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## Charges Of Liquor And Women Made by MacLean In Adjournment Debate

### Rep. McLean Urges Adjournment if Agreement Isn't Reached This Week.

Raleigh, May 6.—Charges of "too much liquor and too many women" as factors in the general assembly revenue deadlock flared up again yesterday as the center of battle shifted dramatically from senate to house.

The charges were voiced by Representative A. D. McLean as he spoke fervently for the resolution born during the morning at a caucus of his followers, for the reappointment of the house conferees with instructions to bring in a revenue measure providing for state school support without ad valorem tax, or failing in that by Friday, that the house support a resolution to adjourn sine die.

Representative McLean said nothing more, in fact, less, than was being widely talked throughout the Capitol and hotels, but last night there were reverberations in the form of plans for a sweeping investigation of the charges by a joint legislative committee.

The contemplated investigation would also embrace "rumors" of "buying votes" spread when the senate reversed its first action on the conference report containing the luxury tax and which were alluded to yesterday by Representative MacLean and have been previously alluded to by Senator Johnson, of Duplin, and Representative Connor, all three stating that they did not believe the rumors.

Meanwhile the revenue impasse continues.

In the confusion of defeating the conference report 24 to 25 in the senate Monday night, no one remembered to officially inform the house of the action, and it was not until yesterday that the upper house finally got around to messaging the representatives that it had killed the report, which in effect was the revenue bill, and that it was returning the matter to conference. The house did not receive the message yesterday and the conferees have not yet met.

The house, in the resolution presented by its majority, held out for the pure MacLean principle, with the additional stipulation that should its conferees who would be reappointed, be unable to bring in such an agreement by Friday, that it support a resolution to adjourn sine die.

As no appropriation bill has been passed, this makes a special session necessary in the immediate future if the wheels of state government are to continue after June 30 when present appropriations expire.

Although the rules were suspended for immediate adoption of the resolution by vote of 60 to 30, indicating clearly the holding of the MacLean lines, the vote was postponed at the instance of Mr. MacLean himself who conducted his explosive address with a declaration of his willingness for the house to "sleep over the matter," and a motion for adjournment until noon today.

The MacLean speech came after an impassioned plea from another house leader, Connor, of Wilson, one of the conferees who signed the report containing the luxury tax, that the house not pass the resolution but approach the crisis in a spirit that would admit of compromise.

With tears in his eyes, a strange huskiness in his voice, the grizzled veteran of many legislatures pleaded with the assemblymen to "quit acting like children."

Mr. Connor particularly inveighed against the sine die adjournment phase of the resolution, and it was in answer to that that Representative MacLean began the speech destined to become historic.

"I think he has overestimated the intention and effect of the resolution. The members have not, in my judgment, lost their equilibrium. They know, insofar as it is humanly possible, what they are about."

With silence even more pronounced than that which normally accompanies the utterances of the gentleman from Beaufort, hanging over the house, Mr. MacLean reviewed the events leading up to the present crisis. He alluded particularly to the majority of one always mustered in the senate to defeat his plan.

"So it has gone on. Whenever a crisis comes, somebody is always induced to go over. I take no stock in rumors they are being bought and sold, but something is happening."

"It is being talked about here and elsewhere in North Carolina that members are being bought. Personally I think it is a case of too much liquor and too many women. I have been told that it is so in some in-

stances," he asserted. "I don't interpret this action as running away. Twice have we approached the senate. Now we seek a third trial. "The resolution does not say surrender anything. It simply means that we shall go home and sober up, and the governor would be obliged to call a special session in 20 days. "It is not turning your tail to any responsibility," he thundered.

Once before this session the utterances of the Beaufort legislator have been spread over the state in what the layman calls box car type. That was following the governor's message against any form of sales tax. Then, in close connection with the governor's name he declared that anyone who praised in one breath the gas tax and in the next condemned any form of sales tax was a "damned ass."

The governor had done that the day before, but Mr. MacLean later stated publicly that he did not mean it as a direct reference.

