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WILL SUE BLACKBURN

Gov. Glenn Takes Action Against Defeated Congressman.

CRIMINAL LIBEL IS CHARGED.

Sensational Charges Against High Official of the State of North Carolina, Including Gov. Glenn, to be Investigated at the Instigation of the Governor, by the Courts.

Last Saturday a letter alleged to have been sent to Congressman R. N. Hackett, of the Eighth District by E. Spencer Blackburn, his defeated opponent, notifying the former that his election would be contested, was given to the press.

In the letter charges that Gov. Glenn and Mr. Hackett, who was attorney for a certain publishing house, conspired to force certain of its books into the schools of the State, and to defeat Mr. Blackburn in the Eighth District; and that for this service upon the part of the Governor, Mr. Hackett is to assist in his alleged candidacy for the U. S. Senate. The letter further charges that they, with Lieut. Gov. Winston conspired against him and through fraud robbed him of 10,000 votes at the recent election.

The charge, which is equal to one of malfeasance in office against the Governor, created much interest.

Tuesday Gov. Glenn telegraphed his attorney at Winston and at Greensboro to have Mr. Blackburn arrested for criminal libel, which will be done immediately upon his return to the State.

Governor Glenn in an interview stated that suit will be instituted not for money, but for proper redress.

Gov. Glenn added that he intended to have the charges investigated. "I have nothing to hide. The public is entitled to know everything in the matter. I will bring a criminal action, not for money, but for proper redress."

Congressman Hackett says that Blackburn's statements are absolutely false, and denounces him as a contemptible liar.

Considered for Conspiracy.

It will be remembered that Henry Walker, of Burlington, N. C., who was to be hanged on Dec. 6th, was given a respite until Jan. 8th, after his confession implicating Fannie McCain and Annie Turner, in the burglarious act at the home of L. Banks Holt on the night of Nov. 6th, last. On the trial Annie Turner was sentenced to life imprisonment for conspiracy. There was a mistrial as to Fannie McCain, nine of the jury being for conviction and three for acquittal. There was an appeal to the Court by counsel for Annie Turner.

Trade At Home.

Christmas in Asheboro was a busy one. A few weeks before Christmas the stores were filled with holiday goods, but the brisk trade experienced by our merchants cleared the shelves. Of course some shoppers visited neighboring towns, and many to their regret, for they found they would have easily satisfied their wants at our own stores. We should resolve that during the coming year the home merchants shall receive all our patronage, thereby building up our town and county.

New Factories Wanted.

Most of the factories in Asheboro have done well during the past year and have declared good dividends. In order to make Asheboro a manufacturing center which it is rapidly becoming, we need to establish at least three new factories this year; another new chair factory, another large furniture factory to manufacture line and up-to-date furniture, and one factory to manufacture kitchen cabinets, mantles, tables, etc.

A Beautiful Marriage.

At the home of Rev. M. J. Leach, of Lassiter, on the evening of Dec. 16th, 1906, there occurred a beautiful event in the family circle, when Mr. W. L. Thayer, of Troy, led Miss Dora Leach, of the hymenal altar. It was a unique, but joyful occasion, as only the immediate family were present.

Mr. and Mrs. Thayer will be at home at Troy, after Jan. 1st.

A face that cannot smile is like a rosebud that cannot blossom.

MORRIS-SMITH.

Beautiful Church Marriage Celebrated at Ramseur.

A beautiful marriage occurred in the M. E. Church at Ramseur, Dec. 19th, 1906, at 8 o'clock when Mr. Norman Franklin-Morris led to the hymenal altar, Miss Mary Leona Smith.

Promptly at the appointed hour, E. C. Watkins, as best man accompanied by Miss Lena Smith, maid of honor, approached the chancel, followed by Mr. Morris and Miss Smith, where they pledged their most sacred troth.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. C. A. Wood. The wedding march was most artistically rendered by Mrs. D. M. Weatherly, and Hugh Parks, Jr., of Franklinville. Miss Lorena Burgess and Dixie Carter, were the lovely ribbon bearers. The church was most beautifully decorated for the happy occasion. The popularity of the young couple was forcefully attested by the handsome array of gifts from their host of friends.

