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- Bigger Pay Roll.
- A Modern Hotel.
- Renovation of Opera House.
- More Paved Streets.
- Chamber of Commerce.

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- County Farm Agent
- Better Roads Feeding Highways
- Equal Opportunity for Every School Child
- Better Marketing System
- More Food and Feed Crops

## R.C. Gillette Head County Committee

### Princeton First in Signing Up Group Leaders for Cotton Association; Mr. Mack Makes Statement

The county re-sign up committee of the cotton association met on Tuesday, March 16 at the court house at which meeting Mr. H. H. B. Mack, field director of the association, gave a very helpful and instructive talk on the past progress of the association and told of the plans for the new sign up on the next contract.

A number of the farmers present gave short talks and pledged their support towards building a bigger and greater association in North Carolina. A plan was adopted to reach all loyal members as soon as possible and the county committee headed by Mr. R. C. Gillette as chairman is putting its shoulder to the wheel and going to work to the limit to see that Johnston county is the first county in the state to sign up twenty-five per cent of the crop produced.

Princeton is the first community in the county in which all the group leaders have signed the new contract. They are 100 per cent strong for the cotton association and other communities are said to be coming close behind them.

Mr. Paul W. Mack, in commenting on the work of the cotton association said: "We meet sometimes with all sorts of reasons for not being a member of the cotton association and sometimes our members give a very poor excuse for not wishing to continue as members. In making a few calls this past week I had the pleasure of calling on one member that advanced the idea that he had lost money by being a member of the association, for he claimed he would have sold his cotton at 24 cents and did not believe the association was going to realize that much. In our conversation I found that he had bought several bales of cotton last fall at 24 1/2 cents and he still has that cotton on hand. I asked him why if he was such a good salesman that he had not sold that as he claimed he could have done with what he had delivered to the association. That kind of got him up a tree and he confessed that he was a farmer and not a salesman and believed he would help carry on the work of the association in the future."

**BEN FRANKLIN' ORIGINAL EPITAPH MADE PUBLIC**  
New York, Benjamin Franklin's original epitaph, which had been kept hidden in the collection of a Chicago business man since its discovery 20 years ago, has been made public.

The inscription differs in only a few words and punctuation marks from the widely known epitaph of "Poor Richard." It follows:

The body of  
B. Franklin  
Printer

Like the cover of an old book  
Its contents torn out  
And strip of its lettering and  
gilding.

Lies here food for worms.  
But the work shall not be wholly  
lost

For it will, as he believed, appear  
one more  
In a new and more perfect edition

Corrected and amended  
By the author.

## AUNT ROXIE SAYS

By Me



De doctors ort to know dat de reason so meny hard blood vessels dese days is because dey is jined to so many hard harts.



Father and Son  
President Calvin Coolidge and his father Col. John Coolidge.

## Funeral Service For Cal Coolidge

### Simple and Brief With No Eulogy; Buried in Snow Covered Hills

Plymouth, Vt., March 20.—Col. John C. Coolidge, father of the President, was laid at rest today. In the little community cemetery here, on a bleak hillside deep in snow, they buried him among those of his kin who had passed before him. The President and Mrs. Coolidge, their son John, representatives of nation and state and a few relatives and lifelong friends stood in the snow at the graveside.

At the white farmhouse where Colonel Coolidge lived for many years and where Calvin Coolidge passed his boyhood, the brief burial service of the Episcopal church was read by Rev. John White, of Sherburne, pastor of the union meeting house in Plymouth, where the colonel worshipped. Six national guardsmen acted as body bearers at the house and cemetery. There was no eulogy and no music. The expressed desire of the first citizen of Plymouth that his funeral should be without ostentation was respected. The service was held in the tiny parlor of the farm house, with folding doors opening to a sitting room as tiny. The dark grey casket, banked with flowers, stood but a few feet from the spot where Colonel Coolidge stood one early morning to administer to his son the oath of office as President.

A bank of lilies from the President lay on the casket, and beside was a spray of pink roses from Mrs. Coolidge. Other pieces, tributes from government officials and friends in Washington, from the crew of the Presidential yacht Mayflower, from Vermont friends and organizations in which the colonel was active, banked one side of the room. A spray of calla lilies the gift of Plymouth neighbors, and the community custom decreed that all of them should be represented in the tribute.

The short service ended, the minister knelt for a moment by the side of the casket and then the Presidential group passed to another room while six guardsmen carried the casket to the waiting hearse and the procession started to the cemetery.

Rev. Mr. White, with fur coat thrown over his vestments, rode first in a snowmobile. Then came the hearse, mounted on runners and drawn by two black horses. The six body bearers followed on foot, and the Presidential party was next in a three-seated sleigh. The President wore a high silk hat. Attorney General Sargent accompanied the family. The procession passed down a roadway shovelled out of deep snow. Scores followed on foot to the little cemetery, about a quarter of a mile from the farmhouse, where the Coolidge plot had been shovelled clear of snow.