Yesterday he amplified rumors, first brought upon the floor of the assembly by Senator Rivers Johnson Monday night, and alluded to by Representative Connor in the house yesterday. Both Senator Johnson and Representative Connor stated emphatically that they took no stock in such rumors, as did Mr. MacLean in so far as the rumors concerned "buying and selling."

A resolution which Senator Lee L. Gravelly yesterday tentatively prepared with a view to introduction today calls for the appointment of an investigating committee of two senators and three representatives. The committee would have full power of summoning witnesses and punishing parties found guilty. It would be empowered to sit and to carry on its investigation anywhere in the state. It would provide that Representative MacLean and Senator Johnson be called upon to testify as to the sources of their information.

Strenuous efforts were being made last night by members of the senate and others to persuade Senator Gravelly not to introduce his resolution, but the Nash senator indicated that he was inclined to stick to his guns.

## Fall Looks To Hoover

### Former Secretary of Interior Will Not Appeal Case.

Three Rivers, N. M., May 4.—Albert B. Fall looked to President Hoover today for a pardon as his only avenue of escape from a sentence of a year in jail and \$100,000 fine on conviction of accepting a bribe from E. L. Doheny, oil man.

The former Secretary of the Interior announced yesterday he would not again appeal his sentence by a District of Columbia court in which he was found guilty on charges growing out of the leasing of naval oil reserves.

Mr. Fall, interviewed at his ranch here after action of the court of appeals at Washington, said his attitude toward a presidential pardon was largely passive.

"I am an old man," he said. "I am not guilty of the crime of which I was accused. I had fought until I am worn out, and considerations for my family impel me to carry the fight no further."

He said he had no money with which to pay the fine and explained he had lost ownership of the ranch on which he lives, when a mortgage was foreclosed several years ago.

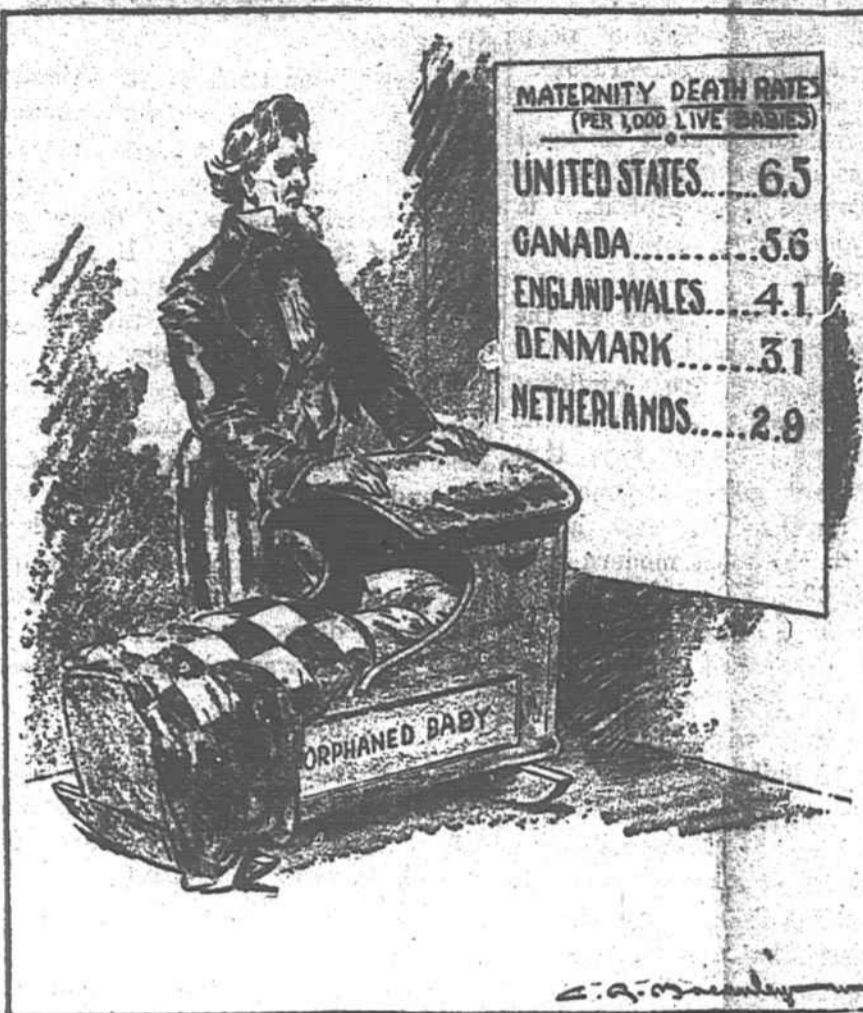
Three hundred and fifty hogs were sold last week by Edgecombe County farmers. The hogs weighed 68,084 pounds and brought the growers a total of \$4,801.26 in cash at the car door.

