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V YEAR'S GREETINGS TO

Young Rdeigh Man Surrounded By Mystery

irit Of Optimisa Prevails In Mesages From State Officials Commerce Secretary Optimistic Over Outlook for 1926; Caution Urged, However st Yesterday l sident of Wayn air Association

ntinuation of Growth and Prosperity of Pas Year Is Predicted; Governor Urges Thanks To

RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 31.

Secretation, after hav (AP) — State department that capacity last yheads tonight joined with Governor McLean in reviewing the past year as one of property to be the past year as one of property two success and achievement, and in served two success predicting even greater property that when the figures are all in 1925 will have proved to be the bot year North Carolina has ever had so far as the business of Mr. Miller's re-election gress and an increased pros-int position is considererity for North Carolina and deserved compilm during the year 1926. New Year messages to the

Miller, prominent dr

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Interest in the Fair

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made a brief talk, dec

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Denmark, who was re-siret-

etary-Treasurer of the Fair

tion, issued a statement last

in which he declared that, de-

wo days of very bad weather

the 1925 Pair, the Associa-

libough not making any mon-

st year, did not lose any. The

for the 1926 Pair were left for

bary said that moving up this

ar's fair at least two weeks was

der consideration, but had not yet

The following feembers of the

Board of Directors were elected to

Secretary-Treasurer, and executive

committee: O. N. Lovelace, S. F.

MAY ESCAPE

"Uncle Asa" Patterson Re-Ar-

rested December 24 for Crime

Committed 44 Years Ago

ATLANDA, Ga., Dec. 31,-"Uncle

sa" Patterson, who was given a life

stence 44 years ago on a murder

arge in Pickens county, escaped

d wasanot taken into custody until

24, last, while on his way

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PRISON TERM

Teague and George L. Becton.

AGED MAN

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Denmark to decide.

for the organization.

After the Board had

thought the Board wo

ty and personality. orge L. Becton, lead people of the state from the chief executive and the heads the Ronewood section of the various state departwho has been a mem ments differ, of course, in ard of Directors for language and idea but through or five years. In no them all runs a vein of grats ification and pleasure over accomplishments of 1925, and a note of buoyant optimism for the year just ahead.

Almost without exception they express confidence of a greater material growth and prosperity in 1926 than any ever experienced in the past by this state, and most of them are equally hopeful for progress in other than purely material lines.

The prophetic optimism of most of the department heads is based to a large extent upon their observations and experiences in their peculiar lines of work during the year 1925, and most of them review the work along their past year, and make some comment on what may reasonably be expected during the New Year. But the spirit of optimism runs through

them all. "In North Carolina, progress and omprise, with the President and rosperity during the past year have Governor McLean tonight. And he added that "the new year is pregnant with even greater possibilities. Wonderful possibilities themselves on every hand."

"We can and must achive greater esults during the year 1926. indeavor."

But, with all the state's optimism. "must not forget . lood for the manifold blessings we for us in the near future." "We stand and look forward into

state has ever known," declared State Auditor Baxter Durham ..

leves "that 1926 is going to be one Patt and mer-as visited the isen countsver had."

From the office of the Superintency application prediction that "the people of North survey indicates a continuation of our The applica-Carolina are justified in looking to development and progress. We, can considered at 1926 with an increased confidence and must achieve guester results durthe commis- and a new hope."

now 79 years mitt declared that "we have every before his life reason to expect greater progress occasion, to render humbler thanks Georgia state prison and prosperity" in the coming year, to and during the last 44 He expressed the hope that he 1926 fold blessongs we have enjoyed in the lived in the mountains "North Carolina may set the pace for past, as well as the blessings we besee and North Caro- the nation, not only in material pro- lieve are in store for us in the fucaptured on Christmas gress, but in law enforcement and yielded to the long- law observance as well-

to visit his old home Commissioner of Agriculture William A. Graham extended a greeting to the farmers of the state, and sur estions for the year shend, and dered that, despite the handicaps of

> eur blessings, too D. Grist, commissioner on eral business conditions next

ever had so far as the business of cerned

prosperity," with the prediction that ports" "if existing conditions holl, they give promise of greater posperity for

fined to his home by ilness, and Mr. skil, and elimination of waste Doughton was out oftown tonight.

onditions and who esome human re-ment for practically among our people in respect to the fore. Anduring things of life. Slight difference of opinion as to non-essenretardation of our development.

