

WILLIAMS NAMED ON BUDGET COMMISSION

Pasquotank Senator Gets Signal Honor in Being Named on Body Which Will Outline Financial Program of the State

(By The Associated Press)
Raleigh, Jan. 9.—The General Assembly today heard Governor Morrison's farewell address and after a few bills had been dropped into the legislative hopper the new budget commission was announced as follows: Governor-Elect McLean, Walter Woodrow Wilson of Salisbury, P. H. Williams of Elizabeth City, Walter Murphy of Salisbury, N. A. Townsend of Dunn and one Republican to be appointed by the new Governor. The Governor pledged his future to the upbuilding of North Carolina and both houses adjourned after the address.

Judgeship to Meekins

Washington, Jan. 9.—Isaac M. Meekins of Elizabeth City was today nominated by President Coolidge as Federal Judge for the Eastern District of North Carolina, to succeed the late Judge Henry G. Connor.

Solving Puzzles Adds Efficiency of Typists

Chicago, Jan. 9.—Cross-word puzzles "have a blessing in disguise to those employers who feared their distracting influence when they first appeared," according to Albert M. Johnson, president of the National Life Insurance Company of the United States, who said that so far as his organization was concerned the puzzles were responsible for increasing the efficiency of his stenographers 25 per cent.

Rather than being a distraction to the office girl, the mental labor in solving them has made her faster and more accurate in her work, Mr. Johnson found.

"Noticing a marked improvement in the speed with which our several hundred stenographers were handling the correspondence to 100,000 policyholders, I inquired the reason and found that we had the cross-word puzzles to thank," Mr. Johnson said. "I discovered that our stenographers were cross-word enthusiasts and that their idle hours spent over the dictionary had improved their spelling and recognition of words to a startling extent."

"All our executives reported that the stenographers were taking dictation far more rapidly; that they were recognizing and handling correctly words that they used to stumble over. We have encouraged our employees to play the game as it widens their minds and improves their speech, as well as increasing their office efficiency."

Confirmation of Stone Deferred

Washington, Jan. 9.—Action on the nomination of Attorney General Stone to succeed Associate Justice McKeena on the Supreme Court bench was deferred by the Senate Judiciary subcommittee today, after a secret hearing at which statements were heard from several persons whose identity was not disclosed.

Jury Disagreed on Extortion Verdict

Boston, Jan. 9.—After 48 hours' deliberation, the jury trying William Corcoran, former district attorney of Middlesex County, and three others on charges of conspiracy to extort \$50,000 from Victor Scarfo of Boston and Atlantic City, reported a disagreement in respect to Corcoran and William Hartnett, another defendant.

Crippled Hello Girl Is Burned to Death

Brooks, Me., Jan. 9.—Mrs. Carrie Johnson, a crippled telephone operator, was burned to death when she remained at her post summoning outside aid for fire. Before her task was completed the building in which the exchange was located caught fire and her escape was cut off. Six buildings were burned before the fire was extinguished.

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At Conference

Colonel James A. Logan, observer for the Reparation Commission, will "sit in" on the finance ministers' conference in Paris.

WAKE FOREST ALUMNI WANT A CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

Wake Forest, Jan. 9.—Trustees and faculty set busy now and provide machinery to raise funds from friends and alumni that may adequately celebrate a hundred years of history at Wake Forest. This is the sense of resolutions adopted by the Wake Forest alumni association of Richmond and Davidson counties. The centennial will be 100 years old in 1934. We want to celebrate this date by completing a plant and providing equipment for 1,000 students, said plans launched last year.

Congress Thinks \$10,000 Limit Of Earned Income

And Since Congressmen Draw Salary of Only \$7,500 a Year One Must See that Granting Ability Earn \$100,000 Would Make Congressman Small Potato

By ROBERT T. SMALL
Washington, Jan. 9.—The year 1925 Congress puts into effect its formal and formidable dictum that no man can legitimately "earn" more than \$10,000 a year. The Congressmen and Senators are paid by a benevolent Government \$7,500 a year and it is but natural they should figure that no man can be more than \$2,500 more intelligent, more important and more useful, than the national legislators elected by the vote of a sovereign people. Either that or Congress is thinking very seriously of raising its own salary to the \$10,000 mark. Maybe then in future legislation the legitimate earning capacity of the individual might be lifted to \$12,500.

As it is, however, Congress is of the opinion that President Coolidge, for example, is being overpaid something like \$65,000 a year. Mr. Coolidge is a frugal living, economical man, brought up in the thrifty atmosphere of New England, but there are no indications as yet that he agrees with Congress on the subject of the Executive's pay. The President is doing his best on the side, however, by conserving his travel allowance to the utmost limit.

Congress is of the opinion that cabinet officers must be receiving \$2,900 a year more than they "earn." This also goes for the Vice President. Fortunately for "Hell and Maria" Dawes when he comes to Washington he will have an independent income above the \$12,000, the first Vice President to be in that enviable position for nearly a generation. And whether he "earns" it or not, General Dawes will have one of the best incomes in official life.

Miss Wilson



This is the latest portrait of Margaret Wilson, daughter of the late President Woodrow Wilson. She makes her home in Washington.

