

Job Cites Many Reasons For Preferring Carolina To Oft Praised Florida

The Things They Tell You Down There Don't Always Prove Entirely True, Chamber Secretary Says

OVERCOATS POPULAR

They Say They Didn't Need Fertilizer to Grow Their Crops—But They Used It, Just the Same

Florida has nothing on Eastern North Carolina, according to Secretary Job, of the Chamber of Commerce, who has just returned from Miami, where he attended the annual convention of the Atlantic Deep-sea Fishery Association as a delegate from this State.

While at the convention, Mr. Job served on the resolutions committee, probably the most important of all the committees. He was re-elected a director of the association, and Mr. LeRoy again was named a vice-president. Both are jubilant over the outcome of the trip.

Mr. Job might naturally be expected to say this part of North Carolina eclipsed Florida, inasmuch as one of his all important jobs is to boost this State, and particularly this section. But he goes farther than that. He cites reason after reason as proof of his contention.

"California" Breezes
"I was a little disappointed in Florida's much advertised climate," he declared, in the course of an interview last night. "On Monday and Tuesday of last week we wore overcoats, and found them very comfortable. They advised us that that wasn't regular Florida weather—they just happened to be having a breeze from California. It warmed up later in the week.

"Florida's soil is not so good as ours. That is apparent from even a casual survey of conditions on farms there. Outside of citrus fruits, coconuts, bananas and pineapples, we can grow anything that Florida can. They say they don't need fertilizer, but they were using well known commercial brands on their tomatoes. They told us it wasn't at all necessary if we used just to hurry up their maturity.

"Of course it is a little colder here than there, but that is a good thing. It gives us more pep.
"Polks down there told us there were no insects. Mrs. Vernon Blades, of New Bern, was on a sightseeing trip, and a mosquito bigger than the New Jersey variety lit on her hand. She captured it and exhibited it to one of their climate boosters. He told her it was a rare exception.

Land Salesmen Busy
"The stores down there are mainly turned into real estate offices, and many thousands of dollars are spent on high pressure selling methods. I was told that one real estate company was operating on an overhead of 65 per cent—something for our local merchants to ponder over. The realty dealers are resorting to every device to sell land. One of them took several of us to ride in a bus I was told cost \$14,000. It was the last word in luxurious riding. They go after every possible buyer prospect.

"The traffic congestion is terrific. There are embargoes on practically all kinds of freight, and mountains of express, piled up awaiting means of delivery. I was told of an instance in which a plumber, who had succeeded in getting three bathtubs as far as Jacksonville, hired a truck at a cost of \$125 to transport them across to Miami, a distance of 350 miles or so.

"Hotel charges are very high. We had a special rate for the convention, but if we had wished to stay over another night, a room, exclusive of meals, would have cost \$15. I was informed that one of the hotels on the beach was charging \$25 a day, and stayed crowded all the time.

No Reason for Leaving
"I can't see any reason why folks should leave this part of North Carolina to go to Florida when we have all the advantages they have, and better soil, more convenient transportation and unrivalled opportunities for hunting and fishing to boot."
Among the resolutions pertaining to North Carolina during the convention, Mr. Job added, probably the most important from the standpoint of this section was one urging an early Government appropriation for the purchase of the Dismal Swamp Canal. The convention also recommended the cutting of a 30-foot channel into Beaufort, and completion of the "harbor of refuge" at Cape Lookout. This last project is 52 per cent finished, he declared.

The convention also urged completion of the Inland Waterway through North Carolina. The total

LOCARNO PACT SIGNED TODAY

London, Dec. 1.—The Treaty of Locarno, made between the leading powers of Europe and binding their governments to maintain territorial frontiers established by the Treaty of Versailles even to the extent of war, was signed here today.

TWO MORE ROAD CONTRACTS LET

Firm of E. L. Williams Again Successful Bidder on County Projects

Contracts for the hard-surfacing of the Salem and Edip Roads, which let by the Pasquotank Highway Commission in monthly meeting Tuesday afternoon at \$37,820.40 for the former and \$17,022.80 for the latter. The only bidder was E. L. Williams, of South Mills and this city. The Salem Road is 2.2 miles long and the other is 1.8 miles.

Both roads are to be of plain concrete, 12 inches thick at the sides and 8 inches in the center, of the same type as the others in the county's "feeder road" program authorized by the last General Assembly.

The figures on the two roads are closely in line with those on other projects on which this firm and its predecessor, D. E. and E. L. Williams, were successful bidders. Members of the commission stated, adding that the contract price on each was within less than \$100 of Engineer Ford's estimates.

