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THE WEATHER
Increasing cloudiness
probably followed by rain
late tonight or Wednesday.
Fresh winds.

PEOPLE FAVOR MORRISON PLAN

Word From "Back Home" Indicates That Sentiment Is With Governor Rather Than Good Roads Association

Raleigh, Jan. 25. (Special)—Governor Morrison's stand for a "robust" road program which will provide a modern system of hard surfaced highways and his opposition to the plan of the "good roads" lobbyists who are insisting that the State shall take over and maintain five thousand miles of dirt roads is meeting the approval of folks "back home," according to letters and telegrams which continue to reach the executive office.

The following from James F. Barrett, of Asheville, well known labor leader, is one of many received today endorsing the Governor's stand:

"I hear our members throughout the State speaking highly of the fight you are making for hard-surfaced highways. Stand by your program, push the reactionaries into the mud and give the progressives the right of way over hard surfaced roads from the mountains to the sea."

Last night's session of the legislature had a deterrent effect upon today's gathering of the legislators, both houses adjourning after brief sittings at which only local legislation was considered.

It was learned here today that the road bill sponsored by the North Carolina Good Roads Association has been scrapped and that a progressive program embodying the Governor's plan is now being drafted. This new measure will probably be laid before the Assembly at tomorrow's session.

Storebreakers Caught By Lost Shoe Heel

When D. L. Mackey, colored grocer on Green and Shepard streets, discovered that his store had been broken into Sunday night, he found near the door the heel of a shoe. Thinking it might be a possible clue to the identity of the storebreakers, Mackey put the heel in the hands of Chief of Police Holmes. And when Chief Holmes on suspicion searched the house of Johnnie Jones, colored, the first thing that struck his eye was a pair of shoes.

"Are they your shoes?" asked the chief.

"Sure," replied Jones, reaching quickly for them and starting to put them on.

"Wait a minute," said the chief, taking up one of the shoes and pulling the heel out of his pocket. Sure enough the heel from the shoe was missing and the nails passing thru rubber and leather of the missing heel fitted neatly into holes in the shoe in the place where the heel ought to have been.

Further examination of the house revealed goods identified by Mackey as having come from his store and Johnnie and his alleged accomplice, Enoch Williams, were given a hearing in recorder's court Tuesday morning and bound over to Superior Court by Trial Justice Spence under bonds of \$300 each.

John Cabarrus and Dave Warren, colored, were fined \$5 and costs for participating in an affray.

Michigan Measure Provides For Babies

Would Jail Landlord Who Wouldn't Rent Property to Couples With Children

Lansing, Mich., Jan. 25.—A bill refusal of a landlord to rent his property to families with children punishable by \$100 fine and 90 days imprisonment was introduced in the lower house of the Michigan legislature today.

UNION MEETING AT SALEM CHURCH

The Camden-Currituck Union meets at Salem Baptist church, Rev. E. L. Cole, pastor, January 28, 29 and 30, 1921.

CONCERT IS FEBRUARY 4th

Opera Selections and Home Town Orchestra Big Features—Busy Rehearsing

The next concert of the Elizabeth City Choral Society is billed for February fourth at the High School Auditorium.

The program will be even more pleasing than that of the first concert given before Christmas which so greatly pleased Elizabeth City. It will consist of selections from the most familiar operas, excellently rendered under the direction of F. R. Hufty, with Mrs. Ada Barfoot Lester as pianist.

The new home town string orchestra will be introduced and will add much to the enjoyment of the splendid program.

HARDING A-FISHING

Rock Ledge, Florida, Jan. 25.—Harding plans to leave here early this afternoon and expects to arrive at Vero before dark. He will hardly get in a day's fishing until after his arrival at Miami.

FIND NEW BERRY IN SOUTH AMERICA

Which Promises to Revolutionize American Berry Industry as Navel Orange Did Citrus Growing

Washington, Jan. 24.—Predictions that the Columbia Berry, discovered in a hitherto unexplored forest region of the South American Republic for which it was named, would revolutionize the American berry industry in the same way that the navel orange, men of South American origin, marked an epoch in the history of citrus growing, are made by officials of the Department of Agriculture.

Extensive experiments with the giant blackberry, described by explorers of the Agriculture Department as four times the size of the American variety, have been begun by the division of foreign seed and plant introduction, which plans to distribute the new discovery to farmers after determining in what climates it will grow best.

In a report to officials here, Wilson Popenoe, an agricultural explorer who was sent to Colombia to investigate the discovery of the new berry by Dr. Frank M. Chapman, of the American Museum of Natural History, declared that only the extreme isolation of the region where the giant grows in profusion could account for the fact that it had not long since been given to the horticultural world. Plants and seeds thus far introduced to this country were brought by Mr. Popenoe from E. Penon, between Sibate and Fusagasuga, in the department of Cundinamarca, where the plant is said to be found in greatest abundance.

