

State's Four Horsemen Are Invited Speak At Edenton

And Blanket Invitation Extended All Members of General Assembly to Attend Big Barbecue to Foster Sentiment for Chowan River Bridge

Edenton, Jan. 12.—An invitation has been extended to the "Four Horsemen" of North Carolina, namely, Councilman of Revenue Rufus A. Doughton, Secretary of State W. N. Everett, Tam C. Bowles and Walter Murphy, to speak at the Chowan River bridge barbecue now set to be held at Edenton on next Tuesday. Mr. Doughton and Mr. Bowles, it is announced, have already accepted the invitation, and it is hoped that Mr. Doughton and Mr. Everett will do likewise.

In addition, every member of the Legislature has been given an invitation to attend the meeting by the vigorous and wide-awake Edenton Chamber of Commerce, which just at this time is subsidizing every other activity to its efforts to get an action through this session of the General Assembly authorizing construction of the proposed bridge.

The date of the barbecue was postponed from Thursday of this week to Tuesday of next, because the four to whom special invitations had been wired could not attend on the former date, owing to the Governor's inauguration and reception on Wednesday, but they expressed a willingness and pleasure to be here at a later date. Consequently Tuesday, January 20, was selected.

The plans now include the bringing of the legislators who attend from Raleigh in a special Pullman car, so that the car can be side-tracked in the railroad yards and they will not be disturbed until a reasonable hour in the morning, when breakfast will be served them at the Bay View Hotel.

At 11 o'clock the speaking will take place in the opera house and at 1 o'clock the big barbecue will be served to approximately 2,000 people in the promenade.

After the dinner the members of the Legislature will be taken on some steamer to the site of the bridge, with the band along to entertain during the two hours of the trip.

Later supper will be served the legislators at the Bay View Hotel and after attendance at the show they will be escorted to their Pullman cars having secured in a very full and it is hoped by the Edenton Chamber of Commerce, a pleasant day.

GETS JAIL SENTENCE FOR STEALING TIRE

Floyd Sawyer, who lives on Beech street, was given a 30-day jail sentence in police court Tuesday morning for stealing a tire from the Portsmouth car which was wrecked on the Newland road last Thursday.

Trial Justice Sawyer suspended judgment following a plea from Robert Lowry, attorney, representing the defendant, who expressed the opinion that if the young man was released he would not have further trouble with him.

Before deciding to suspend judgment, Judge Sawyer mentioned the fact that the defendant had served a sentence on the roads and had once made his escape from the chain gang. "I would be glad to give this man another chance," Mr. Sawyer said, "but a warning doesn't seem to do him any good." However, the young attorney's plea finally prevailed and Sawyer is at liberty.

NOW GETTING TALENT FOR ELKS MINSTRELS

The talent is being secured for the Elks Charity Minstrels to be shown here on the nights of February 2 and 3, and this year's shows promise to far surpass any ever produced by the local Elks. The National Producers' Association of New York have been selected to stage the show (this year) and will have two producers here within the next few days to start on rehearsals.

Because of the fact that the Elks donate the entire proceeds to charitable purposes, it is expected that a great demand will be made for tickets when they go on sale. At the last two shows staged by the Elks, every ticket in the house was sold a day before the show. It is expected that this year will be equally as popular.

ANOTHER SEQUEL TO MISSOURI'S SCANDAL

Topeka, Jan. 13.—Kansas today had another sensation involving charges against a state official for soliciting money for pardon. State Banking Commissioner Carl J. Peterson was accused in an affidavit sworn out by A. L. Oswald, attorney, of having asked \$4,000 for the parole of Walter Grundy, convicted Hutchinson banker, and of agreeing to accept \$3,500.00. It is alleged that Governor Johnathan M. Davis took Oswald to Peterson, both Peterson and Davis deny the charges.

McLEAN CHOOSES HIS SECRETARY

Lumberton, Jan. 13.—Charles H. England of Greensboro will be the private secretary of Governor Angus Wilton McLean. It was announced here today.

Mr. England was secretary to Governor Kitchin during Mr. Kitchin's term of office and later was secretary to Claude Kitchin in Congress.

PROMPT WORK NIPS A FIRE ON WATERFRONT

Otherwise Short Circuit Near Coast Oil Tank Might Have Had Serious Result

Prompt work of the fire department early Tuesday morning saved the city from what might have been a disastrous fire.

A cross circuit in the wires on the pole about ten feet from the office of the Coast Oil Company at the foot of Matthews street set fire to the telephone pole and to a post on the dock from which a heavy wire ran to the pole.

When the firemen arrived on the scene the wires were spitting big globes of fire and the street and sidewalk immediately around the pole was charged.

