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## Funeral Of Wilson On Wednesday Afternoon

Silence and Quiet Reign About the Home Today as Preparations Go on for the Simple Ceremony When the Great Chieftain Will be Laid to Rest

(By The Associated Press)  
 Washington, Feb. 5.—A fringe of folk on the street before the Wilson home waiting to see the great ones who came and went, and the guard of police who turned unnecessary traffic from the steep, narrow street, alone marked the outward preparations for the last honors to the dead War President today.

No marshalling of troops for a parade of sorrow was needed, no setting of lines that thousands might pass beside his bier, for Woodrow Wilson will go to his last sleep tomorrow in the character in which death found him, a plain American citizen, with the days of high place and high dignities put aside forever.

Before the services at the chapel, there will be simple rites of the Presbyterian Church at 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon in the home on S street where death found him. The family services will be held there and only a few of those closest to him in life will share it.

To represent the American people in this brief service, President and Coolidge will attend. Details of the home ceremony had not been announced today beyond the fact that Rev. James H. Taylor, pastor of Central Presbyterian Church where the former President worshipped in Washington, and Rev. Sylvester Beach, in whose congregation he sat in his years at Princeton, will conduct the service.

For the rest of the honors to be rendered a conference at the White House was required during the day, President Coolidge calling Secretary Weeks in after the latter had been to the S street home to reiterate the tender of co-operation.

Rear Admiral Cary T. Grayson again spoke for the bereaved family, telling of the desire of Mrs. Wilson that the public services be as simple as possible and her wish that the casket should rest for a time in the vault below the great Cathedral that looms partly completed on the ridge of hills to the west of the city. There could be no questioning of her wishes and it was so arranged, despite the very great feeling in many quarters that a solemn and imposing public display of mourning should follow the services at the house.

## Cemetery Causes Lots of Argument

Mayor Breaks Tie And Gate Is To Be Left Open For General Use

Sharp division as to the question of whether Hollywood Cemetery is to be opened to automobiles at all times or whether the automobile entrance is to be kept closed at the discretion of the keeper and City Manager manifested itself at the Monday night's session of the City Council.

Asked why he had ordered the automobile entrance closed recently, City Manager Bray represented that it was at the suggestion of the officers of the Cemetery Society, it being their opinion that many automobiles were using the avenues of the cemetery merely as driveways and, during the winter weather, cutting them up so as to render them rough or even impassable when used for a funeral.

Seven members of the Council were present and Councilman Foreman, Anderson and Kramer voted against keeping the automobile entrance closed, while Councilman Weatherly, Ferebee and Hughes voted to let the Cemetery Society continue to regulate the matter as they might desire.

"I don't care," voted Councilman Gordon, but Mayor Goodwin broke the tie by voting that the automobile entrance to the cemetery should be kept open.

It was the position of the Mayor that the city has now taken over the upkeep of the cemetery, and it should accordingly be kept open to the automobiles and people who desire to go in. On recommendation of the City Manager the keeper's salary was increased to \$20 a week.

## FIREWORKS ORDINANCE ADOPTED MONDAY NIGHT

The special committee named at the January session of the City Council to draft an ordinance as to the use of fireworks in the city, presented such an ordinance at the February meeting of the Council Monday night, and it was adopted.

This ordinance is the result of dissatisfaction arising from the removal of all restrictions as to the selling and explosion of fireworks within the city during the last Christmas season.

There was no vote against the ordinance, but Councilman Gordon grumbled something to the effect that the city was putting more laws on its books than it would be able to enforce.

## ONLY GERMANY IS FAILING TO MOURN

Washington, Feb. 5.—By direction of the Berlin government the German embassy here has refrained from making any display of mourning for Woodrow Wilson. No flag has been flown over the embassy at any time since his death although the other embassies and legations have all had their colors at half staff since the official notification reached them before noon Sunday. The secretary at the German embassy made this explanation: "The German government considers the late Mr. Wilson a private citizen and therefore has instructed the German embassy to refrain from any official display of mourning."

