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### **GOVERNOR KITCHIN GRANTS PARDONS**

J. S. BECKWITH OF CUMBERLAND IS ONE OF THE LUCKY ONES -FIVE OTHERS.

#### HIS REASONS FOR PARDONS

The Governor In Granting the Six Pardons Cites Conditions of Health and of Conduct and Says Petitions Have Come From Many Sources.

Raleigh.—Six pardons were granted by Governor Kitchin and among these was one to Hillman High, of Wake county, who, in 1900, on being found guilty of forgery, was sentenced to six years on the roads. High hall forged the names of parties in Cedar Fork township to various orders for goods, and his pardon comes because nite shape. of his bad health, physicians saying that further confinement will endanger his life. He is required to be law-abiding and to give bond in the sum of \$500 for his appearance at the first criminal court of each fall and of his road. spring term of Wake Superior court for the next four years to show his good behavior while living in this

Another pardon is that granted to James S. Beckwith, of Fayetteville, sentenced in Cumberland at the May term, 1911, to eight months in jail, ings until some time next week. It for an assault with a deadly weapon, having shot and wounded a man after having been cursed by the man. While in jail he has given information which prevented the escape of another prisoner. He is a young man, a member of a prominent family, and his pardon was asked by many leading citi-

zens and officers. The other pardons were granted to William Henry Alston, of Halifax, four years for larceny, sentenced in sentenced in 1911, for larceny to two years on the roads.

#### An Increase in Wilkes County.

The new assessment of property for Wilkes county amounts to \$2,849,488, as compared with the 1910 assessment of \$2,158,175. The increase is \$691,313, or 32 per cent. In Somers township the increase was 78 per cent, while the smallest was 17 per cent in Union. The assessment of real estate for North Wilkesboro is 21 per cent, and for Wilkesboro it is \$288,727 with an increase of 32 per cent. The big good roads celebration planned for July 21 here, is expected to draw a large crowd and result in an active organization for the improvement of roads in this county. The Southern Good Roads train will arrive here on the date specified at two o'clock, and besides the speeches by the experts accompanying the train, the address of the day will be made by Congressman Robert N. Page, and Mr. H. B. Varner, president of the State Highway

Osteopathic Physicians Licensed. The annual examination and registration of the osteopaths of North ville township, the latter by a majority Carolina was held in the Guildford successful candidates making passing D. O., Fayetteville; William E. Crutchfield, D. O., Durham, and W. R. Munger, D. O., Salisbury. The officers elected for the coming year are as follows Dr. Elizabeth H. Tucker, construction of the road from Boon-Greensboro, president; Dr. E. J. Carson, of Fayetteville, secretary and

#### Gain In Franklinton Township.

I have just completed the town graded school and township tax list for Franklinton township. I find from whom fought the proposition from the best information that we have increased about \$200,000 in this town- and hence the necessity of another to speak about-only one or two who made complaints, and that was so propositions to that which has just small that it is not worth mentioning. carried in Burnsville.

Could Not Locate Owners of Still.

The revenue officers, K. W. Merritt and J. B. Jordan have been un-Lebanon township and ran across a proving the health of the county. He their belongings.

#### ON RAILWAY ASSESSMENTS

Report Will Soon Be Ready-Representatives at Commission office -Mr. Travis Out of City.

Raleigh .- At the Corporation Commission there was held an informal conference between the Commission and representatives of the Seaboard Air Line. Those present for the railroad were Judge L. R. Watts, general counsel for the Seaboard; Major John D. Shaw, of Rockingham; Mr. James H. Pou, of Raleigh; Mr. W. L. Stanley, of Portsmouth, general tax agent of the Seaboard; Mr. Murray Allen, of Raleigh, and Mr. B. S. Burgess, from the Portsmouth offices of the

This was not a formal hearing, and nothing was given out by either the Commission or the Seaboard attorneys. Chairman Franklin McNeill, of July 27; on the free list bill August the Corporation Commission, stated that while hearings on railroad assessments were nearly over definite figures could not be given out for some days. Early next week, however, railroad tax figures will be ready for publication in complete and defi-

Mr. L. T. Nichols, of Chester, S. C., superintendent of the Carolina and Northwestern Railway, was at the Corporation Commission office on business connected with the assessment

Mr. H. C. Stewart, county assessor of Harnett county, was a visitor at the Corporation Commission. Mr. Stewart has not made his final report on the Harnett county assessments, for the Board of Equalization in Harnett will not complete proceedappears, however, that the Harnett county valuations will show an increase of about forty per cent.