Alfred-Cox.

Mr. Burgess Alfred, of Cedar Falls, N. C., was married to Miss Victoria Cox, the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Cox, on Dec. 23, at 10 o'clock, a. m., a few neighbors being present to witness the occasion. O. B. Lawrence, Esq. performed the ceremony in an impressive manner. Very soon we were summoned to the dining room to witness a well loaded table with all the delicacies necessary for such an occasion.

Before seated, Deacon H. F. Way read the first division of the F. and M. offered prayer; then we too, advantage of the occasion. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Lawrence, Mr. and Mrs. James Cox, of Elise, N. C., Mr. and Mrs. E. Latham, Mrs. Fannie Wilson, and H. F. Way and family. Our best wishes go with the new couple.

In Memoriam.

Mrs. Nora Thomas, wife of W. E. Thomas, who died at her home at Greensboro recently was 37 years of age, and was near to her marriage Miss Nora Miller, of Randolph county, N. C. She was married in 1882 to Mr. Thomas in Danville, and since that time she has endeavored in Greensboro where she has endeavored to do many, by her many traits of Christian character and her lovely disposition. Mrs. Thomas was a member of the Grace Church and when her health permitted was constant and conscientious in the performance of her religious duties. Besides her husband, who has the sympathy of the community in his sad bereavement, the deceased is survived by the following four sisters: Mrs. John J. Hall, of Danville; Mrs. Frank Prevost, of Randolph county, N. C.; Mrs. John Pugh, of Randolph county, N. C., and Mrs. Albert Nixon, of Randolph county, N. C.

Kanoy News.

There was a large crowd at the entertainment at Mr. W. V. Moffitt's last Saturday night.

Every one there seemed to enjoy the singing at Mr. J. T. F. Beck's last Sunday.

There were crowds of hunters on the river nearly every day through Christmas.

The Christmas tree at Trogon's the night before Xmas was quite a success. The house was crowded and the tree was loaded down with nice presents. It was the first Xmas tree there has ever been at Trogon's school house.

Rev. Eads will preach at Trogon's the fifth Sunday night.

A good many from this neighborhood went to Mt. Olivet last Thursday.

Died.

Mr. Jessie Hinshaw died Sunday Dec. 23, and was buried at the St. Pauls cemetery, the 24. Mr. Hinshaw is about 68 years old and leaves four sons and a host of friends and relatives. He was a member of the St. Paul Church at Randleman. He was a true christian and always attended church at every service until he was too old and feeble.

Some one wanting to come to Asheboro to live, will do well to investigate the advertisement of the Morris Livery Stable in this issue.

They have a good stand and do an immense business and the only reason it can be bought is on account of the health of Mr. Morris the manager, who suffers with Asthma. It is certainly very seldom that you have a chance to buy a good business like this on the terms they are offering to sell.

FAIR VIEW NEWS.

Surprise Party--Cake Walk at Fairview--Personals.

Z. F. Blair, of Little Rock, Ark., is spending the holidays with his mother, Mrs. Mary Blair, and others of this place.

H. M. Cranford and G. B. Sloan, have just returned from Danville where they have been spending a few days with their best girls.

Zeb Blair and Estelle Cranford are at Guilford this week visiting friends and relatives.

W. G. Brokaw and party arrived this morning on a special train from New York. The annual "cake walk" was celebrated on New Year's night. Mr. Brokaw brought with him a band from N. Y.

Mrs. Carrie Gray, and children, of High Point, are spending some time at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Gray, of this place.

Miss Jessie Floyd, of Jamestown, is visiting Miss Artie Cranford.

Miss Becky Parrish, who has been on the sick list for some time is reported much better.

Mrs. Ed Blair is spending the holidays with relatives at Washington, D. C.

Wiley Blair, of Guilford Battle Ground, is visiting relatives in this community.

Mr. and Mrs. James Meredith, of Thomasville, spent Thanksgiving at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Cranford.

