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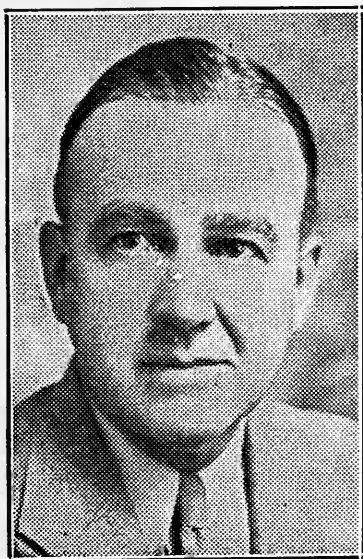
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George A. Iseley

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CLYDE R. HOEY

I am delighted to welcome the Lebanon Syrian American Association to Raleigh for its Grand Mahrajan. In its efforts to strengthen the tie of Syrian families and in its contributions to the citizenship of our Nation and State, the members of this Association have won the commendation of their fellow North Carolinians.



An organization of this kind deserves recognition from all the citizens of our states. Its object is to strengthen the tie of Syrian families, to promote good fellowship and good will, to uphold the Constitution and encourage American citizenship.

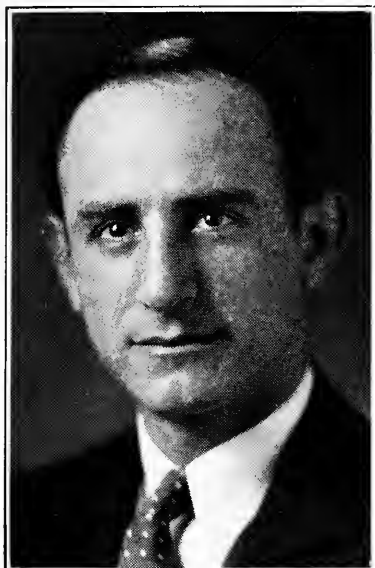
I wish to pay tribute to the Syrian people, and to commend them as a whole for their fine qualities of patriotism.

I hope their Grand Mahrajan will be an enjoyable occasion, and I extend to the members of the Association my best wishes.



OLIN D. JOHNSTON

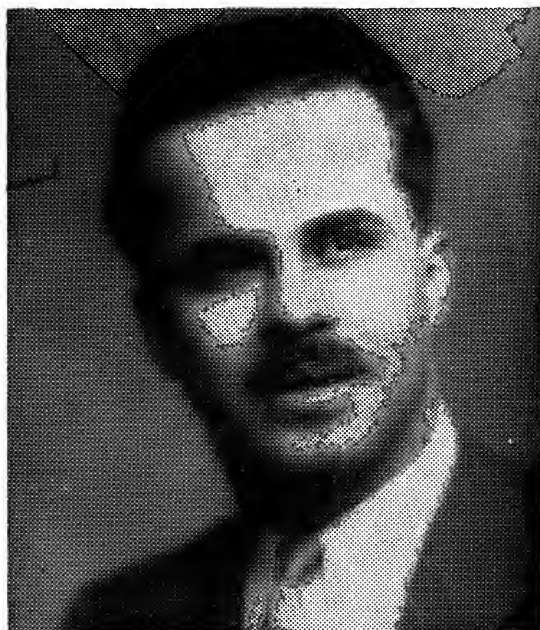
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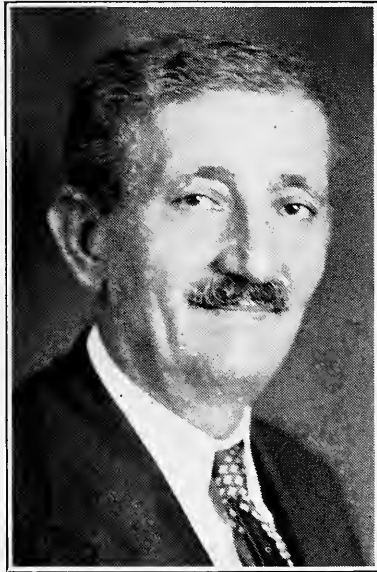
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Greetings from the President



S. BADDOUR

In behalf of the Lebanon Syrian-American Association of North Carolina, I take great joy in extending to you a most cordial and hearty welcome to the Grand Mahrajan of North Carolina.

Our greatest desire at this Mahrajan is that each and everyone of you enjoy every moment of your visit here. We sincerely hope that this great event will bring about the renewal of old friendships and the forming of new ones and to achieve the purposes for which our organization was founded. LET JOY REIGN.