The new Commissioner, ex-State Senator E. L. Travis, who succeeded Mr. Henry Clay Brown, is out of the city, but will sit with the Commission at the next meeting.

#### The Tobacco Crop is Off.

Director C. B. Williams of the Experiment Station returned from Gran-1909; Arthur Huntley, of Guilford, ville county, where he inspected six months for robbery, sentenced in some experiment work the North Car-1911; Barney and Corbett Martin, of olina Experiment Station and the United States Department of Agriculture are carrying on at Creedmoor on tobacco wilt infested soils. He was accompanied by Dr. W. W. Garner and Mr. E. G. Moss of the United States Department of Agriculture. Director Williams reports that the tobacco crop on account of excessive dry weather is generally small and of a poor stand and that in the lower portion of the county the wilt is beginning to show considerable damage. It is estimated that the loss that will be sustained \$576,317, representing an increase of by tobacco growers in the section around Hester and Creedmoor will this year be at least twenty-five per cent of the crop due to the ravages of the tobacco wilt. The Experiment Station and the United States Department are co-operatively conducting field work at Creedmoor with an endeavor to produce commercially resistant strains of tobacco that will be suited to the Granville growers' markets and soils. Breeding and soil treatment of different kinds are in progress. It is planned to conduct some tobacco curing experiments near Creedmoor during August,

To Extend Black Mountain Railroad. At an election just held in Burnsof 180 to 2 directed the issuance of Hotel, the examination being given \$20,000 in township bonds to the Black by the State Osteopathic Board. The | Mountain Railway to insure its immediate extension to the county seat, grades were: Paul R. Davis, D. O., of The road is now in operation from Waynesville; Richard A. Shepherd, Galax, on the Carolina, Clinchfield and Ohio, to Micaville, a point perhaps five miles from Burnsville. It will be recalled that last fall the county voted bonds to aid in the ford, by way of Burnsville, to Cape River, in the heart of the county. and that work was at once begun. The directors, however, decided to make the starting point Galax instead of read. The commissioners, two of outset, refused to grant the bonds, ship. There has been no complaint election. Other townships it is under stood, will soon vote upon a similar

#### To State Oral Hygiene Movement.

Dr. L. V. Henderson is preparing to inaugurate an educational moveable to locate the owner of a big still ment in oral hygiene among the which they captured and the warrant children of the county that will withhas not been served. They were in out doubt be of great service in imbig still that had been suddenly mov- has ordered a text-book on this subed. It had been spotted before and ject, a copy of which will be donated the officers were prepared to swoop to every one of the fifty rural school down upon the makers of the whiskey. libraries in the county. He will offer When they came up it was gone, but one or more prizes for the best essay there were reminders of it. In their on care of the teeth written by a boy hurry to get away they did not take or girl in the public schools. He has planned a number of lectures.

## SENATE TO VOTE **NEXT SATURDAY**

VOTE ON WOOL BILL JULY 27; .. FREE LIST BILL AUGUST 1; OTHERS AUGUST 3.

#### DATES ARE SET FOR ACTION

Action on Statehood Bill August 7. May Be General Revision of Tariff Before the Close.

Washington.-The senate will vote on the Canadian reciprocity bill July 22; on the wool tariff revision bill 1; congressional reapportionment bill August 3; statehood bill for Arizona and New Mexico on the legislative day of August 7, and will adjourn quckly thereafter. This voting program, decided upon after prolonged conferences that have covered many days, was agreed to by thesenate.