## CITY COUNCIL IN REPEALING MOOD

Given Time to Find Out Effect of Ordinances Recently Enacted and Perhaps It'll Repeal All of Them.

Monday night found the City Council in a repealing mood when that body met for its February session, and petitioners found favor, generally speaking, in the Council's sight.

The matter of the prohibition against screen doors opening on the street was the first grievance presented to Monday night's session of the Council. Various down town business men were before the meeting protesting against the order of the police department that they remove screen doors such as are now opening on the sidewalk, and petitioning the Council that they be permitted to retain these doors. The petitioners were of the opinion, in large number, that extensive remodeling would be necessary before screen doors swung on the inside could be fitted on their buildings. However, but for the timely aid of Dr. Z. Fearing, city health officer, apparently the Council would have denied the petition and forced the remodeling of the buildings. When Dr. Fearing, however, pointed out that if screen doors opened on the inside all the flies on the door would be swept into the building, the request of the petitioners prevailed and an amendment was added to the ordinance as to the opening of doors and gates on the sidewalk so as to except screen doors.

Councilman Gordon, who demurred at letting down the bars in the first place as to screen doors, immediately offered another amendment which would have excepted garage doors also, but the amendment was lost for want of a second. The screen door petitioners, having thus found favor, the corner grocers and fruit and produce stands came forward with a petition asking that the privilege of using a portion of the sidewalk to display their wares be restored to them. After some debate, this petition also was granted, the Council passing an amendment to the ordinance against such use of the street so as to give any merchant the right to use two feet of the sidewalk, either next to his building or next to the curb for displaying his wares.

"The streets of the city are for traffic," said a member of the Council, "but we permit a man to park his automobile on the street and I do not see why we should not permit a merchant to park his cabbage on the sidewalk."

However, a new ordinance presented by Attorney Leigh, at the instance of City Manager Bray, to the effect that skating on the sidewalk be prohibited on any block whereon a majority of the residents petition the City Manager to stop such skating, failed of enactment. The attitude of the opposition to the proposed ordinance was expressed by Councilman Foreman: "If folks can't stand a little noise, what do they live in town for? Why don't they move out in the country?"

Detours were becoming almost impassable and with typical February weather on, construction was impossible. It was therefore deemed best to open the road throughout its length and give over any attempt at further construction until weather opens in the spring.

The road was accordingly opened Sunday. Construction on it was begun on the last day of August, 1922, with the expectation of completion in the early fall of 1923.

## GENERAL IS GIVEN DEATH SENTENCE

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## Man Killed When Cart Turns Over

Industrious Pasquotank Farmer Loses Life In Unusual Accident

Milton Eason, aged 50 years, was caught under the hand-rail of his cart and choked to death before daylight Tuesday morning when his cart slipped over an embankment and turned over. He was found at about 5 o'clock, by Will Riddick and another Newland negro whose name can not be ascertained, pinned beneath his cart, the hand-rail of which lay across his throat and the weight of which had buried his head in the mud.

His neck was not broken, according to County Coroner I. Fearing, who viewed the body but did not deem an inquest necessary.

Mr. Eason was probably conscious for at least a few moments following the accident, for his right hand, which was free, had thrashed about in the mud as in an effort to free himself. His left hand, which grasped his lantern, was caught under his body.

The accident occurred about 11 miles from Elizabeth City just this side of the bridge across the old Dr. Temple millpond site. Leaving home, three or four miles from the bridge, long before daylight with three slaughtered hogs which he was bringing to town, Mr. Eason had just crossed the bridge and had passed about 20 feet beyond it, on the State highway. At this point vehicles had been driving down the embankment, which has been thrown up to build the State highway, to the old turnpike road. It is believed that Mr. Eason's horse started down the embankment and that when he attempted to pull the animal into the road, the cart, nearer the edge than Mr. Eason had realized, went over the side of the embankment and turned over.

When the two negroes arrived on the scene the horse, entangled in harness and held on his back, had practically exhausted himself by his struggles, indicating that the accident had occurred some time before their arrival.