"Generally, our people have prosducts of our labors are multiplying ancial resources have increased. Labor is confented and well paid, and above all, there is a distinct spirit been steady and permanent," declared of accommodation in the relationship about 17 per cent higher, which exists between employer and employee."

present with the spirit of continued advance- mers with much accumulative deb. ment. In private life they have attained higher standards of living than ever before, and in public affairs said, it suffers from continued disthe spirit of public service.

to render ward in a most constructive way: We portation costs to scaboard have had numble thanks to the Giver of all have achieved things, which make to be increased more than those of Eastern Standard Time. North Carolina a better state in have enjoyed in the past, as well as which to live. We have merited and he blessings we believe are in store enjoyed the confidence of the prople of other sections of our country.

"I am grateful today, ag I am sure he coming year with every assur- all of the people of our state are ance that we are facing probably the grateful, as the record of the past reatest era of prosperity that the year, and what it has meant to our people, passes in mental review.

"Looking to the future, the new State Treasurer B. R. Lacy be year in pregnant with even greater possibilities. Wonderful opportuniof the best years North Carolina has ties present themselves on every

"And now, as we stand upon the lent of Public Instruction comes the threshold of the new year, a calm ing the year 1926. We must go for-Attorney General Dennis G. Bram- ward along every line of endeavor.

"But we must not forget, on this Wie Giver of all Good for the marris

"In conclusion, I should like to extend to all the people of our beloved state, my own good wishes for a full measure of happ'aess and prosperity throughout the naw year

As optimistic as it was brief was plture during the past year, "we Auditor Baxter Durham's statement on the threshold of 1926;

"Upon the very safe, sane and sub-Printing, renewed his pre-istantial foundation that our fathers e recently that North and mothers have given into our industrial, agricultural keeping," it reads, "we stand and (Continued On Page Four)

TO CONTINUE SAYSHOOVER

WASHIMOTON, D C. Dec 31 .- (A) -The prosperity of 1925 shotil continue through 1926, in the opinion of Secretary Hoover unless 'reckless optimism" is permitted to outweigh ordinary caution

Economic prospects both for this markable pegress made in the state, country and the fest of the world, and believe that, when the figures he believed now are more favorable are all in 1925 will have proved to than for a long time past. In a statement the Secretary pictured fundamental conditions as favorable life insurance companies are con- but he expressed concern over others, including the possibity of ex---And from the office of the North tension of speculation into commod. Carolina Corporation Commission Hies and the extertion by foreign omes the statement that 1925 has government forfered donorpolics ocen a year of real precious and dominating over raw material im-

Encouraging Outlook The most encouraging factor in the outlook, he declared to be "our No statements were ssued by ei- increased productivity, due to funther W. N. Everett, secretary of damental and continuing forcesstate, or R. A. Dougton, revenue such as the accumulation of educacommissioner. Mr. Everett is con-tion, the advancement of science;

Other favorable a indications he "Material progress and prosperity listed were that stocks of commodconstitute an index b sound economic ities are moderate; there is employlations," reads the New Year state- wages are at a high level; savings ment of the Governor "In North are the largest in history and capi-Carolina progress and prosperity tal is therefore abundant and the during the past year have been steady whole machinery of production and and permanent. Unanimity of pur- distribution is operating at a higher pose and acton have " prevailed degree of efficiency than ever be-

"The United States has produced tials have not found expression in and consumed more goods in 1925

as improved over its condition of putation. "Our people are hopeful and imbued two years ago, but still leaving farand lacking stability because of units foreign competitors.

Heavy Demand Promise of continuing demand for hevay construction twas found in Thcreased national and local public works programs for 1926, and the Secretary declared the texible and shoe industries as a whole also were running at high levels of production. Mr. Hoover believed prospects were favorable also for the automo. | pany. bile and tire industries and the rail. ways, with some improvement being shown in shipping.

FIRST BABY OF NEW YEAR TO RECEIVE MANY GIFTS

The first | child to be born in Goldsboro or Wayne County dueing 1926 will indeed be a tucky birby. Merchants of the city have joined toge har and prepared a real welcome for the first newcomer of the New Year, He (or she) will be showered with gifts of many descriptions, and the parents of the fortunate baby will also be liberally remembered under the terms of an amouncement made in a double-page alvertisement in thin morning's issue of the NEWS. As soon as the new arrival makes his or her appearance, it will be duly noted in the NEWS. Turn to the advertises. ment and see for yourself just what the lucky baby will receive.

