

"MY SON,
deal with men
who advertise,
you will never
lose by it."
—Benjamin Franklin.

The Daily Advance

WEATHER

Partly cloudy tonight and Friday.
Not much change in temperature.
Diminishing north winds.

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BICKETT'S STAND STIRS CAPITAL

Announcement That Governor Thinks Hoover Man for Democrats to Nominate Topic of Week at Raleigh

Raleigh, Feb. 5.—Governor Bickett's endorsement of Herbert Hoover for President was the biggest political news of the week in Raleigh, and as a consequence what McAdoo sentiment, if any, there was heretofore is now extremely difficult to locate.

Some of the old line members of the Democratic party are known to have favored McAdoo, at least one of the State officials having openly declared for him, but lots of Democrats who did not hold political office are known to have expressed a desire to vote for Hoover. The governor's statement endorsing Hoover was made to a New York World representative who came here to interview the governor and to see what sentiment there was in North Carolina for Hoover.

Governor Bickett thinks that in Hoover "the nation would find a worthy successor to our present immortal chieftain" and that he "would wisely safeguard the foundations upon which our fathers builded this republic, and at the same would fearlessly meet the new and world wide obligations we recognized and assumed when we entered the world war." His statement in full follows:

"For some time prior to the World's now famous pronouncement, I was of the opinion that it would be wise statesmanship for the Democratic party to nominate Hoover for president. The fact that he has no entangling political past is certainly not a millstone around his neck in the present state of the public mind. There is a wide feeling among the ninety and nine that a little new blood would make for wholesome growth.

"One thing is reasonably certain. Neither the reactionaries in the republican party nor the run-a-ways in the democratic party are going to name the next president of the United States. Barring the president himself, Mr. Hoover makes a more powerful dual appeal to the sanity and to the imagination of the people than any other man. He would seem to be an answer to the prayer of the pious citizen who said 'Lord, send us a man who can be progressive without losing his head, and a conservative without hardening his heart.'

"In the finest sense Hoover is essentially a democrat. His record during the world war and his recent writings convince one that he is adequately comprehends the situation that today confronts America and the whole civilized world.

"As president, Hoover would wisely safeguard the foundations upon which our fathers builded this republic, and at the same time would fearlessly meet the new and world-wide obligations we recognized and assumed when we entered the world war.

"In Hoover the nation would find a worthy successor to our present immortal chieftain. He is the one man endowed with the genius and the grace to carry to a glorious completion the unfinished window in Aladdin's Tower."

FIRE PARTLY DESTROYS MAJOR & LOOMIS PLANT

Tuesday night at nine-thirty the plant of the Major & Loomis Lumber Company at Hertford was discovered in a blaze.

The flames had made such rapid progress that only the dry kiln and saw mill could be saved.

The loss, though large, was covered by insurance. A hundred men were temporarily thrown out of employment by the burning of the plant.

The origin of the fire has not been discovered.

BULGARIAN BOLSHEVSKI PLAN COUP D'ETAT FOR MAY

Salonika, Feb. 5.—The Bulgarian Blosheviki have fixed May the first as the date of the coup d'etat by which the present regime in that country is to be ousted by violence, according to Sophia advices which tell of the seizure of Bolsheviki documents there.

JONES—ROUGHTON

Joseph E. Jones of the Corinth section and Miss Ida Belle Roughton of Elizabeth City were married Wednesday by Rev. Romulus Hall.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Roughton of this city.

HIGH HONOR TO FOCH BY FRENCH ACADEMY

Paris, Feb. 5.—Marshall Foch joined the ranks of the immortals when the French Academy received him in the presence of a brilliant assemblage.

WORKING MAN PAYS INCOME TAX

Aristocrats of Labor Found in Many Callings From Longshoremen and Truck Drivers To Chorus Girls and Hotel Waiters.

New York, Feb. 5.—Plumbers who pay income taxes are no longer the "aristocrats of labor," according to William H. Edwards, United States Internal Revenue Collector for the Second and Third Districts of New York, in whose district this year more than \$1,500,000,000 will be gathered in for Uncle Sam.

