

KELLOGG IS NOT EXPECTING GIVE WAY TO ANY ONE

Talk of His Resigning to Give Place to Ambassador Houghton Utterly Unfounded, Says Writer

HAUGHTON TO STAY ON

Will Not be Recalled as Ambassador and Though His Been Some Misunderstanding, Is Valued

By DAVID LAWRENCE

Washington, April 2.—Secretary of State Kellogg has no intention of resigning his portfolio. This information is pertinent at this time because of the publication of various reports in Europe to the effect that Ambassador Houghton's visit to the United States might be taken as the forerunner of his promotion to the highest place in the Cabinet.

Europe had come to the conclusion that because Mr. Kellogg as the American ambassador to Great Britain was elevated to the Secretaryship of State, the same might happen to Mr. Houghton. But there is to be no vacancy at the Department of State because Mr. Kellogg is in good health and has no desire to resign. Nor does Mr. Coolidge want him to do so.

The rumors arose because Mr. Kellogg felt it necessary to leave his desk for several days recently and go South.

It is important, on the other hand, to clear up the reasons for Mr. Houghton's visit to the United States. This correspondent has learned that Mr. Houghton was not summoned home as was generally reported but had expressed a desire to confer with the President and Secretary of State, and, of course, was told that he might come to Washington. But the initiative came from Mr. Houghton.

Naturally there were several matters on which Mr. Houghton sought the counsel and advice of his superiors and he had many things which he wished to bring forward to the attention of the Washington Government. One, for instance, was his view that the Department of State ought to waive its objections to the flotation in the United States of a loan to the German potash monopoly. Mr. Houghton through his residence in Berlin as the American ambassador to Germany became familiar with the potash situation and he has been besought in London by British and German interests to do what he could toward swaying the Washington authorities to lift the ban on loans. When Mr. Houghton returned here, however, he found that, contrary to some published reports, it was not Secretary of Commerce Hoover or Secretary Kellogg of the Department of State, who stood against the lending of money to governmental monopolies abroad, but that President Coolidge himself was adamant on the subject. He found that Mr. Coolidge had approved every single step taken by the Departments of State and Commerce in the long correspondence that has been going on with New York bankers relative to foreign loans.

CONDEMNED BANDIT TO ASK NEW TRIAL

Hartford, Conn., April 2.—Defendant in an attempt to get the United States Supreme Court to intervene in the execution of Gerald Chapman early next Tuesday his attorneys today turned attention to preparing a motion for a new trial. They will attempt to get a hearing on this motion tomorrow.

COMMISSIONER NAMED

Washington, April 2.—Carmel A. Thompson of Ohio was appointed by President Coolidge to be the special commissioner to survey the economic and internal conditions in the Philippines. The decision of the President to take this step, a White House announcement said, "follows the increased interest in Congress recently in regard to the Philippine Islands."

How Car Driver May Keep Within Limits Of The Law

City Auditor Snowden and City Attorney Leigh Assist in Compilation of Traffic Regulations for Benefit of Elizabeth City Autoists

By RALPH POOL Elizabeth City's ordinances regulating the operation of automobiles and other motor vehicles have just been painstakingly collected and classified by City Auditor John H. Snowden, in collaboration with Judge J. Hough Leigh, city attorney, and a representative of The Daily Advance. A survey of them is interesting in a number of ways.

The following article is the first of a series of two. Both will deal with various phases of the city regulations, and of the State laws on the subject. The second article will appear in tomorrow's issue of this newspaper. Nearly a week has been spent in the collection and interpretation of these motor vehicle laws, and they are as nearly authoritative as those who collaborated in the work could make them. Judge Leigh has obligingly given his interpretation of many obscure legal points in connection with them, and extreme care has been taken in preparation of the two articles. They are intended as an aid to the public, and especially to that large majority of automobile drivers who comply with the law, but are handicapped by unfamiliarity with it.

