

COUNTY CLERK ASKS PEOPLE TO RECOMMEND

Mr. Jordan's Successor

The County Chairman Calls Joint Meeting of the Various Precinct Committees of Long Acre for Saturday, October 16.

The following communication from Mr. W. C. Rodman, chairman of the Democratic County Executive Committee to this paper with enclosures, will explain itself:

October 6, 1909.
Washington, N. C.

Dear Sir: Enclosed I hand you a letter which I have just received from the Honorable Geo. A. Paul, Clerk of the Superior court of Beaufort county and a copy of my reply thereto, also a notice of a meeting of the Executive Committees of Long Acre township in joint session in the city of Washington on Saturday the 16th day of October, 1909, at 11 a. m., at the courthouse in Washington, N. C. I trust you will give this correspondence publicity, in order that the people may have a chance to act.

Very respectfully,
WILEY C. RODMAN,
Chairman Democratic Ex. Com.

October 6, 1909.
Major W. C. Rodman, Chairman Democratic Executive Committee of Beaufort County.

Sir: Under section 1314, chapter 23, Vol. 1, Pell's Revisal of 1908, North Carolina, it becomes my duty as clerk of the Superior court of Beaufort county to make the appointment of a County Commissioner to fill the unexpired term of the late lamented H. G. Jordan, of Long Acre township; and, desiring to be governed in the matter by the expressed wishes of the people, as nearly as they can be obtained, I would be pleased if, at your earliest convenience, you would call a meeting of the several precinct executive committees of the Democratic party of Long Acre township, requesting them to recommend some one suitable to fill the vacancy.

Very respectfully,
GEO. A. PAUL,
Clerk Superior Court.

October 6, 1909.
Honorable Geo. A. Paul,
Clerk Superior Court,
Washington, N. C.

Sir: I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter by this evening's mail. Pursuant to your request I have at once called a meeting of the Democratic Executive Committee of Long Acre township, to pass upon the question involved in your letter, namely the selection of a successor to fill the unexpired term of Commissioner Jordan. All of us regret the necessity of making this appointment, but I trust I may be permitted to say to you that personally I congratulate you upon the wisdom of your course in obtaining, as nearly as may be possible, the wishes of the people of his township, upon which to base your appointment.

Very respectfully,
WILEY C. RODMAN,
Chairman Democratic Ex. Com.

NOTICE.
At the request of Honorable Geo. A. Paul, Clerk of the Superior court of Beaufort county, there will be a joint meeting of the various precinct executive committees of Long Acre township at 11 o'clock a. m., on Saturday, October 16, 1909, at the courthouse in Washington, N. C.

The purpose of the meeting is to recommend a successor to fill the unexpired term of the late H. G. Jordan, as County Commissioner, made vacant by his death.

This 6th day of October, 1909.
WILEY C. RODMAN,
Chairman Dem. Executive Com.

RAPIDLY RECOVERING.
Mrs. M. Cherry, of East Fourth street, who has been confined to her home for the past week suffering with an extremely bad attack of nervousness, we are glad to state is rapidly recovering. The many friends of Mrs. Cherry will be pleased to learn of her recovery as she is quite an active factor in church work and her presence from the Methodist Church choir has been badly missed.

RESIDENCE REPAIRED.
The residence occupied by Mrs. Robert Shaw and family, corner of Respass and Second streets, is being repaired.

NEW WINDOW.
A new plate glass is being put in the window at the Hassell Supply Company.

NEWS SOLICITOR.
Miss Nellie Whitley is now collecting subscriptions for the Daily News. Please have the money ready, so as to save her the necessity of making extra calls.

JNO. H. SMALL AMONG SPEAKERS

He Addressed the Good Roads Congress at Asheville Yesterday.

Congressman John H. Small was one of the principal speakers at the Southern Appalachian Good Roads Congress, at Asheville, yesterday. The News and Observer says his address was one of the features. The News gives below an extract:

"Congressman Small addressed the congress at the afternoon session on 'The Mountains and Shore, Connected by Good Roads.' Mr. Small made a splendid address, in which he intelligently discussed the problems of securing construction of roads. He declared that he was in favor of a general appropriation by Congress for road construction, and would vote for such; but advised the people not to depend upon such appropriations, reciting the difficulty to establish an Appalachian forest. He was hopeful that within a few years Congress would decide to make appropriations for the National forest, as well as for road construction. The only way that State aid could be utilized, he said, was by having a fund from which a certain amount of aid could be extended those counties which voted bonds for roads; only the deserving one, those which showed a desire, sharing in the fund." He firmly declared his position that taxation for road building was necessary and right; that where large sums of money was demanded at once, bonds should be issued. This matter should be laid before the people. "I believe that high taxes for schools and roads is the highest condition of any political party," he declared. After stating that much better connection between the East and West is not only desirable; but it would mean much for the social and commercial development of the State, Mr. Small declared, "if we are to bring this great movement to a fruition, then every delegate must go forth as a missionary and preach the doctrine of good roads and taxation."