High wages and profitable overtime, says Mr. Edwards, have raised to the income tax paying list such workers as longshoremen, garment makers, paper hangers, railroad brakemen, chauffeurs, sailors, truck-drivers and piano movers. "And don't forget the chorus girls, the movie stars, and the hotel waiters, declared the collector, adding that some of the latter are making more than \$5,000 a year in tips alone.

Street car conductors and motormen in Brooklyn, for instance, he said, have made as much as \$60 a week and, if their yearly income exceeds \$1,000 for a single man or two thousand for the head of a family, they will be required to contribute their share toward the cost of running the government. Mr. Edwards cited a few instances without, of course, mentioning any names, of bootblacks, milkwagon-drivers and bellboys who in 1919 earned in excess of their exemption and who will be required to file returns.

Payment of the income tax began on January 1, and will continue until midnight of March 15, at which time all returns must be in to escape the possibility of a maximum of \$1,000 fine for delinquency. While Collector Edwards was opening his mail the other day out fell a check for \$2,883.515.39, representing the payment of a corporation tax with penalty and interest. The next letter he opened was from Montclair, New Jersey, which is also in his district. It had been registered to pay an income tax of \$1.37.

A recent caller at the collector's office was a woman whose net income was 65 cents. Her tax amounted to four cents. She wanted to know if she would be permitted to make her payments quarterly. When told that she could she smiled and said she guessed she would pay it all at once, handed over four pennies and took her receipt. Another patriotic citizen, foreign born, filed a careful return showing that he had no income which was subject to taxation. At the bottom of his return was the following notation: "No tax due but would like to pay some tax and enclose \$100."

Collector Edwards said that under the law he was not permitted to accept the check but that he forwarded it to Commissioner Roper in Washington to dispose of as he saw fit.

This year the income tax rate is less than last. Mr. Edwards said the normal rate being 4 per cent on the first \$4,000 of net income instead of 6 and 12 per cent as in 1918.

"Offhand," said the collector, "one would hardly think that a longshoreman came within the requirements of the income tax law. Certainly he did not a few years ago when many of them found it hard to make a living. In the past year or two, however, many longshoremen have been making from \$3,000 to \$5,000 a year.

"The income tax also hits some members of the theatrical profession pretty hard. Some of these actors, including motion picture stars, perhaps make as high as \$200 and \$300 a week for six months in the year. They live well and by the time their income tax is due may be out of an engagement. They are confronted with a good sized tax to pay without any immediate means. It is up to them to get it.

"Last year my investigators found many diamond merchants have been doing business in this country four or five years without paying taxes. We got after them and increased our returns by more than \$1,000,000.00. Some of the actresses who were delinquent last year say they did not pay because they could not figure out just how much they were exempt because of the cost of their gowns, taxicabs and other luxuries. A fifty per cent penalty was

THEY STUCK TO THE SHIP



NEW YORK—Miss Dorothy M. Dunn and Edith Gardner (left and right), army nurses regularly assigned to the S. S. Powhatan, refused to abandon their posts on that ship when she became disabled at sea. They boarded the rescue ship "Northern Pacific" only when ordered to do so and after all other passengers had been rescued. In the center is Mrs. A. B. Randall, wife of the captain of the Powhatan.

DEM. LEADERS BANQUET TO-DAY

Secretary Daniels Speaker At Testimonial Dinner to National Committeeman Cummings.

New York, Feb. 5.—Democratic leaders from New York, New Jersey, and the New England states are here today to attend the testimonial dinner tonight to Homer S. Cummings, chairman of the National Democratic Committee.

Chairman Cummings will be the principal speaker. Secretary Daniels and Governor Smith are the only other speakers. Among those who have promised to attend is Governor Edward of New Jersey.

SALEM COLLEGE CLUB HOLDS DELIGHTFUL MEETING

February Third is known throughout the South as Salem Day and interesting meetings of former students and alumnae of Salem College are held in various towns and cities where this college is represented.