Chief Flora immediately put in a call to the Electric Light plant for the current to be cut off and the fire was extinguished. A fireman was then secured and the current was back on within 45 minutes after it was turned off.

A hole about a half inch deep was burned in the telephone pole and the post on the dock was burnt half in two for a distance of ten inches. Had it not been for the extremely wet weather the entire dock might have been ablaze when the fire department arrived.

The alarm was turned in by Nich Police Officer Basnight at 4:40 a. m. The officers noticed the dimming of the lights on the streets soon after midnight and thought that there was a short circuit somewhere but could not locate it.

A large blaze on the Matthews street dock might have brought a disaster to the city as the Coast Oil Company tank is something like 40 feet from the office of the company.

SUBMARINE GOES ASHORE IN FOG

Chatham, Mass., Jan. 13.—The United States submarine S-19 went ashore in a heavy fog on Naussett Beach between Wolfleet and Eastham today. It is expected to float to sea at high tide. The submarine carries 35 men and commanded by Lieut. C. F. Martin.

Later a message from the submarine said that her position was dangerous due to heavy seas which were breaking over the beach.

The Carolina Banking and Trust Company, with branch banks at Hertford and Columbia, has had a prosperous year, resources this year showing an increase over those of a year ago.

Term of Jonathan M. Davis, Elected by Farmer Vote, Has Been One of Turmoil Without Accomplishment and He Goes Out Under a Heavy Cloud

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The governor lost. Continually warring with the legislature accomplished almost nothing in his first year in office. Two years ago that office to give way to the same sort of cloud that hung over the head of another contemporary farmer in office, former Governor Warren T. McCray of Indiana.

Both dirt farmer executives entered office as proteges of the agriculturalist, pledged to bring aid and comfort to the men of the soil. Both left office charged with a prostitution of their powers.

Governor Davis turned the election of 1922 into a Democratic landslide. His choice was a salaried lawyer and down in Bourbon county, his home county, the hustler gathered to crack a line or two about how "Jonathan will show them fella how to operate the state house."

He was to bring in an era of good times and general good will under farmer rule. Instead, the Davis reign has been one of the stormiest in the history of the state. At the outset he began by fighting the legislature over-wroughtly. He had not come to office with the reputation of a reformer, but the Supreme Court defeated this move.

Next came a crack at the state industrial court, but here again

RALEIGH PREPARES FOR INAUGURATION

Streets Taking on Gala Appearance and Preparations 500 Strong Preparing to Storm Capital in Celebration of Confered on Native Son

LACY'S CONDITION SAID BE SERIOUS

New York, Jan. 13.—Benjamin Lacy, North Carolina's State Treasurer, is seriously ill at the Pennsylvania hotel here of pulmonary congestion.

Mr. Lacy came here a week ago to sign some State highway bonds.

Raleigh, Jan. 13.—The General Assembly had before it today as its principal business for opening the second week of the 1925 session a joint session at noon for the purpose of declaring the official vote of the November election.

This action paved the way for the inauguration of new State officials tomorrow.

Brief sessions of both houses were held prior to the joint meeting.

The city today is taking on a gala attire for tomorrow's inauguration, the legislative and citizens committees putting final touches on plans for the decoration of the city's streets.

The city is preparing for the inaugural. Five hundred citizens from Robeson, Angus Wilton McLean's home county, are expected to attend the inaugural.

Three state-wide bills were introduced at last night's session. One of these, which would reduce the pay of all legislative employees, was passed by the House and was sent to the Senate. The other two relate to the sale of firecrackers and to dog taxes.

The budget commission resumed session today after a two weeks recess, with several state institutions and department heads yet to be heard from.

The bill for the retirement of State Treasurer Ben Lacy is expected to be introduced today. Mr. Lacy is now in a New York hotel, where he went to sign an issue of State bonds.

The House today named a committee to consider the eligibility of S. J. Turner, Republican of Mitchell County, to sit in the House.

Charges of improper practice are made against Turner by W. W. Edwards.

Incomes were agreed on as sources of revenue for increase in the Revenue Bill.

Raleigh, Jan. 13.—Twelve bills were introduced in the House and seven in the Senate last night at a short session of the two bodies.

One of those in the House was to provide for a new scale of salaries in the legislative clerkship, and the one in the Senate was to prohibit the sale of fireworks. Both houses after 30 minutes' session adjourned until 11 o'clock today.

It is understood that the bill drawn up by Attorney General Manning and approved by Governor Morrison, asking the retirement of State Treasurer Lacy, will be introduced today. The bill would continue two-thirds pay for Mr. Lacy and let him continue as an assistant treasurer. He is said to be willing to the plan. Lacy has been in the Treasurer's capacity since 1901.