P. B. Rogers Found With Bullet Wound Through Forehead Probable Cause Found Against Cheatham Jones In Connection With Williams Death

Hours After Being Found

In Room

Police Baffled Over Rodgers' Death; Youth Popular Among

Young Folks

RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 31. (AP)—Four hours after he

was found lying on the floor

of his room with a bullet

hole in his left temple, Pres-

ton Rodgers, aged 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Rodgers,

of 1106 Glenwood Avenue,

died Thursday morning about 8 o'clock, in Rex Hospital.

There was no known motive

for the shooting. Rodgers was well-known and popular

emong the younger scaleigh

Went Through Head

of Mrs. Rodgers , who explained that

aight, after the boy inquired for it

Found by Stenographer

vas found by his mother lying on

he floor with his head in the lap

of Mrs. Lolita Clark, a stenographer

sho roomed at the Rodgers home,

plained that she heard a pistol shot

upied by the young man, and lifted

is head into her lap. She first

ealized that something had hip en-

d when she saw blood on her hands

"I then screamed and called for

When an amployee of Brown's Un-

fertaking firm reached the room, is

Mrs. Clark's arms. He was partly

dressed, wearing his underwear and

P. B. Rodgers, father of the dead

boy, was not at home at the lime of

the shooting. He was sleeping in

the adjoining home of John P. Swain

during the absence of the Swains.

Coroner Waring stated he jearned

that the boy's father was not inform-

No Known Motive

The young man's father could not

furnish any known motive for the

employed as clerk in his father's

Shop, located on Wilmington and

Young Rodgers ratired about 11.30

Mrs. Clark gave him.

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Hargett streets

trousers, stated the ambulance driver

Mrs. Rodgers," she is quoted as tell-

Partially Clothed

ing the coroner.

about 4 o'clock, ran to the room oc

The fatally wounded young man

social set.

KNOWN MOTIVE

WAPKER SWORN IN AS N. Y .MAYOR

NEW YORK, Dec. 31 .- Af mldnight tonight; James J. Waiker, son of Tammany, took office as mayor of New York Into office with him went an entire Tamny administration, placing for the first time in history a Tammany government over the state and the city at the same time, George V. McLaughlin, farmer state superintendent of banks. Walker's choice for Police Commissioner to succeed Richard E. Enright, went - into that office shead of time, having been ap-

pointed by William T. Collins, president of the Board of Aldermen, and acting mayor since John F. Hylan's a retirement at milhight last night. Mr. Holy takes with him into private life a pension of \$4.208.99 a year.

M'CORMICK AND BORI TO SING TONIGHT

Two Famous Artists to Broadcast Elaborate Program at 9 O'clock Tonight

important radio event of the season wound influenced him in deciding on charge of the shotgan. before in its history," he said, add- go on the air through the stations pered in their businesses. The pro- ing that the country's foreign trade of the R. C. A. hook-up. This conwas "exceptionally satisfactory." He vert, which is being given under the in ever-infreasing volume. Our fin. predicted that exports for 1925 would auspices of the Victor Talking Matotal around \$4,900,000,000 or about chine Company, marks the analyers. 7 per cent more than for 1924, with any of a similar radio presculation imports approximately \$4,290,000,000. Of these same artists a year ago, the first introduction to the radio auld-The Secretary judged agriculture ence of artists of international re-

casion will include the following solved market porblems. Also, he the most powerful broadcasting stanon int he world KYW. Chicago; nust go forward along every line of they are manifesting, more and more, tortion in price relationship of the KDKA Bittaburgh; WBZ, Spring-Middle West to the competing for- noid Mans, WGY, Schenectady; an "As a state we have moved for-ward in a most constructive way: We portation costs to scaboard have had gran bit begin at 5:00 P. M.

A comprehensive and varied program, including both classical and popular sciections, has been arrang ed for this concert, which is the first of a series to be announced late by the Victor Company.

