

## Much Interest in Co-op Cases

Messrs. Pittman and Crisp Main Cases Being Tried.

Much interest is being felt throughout the county in the case of G. H. Pittman vs. the Co-operative Tobacco Association, which is in progress in Greenville at this time. It is impossible for us to say at this time what the outcome will be. In our next issue we will print an account of the outcome, if the case has been settled at that time.

### Episcopal Auxiliary.

A regular meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary was held in the church Monday afternoon at four-thirty o'clock.

After the regular routine of business the program for the afternoon began with an article by Mrs. J. L. Shackleton on "Porto Rico" and the problems and needs of the Virgin Islands and the Canal Zone were also discussed. The topic of study for the month which has proved quite interesting is taken from "The Programme Presented" and is on "Latin America."

Several matters of importance were decided before adjournment. The next business meeting will be held on the second Monday in September and the social meeting, at which each member is requested to turn in two complete articles for the annual bazaar, goes to Miss Venetia Morrill on the fourth Monday.

### Miss Bynum Hostess.

Miss Mildred Bynum was hostess to a number of friends Friday morning when she entertained a delightful bridge party in honor of Miss Sarah Boyd of Mooresville.

The spacious veranda was tastefully decorated with quantities of gay flowers and three tables were arranged there for cards.

A refreshing beverage was served as the guests arrived by the charming hostess.

After several progressions the score was counted and as winner, Miss Guilla Astew received a lovely box of powder while the honor guest was presented with a dainty Madeira handkerchief.

Refreshments consisting of ice cream and cake were enjoyed. Miss Bynum's guests were:

Misses Sarah Boyd, Julia Wilson, Mary Barrett, Lula Dixon, Irma Joyner, Guilla Astew, Mesdames M. V. Jones, C. T. Dixon, Bryant, L. Loyd Horton, R. O. Laog and D. R. Morgan.

### Presbyterian Auxiliary.

The Ladies of the Presbyterian Auxiliary enjoyed a social meeting at the home of Mrs. C. C. Joyner Monday afternoon.

After a pleasant hour the hostess served delicious refreshments.

Revival services will begin at the Christian Church at Arthur Sunday night. Rev. Dr. Shambert, of Greenville, will do the preaching.

Mrs. R. B. Parker and daughter, Mrs. W. A. Hearn and Mrs. Lucile Parker who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Parker, returned to their homes in Farmville.

## Stearns Seen as Factor in Guiding Nation



WASHINGTON, D. C.—Frank W. Stearns, the Boston merchant and the new President's closest personal friend, has been referred to as the "Colonel House" of the Coolidge administration. He is expected to play a leading part in shaping legislative programs. Together with William M. Butler, Boston lawyer, and James B. Reynolds, Washington banker who hails from Massachusetts, the three are acknowledged as the new President's closest political advisors. The above photo is a very rare and intimate picture of the latter life of Stearns of unofficial Washington, taken just before the President Harding left on his Alaska trip. From left to right: Harding, Coolidge, Mrs. Harding, Will Ware, motion picture man, and Frank W. Stearns.

## With Other Bay Staters Stearns is Destined to Play Leading Part in Shaping Program.

Washington, D. C.—Is Frank W. Stearns, the Boston merchant and closest personal friend of the new president, to be the "right hand" man of the Coolidge administration?

In the opinion of many persons he is to be what Colonel House was to the administration of Woodrow Wilson. Some believe that he is destined to play an important part in shaping of a legislative program—others, who have been watching him with critical eyes, fear that he may become an "administration nuisance."

During the first few days following the elevation of Coolidge to the presidency, Stearns was seen constantly in and out of the executive suite. He enacted the role of major domo around the presidential hotel. It was during this period that, in order to arrange an audience for Justice Sanford of the Supreme Court, who had called; Stearns intruded on a Cabinet conference the president was holding, President's First Caller.

The Boston merchant was the first caller to enter President Coolidge's office at the executive mansion after the new president took up his new duties. He has been both with Coolidge almost continuously since he arrived in Washington following Harding's death.

Frank Waterman Stearns is well known in his own state. He is chairman of board of directors of R. H. Stearns Company, the great Boston department store founded by his father, and for years has been the strongest political advisor of Calvin Coolidge.

