

**WEATHER**  
Increasing cloudiness and warmer  
Wednesday; Thursday rain. Warmer  
in east and colder Thursday after-  
noon in west.

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## NORTH CAR. GENERAL ASSEMBLY CONVENES TODAY

### Leaders Held Caucuses Last Night Preparatory To Organization Today

House To Be Called To Order By  
Alex Lassiter, Principal  
Clerk

LONG TO PRESIDE AT  
OPENING UPPER HOUSE

Number of Committees Will Be  
Appointed At Opening  
Sessions Today

RALEIGH, January 8.—(AP)—Demo-  
crats and Republicans caucused here  
tonight in preparation for the formal  
convening of the 1929 general assembly  
at noon tomorrow.

The Republicans indicated they  
would not contest the organization of  
the two houses by the overwhelming  
Democratic majority as in their caucus  
they contented themselves with nomi-  
nating floor leaders without nomi-  
nating candidates for the elective posi-  
tions.

House Democrats, meeting in the  
hall of the house of representatives in  
open session, named A. H. (Sandy)  
Graham of Orange county as their  
candidate for speaker without oppo-  
sition.

Only one contest developed in which  
C. M. Higgins of Rowan was named  
for sergeant-at-arms over Thomas S.  
Lytle of McDowell by a vote of 58 to  
14.

For president pro tem of the senate,  
Senator Thomas L. Johnson of  
Robeson was chosen by unanimous  
vote.

House attaches nominated were:  
principal clerk, Alex Lassiter of  
Bertie, who was elected for his 8th term;  
reading clerk, John D. Beery of Wake,  
engrossing clerk, Miss Rosa B. Mann  
of Cabarrus and assistant sergeant-  
at-arms, Major J. A. Lisk of Mont-  
gomery.

For the senate the caucus nominat-  
ed: principal clerk, LeRoy Martin of  
Yadkin and Wake; reading clerk,  
Needham Mangum of Wake; engross-  
ing clerk and Rev. W. A. Corey of  
Martin; sergeant-at-arms, O. P. Shell  
of Harnett and assistant sergeant-  
at-arms, O. P. Shell of Harnett and  
assistant sergeant at arms, Exum  
Lewis, of Nash. All were elected un-  
animously.

Seventy-seven representatives an-  
swered the roll call when the house  
caucus of Democrats was called to  
order by R. M. Cox of Forsyth, who  
asked Judge Winston, of Bertie, to  
take the chair. Judge Winston was  
elected permanent chairman.

RALEIGH, Jan. 8.—(AP)—Following  
caucuses of leaders of both parties to-  
night, members of the 1929 general  
assembly were prepared to proceed  
with the organization of the senate  
and house when they convene at noon  
tomorrow.

The house will be called to order  
by Alex Lassiter, principal clerk, who  
is a candidate for re-election. After  
coming to order, the first duty will be  
the selection of the speaker of the  
house. Then will follow the selection  
of the principal clerk, the reading  
clerk, the engrossing clerk, and ser-  
geant-at-arms, by vote of the house.

The senate will be called to order  
by retiring Lieutenant-Governor J.  
Elmer Long, who according to pre-  
cedent will preside over the senate  
until Friday when R. T. Fountain, of  
Rocky Mount, will be inaugurated as  
lieutenant-governor. The lieutenant-  
governor presides as president ex-  
officio of the senate. The senate will  
then choose the principal clerk,  
reading and engrossing clerks, and  
sergeant-at-arms.

After the house selects its clerk  
and other officials, the speaker will  
name some of the committees, mem-  
bership on which has been determin-  
ed at the caucus of the majority party  
at the preceding night. All of the im-  
portant committees are not as a rule  
named the first day, but organization  
committees such as the rules commit-  
tees always the first to be announced.  
The minority party is always rep-  
resented on the committees although  
it has never been given any impor-  
tant chairmanships. The chairmen  
are appointed by the speaker and  
lieutenant-governor.

The senate committees will not be  
announced until Friday when the in-  
coming lieutenant-governor presides  
except for the rules committee and  
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### Imagine Having Tooth Ache In This Big One

BOSTON, Jan. 8.—(AP)—The  
largest tooth in the world, measur-  
ing 11 feet and 2 inches in  
length and weighing more than 300  
pounds, has arrived at the Harvard  
dental school museum. It came  
from the jaw of a mastodon, and  
scientists estimate that it is more  
than 50,000 years old. It was found  
in Alaska.

