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Legislature Has Big Work Ahead

Bills Scheduled Yet To Be Introduced; Others In Hopper To Be Disposed of

The latter days of the legislature seem destined to be crowded with work, for several important bills are yet scheduled to be introduced and a number of state-wide acts that have been dropped into the hopper have not yet been disposed of.

Last night when the legislature convened in the senate, the Canning bill designed to change the date of the primary from June to August, was at the head of the parade. There are said to be eighteen bills pending in the senate.

The house has 30 bills on its calendar, among which is one sponsored by the State Parent-Teachers' Association, to increase the age limit from 14 to 16 years for compulsory school attendance of all children who have not completed the fourth grade.

Among the bills still hanging in the air is the amended Australian ballot bill. The joint committee on election laws is due to have a hearing today. The house committee on education will take up today, the Poles anti-evolution bill.

Judge Francis D. Winston, of the senate, introduced a bill in the senate Saturday that provides for production tax of one mill per kilowatt hour for electricity used for other than manufacturing purposes; three-fourths of a mill for electricity used for manufacturing, and of one-half mill per kilowatt hour for electricity used in rural communities. More than a million dollars in revenue would thus be derived, which Judge Winston would divide half and half between the counties and the state.

A bill passed the House Thursday to make "The Old North State" North Carolina's official song. Judge Francis D. Winston introduced the bill, which passed with only one dissenting voice. The lone opponent objected to the line, "The' scorners may sneer at and wittings defame her," on the grounds that the words reflect feeling of a day that is gone.

Mrs. John H. Anderson, of Fayetteville, chairman of the U. D. C. committee, was instrumental in having the bill introduced.

An act that affects some of the farmers has passed both the Senate and the House, in the bill which permits the giving of a crop lien on a permit not yet planted for one year from date of the purchase of supplies instead of limiting it to within the calendar year, as is the present law.

A "bad check" bill, designed to put more teeth in the present worthless check laws, went through the Senate Thursday. Under the provisions of the bill the "ten-day notice" clause in the 1925 Worthless Check Act is stricken out and persons "wiffully giving" a worthless check "knowing that they were without necessary funds in said bank" would be guilty of misdemeanor. The punishment would be left up to the trial judge. There was some opposition to the bill, Senator Sedberry asserting that the act seeks "to evade the statute that says a man cannot be imprisoned for debt."

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Husband and Wife



My wife knits sweaters one after the other although she has a dozen or more now.—F. L. M.

WHAT DOES YOUR WIFE DO?

Daugherty Again!!



Former Atty.-Gen. Harry M. Daugherty, as he approached the New York Federal Court building to face retrial for alleged fraud against the government—and which forced his resignation.

Good Program At Near East Dinner

Dr. Gillespie Speaks; Motion Pictures of Galilean Scenes; Music and Other Features

The Golden Rule dinner held at the armory Friday evening in the interest of raising funds to support the orphanage work in the Near East was quite successful so far as the program was concerned but to the expectations of the committee.

The program, which had been planned by County Chairman Chester Alexander, was featured by an address by Dr. Geo. R. Gillespie, of Forest City, by motion pictures giving "a message from Galilee," and by a musical program.

The armory was fittingly arranged for the occasion, the front section being used as a reception room where those present mingled in friendly fashion until they were invited into the rear section which served as a dining room. There a committee from the various ladies church organizations of the town served a one course dinner consisting of potato salad, sliced ham, pickles, bread, cake and coffee.

Dr. W. J. B. Orr was toastmaster. Miss Frances White, who was called on for vocal solos, rendered two Indian selections which were much enjoyed. The Smithfield orchestra and Mr. Sol N. Bane, who plays the violin, were on the program, but because the piano was too low pitched, they were unable to play.