Stearns is trustee of Amherst College, from which the President was graduated; a director of the Children's and Homeopathic hospitals of Boston, South End House and Bunker Hill Boy's Club, a member of the executive committee of the American Trust Company and of the investment committee of the Provincial Institute of Savings in the town of Boston, a member of the Congregational Church, the Chi Psi fraternity and the Massachusetts, Middlesex, Algonquin, Brae Burt Country and University Clubs.

While Republican leaders are holding many political conferences which are the order of the day in Washington, they are

wondering how much help this "right hand" man will give the Chief Executive during the next ten months, the brief time which Coolidge has to write a record of achievement, before the next Republican Convention.

Many observers around the executive mansion attached considerable political importance to the fact that Stearns brought additional influence and support of the President with the visit of the Massachusetts Republican organization behind the new administration.

Political leaders also see significance in the fact that it is believed that William M. Butler, Boston lawyer, and intimate friend of Stearns, will be named Attorney-General if Attorney General Daugherty resigns, as is looked for. Butler lately became Republican National Committeeman when Secretary of War Weeks retired.

Together with Butler, and James B. Reynolds, the Washington banker, who also hails from the Bay state, the three are acknowledged as the new President's closest political advisors. It is expected that they will help develop and put through a program fashioned after the New England business plan.

Taking into consideration the President's three advisors, and with the executive support, the speaker of the House, Gillette, Weeks in the Cabinet, Winslow, Greene, Treadway and Rogers as House leaders, and Lodge in the Senate—Massachusetts is in an excellent position to get what it wants before Congress.

With these developments Boston is fast becoming the Hub of the political wheel—and the hand of Frank Waterman Stearns is seen spinning it a round.

### A Western Feature.

J. P. McGowan returns to the Rialto Theatre this Saturday in his newest Playgoers feature, "The Hills of Missing Men," which is a western melodrama telling an unusual story of a man who dreamed of conquering power. It is said to contain a gripping plot and thrills galore.

### Rialto Puts on Extra Night.

Beginning Friday August 31st, The Rialto Theatre is to open every Friday evening with some extra comedy feature and good western picture.

## Sea Film Real He-Man Story

"Masters of Men" Is Drama of Life Before Mast on Board Old Time Sailing Ship

A real he-man picture is coming to the Rialto Theatre on Monday and Tuesday, a picture with a punch, according to critics who have seen it. It is a stirring, vivid tale of the sea, pictured from Morgan Robertson's famous novel, and the first time these sailing ships and the destruction of Cervera's fleet of Santiago, is faithfully retained by Vitagraph, the producers.

The picture tells how Dick Halpin, an American lad, ran away and enlisted in the Navy in order to protect the brother of the girl he loved from a charge of theft. This boy, with all his sensitive ideals outraged by the circumstances which turned the theft upon him, repelled against discipline at first, but as he learned how to fight a man's fight and won the respect of his superiors his development into a true man became apparent.

While on shore Dick and Lieut. Breen, his commanding officer, are shanghaied on board a sailing ship bound for the Southern seas. Capt. Bilker, a master of the most cruel and brutal kind, was in command. The mates under him were as cruel as Capt. Bilker. The young men were beaten and flogged and endured bad food and worse quarters.

A passing ship signaled that the main had been blown up in Havana Harbor on Feb. 15, 1898. Capt. Bilker tricks Lieut. Breen into revealing himself as a U. S. Navy officer by ordering him to run up the signal pennants. Upon this discovery, he tries to shoot the lieutenant, but Breen gets the better of him and takes command of the ship. Dick is made First Mate.

The young men reach their ship in time to take part in the destruction of the Spanish fleet at Santiago, and in the end are reunited with the girls they left behind them.

The casting of the types of sailors on board the sailing ships is perfect, according to critics. Braint Capt. Bilker is played by Jack Curtis and "Pie" Jones the mate by Dick Sutherland, said to be the most brutal looking man on the screen.

The four principal roles are played by fan favorites. Earle Williams appears as Lieut. Breen, Alice Calhoun as Mable Arthur,

## Flaherty Re-elected As Head of K. of C.



James A. Flaherty was re-elected Supreme Knight of the Knights of Columbus at Montreal convention. He has been Supreme Knight fourteen years and has been returned unanimously eight times.