### DR. RONGETTI DENIES CHARGE

Chicago Physician Was Charged  
With Performing Illegal  
Operation On Girl

CHICAGO, Jan. 8.—(AP)—Dr. Am-  
rone Rongetti, charged with the murder  
of Miss Loretta Endera, 19, by an illegal  
operation, testified today that he had  
performed no such operation and  
charged a former coroner's physician  
with an attempt to extort money from  
him in connection with the girl's  
death.

It was his first appearance on the  
stand in his two trials for the girl's  
murder. He did not testify in the  
first trial in which he was convicted  
and sentenced to death but later was  
granted a new trial by the supreme  
court.

The state had made a request that  
one of his witnesses be arrested on a  
perjury charge. The court ordered  
her taken into custody.

The prosecution said she was Miss  
Martha Linquist and that she appear-  
ed as a witness today under the  
name of Miss Ebba Lou Linquist, a  
sister, formerly employed by Dr. Ron-  
getti in his Ashland Boulevard hos-  
pital, closed after the Endera death.  
The woman under cross examination  
said she had been married in Pitts-  
burgh and her name at present was  
Ebba Linquist of Leechburg, Penn.

Dr. Rongetti, who has been in jail  
for more than a year, appeared nerv-  
ous and ill at east as he submitted to  
direct examination, fighting about in  
the witness chair and asking that  
questions be repeated. He said that a  
man whom he believed to be the hus-  
band of the Endera girl asked to ex-  
amine her to his hospital for examina-  
tion in November of 1927.

While a patient there Dr. Rongetti  
said the girl gave birth to a baby. He  
made every effort to save her life, he  
testified, and performed a slight op-  
eration after the baby's birth but none  
previously. When the girl died he said  
he gave her family \$1500 to help de-  
fray expenses because they told him  
they were poor people and he felt  
sorry for them.

**GROVE FANNED 183**  
NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—(AP)—Bob  
Grove, Philadelphia southpaw, didn't  
have much competition for the 1928  
strikeout title in his league. Lefty  
struck out 183. Alphonse Thomas, White  
Sox, was second with 129.

### Murvin Argues For State Wide Sunday Closing Law

County Commissioner J. R. Murvin  
of Seven Springs says The News got  
him wrong in quoting him as asking  
if it is possible for them to do, but from  
Wayne county representatives to se-  
cure a bill closing filling stations on  
Sunday. He says that what he wants  
is a bill closing "all country stores"  
in the state on Sunday, which of  
course, would include filling stations.  
"I want the law in Wayne county,"  
his statement continues, "but I want  
it state wide and I believe the better  
element of our citizens are in favor  
of this law."  
"We have noticed recently severe  
criticism of filling stations in the  
state by prominent citizens, including  
Superior and Federal court Judges,  
stating their belief that a majority  
were selling whiskey, no doubt this  
is true to a great extent."  
"It is bad enough for this condition  
to exist six days in the week, and

### Good Willers Reach the Capital



His face covered with healthy tan, President-elect Hoover appeared ready for the big task ahead of him as he arrived at Union Station in Washington. Dr. Hubert Work (left) was among those who greeted Mr. and Mrs. Hoover on their return to the capital.

### Duke Remains to Lie in State At Duke University Thursday

NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—(AP)—Ben-  
jamin N. Duke, who rose from a boy  
peddler of tobacco to help place his  
family among the pioneers of big bus-  
iness, died today in his upper Fifth  
avenue mansion after a long illness.  
He was in his 74th year.

Behind him he left a fortune esti-  
mated at upward of \$60,000,000, found-  
ed on the profits of a Southern tobac-  
co shop and extended by years of ef-  
fort in railroads, banking, cotton, real  
estate, and other high scale enter-  
prises.

Out of his fortune came huge phil-  
anthropies which he never permitted  
to be publicly listed, but of which \$1-  
000,000 was said to have been given  
to Trinity college, now Duke Univer-  
sity at Durham, N. C., and Guilford  
college from which he was graduat-  
ed.

Burial will take place at Durham  
where he maintained an estate. A  
special train leaving Pennsylvania  
station at 4 p. m. tomorrow will bear  
the body, accompanied by the family  
and friends where it will lie in state  
at Duke University from the time  
of its arrival about 8:30 or 9 a. m.,  
Thursday until 11 a. m., when the  
funeral will take place at Memorial

Chapel. Meanwhile arrangements  
were that the body would remain at  
a funeral parlor here.  
Death came to Mr. Duke at 5:45  
this morning when he failed to rally  
after a bronchial attack last night. As  
far back as 1915 he had suffered from  
nervous disorders and more recently  
had been confined to his home. With  
him when he died were his wife, Mrs.  
Sarah Pearson Duke; his daughter,  
Mrs. A. J. Brexel-Biddle, Jr., her  
husband and his clergyman, Dr.  
Ralph W. Sockman.