ALL THE SEATS ALREADY SOLD

For the Opening Game in the Baseball World-Series to Be Played at Pittsburg.

Pittsburg, Oct. 7.—The National Baseball Commission having charge of the sale of seats for the world's series games here between Pittsburg and Detroit announced today that the public sale of reserved seats advertised for Wednesday had been canceled, owing to the fact that no tickets were left for either of the games of Friday or Saturday.

The mail-order sale of reserved seats has been unprecedented, the 18,514 tickets for each game at Forbes field having been all sold 48 hours after mail orders were received, the announcement being made by an official of the Pittsburg baseball club that \$100,000 worth of orders for seats for the first two games here have been returned with a notice that no reserved seats were left. The local club refused to accept their mail at the postoffice after Saturday morning, and all letters arriving after that time were returned to the senders.

There still remain 12,000 bleacher and standing room tickets that will be put on sale each day of the games here, and, from present indications, police reserves will be necessary to control the crowd of people who were disappointed at not getting reserved seats.

The officials of the Pittsburg baseball club are not taking any chances on all not being accommodated with the present seating capacity of Forbes field, the largest baseball park in the world, and extra seats are being built around the grounds, thus preventing ground rules. Eight thousand seats are being built in right and left fields, thus giving the park a seating capacity of 42,000. With these standing, all baseball records are expected to be broken during the games here.

CREDITABLE SHOWING.

In the show window at the Chamber of Commerce rooms can be seen samples of oorn, cotton and Japan peas raised by the firm of Dixon & Bonner, of Aurora, N. C. The News says it is the best product ever seen passed anywhere. They show what Beaufort county can do in the way of farming. They must be seen to be believed.

THIRTY KILLED, 50 ENTOMBED, BY EXPLOSION

*8 Bodies Recovered

The Accident Occurred in Mine of Wellington Colliery Co., in British Columbia—Rescuers at Work.

Nanaimo, B. C., Oct. 7.—Thirty lives are known to have been lost in an explosion that entombed more than 50 men in the extension mine of the Wellington Colliery Company here yesterday.

Twenty of the imprisoned men were rescued, but the rapidly spreading fire prevented the rescuers from completing their work. Eight bodies were recovered and two workers late tonight were making every effort to force further entrance into the two levels affected by the explosion in an effort to save any who may be lying and to recover the bodies of the dead before they are consumed.

The fire was gaining constantly tonight and while it continues there is little hope of the rescuers being able to reach the imprisoned men.

All the men rescued were badly injured.

The men employed in the collieries on Vancouver Island are of the better class of British miners, are well paid and have comfortable homes.

The Wellington Colliery Company, which owns the Extension mine, is controlled by British Columbia capital, Lieut.-Governor Jas. Dunsmuir being the head of the corporation.

The shocks were terrific but the effect was confined to the slopes where it occurred. All of the men in the other slopes and levels escaped.

Fifty men are engaged in rescue work. Hundreds of inhabitants and visitors volunteered aid, but the nature of the rescue work precluded more than 50 being engaged.

The rescuers hoped the flames would die down so as to permit the rescue of the entombed, but their chances seemed hopeless.

The explosion was due to fire damp, the timbers in the two levels at once igniting and the fire spreading with great rapidity.

Residents of Nanaimo have been prevented from going to the extension, where the disaster occurred, and only rescuers, miners and officials are on the scene.

The mine is situated 60 miles to the north of Victoria, near the sea coast.

Some of the customers run under the sea.

More than 3,000 men are employed in these collieries, which are the second largest in Canada. They have been operated for 40 years. They have been the scene of several disasters in recent years.

NO HOPE FOR MAN IN WELL

Father Gives Up the Faith That He Can Be Found Alive.

New York, Oct. 7.—All hope of rescuing John Coffin, the young farmer of Central Islip, who was buried alive yesterday 50 feet below the surface of the earth by the collapse of a well in which he was working, had been abandoned late last night by his father.

The progress of sinking a second shaft to the level at which the cave-in occurred has been so slow that it is now believed the prisoner must surely have been smothered by the sand or drowned by the mounting water in the well.