A controversy between the commission and K. R. Winslow, living on the Fork Road, just outside this city, over the price to be paid for a tract of land which was used for making a fill at the Knobbs Creek crossing was discussed at length. Mr. Winslow claims that the commission agreed to pay him \$1,000 for the dirt used. Members of the commission, on the other hand, contend that the agreement was that he be paid at the rate of \$1,000 an acre. A little less than half an acre was used, it was stated.

Mr. Winslow was represented by Judge J. B. Leigh, who suggested the hope that an amicable settlement might be reached. In the course of the discussion Judge Leigh dropped a remark to the effect that Commissioner Henry Sample seemed to think he was the only person who could tell the truth about the agreement. This angered Mr. Sample, who construed it as an indirect way of calling him a liar. Matters were smoothed over later, however, when Judge Leigh offered amends for his remark, declaring he hadn't meant it in the way Mr. Sample took it.

The commission finally decided to pay Mr. Winslow a visit and undertake to reach an agreement satisfactory to both sides.

COOLIDGE PRAISES WORK OF CHURCHES

Washington, Dec. 1.—President Coolidge conveyed an expression of his gratification, on the concluding day of the National United States Conference of Churches and World Peace, that the churches "are giving themselves to this sober study of these vital themes." He expressed regret that he could not attend in person.

GALES ON THE COAST TONIGHT PREDICTED

Washington, Dec. 1.—Strong winds and probably gales along the entire Atlantic seaboard within the next 24 hours were forecast by the Weather Bureau.

UNDERGOES OPERATION

Hezekiah Burgess, elderly resident of Old Trap, Camden County, and father of Deputy United States Marshal Peter D. Burgess, underwent an operation for removal of an appendical abscess yesterday afternoon at his home, and is reported getting along as well as could be expected. The operation was performed by Dr. John Saliba, of this city.

Dr. Saliba visited Mr. Burgess Sunday, and after examination decided that to undertake to remove him to the Elizabeth City Hospital might result in the rupture of the abscess, with fatal results. Hence he performed the operation at the home.
It happened that Mr. Burgess's wife was the first patient treated at the hospital here after it was opened.

FORD EXPECTED TO TAKE BLAME FOR "GAY" PARTY

Indications Point to Highway Engineer's Shouldering Full Responsibility for Events

DEANS OFFERS ALIBI

Young Masculine Guest Charged With Immorality Claims Others Tried To Sober Him Up

Probability that Jess R. Ford, engineer for the Pasquotank Highway Commission, arrested with seven masculine and four feminine guests in a police raid on his home early Sunday morning, would assume full responsibility for the party which resulted in the roundup, today verged on certainty.

A quantity of liquor in a five-gallon keg was seized by the officers in Ford's home, and it was indicated today that the State's case might simmer down to the Turlington Act phase of the situation—if the defense could "get its ducks in a row" by Saturday morning, when the hearing is to be held.

Wilfred Deans, charged with immorality as a result of his alleged meeting with Officer Rough-ton at the head of the stairway, just before the policeman declared he discovered a young woman in a bed under which Evans' shoes were "parked," is claiming that he took aboard a little too much liquor earlier in the evening, and that the girl and a masculine guest, whose name has not been brought out, were trying to sober him up. This contention, if sustained, would automatically dispose of three of the State's major contentions.

These contentions are embodied in warrants against Deans and the girl, against Ford, charging him with conducting a house of ill fame, and against the guests charged with entering a house for immoral purposes.

Members of the raiding party declared today there was no basis for charges of disorderly conduct and indecent language which had been preferred against Ford. They declare he met them smilingly at the door, invited them in, and passed around cigars while the bonds were being preferred and the bonds signed.

Some half dozen \$50 bond checks given by guests after the raid which turned out to be worthless when presented at the banks Monday morning were made good later in the day. Chief Holmes stated. Thus several escaped the embarrassment of having to face an additional charge Saturday morning.

Many persons on the street are heard expressing regret for the difficulty in which Ford and certain of his guests find themselves as a result of the raid. Ford is a likeable fellow, and is regarded as a highly capable highway engineer.

Prosecuting Attorney J. H. LeRoy, Jr., who issued the warrants in the case, wishes it understood that he did not ask for a continuance of the hearing to Saturday morning, but agreed to it in order to give the defendants a reasonable opportunity to prepare for it. No warrants had been read to them and they had no way of knowing what specific charges would be brought against them. Martin Simpson, of counsel for the defense, explained.

