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President Vetoes Farm Relief Bill

Backers of Measure Have Little Hope of Overriding Coolidge Who Says It Is Unconstitutional

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—The McNary-Haugen farm relief bill, handwork of the Western farm bloc and the Southern Democrats, was consigned to the waste basket today by Presidential veto.

With it died all hope of general farm legislation at this session of Congress. The Senate will vote tomorrow on the question of overriding the veto, but the process will be merely a gesture. No one expects the bill to muster the two-thirds now necessary for passage.

What its supporters do expect is that the roll call will give notice to the White House that they have not surrendered, but are prepared to accept the issue. A new battle over a McNary-Haugen bill is promised when Congress meets again next December, and political leaders on both sides are prepared to see the contest carried over into the 1928 campaign.

President Coolidge took his stand against the bill in unequivocal fashion. In a long veto message dissecting the measure, he declared it an "economic folly" to attempt to regulate farm surpluses by levying an equalization fee on basic farm commodities; pronounced the proposal discriminatory because it did not apply to all farm products; and said in plain terms that it was a scheme for price-fixing that would raise the cost of living and would not benefit the farmer. For good measure, he sent along to the Capitol an opinion by Attorney General Sargent, declaring the bill unconstitutional in its vital provisions.

As an alternative, to meet an agricultural condition which he conceded to be unsatisfactory, the President renewed his recommendation for passage of other plans proposed in Congress for the recovery of agriculture.

While stating that many other reasons existed why the measure ought not to be approved, the President said the most decisive one was that it was unconstitutional.

The message was sent to the Senate immediately after it met at noon, but it was not read until mid-afternoon because of the parliamentary situation. Its purport was known long in advance of the reading and most of the farm leaders had made comment on the President's action.

Predictions that the veto would alienate a large part of the West from Mr. Coolidge politically were supported by the comment of the leaders in sympathy with the bill. While they did not say anything about the political effect, they emphasized that the veto would prove highly disappointing to the people of that section of the country.—Associated Press.

Boy Scout Rally.

On next Friday evening, March 4, in the Selma graded school building there will be a Johnston county Boy Scout rally. All the scouts and their parents are cordially invited and expected to be present at this rally. A real demonstration of the things taught in scouting will be exhibited. Don't forget the time and place.

Husband and Wife

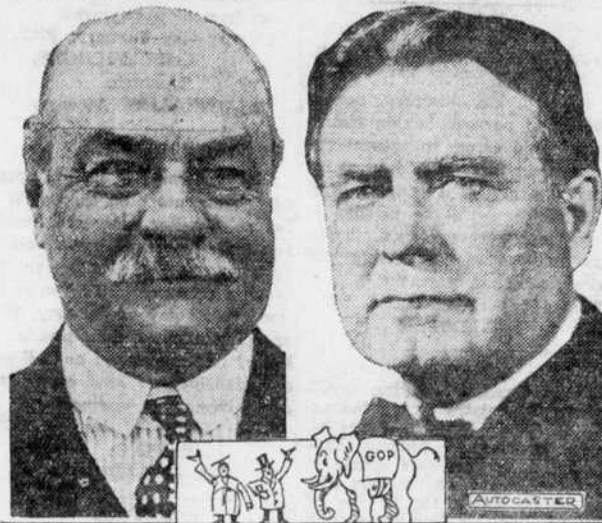


My husband continuously lights cigarettes and after a puff or two throws them away and starts another.—May.

WHAT DOES YOUR HUSBAND DO

Dr. Butler vs DEBATE vs Sen. Borah

April 8



The nation at large, Republican leaders in particular, will watch with interest the reaction of sentiment following the debate between Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler and Senator William A. Borah at Boston April 8 on Prohibition enforcement. Dr. Butler's recent statements about President Coolidge's third term hopes; the importance of facing the wet and dry issue; and things in general about his party, brought Senator Borah into the picture, with a challenge for debate.

Bentonville Now Claims Attention

State U. D. C. Improves Battleground and Plans To Erect Memorial; Sketch of Famous Battle Fought in Johnston County

Mrs. JOHN H. ANDERSON

The battlefield of the last important fight in the War between the states, (said by the historians to be the greatest battle ever fought on North Carolina soil) is visited by few of the people of the State. The story of the valor of the Junior Reserves in this battle of Bentonville is not very familiar to the present generation.