All last night long relays of men worked at the new shaft. There is a possibility that the crossbeams at the bottom of the well may have formed an air chamber, in which Coffin might live for a short time. The chances are said to be not more than one in a thousand that he could keep alive until the men can reach him. He is more than 60 feet from the surface, and there is 20 feet of sand and clay on top of him.

Constable Schwartz, who has charge of the men at work, said that it might be three or four days before Coffin could be reached. The plan is to sink a shaft down to where Coffin lies and then dig a passage across to the old well. The lumber needed to

LOCATED AT ORIENTAL.

Mr. A. F. Ashbury, formerly a butcher at the market house, has gone to Oriental, N. C., where he expects to engage in the wholesale fish and oyster business.

ACCEPTS POSITION.

Mr. Lindsey Warren has accepted a position as assistant bookkeeper at the First National Bank in the city, and began his duties today.

TO MAKE SURVEY OF TAR RIVER

The U. S. Gas Boat Frances in Port on Way to Greenville.

The gasboat Frances, Capt. K. A. Bell, in command, the property of the United States government, arrived in port this morning from New Bern. She is here for the purpose of making a survey of the Tar River from Tarboro to Washington.

The theory of the police is that the warehouse, where the cotton was stored, the artificial tail having been lighted beforehand. The discovery confirms the police in the belief that the numerous cotton fires of the past few months have been the work of incendiaries.

character of the survey, is expected to arrive here this evening. The purpose of this survey is to deepen the channel of Tar River so as to enable boats of deeper draught to ply the waters between Washington and Tarboro.

THE ECONOMY FARM CENSUS

Director Durand Hopes to Save Several Hundred Thousand Dollars.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 7.—U. S. Census Director E. Dana Durand, hopes to save several hundred thousand dollars in taking the census of agriculture, and also to increase the accuracy of the statistics.

The director stated today that at the census of 1900 the agricultural data were handled by means of punched cards. For each farm a large number of cards had to be punched, as the number of facts recorded regarding a farm was far greater than the number of facts required regarding an individual in the population census.

Director Durand said the statistics of population and of agriculture are collected by a different force from that employed in gathering the statistics of manufactures. The population and agricultural data are secured by enumerators of whom there will be about 35,000 at the present census, they in turn being appointed by the supervisors, of whom there are about 330. The difficulty of securing competent and faithful enumerators is very great. The length of service is very short, 15 days in the cities and 30 days in the country districts. The period is too short to justify a man who has a good job in quitting it, while on the other hand it is too long in most cases to enable such men to get leave from their regular work to take the census. Moreover the pay is small, averaging perhaps three dollars per day in the country districts and a little more in the cities, practically the pay of ordinary mechanics. "Not only, therefore, are most of those who seek to be enumerators men who are able to command only moderate pay in their occupations, but many of them are men who can not command regular employment and who are looking for odd jobs.

Consideration has been given by the census authorities from time to time to the plan pursued in Germany and some other European countries, by which the census is taken chiefly or wholly by men serving without pay, who either volunteer their service from patriotic motives or who are required to act. He doubts whether conditions in this country are ripe for such a scheme. At any rate, nothing of this sort can be done at the present census. It may, however, be hoped that to some slight extent, and possibly to a considerable extent, men can be induced to accept the position of enumerator from interest in the work rather than for the compensation involved. He hopes that the census of 1910 will be taken by college and university students of the country, who may see fit to give leave of absence to their students for the short time required to do this work of enumeration. The college student is a very useful enumerator in some cases, but it is exceedingly desirable that enumerators should actually live in the districts where they work and there are multitudes of districts where no college students reside or where such students are in institutions hundreds or thousands of miles from their homes. Another class who can render good service as enumerators are school teachers, but, with the enumeration taking place in April and May instead of June as formerly, few school teachers can be spared from their duties to take the census.

BALLOON RACE WON BY MIX, THE AMERICAN

He Lands in Russia

The Only Contestant From the United States in the International Balloon Race Captures Gordon Bennett Cup.

Zurich, Oct. 7.—Edgar W. Mix, the only American contestant in the international balloon race for the Gordon Bennett cup, in which 17 balloons started from here October 3, has won and will take the cup back to the United States. He is from Columbus, Ohio.

Mr. Mix landed north of Warsaw, in Russian Poland, at 3 o'clock Tuesday morning. He won with plenty of time to spare from Alfred LeBlanc, the French pilot, his companion in the St. Louis race of 1907, who came down at Kubin, Hungary, Monday afternoon.

The first news of Mr. Mix's landing was conveyed in a personal despatch to the Associated Press dated Ostrolenka. The aeronaut said:

"I landed in the midst of a large pine tree in the forest of Gutova, west of Ostrolenka, and north of Warsaw at 3 o'clock Tuesday morning. I encountered a heavy rain. My ballast was exhausted when I came down. At present I am in the hands of the police, but all is going well.

