

## More Than Twenty Years Ago Gen. Toombs Arraigns Corporations.

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More than twenty years ago, Gen. Robert Toombs wrote for the Atlantic Constitution a powerful arraignment of the corporations. The letter is as follows:

**Says Gen. Toombs:**  
"All corporations are artificial persons with special names, composed of such members and endowed with such powers and privileges as the law prescribes."

"They are of very ancient origin; they are children of civilization, grow with it, expand with it; they are generally useful, oftentimes indispensable to the rapid progress and development of society; but they are always dangerous. While Railroad companies are private corporations, mere carriers for hire, incorporated as such, they are given extraordinary powers in order that they may better serve the public."

"They are therefore engaged in a public employment affecting the public interest, and subject to legislative control."

"It is therefore the duty of these corporations to perform all their duties as common carriers imposed upon them by law, and pay all taxes that may be legally imposed."

After showing how liberally the state had dealt with the railroads, Gen. Toombs asks:

**Have They Performed Their Duty?**  
"Have the railroad corporations done their duty to the state for all the powers, privileges, immunities and exemptions conferred upon them?"

**They Have Not.**  
"So far from having faithfully performed their obligations, these corporations have generally, habitually and persistently endeavored to elude and avoid every one of their obligations to the public, contained in their charters, or in the general laws of the land, which were generous to them and beneficial to the public."

"The better to effect these objects they have usurped numerous powers never granted them."

"To effect these objects independent of the powers granted them, they have set up a claim to, and exercised, sovereign, imperial powers which are now and always have been denied by all free people to any and all their departments of government."

**Usurped Power Never Granted.**  
"1. Among them, and standing at the head of all, is the surrender of the taxing power for the benefit of these monopolies, the exemption from all taxation for limited periods, and a partial and limited exemption indefinitely."

"2. The great sovereign power, under the name of freight and passenger tariffs, fixed by themselves in defiance and contempt of all public authority, to appropriate so much of the country as may fall into their hands for transportation, to their own use as their necessities or rapacity may dictate."

"3. To annihilate what little competition is possible, in view of the location of the several roads, by combinations, poolings, rebates, houses, special contracts and other artful and illegal practices . . . which nothing can elude, avoid, or destroy but the omnipotence of what we seek, the law."

"These corporations further claim the right to discriminate against places, localities and persons at their pleasure; to buy shares of stock and eyes while railroads . . . and do any other thing to the same end of lessening and destroying competition, and to infringe upon the equal rights of the people and the general welfare of the state."

"Many of these claims have no shadow of authority to rest upon, and none of them have the least legal foundation to the extent which is claimed for them."

**Condemned by The Courts.**  
Gen. Toombs points out that these claims of the railroads have been condemned by the Supreme Court of Georgia, by the Supreme Court of the United States, and "expressly condemned by the people of Georgia in their organic law, the Constitution of 1877."

### HOUSE STUCK BY LIGHTNING.

The Storm Sunday Paralyzed Light & Telephone Systems in West Asheboro.

About noon Sunday a heavy rain accompanied by wind and an electrical display passed over this section. It was of short duration, but the lightning did not fail to leave its mark in West Asheboro. The electric lights and telephone systems in that end of town were paralyzed. The house of J. W. Hadley, on Sunset Avenue, was struck, but very little damage was done except terrorizing those in the vicinity. It is believed that the current was immediately grounded by the electric and telephone wires in that section thus warding off more disastrous results.

### Lee County Already On The Map.

A new map of North Carolina has just been issued which includes Lee County in the list of counties. This is placing a new county on the map before it is organized. As the creation of the new county is a foregone conclusion, the map-makers took no chance in placing Lee County on the map.

The people of the proposed county vote "for" and "against" the establishment of Lee next month. This will give North Carolina ninety eight counties.

### Temperance Meeting.

An interesting meeting will be held at the Presbyterian church here Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The meeting is in the interest of temperance. Mrs. Mary E. Cartland, well known in the temperance work of the State is expected. The children of the town will also participate. All denominations will be represented and a cordial invitation is extended to all.