Mr. Eason, who is a brother of Walter Eason, foreman of Elizabeth City's street force, was regarded as one of the most industrious farmers of Newland township. He is survived by a wife and a number of children, at least some of whom are grown.

## PLAN EXTENSION OF CERTAIN CITY STREETS

Another meeting of the Council passed with no definite and final step toward the creation of a City Planning Commission Monday night, when the City Council refused to adopt the City Planning Commission ordinance framed by City Attorney Leigh, and copied largely from a similar ordinance recently enacted by the city of Raleigh.

The Council seemed to incline to the opinion that the ordinance delegated too much authority to the commission.

Having made no arrangements for the active functioning of a City Planning Commission, the Council proceeded to take up for itself the matter of planning for the extension of certain streets in the city. Accordingly the City Manager was directed to make a survey looking toward the opening of a street over the old canal south of the new high school building from Road street to Water; to make another survey looking toward the opening of McMorrine street through to Pearl, and a third survey looking toward the opening of Fearing street from Perse through to the State Highway, which, within the city limits, bears the name of Charles Avenue.

## WOODVILLE ROAD OPEN BUT PAVING NOT DONE

Hope of completing the paving of the road to Woodville before spring has been definitely abandoned, paving operations have been suspended and the road has been opened to traffic throughout its length, with a gap of 1,100 feet in the paving where the State road is joined by the Mt. Hermon brick highway, and with the paving still a mile short of Woodville.

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## PROFESSOR WINS BOK PEACE PRIZE

Philadelphia, Feb. 5.—Dr. Charles H. Livermore, college professor and author, was yesterday announced as the winner of the Bok peace prize of \$50,000.

In a telegram of congratulation to him, Edward Bok said last night he hoped the Senate would not investigate the matter.

## UTILITIES BEGIN BRAND NEW SUIT

Meantime Action Brought by Company in District Federal Court Due for Hearing at Richmond Today.

A brand new suit was instituted in the Superior Court by the Elizabeth City Water & Power Company in a complaint filed this week by the utility company at the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court, E. L. Sawyer.

The case is expected to go to the Supreme Court of the United States, if the utility company can get that far with it, and it is estimated that two years will be the shortest possible time in which it can be disposed of.

Meantime the action brought by the Electric Light Company in the District Federal Court was due for hearing in the court of appeals at Richmond Tuesday, and it is figured that, anticipating the possible loss of their appeal in this case, the affiliated utility companies have whittled out a brand new leg to stand on.

The suit is brought on precisely the same grounds, practically, as that instituted in the Federal courts, but added to it are the amendments which the affiliated utilities attempted to tack on to their complaint in the Federal Court, in which attempt they were denied by Judge Connor.

As was the case in the previous action instituted by the utility companies, the complaint asks for an injunction against the city's selling any utility bonds or against its proceeding to lay mains or to take any steps toward the establishment of new utilities of its own.

The formal complaint is a document of 11 pages reviewing the history of the privately owned utility companies now serving the city and setting forth the grounds for the legal action instituted.

## TESTIMONY BEGINS IN COOPERS' TRIAL

(By The Associated Press)  
 Wilmington, Feb. 5.—The actual hearing of testimony in the trial of Lieutenant Governor W. B. Cooper and his brother, Thomas, on charges of conspiracy started in the United States District Court here today after the reading of the indictment by District Attorney Irvin Tucker.

The brothers are charged with various alleged criminal acts in connection with failure about a year ago of the Commercial National Bank of Wilmington of which they were principal officers. Forty-two Government witnesses were today introduced and sworn, Clarence Latham, State bank examiner, being the first to take the stand.

## SHOWS SURPLUS FOR STATE DURING 1923

Raleigh, Feb. 5.—Governor Morison yesterday made public a financial statement for the year of 1923 showing a surplus over operating expenses in the general funds of the State of \$422,963.79.

