

# The Asheboro Courier

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The increase in the appropriation for the insane by the legislature, is a humane act. The only complaint that will ever be made of it will be by the Republican party during the next campaign. Nobody enters any protest now. The \$500,000 appropriated is to be paid in instalments of \$125,000 a year until adequate provisions are made for the care of all the insane in the state. Under the wise and economic rule of the state government we are fortunate in having the funds on hand. The old confederate veterans will be helped more by this legislature than ever before; the pensions will be more than doubled. This will be a help to a needy and deserving people. It is gratifying that no backward steps are being taken in Temperance measure; despite the efforts of the leaders of the Republican party, several of the Republican members of the legislature have voted for the temperance measures this year. There will be very little temperance legislation by this General Assembly, for the reason that there is a disposition to go slow in these matters and test the present laws which we now have.

Senator Foraker who has so zealously defended the negro soldiers in the Brownsville, Texas, affair, is taking his own medicine from the President. The President has determined to appoint a colored man to an important position in Cincinnati. It is believed that Mr. Foraker espoused the case of the negro soldiers in the Brownsville affair, because of the fact that there are 50,000 negro voters in Ohio who hold the balance of power in the state and national elections. Mr. Foraker criticized the President because the President did not consult him about the selection, and charged that the President consulted Booker Washington to whom he referred as the third Senator from Ohio, who does not live in the state. The Wilmington Messenger commenting on this matter, aptly says: "But why should the President consult Foraker or Dick before naming the negro? He did not consult Tillman or Latimer when he nominated a negro for collector at Charleston. This move on his part shows that he really believes in his doctrine of the square deal. Foraker voted to confirm Crum in Charleston. He should vote then to confirm the negro in Ohio."

The articles written every week on various subjects by Mrs. Ida Ingold Masten, who formerly lived in this county but is now residing in Indiana, are attracting wide attention and favorable comment. Mrs. Masten has been writing for newspapers since she was a mere girl, ten years or more ago. She is a fine writer and illuminates any subjects which she touches, being well educated and a student of books and of the people and having three years ago graduated from the University of Indiana. With our next issue we will begin a new feature in the Courier. The publication of two or more columns each week of Scrap Book articles, containing interesting comments, information, scientific knowledge, data as to various matters and the best jokes of the age.

An effort is being made to adopt in the Oklahoma constitution many new provisions which are usually left to the legislature, such as establishing maximum railway rates and separate cars for whites and negroes. The President has notified the legislature that he will examine the constitution very carefully, and if it does not contain provisions which suit him, he will withhold his approval. The President is again transcending his authority unless we read the constitution incorrectly. It is Congress that approves the constitutions of states when they come into the American Union, and not the President of the United States.

Sampson County has reaped a bitter reward and has drunk the fruits of political bitterness since the

days that Marion Butler and his allies got control of affairs there. They put a man by the name of Aman in office as sheriff and county treasurer. He had in charge the school fund for that county, and the public schools are today without the money which the people have paid as taxes to educate their children. The defaulting sheriff has fled the country. The history of the rule of that county is the history of most counties in states where Republicans are in power. The Keenansville News says: Certainly enough of the honest, horny handed sons of toil will return to the old Democratic party which is today educating the poor children of the State. Some lessons in experience are dear, very dear, but often they are a blessing in disguise. Of course, the good men of Sampson will profit by this sad experience, and will come back home. That was once the banner Democratic county in the State, but vile politicians, after the mess of pottage, came along and the situation is leplorable. Come back home!—

Many farmers will have to curtail their operations this year, simply because of the great scarcity of labor. Millions of dollars are invested in cotton mills, and a large amount of machinery is standing idle owing to the scarcity of help. The mills are getting good prices and are paying good wages, but the help is not to be had. Two-thirds of the cotton mills in the south are running from 20 to 30 per cent of their usual time, and unless something is done there will be failures among some of the cotton mills. When there is a shortage of help, as is the case now, the cotton mill men ought to be permitted to go abroad and get help in other countries, without violating the law. There are now several cotton mill men on trial in North Carolina for alleged violation of Anti-Contract Labor Law because they got a few English cotton mill operatives to come to the state, not to take the place of our own people, but because we did not have the hands. It is not only the cotton mills that are suffering for lack of help, but every branch of industry.