First of all we shall take up the matter of speed limits. The State law, which supersedes all city ordinances, sets the limit at 20 miles an hour in the residential section of any village, town or city. In the business section, a speed of 12 miles is allowed, and 15 miles an hour when passing any church or school, while people are entering or leaving.

Supplementing the State law, a city ordinance prescribes a speed of 10 miles an hour in crossing street intersections. At first glance, this appears to conflict with the State regulations, but Judge Leigh, city attorney, holds that in constitutional times the State law gives each municipality the right to make "reasonable street crossing regulations."

This last State mandate also provides the authority under which Elizabeth City's two "stop" corners are maintained. These are at the intersection of Main and Road streets, and at Main and Poindecker streets. A question of constitutionality of "stop" corners was raised after the passage of this State law, the Supreme Court later deciding in favor of them.

The State law also allows a maximum speed of 35 miles an hour on rural highways, except at road intersections and sharp curves. There, the limit is 15 miles an hour, if the driver's view is obstructed for a distance of as much as 300 feet in the direction of travel.

Hard on "Road Hogs" State motor regulations require further that when one driver overtakes another, the one overtaking must turn out to let the other pass, or else maintain a speed of 35 miles an hour.

The vexatious practice of some "pedestrians" in holding to the center of the highway, while themselves driving at low speed, and paying no heed to signals from behind, thus lays them open to prosecution in the courts.

Here is something of more than casual interest to the man who doesn't own a car: Section 29 of article 8 of the State highway ordinances provides that "pedestrians walking on highways shall keep to the left-hand side of the road."

The general practice in this part of the State, as any experienced automobile driver will testify, is for the pedestrian to walk on the right side of the road. This means that he is directly in the path of vehicles coming up from behind, and ordinarily is unable to protect himself from a careless driver.

Walking on the left side of the road, the pedestrian sees all approaching cars on his side, and is in comparatively little danger from those approaching him from behind, since they are normally to be expected to pass on the opposite side of the road from him.

In the event of an accident in which a pedestrian was run down by a motorist, the courts likely would be disposed in deciding the case to consider strongly whether the pedestrian had been walking on his proper side of the highway.

DAUGHTERS AMERICA MEET

The anniversary meeting of the Daughters of America will be held tonight at 7:30 o'clock at the Junior Order Hall. All members are asked to attend this meeting. There will be refreshments served and an interesting program rendered.

CONSENTATION DEFERRED ON SENATORIAL CONTEST

Washington, April 2.—The Senate consideration of the Brookhart-Stock Iowa Senatorial contest was deferred today until Monday.

CHARGES WILL NOT STAND IN CAPITAL VIEW

Shacklette's Plea Through Counsel for 30 Days in Which to Marshall Evidence Believed a Bluff

REQUEST IS GRANTED

Prison Board Ready and Willing to Hear Evidence From Any Sources as to Misconduct of Officials

Raleigh, April 2.—Words flew with the profanity of snow flake in the Northern blizzard in yesterday's hearing on Captain W. S. Shacklette's new famous "charges" or "information" before the prison board, but the net results of the day's proceedings were in direct keeping with the day, April 1. The only question was who the joke was on.

Through his attorney, J. W. Halley, the militant parson had much to say on such questions as the authority of the prison board to subpoena witnesses and to protect them from "intimidation or corruption" in connection with anything they might testify; the matter of the investigation ordered by the board on March 9 into the "activities and accomplishments of the welfare officer," who is Mr. Shacklette and the fairness of "opening the doors to all testimonial contributions with the understanding of any prison official and closing the doors at 10:30" and the general propriety of the entire investigation, but he had nothing at all to say on the information he lodged with the board earlier tending to incriminate Superintendent George Ross Pou and Warden J. H. Norman.