### Thomasville Downs Proximity.

Thomasville, June 22.—It was an up-hill game for the visitors from the beginning to-day. The game was clearly Thomasville's at all times. The beautiful work of West and Armstrong and the heavy hitting of the home team were the features. Walter West made a hit every time up. Rush hit a home run. Struck out by West 10, by Hobbs, 2, by Caviness, 2.

### Death at Pittsboro.

Miss Corrie Foushee, of Pittsboro, died Saturday evening after an illness of only a few hours. She was a lovely christian woman.

She is survived by her sisters, Mrs. W. W. Rose, of Warrenton; Mrs. Geo. A. Matton, of High Point; and Mesdames H. T. Chapin, R. W. Bland and A. H. London, of Pittsboro.

### Mining Company Chartered.

A charter is granted the Eureka Mica Mining & Milling Company, of Plum Tree, Mitchell county, with \$200,000 capital stock, in dollar shares. It will mine and manufacture products of mica in all shapes, grind mica into flour and mine for gems.

### Discharging Fire Arms In Town Dangerous.

Mrs. Wm. Russell, of High Point, was painfully wounded by a stray bullet from a pistol in the hands of Jim Simpson, one day last week. She was standing on her porch at the time. Simpson was testing his marksmanship using a rabbit for his target.

### Fire at Elise.

The Moore County News states that the Marie Wood Distilling Plant at Elise was destroyed by fire Saturday night, entailing a loss of \$10,000. No fire had been about the premises for three or four days previous to its destruction.

### Sanford to Have Buggy Shop.

The movement for a buggy factory for Sanford has taken shape and the enterprise will be built. A meeting was recently held and stock subscribed to the amount of \$8,000.

### RANDOLPH'S PUBLIC SCHOOLS STAND HIGH.

Our Excellent Public School Buildings Attracting Wide Attention.

In the June number of the World's Work the South gets one of the best write-ups ever given it by northern magazine. Among many things, progress in public education receives particular notice.

On page 8976 will be found four pictures of public school buildings, the only ones given in the magazine, illustrating improvement in public school buildings. These are no other than the old and new public school buildings at Franklinsville and Cedar Falls. The plans for both of these buildings were drawn by County Superintendent of Schools J. M. Way, and it is very gratifying to our people, not only to see his work as County Superintendent endorsed, but to know that it is attracting national attention.

We have many more good public school buildings in the county, and it would pay the patrons to have them and the old buildings displaced by them, photographed and send the pictures of both the old and the new to the Jamestown Exposition when the Courier party goes there. The Graded School Buildings at Caraway, Beaufort, Providence, Franklinsville, Ramseur, Cedar Falls and Asheboro are all monuments to the good judgment and progress of the communities that built them. There are also many excellent academies in the county, and a picture of every one of them should be sent to the Exposition.

### HARDWARE EXHIBIT.

Asheboro Wheelbarrow & Mfg. Co. Will Make Display At Charlotte.

The Asheboro Wheelbarrow and Mfg. Co., will have a display at the Hardware exhibit at Charlotte during the meeting of the Southern Retail Hardware Dealers' Association. The display will embrace only articles of its own manufacture and will include wheelbarrows, trucks, ladders, swing trees, handles, etc. The Association convenes July 9th, and continues through the 11th. More than 500 of the leading hardware dealers of the South will be present.

The exhibit of the Asheboro Wheelbarrow Co. will be in charge of Mr. Jno. T. Moffitt.

### BIGGEST HAUL EVER.

Revenue Officers Capture Ten Notorious Moonshiners In Stokes County.

Revenue officers consummated the biggest haul on moonshiners known to the mountains of Western North Carolina early last Wednesday morning in Stokes county, when they captured ten lockpicks and found them over to court in bonds of \$1,000 each.

The names of the men are J. Frank Carlwell, John Young, J. T. Griffin, J. D. Williams, John W. Williams, Oscar Williams, Zeb Frazier, Oscar Smith, Logan Chambers and J. G. Shelton. All of them have decided for many years at Smithtown near the Virginia line in Stokes County.

## JAMESTOWN EXPOSITION THINGS TO BE SEEN.

### ARTICLE ONE.

The Jamestown Ter-Centennial Exposition as indicated by its name celebrates the 300th anniversary of the first permanent English settlement in America.