No one contends that property should be put down at its absolute value, but it is wrong for some property to be valued at two-thirds and other property valued at one-third on the books.

There was recently a meeting at Raeford of a number of citizens wanting to create a new county out of parts of Cumberland and Robeson, with the county seat at Raeford.

### Home Insurance Companies.

There has grown up in North Carolina a number of Fire, Life, and Accident Insurance companies and our people are patronizing them liberally,—even beyond the hopes of the most sanguine promoter of these enterprises. We are glad to see this; and we are glad to see that the time has come that local enterprises are not looked upon with distrust. The growth of these enterprises add materially to the wealth of the communities and the state. Heretofore, the money which is expended at home, was sent across the Potomac into the northern states for our fire, life and accident insurance. Now a great deal of it remains at home in the patronage of home companies. But we call attention to one important matter which should not be overlooked—that our legislature should look well to guarding the rights of the people and protecting their interests so that the home insurance companies which we now have cannot build up, even if they were disposed to do so, enterprises that will result in trusts and combines and aggregations of capitalized enterprises, being surrounded with political influences until they become such a power in the state that they control legislation and oppress the people, as has been the case with the insurance companies in New York and in some other places. We need legislation along the line of the Armstrong Law in New York. It might look like a hardship now, and would no doubt, be considered so; yet we think that there should be placed upon our statute books an act preventing any insurance company from being connected with any bank or banking institution in the state. Such an act would be opposed by many, and it would be said that those who advocate it are wild and populist in their ideas; yet if such a law is not enacted now the day will come in North Carolina when, in our humble judgment, the people will see the evil results of a failure to do so.

### SPEAKER CANNON ACCUSED.

Charged With Accepting Money From the Whiskey Trust and Does Not Deny.

Greensboro Record.  
Another Republican idol seems to be in need of a coat of whitewash if the report is correct in The Washington Post, which says:  
"The attack made by Judge Green, of the fifteenth Iowa judicial circuit, on Speaker Cannon the other day has attracted some attention at the Capitol. In an open statement Judge Green flatly accused Uncle Joe of accepting money from the whiskey people to prevent the reporting of the Hepburn-Dolliver bill, which gives to each State the power to control its own whiskey traffic, from the House judiciary committee."

What makes the matter look serious is that Speaker Cannon refuses to allow the charges to be investigated by the House and evidently intends to ignore the scandal. One of the Representatives who was especially incensed at Judge Green's attack upon Speaker Cannon suggested that as the "Hepburn-Dolliver" bill was reported from the judiciary committee yesterday, will not Judge Green think that it was due to his attack on the Speaker?"

When will these constant tales of grafting and frauds by Republican officials be ended, for no administration has been so prolific of scandals as the present one.

### Fox-McDonald.

One of the prettiest marriages that has occurred in this section this season took place at the suburban home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. McDonald, father of the bride, last Wednesday evening, when Mr. James C. Fox, of Randleman, Randolph county, led to the hymenial altar Miss Susie McDonald of Rockingham, Rev. M. M. McIver, pastor of the Presbyterian church, officiating.

The bride who is a very lovely and popular young lady, was dressed in a traveling suit of blue with hat to match.

Mr. Fox, brother of the groom, and Miss Eva McDonald, sister of the bride, were the only attendants. Mr. Fox, who is a well known baseball player, belongs to the Southern league and is the first baseman on the Atlanta team. He is known all over the South among baseballists as "the tall scamorer," he being six foot six inches high, and his friends are numbered by the score.

After the marriage ceremony the happy couple took the 8:12 p. m. train for his former home in Randleman, after which they will take a trip to Florida, returning later to Atlanta where they will reside. The bridal presents were many and costly. An elegant supper was served to a large number of invited guests.