## Howdy, King!



King Prajadinipal of Siam is in this country to see an eye doctor.

## Facing Facts on Mother's Day



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UNCLE SAM is troubled—sixteen thousand mothers every year fall to answer roll call on Mother's Day. They lost their lives performing woman's greatest duty, maternity. Of these sixteen thousand, two-thirds could be saved by adequate maternity care, according to leading health authorities. The Maternity Center Association, a philanthropic organization supported by voluntary private contributions, located in New York City, supplies information, without cost on the subject of maternity care. Public spirited citizens are trying to make Mother's Day mean a better chance for expectant mothers everywhere.

## A Bill To Be Entitled An Act To Regulate Lobbying

### THE THREE C'S OF ACCIDENT PREVENTION

The key to automobile accident prevention is in the hands of individual drivers. There is a point where even the best traffic laws become inoperative. At this point the individual must take up the work. Care, courtesy, common-sense—these are the three C's of accident prevention which are not covered by law.

The majority of accidents occur when they are violated—Each year such violations mean death to 30,000 people, to say nothing of a vast sum in property damage.

Last year, according to the Travelers Insurance Company, the largest single cause of accident was failure to give right-of-way—with accounted for 31 per cent of all mishaps and 15 per cent of all deaths. Foolhardiness, coupled with discourtesy, is strewn death along the highways. The driver who cuts in and out of traffic—who drives on the wrong side of the road—who drives at an excessive speed—is a menace to the life and property of all who use the public roads.

Traffic laws should be improved and modernized to the greatest degree. But after that is done, the rest is principally up to the individual driver. He will decide whether or not his horrible toll in human life increases or decreases.

Wheat and soybeans grown on four and one-half acres of land has netted H. H. Atkins of Wake County a total of \$246.50 in addition to the soybean hay and wheat straw used on the farm and 70 bushels of wheat that will be milled for home use.

## Two State Bodies Meet Here In May

### Plans Made for Annual Conventions of War Mothers and of N. C. Optometric Assn.

Raleigh, May 5.—Raleigh will be host to two State-wide conventions this month, it was learned at the Chamber of Commerce offices. On May 12, around 50 delegates to the State meeting of American War Mothers will arrive here for their annual meeting. The American Legion and Chamber of Commerce are co-operating in providing entertainment and housing for the visitors while here.

On May 20 to 21 the North Carolina Optometric Association will be in session here with headquarters at the Sir Walter Hotel. Around 75 visitors and delegates are expected here for the meeting. Dr. A. G. Spangler is in charge of local arrangements and is being assisted by the Chamber of Commerce.

Robert Ruark will welcome the visitors to the city, and John E. McDonald is chairman of the committee on entertainment which is cooperating with representatives of the two organizations in arranging details for the meeting here.