S. BADDOUR, President.

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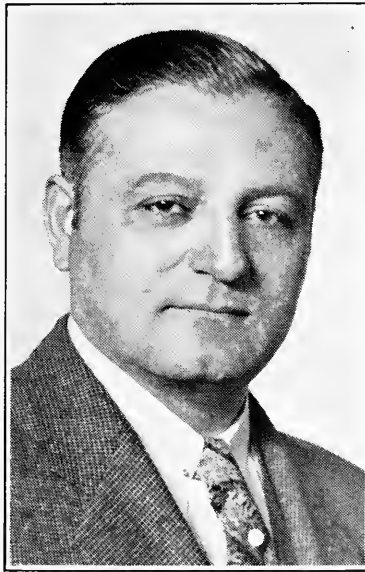
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S. B. MURAD

In behalf of the Hammana American Association, I extend to the Lebanon Syrian American Association of North Carolina our undivided loyalty. We sincerely hope that this Mahrajan will be the most successful one ever held. May it be only the beginning of an annual affair to be enjoyed by Syrians from every State of the Union.

S. B. MURAD, *President*,
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N. D. SALEEBY



A. B. SALEEBY

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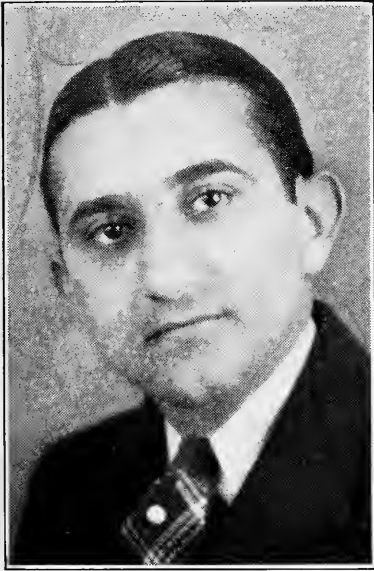
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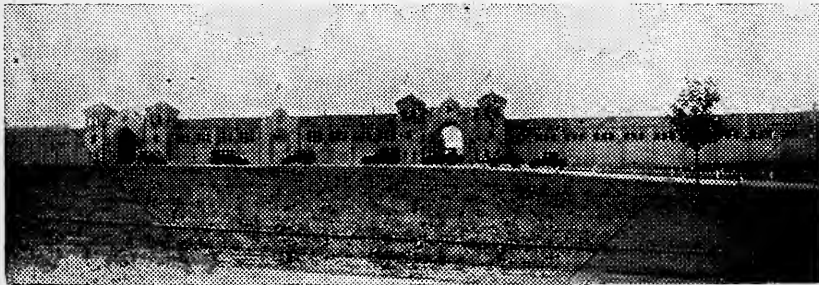


WM. M. METTREY
Raleigh, N. C.

We have devoted our efforts in this endeavor to make this Grand Mahrajan, your Mahrajan, an outstanding success. All our plans and decisions have been conscientiously made for the common good of the Association.

We take this opportunity to thank all the members of the Association for their coöperation in making this Mahrajan a success, and also to our guests and friends.

Welcome to the Grand Mahrajan!



N. C. State Fair Grounds, June 20-21, 1937

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Program

SUNDAY, JUNE 20, 1937

- 8:30 a.m. Gates open for registration at the North Carolina State Fair grounds.
- 10:00 a.m. Ground entertainments.
- 1:00 p.m. Open air banquet at the Fair grounds.
Song by the assembled—"My Country 'Tis of Thee."
Invocation by Monsig. Rabil of Roanoke, Va.
Toastmaster, Mr. Neil Joseph of Goldsboro, N. C.

ADDRESSES OF WELCOME:

Mr. S. Baddour, President of the Lebanon Syrian-American Association of North Carolina.

Hon. George Iseley, Mayor of the City of Raleigh.

His Excellency, Clyde R. Hoey, Governor of North Carolina.

RESPONSE ADDRESSES:

Mr. Eli Mack, President of the Syrian-American Association of South Carolina.

His Excellency, Olin D. Johnson, Governor of South Carolina.

Song by Miss Nellie Farfour of Goldsboro, N. C.

Address by Mr. George A. Hamid, New York.

Song by Miss Julia Akel of Wilmington, N. C.

Address by Dr. H. A. Elkourie of Birmingham, Alabama, President of the Southern Federation of Syrian Clubs.

3:30 p.m. Arabic musical entertainment in the grandstand by Russell Bunai, singer; Najda Courie, singer; Phillip Solomon, violinist; and Joe Badaway, aud player, of New York. Master of Ceremonies, Shikry Murad of Wilson.