Even after the board had assured Mr. Shacklette that any convicts who might testify in the case would receive the full protection of the board, backed by the State, and that any information they might furnish would be kept secret from the officials against whom it might be directed, his attorney demanded 30 days to prepare his case. The board also, if present prospects materialize. Also, road paving projects between this city and Norfolk will have been completed. In all probability, giving an unbroken ribbon of hardsurfacing from Edenton to Norfolk—and for many miles beyond Edenton, if the road approaches to the bridge are paved also in the year ahead.

Thus, with Northeastern Carolina's link of the Atlantic Coastal Highway finished, and with a thoroughly modern hotel here, this city may reasonably expect a large influx of tourists, bound North or South over the new interstate road, it is declared. Besides indicating the route of the Atlantic Coastal Highway, road maps will inform the travelers that they may expect entirely comfortable hotel accommodations here, and that it is expected to prove an important factor in bringing them.

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ELK 'SPREAD' TONIGHT

A special Elk "spread" is arranged for tonight's meeting of the Elizabeth City lodge, at which officers recently elected will be installed. The meeting will begin at 7:30 o'clock, and all members are urged to attend. A menu that is even better than usual is promised.

Jerusalem As It Looks Today



Here is a picture of modern Jerusalem looking toward the Mount of Olives, with the dome of the Mosque of Omar rising in the middle distance. The mosque is believed to occupy the site of the Jewish temple of Biblical times.

Modern Hotel Should Pay Here From Start, Members of Group Behind Financial Campaign Say

Hundreds of motorists returning from winter vacations in Florida this spring, and stopping over in Norfolk for the night, have remained for many days, touring the country around that city, according to news dispatches. Members of the general hotel executive committee point to this as an indication of what Elizabeth City may expect when the proposed new hotel has been built.

Sewer Pumping Stations Run Selves Without Aid

Clean, Attractive and Odorless. Completed Plant on South Road Street Offers No Suggestion of Purpose for Which It Is Intended

A glimpse of the marvels of modern mechanics and engineering awaits any one who will visit the new sewer pumping station, now in operation just off South Road street, at the point where an unsightly drainage canal pours forth its noxious fumes for generations. The new plant is sleek and span—and it is odorless in appearance. It is not at all suggestive of its utilitarian purposes.

The operation of the pumps is controlled by a system of floats and chains run from the 20,000 gallon concrete reservoir, which forms a base for the pumping station. The sewage pours into this reservoir from main sewerage from all directions, and when the accumulation rises to a certain level, with the floats rising correspondingly, a switch is tripped, and the pumps are set in motion. Then, when the level of the accumulation drops to a specified level, the switch is released automatically.

These two pumps will force into the mains leading to Pasquotank River 1,800 gallons of sewage each minute, or 5,184,000 gallons each 24 hours. It is estimated that 100 gallons of sewage per inhabitant must be disposed of in that period. Hence, this station alone is prepared to meet the needs of a population of 51,840 souls.

Two other stations of like capacity are to be built here, under the program of the Utilities Commission, and one of those, situated on West Burgess street, is already under construction. When all have been finished, Elizabeth City will be prepared to take care of the needs of a population of 150,000 people, so far as pumping of sewage is concerned. Ample provision for a long time to come.

COTTON MARKET

New York, April 2.—The stock exchange is closed as Good Friday is being observed as a holiday. Therefore there is no cotton report today.

LENGLEN TO MARRY

Paris, April 2.—Suzanne Lenglen is engaged to be married to Jacques Bride Jones Offenbach, famous composer of "Tales of Hoffman," it was learned today.

MEEKINS DENIES DEFENSE PLEAS IN TRIAL CO-OPS

Overrules Motions to Dismiss Action on Ground of Fraud by Plaintiffs in Bringing Suit

HELD SIGNAL VICTORY

Ruling Came at Close Persuasive Argument by Sapiro and Plaintiffs Jubilant to Draw First Blood

Raleigh, April 2.—With the overruling by Judge Isaac M. Meekins of the two pleas in abatement filed by the defendant in the Federal Court action for a receivership of the Tobacco Growers' Cooperative Marketing Association, the plaintiffs won their first real victory yesterday afternoon. These rulings were followed, in short order, by a further ruling admitting to the 75 additional Virginia tobacco farmers represented by Colonel E. P. Butler, as parties plaintiff. Another decided blow to the chances of the defendant association.