The artists will be presented by C. G. Child, of the board of directors of the Victor Talking Machine Cour-

In addition to the sole number which will be sung by McCormacl and Borl, and their duct, there wil be several orchestra selections by the Victor Concert Occustra, under the direction of Joseph Pasternack; The concert program is as fol-

Overture. "Merry Wives of Windor" (Nicolal), by Victor Orchestra

"Luoghi Serent e Cari" (Qonaudy), young man was carried to the hosand "To the Children" (Ruching pital, off), by John McCormack. Addio, from "Boheme," and "W (Glazoupov), thy Madame Bori,

waltz, shooting. Young Rodgers had been "Wine Women and Song" by Wictor Concert Orchestra "When You and I Were Maggie" (Butterheld.) and You'll Remember Me." Bohemian Girl" (BalfoY, McCormack.

"Patotero Sentimental" (Romery-Jones), and/ el" (Ivor Novello), b Madame Bori. from "Bohe-"C soave fanciulla e Borl and Meme", duet by Madan (Continued on Page Four)

NECRO HELD FOR JANUARY **GRAND JURY**

Youth Dies in Hospital Four

A coroner's jury yesterday ordered that Cheatham Jones, colored, be held for the action of the January grand fury of Wayne County Superor Court, on a churge of causing the death of Roy Williams, also colored. The verdict was that Williams came to his death by gunshot wounds at the hands of Jones.

Several witnesses, including Dr. R. B. Miller, who performed an operation on the wounded man after he was shot Christmas night; were heard by the jury. Dr. Miller stated that Williams was shot in two places--a shotgun wound in his sto which also tore his hiphone to p and a scalp wound caused by a bul let from a revolver. Dr. Miller said the negro told him two persons shot him. Williams died early Wee day morning.

Contradictory evidence was su mitted by the witnesses, some declaring that Williams shot first at builet ploughed entirely Jones, and others denying that statebrough the front part of the head, ment. One witness stated that Jones end was found on the floor of the took a pistol from Williams. A room. It entered the left temple, nother witness testified that after ook almost a straight course, and hearing a shot, he heard Jones tell he car. Williams to "dro; that gun," after-Immediately after being notified of porch of the house where the affray he young man's death Coroner L. M. took place crying 'short 'shoot me waring took charge of the case and any more.' This witness, Elbert egan an inquiry to determine if the Reld, also stated that he saw wound was self-inflicted, or whether lams shoot first at Jones. It was death was caused by foul play. Cir. stated by another witness NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—The most cumstances and the nature of the heard two pistol shots, and one dis-

A preliminary investigation by the Jones for the action of the grand jury coroner disclosed that the young man The house at which the shooting was shot by a 32 calibre Smith & occured, located near the city limits Wesson pistol loaned him several on the Mount Olive highway, is said nonths ago by L. M. Waring, Jr., to be occupied by Ossie Green, a sison of Coroner Waring, listed as lost ter of the Jones negro, against it sea by the sinking of the Cotopaxi, whom it is alleged Williams made This pistol had been in the custody threats.

the handed it to her son Wednesday DAWES SAYS **OUTLOOK FOR** PEACE BRIGHT

tated the coroner, Mrs. Clark ex- Vice-President, In New Year's Statement, Declares World Turning To Peace Paths

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31 .- The out. look for the political and economic peace throughout the world formed he burden of a New Year's statement given to the Associated Press onight by Vice President Dawes. "The advent of 1926," he said, finds the world turning more cagerly and more definitely toward the answer to a vail for the ambulance. paths of real peace than at any time he found the boy's head still lying in

"The conclusion of hostilities in 1918 found the desire for peace widespread; but the fires of hate had not died down. It has been seven years for this desire to assume a position of dominance over all other considerations, and to render haportant international demagogues and the nationalistic politician to fun ed of the shooting until after the flagrations. the embers of the past into new con-

"The great Locarno conference of the year just closing acomplished much. As we enter the New Your, we see all about us evidence of the desire for political and economic peace. It is a most hopeful and place of business. Rodger's Gift grtlfying sign,"

Fire at Raeford Causes Heavy Loss

clock Wednesday night after going to the door of Mrs. Clark's room and FAYETTEVHLLE Dec. 31. (P)-Fire "Little Damo. bidding her goodnight, according to believed to have a statement Coroner Waring declared feetive stove fine bitt and Howell at Racford, late last That was the last thing heard night, caused a h