A crowd of young people gave Miss Pearl Marsh a delightful surprise party on last Saturday night. Among those present were: Mr. Dave White and Miss Sara Paul, Mr. W. C. Massey and Miss Addie Hill, Mr. H. M. Cranford and Miss Nell Hill, Mr. F. C. Pylas and Miss Mamie Steed, Mr. R. V. Milliken, and others. All declared they had spent a most delightful evening.

Splendid Christmas Pounding.

Tuesday, Christmas day, while the pastor of Asheboro Circuit, M. E. Church South, located at Worthville, was sitting by the fireside, we were aroused by the noise of many footsteps on the front piazza, and in a moment a large crowd of the best people of Worthville, burst into the room and made headway for the cookroom. The pastor following in surprise, found deposited on the kitchen table a quantity of articles such as are needed in a preacher's home. Among these articles were: coffee, jelly, apples, sugar, salt, rice, sausage, pickles, canned fruit, oat flakes, soda, cheese, baking-powder, sack of corn, sack of feed, raisins, oranges, dates, one chicken, one dish, one dipper, one rug, also vegetables and other articles amounting in value for the entire lot, more than \$14.00. We pray God's richest blessings upon these generous hearted people, and may he give them in return a hundred fold for the kindness they have shown to one of the least of God's servants.

Sincerely,
R. L. MELTON,
Pastor.

I. O. O. F. Elect Officers.

At a recent meeting Randolph Lodge No. 272 I. O. O. F. elected the following officers for the ensuing term:

A. R. Wittingham, N. G.; C. A. Hayworth, V. G.; J. H. McCain, Sec'y; B. B. Phillips, Treas.; E. C. Russell, R. S.; N. G.; N. S. Andrews, Warden; A. M. Presnell, Chaplain; A. O. Redding, Conductor; J. A. Holder, R. S. to V. G.; G. W. Berry, L. S. to V. G.; M. C. Spoon, R. S. S.; J. C. Hamner, L. S. S.; W. C. Hall, O. G.; C. F. Smith, I. G.

The Asheboro Lodge Knights of Pythias recently elected the following officers: W. C. Hammond, C. O. D. K. Lockhart, V. C.; C. C. Cranford, P.; J. O. Redding, K. of R. & S.; J. A. Martin, M. at A.; C. B. Russell, M. of F.; W. J. Armfield Jr., M. of E.

Dr. Fuller's Will.

Dr. Alston Fuller, whose death recently occurred, bequeathed everything to his wife during her lifetime, but at her death two-thirds of his estate, which is \$100,000, goes to his relatives, and one third to Mrs. Fuller's relatives.

CONDENSED FOR BUSY READERS.

Egbert, the two and a half year old child of Mrs. Lura Dicks, of Greensboro, was fatally burned last Tuesday. The child was in a room alone when his clothing ignited from an open Franklin stove.

The store of James T. Lambert, at Greensboro, was broken into Saturday night, Dec. 23d, and a quantity of provisions stolen. The robbers removed a pane from the window.

Henry T. Jordan, a well known white teamster, was shot at Salisbury December 23d, by his brother in law Tobe Pool. A family feud was the cause.

Fred Harbest, a negro, Dec. 23d, was run over by a train of 123, receiving injuries that caused his death a few hours later.

The Mt. Airy News says Bolton & Goldsmith shipped 3,000 turkeys to Northern market for the holidays for which they received \$4,000. This firm drove a gang of turkeys from Patrick county Va., to their yards at Mt. Airy recently like a lot of cattle. They numbered 600.

A mysterious wreck occurred at Davidson Dec. 24th, when the tender of an engine which was drawing a heavy string of cars, suddenly came to a stop, the cars piling upon it, splintering as they did so. The engineer seeing that the cars would overturn he opened the throttle and pulling loose, saved himself and his engine. The cause is a mystery.

Rev. J. A. B. Fry, a former well known youth minister of the Western North Carolina conference who has been stationed at Arkadelphia, in the Little Rock, Ark., conference, the past year, was recently transferred to the Pacific conference and will be stationed at Berkeley, Cal., the coming year.—Greensboro Patriot.

The High Point Machine works has begun the manufacture of "commercial trucks," a motor car for transporting freight in the city.