## ARNSTEIN CONVICTION CONFIRMED BY COURT

Washington, Feb. 5.—Conviction of Jules Nicky Arnstein and four others in 1920 of bringing stolen Wall street securities to Washington for hypothecation by local banks was today confirmed by the District of Columbia court of appeals.

## GOLDIE GIVEN FOUR MONTHS

Goldie King before the recorder Tuesday morning on two charges of being drunk and disorderly, one charge of assault and one of resisting an officer, drew a sentence of 30 days in the County Jail on each charge, a total sentence of four months.

For leaving dead horses on the city's watershed, Weldon Sutton and Frank Eason, both colored, were let off on payment of costs under suspended sentence of six months in jail.

H. B. Ansell, for operating a motor car with an open cutout, was fined \$5 and costs.

Braxton (Rabbit) Barber, colored, tried Monday on a charge of drunkenness, of operating a motor car while drunk, and of illegal possession of liquor, drew fines of \$50 and costs on each of the last two counts and of \$5 and costs on the first.

R. M. Tinsdale, colored, for assault on his wife, Viola, as she lay in bed with her nine-day-old baby beside her, was sentenced Monday to six months on the roads. He noted an appeal, but unable to give bond, is now locked up in jail.

## World Pays Tribute To Woodrow Wilson

No American President Has Ever Occupied Place in Eyes of Nations of World as That Accorded Last War Leader of the United States

By DAVID LAWRENCE  
 (Copyright, 1921, By The Advance)  
 Washington, Feb. 4.—Woodrow Wilson has passed into history.

Partisanship, an attribute of life's fitful struggle, has vanished before death's mellowing influence. Republicans and Democrats, friends and foes politically, unite in recognition of the supreme effort made by a leader of world thought to raise the standards of international morality.

For four and a half years the death of Woodrow Wilson has been anticipated—ever since his breakdown at Wichita, Kansas, the end of a life given to a great cause has been confidently expected. But not until the hour of death itself did anybody realize the emotional reaction which today sweeps the national capital, the seat of Woodrow Wilson's greatest battles.

Could Woodrow Wilson in life but have known the remarkable words of praise being given for his indomitable spirit even by the men who were his bitterest opponents, it would have made him glad. The vindication which he looked for at the hands of posterity would have to an extent been his even thus early.

For while all the tributes recognize that the problems of controversy have by no means been solved there is a uniform appreciation of one thing—a sincerity of purpose and a loftiness of motive. The proclamation of President Coolidge was written in that vein. The speeches in the Senate and House are of similar tenor.

The flags of foreign embassies and legations are fluttering at half staff, the crowds still pass silently before the house that shelters the dead President and over Washington itself there has come a pall of sadness, a sense of historic happenings of which future generations will always wish to read and discuss.

The verdict of history? Already the testimonials give some indication of what statesmen and publicists of today think the appraisal should be. There are those who would rank Woodrow Wilson with Lincoln and Washington as the third of America's national heroes. There are those who would give Woodrow Wilson an even more conspicuous place by regarding him as the greatest international figure America produced.

The Lincolns and the Washingtons of other countries bulk large in the imagination of foreign peoples—the Bolshars, the Garibaldi, the Bismarcks, the Cromwells—all these men claim first place in the hearts of their countrymen.

But the international heroes, Napoleon, Nelson, Alexander the Great, these are the world figures who placed their mark on the map of the world. So is Woodrow Wilson given on all sides an appreciation from the international viewpoint because he was President of the United States during the greatest war of all history and because his name and his utterances were carried to the far corners of the globe as the typification of the American effort in the great war. To Europe, Woodrow Wilson will always be a greater man than any other American because Woodrow Wilson affected their destinies—he was the official leader of the great armed forces which turned the tide of war. He was also the exponent of an idealism which carried the war to victory and helped break down the morale of the enemy. The tributes cabled from abroad give higher praise in some respects than do the comments of his fellow citizens.