HOOD BANK VOTES INCREASE CAPITAL STOCK

The stockholders of the Hood System Industrial Bank at their meeting Monday evening at 7:30 voted to increase the capital stock of this bank from \$36,000 to \$54,000. At this meeting the following directors were elected: W. P. Duff, Henry L. Banks, M. L. Clark, J. C. B. Ehringhaus, C. W. Gaither, G. B. Hood, C. B. Morrisette, M. G. Morrisette, E. L. Sawyer, F. W. Selig, R. R. Taylor, C. E. Thompson, S. W. Twiford, and W. H. Weatherly, Jr. After the stockholders meeting the following officers were elected for the year 1925: W. P. Duff, president; Ben L. Banks, first vice president; C. W. Gaither, second vice president; Graham Bell, cashier.

AT LEAST SCORE KILLED IN CRASH

(By The Associated Press)

Berlin, Jan. 13.—A score are known to have been killed when the Berlin-Cologne express today crashed into a train standing at the station at Herne. Three cars were demolished.

TO PUT SHOALS ISSUE UP TO A COMMISSION

Washington, Jan. 13.—The Senate today adopted the Jones substitute for the Underwood Muscle Shoals bill, referring the whole question of Muscle Shoals to a commission.

The Secretary of War is authorized in the meantime to sell power temporarily.

The vote on the substitute was 46 to 25.

Radio Bishop



The favorable impression created among churchmen by the radio broadcasting of his sermons, has caused the Rev. Warren L. Hoopes, dean of St. Paul's Cathedral, Detroit, to be named bishop-elect of the Episcopal Diocese of Ohio. He has been using the radio every Sunday for two years.

PLAN MAKE CATAWBA A GRADE A COLLEGE

Salisbury, Nov. 13.—Plans are under way now to make Catawba College located here a grade A college. It is one of a dozen institutions in the State which are being classified by the Southern Association of Colleges and Universities. A local committee headed by H. S. Pender has just been appointed to conduct the drive in this city and the surrounding counties to raise \$250,000 and other committees are seeking enough money elsewhere to increase the endowment fund to the size required by the Southern Association of Colleges to be classified as a grade A college.

The plant of the school, situated on the site of the old school, is to be worth approximately \$200,000. The school is to be a full accredited grade A college.

According to the president, the school will enter the A. B. and B. S. courses in the fall. He also expressed the opinion that students should not be admitted on any subject until they had received a general training and said that for that reason he had recommended that only the general course be included in the curriculum of the institution when it first opened.

APPLIES FOR JOB ON STATE POLICE

Raleigh, Jan. 13.—Applications for jobs as State policemen have already begun to come in. The first received at the office of the Secretary of State was from Rosemary. The applicant, knowing that a bill for the establishment of a State constabulary will likely be introduced if a favorable report is made by the commission studying this question, gives his course at a school for detectives as a reference.

"I am a graduate detective," he writes, "I am now just after today making my inspection with your divisional officers on the farm."

"I can identify any man or any one any time. I might escape from your farm. I am now employed but will accept a job with you as a guard and I will prove my work."

"Yours truly,
L. W. H."

COUNTRY MERCHANT KILLED ON HIGHWAY

Charlotte, Jan. 13.—A. L. Mauney, produce merchant of Crouse, was found shot dead on a lonely road four miles south of here today. He was believed to have been the victim of a robbery.

It is an interesting fact that the smaller cities indicate a lack of apartment houses. The suburban districts which formerly were composed of detached houses for the most part are being built in apartment houses. The trend is noticeable at summer and winter resorts and in sections within commuting distance of the larger cities.

In 27 cities there has been over building of one type or another in

PLANNING MEET AT GREENSBORO

North Carolina Sunday School Association Prepares for Large Gathering in April

Greenboro, N. C., Jan. 13.—The North Carolina Sunday School Association has already begun to make the annual state Sunday school convention, which is to be held in the First Baptist Church, Greensboro, April 22-24, and which will attract representatives of Sunday school leaders over the entire State.

The convention will be held at the First Baptist Church, Greensboro, N. C., and will be presided over by the Rev. J. B. Ivry, Charlotte, N. C., chairman of the publicity committee, P. P. Myrick, of the First Baptist Church, Greensboro, N. C., chairman of the executive committee, A. C. Davis, Greensboro, N. C., chairman of the finance committee, P. C. Marley, Greensboro, N. C., chairman of the program committee, and J. B. Ivry, Charlotte, N. C., chairman of the entertainment committee.