All the measures mentioned have passed the house. President Taft was quickly acquainted with the senate's action and expressed his gratification, especially over the precedence to be given the reciprocity bill.

The house Democratic leaders are undecided as to whether they will agree to an adjournment upon the passage of the bill embodied in the agreement adopted by the senate.

Speaker Clark expressed the opinion that congress would not put up the shutters until about September 1. Chairman Underwood of the ways and means committee refused to commit himself. He seemed to be of the opinion that the Democrats would not insist upon action by the senate on the cotton revision bill, which will probably be reported next week.

It is known that Mr. Underwood is anxious for an adjournment immediately upon the passage by the senate of the reciprocity bill, the free list and wool bills and the reapportionment bill. He has taken the position that the house Democrats can elections, and the hoodlum who goes revenue cutter service, who commit- presented to the senate. afford to wait until the December session for action by the senate on the

Mr. Brantley and some other members of the ways and means committee insist that the Democrats should make their tariff record this summer. They declare that now is the accepted time. They point out that in the December session there will be a tremendous volume of general legislation aside from that tariff, and that accordingly the attention of the house will be diverted to some extent from proper consideration of measures in country. In my opinion we will soon amendment of the Payne-Aldrich law, devise a scheme that will give labor This question is now in conference among the Democratic leaders. They from a few greedy souls. Signs point are far from an agreement. chances are that the matter will be submitted to a party caucus.

If the advice of Chairman Under-Underwood prevail, congress ion." would remain in session far into the fall. Leader Underwood, with the support of the speaker, has generally had his way. The speaker's suggestion that congress may be in session until September 1 or therabouts, is understood to be based on the view that the house Democrats will insist on action on the statehood bill, whatever agreement may be reached be tween the two houses on other meas-

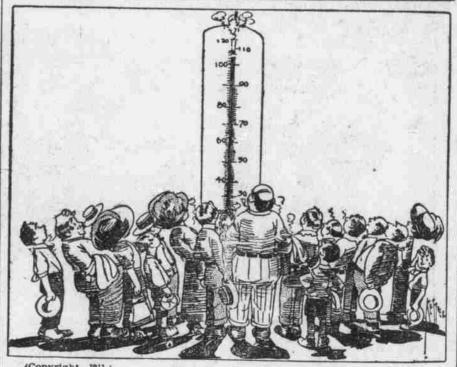
Senator Cummins, Insurgent of Iowa, after adjournment expressed conviction that despite the program, there would be general tariff revision Secretary Stimson said that while he before the close. He based his belief on the fact that the Democrats and Insurgents would stand together "at or near Boonford," as the contract and force amendments to the free list bill, adding wool, sugar, steel, cotton, etc., to that measure,

"At least we shall have legislative revision before we adjourn," he said. "I do not know what the president will do, but we will give bim chance to speak for himself."

#### Recover \$750,000 for Government,

New York-Three-quarters of a million dollars has been recovered from the concealed assets of Gaynor and Greene, who defrauded the government of \$2,000,000 in Savannah harbor dredging contracts in 1897. This was developed by inquiries at the department of justice. E. I. Johnson, an expert accountant, and United States District Attorney Marion Erwin of Savannah, Ga., are responsible for the recovery.

#### "GOING UP"



### HOODLUMS RUN ELECTIONS

SAYS HON, CHAMP CLARK IN A SPEECH BEFORE THE CHRIS-TIAN ENDEAVORERS.

Atlantic City, N. J .- With the big run against agents of the Alaska synaudience swayed to the tune of Dixie, dicate who defrauded the government Speaker Champ Clark was introduced through perjury to the extent of \$50, to a record throng on the million dol- 000, the house committee on judiciary lar pier as the principal speaker be- has determined to report favorably a fore the Christian Endeavor conven- resolution of inquiry offered by Del-

our own say at election.

"If I had one prayer that I was

"Hoodlums run nine-tenths of our tics are bad citizens.

good citizenship. I don't believe the that effect was permitted to remain mittee." United States is going to the dogs. no matter whether a Republican or a al's office for more than a year un-Democrat has the administration.