These boy soldiers of 17 to 18 years of age have no Memorial as yet from the people of the State, though Virginia has memorialized her boys of V. M. I. who fought so bravely in their "baptism of fire" at New Market.

So the North Carolina Daughters of the Confederacy will soon erect at the battlefield of Bentonville a handsome bronze Tablet on a boulder of native stone, on which will be inscribed the story how these boy soldiers were confronted by the whole of Sherman's army of old and experienced soldiers, how they under the leadership of the superb General Robert F. Hoke, kept back the Federals for two days, and drove the enemy into an impenetrable swamp.

These young soldiers of the Confederacy are worthy to take their place in the States Hall of Fame, for they were brave as the bravest who wore the gray.

The battlefield of Bentonville is in Johnston county 18 miles from Smithfield and 40 miles southeast of Raleigh.

No battlefield has been better preserved by nature, with the evergreen pines and the Springs fragrant arbutes protecting the breastworks of that three days unequal engagement.

The North Carolina Daughters of the Confederacy have recently put this battleground in good condition, from funds contributed by the Chapters.

Being made more accessible by new highways, this historic spot will be visited by hundreds who will learn the story of the last stand made by the Army of the Confederacy before its final surrender.

That lover of North Carolina's historic shrines, Col. Fred A. Olds, has made an ardent study of the battleground of Bentonville and has endeavored to arouse in the people of this State a greater interest in this spot. His very facile pen has given many stories of the "Boys Brigade" (who fought there) which he describes as the "most unique organization on either side during the war."

Gen. Robert F. Hoke, the beloved commander of North Carolina's

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Sheriff Spends Busy Week-End

Kinston Negro In Jail Awaiting Outcome Injuries Sustained by Johnston County Negro In Auto Accident

Close to a dozen arrests made during the week end by Sheriff Turley or his deputies tell a sordid story of drunkenness, recklessness, and loose living.

The culmination of the series came yesterday when Will Mewborne, a negro of Kinston, was placed in jail pending the outcome of injuries sustained by Riddick Watson, a respected Johnston county negro, hurt in an automobile accident. The accident took place on the Raleigh road near Clayton almost in front of Mr. Ransom Gulley's place, about twelve-thirty o'clock. Riddick Watson, who lives beyond Clayton, was returning home after having been to Smithfield, when Mewborne, who was driving a Dodge coupe, in attempting to pass a car, ran into him. The cars were completely wrecked, and Watson, seriously hurt. He was brought to the Johnston County Hospital. Officers here were notified, and on their way to the scene, met Mewborne who was on his way to Smithfield. They took him into custody and placed him in jail without bond.

Mewborne was driving a borrowed car, and was accompanied by a negro preacher, whose name was not learned, when the accident happened. Eye-witnesses are said to have stated that Mewborne was driving at a rapid rate.

Other arrests made Saturday night include two men and a girl caught by Deputies Ellington and Talton on the Wilson's Mills road near the Broadhurst farm. The girl was said to be drunk and the men had been drinking. The arrest grew out of a report that some kind of a crime was suspected to have been committed on the Raleigh road near Bethesda church. The car containing the above mentioned persons had been followed.

As the officers continued their

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AUNT ROXIE SAYS—

By Me—



"Ah don't know which ter do, plant cotton or run ah cleen sho' in Noo York."

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Raleigh Bank Is Named Trustee

Will Take Over The Affairs of the Austin-Stephenson Co., Which Went Into Voluntary Bankruptcy Recently

RALEIGH, Feb. 27.—At the first meeting of the creditors of the Austin-Stephenson company of Smithfield since the voluntary bankruptcy of that concern became effective February 15, the Raleigh Savings Bank and Trust Company was appointed trustee and J. W. Bailey named as attorney to adjust the back taxes due the Federal government.

Joseph B. Cheshire, referee in bankruptcy stated at the opening of the meeting that the time had come for the appointment of a permanent trustee and the appointment could be made by him through an election by the unsecured creditors. Then creditors held a short consultation [with the above named trustee].

