

THE WILSON ADVANCE

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The ADVANCE endeavors to be an impartial and honest chronicler of the news, devoting special attention to the education of the colored people. It is a weekly paper published by J. L. Weigman. It is a neat, creditable sheet and has our best wishes.

We see from the Raleigh Call that there is no dearth of candidates for professorships in the College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, soon to be started in Raleigh.

A VALUED exchange in speaking of a clever fellow was visiting that town says, "There are no bugs on—". The people of the State will be delighted to hear this. It was a source of great concern to know whether or not the gay and festive bug inhabited the anatomy of the gentleman mentioned. But since we have the assurance that our friend is positively and emphatically not a bug, we here and now extend our hand to him and our thanks to the editor for making the information we were racking our brains to obtain.

THE speech of Prof. Geo. T. Winston, in this week's ADVANCE, was delivered before the Teachers' Assembly, of which he was president. It is decidedly one of the broadest and best educational addresses ever heard in North Carolina. We only wish that every teacher would catch the spirit that is breathed through its every sentence. Read the speech, every friend of education and of humanity, and resolve that henceforth you will give your influence and voice and money towards securing better education for the multitude of children of North Carolina.

The fact that so many of the brainiest and best equipped young men in the State are making teaching a profession is an indication of educational growth that every observant man must have noted. Among others who have decided to adopt this profession, we learn that Mr. W. C. Burkhead has determined to enter this broad field of usefulness. We do not know where he will teach, but we do believe that the town that secures his services will get a man who will in the not far distant future be one of the foremost educators of the State. He is a man of brains, of enthusiasm, and has all the elements out of which our best teachers are made.

PROBABLY the most important question that was discussed by the Teachers' Assembly was the Training School question. The principal speech on this subject was made by Chas. D. McVey, who has been a pioneer in this idea. He took the ground that while the foundation of our government has always been the protection of the weak against the strong, we have always discriminated against the women of the State in favor of the men, so far as education was concerned. He believed a first-class training school should be endowed for the women of the State. The discussion was participated in by several and was both interesting and instructive.

STATE day at the Teachers' Assembly was held on Tuesday of last week. Speeches were made by the different State officers. Gov. Rowle made one of the boldest speeches in the cause of education that was ever made in the State. He pronounced himself as in favor of a \$50,000 endowment for the University and as in favor of levying exactly double the tax we now levy for common school purposes. He favored a generous and liberal policy by the State in the cause of education. Maj. S. M. Finger, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, next spoke. He made a strong speech. He showed how much the State was doing for the cause of education and how she could and would do much more. He impressed upon his audience the necessity of making the public schools the basis—the groundwork—of education. In this connection we desire to say that we do not believe the State has a man who could or would do more good, substantial work in laying a solid foundation for educational progress in North Carolina, than Superintendent Finger.

The speech of Treasurer D. W. Bain was bright, pointed and calculated to do good. The address of Secretary of State, Col. Sargant, was, we doubt not, strong, practical and heard it, a strong, practical address. He is one of the brainiest men in the State.

NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOLS.

Let Them be Established in Every Neighborhood in the State.

If there is any one thing that the ADVANCE is thoroughly in earnest in it is the necessity of supplying the people all over the country with better educational facilities. The white people must be educated—the negroes will be, experience has shown us. There must be an awakening among our people on this line.

The following letter is very gratifying to us and we reproduce it in full:
EDITOR ADVANCE—I have read with much interest the article in your issue of the 27th, inst., entitled "A Wilson County School." I just want to say that if the progressive intelligent people of the different districts will have themselves appointed committees and so will take hold of the public school fund, small as it is, and make it the basis of school effort, adding to it by private subscriptions, permanent schools can be built up in almost all neighborhoods.

If the people in any neighborhood will get really in earnest on the subject of education and combine their efforts, they will find that a good school can be established, and kept up without very much cost to any one. A little saving here and there will enable them to command the money. I think it may be said with strict truth that most people spend upon their children unnecessarily, if not injuriously, enough to give them a good elementary education. And many men spend very unnecessarily upon themselves more money than they pay in taxes and otherwise for the education of their children.