When a President dies there are always eulogies which seek to rank him with Washington and Lincoln. Some of the qualities of leadership which both these great men had were undoubtedly present in the Wilson personality but after all he was different from any other man who ever sat in the White House. He was a unique figure in American history, a puzzle to some, even, of his friends, a thorn in the side of his enemies, a man of irrepressible fighting spirit, a fearless and daring statesman whose works may reveal, humanly speaking, many mistakes. But at this hour all is submerged in the human reaction—the sympathy for the little group who kept the vigil night and day for four and a half years, the faithful physician and the faithful wife, the friends who never missed an opportunity, either on an Armistice Day celebration or on his birthday, to renew their expressions of loyalty and devotion and to show him that the defeats of the past had not lessened their belief in the ultimate triumph of his ideals, however changed might be the circumstances of their application at a future day.

As dramatic as were the scenes of his troubled life were those at his death. The kneeling crowds, the sympathetic throb of the people for a great spirit, the slow flicker of life's flame, the readiness to meet

## FARMERS TOLD ABOUT WEEVIL

Experts from State Agricultural Department Speak at Court House on Cotton Cultivation.

About 250 of the leading cotton farmers of the County were at the courthouse Tuesday morning to hear lectures on combating the boll weevil by experts from the State Department of Agriculture.

The first speaker, G. M. Garren, assistant State agronomist, spoke on the "Variety of Seed," and was followed by T. O. Taylor, a practical farmer of Louisiana who is employed by Royster Fertilizer Company in North Carolina.

Next was a talk on "Methods of Poisoning the Boll Weevil," by W. B. Mabey of the State Agricultural Experiment Station.

The farmers were shown charts and an actual collection of bugs often mistaken for boll weevils as well as some of the real boll weevils themselves.

They were warned against agents trying to sell so-called boll weevil traps or poison and told to get the Government bulletins and rely on them for advice and information.

Fertilizers and careful selection of seed to promote quick growth and early maturity of the cotton plant with the proper cultural methods were the points especially emphasized.

## BAD BEANS CAUSED THE DEATH OF SEVEN

Albany, Ore., Feb. 5.—Botulinus poison in home preserved beans caused the deaths yesterday and today of seven persons and affected three others so seriously that little hope is held for their recovery. The beans, which had spoiled after having been preserved, were eaten by the family at dinner Saturday.

## APPROVE REDUCTION ON INCOME TAXES

Washington, Feb. 5.—A 25 per cent reduction in all personal income taxes payable this year was today approved by the Republican ways and means committee.

## PARENT-TEACHERS MEET AND ENJOY PLAY GIVEN

The Weeksville Parent-Teachers' Association met at Weeksville high school Friday night. A committee was appointed to draft by-laws and a constitution for the association and its report at a meeting which will be held next Friday night. After the transaction of business matters the ninth grade presented a playlet, "How Safety First Was Taught." This playlet was one sent out by the Safety League for the presentation at schools and was originally given at the Weeksville High School as a chapel exercise. It was so well received however, that it was decided to present it at the Friday night meeting. The playlet was coached by the ninth grade teacher, Mrs. A. T. Haley.

## UNDERLEIDER DID NOT APPEAR TODAY

Washington, Feb. 5.—Because of misunderstanding as to the hour of meeting of the Senate oil committee, Samuel Underleider, head of a Cleveland brokerage firm, was not present today and as no other witnesses had been summoned further investigation of the naval oil leases was deferred until Thursday.

## COTTON MARKET

New York Feb. 5.—Spot cotton closed quiet this afternoon, with a decline of 35 points. Middling 34.50. Futures closed at the following levels: March 34.17; May 34.44; July 32.94; October 28.26; December 28.07.

At the end, the conclusion of a period of nearly three years of almost unbroken silence on public questions, a dignified attitude toward Mr. Harding and Mr. Coolidge, not a word of criticism of them and not an effort to interfere in the congressional controversies,—it makes the closing chapter of Woodrow Wilson's life a vivid contribution to world history. His forbearance and restraint, his unalterable views were to the end maintained. He submitted his case when he left the White House on March 4, 1921, after eight years of service. On that record he was willing to depart to eternity leaving it to the followers who survive to carry on the battle for which he gave his life.