Capt. John Smith with 60 or more sturdy English gentlemen braved the waters with the Godspeed, Discovery, and Susan Constant, and came to the coast of Virginia, where they landed; first on a point of land which Capt. Smith called Point Comfort, because it was a comfort to them to find land; the name has been handed down to the present generation as Old Point Comfort.

Across Hampton Roads from Old Point Comfort is Sewell's Point which was chosen by the Jamestown Exposition authorities as a suitable place to celebrate the 300th birthday of our nation.

Jamestown Island where Smith finally made the settlement after

President was expected, six thousand Norfolk citizens among the very best people went to the grounds and worked all day trying to get things in order, for the President.

It is the general opinion that by the middle of July practically every thing will be complete. The exposition grounds comprise about 450 acres of land, and enough of Hampton Roads to float the navies of the world, without crowding the merchant craft. The grounds are enclosed by a wire fence eight feet high, which is covered by a mass of trumpet vines, crimson rambler roses and honeysuckle.

Along the edge of the water of Hampton roads is an eight foot board walk extending the entire length of the grounds.

The Inside Inn, the only hostelry inside the Exposition grounds, the state buildings and Government



NORTH CAROLINA BUILDING, JAMESTOWN EXPOSITION.

being driven from different places by the Indians, is forty miles distant from the Exposition grounds, up James river—little remains there to be seen except the ruins of an old tower, some graves and etc, of which I will tell you later as most of my friends seem more anxious to hear of the fair than the history of the first settlement.

### Wonders to be Seen.

A great deal has been said of the incompleteness of the Exposition—it is incomplete as yet, but there is far more there now to be seen than the average visitor can see in the time usually allowed—wonders, however, have been accomplished there in the past three or four weeks. On Sunday before Georgia day, when the

buildings from Hampton Roads—the Government pier which are two hundred feet wide and extended out into the water about half a mile and are there connected by a pier two hundred feet in width, cost the Government \$400,000. The Government buildings are complete in every respect.

### Buildings.

They are permanent buildings and each one of the four have fine exhibits. In the National Museum or Smithsonian Institute is a splendid reproduction of Capt. John Smith trading with the Indians. In the center of the building there is a pool of

## The Duty of the Hour Is to Women of the Confederacy Braved Danger at Home.

J. W. BAILEY.

### WILMINGTON MARRIAGE.

Editor of Winston-Salem Journal Weds Eastern Bride.

Editor J. P. Lucas, of the Winston-Salem Journal, was married Tuesday to Miss Alice Charles-Craft, of Wilmington.

It was a quiet home affair, with a reception afterwards. Miss Mitchell Waddill, of Carthage, was maid of honor. The best man to the groom was Henry A. Page, Jr., of Aberdeen. On account of the new features being added to The Journal at this time, Mr. Lucas and bride will postpone their bridal trip for some time, coming directly home after the wedding.

### FOURTH AT RAMSEUR.

All Business Houses to Close. Music by Band Base Ball Game.

On July fourth at Ramseur, will be held one of the greatest fraternal gatherings ever held in this section of the State. Hon. W. W. Kitchen, Member of Congress from the Fifth District, will deliver the address of the day. Several other speakers will also make short addresses to suit the occasion.

A refreshment stand will be conducted for the benefit of the orphans, and every person who buys a glass of lemonade, ice cream, or other delicacy will at the same time contribute the profits on the purchase to some little orphan child.

A match-game of baseball in the afternoon, and at night the Mt. Vernon Lodge of the Eastern Star will give a play.

At a mass meeting of the Lodges at Ramseur and nearby towns last Monday night it was decided to have all the fraternal orders in this and adjoining counties to join with the Masons in making the day one of pleasure as well as profit to all who attend, and to that end all Knights of Pythias, Odd Fellows, Red Men, Coming Men of America and the Junior Order of United American Mechanics are invited to appear in the procession in their full Lodge regalia. All the Lodges heard from at this writing have promised to be there.