When we shall have a due appreciation of the value of education as a means of helping our children, and of perpetuating our civil and religious liberties we will find the means of affording it.

Yours very respectfully,
S. M. FINGER.

AT MOREHEAD.

The editor of the ADVANCE has been to Morehead City almost every summer for the past seven years and we can say with pleasure that we never spent so pleasant a time there as our visit week before last and a part of last week. We have seen the hotel conducted under various managers but it is, in our opinion, conducted better this year than it has ever been under any management. The syndicate, who own the property, (three shares of which are owned by Wilson men) are running the hotel themselves this year and they are running it right. Mr. R. B. Raney, of the Yarrowborough House, Raleigh, is managing it for them. The cleanliness of the hotel is noted by every one. Everything about the place is kept with such "old maid like" cleanliness that it does one good to see. The victuals are cooked well and served nicely by servants who are under excellent discipline. Of course the usual bill of fare of the hotel was not given during the Teachers' Assembly, because the teachers were boarded at \$1 per day, but the fare was excellent—so good we do not believe the hotel made expenses on the crowd they had. A good band of music—one of the best we've yet heard—"makes the music" and those who dance have an opportunity to enjoy that pleasure which their hearts delight in. The surf bathing was delightful to us, while sailing was good most of the time we could spend at Morehead.

The seeker after pleasure can find it at Morehead now, while more thought is given to secure the comfort of those who seek health and rest than has ever before been the case. The music stops every night at 12 o'clock and most of the lights are then put out. The people retire earlier than formerly and genuine rest is more easily gained. We know of no place that offers more advantages as a summer resort than does Morehead City. We truly hope it may be our pleasure to be there every summer in the future.

THE TEACHERS' ASSEMBLY.

The North Carolina Teachers' Assembly is doing great good for the State, we believe, and our belief is based upon being present at several sessions and observing closely the effects of its work upon the educational advancement of North Carolina. Not from the lectures made at the meeting—not from the general work done at the meetings of the Assembly do we recognize the most efficient and effective work. The public exercises of the meetings do much good. They spread a spirit of enthusiasm among the teachers and give the people information and pleasure that they cannot otherwise secure. The best conceived thought of the State is exercised for the benefit of those who attend and many of the lectures are gems of merit.

While the ADVANCE recognizes the wonderful good that this work of the Assembly does, it believes the more lasting and far reaching work is done by means of the meeting and commingling of the friends and laborers of education—by means of the interchange of thoughts and ideas of the people in the course of the social intercourse that the Assembly makes possible. The friends of education feel drawn closer together and a broader spirit of

co-operation is engendered. The cause of education—in a broad sense—becomes to them a living reality and they sympathize with every effort looking towards better educational facilities for every child in the State.

The ADVANCE hopes that the North Carolina Teachers' Assembly may long prosper, growing larger year by year and becoming a more powerful force in the State in spreading the cause of education in every dark corner in the borders of the State we love so well.

WILSON ABUSED.

The Subject of Education is of Supreme Importance.

The town of Wilson is aroused as it has seldom been before, on the subject of education. The ADVANCE thought it saw the need of a high grade male school and a better public school and began agitating the matter. It has caused for congratulation in the fact that the people of Wilson have seen this need and are taking steps to meet it. It made no mistake and feels that it has done good along this line.

In response to the demands of the situation several men are looking towards Wilson as a place to locate a high grade Male School, and last Monday night Prof. J. E. Kelly, by special request, addressed a meeting of our citizens upon the needs of the situation and the proper manner to meet them. He made a sensible talk and his remarks were heartily endorsed by those present. At the conclusion of his remarks Mayor Geo. D. Green was called to the chair and Mr. Henry Blount was appointed Secretary. Timely remarks were made by Messrs. E. M. Nadal, F. W. Barnes, J. J. Hadley and others.

A subscription list was opened and \$1000 was subscribed. To secure further funds a committee, consisting of Messrs. E. M. Nadal, Geo. D. Green, C. C. Daniels and Dr. Walter Brodie, was appointed to report at the meeting to-morrow night.

