

Memo To Caesar

'Voice In The Wilderness'

By KEN WOODMAN
 CONFIDENTIAL REPORT
 TO: TIBERIUS CAESAR
 FROM: PONTIUS PILATE

With your permission, I dispense with the customary greeting and come immediately to the business in hand. Our confidential agent, Junius operating in the Jordan district, reports that a wildish sort of man has come out of the wilderness and is preaching to large crowds along the river bank.

This man's name is John. So effective a speaker is he that even publicans and soldiers go to hear him. He performs a ceremony called baptism with the waters of the river. To his sermons he exhorts the publicans to collect no more taxes than they have been ordered to collect—which is certainly a just idea, although hardly the practice that publicans are accustomed to follow. This John also urges the soldiers not to be cruel and to be content with their wages.

YOU ARE probably wondering why I deem this such an urgent matter that I have to send you a confidential report since there is nothing revolutionary in what the man teaches.

The trouble is this: according to their beliefs, many of the people in my province of Judaea are expecting a sort of king or messiah to come and deliver them—from us, I suppose, although it is hard to see how they would live in anything but anarchy were it not for our Roman law and government.

Junius assures me that this John does not consider himself a king or leader. The people have asked him that very question.

John replied that someone mightier than he is to come, someone he would not be worthy to aid as a servant. He says this man will baptize with fire.

(I will send you further word of all this by the next galley sailing to Ostra.)

(Signed) PILATE

Legislative Record

RALEIGH—Legislative record:

NEW SENATE BILLS

SB87. Copeland — To permit banks of the state to operate on a five-day week when, after a hearing, the commissioner of banks shall grant such authority to the banks in any certain city or town. Banking.

SB88. Currie — Relating to the calling of elections to consolidate a part of a county school district with an adjoining city administrative unit. Education.

SB89. Moore — Relating to the terms of office of the members of the Red Springs city board of education. Education.

PASSED BY SENATE

None.

NEW HOUSE BILLS

HB141. Varborough of Franklin — To name members of boards of education. Education.

HB142. Philpott and Holmes — To provide for the suspension of a driver's license if certain offenses are committed within a calendar year. Roads and highway safety.

HB143. Philpott and Holmes — To make acceptance of a plea of nolo contendere the equivalent of conviction within the meaning of the uniform driver's license law. Judiciary II.

HB144. Hostetler — To set the pay of members of the town board of commissioners of Raeford at \$10 per meeting. Local Government.

HB145. Varborough of Cumberland and others — To provide a \$2,000 income tax exemption for widows having taxable incomes not exceeding \$4,000. Finance.

HB150. Holcombe — To fix the compensation of the judge of Vance County, Salaries and Fees.

HB151. Holcombe — To require bonding companies in Vance County post bonds with the clerk of court. Judiciary II.

HB152. Holcombe — To provide that police officers of the town of Burnsville need not be qualified voters. Local Government.

HB153. Vann — To fix the corporate limits of the town of Garland. Local Government.

HB154. Clark — To exempt truck operators and their dependents from having to buy a chauffeur's license. Judiciary II.

PASSED BY HOUSE

HB88 — Allowing the town of Gatesville to levy ad valorem taxes.



MR. FLEMING

Law Firm Has New Partner

J. Carlton Fleming has been named a partner in the law firm of Lassiter, Moore and Van Allen, with offices in the Johnston Building here.

He has been with the firm since 1933, after receiving his bachelor of laws degree from Duke University Law School and the master of laws from George Washington University Law School.

Mr. Fleming is serving as vice chairman of the North Carolina Citizens Committee for the Hoover Report, and is a member of the board of stewards of Myers Park Methodist Church and teaches an adult fellowship club. He is also a member of the Red Shield Council of the Salvation Army, Duke University National Council, Charlotte Kiwanis Club and the Chamber of Commerce.

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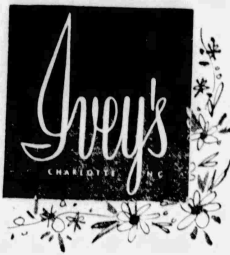
Girl Named Best Speaker

Martha Williamson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Williamson of 1631 Masonic Dr., won Central High School's speaking contest on "United Nations: Its Problems and Opportunities."

She will leave April 17 for a four-day trip to New York and Washington, D. C., as guest of the Mecklenburg Kiwanis Club.

The contest is sponsored by the University of North Carolina Extension Division, and last year 570 schools participated. It is open to all high school students.

Judges for the Central contest included William McKinnell Jr., president of Mecklenburg Kiwanis Club, and Ben Horack, a member of the club. The bus trip is sponsored by the American Freedom Association.



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