None could have been more enjoyable than the Elizabeth City meeting held Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 with Mrs. Frank Wilson at her mother's beautiful home on Pennsylvania Avenue. A delightful hour of reminiscence was enjoyed. The officers elected for the new year were:

President, Mrs. J. K. Wilson; secretary, Mrs. Blacknell Cooke.

After the business session, the guests assembled in the dining room where tempting salad and ice-courses were served.

The college colors, gold and white, were used in refreshments and favors.

Those present were: Misses Anne and Mattie Weatherly Elsie Gregory, Helen Wood, Mahala Meekins, Mrs. W. P. Skinner, Mrs. L. R. Foreman, Mrs. M. L. Sheep, Mrs. Geo. Spence, Mrs. Harry Banks, Mrs. Noah Burfoot, Jr., Mrs. J. K. Wilson, Mrs. Frank Wilson, and Mrs. T. B. Cooke.

JURY LIST FEBRUARY TERM

The following is the jury list for the County term of Court, beginning February 16th, 1920.

W. H. Sanders, Grover E. Hill, J. G. Palmer, Kenneth Smith, Jas. A. Bray, Barlow Harrell, Albert Banks, C. A. Pritchard, Sr., A. M. Roughton, B. J. Riddick, C. N. Davis, D. D. Overman, Sr., M. Leigh Sheep, J. A. Spence, (Newland) Floyd Ferrell, J. A. Coale, E. R. Jennings, H. W. Morrisette, Willie Liverman, J. L. Roughton, Jr., Ben Jamn Riddick, C. A. Bassnett, J. F. Jennings, L. B. Culpepper.

imposed because of their failure to pay when the taxes were due.

"Income taxes," said the collector, should be figured as a liability just as insurance. Interest on a mortgage or your winter's coal bill. Then when the time comes for payment it will not be hardship. Nearly 30,000 persons were fined last year for failure to file returns. A certain stockbroker made \$200,000. He filed his return showing a tax of \$40,000. He defaulted in his payment, however, and in a personal interview with me, said he didn't have the money. A five per cent penalty was imposed and he hustled around and got the money. His failure to provide for the tax cost him just \$2,000."

The second and third New York districts, Mr. Edwards said raise more than one quarter of the total amount collected throughout the United States.

FRANCE MAY NOW STATE HER VIEWS

Ambassador Jusserand Reported Instructed to Define French Attitude to Reservations to League Covenant.

Paris, Feb. 5.—Jules Jusserand, the French Ambassador at Washington, has received instructions to define the attitude of the French government toward reservations to the Covenant of the League of Nations, according to Echo de Paris, which says that Ambassador Jusserand has already taken steps to acquaint President Wilson with the views entertained here.

TO LIST CREDITS AT FACE VALUE

This Is Appeal Governor Bickett Makes to Owners of This Class of Wealth

Raleigh, February 5.—Addressing a letter to the owners of solvent credits in the State, Governor Bickett makes an appeal for owners of this kind of property to list them at their face value in money on the books.

Under the old law listing solvent credits for taxation amounts to practical confiscation of the interest on this property. Its earning capacity was cut just exactly in half by the old law because the tax rate amounted to about three dollars on the hundred.

The letter points out that "under the revaluation act all your grievances have been removed and every discrimination against you has been wiped out. All tangible property, real and personal, is now being placed upon the books at its true value. By doing this the tax rate will be reduced to a point where you can pay the taxes on your credits and still have a reasonable income left. Heretofore the taxes on such credits have averaged in towns and cities about three dollars on the hundred. Under the revaluation act they will average about a dollar on the hundred. Heretofore it would have been one half of your income from solvent credits to pay taxes on same, but now it will take only one-sixth.