ANOTHER CLASH IN MITCHELL'S TRIAL

Washington, Dec. 1.—Counsel for Colonel Mitchell failed today in the spectacular attempt to unseat another member of the Mitchell Court Martial, Major General William Graves. After consultation in secret, the court overruled the defense charges of interference with witnesses.

Washington, Dec. 1.—A clash which arose in the court to be closed temporarily developed in the Mitchell court martial today between Representative Frank Reid, defense counsel, and Major General William Graves, member of the court who was charged by Reid with interrupting his cross examination of a witness.

General Graves had made some remark about Reid's method of cross examination, but when the defense attorney protested the general replied that he had not interrupted the proceedings. The court retired to consider the question.

STORM WARNING

The following storm warning has been received from the weather bureau at Washington: "Heavy northeast storm warning at 9:30 a. m., north of Jacksonville to Boston, Massachusetts. Storm of tropical origin central off northeast Florida coast moving northward with increasing intensity will cause strong northeast and north winds and probably gales along the entire Atlantic Seaboard within the next 24 hours. This storm will likely become severe. Caution is advised all shipping."

Special Notice to Commission Winners

It was announced yesterday by The Advance that commission checks would be mailed to the list of commission winners named in The Advance Monday or Monday night.

In making this announcement the rule of the campaign that all commission winners must turn in their receipt books before commissions would be paid was overlooked.

Contestants entitled to commissions, then, are requested to turn in their receipt books so that the actual amount of money turned in by each can be checked.

Checks will be mailed as promptly as possible, probably within 24 hours, after the commission winner's receipt books are turned in.

The request that receipt books be mailed in is made only to avoid mistakes in the amount of the commission checks.

PINCHOT PLAN MAY BE LESSER OF TWO EVILS

That Is Way It Is Regarded Today by Fuel Experts Who Are Close to the Consumers

NOBODY PLEASED

Even Those Examining Plan Purely From the Consumers' End Are Not Entirely Enthusiastic

By J. C. ROYLE

New York, Dec. 1.—The success of the latest plan of Governor Pinchot for settlement of the anthracite strike depends on its being regarded as the lesser of two evils for both sides of the controversy. That it is the way it is regarded by fuel experts close to the consumers as well as to the fighting factions.

Neither side is entirely pleased with the proposal despite its acceptance as a basis for further negotiations by the miners and leaders in industry who are examining it purely from the consumers' end, are not enthusiastic over some of its provisions. The miners have consistently refused arbitration. The present plan puts any wage increase they may get in the hands of what amounts to an arbitration board. What the operators find displeasing in this proposal is that there is no provision for the board to consider a revision downward but only to rule on advances.

For the miners, the modified check-off proposed by the Pinchot plan is again, but it still lacks the "punch" it would have in keeping slow paying and recalcitrant union members in line were the dues collected by the companies without a voluntary assignment on the part of the miners. The operators do not like anything about the check-off. They maintain it would increase their bookkeeping expenses and make them the collecting agency for a fund extremely likely to be used against them.

The industrial and domestic consumers would be glad of assurance that the price of anthracite would not be advanced but they do not see exactly how Governor Pinchot is to keep the price of anthracite from advancing if laws of supply and demand increase in cost, in freight rates or other factors working against him.

Those same consumers did not fail to note today that in accepting the Pinchot plan as a basis for settlement President John L. Lewis expressly eliminated the one provision which would have been of immediate benefit to the public, that which provided for immediate resumption of mining during negotiations. According to Lewis' letter of acceptance, mining would be resumed only on conclusion of an agreement which may still be months away.

Thus none of the parties to the controversy is satisfied with the plan but each feels that perhaps worse might befall. It is sure that, with the strike in progress, many and varied legislative measures will be presented for action by Congress, or by the Pennsylvania solons. The operators certainly do not want Government operation or control of mines and some influential labor leaders have assured the writer that they do not favor nationalization of coal lands.

Some operators professed to recognize weaknesses in the speed with which the miners accepted the Pinchot proposal, after they had broken off negotiations so abruptly last summer. Other authorities, however, declared the operators' position was equally weak, since substitute fuels were coming into greater use daily.

Of these, oil is the most feared by the coal men. The danger to the coal men lies in the fact that a change to the use of oil for fuel is likely to be a permanent one.

SENATE READY TO PUT DAWES IN HIS PLACE

And If the Late Tom Marshall Spoke Truly About Vice Presidency It Isn't Much of a Place

DAWES NOT TAMED

First Efforts of Senate Rolled Off His Back But Eventually He May Be Utterly Worn Out

By ROBERT T. SMALL

Washington, Dec. 1.—Washington has been waiting a shock. It has been awaiting the arrival of Vice-President Dawes to preside over the session of the Senate.