6:00 p.m. Dinner at the Oasis Cafe on the Grounds.

8:30 p.m. Julia Taweel, Lebanese dancer, assisted by her ensemble of Syrian vocalists and musicians direct from Chicago.

Program

MONDAY, JUNE 21, 1937

- 12:01 a.m. Grand Mahrajan Night Club and floor show, featuring Jimmie Poyner and his Famous Collegians at the Fair grounds.
- 9:00 a.m. Opening of the grounds.
- 9:30 a.m. Mock sword duel by South Carolina aggregation, featuring Mr. S. Tibschrany and Mr. Mitchell Tibschrany, at the grandstand.
- 10:00 a.m. Musical entertainment by "Herro Trio," of Watertown, Wisconsin.
- 10:30 a.m. Arabic music by Russel Bunai, Nadji Courie, Phillip Solomon, and Joe Badawey.
- 12:00 m. Luncheon at the Oasis Cafe on the grounds.
- 2:00 p.m. Jimmy Poyner and his Famous Collegians. 30-minute concert.
- 2:30 p.m. Arabic Music and Dancing.
- 6:00 p.m. Dinner at the Oasis Cafe on the grounds.
- 8:30 p.m. Fireworks at the Fair grounds.
- 9:30 p.m. Grand Mahrajan Ball at Memorial Auditorium with Jimmy Poyner and His Famous Collegians. Awarding Diamond Ring.

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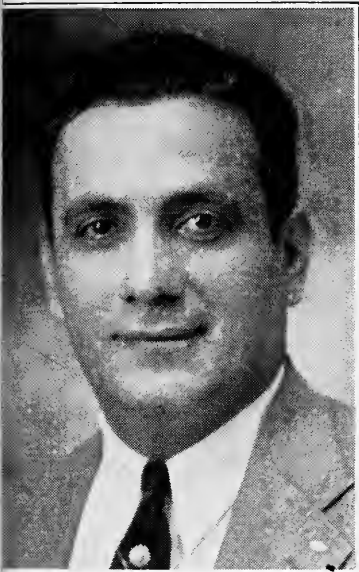
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Greetings and happiness to the Lebanon Syrian-American Association of North Carolina.

The loyalty, devotion and hearty co-operation shown by you towards the Syrian-American Society of South Carolina have helped to make us successful in our attempts.

I herewith extend to the officers and members of the Lebanon Syrian-American Association of North Carolina my profoundest gratitude.

May your efforts in this as well as your future occasions be successful and may God be with you in every attempt.

ELIAS SKAFF MACK

President Syrian-American Society of South Carolina.



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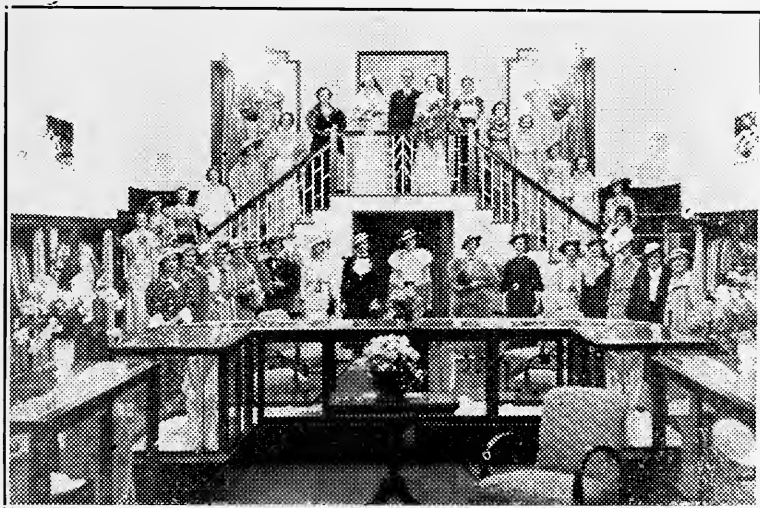
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The seventeenth President of the United States, Andrew Johnson, was born here. This famous old home now stands as a shrine in Pullen Park.

The State Hall of History here, with its collection of North Carolina historical records and important archives, attracts much interest.

The oldest bank building in North Carolina still stands on the property of Christ Church. It is the present rectory. It was built in 1795 as the State Bank.

Many visitors to Raleigh are likewise interested in monuments and memorials of famous North Carolinians on Capitol Square and in State department buildings.

Three points of special beauty in Raleigh are Dix Hill, Country Club, and the Federal Cemetery.



Remember the North Carolina State Fair

October, 11-16, 1937