## Text of Hardy Anti-Lobbying Bill Passed by Senate May 1.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That every employer of a person to act as agent, attorney, or counsel to promote or propose in any manner the enactment by the General Assembly of any legislation intended to affect the pecuniary interest of any individual, association, or corporation, as distinguished from the interest of the whole people of the State, or to act in any manner as a legislative counsel, attorney, or agent in connection with any such legislation, shall, prior to the performance of the service contemplated, cause the name of such representative of agent to be entered upon a legislative docket provided for said purpose, together with the compensation paid or agreed to be paid.

Sec. 2. That prior to entering upon the duties of the employment contemplated by Section one of this act, every person employed as agent, attorney or counsel for the purpose enumerated in Section one hereof shall register in his own proper name in the legislative docket or register provided by the General Assembly for such purpose, which register or docket shall disclose the employer or person or corporation represented by the person so registering, and further show the compensation paid or to be paid for the services to be rendered by such person registering.

Sec. 3. That it shall be unlawful for any reason, employed for a pecuniary consideration to act as legislative counsel, attorney, or agent, to go upon the floor of either house of the General Assembly reserved for the members thereof while in session, except upon invitation of such house.

Sec. 4. That the Secretary of State shall cause to be prepared and supplied for uses provided in this act the legislative docket and register provided by this act; and that the same shall be and remain in the office of the Secretary of State and open at all times for public inspection.

Sec. 5. That any legislative agent, attorney or counsel violating any provision of this act, and any employer violating the provisions of this act, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be fined not less than fifty nor more than one thousand dollars, or imprisoned not exceeding two years, or both.

Sec. 6. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 7. That this act shall be in force from and after the date of its ratification.

This bill passed the Senate May 1st, 1931.

## ALFONSO RETURNS FRENCH RETREAT

Fontainebleau, France, May 8.—Former King Alfonso of Spain, who arrived from England yesterday, spent a large part of today receiving visitors. Among the many callers was Count Quenones de Leon former ambassador to France.

The exiled monarch also found time to walk in the forest of Fontainebleau and to go for an auto ride. His family attended mass in an improvised chapel in the hotel Savoy.

## Kinston Now Has 2 Banks

### North Carolina and the Branch Chains Both to Have Units There.

Kinston, May 6.—Both the North Carolina Bank and Trust Co., Greensboro, and Branch Banking and Trust Co., Wilson, will open units here at 9 a. m. tomorrow.

State Banking Commissioner Hood late today granted the permission which insures Kinston two banks to replace the three closed during the last ten days of April, one as a result of frozen assets, one as a result of a run and one as the result of steady withdrawals.

The North Carolina Bank will occupy the quarters of the defunct National Bank of Kinston, the Branch Bank, the quarters of the Farmers and Merchants in the latter's six story building. Kinston has been without banking facilities for a week.

The chamber of commerce and other interests have been wrestling with the problem since the last institution in the city collapsed last Thursday morning. Commissioner Hood has been here during the past few days.

C. A. Kramer, who has been at New Bern, will be cashier of the Branch unit. Gordon C. Hunter, of Greensboro, will be cashier of the North Carolina unit.

Commissioner Hood issued a statement in which he announced H. D. Bateman, of the Branch Banking & Trust Co., had been appointed local liquidating agent for the Farmers and Merchants Bank. The Branch Bank will make available "sufficient money to immediately pay off the borrowed money of the Farmers and Merchants Bank and pay all preferred claims, thus releasing considerable credit in the community," he stated. The Branch Bank has agreed to purchase the expensive furniture and fixtures of the local bank.

The news that Kinston will have two new banks immediately was the best news the business community had had in a hectic, uncertain week, during which one element clamored for the Greensboro institution and another for the Wilson. Still a third element asked for both, without great hope of getting it wish. The commissioner's action made all three supremely happy.

## AL CAPONE OBJECT OF POLICE SEARCH

Chicago, May 8.—The search for Alphonse Capone went on today, and officers served notice there would be no welcome if the gang chief offered to surrender.