Cure For Tuberculosis Sure to Come Is Belief

If Gold Salt Cure Developed by Danish Scientist Proves Less Efficacious Than Expected American Physician May Announce Another New Treatment

By O. M. SCOTT
Chicago, Jan. 9.—Should the first application in this country of gold salt cure for tuberculosis developed by the Danish scientist, Professor A. Moberg, M.D., succeed, it would prove a great boon to the present expected. It is possible that it may be followed by an announcement of another. Albeit treatment for the disease through the discovery of an American doctor, who for obvious reasons does not wish his name to be public at this time.

Dr. Peter S. Clemenson, first American physician dispatched to investigate the Danish scientist's cure, is returning to Chicago with a report that the cure is roughly verified in the application of that method of treatment. Dr. Herman N. Henderson, commissioner of health for Chicago, said today that he would confer with Dr. Clemenson just as soon as he returned, to consider the merits of the cure.

The American doctor, a physician of high repute, has also discovered what he believes to be a certain cure for consumption. Until his beliefs are supported by incontrovertible evidence of cure actually effected, he is withholding announcement of his discovery and of his own identity.

The writer recently inquired into this reported tuberculosis cure, and found that the doctor in question, after 14 years of experimenting, has for five years had favorable results from the treatment he has perfected. He has no extensive means for applying the treatment at present however, and is not ready to announce it.

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To Elks' Minstrels has come to be a much looked-forward to event in Elizabeth City, especially since the entire proceeds from these shows are donated to charity and they deservedly play to full houses at all performances. The committee in charge consists of Dr. J. W. Selig, chairman, Dr. W. H. Harris, Bill C. Sawyer, and Rev. G. F. Hill, and within the next few days they expect to get the talent lined up for the first rehearsal.

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Cailes' Son



This is Adolfo E. Cailes, son of President Plutarco Elias Calles of Mexico. He has been visiting in the United States. This picture was taken in San Antonio, Tex., following his first airplane flight. He enjoyed it immensely.

ADVENTURE ENDS FOR PORTSMOUTH YOUTHS

Escaped With Stolen Car Abruptly Terminated When Machine Struck and Turned Over

A bath in gasoline from the tank of a Portsmouth car, which had been stolen and driven in the city, ended the adventure of a group of youths in Portsmouth, who had been driving it for several days. The car, which was stolen from the home of a local citizen, was driven to the city and turned over to the police.

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Stock Ticker Has Fallen Down On Its Regular Job

Unable to Keep Up With Vast Volume of Trading on Market in Recent Months and Financial District Wants Something Done About It

New York, Jan. 9.—The stock market, when prices are tumbling, is a sight to behold. The instrument which tells the world what the bulls and bears in Wall street are doing, has fallen down on its job, and the financial district wants something done about it.

The stock exchange has spent a great deal of money and has taken great pains to make the stock ticker system the most scientific and nearest to perfection in the world, but it evidently has not gone far enough. That is the opinion of the financial district, and it wants to remedy the situation, but everything cannot be done overnight.

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GERMANY'S BEST SELLER

Stuttgart, Jan. 9.—The best selling novel in Germany in recent years is 'Zwei Menschen' by Richard Voss. Already 500,000 copies have been sold.

Future Of Road Program Depends On Legislature

Construction Must Stop With County-Sent to County-Sent System Far from Complete Unless Additional Funds are Provided by the General Assembly

The future of North Carolina's road program depends on what action in this regard is taken by the General Assembly during the present session. Four years ago, \$5,000,000 was made available for road building. In 1923, the General Assembly added fifteen millions to this amount and, with the Federal aid and amounts paid in by counties, approximately \$50,000,000 has been spent on North Carolina's roads during the past four years.

A system of connecting county seats and hard-surfacing main arteries of travel has been put in operation under Commissioner Frank Pace and Highway Engineer Charles M. Upham but the entire system is far from complete.

The State Highway Commission however has announced that it will not request or recommend an additional bond issue for road purposes and further that it will not make any recommendations of any kind to the Legislature. This is the position of the Commission, which is studying an account of the roads which have been built, the money which has been spent in each county and a resume of the law under which the body has operated. Nothing is requested; nothing is recommended.

A general belief exists at the Capitol that a bill will be introduced early in the session to provide a bond issue for road-building. The amount has been mentioned as ranging from \$20,000,000 to \$35,000,000. Unless this money is forthcoming the road building program will be halted.

It is for what can be accomplished by the use of funds turned over to the Commission, and such amounts as are paid into the State road funds by the counties. A major portion of this however, will be necessary for the maintenance of the present system of roads.

FOR LACK OF A ROPE MUCH JOY BEING LOST

There are several very large trees with many great, strong limbs running invitingly parallel with the ground and, not so very high up, and there are several children at the home; but there is no rope to make swings.

The foregoing information reached this newspaper today from an authoritative source and conjures at once a picture of happy children enjoying the healthful exercise of swinging out in the open under widespread trees.

Accordingly, any one who is interested in giving these boys and girls at the Children's Home some joyful fun and wholesome exercise, may contribute the rope or make contribution toward buying the rope or some stout boards with which to make whirligig saws, and so on.

TRY GET UNDERWOOD BILL IN CONFERENCE

Washington, Jan. 9.—Having accepted the Underwood private operation bill as a substitute for the Norris Government operation plan, the Senate drove forward today in a final effort to get the long pending question of the disposition of Muscle Shoals into conference with the House.