ROCKY MOUNT.

A Few Hours Stay in this Busy Town.

The local editor spent last Thursday night in Rocky Mount and Friday morning went out to the mills. It certainly looks like business everywhere out there. About fifty workmen are employed on the new addition to the mills. When this is completed it will probably be the largest spinning plant in the State. New buildings to be occupied by families of employees to work in the addition are going up, and quite a little village, dotted the hillsides of the murky Tar, has grown up out there. It won't be very long before it will become a part of the town proper, almost doubling its present size. There are live, progressive men at the head of this enterprise and it is making money.

The Rocky Mount Iron Works are moving along smoothly enough now, the trouble mentioned in these columns some time since having been settled. This is also a paying piece of property, employing eight or ten hands.

Rocky Mount ought to be proud of her Military Company. It is as creditable and fine looking a set of men as can be found in the State over. They have a new Captain now. Capt. Hart having been promoted some time since, they held a meeting and elected First Lieutenant Henry R. Thorpe Captain. Jno. L. Arrington was elected first lieutenant. Capt. Thorpe is a brilliant young man and will make a good officer, we believe. The man who fills Manse Hart's place has no easy job. He was a model officer. He spent his energy, his time and his money for the Company, a fact which they highly appreciated. He won many points where other men would have failed. The Company are well drilled and will go to the encampment in fine condition.

How it rained Friday afternoon and all night! Ditches and branches full of overflowing, crops covered with water, and raining still. Such was the prospect that greeted our eyes on the return trip Saturday morning. Hon. B. H. Bunn said he had a fifteen acre field of corn four feet under water. Mr. Daughtridge said he had twenty acres three times as deep and was under water Saturday morning. He will not try it again.

Between Rocky Mount and Wilson we saw acres of growing crops covered with water. The ground is pretty thoroughly dampened and it will take some time to dry out. The damage will be no small amount.

DR. EUGENE GRISSOM.

Charged With Wrong-Doing and Gross Irregularities.

Perhaps nothing has produced such a profound sensation in this State as the arraignment of Dr. Grissom in Raleigh, Wednesday of last week before the Board of Directors of the Lunsan Asylum. He is charged with gross immorality with the female attendants and others of the institution, of misappropriation of property belonging to the institution and of gross mismanagement of and cruelty to the patients under his charge. The charges are preferred by Mr. John W. Thompson and Dr. Sion H. Rodgers, employees in the Asylum. The following compose the Board: Dr. E. Burke Haywood, chairman; R. H. Smith, of Halifax; Dr. T. D. Harris, of Currituck; Capt. W. S. Harris, of Wake; J. S. Amis, of

Granville; Dr. John McCormick, of Harnett; Dr. W. R. Capehart, of Bertie; Dr. G. A. Foote, of Warrenton, and Dr. Isaac Jackson, of Columbus.

Dr. Grissom retained the following counsel for his defense: Hon. Thomas J. Jarvis, Hon. C. M. Cooke, Col. T. C. Fuller, W. N. Jones, Armistead Jones, Esq., Messrs. Haywood and Haywood and T. P. Everaux, Esq. The prosecution was represented by Messrs. Spier Whitaker and Chas. M. Busbee.

The case was opened for evidence. On Friday when the Board met Mr. Harris sent in a notice that he was sick and could not attend, but desired to hear all the evidence, in consequence of which the Board adjourned until yesterday, when it was again taken up. Saturday morning Mr. Busbee withdrew from the prosecution on account of personal reasons and Col. A. M. Waddell, of Wilmington, was employed in his place. The proceedings are attracting the attention of the entire State. It is much surprised whether Dr. Grissom is guilty or not, as a matter of State pride.

WASHINGTON NEWS.

Political Chat at The National Capital by Our Regular Reporter.