Harking to earlier occasions when the authorities have pursued Capone, Pat Roche, chief investigator for the state's attorney's office, said:

"Capone is not going to dicker with us through his attorneys. He seems to think he can dictate in terms. We'll get Capone ourselves and make our own terms. Roche wants to ask Capone what he knows of the mysterious disappearance of "Mike De Pike" Heitler, notorious vice leader. A charred body found in a burning shack near Barrington, Ill., has been identified tentatively as that of Heitler, though no positive identification has been possible.

Twenty farmers in Catawba county will make a business of their farming operations this year. Accurate records of cost and production will be kept and a check made of the work when the crops are harvested.

## Advertising Real Estate Delayed

### Co. Commissioners Postpone Sale of Land for Delinquent Taxes Until October 1.

Members of the Board of County Commissioners in regular monthly session at the court house in Greenville Monday decided not to advertise real estate for sale until October 1. The advertising of the property had originally been set for May 5.

This will give property owners more time in which to make settlement of their delinquent taxes, and is in accordance with recent action of the State General Assembly, giving commissioners the power to delay sales.

The commissioners will meet in adjourned session Monday to consider the question of revaluation of property. Just what action will be taken in this connection is a matter of considerable speculation at this time. It was said, however, that action will be largely influenced by what the State Legislature does in the matter during the week.

These two questions were the most important taken up by the commissioners Monday, and attention of routine matters occupied the major part of the meeting.

## Farmville High School Hold Closing Exercises

### SUMMER SCHOOL 1931 EASTERN CAROLINA TEACHERS COLLEGE

Contrary to its usual practice East Carolina Teachers College is planning to divide its summer quarter this year into two terms. The advance applications already indicate that there will be a full number enrolled, and it is expected that all departments of the college will be in operation. The teaching force will consist of members of the regular faculty.

The first term of the summer school will open on Tuesday, June 9th, and close on Wednesday, July 15th; the second term will open on Thursday, July 16th, and close on Friday, August 21st. A student may enroll for the entire quarter or for either of the two terms as desired.

All classes will meet six days per week in order to complete a three quarter hour course during each term. Students will be permitted to carry a maximum of three full subjects each term for a total credit of nine quarter hours per term.

Arrangements have been made to conduct the usual training school for practice teaching during the summer in each of the elementary grades. This college has always maintained the same high standard of work in the summer school as during the other quarters of the school year, and many teachers who are already employed avail themselves during the summer of the opportunity to improve their skill in teaching, to raise the grade of their certificate, and to work toward graduation from a regular college course.

The Director of the summer school, Dr. Leon R. Meadows, says that in spite of the present economic condition and the somewhat unsettled condition of the educational machinery in the state he believes the summer school at Eastern Carolina Teachers College this year will enroll a large number. Advance enrollments at the present date for the summer school are in excess of the number in hand at the corresponding date last year. He has been making very careful plans for the summer school, working out an attractive curriculum, and getting in touch with school officials and teachers in the Eastern portion of the State.

## Earthquake In Alabama

### Shocks of Considerable Intensity Recorded in Birmingham District.

Birmingham, Ala., May 5.—A slight earthquake was felt here early this morning. Reports from as far south as Montgomery and as far east as Leeds say the tremor was felt in those places. The disturbance lasted approximately ten seconds, starting off with a slow slight rumbling tremor or with the most severe shock at the last. Windows and dishes rattled and people were awakened in Birmingham but no reports of damage have been received.

The tremor grew in intensity, appearing to be centered in the vicinity of Collman, north of here, where a telegraph operator reported the shock lasted 30 seconds. At Lay Dam and Clanton, south of here residents reported the shock was felt, continuing for several seconds.

The dispatcher's offices of the Louisville and Nashville railroad, the Southern and the Alabama Great Southern railroads said stations along their lines reported the tremors.

Newspaper offices here were swamped with telephone calls following the shock which at first was believed to be a mine explosion. Today's tremor was the second felt in the Birmingham district in the past decade. Records here show a similar disturbance occurred 12 years ago.

## A Skirted Lindy



Ruth Nichols thinks a woman can fly the Atlantic as well as anybody. She's nerry.