The local ministers took part in the exercises, Rev. S. L. Morgan pronouncing the opening invocation; Rev. D. E. Earnhardt, expressing appreciation of the response to the call for Near East Relief, and Rev. H. R. Faircloth, dismissing the assembly with the benediction. Rev. Chester Alexander explained the motion pictures, being familiar with many of the original scenes, he having visited the Near East a few years ago.

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Fashion Show Is Decided Success

Selma Firm Brings Unique Costume To Selma For Its Spring Opening Celebrating 20th Anniversary

The Fashion Show, the first "home grown" one to be exhibited in Johnston county, held Friday evening in the new store of the Abdalla-Vinson Store company of Selma, on the occasion of its 20th anniversary, was a complete success from the standpoint of the number of spectators, of the fashionable styles, and of the pretty models.

When the East Carolina exposition was held here two years ago, the management did not depend upon Johnston county business firms for its fashion show, going to Raleigh and Goldsboro for many of the stylish garments, but should the exposition come to the county now, this enterprising local ready-to-wear dealer could put out some stunning competition.

Although one of the big drawing cards of the occasion was the facsimile coronation gown of Empress Josephine of France, no one seemed to tire of looking at the nifty costumes exhibited by the bevy of living models, before "Empress Josephine" passed down the length of the raised dais arranged in the center of the commodious new store for the display of the gorgeous spring apparel.

Lovely decorations of long leaf pine, ivy and pink roses combined to furnish a fitting setting, and the natural arrangement of the building itself was admirably adapted for the show. On the mezzanine floor, a sixteen-piece brass band made music as the Empress with her attendants took her place in full view of the assembly to watch the models, modernly dressed to the nth degree, pass gracefully in review down the steps and to the end of the white covered platform. There was music during the whole performance except when the notes were halted long enough for Mr. Tom Abdalla, proprietor of the store, to announce the price of the lovely creations.

Mrs. W. W. Hare of Selma posed as the Empress and the handsome diamond studded gown with its rich velvet mantle entrain and the blazing coronet around her brow, was very becoming to her particular style of beauty. Doris Selma and Elizabeth Wilson, of Selma, wearing dainty pink frocks, acted as pages, while Miss Lee, of Selma, and Delia Ellington, of Smithfield, wearing pink gowns with pink Spanish shawls, were her maids.

The fashion show itself was divided into three parts: street and sport costumes shown first; afternoon dresses and coats, second, and evening gowns and shawls, last. Those displaying these modish styles were: Mrs. A. R. Wilson, Mrs. F. M. Waties, Mrs. Luther O'Neal, Miss Sadie Fulghum, Mrs. Broadway, Mrs. R. D. Blackburn, Mrs. Hunter Price, and Miss Mabel Nordan, of Selma; Misses Mildred Cotter, Marie Anne Stevens, Virginia Broadhurst and Lucile Johnson, of Smithfield; Miss Layee Massey and Miss Edna Grantham, of Princeton; Mrs. Paul Wallace and Mrs. Hugh Page, of Clayton, and Miss Louise Townsend, of Pine Level.

In front of the store, for sometime before the doors were opened at eight o'clock, there was a jam, and then the crowd surged in and packed every available standing space in the store. Attractive cherry boutonnieres were given to each one as souvenirs.

LOCAL BOY TO HELP MAKE COLUMBIA RECORDS
The Durham Morning Herald of February 6, carried a group picture of the Duke University "Blue Devils," an orchestra composed of ten Duke University students and directed by George E. Leftwich. The announcement was made that in the near future this orchestra will go to Atlanta, Ga., to make a number of records for the Columbia recording company. A local boy, William C. Lassiter, who plays the trumpet, is a member of this orchestra.

Jazzing the Decalog.
"My dear young lady," said the clergyman, in grievous tones as he listened to an extremely modern young woman tear off some of the very latest jazz on the piano, "have you ever heard of the Ten Commandments?"
"Whistle a few bars," said the young thing, "and I think I can follow you."—Christian Evangelist.