"I had bad weather Sunday night. It was cloudy and rain fell and I used half of my ballast before morning."

It is evident that in spite of the discouragement of drifting onward without knowing his location, the American aeronaut husbanded his ballast and kept his balloon aloft until the last ounce of sand was gone. He made his journey through fog and blinding rainstorms which compelled all the other pilots to descend.

After crossing the Swiss and the Austrian Alps, Captain Messner, one of the Swiss pilots, reported that his clothes were covered with ice to a thickness of half an inch. Messner reached an altitude of 18,000 feet.

Of the division of balloons which were carried more to the southward, LeBlanc, one of the French pilots, reached the farthest point. He covered a distance estimated at 1,015 kilometers (626.31 miles). Messner's distance was about the same as LeBlanc's and Col. Schaeck, a Swiss entrant, covered 493.69 miles.

The others covered lesser distances. Erbsloh covered 1,493 kilometres (927.25 miles) from St. Louis in 1907, which is the longest flight made in an international race, although behind Count De La Vaulx's record trip to Southern Russia.

It is impossible to explain why Mr. Mix should have been molested by the Russian police, as in anticipation of a landing in Russia, each of the pilots was provided at Zurich, before starting, with a special Russian passport guaranteed by the Russian minister to Switzerland to protect them against annoyance.

The American embassy at St. Petersburg has been advised of Mr. Mix's predicament and asked to take the matter up at once with the Russian authorities.

The committee sitting at Zurich has issued an unofficial estimate of the distance covered by Mix, which it states to be 1,129 kilometres (about 695 miles) or 3299 kilometres (198 miles) more than LeBlanc, the French competitor, accomplished.

An exact classification of the performances of the contestants will be impossible, until their log books arrive, but Mr. Mix is an easy winner. Alfred LeBlanc, representing France, and Captain Messner, representing Switzerland, each of whom made slightly over 800 kilometres (about 496 miles) are both named for second place, but this probably will not be determined until the official announcement is made.

CAT AS AN INCENDIARY.

A remarkable discovery was made by a party of salvage men engaged in a cotton warehouse which was the scene of a slight outbreak of fire, says the London Standard.

While a search was being made among the debris it was noticed that several bricks had been removed from the wall, and a further examination revealed a live cat with a long string attached to its tail, upon which were the remains of some unburned material that had evidently been saturated with inflammable liquid.

SHAFT ERECTED IS UNVEILED

Erected in New Bern to Federal Soldiers Who Were Killed in Civil War.

New Bern, N. C., Oct. 7.—After a welcome at the courthouse last night on behalf of the city by Mayor McCarty, on behalf of the State by Hon. J. Bryan Grimes, Secretary of State, and J. J. Wolfenden on behalf of the local organization of Confederate veterans, the Rhode Island Monument Commission, which arrived last evening for the purpose of dedicating the monument to Rhode Island soldiers buried here, were about bright and early today, some meeting old friends and making new acquaintances.

The first feature of today's program, arranged by the local committee on arrangements, was a sail on the Neuse and Trent. The training ship Elfrida was secured and amply accommodated. Historic points along both rivers were pointed out.

About the most interesting guest is Col. Henry T. Sisson, of the Fifth Rhode Island Heavy Artillery. Col. Sisson has many recollections of New Bern, having been stationed here during the war.

Distinguished guests are his excellency, Aaron J. Pothier, governor of Rhode Island, and Capt. William M. Douglass, Fifth R. I. Infantry, chairman of the commission.

At 1:30 the party and citizens boarded Norfolk and Southern cars and reached the cemetery in time to begin the ceremonies at 2:30, when the program, opening with prayer and the singing of "America" by school children of New Bern, after which the monument was unveiled by Mr. R. A. Nunn and Mrs. E. K. Bishop, of this city. The monument was then delivered to the commission by Sculptor Wm. W. Manatt, or Providence, R. I. Hon. Wm. W. Douglass made the address of acceptance in behalf of the commission and presented the shaft to his excellency, Governor Pothier, who officially delivered it to the United States, it being accepted by the superintendent of the cemetery.

After the singing of the "Star Spangled Banner" Lieutenant Commander C. J. McGorley fired a salute of eleven guns, which ended the ceremonies dedicating the monument by the State of Rhode Island to her heroes in New Bern.

IS APPRECIATED.

The prayer meeting at the First largely attended than usual. The carnival management was very courteous, not allowing any of the attractions to begin operation until the service had closed. The church-going people appreciate very much this generous attitude, in fact, the entire city

CONVENTION AT ASHEVILLE, N. C.