General Dawes has been traveling the country over since last March, lambasting the Senate and its rules on every possible occasion. Now the Senate is ready to put the Vice-President in his place. And if one half the things the late Vice-President Marshall said are true, is not very much of a place after all.

General Dawes at the last extra session, despite the awful pace he made in that tardy ride down Pennsylvania Avenue, reaching the capitol too late to give the deciding vote for the confirmation of Charley Warren, of Michigan, as Attorney General. Although the Senate had much fun over the belated arrival of the "rate man" and various and sundry poems were read into the Congressional Record to lend immortality to it, the whole affair rolled off the General like water off a duck's back.

The extra sitting of the Senate was not of long duration. The Senate works slowly. It breaks a man by degrees. There is a long session and if General Dawes weathers it without exploding, with out "busting" wide open, it will be a surprise to his friends and to the close observers of the capitol city.

During the coming session General Dawes has got to sit in the presiding officer's chair and take his punishment. He will have no further opportunity to burst forth in a wild fury of denunciation such as made spectacular his inauguration on the fourth of last March. In the language of the street the general is "through" so far as the Senate chamber is concerned. His one opportunity in four years to speak his mind to his colleagues is behind him. The iniquitous rule which he has so roundly and soundly denounced from Maine to California do not permit the Vice-President to make any further speeches. He cannot even read the President's message. He cannot even get leave to "extend his remarks in the record." He cannot introduce a bill or resolution. Only on the rarest of occasions does the Vice-President have a right to vote to break a tie. General Dawes has had that chance, too, but unfortunately missed it.

All General Dawes can do, now is to call in the Senate to order and rule under the guidance of the Senate parliamentarian, on all points of order which may arise. The Senate has so arranged matters as well as to have the Vice-President. The incumbent Vice-President is likely to be arranged matters that he won't be bothered very much with the Senate either.

General Dawes learned in the first few days of his taking office that it was an extremely simple matter to turn the gavel over to a Senator and to retire to the private chambers, there to light a pipe and pace the floor contemplating the outraged order of things in general. There is no set plan on foot in the Senate to haze General Dawes.

There was a bit of an inclination in that direction during the closing days of the extra session but it has all disappeared. The Senate feels that general Dawes did not get any where in particular in his "campaign" during the summer for revision of the rules. The truth of the matter is that it is very difficult to arouse the people on an academic issue of this sort. The Vice-President went in to several states where Senators are to be elected next year and in that enthusiasm which followed his appearance some of the prospective candidates for reelection announced themselves in favor of a "reform" of the Senate rules. They did not say how far they would go, however. In fact General Dawes himself has not formulated a definite program of changes. Maybe he will before long but he will have to get some Senators or a group of Senators to sponsor his resolution and make the fight for him on the floor. So far as the Senate is concerned General Dawes is padlocked for the remainder of his term.

LET OFF WITH COSTS

Luther Palmer, white youth, was let off with the costs after a hearing in recorder's court Monday morning, on a charge of assault. It appeared that he had engaged in a trivial altercation with another youth.

Long Flight



Blanket denial on the part of the State's two main witnesses, the two young girls who were on a night automobile ride with Sam Duvall and Frank Chambers, that the defendants had made improper approaches toward them, or had committed any offense whatever against them, resulted today in dismissal of the case in recorder's court.

Duvall and Chambers were charged with a variety of offenses, including a capital crime against the younger of the two girls, as the outcome of an all night automobile ride here September 5, after which they fled precipitately from this city and were sought in vain by authorities in this State and Virginia until they came back voluntarily last Wednesday and surrendered themselves.

The charges against the two were the outgrowth of a statement by the younger girl the day after the ride, to the effect that she had been taken forcibly into the automobile, had been compelled to drink liquor, and had been assaulted. These statements were made in the presence of Police Officer Anderson and members of her own family.

On the stand today, the girl told quite a different story. She declared she had taken several drinks of "extract" at the home of Tom Copeland, in the vicinity of the cotton mill, and had attended to the safe near the depot to get supper, accompanied by the other girl, when they met Chambers. She said she was feeling dizzy, and they asked Chambers to take them to ride, in order that she might be in better condition to return home. Chambers, she testified, then saw Duvall, and all four got into Duvall's car. The girl asserted she rode with them under her full consent. She declared she wanted to go home, but was afraid her mother would whip her. Hence, she said, she offered no particular objection to remaining out all night.

The other girl corroborated her story in full, also denying that either of the men made improper advances or that any untoward incident occurred on the trip. She gave her age as 16. The other girl said she would be 15 in January.