"The world in general is growing better and particularly our part of the the benefit of its toil and keep riches The that the change is in sight and the employer will soon share his profits with his workmen. The pension system already in force on most of the wood is followed, congress will quit big railroads puts to blush the sysin August, about the time set by the tem maintained by the United States count for \$1,133.10 of M. B. Morrissenate leaders. Should the will of government. This is not the age of sey employed by the syndicate, it is those who are opposed to the views of controversial, but of practical relig- claimed, to entertain government wit-

#### SECRETARY SIMPSON SAILS

Accompanied by His Wife He Will Inspect Panama Canal.

Washington.-Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson, with his wife and has sailed by the United Fruit liner Santa Maria to make an inspection is in the canal zone he will meet the fortification board and have a talk Frederick Dent Grant, commander of the department of the east; Col. Webb the ship in a launch from Governor's Island and gave the secretary and his party goodbye. He will be gone about a month. He will be foined later by Maj. Gen. Leonard Wood.

#### Violated "Jim Crow" Law.

Shreveport, La.-That a negro womwas ruled by Judge Blanchard in police court. Two negro women were cers by several white passengers. A senger, who claimed the women were traveling as maids to his daughter. kan investment.

So Charges Delegate Wickersham Be-

WICKERSHAM WAS BLIND

fore House Committee on Judiciary. Washington.-After secret considereration of charges made by Delegate Wickersham of Alaska that Attorney General Wickersham deliberately permitted the statute of limitations to egate Wickersham.

"There is no room in the United The resolution would call upon the States for a pesismist or an idler," attorney general to furnish the house he declared at the outset. "Any one with all documents, affidavits and teswho misses two general elections timony in his possession relating to ought to be disfranchised. Our fore- an affidavit submitted to him more fathers did not fight so we could sit than a year ago, and sworn to by H. at home. They wanted us to have J. Douglas, former auditor of the Alaska syndicate in 1908.

out and votes is a better man than ted suicide in Seattle on June 22, the tian citizen to take a hand in poli- production of the papers in the case, made for the senate. tics. These fine-haired citizens who and by John H. Bullock of the Sesner say they are too busy to enter poli- Coal company of New York. Through unacted upon in the attorney generlast May. Delegate Wickersham furgraphic copies of a letter an attorney for the Alaska attorney to D. R. cate. Jarvis admitting the expenditure of money to control government witnesses in the hazy murder trial in 1968, wherein an agent of the Alaska syndicate was accused of murdering laborers employed by rival interests

A photograph of an expense acnesses and jurymen in that connection also was submitted to the committee. This evidence Delegate Wickersham declared, also is in the possession of the attorney general. Delegate Wickersham urged on the judiciary committee the Douglas affidavit involving the representatives of the Northwestern Commercial company. one of the Alaska syndicate concerns, and the Sesnor Coal company

"On May 24, 1910," he said, "I sent Brigadier General Clarence Edwards, to Attorney General Wickersham a chief of the bureau of insular affairs, copy of the affidavit, calling his attention to the fact that the government had been defrauded of \$50,000 of the work on the Panama canal. by perjury and a combination of these two corporations in the sale of coal to the government for military post in Alaska. I asked him to make an over fortification plans, Maj. Gen. investigation and prosecute those people for the crime committed in that transaction. I received a letter of Hayes and Lieutenant Howze went to acknowledgment May 31, 1910, and we had considerable further corerspondence and on July 13, 1911, more than a year later, I received a letter from the attorney general stating that of the victims and the dates of the the statute of limitation had expired."

No Trace of Letter.