ENTERTAINED THURSDAY

Mrs. Thorburn Bennett and Mrs. Wesley Foreman entertained at Rook Thursday morning at ten o'clock at the home of Mrs. Wesley Foreman. Those playing were: Miss Margaret Griggs, Miss Fannie McMullan, Miss Nell Grice, Miss Nell Wood, Miss Maude Grice, Miss Margaret Sheep, Miss Katherine Jones, Mrs. Calvin Morrisette, Mrs. Bessie Stewart, Miss Maude Moss, Miss Sue Grice, Miss Mahala Meekins, Miss Nan Burgess, Miss Margaret Hall, Mrs. F. V. Scott, Mrs. Winfield Worth, Mrs. Wilson Hollowell, Mrs. William Skinner, Mrs. J. R. Barrett, Mrs. Phil Sawyer, Mrs. Harry Johnson, Mrs. Edward Griffin, and Mrs. Albert Worth.

STORM WARNING

Washington, Feb. 5.—Northeast storm from Hatteras to Provincetown, Mass., centered apparently southeast of New Jersey. Strong northeast winds with snow will continue this afternoon and probably tonight, probably backing to northwest Friday.

AGREE NOT TO RESUME TRADE WITH SOVIET RUSSIA

Copenhagen, Feb. 5.—Denmark, Norway, Sweden, Holland and Finland have agreed not to resume trade with Soviet Russia before Russia's debt to the Nationals of these countries is paid or guaranteed, it is learned here.

THREAT OF STRIKE BY BROTHERHOODS

Maintenance of Way and Railway Shop Laborers Considering Railroads Administration Decision on Wage Increase.

Detroit, Feb. 5.—International officers of the United Brotherhood of Maintenance-of-the-way Employees and Railway-shop Laborers met here today to consider the decision of the railroad administration on its demands for a wage increase.

Before the meeting Allan Barker, grand president of the Brotherhood, said that if satisfactory adjustment of wages was not decided upon by the railroad administration the immediate cessation of work by the organization's three hundred thousand members would be ordered.

PARDON IS GRANTED TO M. C. DONALDSON

Raleigh, Feb. 5.—The governor Tuesday issued a pardon to M. C. Donaldson, of Davidson County, who was convicted at the July 1919 term of court of breaking and entering a store at Thomasville, and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. The man is given his freedom on condition of good behavior, the Governor giving the following reason for his pardon:

"This man was convicted of breaking into a store at Thomasville. The mayor of the city of Thomasville, the ex-mayor, the chief of police, ex-sheriff of Davidson county, and the man whose store was entered, all write personal letters that they are satisfied that at the time the defendant entered the store he was under the influence of some drug, and did not know what he was doing, and ask for his pardon. Since made a good prisoner, and his health has been restored. A conditional pardon is granted."

BANKERS DEFEAT CREECY

The Bankers Basket Ball Team defeated the Creecy Institute boys Wednesday night at the Y. M. C. A. by the score of 55 to 15.

This was the first time the Creecy boys had been on the floor this season. Considering this and other inequalities, they played exceptionally well. Gaither threw most of the goals for Creecy, and Ray Whitehurst did fine playing at center.

Cropey and K. Davis were the stars of the Bankers team.

The line up follows:

CREECY	Guards	BANKERS
Wood		Davis
Gaither		Ashens
	Center	
Whitehurst		Cropey
	Forwards	
Pendleton		W. Twiddy
Owens		K. Davis

ENTERTAINED WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

Mrs. Wesley Foreman and Mrs. Thorburn Bennett entertained at Rook at the home of Mrs. Foreman on Main street, Wednesday afternoon at three o'clock.

Those playing were Mrs. Walter Small, Mrs. Howard Kramer, Mrs. Harry Kramer, Mrs. Sprigg Brent, Mrs. M. L. Sanderlin, Mrs. F. G. Jacks, Mrs. H. D. Hathaway, Mrs. L. B. Jennette, Mrs. Frank Selig, Mrs. Warren Jennette, Mrs. W. H. Zoeller, Mrs. D. A. Morgan, Mrs. Chas. Grice, Mrs. Will Gaither, Mrs. A. L. Pendleton, Mrs. Blacknell Cooke, Mrs. M. R. Griffin, Mrs. Shelton McMullan, Mrs. Roland Sawyer, Mrs. R. L. Kendrick.

