

"DON'T BLAME ROOSEVELT."

Referring to the President financial Condition, Mr. Bryan in an address at Lafayette, Ind., said:

"We are in the midst of a financial stringency that is in some respect more acute than that of 1893. I am not going to blame the President or a Republican administration, but I know who would be blamed if I were President. If I were President, every crossroads Republican would be blaming me. The panic of 1873 came 12 years after they took power, and 11 years before they surrendered power to the Democrats. I am not going to blame the President because I do not think blame should be laid at his door. I'm going to do him the justice to say I won't join the chorus of Eastern financiers, who want to make him the scapegoat. Those who violate the law should be blamed, not those who have turned on the light recently.

"There is no excuse for the people to be afraid that their banks are not solvent. Our banks are bursting with the products of the field. What is the cause of this panic? Who is to blame? The Republican leaders who had control of the country for 47 years. They have so chained us to Wall Street that when a Wall street gambler fails, our business world trembles all over the country.

"The common people and not the Wall street gamblers should handle this situation. The man who will draw out his money now when he does not need it is in the same class as the man who would refuse to aid his country in time of war. This is a time when great patriotism is needed."

It was a late hour last night when Mr. Bryan began his address. He said that after serving in two campaigns he did not feel like volunteering, again, although he would accept the presidential nomination in 1908, if "drafted."

GUARANTEED DEPOSITS.

When Mr. Bryan was in Congress he introduced a bill providing for the government to guarantee to all depositors of National banks for all deposits. This to be done by levying a small tax on deposits to reimburse the government. This tax would be small for in ten years depositors have lost only one per cent. of their deposits or an average of only one-tenth of one per cent. a year. The objection to Mr. Bryan's plan at the time he introduced the bill in Congress was from the large banks, which said that small banks would have an advantage over large banks for the reason that a bank with small capital would be as safe as one with large capital. But as large banks in the cities have suffered in the present panic worse than the small bank, the objection formerly urged would not now be used in opposition to a similar bill.

Why do you not publish the news, Mr. Editor, said a neighbor to us a few days ago. We do publish such news as will do more good than harm. This paper could give some spicy and interesting reading by turning the columns into a scandal mongling sewer. There are skeletons in many closets which could be unearthed, but we are not in that business. We are not in this business to stop men's hearts from beating and to scare anybody out of their boots, neither are we shooting with a gatling gun to scatter wreckage. No, we are not publishing all the news, nor all the facts, nor are we here to try to wreck vengeance on any one or punish, annoy or injure any human being he be friend or foe.

C. F. Barns and Miss Leslie lately were married at Carthage last week.

The Courier is trying to double its subscription list this year and we ask every friend to send us at least one new subscriber on or before Christmas day. Every one has some friends who can be induced to become a subscriber.

SENATE STEERING COMMITTEE.

Senator Simmons has again been placed on the Senate Steering (Minority) Committee. This committee appoints the minority members of the Senate Committee, and especially controls the policy of the minority in the senate. It is an important committee and only those senators for recognized and distinguished ability are placed upon it. The minority members of the committee are as follows:

Money, Chairman, Martin, Bacon, Tillman, Stone, Clark, Simmons, Newlands, and Culberson.

The script money now in use reminds one of the old State bank issue, the difference being that there is no law authorizing the issue of script. It is in direct violation of statute. We need Andrew Jackson to issue treasury notes. Bonds and mortgages on the government are only makeshifts, collecting money from the people for the banks. Would it not be a good thing for the government to coin some gold and silver, too. Don't we need it?

The election of Mr. Thomas J. Pence, Washington correspondent of the News & Observer, a member of the governing committee of the Congressional Press Gallery, is a compliment to a most worthy and capable young newspaper man. Mr. Pence received the highest vote ever cast for any one for such a position.

Glenola Items.

Mr and Mrs Henry Shaw are very much delighted with their new boarder a handsome boy.

Miss Kate Kearns of Farmers is spending a few days here this week, the guest of Misses Bessie and Lena Hinshaw.

S. S. Eldridge went to Greensboro one day last week on business.

J. C. Coltrane is quite sick with Lagrippe. Charlie Spencer had the misfortune to cut his foot badly Saturday while cutting wood.

To Prevent Hog Cholera.

Hog cholera is reported in some sections, and it is well to publish a simple receipt which will prevent this disease under any circumstances.

Mix half bushel ashes with a peck of salt thoroughly stir it so that there are no lumps of salt left in the ashes; put it in a strong box, nail firmly to something so it cannot be rooted about, see that the mixture is kept in this box all the time. In addition to this give the hogs charcoal with a little salt sprinkled on it twice a week. These instructions follow out you will never have any cases of hog cholera.