All streets, factories and other business houses will be closed so that the employees may take part in this celebration and help make the celebration of the Glorious Fourth. The farmers will also turn out with their families. The women and children are especially invited, and all are requested to bring baskets.

The regular old Lodge Billy Goat will be in the procession if it is found that he can be controlled outside the lodge-room. Many who have never joined any fraternal order have always been curious to see the old goat. If you want to see him, go to Ramseur on the Fourth. Music for the occasion will be furnished by the Ramseur Cornet Band. The band has been in training for this special event, and the music will be well suited to the event we expect to celebrate.

For those who love the great national sport a match-game of baseball will be played in the afternoon.

Every worshipful master, chancellor, commander, noble grand, councillor or other presiding officer of a lodge is urged to have the full membership of his lodge present in full regalia by ten o'clock on the morning of the Fourth.

By the Committee,  
I. F. CRAVEN, Secretary,  
Ramseur, N. C.

### Annual Meeting at Thomasville

J. W. Bailey, of Raleigh, will deliver the address at the annual meeting of the trustees of the Thomasville orphanage Wednesday, July 10, at 11 o'clock. Rev. Dr. Hulton, of Charlotte, will preach the annual sermon Tuesday evening.

The children are being carefully prepared to perform their part on the program, and the great tabernacle, which is ready, will insure the comfort of the crowds no matter how warm the weather may be.

Will Ellis, of Durham, is visiting relatives at Trinity.

To the Editor: I wish to call attention to what seems to me the most obvious duty of the people of North Carolina, namely, the building of a monument to our Women of the Confederacy.

### Honor Noble Women.

We have our monument to the Soldiers of the Confederacy. We have recognized our debt to them. So indelibly has the character of their achievements been impressed that a thousand years hence they will continue to march at the head of all the great armies of history. Their glory shall never fade. But we have neglected their wives and mothers and sisters—and for no other reason than that they were women. For we do all know that in valor, in devotion, in suffering and in service they were not surpassed by the heroic names on the battlefields of our Lost Cause. It detracts nothing from that rather adds to the record of the Confederate soldier to say that he was heartened for his sacrifices, maintained in his achievements, and inspired in his heroic warring by the wife, the mother, the sister or the sweetheart who sent him forth with her blessing and throughout the dreadful days of his battles kept her heart strong while she maintained his home, nurtured his children, managed his affairs and as often as opportunity was given cheered him with her messages and comforted him with the work of her hands, they could not have been the brave men that they were; they could not have maintained the war, as they did; they could not have given themselves to the battle with that spirit which won for them their undying glory, had not the Women of the Confederacy, in complete self-effacement, with heroism unsurpassed in human annals, chosen to bear without a word, save words of cheer, all the horrors of a war which stripped them of their protectors and threw them upon their own resources. Imagine what that meant! The mother who gathered her brood about her at fall of night with her heart on the battlefield; who arose with the morning to do her own and her husband's work; who throughout the day must expect the worst of news; who made no cry or complaint, but sent on her brave letters; who wrought in heroic endeavor to maintain the new nation; who month after month and year after year endured without any faltering that the soldier knew of—is she not worthy of the noblest of memorials. If the soldier ought, she wrought; if the soldier gave himself, she gave herself; if the soldier suffered, she suffered; if the soldier died, she died a thousand deaths. And it never shall fade the soldier's fame or our debt to him, neither should her fame and our debt to her. For in truth they are inseparable.

### Monuments Worthiest Works of Men.

But there are people who say that monuments are vain things. So they are to vain people. But to those who have caught the significance of life monuments are the worthiest works of man. Happy is the people who have them to build. So far the race has proceeded by means of monuments. They stand as bulwarks against all downward tendencies whatsoever. At the foot of that monument to our Confederate soldiers the rising generation resolves to acquit itself not less worthily than they did. It is not then for the sake of the dead or the past that we rear these memorials. It is for the sake of ourselves and those who shall come after us to the last generation. A monument to the Women of the Confederacy will speak a message to the present and future daughters of the South more lofty, more inspiring, more potent for all that is good, than any other thing whatsoever. It will go further toward preserving the ideals of that great generation, further toward renewing our civilization in all that was best in the Old South, further to