. O. R. C. 317 Mulberry Street, Statesville, N. C.; First Lieutenant Glen Long, Med. Newton, N. C.; Joseph Ellmore Wier, Oteen U. S. V. Hosp. 60, Asheville, N. C.; Lt. Col. Joseph H. Way, Med. O. R. C. South Main Street, Waynesville, N. C.; Capt. Geo. S. Spence, Med. O. R. C. U. S. V. Hosp. No. 60, Oteen, N. C.

Typoid inoculation and smallpox vaccination will be given, without charge, to young men between the ages of seventeen (17) and twenty-four (24) who are interested and they will be glad to interview any young men of North Carolina who would like information regarding these camps.

These physicians are well known throughout the state for their interest in civic and national affairs, and the C. M. O. C. Officer has expressed the appreciation of the War Department to them in a personal letter for their willingness to assist in making these great summer camps a concrete aid to the young men of this country.

The Camps are open to all men between the ages of 17 and 24 years, who are of good moral character, intelligent, and in good physical condition. Candidates must be native-born citizens or must have made application at least for first papers of naturalization.

Mr. Robert Wellons of Smithfield is chairman for Johnston County, and applications for the training camp may be secured from him.

Wm. F. Malone, Noted Surgeon, Dies While Performing Operation

Milwaukee, Wis., March 26.—Dr. William F. Malone, widely known Milwaukee surgeon and member of the American College of Surgeons, died last night at Hanover Hospital while performing a major operation on a patient.

Nurses and attendants in the room saw his hand falter, and they rushed to his aid, he fell to the floor.

An assisting physician completed the operation. At the hospital tonight it was said that the operation on the patient had been a success.

FRIENDS OF McLEAN MET HERE FRIDAY AND PERFECT CLUB

W. H. Call of Selma IS Elected County Chairman; John A. Narron, Secretary.

BARBECUE AT HOLT LAKE

To a delegation of something over one hundred Democrats, well representative of the seventeen townships of the county, Hon. W. J. Brogden, of Durham, delivered a twenty-minute speech here Friday afternoon in the court house in behalf of the candidacy of A. W. McLean for governor.

The speech was a flat denial that Mr. McLean's candidacy was being promoted by machine politics. It was a challenge to all comers to show that he is or has been anything else through the years of his career but a farmer and lawyer and businessman of the soundest and sturdiest type.

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 o'clock by Judge F. H. Brooks. Immediately following the address a McLean-for-Governor organization was perfected which elected Mr. W. H. Call, of Selma, as county chairman, and Mr. J. A. Narron, of this city, as secretary. An advisory council composed of W. H. Godwin, of O'Neals; John O. Ellington, of Cleveland; J. R. Barbour, of Banner; W. A. Edwards, of Boon Hill; Dr. G. D. Vick, of Selma; and Ed S. Abell and J. A. Wellons, of this city, was also established.

The organization waded into the campaign with a determination to make McLean governor. The work of organizing each township will follow within a short time.

After the deliberations in the court house, those in attendance repaired to Holt Lake where a barbecue dinner was enjoyed.

Busy Bee Cafe Moves

The Busy Bee Cafe, the proprietor of which is Mr. J. E. Lewis, moved into new quarters last week on the corner of Market and North Third Streets. This building generally known as the Ashley Smith property was recently purchased by W. M. Sanders, has been renovated and now presents an attractive interior. The cafe is fitted up with entirely new fixtures.

To Assist in Revival

Rev. R. G. Tuttle, pastor of Centenary church of Greensboro, arrived yesterday and will assist his brother, Rev. D. H. Tuttle, in a series of revival meetings at Stevens Chapel this week.

A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend these services.

Prayer At M. E. Church

The prayer meeting at the Centenary Methodist church will be conducted Wednesday evening by Rev. D. H. Tuttle or by his brother, Rev. R. G. Tuttle. The public is invited.

Circle No. 3 To Meet

Circle No. 3 of the M. E. Missionary Society will meet Thursday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock with Mrs. Charles A. Creech.

Princeton Offers LL.D. Degree to Mr. Coolidge

Washington, March 29.—President Coolidge has been invited by Representative Brown, of New Jersey, to visit Princeton University on October 4 and receive an honorary degree of LL.D. On that date, Mr. Brown explained, Princeton plays Amherst, the President's alma mater, in the opening football game of the season.