As the clergyman uttered the brief committal service at the cemetery while the President stood with bare head, another scene of sorrow less than two years ago was recalled. In June of 1924 the President and Mrs. Coolidge came to the ancestral home in order that their son Calvin might be buried here.—Associated Press.

## FUND IS STARTED FOR J. H. WYATT'S FAMILY

Raleigh, March 18.—Policemen, brother officers who served with him on the local force, and other friends, have started a fund to provide for the family of Jesse H. Wyatt while he is serving his sentence in the state prison for the killing of Stephen Holt.

The former detective exhausted all his funds in taking care of the medical and hospital bills on account of Mrs. Wyatt's illness and the family was left without adequate funds for support.

All living expenses and other necessary things will be met by checks from the fund started by the policemen. Different departments of the city government will share in the fund.

This is one year when it will be wise to diversify crops in this state, say agricultural workers at State College.

## Atlantic's Waves Work Havoc in New Hampshire Town



The great storms on the north Atlantic wrought havoc in some of the New England coast towns. This picture shows how houses in Hampton Beach, N. H., were wrecked when the heavy seas broke down the breakwater.

## Dr. E. D. Soper Fills M. E. Pulpit

### Dean of Religious School at Duke University Makes Splendid Impression on Hearers

"Hidden forces are the forces that move the world," said Dr. E. D. Soper, dean of the School of Religion at Duke University, who preached to a large congregation in the Methodist church here Sunday morning. "Water is a powerful force but very modest; it seeks its level. The silent sunlight makes all nature rejoice. And so it is with the Christian religion. It is a hidden force that has a powerful influence. Evil has to live on the opposite. In developing this thought Dr. Soper paid his respects to "ecclesiastical muck-raking," or in other words, gossip. Some folks, he said, think because evil reports are true this is license to keep repeating them. But the better way is to forget them and instead of looking for the "muck" in our acquaintances, make an effort to seek out the good. We would be surprised, said Dr. Soper, to find several saints our communities that we did not know of."

Dr. Soper used as a basis for his sermon one of the seven parables in the thirteenth chapter of Matthew about the leaven being hid in the three measures of meal until the whole was leavened. He interpreted the parable with reference to the leavening influence of the Christian religion in individuals, human society and international relationships. The greatest thing Christianity has done in human society is the establishment of the Christian family, and the nearest approach to it was the Jewish family where purity of life and the teachings of the prophets were taught. As to our international relations, one has only to read the newspapers to see conditions in Europe. The relation of the United States with China and Japan and Mexico are not what Christians would have them. The relation of labor and capital is not always in accordance with the golden rule. "If these things are not filled with Christ can we rest in peace?" asked Dr. Soper. "Is it possible for them to be permeated with the spirit of Christ?" Dr. Soper is an optimist and thinks it is possible. The Christian relation is a hidden force, but a force that will ultimately triumph. Characteristic of this force is the fact that it does not seek notoriety. Christians must and are willing to be hid in Christ. That is the explanation Dr. Soper gives for young people longing to go to the foreign field, as some look on it, to bury themselves. Churches must be willing to be hidden. Denominationalism must be submerged by the kingdom of God, and the coming of the kingdom is being brought to pass by unobstructive personal contacts. A Christian comes in contact with some one who is not a Christian and is won into the kingdom. The service was one to be re-

## Two Captured By Federal Officers

### Men Supposed To Be Rum Runners Arrested With Whiskey In Car

A rum running automobile and two men were captured at Harrison's Lake between here and Princeton Friday night by Federal officers. The car was a Buick and it was equipped with a smoke screen. When the car reached Harrison's Lake the smoke gave out and as it slowed down to round the curve, according to reports, the officers dashed up and arrested the men. A Federal officer from Charlotte and another from Fayetteville had been chasing the car since it left Kinston but on account of the smoke screen had not succeeded in capturing it. Between seventy-five and one hundred gallons of whiskey were found in the car.

The men, Robert Seapark, and L. M. Hamilton, were brought here and placed in jail. Yesterday they were carried to Fayetteville to await trial there in Federal court this week. They are alleged to be regular rum runners.

## More Than Seven Miles Up

Lieut. John A. Macready reached a height of 38,704 feet in his attempt, on Jan. 29, to set a world's altitude record. (C. E., page 77.) When he landed at McCook Field, near Dayton, Ohio, the instruments were sent to Washington, where they were examined and checked by the Bureau of Standards. It was found that Lieutenant Macready had flown to a height of 38,704 feet. That stands as an official record but it is not a world's record. That is 39,587 feet, held by Callizo, of France. Lieutenant Macready plans to make another attempt soon to set a new world's altitude record.

## INDOOR CIRCUS AT OPERA HOUSE TONIGHT

The Great Dalbeanic Indoor Circus will be put on at the opera house here tonight. This circus is coming under the auspices of the Pou-Parrish post of the American Legion. Hobo Jim, said to be the most comical man in the world, Grady, the wonder man, and Skyes, the wire-walker and trapeze wonder, promise plenty of fun for those who attend. A street parade will be given before the show opens.