### SALVATION ARMY COUNCIL MEETING

No Indication Yesterday As  
What Outcome Will Be In  
Revolt Movement

SUNBURY ON THAMES, England,  
Jan. 8.—(AP)—Any anticipations that  
the high council of the Salvation  
Army which assembled here today  
would reach a quick decision of the  
fitness of General Bramwell Booth to  
continue as commander in chief were  
dispelled. Although three separate  
sessions were held, the starting of  
the machinery of the council took up  
all the time.  
Committees were appointed and of-  
ficers elected. It was said unofficially  
tonight that the real work of the  
council would begin tomorrow.

### Highsmith Hospital Is Now Under Endowment

RALETTEVILLE, N. C., Jan. 8.—  
(AP)—The Highsmith hospital of this  
city has identified itself with the  
Duke Endowment and will be operat-  
ed in the future under the regulation  
of the Duke endowment.  
The hospital has been completely  
re-organized and chartered under the  
name "The Highsmith Hospital, Inc.,"  
officers of the institution, who will  
serve without salary, are: R. W. Her-  
ring, president; W. A. West, vice-  
president; John C. Gilmore, secre-  
tary; Miss Mary E. Rothwell, cor-  
responding secretary; and Miss Mar-  
garet Tomlinson, treasurer.

### Doctors Renew Warning About Taking Care If Influenza Has Set In

### Los Angeles Starts Cruise To Florida

LAKEHURST, N. J., Jan. 8.—(AP)—  
The Navy dirigible Los Angeles  
took off at 8:45 tonight for a train-  
ing cruise of more than 2,000 miles  
which takes it South along the  
coast to Florida. The craft will  
participate in the dedication of the  
municipal airport at Miami, Fla.,  
and then proceed to St. Joseph's  
bay to the mast ship Patoka.

### HOUSE VOTES TO SEAT REP. BECK

Debate Continues In Senate Over  
Kellogg Anti-War Pact,  
House Busy

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—(AP)—The  
House put a touch of variety into the  
proceedings of congress today by vot-  
ing overwhelmingly that James M.  
Beck, former solicitor general of the  
U. S. was entitled to his seat as a  
member from Pennsylvania.

Beck's residence in Philadelphia  
had been questioned at the beginning  
of last session by Democrats who  
insisted he lived in Washington rather  
than Philadelphia, but the house  
would not follow the argument. In-  
stead it upheld the report of its elec-  
tions committee that Mr. Beck was  
qualified to serve.

Debate continued in the Senate  
over the treaty to renounce  
war, while efforts went on to reach  
some kind of an agreement by which  
the ratification of the document  
could be brought to an early vote.  
Hopes of those desirous of bringing  
about such a situation fluttered up-  
ward and downward as they have for  
several days and adjournment found  
the flow of oratory still in full swing.  
The tariff hearings before the house  
ways and means committee dealt  
largely with the duty on caffeine, a  
product of skimmed milk.

One of the house committees—that  
in rules—voted to give the right of  
way to the Penn bill calling for a  
reapportionment of the house mem-  
bership on the basis of population.  
This measure, which would reduce  
representation of certain states and  
increase that of others is in for a  
stormy time. A year ago the house  
and the senate sent the measure back  
to the central committee.

At the senate side of the capital the  
Indian affairs committee asked that  
Commissioner Burke of the Indian  
Bureau sustain a charge of yesterday  
that Senator Pine of Oklahoma was  
seeking to undermine the Indian ser-  
vice.

### DANGEROUSLY ILL

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Jan. 7.—(AP)—  
Intermittent nose bleed for some 200  
hours today had so weakened Mrs.  
Betty Jones that she was unconscious  
at times and dangerously ill.

### ARE TO IMPROVE CITY'S WHITEWAY

Whiteway Will Be Constructed  
Down Center of  
Street Walkway

Goldsboro's center street is due for  
further improvement. It was learned  
yesterday. Decision has been reached  
to construct a whiteway down the  
center of the recently constructed  
walkway. It was said. Provision for  
conduits to carry the necessary wires  
was made in the laying of the walk-  
way. This center street whiteway  
would extend only from Ash to Chest-  
nut streets.  
The whiteway along Walnut street  
is also scheduled for a complete over-  
hauling and improving shortly. It  
was learned.