Cleveland Farm Bureau.
Cleveland Township Farm Bureau will meet Friday night, February 18. Regular business will be transacted and a speaker will discuss community work.

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Local Bank Aids Veterans' Loans

First & Citizens National Bank Together With The American Legion Now Ready To Put Through Loans On Veterans Service Certificates

The First and Citizens National bank of this city got through its first loan for World War veterans on adjusted service certificates last Friday, and started thirteen other applications on their way Saturday. On account of the regulations governing loans on these certificates, local banks have been unable to handle them, and have perhaps received unjust criticism. The First and Citizens National, however, has got in touch with a western bank which is making a specialty of lending money on these certificates, and has arranged to take care of any or all loans which ex-service men in Johnston county may desire.

The bank will be assisted in filling out the blanks with proper affidavits, by D. Carlton Stephenson, Mr. Stephenson's commander of the Post-Parrish post of the American Legion of Johnston county, and it is through this organization that the bank here is able to negotiate the loans with the western institution. Mr. Stephenson has been designated by the Legion to handle the certificates and he may be found at the Sundry Shoppe in this city. Ex-service men desiring loans are requested to carry to him their certificates and discharges when making application for these loans which may be made for 12 months.

There are approximately a thousand and world war veterans in Johnston county, who, if they should borrow money on their adjusted compensation certificates, would bring to the county around \$125,000.

WINS IN PRELIMINARIES
Messrs. Willis Stevens, Durwood Creech and Frank Morgan, high school students, went to Durham Thursday where Mr. Stevens represented the local school in the annual 1019 declamation contest at Duke University. Twenty North Carolina high schools entered the contest. News reached here Friday that Mr. Stevens won out in the preliminary contest held Friday morning and participated in the finals Friday evening.

Ten other schools representatives over the state made the finals, including Lester Bird, of Coats; Earl Casey, of Alliance; North Bell, of Roanoke Rapids; Henry Grump, of Greensboro; Royster Young, of Buie's Academy; Ovid Pearce, of Weldon; Fred Painwater, of Rockingham; Harper Barnes, of Wilson, and Charles Livingood, of Durham, the latter being the winner of the medal offered.

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Kiwanians Hear Lincoln Address

Illuminating Report on Needs of Smithfield; Hotel and More Industries Declared To Be Paramount Needs

The Kiwanis club of Smithfield did not have to go out into the highways and hedges to find a person of outstanding personality, ability, or eloquence to deliver an address on the anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln. Because the American people almost universally accept Abraham Lincoln as being the foremost American, the club designated last Thursday as a fitting time to hear a discourse on the life of this great president, and Kiwanian E. J. Welles was selected as the speaker for the occasion. His speech was truly a gem. He covered the life of Lincoln from his early childhood until his ascendancy into the presidential chair of the United States. His remarks were able, well put and to the point. He stated that he considered that in Lincoln two types of manhood that make for progress in this world, one attribute of the man being that he was inspired, which constituent element plus the other element—a keen and well balanced intellect—making him preeminent as a lawyer and statesman.

President George Y. Ragsdale responded to the speech of Kiwanian Welles in very fitting terms, thanking him on behalf of the club for his fine speech.

Kiwanian T. C. Young, chairman of the public affairs committee, reported that his committee had secured from the postoffice department longer time limit for mailing mail at the local postoffice, the hours having been lengthened from 5:30 to 7:30 each day except Sunday.

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Several Cases In Recorder's Court

Tuesday and Wednesday Devoted to Disposal of Criminal Docket

Recorder's Court was in session two days last week, the following cases being tried and disposed of: W. H. Corbett, who was charged with embezzlement, waived examination and was bound over to superior court under a \$500 bond.

James Mitchiner, a negro from Selma, was found guilty of assault. He was sentenced to jail for a term of 30 days to be worked on the roads of Johnston county. The road sentence was suspended upon the payment of a \$25 fine and half the cost. The prosecuting witness, Mary McArthur, was added to the warrant and found guilty of assault. Judgment was suspended upon the payment of half the cost.