## Dr. Gillespie, of Greensboro, Preaches Baccalaureate Sermon to Farmville Graduates.

Giving forceful illustrations of how Jesus went about doing good, and three practical ways of following in His footsteps; "by lifting up the fallen along Life's highways, bearing each other's burdens, and bringing souls to the knowledge of Jesus," Dr. E. A. Gillespie of Greensboro, secretary of the Home Mission Work of the Presbyterian Synod of North Carolina, preached the baccalaureate sermon to the graduating class of 12 young ladies and 9 young men, and to a capacity audience in Perkins' Hall Sunday morning at 11:00.

Taking his text Paul's charge to the Galatians, "As we have therefore opportunity let us do good," Dr. Gillespie made very clear his point of salvation coming only through the atonement of Jesus, and not by good works, but admonished his hearers to build in materials of gold and silver on the foundation of Christ Jesus, saying that the stars in the crowns of the saints are emblematic of service and good deeds done here on earth.

Dr. A. S. Venable, pastor of the Presbyterian church, and president of the ministerial board, conducted the service and introduced the speaker. Rev. Ford A. Burns of the Baptist church read the Scripture lesson, and Rev. H. L. Hendricks, Methodist pastor, offered prayers. Special anthems were rendered by the combined choirs of the town, with Mrs. Haywood Smith as director and accompanist.

The closing exercises of the school began with the Senior play on Wednesday evening and the musical on Friday evening, the latter being given by piano pupils of Mrs. Haywood Smith.

Class Day Exercises The Farmville High School formally closed its 1930-31 session Monday evening, when the class day exercises were held, diplomas presented and awards made. The session is considered as one of the most successful and the class of 21 members is one of the largest in the history of the school. The event also marked the closing of the first year of the superintendency of Robert E. Boyd of Charlotte.

The class day exercises took the form of an interesting playlet, "Seniors At The Bar," in which the Seniors were pitted against the faculty in a court room scene. J. I. Morgan of the board of directors presented diplomas to Misses Grace Smith, Evelyn McLawhorn, Hazel Wilkinson, Bennie Keel Lang, Rosalind Tyson, Belma Carr, Evelyn Turnage, Verona Lee Joyner, Thelma Jones, Mary Ellen Yelverton, Maybelle Bundy and Martha Forbes, Billie Morton, Hemby Burnette, Bennett Mewborn, Allen Darden, Oliver Lee, Jack Barrett, Leroy Bass, Gilbert Wheelless and Albert Lewis.

Annual prizes delivered at this time by Superintendent Boyd were: The cotton essay prize, offered by the Bank of Farmville, and won by Miss Evelyn Turnage; the mathematics prize, given by Mrs. J. Y. Monk, won by R. L. Joyner; the music prize, given by the instructor, Mrs. Haywood Smith, won by Miss Jean Horton.

## WILL ANNOUNCE PRIZE WINNERS NEXT WEEK

Winston-Salem, May 5.—Prize winners in the Camel cigarette \$50,000 cash prize contest will be announced next week, officials of R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, said today.

The contest judges and their staff, who have been carefully reading the approximately 1,000,000 entries, have completed their work, the announcement stated, and plans are now being completed for the actual awarding of the checks.

Thirty-eight prizes, including a first prize of \$25,000, are to be awarded for the best letters on how the new cellophane moisture-proof wrappers on Camel cigarette packages benefit smokers. Second prize will be \$10,000, and the third prize \$5,000. There will be five awards of \$1,000 each, five awards of \$500 each and 25 awards of \$100 each.

Judges of the contest are Roy W. Howard, Chairman of the Board of the Scripps-Howard League of Newspapers; Charles Dana Gibson, famous artist and publisher of Life Magazine, and Ray Long, President of the International Magazine Company and Editor of Cosmopolitan.

The acreage planted to soybeans will be materially increased this year by farmers in Mecklenburg County. The Ocotan is the most popular variety and 627 bushels of these seed have been bought for planting this year.