Mr. Bailey announced that it was probable that the claim which the government would ultimately establish against the concern would approximate \$298,000. It was demanded for payment of back taxes from 1918 that caused the company to have recourse to the bankruptcy law, and it was at first estimated that back taxes due would amount to half a million dollars.

No definite figures could be obtained as to the amount of the claims of the unsecured creditors, but it is estimated as being about \$200,000.

An inventory of the stock shows goods on hand worth about \$55,000. The company also owns considerable real estate.

Willis Austin is president of the company. J. W. Stephenson was the other member of the corporation giving it its name but has not been connected with the business for 20 years. The company has done for years an enormous supply business, and is one of the largest establishments of the sort in the state.

H. V. Rose, of Smithfield, served as temporary receiver and closed up his connection with the concern in that capacity yesterday.

NEW STATE-WIDE GAME LAW

A law that the present legislature has passed is the state-wide game law. This provides that all who hunt on any land except land belonging to one hunting will have to pay a hunter's license tax of \$1.50 per year. The bill also provides for a hunting commission. The open and close seasons will be regulated according to conditions in the several localities of the state.

Baptist Prayer Meeting.

Rev. G. T. Baker will speak at the Baptist church prayer meeting at 7:30 tomorrow night. He is a very interesting speaker, and the members generally are invited to be present.

LIGHTS REQUIRED ON ALL VEHICLES

A law has recently passed the legislature which provides that on and after July 1st of this year all horses drawn or other vehicles traveling the highways of this state shall be provided with tail-lights. Violations of the law are misdemeanors and magistrates will have jurisdiction of the offenses.

Aged Man Goes To His Reward

Mr. J. A. Woodall Dies at Home In Sanders Chapel Section at Age of 88 Pearce's School

Sanders Chapel section lost one of its oldest and most highly esteemed citizens Sunday night when Mr. J. A. Woodall passed away at his home after a short illness. Mr. Woodall was one of the oldest men in Johnston county, being eighty-eight years and twenty-two days old.

The deceased had been well and active practically all his life. Although he had been feeble for the past several months, his condition was not considered serious until Friday. He was one of the few remaining Confederate soldiers in this county.

The funeral was conducted yesterday afternoon at three o'clock at Sanders Chapel M. E. church by the pastor, the Reverend E. D. Dodd, of Four Oaks. Interment was made in the cemetery at the church. The pallbearers were: Messrs. G. W. Davis, J. W. Barnes, J. C. Creech, P. D. Davis, J. M. Hamilton, G. R. Radford, Claude Hill and W. H. Crocker.

The deceased is survived by his aged wife and four children: Mrs. J. R. Creech, Mrs. John K. Sanders and Mr. J. E. Woodall, all of Smithfield, Route 2, and Edgar H. Woodall, of Hope Mills.

He was the grandfather of Miss Vera Sanders, Mrs. L. H. Sasser and Mrs. W. J. Massey, of this city. An unusually large crowd attended the funeral.

The bereaved ones have many friends who sympathize with them in their loss.

AUSTIN'S STORE IS BROKEN INTO

The store of the Austin-Stephenson company, closed under orders in bankruptcy since February 15, was broken into on Saturday night, the 26th, and it is believed that a small quantity of goods from the dry goods department was stolen. The thief made his entrance by smashing the lock and bar off of the basement door and by a staircase from the basement to the main office. The outer door to the main office was also broken in. An heavy iron bar found near the door was probably used as a ram with which the locks were broken. Since the discovery of the robbery the city police department has been making a special effort to get a clue as to the robber and to protect the store and stock of goods.

Organ Recital To Be Friday Evening

Local Musicians To Give Program at Methodist Church Under Auspices Local Club

A varied program has been arranged for the pipe organ recital which will be given Friday evening at the Methodist church under the auspices of the Business and Professional Woman's club, and it is hoped that a large crowd will greet those on the program all of whom are local musicians.

The program to be rendered is as follows:

Pipe Organ Selections.

Evening Prelude, Edward Read; Twilight Meditation, Sibley Pease, by Mrs. C. V. Johnson.