## Falkland News.

Mrs. Harrington and her two children, of Norfolk, Va. are the guests of Miss Anna Little.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Gorham Crisp left Tuesday afternoon for Tuscaloosa, Ala., where Mr. Crisp will resume his work as one of the coaches at the University of Alabama.

Mrs. Blanche Weeks and Miss Lucy Moore of Farmville, and Miss Mattie Moore of Rocky Mount were the guests of Mrs.

Mr. Jeniss Morrill Jr. has returned from Atlanta, where he attended the Convention for the Deaf.

Mr. L. S. Crisp of Kinston spent the week-end at his home here.

The many friends of Mrs. Trip are glad to note that she is at home again after an operation in Park View Hospital in Rocky Mount.

Mrs. G. V. Smith, of Greenville, was a recent visitor in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Marshland er had as their guest for a few days last week Mrs. Arthur Evans and her small daughters, of Greenville.

Mrs. Susan Robertson and her daughter, Mrs. P. G. Mayo, are spending some time at Seven Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. and Mrs. H. C. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Pittman and children, and Mr. K. R. Wooten have recently made enjoyable trips to Pamlico Beach.

Sunday was a notable day for Falkland, for the new church was used for the first time on that day, although the formal opening service will not occur until some time later. Sunday School and Christian Endeavor services were held in the church Sunday, and much happiness was manifested over the completion of the new house of worship. The C. E. service was led by representatives from the Men's Bible Class of the Farmville Presbyterian Church, and was so carried on that all who were present felt that "It was good for them to be there."

On Friday night, August 24th, the Christian Endeavor will give an ice cream supper in the school building, the proceeds from which will go into the new Church Fund.

Cullen Landis as Dick Halpin and Wendell Hawley as Bessie Fleming.

## Co-Operative Tobacco Market Opens in Farmville.

Last Tuesday witnessed the opening of the Farmville Co-operative Tobacco Warehouse. As yet, not much business has been done, due to the lateness of the season and the heavy crop.

### Order of Eastern Star.

The local Order of the Eastern Star held its regular meeting Tuesday evening.

The Treasurer reported all pledges and bills paid in full and a balance in the treasury.

The adoption of one of the sisters in the Greensboro Eastern Star Home was discussed and Mrs. J. M. Hobgood appointed to communicate with the Home Committee.

The Worthy Matron, Sister Alice Parker, has been recently appointed Deputy Grand Matron of the Second District and the Chapter pledged its support to her at this time.

A splendid talk on the Orphanage at Oxford was given by Mrs. C. S. Rountree.

### KNOW NORTH CAROLINA.

North Carolina in the past year has paid into the Federal Treasury \$125,000,000.

Those who view the state debt with alarm should get a pleasant reaction by regarding the latter figure, too. A state that is taxed by the Federal Government for a great deal more in a year than

proaching bankruptcy. Gilliam Grissom, the collector of internal revenue, announces the figures paid into the Federal Treasury for the year, and calls attention to the fact that they are larger than those of California, the seventh state in the Union last year in amount of Federal tax paid, when this state stood eighth.

This huge sum that North Carolina has furnished the central Government was a levy on North Carolina production. It was paid out of the earnings of factories in this state, operated by capital, labor and materials that largely originated within the state. These resources are not ephemeral and they are assets of North Carolina that guarantee that the state was not pursuing an unsound policy in investing in the further development of its territory.—High Point Enterprise.

### Death of Mrs. Calvin Joyner.

Mrs. Florence Enford Joyner, wife of Mr. Calvin Joyner, died at her home near Tyson's Church, Monday morning, at 5 o'clock, after an illness of several months.

She leaves besides her husband, six children, and one brother, J. G. Fulford, and four grand-children.

Mrs. Joyner was forty-four years old. For several years she had been a member of the Free Will Baptist Church. The funeral services were conducted Tuesday afternoon by Rev. C. T. Thrift of Farmville. The burial was in the family burying ground near her home.

### Card of Thanks.

We take this method to express our appreciation to those who were so kind and thoughtful during the sickness and death of our beloved wife and mother.

Calvin Joyner and family.