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TWO DEAD IN FIRE AT LAKE CHARLES

Lakes Charles, La., Dec. 1.—Fire this morning caused two deaths and property loss here that may reach \$1,000,000. Hollis Vincent died in a hospital from injuries, and the body of William Guillotte, fireman, was found in the debris.

It is believed to have originated in the rear of a grocery store. About one third of a business block was wiped out before the flames were checked. Two men were removed to hospitals seriously injured.

PINCHOT DECLARES DECISION IS WAR

Dubois, Pa., Dec. 1.—Hard coal operators by rejecting Governor Pinchot's plan to end the anthracite strike have "turned down industrial peace and declared for war," said the governor today.

ACTION AGAINST PAIR WHO FLED IS DISMISSED

Young Girl Who Told Sensational Tale of Alleged Attack Repudiates Earlier Statements

ENTERS FULL DENIAL

Asserts on Witness Stand That Male Companions on Night of Auto Ride Offered No Offense

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FIRST BAPTIST HAS OVERFLOW CROWD MONDAY

Again Liberal Audience in Annex When Dr. Ellis A. Fuller Speaks on Evils of Modern Life

A RECORD CROWD

If Ever for Monday Night Service Any Church in City Had Such a Congregation Few Recall It

If ever such a crowd thronged to an Elizabeth City church on Monday night as that which heard Dr. Ellis A. Fuller preach last night at the First Baptist Church on "The Devil's Quest for a Soul" nobody in the congregation to whom a reporter for this newspaper spoke could recall it. Again as on Sunday gallery and auditorium were filled, and again there was better than a prayer meeting crowd in the annex.

The subject had been announced on Sunday, but all unknown to the preacher, a striking background had been painted for his message in the sensational arrests made in connection with the police raid on the residence of J. R. Ford on West Church street in the heart of the city's most exclusive residential section Monday night. Dr. Fuller had had a strenuous day, having spoken twice before, besides making a trip to Norfolk, and not having read the evening paper, knew nothing of the occurrence. His audience, however, did not share his ignorance of the raid, and undoubtedly the effect of his sermon was heightened by that circumstance.

"I am always hesitate," said Dr. Fuller, looking out over the great throng of people who had come out to hear him, "to announce a subject like this. I could never get the consent of my mind to countenance anything that would look like a play on the part of the church to the grand stand or that would heap the blame on the vaudeville stage. I would have you believe, then, in the beginning that I have invited you here with serious purpose to invite an hour's thought on your part as to some of the evils of the time that beset us, with a view to helping you to realize their prevalence and their seriousness, with the hope of suggesting a remedy for them."

"No Monopoly on Truth
"I have no monopoly on truth and I do not count myself infallible, but I am trying to preach the gospel as I see it and to give men an eternal hope that faded not. There are so many faded hopes, so many wasted or ruined lives, so many blighted ambitions for the which tears fall in torrents, and so many bleeding hearts, that I can not help be burdened that men should turn unto Him whose is the only name under which they can be saved."

"I am firmly persuaded that just as there is a God who rules the earth there is a devil who is always fighting against him. There is a subtle power abroad in the land attacking the souls of men and breaking the hearts of God's people as they see the havoc he has wrought. This power is striving cunningly and shrewdly and with a superhuman intelligence to bring to naught all the happiness and joy that God wants his children to enjoy.

"This power assumes varied shapes and forms. We see him first as the serpent in the garden. We see him described in the Book as the prince of the power of the air, and as the prince of this world, as taking on the habiliments of an angel of light and so seducing men and leading them unwittingly astray. We see him approaching the Master of the world, and ruler of the kingdoms of earth and inviting the very Son of God to fall down and worship him.

"But the most blood curdling description to my mind is that which we find in the fifth chapter of First Peter, which we read as our Scripture lesson a moment ago and in which he is pictured as our adversary, walking about over the earth and seeking whom he may devour. I believe that God's Spirit breathed into the mind of Peter when he wrote these words. For however persuasive and intelligent the devil may be at times, always he has the heart of a beast of prey; totally incapable of being moved by any appeal of justice or mercy or pity, or compassion or love. I believe that he has a definite program and purpose in the world and that today literally millions of souls are being caught in his snares and his nets.

"Satan No Simpleton
"Satan is no simpleton. His first concern is to disarm men, and you know that after you have disarmed a regiment you make it easy prey for defeat by a platoon. Satan first disarms a soul, he replaces faith with a doubt, and man is never so easy a victim of the devil as when faith in God wanes and doubt assails.

"I speak out of the travail of personal experience. Time was when I was debating with myself

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