As yet experimenters are uncertain whether the berry can be transplanted to this country without loss of some of its native characteristics, because of the peculiar climate of the region where it was found.

While the plant grows in Colombia at an elevation of 10,000 or more feet, it is said to be improbable that it could survive at similar elevations here or in the mountainous regions of lower South America. The climate of the Colombian mountains is tempered by their nearness to the Equator.

Attempts to cultivate the new berry in North America are expected to be most successful in the South and West states and also along the Pacific coast.

FOREMAN-DERRICKSON TO BEGIN WORK SOON

The Foreman-Derrickson Veneer Company will begin work again in just a day or two, having been closed since September 26, when the entire plant with the exception of the warehouse was burned down.

Mrs. A. K. Kramer and son, Kermit Kramer, are spending the week end at Virginia Beach.

WARRENTON AND NORLINA QUIET

Home Guards and Armed Citizens Still on Duty—Nine Negroes Taken to Raleigh For Safekeeping

Warrenton, Jan. 25.—Last night passed quietly here and at Norlina, where a race clash Sunday was followed by lynching two negroes who were taken from the jail here early yesterday.

Home guards patrolled Warrenton through the night, while armed citizens were in charge at Norlina.

Nine negroes were taken from the jail here last night to Raleigh for safekeeping.

JUDGE SPENCE SUSTAINED

Trial Justice George J. Spence has received a copy of the Supreme Court decision in the case of State vs. Hodges, from Beaufort, involving the validity of cattle dipping for tick eradication as prescribed by the regulations laid down by the Department of Agriculture.

"In view of public policy evinced by Federal and State legislation," reads the decision, "and the great benefit that has resulted, the court should give a wise and liberal construction to the rules and regulations for the eradication prescribed under the statute by the Board of Agriculture. The tick is to the stock what the hookworm is to children. We think the regulations are reasonable and well within the intent and purpose of the statute."

Negroes Increase In Many Cities

Washington, Jan. 25.—The negro population of Roanoke, Virginia, is 3,360, an increase of 22 per cent over 1910.

The white population is 45,000. The negro population of Kansas City, Missouri, is 3,706, an increase of 30 per cent.

The negro population of Camden, New Jersey, is 2,514, an increase of 40 per cent.

The negro population of Youngstown, Ohio, is 6,550, an increase of 244 per cent.

To Investigate Lumber Situation

Washington, Jan. 25.—Investigation of the lumber price and supply situation on the basis of the recent report of the federal trade commission on the activities of the lumber associations will be started next week by the Senate reconstruction committee.

CHANGE IN SCHEDULE TO SUFFOLK AND RETURN

The Norfolk Southern announces that the Suffolk train will leave Elizabeth City hereafter at 11:30 a. m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, and will arrive at Elizabeth City at 2:30 p. m. on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

LIVES ELIZABETH CITY

E. A. Donahue, representative of the National Cash Register Company, has come to Elizabeth City to make this his headquarters and already is greatly pleased with the town and the people. The Merchants' Association and Chamber of Commerce and individuals, he says, have already extended him many courtesies, whereas in many towns in which he has worked they have been much slower and less responsive. Mrs. Donahue arrived Saturday, and they will make Bostely their home for an indefinite period.

Sir Auckland Geddes Confers With Premier

Paris, Jan. 25.—Sir Auckland Geddes, British ambassador to the United States, called home from Washington recently for conferences, arrived at Paris today to confer here with Premier Lloyd George.

History of an immigrant. First day: Learns to change money. Second day learns slang. Third day Scolds about the horde of aliens coming in.

MEAT PRICES MAY TUMBLE

D. H. Graham, of the United States Department of Justice at Raleigh, was in the city Monday and Tuesday investigating retail prices charged for meats by local dealers in the city market. It is possible that as a result of this investigation lower prices for meat at the city market may be expected in the near future.

People Mulcted By Coal Barons

Washington, Jan. 25.—The opinion that the American people were mulcted of a billion and a half dollars last year by men in the coal trade was expressed today by Senator Calder, Republican, of New York, who was a witness before the Senate Committee considering his bill for the regulation of the coal industry.

DEATH LIST NOW STANDS AT TEN

Investigation Big Fire at Memphis Is Under Way Today—Injured Are In Critical Condition

Memphis, Jan. 25.—Investigation by Federal agents and officials of the oil company is under way here to determine the cause of yesterday's explosion.

The death list stood at ten today, all negroes. Several of the injured are reported in a critical condition at hospitals.

Funeral G. W. Twiddy

The funeral of George Washington Twiddy was conducted from the home, on the corner of White and Green streets, Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 by Rev. H. K. Williams, with Odd Fellow rites. Interment was made in Hollywood.