Cincinnati.-At the request of Presan cannot occupy a berth in a sleep- ident Taft the letter files of his broing car where there are white pas- ther, Charles P. Taft, were searched sengers even as a maid, in the state, for possible correspondence with the president, Richard S. Hyan or other persons regarding Controller Bay affairs or Alaskan lands. A statement bearing upon this subject in the revigorous protest was made to the ejec- motest degree was found, and that so tion of the negresses by a white past far as the files in Mr. Taft's office show, he has no acquaintance with fleed this part of the state water Mr. Ryan or any interest in any Alas- greatest presperity it has yet

## SECRETARY FISHER MAKES STATEMEN

TELLS INVESTIGATING BODY "DICK TO DICK" LETTER CAN'T BE FOUND.

#### BEFORE THE COMMITTEE

Says Department of Interior Probe Controller Bay Scandal.

Washington.-Secretary of the Interior Fisher was the star attraction when the house committee investigat-

ing the Controller Bay scandal met. Mr. Fisher told the committee that the now famous "Dick to Dick" letter was not in the files of the interior department, but if such a letter had disappeared from the files steps would be taken to recover it.

"I have a deep interest in this question, in view of the two points involved. First, whether anything has been done that the committee has learned of which will jeopardize the public interests in Alaska-that is, if anything has been done in my department which could be rectified now. I want to learn of these things, because it might be expedient for my department to take some immediate action.

"The second point in which we are interested concerns a letter, the existence of which, in my department, has been suggested by stories said to have been circulated by a Miss M. F. Abbott.

"We have searched the records in the department and have been unable to locate such a letter. We are particularly anxious to get all the information possible about this letter, because if any such document has disappeared we will take steps to recover it."

Secretary Fisher asked that Miss Abbott be placed on the stand as Delegate Wickersham startled the early as possible. He told the comsure to be answered, it would be that committee when he produced a copy mittee that his department copies all every citizen should acquire sufficient of an affidavit relating to an alleged documents relating to the Controller education to read his own ballot and criminal act committed by Capt. D. Bay affair to carry out the provisions cast it as an American citizen should. H. Jarvis of the Alaska syndicate, and of Senator Poindexter's resolution, formerly prominent in the government which calls for these papers to be

Chairman Graham requested Secthe citizen who fails to cast his bal. day following the introduction of the retary Fisher to send to the commitcotton revision bill and other tariff lot. It is the duty of every Chris- Wickersham resolution, calling for tee a duplicate of the copies being

"It is my earnest desire," declared Mr. Fisher, "to help this committee connivance of these men, it was in every possible way. We have no "The great question before the charged the government was defraud desire to protect anybody, or with-American republic is the question of ed on coal contracts and evidence to hold any information from this compa

Secretary Fisher then gave a detailed statement of the location of the til the statute of limitations expired Controller Bay lands, describing the three entries made by Richard S. Rynished the committee with photo- an, which, it has been alleged, Ryan took up for the Guggenheim syndi-

#### NEGROES URGE A REWARD

Alarmed at Many Slayings of Negro Women in Atlanta.

Atlanta.-Alarmed at the many murders of negro women during the past two years and the failure to apprehend the murderers, negro citizens of Atlanta are circulating petitions to the governor and mayor urging that suitable rewards be offered for the arrest and conviction of those responsible for these deeds of blood.

The work of getting signatures to these petitions is in charge of H. A. Rucker, former collector of internal revenue, and Rev. J. A. Rush, pastor of the Central Avenue Methodist church (colored).

On these petitions are signed the names of many of Atlanta's feremost citizens, and to the committee circulating the petitions several prominent Atlantans have expressed hearty sympathy in the movement undertaken by the negro citizens. One prominent attorney urged that a fund be raised by white citizens for running down the murderer, and offered to contribute liberally.

The petitions point out that within the past two years there have been seventeen murders of negro women, and that the hangman's noose has not been resorted to in any case. Names murders are given in them.

Finest Crops Evar.

Valdosta, Ga .- Almost without or ception this portion of south Georgia has the finest crops in its history This is true especially of corn, many fields in this and surrounding cour ties equaling those of the Ohio c Kentucky river bottoms. Cotton, e train on the appeal to the police offi. was made declaring that no letter and other crops are just as fine. the present almost ideal seaton e tinues, the record-breaking yields at