Deplorable Condition of Lumber Market

Practically every lumber mill in the Southern States has reduced wages from 25 to 35 per cent., and more than a thousand of the largest mills in the Southern States have closed down. Never in the history of the country has there been such depression in the lumber business as exists now. Scarcely any sales can be made of any kind of lumber or timber, and when shipments are made the price is low and the inspection is so close that scarcely anything can be realized.

Demented or Victim of Foul Play.

A letter from Winston-Salem says that Albert Rayle, a printer whose home is there, mysteriously disappeared from his boarding house at Greensboro Dec. 7th, and relatives fear he is demented or a victim of foul play. He has been traced to Liberty in Randolph county, where the trail was lost. Any information sent to Nixon L. Padgett, Winston-Salem, will be appreciated.

Death at Jackson Hill.

Mrs. W. H. Badgett, aged 87 years, died at her home at Jackson Hill, Monday, December 16th. The funeral was conducted at Clear Springs cemetery Tuesday.

Mrs. Badgett is survived by only one son, C. L. Badgett, of Jackson Hill.

The deceased was the grandmother of Mrs. J. T. Wood, of Asheboro.

The "Deestrick Skule" at Randleman.

The "Deestrick Skule" will be played in Randleman on Friday night December 20th, by home talent. The proceeds will be used in paying the indebtedness on the graded school piano. The people of Asheboro and the country are cordially invited to attend this interesting play.

It is a well known fact that persons living in the Pine forests do not suffer from kidney diseases. One dose of Pinesol at night usually relieves backache. 30 days treatment \$1.00. Your money refunded if not satisfied. Sold by Asheboro Drug Co., Asheboro, and W. A. Underwood, Randleman, N. C.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

The correspondent to the Charlotte Observer from Lexington says that despite the rumors to contrary it has it from good authority that the southern will at an early date resume the work of double-tracking in that section at an early date.

The J. S. Marshall Wagon Factory at White Plains near Mt. Airy, was burned recently. The loss is said to be \$2,300.00.

Mr and Mrs. G. S. Bradshaw of Greensboro, will entertain Saturday evening from eight to eleven o'clock in honor of the 25th anniversary of their wedding.

An unsuccessful attempt to rob the post office at Jamestown was made last Wednesday night. This is the third attempt recently.

J. B. Craven, formerly of Trinity, has decided to accept a Scholarship in Vanderbilt University. It is thought that Rev. B. F. Hargett, of Trinity will be appointed to serve the Wilkesboro. M. E. Church in his stead.

W. Thos. Bost, one of North Carolina's talented journalists leaves Salisbury the last of December for Durham where he becomes associate editor of the Herald.

Miss Betsy Garrett, an aged white woman living between Climax and Julian, fell last Friday and broke a thigh. She and her mother and three sisters, all dependent on charity, are in a very destitute condition.—Patriot.

Arthur L. Kerby has brought suit in the Forsyth Superior Court against the Grabs Mfg. Co., of King, Stokes County, for five thousand dollars damages for injuries received a few months ago when he was hurt by a belt while working for the company.

J. C. Elliott, of Shelby, has written a book, "The Southern Soldier—a thousand shots for the Confederacy". Reference is made to High Point and Randolph County, and is interesting to all.

Engineer Sebe Perry and Fireman John Shaw, of Spencer, miraculously escaped death in a wreck at Lynchburg. It occurred on the new double track and was due to a land slide.

The tunnel at Lick Log, near Asheville caved in Saturday delaying traffic on the Southern several hours.

Thos. Heilig, 8-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Heilig, of Salisbury, was killed by a life with which he was playing Saturday.

Judge Connell, who has been ill with pneumonia, is rapidly recovering. He will be able to attend his courts after the first of the year.

Senator Overman has introduced his bill in the Senate authorizing the President to suspend the collection of customs duties on articles coming into competition with products of companies which sell abroad at a less price than in this country.

Rev. W. R. Gwaltney, one of the best known Baptist divines in the State, died at his home at Hickory Sunday. He was 71 years old.

Mrs. H. A. White died at her home at High Point Friday.

Miss Nell Willard Lassiter and Edgar A. Higgins, will be married in the Baptist church at Rich Square Tuesday, December 24th.

The Sanford Sash & Blind Co. was awarded \$14,000 damages against the S. A. L. Railway Saturday for "negligently burning the plant" of the plaintiff last year.

Sixty men met death in the Yoland Coal & Coke Co's mines near Birmingham, Ala., last Monday morning. The fatalities were the result of an explosion.

Elder L. H. Hardy, of the Primitive Baptist church, Reidsville, N. C., will preach at the court house in Asheboro on Sunday, Dec. 26, at 11 o'clock, A. M., and at the Presbyterian church at 3 o'clock, P. M.

J. Sid Mangum, a prominent and wealthy citizen of Durham, died suddenly Monday. Heart disease was the cause of his death. His estate is estimated at from \$100,000 to \$150,000.