The citizens of Mechanicville, a suburb of High Point, are circulating a petition asking Legislature to incorporate it, as separate municipality from High Point.

The American Folding Furniture Co., is a new enterprise for Greensboro. They begin with a capital of \$15,000 paid in.

Bishop A. Coke Smith, of the M. E. Church, South, died December 26th at Asheville. Though his death was unexpected, he had been in ill health for some time. He was possibly the ablest member of the conference.

The death of Dr. John R. Congleton in Raleigh, which occurred last November and which we had overlooked until recently, brings to mind memories of other days.

Mr. Congleton was 71 years of age and died of paralysis at the home of his daughter, Mrs. W. H. Jones. This is the Dr. Congleton who more than a quarter of a century ago came to Asheboro for many years at the March and September terms of court in each year and sold medicine of his own manufacture on the public square. He was a familiar figure in those days in this county and is well known to many of our people.

An engine drawing eight empty freight cars, plunged into the Fredrick express at a block station near Washington, on the B. & O. road, last Sunday night. Forty people were killed outright, and fifty others injured. Many of these will die. The accident is reported to have been due to dense fog which enveloped the danger signal at the block siding so that the engineer was unable to see them.

In an effort to protect the peace of the State Gov. Vardaman, of Mississippi is ferreting out those responsible for the recent race trouble. He has offered \$500 reward for three white men, dead or alive, who are alleged to have killed an innocent negro farmer of that State.

FRANKLINVILLE GLEANINGS.

Unexpected Explosion of Loom Seriously Wounded Boy.

A union meeting of Baptist preachers and laymen was held at Baptist church here Saturday and quite a number of interesting and profitable talks were made. Mr. Tom Shaw, of Worthville, was ordained as a Baptist minister Sunday evening.

The following officers have been selected for the Sunday School at M. E. Church for the coming year: W. C. Jones, Superintendent; C. H. Julian, Assistant Superintendent; E. A. Routh, Secretary and Treasurer; Mrs. W. C. Russell, assistant secretary and treasurer; Mrs. D. M. Weatherly, Superintendent Home Department, Miss Grace Moon, Superintendent Cradle Roll; Mrs. R. L. Elkins, organist, Miss Ada Hayes, assistant organist and Connie Alfred sexton.

Quite a sad accident occurred here during the holidays, when several small boys secured a lot of powder and with it loaded a cast iron shell. While attempting to shoot it the shell burst with a terrific explosion striking little Mike Allred, son of Peter Allred, breaking and shivering his right leg and badly burning and bruising his face. Physicians were summoned as soon as possible. They set his leg and dressed his wounds which at first were feared would prove fatal, but it is now believed that he will recover.

Mr. W. S. Buie and sons, Lucy and Worth, spent Christmas with the family of John B. Cameron.

Mr. D. L. Culbertson has resigned his position with the Randolph Manufacturing Company and accepted the superintendency of the Capelsie Manufacturing Company, at Capelsie, N. C.

Mr. Isaac Burrow, of this place, and Miss Agnes Helleg of near Asheboro, were married Christmas day. We wish for them a long and happy life.

Quite a large number of old acquaintances spent the holidays in this city, among them were Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Buie, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Burke, J. W. Craven, Charlie Dove and Mont Fentress, of High Point; George Martindale, of Spencer Mt; Russell Stuart, of New York and William Johnson, of Columbia, S. C.

Mr. H. T. Parks, one of our sportsmen, hired a cheap team of horses and spent the holidays hunting deer and bear in the neighborhood of Buffalo Bridge.

At the regular meeting of Odd Fellows Wednesday night, December 26th, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Hugh Parks, Jr., F. G.; Duncan Dove, V. G. James Buie, Treasurer; G. C. Russell, Financial Sec; F. M. Wright, Recording Secretary; H. B. Buie and S. L. Welch were appointed Right and Left Supporters to N. G.; J. W. Brady and E. A. Routh, Right and Left Supporters to V. G.; J. M. Ellison, Warden; J. M. Tippet, inside Conductor, J. H. Fentress, outside Conductor; Arthur Ellison and W. C. Tippet, Right and left Scene Supporters; W. P. Marable, Inside Guardian; W. G. Patterson, Outside Guardian; W. D. Maner, Chaplain and J. C. Maner, Keeper.