### Consideration for the Teachers.

There is no class of public servants so well entitled to public consideration as are the school teachers.

They must give both their time and their talents to their work. To them are committed largely the future of the young men and of the young women of the state. Therefore they must have not only talents and time, but character. In fact, the school teacher must be equipped with qualities which, with the opportunity present, would afford him or her a more remunerative field than in training the idea at \$30 to \$40 per month. It is a pity we cannot pay our school teachers more, and thus bind them with stronger bands to this most important service. For whatever the incentive to teach, we cannot get rid of the human element, and the better salary will make the more faithful teacher, which is true in any profession or calling.

But even if we cannot now pay better salaries it is certain we can make provision for more prompt payment of those salaries which are now more than earned.—Atlanta Constitution.

### Married.

At the home of the officiating minister, Dr. Turentine, of Greensboro, Feb. 13th, Mr. J. Marshall Scarbor and Miss Lowey Coley, both of Worthville.

### REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE BANK OF RANDOLPH

at Asheboro, in the State of North Carolina, at the close of business January 26, 1907.

RESOURCES:	
Loans and discounts	177,627.26
Overdrafts secured and unsecured	1,215.25
Banking House Furniture and Fixtures	5,000.00
Demand Loans	1,000.00
Due from Banks and Bankers	21,288.12
Cash Items	3,994.44
Gold Coin	1,250.00
Silver coin, including all minor coin currency	1,265.96
National bank notes and other notes	4,780.00
Total	217,406.03
LIABILITIES:	
Capital stock paid in	10,000.00
Surplus fund	20,000.00
Undivided profits, less current expenses	11,271.87
Bad debts paid	11,271.87
Deposits subject to check	149,434.54
Cashier's Checks outstanding	453.94
Total	217,406.03

I, W. J. ARMSTRONG, Jr., Cashier of the above bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 26th day of Feb., 1907.

W. J. ARMSTRONG, Jr., Cashier.  
Correct—Attest:  
T. H. REDDING,  
F. N. MOFFITT,  
Directors.

### Nominations By The Mob.

Some of the States have adopted the primary election plan, and such elections are held at public expense. It is a costly affair, but the people will have it, for the reason that they have been taught by sincere and insincere demagogues that political parties are become so corrupt that they are not to be trusted with the old-fashioned conventions that were so satisfactory to our fathers and grandfathers. The primary is not only a burden on the public treasury, but it has come to the pass that a poor man is practically shut out from political preferment under its operation.

In some of the States the primary is held at the expense of the candidates. In the State of Kentucky the Democrats propose to hold a primary to select a candidate for something or other, and the entrance fee is \$6,000 for each candidate. There have been governors of Kentucky who would have been ineligible to the position under that regulation: If there is one privilege dear to the American heart, and especially to the Kentucky American heart, it is the right to run for office; but here is the office for all practical purposes, so far as the poor man is concerned, put up to the highest bidder, and the upset price is so great that if a moderate-minded man had the price, he would have no use for the office.

Scandals says—and oftentimes scandal is a great truth-teller—that the Democratic "machine" of Kentucky, whatever that is, fixed the price to scare off the track all but the aspirant it favors, to the end that no election be held, and that the State committee may declare the solitary candidate the nominee, who thus has this advantage over his would-be adversaries—he gets the plum without paying the price.

This craze of government by the mob must run its course. The people have been persuaded that politics is corruption and politicians scoundrels, and when the masses are in that temper there is your demagogue's opportunity. A time will come when, by general consent, a return will be had to the old convention method, for it is manifest that a party that cannot hold an honest convention will never hold an honest primary. Chastity that has to be watched is an irksome and a worthless quantity.

We need more faith in public men. The average politician is a reasonably honest man.—Washington Post.

### Red Cross and Climax Clippings.

Mr. H. J. Fields horse got out of the stable last Saturday night fell down the bank in the public road. He called in a few of the neighbors and carried it to the stable.

