

**WEATHER**

Partly cloudy, slightly warmer Wednesday; Thursday increasing cloudiness. Rain in west portion.

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## DRYS BEGIN EFFORT PREVENT NAMING OF SMITH

### Both Parties Will Be Asked to Include Dry Planks in Platform

May Urge Democrats to Bolt Party in Case New York Governor Named

HEADS OF 30 GROUPS ARE IN CONFERENCE

Meeting Called for St. Petersburg, Florida, on March 4, To Discuss Matter

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28 (A)—Two movements, one designed to put a damper on the presidential aspirations of Governor Smith, of New York, the other to force both the Republican and Democratic parties to toe the mark on prohibition in the coming campaign, started today under the direction of dry leaders.

The offensive directed at the two political parties was launched at a conference in which representatives of 30 or more national temperance organizations participated. Resolutions were adopted demanding clear cut prohibition planks and standard bearers genuinely dry.

While reluctant to discuss for publication what will be done, the generally forecast outlook would include the advisability of urging Southern Democrats to bolt their party in the event the New York governor is nominated at Houston.

One of those here for today's general meeting is C. A. Upchurch, North Carolina State Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League. He minced no words in predicting that Southern dry leaders will do their utmost to keep the Democratic presidential nomination away from Governor Smith and in the event of his nomination to work against his election.

RALEIGH, Feb. 28 (A)—North Carolina "dry" will attend the caucus of southeastern Democrats at St. Petersburg, Fla., March 4, and may propose creation of a "dry" third political party in event Governor Al Smith of New York is nominated.

No word has been publicly made to that effect but it has been talked about in "dry" councils and the policy of the position thoroughly discussed.

#### \$2,500 FOR A KISS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28 (A)—Twenty-five hundred dollars for a kiss! That was the price fixed by a circuit court jury here when it returned a verdict for damages against Vasilios I. Chebithis, a Washington attorney. Mrs. Madeline McNamee Price, wife of a Jacksonville, Fla., real estate broker, and formerly Chebithis' secretary, charged that the attorney forcibly kissed her at a hotel in Chicago in 1925.

### SPENDS NIGHT IN COFFIN BED

Smithfield Negro Janitor Much Perturbed About Strange Happening

SMITHFIELD, Feb. 28.—"Jim" one of the colored janitors at the courthouse, is much concerned over the fact that one of the coffins kept in the basement of the courthouse for the burial of paupers, showed signs yesterday morning of having been occupied.

When questioned as to why he thinks it was occupied, Jim stammered out that there was a foot print where the person stepped into it and two more at the end indicating that the intruder had braced his feet against the ends of the coffin when he lay down.

Jim has not been able to express yet what he thinks of a person who would choose a coffin for a bed before he had to, but from his stammering, he evidently has some strong feeling about the matter.

### CITY PLACED ON FIRE HONOR ROLL

Goldsboro Had No Fire Loss During One Month of 1927, Statistics Show

Goldsboro is on the list of cities in the state which have no fire losses for one month in 1927, reports of State Fire Statistician Andrew Joyner show.

The state insurance department has just given out the list of fire honor roll towns for 1927. This record does not purport, Mr. Joyner says, to give all towns having no fire losses for one or more months for the year, but only those towns whose fire chiefs send in each month a signed report stating that there was no fire damage exceeding four dollars during the month. From this monthly record the annual honor roll is assembled. The town of Graham led the list for 1927. The year's record is as follows:

Graham, Alamance county, no fire loss for 12 months of 1927.

Ten months—Pinetops.

Nine months each—Nashville, Fairmont.

Eight months each—Ayden, Sanford and Burnsville.

Seven months each—Marion, Kernersville, Aberdeen, Elm City.

Six months each—Wake Forest, Littleton, Pinehurst and Raeford.

Five months each—New Bern, Oxford, Mount Airy, Farmville, Shelby, Beaufort.

Four months each—Thomasville, Zebulon, Franklinton, Plymouth.

Three months each—Concord, Rocky Mount, Smithfield, Southern Pines, Greenville, Mooresville, Hickory, Biltmore, Edenton, Benson, Leaksville, Forest City and Waynesville.

One month each—Greensboro, High Point, Washington, Wilson, Gastonia, Lexington, Goldsboro and others.

This is the second time within four years that Graham has kept out fires. In 1924 the municipality had a clean record. The following year Ayden, in Beaufort county, reported no fire losses and Madison in 1926 was without blazes, while Graham was in the eleven months of no loss column. Another distinction in addition to having the best no fire record during the year goes to Rocky Mount from the fact that cities of 20,000 or over population class it was a record of three months in the class, while New Bern, with a record of five months leads the 10,000 and over population cities.