The Appalachian Good Roads Association Welcomed by Gov. Kitchin.

Asheville, N. C., Oct. 7.—With 150 to 175 delegates present from North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Tennessee and Virginia, the Southern Appalachian Good Roads Association was ushered in this morning at the city auditorium for a three days' session, in which ways and means for the construction of more than 500 miles of improved roads in the Southern Appalachian Mountains will be cleared.

When the congress assembled there were a number of prominent men of the several States on the platform, including Governor Kitchin of North Carolina, Dr. Joseph Hyde Pratt of Chapel Hill, F. H. Hyatt of South Carolina. Dr. Pratt stated the purposes of the congress, to provide ways and means for building 500 miles of good roads in the Appalachian Mountains, with connecting links leading to South Carolina, Georgia, Tennessee and Virginia.

Governor Kitchin, of North Carolina, welcomed the delegates on behalf of North Carolina. He said that the question of good roads was not new; that the Romans had built good roads, roads that have lasted for more than one thousand years; that they knew the value of good roads, not only for purposes of war, but for commerce. Governor Kitchin said that the only way to get good roads was by hard earnest, honest work and that there was no magical way of getting good roads; that the people must go down in their pockets and bear the expenses.

W. J. Cooke welcomed the delegates on behalf of the city. Dr. Joseph Hyde Pratt was elected permanent chairman of the congress, and E. J. Watson, of South Carolina, secretary. Col. Benehan Cameron was called and spoke on "Federal Aid to Post Roads."

G. F. COLLEGE RAISES AMOUNT OF ENDOWMENT

Carnegie Sends Check

This Noted Institution of Learning Raises a Fund of \$100,000—Carnegie Gives \$25,000 and B. N. Duke \$10,000.

People all over the State will be glad to read the following announcement from the \$100,000 endowment fund for Greensboro Female College, made by Mr. Charles H. Ireland, secretary of the board of trustees, who says: "I have just received from Mr. Andrew Carnegie his check for \$25,000, his gift to the endowment fund of Greensboro Female College. A few days ago I received from Mr. B. N. Duke his check for \$10,000. These two contributions brought our fund up to \$100,000, the goal for which we have been striving for the past three years. About one thousand persons from all parts of the State have contributed to this fund, and we are deeply grateful for every gift. Greensboro Female College is now, with one exception, the only woman's college in the M. E. Church, South, that has an endowment of \$100,000.

Should the time ever come when the question of raising a big fund with which to erect a monument to the nobility and ability of woman in the sphere of general, civic, religious and educational usefulness, the true story of the resuscitating of Greensboro Female College, first from financial, second from actual fire and ashes, and third the accomplishment of this last undertaking of endowing the institution with a fund for all time, which insures its everlasting usefulness, when straghtly told, would focus all thought upon this institution, and it might well be selected as of itself an appropriate form of monument to woman's worth.

True, in the rehabilitation of the institution, several years ago, splendid men rallied to the rescue, and when fire destroyed the first fruits of effort, their aid was only redoubled, and when the goal of an endowment fund was planned they generously gave of their little or abundance of means; yet from the first it was a small, noble band of women who conceived and dared the resolve of rescue, until, accumulating numberless forces of sister courage, work and sacrifice, the whole membership of a great church was inspired to action, resulting in princely contributions from outside sources.

While the whole State will rejoice at the completion of this last great work for Christian education, and the excellent members of the board of trustees of the college should be honored and thanked for their services, above all there are four people who should have especial cause for pride and thankfulness today at the result: Miss Nannie Lee Smith, of Greensboro, the Joan of Arc of the perilous first movement of rescue; Charles H. Ireland, secretary of the board of trustees; Rev. W. E. Curtis, financial secretary, and above all, Mrs. Lucy H. Robinson, president of the noble institution.

PHALANX LODGE.

There will be a meeting of Phalanx Lodge No. 10, I. O. O. F., at their hall this evening at 7:30 o'clock. Visiting brethren invited.

It's prudent to read them before deciding that you haven't time to answer any ads. today.

New Advertisements in Today's News.

Wm. Bragaw & Co.—Fire Insurance.
Knight Shoe Co.—Ladies' Evening Slippers.
Spencer Bros.—Hemp Clothes.
J. K. Hoyt—Ladies' Sweater Coats.
Mrs. E. Clark—Interwoven

Howe's Great London Shows. For Sale—Steam Launch. Doan's Kidney Pills. Wanted—Good Milliner. E. H. Miron Co.—New Showmen.