The program will be of the most noted Sunday school workers in America, among whom will be Miss Mene Brockway, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, secretary of the National Sunday School Association, and Dr. W. S. Sims, general superintendent.

Other speakers will be announced later. Many of the best Sunday school workers in the State will be on the program.

Delegates to the convention will be entertained on the Harvard plan. Sunday school workers of all denominations throughout the State will be invited to attend.

Explanation Resignation Hughes Not Far To Find

Secretary Was Anxious to Quit and When Came to Place Where Could Lay His Burden Down Did So for Fear Such Opportunity Might Not Come Again

By DAVID LAWRENCE
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Washington, Jan. 13.—Skepticism about the real reasons for resignations and appointments is so ingrained here that it was only natural for official Washington to endeavor to find some other basis for the departure of the Secretary of State Charles Hughes in 1921. The case given in the letter he exchanged with President Coolidge.

But the truth is not difficult to ascertain. Surprising as it may be to the general public, it was not to the many close friends of Mr. Hughes to whom he had confided his earnest wish to leave office on March 4. He talked it over with President Coolidge just after election and the word was passed around that Mr. Hughes had agreed to stay at least another year.

Why did he resign now? Because the Secretary found that foreign relations were in such a status as would permit him to leave on March 4, whereas if he stayed longer he might become so wrapped up in big questions of foreign policy as to prevent his resignation altogether even at the end of a year.

Mr. Hughes had had every hope or that he could in public service except the Presidency of the United States and he came near that in 1916. He reached the highest honor in his profession as Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States. He was governor of New York state and also had served four years as premier of the Cabinet.

Being sixty-two years old, Mr. Hughes has only a few years left in which he can actively engage in law practice. He never was a rich man. When he left the bench in 1916, he was not wealthy.

In the next four years he amassed a comfortable sum in private practice but in March 1921 he was called to the cabinet and the chances are he had due deeply into his principal in the last four years. From now on he can recoup the losses of the last four years which would have been extraordinary profitable to him.

End Dwelling Shortage Fails Bring Low Rents

Tenants in Most Instances Have to Dig Just as Deep Into Family Exchequer as Ever When Rent Day Comes Round Despite Much Building

By J. C. ROYLE
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New York, Jan. 13.—The shortage of dwellings throughout the United States has been steadily increasing for the last six months but tenants in most instances have to dig just as deep into the family exchequer as ever when rent day comes around.

The decline in rent for business structures has been even more marked but business men in only a small percentage of the representative centers have had their rents lowered. In most cases, the indication of increased business activity and prosperity in the last six months forced a survey downward.

A survey covering 269 cities shows that at present only 51 per cent of these have housing shortages while the rents of 49 per cent are fully supplied. When the year opened, however, 65 per cent of the representative centers announced rents stationary, 17 per cent showed advances and 18 per cent had reductions. The fall in rents was most marked in the North central section of the country, where 56 per cent of the cities have lower rent levels. On the other hand, 82 per cent of the cities in the Northeast showed advances.

There is a demand for single family dwellings at this time far by any other class of structures, but even those cities which report shortages indicate that the supply is slight. This fact indicates, however, that in the last 12 months the greatest increase in real estate activity will be in properties of this sort.

The larger cities are fast catching up with the needs for dwellings but the smaller cities still are far from reaching a normal ratio between demand and supply. It is an interesting fact that the smaller cities indicate a lack of apartment houses. The suburban districts which formerly were composed of detached houses for the most part are being built in apartment houses. The trend is noticeable at summer and winter resorts and in sections within commuting distance of the larger cities.

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RESIDENT PASTOR OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

At a special service at the Free Will Baptist Church on Parsonage street arrangements were made for Rev. A. H. Outlaw, of New Bern, who arrived in the city yesterday, to take the pastorate of the church, with residence here, beginning the first Sunday in February.

Rev. Mr. Outlaw is from New Bern, where he was pastor of St. Mary's Free Will Baptist Church. He will move to the city Wednesday, 1, and devote his whole time to the church. He is a young man but has served as pastor in Kinston and Morehead City, besides his present church at New Bern.

Mr. Outlaw was superintendent of public welfare in the county of Currituck for nearly two years. He is prominent in the denomination's affairs, serving on various boards and committees, field secretary of the State convention, secretary of the State Ministerial Association; president of the State Sunday school convention; chairman of State Foreign Mission Board of his church. The State Mission Board is to assist the local young church in the support of the new pastor.

There will be a preaching service at the church tonight at 7:30 by Mr. Outlaw. The public is invited.

Mr. Outlaw will begin his work as pastor of the church in this city the first Sunday in February.