## A CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank each and every one for the kindness shown toward us during the serious illness of our little son, D. A. Jr. May the good Lord bless you all.  
MR. AND MRS. D. A. PRICE

members by those who attended it. Dr. Soper's sermon has been a subject of considerable favorable comment, though good music also characterized the hour of worship. A quartet, Messrs. Paul Eason, I. W. Medlin, Marvin Woodall and W. C. Coates, rendered a beautiful offertory.

## Merchants Hold InSTITUTE Here

### Frank Stockdale Talks on "Snappy Customers and Snippy Clerks" First Evening

Mr. Frank Stockdale, conducted the initial session of the Business Institute here yesterday afternoon, though the number of business men present was small. The institute will continue today and tomorrow with sessions each afternoon and evening. The afternoon meetings which are held at two o'clock, are primarily for proprietors, managers of businesses and heads of departments. The evening sessions are arranged for both employers and employees.

The programs are planned, not for entertainment, says Mr. Stockdale, but for the improvement of business conditions in Smithfield. He is here to serve this city this week, and expects to put forth his best energies in making the institute a success. Last night he spoke on "Snappy Customers and Snippy Clerks."

The institute is sponsored by sixteen business firms of this city, but every business woman in the city is urged to attend. The merchants who signed up for the institute are as follows:

John A. Narron, N. B. Grantham, Jordan-Edmundson Hardware Company, W. D. Hood, R. P. Holding, Sundry Shoppe, Coats Hardware Company, Turnage and Talton, Holt Oil Company, W. L. Fuller, W. J. Huntley, J. W. Moore, W. H. Austin, A. G. Rabill, L. D. Debbam, The Smithfield Herald.

## HAM MEETING NOW IN THE HARVEST PROGRAM

Danville, Va., March 19.—The Ham-Ramsey party, headed by Evangelist Mordecai Fowler Ham of Anchorage, Kentucky, is now in the closing day of a great city-wide campaign in Danville, Virginia. Twenty-six churches are participating in the campaign, which is being held in a mammoth tabernacle in the heart of the city, and the immense building has been too small to accommodate the crowds from the very beginning. The Evangelist has been dividing the crowds—delivering the same sermon to women only and then to men only, in order to give all an opportunity to hear.

Mr. Ham preached practically five weeks before he gave an invitation and the harvest period is just beginning. Local religious leaders are confidently expecting the greatest harvest of souls and the most widespread spiritual awakening that has ever been experienced in this section.

The music for the campaign is under the direction of William J. Ramsay, chorister, assisted by Earl S. Rodgers, pianist.

The meeting is scheduled to close on March 28th, after which the party goes to Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, where they will open a tabernacle campaign on April 11th.

Watch the date on your label.

## State Teachers Assembly Closes

### Eight Months School Is the One Task Teachers Undertake

Raleigh, March 21.—"This one thing we do," became the slogan of the North Carolina Education Association yesterday.

The one thing is an eight months school term for every North Carolina school child, and to that task the representatives of the teachers of a thousand communities dedicated their lives, their highest solves and their noblest impulses at the concluding session of the 42nd annual convention yesterday.

Dr. Edgar Knight, professor of education at the university of North Carolina, was elected president, and T. Wingate Andrews, of High Point, was elected vice-president, but their election was but a formality. They have served their apprenticeship and know the ropes of the educational ladder that leads to leadership.

"We want the issue stated plainly and without equivocation," said Roland H. Latham, who comes from the biggest city in North Carolina none other than Winston-Salem. "Let there be no doubt about what we stand for, and that in an eight months' school term for every child. We can take care of the details after we get to the goal."

It was close to noon when the association adjourned after one of the most eventful sessions of its history. Its single resolution upon which all the teachers of North Carolina will center their educational efforts outside of the school room is given in full below, followed by three routine resolutions:

"Whereas, the fact that there are 219,000 white school children and 127,000 negro school children in the rural schools of North Carolina who get an opportunity to attend school only six months in a year is so well known that it needs no comment from this association, and

"Whereas, this fact not only results in a discrimination against this third of a million country school children but also results in a serious economic loss to the State through retardation due to inability of these children to complete short terms and through the inability of these children to complete a grammar grade education at the normal age, thereby resulting in this class of children either not securing an education or getting it so late that a part of their earning power is lost, and

"Whereas, this inequality and discrimination cannot be eliminated by the various counties themselves without a tax rate that will be practical confiscation of property due to the uneven distribution of wealth in North Carolina; and since it is necessary to provide educational facilities and at the same time safeguard the tax rate, we believe that this inequality should be eliminated through amendment of the organic law of the State."

"Therefore, be it resolved:

"1. That the 1926 session of the North Carolina Education Association endorse the program of the Legislative Committee in which it recommended that the 1927 session of the Legislature submit a constitutional amendment to increase the minimum school term

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## The Mirror

IS THIS YOU?

If the person who answers this description will call at The Herald office they will receive a free ticket to the Victory Theatre.

You were seen last Tuesday in front of the Capital cafe. You wore black slippers, red coat, light hose and your hair was bobbed. You looked as if you might be enjoying life to the fullest.

Mr. Thel Hooks recognized himself in Friday's Mirror.