Harvey Starling was convicted of assault with deadly weapon. He was sentenced to sixty days on the county roads. Capias not to issue upon payment of \$25 fine and the cost.

Wilbur Horton was found guilty of violating the prohibition law. Judgment was suspended upon the payment of cost and on condition that defendant serve a four months sentence rendered in a case tried on April 14, 1926.

In the case against Gurney Spivey, charged with trespass, prayer for judgment was continued upon the payment of cost. For assault with deadly weapon he was given a 90-day road sentence. The road sentence was suspended for two years upon condition that the defendant is of good behavior for two years and that he pay the doctor's bill of the prosecuting witness, Clifton Bailey.

Thelma McDonald, charged with larceny and receiving, was found guilty and sent to jail for term of 60 days to be worked in jail as the sheriff sees fit and taxed with the cost. The jail sentence was suspended upon the payment of a \$50 fine and the cost.

Charlie Hicks entered a plea of guilty to giving a worthless check. Prayer for judgment was continued upon the payment of cost.

Robert G. Narron was convicted of cruelty to animals. Judgment was suspended upon the payment of the cost.

BAPTIST MEN'S BIBLE CLASS TO ENTERTAIN
All members of the Philathea class and the Men's Bible class of the Baptist Sunday school are invited to be present Friday evening, February 18 at 7:30 o'clock in the Smithfield Hotel dining room to enjoy a dinner given by the Bible class. The dinner will be served by The Coffee Cup.

New Pupils In Business School.
Two new pupils have recently enrolled in the Smithfield Business school conducted by Mrs. Joe Davis. They are: Miss Irene Pittman, of Micro, and Miss Elizabeth Medford, of Oxford.

Vote This Week On Farm Relief

North Carolina Delegation Will Probably Be Divided; Some Think Coolidge Will Sign Bill

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—During the coming week members of the North Carolina delegation in Congress must face the question of farm relief in the vote on the McNary-Haugen farm relief bill. Many members do not look forward to that vote with pleasure. Some members feel that it is full political dynamite, no matter whether it passes or is defeated.

The political fears which have their effect in producing opposition to the measure have to do largely with the equalization feature. Some members fear that if the bill is passed and an equalization fee put on cotton to handle the surplus, that the collection of that fee will make the farmers mad enough to vote joyfully against the Congressmen who voted for the bill.

On the other hand, those who oppose the bill realize that they face the danger of angering their farming constituents. These two considerations are bound to take some of the joy out of voting for the bill.

Last week Senator Simmons and Overman parted company in the vote on the bill in the Senate. Simmons casting his vote for the measure and Overman voting against it. When the House comes to vote the North Carolina delegation is expected to split nearly as widely.

Representatives E. W. Poirer and A. L. Bulwinkle have vigorously announced their opposition to the measure at this session. They opposed a similar bill at the last session while the other eight members voted for it. This year, however, changes in the bill make it likely that Poirer and Bulwinkle will have company in their opposition. No other member has definitely announced his opposition yet, but the fear of the equalization fee is expected to secure some dissenting votes.

Representatives John H. Kerr and W. C. Hammer, both of whom voted for the bill last year, have already announced that they will support it again. The probability is that they will be joined by the majority of the other members of the State delegation, but thus far no other members have made any formal announcements in support of the measure.

It is generally believed here that the bill, having already passed the Senate, will pass the House this week. Its passage by the House will put the matter of farm relief squarely up to the President.

It has been reported that the President is already preparing a veto message on the bill and it is conceded that if he does veto the bill, its advocates will be unable to secure the two-thirds vote necessary to override his veto.—Jonathan Daniels, in News and Observer.

Special Tobacco Meeting.
A special tobacco meeting will be held at Cleveland school on Friday