WASHINGTON, June 28th, '89. Blaine's coming man with bangs, William Walter Phelps, of New Jersey, has been appointed Minister to Germany. There is nothing strange about this appointment which was known and discussed in the Senate before Phelps was with the Samoan Commission, six weeks ago except the absurd attempt on the part of Blaine, Harrison and Phelps to make it appear to the public that the latter was very much surprised when tendered the commission as minister, when as a matter of fact the thing has been fully settled ever since shortly after the Senate rejected the nomination of Murat Halstead to the same position. By accident I discovered the cause for the little display. Phelps wants to spend the most of the summer in this country, and it was concluded that if it was given out that the position had been "shook" him up, he could plead private business as an excuse for not going to Berlin for several months. Verily the tricks of the politicians are many.

Commissioner of Pensions Tanner is supposed to be rather thick-skinned, but the charges of favoritism towards a certain firm of pension agents here which were recently made against the Pension Office "shook" him all up," as the boys say. Before leaving for the west, where he goes to attend several soldiers' meetings, he called on the President to assure him that he was innocent of the charges. He also told the President that when he returned from this trip he proposed making a personal investigation in order to ascertain whether there was any basis for the charges.

There is to be a big discharge at the government printing office to-morrow. I am informed that Public Printer Palmer has instructed the foremen in the several departments that he wanted none but democrats selected for dismissal.

The Indiana republicans that stay at home must be very different from those that come to Washington or else Representative Owens, of that State, who is just from home, must be fibbing when he says, speaking of his constituents: "The people of the State feel that superior to patronage, personal ambition for power, and all that, is the sense that Indiana has a President whose administration they may be proud of." For several reasons I am constrained to believe that Mr. Owens is only giving the man in the White House "taffy" with the hope of "teaching on" to something for some of his aforesaid constituents. First, because in the eyes of all the republicans from Indiana that I have ever seen nothing was superior to official patronage. Secondly, the administration of the Indiana man has hardly been long enough or its acts important enough to either be proud of or ashamed of.

The traveler who is at present occupying the White House is working the railroads in great shape. He returned from Cape May Monday night and to-day he is on his way back. He is returning here the first of the week, bringing his family. Tuesday or Wednesday he is to carry the old lady and the babies to Deer park where a dead head cottage has been placed at his disposal for the summer. He is then to go to the Fourth of July celebration at Woodstock. How many "drummers do more travelling than this, in the same time.

The Civil Service Commission has returned from its investigating tour. The commissioners are disappointed and almost discouraged. In only one place did they find the thing being strictly carried out. Chicago. The visits of inspection will be kept up and unless the courage of the Commission shall all come out the law will be strictly enforced. By accepted to commit suicide, had accepted to commit suicide, will make the law a permanent threat or it will cause it to be repealed.

Mr. Porter, Superintendent of the Census, proposed to set up a little opposition to the Civil Service Commission. He refuses to take his clerks through the Commission, and has arranged a list of questions which he says all applicants must answer satisfactorily before appointment. The only difference is, if furnished by the Civil Service Commission some of the clerks would be democrats, while Porter's plan makes sure of all being republicans.

A SAD CASE.

A Brilliant Mind Wrecked and a Life Ruined.

Raleigh is nothing if not sensational. Right on the heels of the Grissom investigation comes the startling news Monday that Prof. Ralph Graves, of the class of Mathematics in the State University, had accepted to commit suicide. He went to Raleigh June 1st and placed himself under medical treatment. He was suffering from overwork of the brain as a

consequence of his arduous duties in the University. He was advised to consult a specialist and intended to do so as soon as he was sufficiently recovered. He was subjected to paroxysms of depression, which necessitated careful watch and attention. Mrs. Graves was with him Sunday afternoon, and he conversed naturally and pleasantly. She left the room a moment and on her return was horrified to see him standing before a mirror deliberately cutting his throat with a pocket-knife. She knocked the knife from his hand and he tried to finish the terrible deed by tearing open the wound with his fingers. This Mrs. Graves prevented until help came. Physicians dressed the wound, which was a ghastly one, the carotid artery being exposed. He was in a raving condition and was removed to the Lunsan Asylum. Prof. Graves is 38 years old and is one of the foremost and most brilliant mathematicians in the country.

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