"Peace Wonderful Peace" was sung very softly by the male quartet, J. S. Saeley, Sr., R. C. Abbott, Dr. S. G. Gregory and S. G. Scott.

The active pallbearers were: E. M. Stevens, J. L. Pritchard, Walter L. Smith, Shelton G. Scott, Sr., S. W. Gregory, J. M. Meekins, George R. Barrow, J. D. Sykes.

The honorary pallbearers were: J. J. White, C. T. Scott, W. J. Broughton, W. T. Love, Sr., F. E. Coburn, W. H. Weatherly, T. C. Jones, George R. Bright, J. M. Bell, Dr. J. B. Griers.

Mr. Twiddy died at 6:15 Sunday evening from heart disease. He was sixty-five years of age and had been in failing health for the last few years. About a month ago he was seized with a severe heart attack early one morning, but recently had improved considerably. Friends and relatives realized, however, that death might come almost any day.

Mr. Twiddy was born in Pasquotank County and had lived in Elizabeth City for 38 years. He married Miss Pauline Jackson of this County and today would have been the forty-third anniversary of their marriage.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Pauline Twiddy; by two daughters, Mrs. W. T. Deans and Miss Bernice Twiddy, both of this city; by five sons, Pat D. Twiddy, George A. Twiddy, William C. Twiddy, Raymond Twiddy and Calvin H. Twiddy, all of this city; by seven grandchildren, all of this city; and by one sister, Miss Nancy Twiddy, also of this city.

BASKET BALL TONIGHT

There will be a basket ball game between the Elizabeth City High School Girls' Team and Town Team tonight at the Y. M. C. A. at eight o'clock. An interesting game is promised to all who attend. Admission ten and fifteen cents.

ROOM AND BOARD WANTED BY couple without children. Phone 357. Jan 25-tf

Tremendous Fire In Athens, Ga.

Three Big Blocks Swept Clean—Firemen of Several Cities Work Five Hours To Get Fire Under Control

FIRE CHIEF INJURED

Athens, Jan. 25.—Latest estimates after examination of the debris today placed the loss at approximately two million dollars which property owners said was well covered by insurance.

Chief McGorgan, of the Athens Fire Department, was the only casualty reported. He fell from a ladder and is in a hospital in a serious condition.

While the origin of the fire is still undetermined, it is believed that the fire started in a restaurant.

Athens, Ga., Jan. 25.—A large part of the Athens down town business district is a mass of smouldering ruins today, and it is estimated that the fire that swept clean three city blocks and damaged the adjoining buildings has destroyed property valued at more than three million dollars.

FIGHT FIRE IN ZERO WEATHER

Firemen Struggle For Three Hours to Get Control—New Haven Property Loss Is Million Dollars

New Haven, Conn., Jan. 25.—Fire which destroyed several business buildings in Chapel street here early today caused a million dollars damage.

The flames were brought under control after three hours hard work by the firemen at zero temperature.

Baseball Players Are Warming Up

Will Meet at Y. M. C. A. Thursday Evening to Plan For Season's Games

The officers and members of the Elizabeth City Baseball Association have decided to have a meeting and commence to lay their plans for the coming ball season. At this meeting new officers for the association will be elected, arrangements and plans will be made for the comfort of the ball fans, and for such other business as may properly come before the association.

All who are interested in the sport are invited to the Y. M. C. A. building on Thursday evening at 7:30.

It is hoped that a large number of citizens will show their interest by coming to the meeting and offering suggestions to the association for their consideration.

They especially invite all ball players to attend, and if there are other teams which want to come into the association, their application for admission should be filed for consideration.

LOST SUNDAY JAN. 23 BETWEEN

Hertford and Elizabeth City—tire rim and section of rack from Cadillac Automobile. Finder return or notify me and receive reward.—N. Howard Smith

No loss of life is reported.

The fire, the origin of which has not been determined, broke out shortly after midnight and it was five hours later before the combined efforts of the firemen from Atlanta, this, and other cities succeeded in gaining control.

The rapid spread of the blaze is said to have been due to explosions of gasoline drums in the Joseph Building on Wall Street, which is occupied by a motor company.

Temporary Quarters For Siff Brothers

The S. R. Siff Company will as soon as practicable move their damaged stock to Scott & Twiddy's old stand in the Hinton Building.

The lease on this stand is held by the Carolina Banking & Trust Company, who will use it as their banking home as soon as it is remodelled and equipped. The Siff Company will occupy it temporarily, however, while disposing of their damaged stock.

Cox Will Visit Wilson Tomorrow

Washington, Jan. 25.—Cox will be received by President Wilson at the White House tomorrow morning, it is announced.

This will be the second visit of the former Democratic Presidential candidate to the White House, the first having been made soon after his nomination at San Francisco last July.

Mr. A. Creekmore of New York City is visiting his sister, Mrs. Grant Benton on Center street.