Vocal Selections.

Open the Gates of the Temple, Knapp; Savior Breathe An Evening Blessing, Ambrose, by Theron Johnson.

Pipe Organ Selection.

Largo, Dvorak, My Miss Margaret Rogers.

Vocal Solo With Violin Obligato.

Ave Maria, Schubert, by Miss Frances White and Mr. Sol N. Bane.

Male Quartette.

By Messrs. Paul Eason, James Davis, A. J. Fitzgerald, and Mr. Meredith.

Violin Selections.

By Sol N. Bane.

Anthem.

Hark, hark my Soul, Shelley, by a choir.

Vocal Selection.

By Mrs. W. J. B. Orr.

Pipe Organ Selections.

Idilio, Theo. Lock; Evening Star, Liszt, by Mrs. R. G. Sanders.

Vocal Solo.

Holy City, Gaul, by Dwight Johnson.

Pipe Organ Selections.

Serenade, Gounod; March Pontificale, Lemmons, by Miss Margaret Rogers.

STEREOPTICON LECTURE AT BAPTIST CHURCH

A large congregation was in attendance last Sunday night at the Baptist church when the pastor gave a stereopticon lecture on Baptist Missions in China. More than seventy slides were shown, mainly of the schools and churches and people connected with the Baptist South China Mission centering in Canton, where a great work has been carried on by Southern Baptists since 1845. In beginning the address a map of China was used showing in a very interesting way the progress of the revolution that is going on in China in the struggle of the two rival governments centering in Peking and Canton.

Visiting In Charlotte

Mrs. Ellen Eason left Thursday for Charlotte where she will spend some time with her son, Mr. Will Eason.

Guests of Parents Here

Mr. and Mrs. Roseco Ford, of Savannah, Ga., were visitors at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Phillips, yesterday.

Judge W. C. Harris



Now holding two weeks' term of Civil Superior Court in Johnston County.

Officers Arrest One At Still Site

Gives Bond To Tell His Story In Federal Court; Men Work At Repairing Wrecked Apparatus

Doing the neighborly act may put one into the clutches of the law, if the story is true which Tom Johnson told the revenue officers when they took him into custody last Tuesday just across the Wayne-Johnston line near Cox's ferry on Neuse river.

According to Johnson, he started out to hunt his employer's hogs late Tuesday afternoon and as he was going through the woods, some men, whom he said he did not know, although Johnson has been living in that neighborhood for several years, asked him to help put a hoop on a barrel. And while he was engaged in this neighborhood act, along came Federal prohibition officers. Strange to say the aid of these men was not solicited at all, notwithstanding the fact that there were about fifteen barrels which needed hoops or other repairs; but, instead the two unknown white men and one negro, immediately took to their heels, leaving Johnson to explain the situation.

The situation, apparently was this: these Federal officers had received news by means of a diagram of a whiskey still in exactly that locality, but when arrived on the scene some other raiders had beat them to it. The still was gone, fifteen barrels of beer had been poured out, and considerable damage done to the containers. The owners were evidently repairing the damage, and salvaging what they could from the wreck when the revenue men made their appearance. It is said that a ditch had been dug and the barrels practically buried.

The officers took charge of Johnson, carried him before the U. S. Commissioner at Selma where he gave a \$300 bond for the privilege of telling his story in Federal court.

SHOOTING STAR ATTRACTS ATTENTION SUNDAY NIGHT

Quite a number in this section saw an unusual phenomenon in the sky Sunday night about nine o'clock, supposed to have been a shooting meteor. It came from the west and shot across the sky in somewhat a funnel shape ending in an explosion resembling a lovely crimson sunset. It has been estimated that the falling flame was visible for at least twenty seconds. The meteor shed a sort of bluish-green radiance which gave out considerable light.

Timely Song: "Where is My Baby Tonight?"

phr.norjwau

A Tantalizer

There are exactly enough letters in the line below to spell the name of a person in Smithfield, and if the right one decipher his name and will present it to The Herald office, we will present him with a complimentary ticket to the Victory Theatre. Ticket must be called for before the following issue.

phr.norjwau
Kenneth Coates recognized his name last issue.