### TO BE CALLED BEFORE GROUP

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—(AP)—Hu-  
bert Work, former secretary of the  
Interior; Attorney General Sargent,  
Assistant Attorney General Parmenter  
and Solicitor General Mitchell will  
be called before the Senate Indian  
affairs committee to explain why a  
grand jury investigation of distribu-  
tion of funds, exceeding \$1,000,000 be-  
longing to Jackson Barnett, an incom-  
petent Cree Indian, was not passed  
last summer.

### Funeral For W. S. Leroy From Home at 3 o'Clock

W. S. Leroy, 48, general superin-  
tendent of the Empire Manufacturing  
Company and one of the best liked  
men of the city, died at a local hospi-  
tal at 1 o'clock following an illness  
of two weeks with influenza and  
pneumonia.

Funeral services will be held from  
the home at 1207 East Mulberry street  
at 3 o'clock this afternoon and will  
be in charge of Rev. Peter McIntyre,  
pastor of the First Presbyterian  
church. The Masons will observe their  
ritual at the service and will provide  
bearers. Burial will be made in  
the family plot in Willow Dale cem-  
tery.

Born in Roswell, Georgia, Mr. Leroy  
was educated in the schools of  
Atlanta. In 1913 he was married to  
Miss Bertha McCoy of Charlotte and  
she, with two children, Sam and Lucy  
Leroy, survive.

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Estimate That Influenza Epi-  
demic Waning But Pneumonia On Increase

50 OR MORE CASES OF  
PNEUMONIA IN CITY NOW

Complication Does Not Follow  
Where Patient Goes To Bed  
And Stays There

Goldsboro physicians yesterday is-  
sued a new warning for those who  
have troubles of influenza to go to bed  
and stay there until they have entire-  
ly recovered, pointing out that the  
fifty or more cases of pneumonia in  
the city at the present had almost  
entirely resulted from failure to take  
proper safeguards when stricken with  
influenza.

While the influenza epidemic seems  
to be on the decrease, city schools  
yesterday reporting absences rang-  
ing from 10 per cent in the high  
school to about 20 per cent in the pri-  
mary schools, there has been an ap-  
preciable increase in the number of  
cases developing complications. Fifty  
was considered a conservative esti-  
mate of the number of pneumonia  
cases reported in one hospital with  
two others on the verge of the com-  
plication.

"Some people when taken with in-  
fluenza," said one physician, "attempt  
to regard it entirely too lightly,  
though running a temperature, sob-  
bing, coughing and feeling generally  
bad, they attempt to 'get the best of  
it' and refuse to go to bed. These  
cases are the ones most likely to run  
into pneumonia."

"I know that I have seen at least  
100 individual cases of influenza since  
the epidemic started in the city, and  
out of this number only one that went  
to bed and stayed there developed  
pneumonia. This case was one where  
the pneumonia complication was an  
easy result as the patient had there-  
fore suffered from bronchitis  
and asthma."

From another source it was learn-  
ed that one citizen, who fled on Sun-  
day, probably lost his battle against  
pneumonia, developing following in-  
fluenza, because he attempted to keep  
going after ill with the disease, driv-  
ing his automobile a hundred miles  
or more on two separate days while  
running a temperature of 103 degrees.

### REHYMER CASE IS UNDER WAY

Judge Sherwood Says Belief In  
"Casting Spells" Not Legal  
Insanity

YORK, Penn., Jan. 8.—(AP)—Judge  
Sherwood, presiding in the trial of  
John H. Rehmyer for the murder of  
Nelson B. Rehmyer, threw constern-  
ation into the ranks of the defense  
today when he ruled that belief in  
witchcraft or similar "delusions" do  
not constitute legal insanity.

The ruling came when the defense  
produced the first witness to establish  
the basis for a plea of insanity. Reh-  
myer was a leader in a cult in which  
the murdered man also was a prac-  
titioner, and which professed belief  
in the power of "heving" or the cast-  
ing of spells.

Judge Sherwood excused the jury  
and after the defense argument for  
the insanity plea said, "The old Eng-  
lish law holds that hallucinations of  
a defendant are not a proper defense  
unless such a belief would be a jus-  
tification for taking life. The Supreme  
court has upheld that ruling. The  
burden is on the defense, however,  
to show he was actually insane and  
not just suffering from delusion."

"It seems to the court that we will  
have to exclude the testimony until  
such time as you can show the de-  
fendant knew the difference between  
right and wrong at the time of the  
supposed crime."

**SIX PLANES OFF**  
CHARLESTON, S. C., Jan. 8.—(AP)—  
Six naval seaplanes, one squadron  
of those which stopped here en route  
from Hampton Roads to Panama due  
to bad flying conditions, took off this  
morning for Key West. Ten remain-  
ed at anchor here for the time for  
their departure had not been fixed.