After the game the hostesses served a delicious salad and punch course.

ARGENTINE CATTLE HAVE FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE

Buenos Aires, Jan. 7. (By The Associated Press).—Prevalence of the foot and mouth disease among cattle herds in Argentina has prompted the government to draw up a bill to offer prizes for any person inventing a serum with which cattle can be successfully inoculated against the disease.

GERMANY SEEMS DEFYING ALLIES

Crisis in Relations Between League Powers and Germany Result of Lersner's Resignation

Paris, Feb. 5.—Relations between the Allied powers and Germany seemed to have reached a crisis to-day as a result of the refusal of Von Lersner, head of the German delegation here, to forward the names of the Germans whose extradition has been demanded by the Allies.

The incident apparently finds an echo in the attitude of the Berlin cabinet, which is reported in London dispatches to have expressed thru Minister of Defense Nosky, seeming defiance of the powers.

Von Lersner left for Berlin last night.

ANOTHER NOTE COMING

London, Feb. 5.—The German cabinet has decided to send another note to the Allies calling their attention to the fatal consequences which would ensue upon extradition of Germans demanded for trial by the Allies, according to a Berlin dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company today.

COMPLIANCE PHYSICALLY IMPOSSIBLE

Berlin, Feb. 5.—At the conclusion of Wednesday night's cabinet session a member of the government told the Associated Press that the ministers were unanimous in declaring that the surrender of the men demanded by the Allies in the unofficial list received here or on any other list is an utter physical impossibility.

NEW YORK CITY ALMOST BURIED

Today is Digging Self Out of Snow, Hail and Sleet From Severe Storm Last Night.

New York, Feb. 5.—New York today started to dig herself out of the most severe snowstorm of the winter.

Snow, hail and sleet, accompanied by a fifty mile gale, fell all night, clogging streets and sidewalks, demoralizing street car traffic, seriously delaying train service and impeding navigation in the harbor.

The wind smashed many plate glass windows in Broadway stores.

OTHER STATES SUFFER

Philadelphia, Feb. 5.—Eastern Pennsylvania, southern New Jersey and Delaware are still in the grip today of the most severe sleet, snow and wind storm of the winter.

Railroad traffic is delayed. Street car schedules are demoralized. Much damage is reported at seashore resorts.

POUND STERLING \$3.25

New York, Feb. 5.—Rates on demand bills for the English pound sterling, which tumbled yesterday to the record low point of \$3.19, rose to \$3.25 the first hour to-day.

JURY LIST FOR MARCH TERM

The following is the Jury List for the March term of Superior Court beginning on Monday, March 15th.

J. C. Overman, George J. Madrin, A. B. Wainston, G. C. White, D. R. Kramer, G. G. Meads, T. T. Turner, H. G. Bundy, J. P. Overman Jr., F. K. Kramer, G. F. Derickson, A. A. eads, Arthur Pritchard, C. M. Harris, J. M. Whitehurst, C. L. Jackson, C. C. Pappendick, S. B. Wilson, Nathan Trueblood, H. G. Kramer, C. M. Griggs, Murden Temple, H. E. Ownley, M. B. Jenkins, J. H. Humphlett, W. H. Keats, N. R. Simpson, G. L. White, C. J. Ward, C. A. Long, J. N. Godfrey, N. R. Parker, E. F. Roughton, W. H. Cartwright, J. S. Padgett, Willie Jennings, (Nixonton).

CELEBRATES FIFTH BIRTHDAY

Margaret Jackson Sawyer, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Sawyer celebrated her fifth anniversary Tuesday afternoon by entertaining a number of her little friends at her home on Road street. After the little folks had had a good time playing games they were invited into the dining room and were served with refreshments. The table was beautifully decorated and in the center was a large birthday cake with five lighted candles. Before departing each of the guests was presented with a pretty valentine as a favor of the season.