The rulings were considered all the more in the nature of a victory since they came at the conclusion of what was considered by those who heard it a most persuasive, but convincing, argument by Attorney Aaron Sapiro, chief of counsel for the plaintiffs, upon some of the points involved in the judge's decision, or ruling. In fact, the judge interrupted the answer of Attorney L. L. Horton, of counsel for the plaintiff, to Attorney Sapiro's argument, to give his rulings.

The defendant moved to dismiss the action. Farmer et al against the Tobacco Growers' Cooperative Association for the reason that fraud had been practiced in procuring plaintiffs required to secure jurisdiction in this court. The motion is denied and the plaintiff excepts, the first ruling rendered. On the second plea in abatement, the motion is also denied.

The defendant moved to dismiss the action on the ground that the plaintiffs did not come into court with clean hands. The motion is denied and the defendant excepts. Then further: "In this connection, I want to say that there is nothing in the record that impresses me as justifying charges of nefarious, illegal or unethical practices against the counsel for the plaintiffs."

That was that, and the case dragged on. Practically the entire day was taken up with arguments, starting to cover only the point of the court's jurisdiction and taking in practically the entire scope of inquiry before they were concluded.

STATUS OF CRANFORD CASE IS UNCHANGED

Albany, April 2.—The status of the Cranford case remained the same today, with attorneys for both sides agreed that the former Stanley County convict superintendent would not be tried during the term of court. A quash motion and another to remove the trial to another county is still before the court.

WESTERN NEWSPAPER UNION PLANT DESTROYED BY FIRE

Charlotte, April 2.—Fire of undetermined origin today destroyed the plant of the Western Newspaper Union here. Although it has not been officially estimated, firemen believe that the damage will exceed \$100,000.

The Western Newspaper Union heads later placed their loss at \$150,000. The blaze was discovered at 5 o'clock and had gained considerable headway when it was discovered and all the fire fighting force was required to get it under control.

FINED FOR ASSAULT

Charged with assault on Annie Howell, Louise Spence was fined \$5 and costs in recorder's court Friday morning. Testimony of witnesses was that the two had had a squabble over Louise's husband, and that Louise had slammed Annie over the head with a stick and had scratched her neck. Both are colored. The scrap occurred on North Harney street Friday afternoon.

MRS. H. V. RHODES DEAD

Mrs. Hattie V. Rhodes, 44, wife of M. V. Rhodes, of South Mills, Camden County, died at her home there this afternoon of double pneumonia and complications after an illness of several weeks. She was a daughter of Anne S. Spence and the late Mary A. Spence, of Pasquotank County. She spent all her life either in Pasquotank or Camden counties and was well known. Eight children survive. One of the children and her husband, M. V. Rhodes, now are ill of pneumonia. Three sisters and two brothers survive. They are Mrs. G. W. Culpepper, Mrs. Maud Hill and Mrs. Minnie Addison, and Miles S. and Joseph H. Spence. Four grandchildren also survive. The funeral will be conducted at 2 p. m. Saturday from the residence at South Mills and interment will be in the family cemetery in Pasquotank County.

WETS AND DRIES IN SENATE ARE AT ODDS

Washington, April 2.—The Senate prohibition committee refused today to issue subpoenas for the 18 witnesses which the wets desired to have heard next week. The wets and dries in the Senate are at odds as to whether the Judiciary subcommittee is to summon all of the witnesses the wets want examined during the prohibition hearings next week. Senator Edge, Republican, of New Jersey, has submitted to Chairman Means a list of 25 witnesses, including police chiefs and marshals.