Mr. Frank Trogdon was a recent visitor at Mr. H. J. Fields.

Mr. John Ledbetter went to Greensboro last Saturday for a serious operation.

Mr. Will D. Fields has purchased land of Mr. Alvis Underwood and is erecting a dwelling.

Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Greeson of Red Cross visited his brother near Alamance last Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Mary Williams is ill with a cancer.

### Caraway Dots.

Argus Barker of Randleman was at Caraway a few days last week helping to install a new Switch Board at the central. The new Board is giving good service and all lines 8 or 10 new lines will be built at once. One line will be to Rachel near Lassiter's Mills.

The school at this place will close in about two weeks.

J. F. Jarrell is having extensive trade at his store. Mr. Brookshire manages store No. 2 at Spencer mill in Mr. Jarrell's absence.

J. F. Jarrell has been reappointed Notary Public for 2 more years. This will make 10 years in succession he has served in that capacity.

The post office at this place is expecting orders every day to start an R. F. D. Route.

### Card of Thanks.

We wish through the Courier to thank the people of Asheboro and friends of Randolph county who have been so kind to us since the death of our father. We shall ever remember and appreciate each effort to assist us in bearing our sorrow.

Mrs. J. Z. FROST, Mrs. WILLY RUSH.

Mrs. Mattie B'air is ill at her home on Worth Street. She is suffering with a slight attack of pneumonia.

### Business Locals.

Notices inserted under this head at one cent a word each insertion.

Every lady who desires to preserve her good looks should buy one of those "Wrinkle Removers" kept at Asheboro Drug Co.

I have for sale two good horses, large, able, fine workers; two sets harness, and a good wagon, all for sale at a bargain. Apply to J. A. Clapp, Randleman, N. C.

The new magazines are on hand, together with a fresh lot of Ta board Inn books. Asheboro Drug Co.

Those fresh garden seeds are here and going rapidly. Wood's seeds are winners. We have onion sets also. Asheboro Drug Co.

WANTED STAVES—Highest cash prices paid for all kinds of staves for Norfolk market. Apply to E. A. Hammer, Asheboro, N. C.

We have a lot of good five cent cigars which we propose to sell on Saturdays only at 3 for ten cents. We want to make room for new goods coming in. Asheboro Drug Co. (next to the bank.)

### NEW HORSES AND MULES.

Mr. Ross Returns From West With Good Assortment.

I have just returned from Kansas where I bought a good assortment of mules and horses. They are expected here the first of next week, and any one wanting a horse or mule, of any kind is invited to come to my stables on Depot street Monday, February 25th, and select for himself.

I have one team of mules that are the best ever offered on this market and are acknowledged to be the best among more than five thousand head shipped from the Fort Scott market this year. They are from the farm of Sheriff L. J. Higgins of Mount City, Kansas, and have worn the blue ribbon from more than one fair in that State.

Feb. 20, 1907. R. R. Ross.

On last Sabbath evening at the home of J. C. Hoover, Mr. G. L. Shore, of Trinity R. F. D., and Miss Ida Hepler, of Thomasville R. F. D., were united in the bonds of matrimony. Several of their immediate friends were present to hear the vows. J. C. Hoover, officiating.

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**SEE! SEE!**  
We will exchange anything in our line for country produce through the well-known firm of G. W. Elliott & Co. at highest market price. We invite you to call and inspect our stock whether you purchase or not. Your needs are our aims. We keep what you want.  
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I am now carrying a complete line of all kinds of house furnishing goods such as  
Room Suits from \$11.00 to \$100.00, Iron Beds, Wardrobes, Chiffoniers, Sideboards, Odd Dressers, Safes and Kitchen Cabinets, Hall and Wall Racks, Chairs and Dining Chairs, Tables, Center Tables, Clocks and Pictures.  
A complete line of Bed Clothing, Matting, Carpet, Druggets Rugs, Window Curtains and Shades; also an up-to-date line of undertaker's goods such as Coffins, Caskets and robes. See me before buying when in need of any thing in my line.  
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