Marriage at Worthville.

On December 19th 1906, at 7 o'clock, p. m. Mr. James L. Wrenn and Miss Sallie Prevost were married at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Mary Jane Prevost, Rev. N. R. Richardson officiated, assisted by Rev. R. L. Melton.

After the ceremony the newly married couple, with the invited guests, repaired to the home of the groom, where an elegant supper was served.

Mr. Wrenn has been for some time superintendent of the Worthville Cotton Mills, and Miss Prevost is the daughter of the late Alexander Prevost.

Mr. and Mrs. Wrenn have the hearty good wishes of their many friends for a long and happy life.

Suppt. Goodwin Vindicated.

Nearly two weeks were consumed in a long, tedious trial by the Board of Internal Improvements against Suppt. E. M. Goodwin, of the Morganton School for the Deaf. The result of the trial is a complete vindication for Prof. Goodwin.

NEW SCHEDULE.

General Change Effective January Sixth.

PROBABLE SCHEDULE FOR ASHEBORO.

Citizens Desire a Night Train from High Point and Suggest that Pouch Mail be Brought by Sunday's Vestibule

It is generally understood that the schedule of all trains on the Southern system will be changed Sunday, though as yet no definite announcement has been officially made. The local agent has been given the following as the probable change for Asheboro, and this may be slightly altered:

No. 142 will leave for High Point at 4:25 a. m., making connection for both north and south.

Returning as No. 141, will arrive at 8:30 a. m.

No. 144 will leave for High Point at 10:30 a. m.

Returning as No. 143, will arrive at 4:30 p. m.

The A. & A. No. 133, vestibule, will arrive from High Point at 9 a. m., and returning as No. 134, will leave at 8:05 p. m.

All these trains will carry mail, but will not permit persons to spend the day beyond High Point, returning at night.

It has also been suggested that the vestibule arriving Sunday morning should bring a pouch from High Point.

KILLED BY A TRAIN.

Aged Citizen of Grant Township Together with his Wife Buried at Flag Springs.

Calvin Presnell, an aged and highly respected citizen, of Grant township, was run over and killed by a train at Rockingham Saturday, before Christmas. He left home that morning for Rockingham to see his wife, who lived there with her daughter. When he reached the station and leaving the car he stepped in front of a moving train and was instantly killed.

His remains were taken to Hamlet and sent back to Randolph for burial Monday. He was 79 years old.

His wife received a stroke of paralysis Saturday and died Sunday night, never knowing her husband's fate. She was 84 years of age.

Both bodies were interred at Flag Spring Christmas day.

Stanley.

The Albemarle Telephone Co. has increased the rate on office phones to \$2.00 a month and residence to \$1.25. The increase is not meeting with popular approval, but the company promises to put on a night operator and make other improvements.

Rev. Ed Avett, pastor of the Big Lick circuit, and Miss Ila Smith were married at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Addie Smith, near Stony Hill on Tuesday afternoon.

FOR GOOD ROADS.

Important Meeting at the Court House Monday.

A Good Roads Meeting will be held in the court house at Asheboro Monday. In view of the fact that it is also the regular monthly meeting of the county commissioners a large crowd is expected. Some interesting facts referring to the proposed work to be done in the county and means of doing it will be presented. Let everybody attend.

Death of Influential.

Mr. W. R. Lewis, aged 62 years died Sunday near Eagle Springs in Moore County, where he has been engaged in the lumber business for the last two year with Jno. Rush. Mr. Lewis was a son of the late Samuel Lewis, and brother of Mrs. H. C. Ingram, who died about a year ago, and Mrs. P. L. Shamburger. He married Miss Sadie Lowe, daughter of the late Thos. Lowe, and a sister of Messrs. J. T. N. M. and S. H. Lowe. The deceased was well known in the county, and a man of broad influence. He is survived by his wife and two sons, Messrs. Chas and Mont Lewis.