### PILOT SAVES LIFE OF GIRL

Lass Parachute Caught on Plane Side As She Leaped Out at 15,000 Feet

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., Feb. 28.—An 18 year old girl's ambition to set a new world record for a parachute jump was prevented from ending in tragedy today by her quick thinking pilot who brought his ship from 15,000 feet to a landing on one wheel and a wing tip while the lass dangled from under the carriage.

Jean Duan, the girl, went aloft with Dr. R. L. Ellis and when at 15,000 feet she went over the side, but her parachute caught on the plane and left her dangling in midair unable to climb back to the plane or to release herself.

Ellis realizing what had happened headed for the field while the crowd stood helpless and horror stricken watching the slender form of the girl dangle from the wing. Coming down to the field Ellis tipped his machine to one side. The girl was knocked unconscious but was not seriously injured.

### Tracked by Prints



Stephen H. Hoppe (above), burglar and jailbreaker, is sought by the authorities for the murder of a policeman in Quincy, Mass., last October. Hoppe's trail was picked up after a man was wounded escaping from a Hartford, Conn., patrolman last week. Although Hoppe had his features altered by a facial surgeon, his fingerprints gave the police the clue they were looking for. (International Newsreel)

### SEARCHERS DO NOT FIND MEN

Dusk Forces Many Planes That Searched Over Waters of Coast To Return Home

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28 (A)—At dusk settled over the borders of Chesapeake Bay, nearly two score army, navy and marine aviators returned to their various stations weary from a futile all day search for 3 missing navy fliers whose mysterious disappearance yesterday is believed to have added another tragedy to flight annals. A single report that an airplane was heard by a lighthouse keeper at Thomas Point, Maryland, two hours after a plane carrying Commander T. G. Ellyson, Lieutenant Commander H. Schmidt and Lt. Roger Rasmussen, left Hampton Roads, Virginia, for Annapolis, causing the navy department to shift the major search to the northern regions of the bay. But the coasts of Maryland, Virginia and North Carolina also came under the close scrutiny of fellow fliers until darkness prevented further search.

### BIG DIRIGIBLE IS HEADED HOME

Los Angeles Must Buck Strong Head Wind in Returning to Lakehurst

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28 (A)—Eucking a stiff head wind over the Caribbean, the dirigible Los Angeles was headed home tonight.

Showing off from her temporary mooring mast at France Field, Panama at 10:15 o'clock this morning after a 12 hour rest from her nonstop flight from Lakehurst, N. J., she buffeted the wind which yesterday aided her.

Although her flight down to the Isthmus required but 40 hours, Lt. Commander C. E. Rosenbald informed the navy department today that it would require about 30 hours for the Los Angeles to reach Caguacanaybo Bay, Cuba where the naval aircraft tender Patoka is anchored. The distance from France Field to the bay is about 745 miles.

Assistant Secretary Warner said that considering the unstrained crew at France Field and the short task of 60 feet to which she anchored the project was carried out successfully. He said the cruise proved the feasibility of using lighter-than-air craft in commerce between North and Central America.

### MAKING RAIDS IN JOHNSTON

Johnston Officers Capture Still Operator After Fist and Skullfight

Deputy Sheriff R. D. Marler, of Pentonville township, assisted by Deputies A. B. Hood, O. H. Barefoot and Lawrence Peacock, arrested James Webb at a whiskey still in Meadow township, says the Smithfield Herald. The 60-gallon copper still was located near the Webb home. Three barrels of beer and about ten gallons of whiskey were found. Pits had been dug in the ground around the still for hiding the whiskey, and it is reported that there was space in these pits for sixty or more gallons.

Webb resisted arrest and rolled over the ground for some time with one of the officers in a "fist and skull" fight. Finally the officers succeeded in putting handcuffs on him. Two other men by the name of Tart and Jernigan, both white, were arrested at the same time, and all were brought here to jail.

Webb is said to be a desperate character. About two years ago when Ku Klux visited him to warn him to discontinue his lawlessness, he shot at them several times and two were reported to have been fatally wounded. Webb has a wife and two or three small children.

Early last Monday morning Deputies Marler and Hood captured a still near Mill Creek church. The still was in operation but had been deserted before the officers reached it. Three barrels of beer were found and destroyed.