One of the largest and handsomest papers ever printed in the South was the Christmas edition of the Charlotte Observer last Sunday morning. The mechanical execution was only equalled by the literary excellency.

The law firm of King & Kimball, of Greensboro, attorneys for Southern Railway in Randolph, Guilford and Alamance have resigned; it is not known who will be their successors.

Franklinville Cleanings.

The Franklinville roller mill has started up again after a complete overhauling, a lot of new machinery has been installed and nothing has been spared to make it complete and up to date in every particular.

Our people are sorry to learn that the Southern is talking of taking one of their trains off of the Millboro branch which would be a great inconvenience to our people.

Mr. H. J. Upton made a trip to Maple Dale Nursery.

Remember the play at the Academy Saturday night, The River Side band will furnish the music.

There will be an entertainment at both the M. E. and Baptist Churches Tuesday night before Xmas.

Mr. Hugh Parks Sr., went to St. Leo's hospital at Greenboro last Thursday and underwent an operation.

Abe Hudson has been appointed rural mail carrier on Franklinville Route No. 1.

Jno. Free and family are visiting relatives here.

Messrs. J. M. Tippet and W. R. Cox have moved into their new residence.

Several large porkers have been killed in this community in the last few days. Among the largest were Milton Allred's, 440 lbs; E. A. Routh's, 412 and T. A. Slack's, 405 pounds.

Thomas Brothens went to Greensboro one day last week on business.

The next regular Masonic meeting will be on the fourth Saturday night of this month.

Stender-Jones.

The following card has been received:

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Jones request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter, Swanna Lee

to Mr. Herman F. Stender on Sunday the twenty second of December nineteen hundred and seven three-thirty p. m. at their residence, Elizabeth Park, Norfolk Virginia.

Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

The annual meeting of the Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Association of Randolph County will be held at the office of the secretary in Asheboro at 11 o'clock, a. m., the first Monday in January, 1908.

S. S. COX, president. U. S. Hayes, secretary.

Rowan Court House Damaged by Fire.

Fire started in the professional offices of the Rowan county court house early Monday morning. The annex to the building was completely gutted, entailing a loss of \$8,000. The loss is covered by insurance.

Geese.

Geese are more in demand than the gobbler. In the North and in the West geese have become more popular than turkey and more of them are sold in many communities.

If you do not want to get all the premium papers in our clubbing offer, you can make your selection of any three other papers to be sent with THE COURIER and we will send all for only \$1-25 a year.

Mr. Z. F. Rush, Jr., will go to Florida today to spend a month or two where he is engaged in business. He has been in Florida for more than a year until two months ago.

Mr. L. Richardson, Greensboro, N. C., Dear Sir:—I want to tell you how important

Vick's Croup and Pneumonia Salve

is to our home.

When my baby was only two months old he was very ill with pneumonia which left him with very weak lungs and many nights he would wake with that tightness and cough that is so alarming to mothers. I always used Vick's Croup and Pneumonia Salve and it never once failed to give good results. I keep a box on hand all the time for emergencies, and think it is many times worth the cost.

Very truly, Mrs. Jas. T. Underwood, Asheboro, N. C.

Don't neglect your cough. Statistics show that in New York City alone over 200 people die every week from consumption. And most of these consumptives might be living now if they had not neglected the warning cough. You know how quickly Scott's Emulsion enables you to throw off a cough or cold. ALL DRUGGISTS; 50c. AND \$1.00.

OSCAR GADDY ARRESTED. Murdered Chas. Eubanks Near Lexington in July.

Oscar Gaddy, the murderer of foreman Chas. Eubanks, of Lane Bros. Co., at Lexington, was arrested at Cuit, Tenn., last Wednesday. The crime for which Gaddy is held is one of the most brutal in the history of the State, he shooting Mr. Eubanks without warning. The murder occurred in July.

Buckhorn Plant Put in Operation. The Buckhorn Plant, of Buckhorn Falls, was put in operation Saturday. The plant has been in course of construction about seven years, having been started by the late W. M. Morgan, of Fayetteville. About 5,000 horse power is being developed there, and it is being contemplated to use this power by electrical transmission at Raleigh.

Don't Shiver PERFECTION Oil Heater (Equipped with Smokeless Device) Just scratch a match—light the Perfection Oil Heater—and stop shivering. The Rayo Lamp Gives a restful, steady, soft light which is so much appreciated by workers and students. Standard Oil Company (Incorporated)

Christmas Presents Watches, Chains, Fobs, Brocelets, Love Chains, Stick-Pins, Broaches, Breast Pins, Emblem Pins, Cuff Links, Hat Pins, Eye Glasses, etc. These are always in stock but in a few days I will display an attractive line of novelties. You will find it advantageous to see me before buying diamonds. N. P. COX, Jeweler.