### MORE METHODISTS AT STATE COLLEGE THAN BAPTISTS

RALEIGH, Feb. 28 (A)—There are six more Methodists at North Carolina State College than there are Baptists. The tally stands 492 to 487, followed by 216 Presbyterians, 83 Episcopalians, 48 members of the Christian church, 56 giving no preference, 35 Lutherans, 20 members of the Reformed Church, 19 Catholics. There is but one Quaker and one Hindu, four of Jewish faith, one Breweill Baptist, one Mormon, three Unitarians, five Moravians at State College.

### KINSTON OPENS HER NEW HOTEL

Josephus Daniels Is Principal Speaker at Banquet Opening Fine Structure

KINSTON, Feb. 28.—Because he was a boy who dared to dream of progress, Joe Daniels, the country editor, came back to the role of a famous ex-pleasman to an audience of over 150 people who attended the stockholders' banquet which inaugurated the new Hotel Kinston here tonight.

The Hotel Kinston was said by Mr. Daniels to be a monument to the progress of Eastern North Carolina. He paid high tribute to the advance of this section of the country.

The program consisted of 15 other addresses by leading citizens of the city. B. W. Cannady of the hotel board was toastmaster. Greetings from the press, the banks and other civic organizations were extended by officials of these organizations.

Tonight's program inaugurates the Hotel Kinston. Tomorrow night a mammoth affair, open to the entire populace, will be held. The hotel is built on the Gothic plan and stands 12 stories above the city. It is visible for five miles on every side.

One of the largest civic gatherings ever held in this section was accorded when the stockholders met here tonight. Prominent citizens from neighboring cities were present. The hotel is under the management of L. V. Alexander, veteran hotel man. He is assisted by an able staff.

### DR. KERR TALKS TO ROTARY CLUB

Outlines Accomplishments of Health Department in Better Sanitation for City

What we need to make Goldsboro a healthier and cleaner city more than anything else, declared Dr. A. H. Kerr, food officer for the health department, in talking to members of the Goldsboro Rotary Club last night, is a more enlightened conception of the problems of sanitation and co-operation from every one toward putting what we know into practice.

Illustrating his point, Dr. Kerr told of having a call to come to a home which was bothered with the mosquito problem. There were no tin cans, saggy gutters that collected water or other breeding places for the pests on the outside of the house. In the kitchen, however, Dr. Kerr found that four cans filled with water had been used as "feet" for a kitchen cabinet to protect the cabinet against an invasion of ants. The water in the cans was alive with wiggle tails and Dr. Kerr was fully contradicted when he pointed out that these wiggle tails later became mosquitoes. To convince the lady of the house, he poured the water into a large jar, stopped up the jar and asked the housewife to let it remain there for a week or ten days.

"Why, you know," the housekeeper greeted Dr. Kerr on his next trip, "somebody must have slipped in here and filled the big jar up with mosquitos, for it is full."

"But where are the wiggle tails?" asked Dr. Kerr, and he poured the water into another receptacle to show that they were gone. "Well, they are," admitted the woman, "but I shan't believe they made those skeeters."

When the health department sanitation work was first begun a "spoil" was made of Goldsboro and this revealed 1,000 mosquito breeding places in the city. In recent years this number has been greatly reduced, he said.

The health department, he went on further, was instrumental in securing the passage of a city ordinance requiring the installation of sewerage where connections with mains were available, and this had largely eliminated 1200 open privies inside the city limits a few years ago.

Continuing, Dr. Kerr outlined how the health department only recently prevented the sale of three cars of frozen oranges in the city, consigned here by outsiders; how a complete check-up on all food handlers and inspection of meats and produce sold here was required.

The public relations committee, headed by Joe A. Parker, was instructed to study the proposal of a city-county municipal building and report its findings to the club. Ed. F. Taylor, in charge of securing an attendance at the district meeting in Greensboro in May, called for signatures of those planning to go.

### SAYS HOOVER IS NOT FRANK

Secretary of Commerce Offers His Name For President in Maryland Primary

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28 (A)—Secretary Hoover was accused in the House today by representative Tillman, democrat, of Arkansas, with declining to be frank in his reply to senator Borah's questionnaire on prohibition.

Tillman said he represented himself and other drys who did not think the secretary's answer was responsible.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Feb. 28.—Application of Herbert Hoover for placing his name on the republican primary ballot in Maryland was filed today with Secretary of State Winebrenner, 3rd.

### Dancing Marvels



We take pleasure in presenting Marion Jaque and Albert Jonack of Pittsburgh, joint holders of the national marathon dancing record, having destroyed all former records by keeping on their feet for 81 hours and 44 minutes in a Sockey City ballroom.

### REPORT THAT BODY IS SEEN

Effort to Locate Body of Young Harry Brooks In Still Going On

MELBOURNE, Fla., Feb. 28 (A)—Rekindled by the sighting in the sea today of an object resembling a human body, hope flared again tonight as searchers continued their efforts to locate the body of Harry Brooks, Ford chief pilot, missing since his Plover monoplane dived into the ocean last Saturday.

The object sighted by watchers on the shore near the inlet, 15 miles south of here, was gone when a seaplane reached the spot after the pilot was informed that no boats were available at the inlet for the search. Vessels later were brought to the spot where the search was continued.

Though no definite plans yet have been made, citizens talked today of holding a public funeral service on the beach in case the body remained unfound.

### CECIL HILL IS DEAD AT HOME

Prominent Young Hood Swamp Man Dies of Pneumonia After Week's Illness

Cecil Hill, 26, died at his home in the Hood Swamp section of Saulton township at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon, death resulting from pneumonia developing as a complication of influenza. He had been ill only about a week, and news of his death will come as a shock to a great number of friends in the northwestern part of the county.

The deceased was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Zeb Hill, and a grandson of the late Berry Parks.

Surviving him are his parents, his widow and three brothers. The brothers are Roland, Kirby and Will Hill, all of Wayne county. Funeral will be held from the home at 2:30 this afternoon with Rev. Mr. Milliken, pastor of Hood Swamp church, in charge.

### Will Dean In Again on Stand

Harnett County Jury in Hearing Latest of Wake Flogging Trials

RALEIGH, Feb. 28 (A)—Will Dean, 45-year-old farmer blacksmith, today told a Harnett county jury in Wake county superior court that among the 75 or 100 robed men who took him from his home near here and flogged him were Dr. J. R. Heeter, physician, and Hired Pool and A. L. Daniels, farmers of the Knightdale section, the defendants in the case.

One hour and 15 minutes were consumed this afternoon in selection of the jury from a special venire of 75 men from the neighboring county, called here on motion of Solicitor L. S. Brassfield, who asserted that Wake county citizens had discussed and read the case much since the night of the flogging, September 29, 1926.

Venue men were asked their attitudes toward the K. K. K. and whether they belonged or had belonged to the organization. One said he was a member now, Judge Harris excusing him. A few said they had formed opinions in the case. The jury was made up of 11 farmers and one farmer-sawmill operator. Twenty-nine men were questioned before the jury was completed.

Dean related in detail how the mob, all dressed in robes and carrying pistols, flashlights and sticks, came to his two-room hut about midnight and took him from his wife and five children. The band, he said, carried him to ride for about 40 minutes to a swamp in the upper section of the county, where they flogged him with some kind of an instrument that "cut" him.

They accused him of improper conduct toward his 20-year-old daughter, Lillie, he said.

His wife and children tried to prevent the crowd from taking him, said Dean. Dean testified the marked crowd threatened to kill him if he did not admit his misconduct. This he refused, he said, and was freed on a road straggler to him, which he learned later was near Middleburg.

It was about the following day that he reached home, walking, Dean added.

### YOUNG KITCHEN TAKES OATH

RALEIGH, Feb. 28 (A)—Claude Kitchen, of Scotland Neck, son of the late distinguished Congressman from North Carolina, and a former Wake Forest College athlete, today took the oath of attorney before Judge W. C. Harris in superior court here.

### STATE CLASS VISITS VEAZEY

Vocational Agriculture Students of Raleigh Study Rosewood Methods

The senior class in vocational education of North Carolina State College came yesterday to Wayne county to visit Prof. A. H. Veazey of the State College faculty accompanied the students, 13 in number. Those making the trip were: C. R. Ammons, of Lumberton; T. C. Bunn, Zebulon; H. J. Carr, Clinton; R. F. D.; E. V. Miller, Warrensville; C. G. Kirkman, Pleasant Garden; J. B. Nanessie, Blacoe; W. P. Phillips; Manly; M. O. Pleasant, Loueburg; J. E. Pollock, Warsaw; D. C. Rankin, Greensboro; W. R. Sechler, China Grove; A. O. Smith, Jackson Springs; H. M. Stott, Wendell; V. F. Warner, Raleigh; L. U. D. White, Hickory; W. H. Williams, Glenwood, and N. T. Chapel and C. W. Johnson.