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## LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Mr. R. C. Short, of Whitsett, was a very pleasant visitor in our town Sunday.

Mr. Stokes, who has been visiting R. E. L. Holt, returned to Richmond Saturday.

It will pay the farmers to see H. G. Kime when he returns from the stock market with stock.

Mr. H. G. Kime is on the horse market in Virginia buying a car of stock. Watch for his return.

Mrs. S. C. Patterson left Sunday for Thomasville to be the guest of her sister who is seriously ill.

Mr. H. G. Kime will return within the next few days from the Virginia stock market with some fine stock.

Rev. W. H. Warner, of Myresville, Md., will preach a trial sermon at the Reformed Church Sunday at 11:00 o'clock.

Mr. H. G. Kime, "the Old Reliable," horse dealer is on the Virginia market purchasing a car of stock. See him when he returns.

Among those who are attending the Methodist Episcopal Conference, are: Rev. Sikes, Mr. W. E. Sharpe, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hay.

Miss Bertha Hoffman, accompanied by Miss Allie Hodgkin, of Greensboro, spent Saturday and Sunday the guest of Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Huffman.

Mr. Albert Simpson, of Greensboro, has recently accepted a position as book-keeper for the Aurora Cotton Mill. He takes the place of Mr. John Lloyd.

Mr. C. W. Huffman has recently resigned his position with C. F. Neese. He has not decided definitely where he will locate. He has been connected with Mr. Neese for quite a number of years.

Rev. R. M. Andrews, of Greensboro, was in town Monday. Rev. Andrews is always given a hearty welcome when he comes to our town. He was for one year editor of The Burlington News.

Mr. Ernest T. Sharpe and Miss Mattie Ivey were married Sunday at the home of the bride's father, Mr. George Ivey, Esq. J. W. Montgomery officiating. Quite a large crowd was present to witness the ceremony.

Mr. John Lloyd, who has held the responsible position of book-keeper for Aurora Cotton Mill, has become a partner in the business of Holt-Cates Co. Mr. Lloyd is a young man of excellent qualities and will be a valuable asset to the business.

### Couple Still Will Marry.

There are rash people here and there in the world who have forecasted and predicted that the so-called feminist movement discourages marriage and giving in marriage. How little they know what they are talking about is made very clear by the number of marriage licenses applied for in Philadelphia alone on Wednesday. No fewer than 150 pairs of lovers crowded the doors of Cupid's local clerk that day each intent on a Thanksgiving wedding. It was a record-breaking number.

It is true that the lot of the single woman, young or old, is not so hard today as it used to be. In America at least a woman does not have to marry to be happy—or perhaps it is better to say that she will not necessarily be unhappy if she doesn't marry. Opportunities for useful occupation are wider open to the unmarried woman today than they ever were before. Woman's sphere has widened, even in communities where she does not vote, to such an extent that so far as making a living is concerned or so far as making the most of herself is concerned she is no longer dependent upon mating with a man.

But the natural fate of a woman—at least in this happy land—is to become a wife, and love that leads to mating still makes our world go round. In unhappy France the government has to levy taxes on the unmarried of both sexes in the effort to offset race suicide. Our own new income tax makes an exemption in favor of married men and women, but American men need no such bribe to marry American women when the women are willing. It may be that not all people who are married are happy, but the hope of the happy many continues to triumph over the experience of the unhappy few and clerks whose pleasant duty it is to dispense marriage licenses continue to work in a joyful atmosphere.—Philadelphia Press.

### The Shame of the State.

The report of the state commissioner of labor and printing, just issued, shows that the rural public school teachers of North Carolina receive \$1.75 for each actual working day, not counting Saturdays or the months during which they do not work at all. Boiler makers get \$3.65 a day; plumbers, \$4.06; engineers, \$4.40; plasterers, \$4.20; and brick-masons, \$3.60.

We make the boast that North Carolina is the best state in the union, and yet we consider it worth more to make sure that the man who builds the walls of our houses knows his business, than the man who to a large extent shapes the lives of our children! How long will it take our people to come to a realization of the fact that it is far easier to get a competent brickmason for \$1.75 than to get a competent school teacher for the same amount?

North Carolinians are as yet far too prone to judge by appearances. The work of a bungling mason is apparent at the first glance; but the work of a bungling instructor may not appear for many years. Though a crooked wall can be demolished, and a straight one set up with comparative ease, a crooked education is beyond all human aid. Is it not then the part of wisdom to see that the man who erects the mental structure in the first place is the best that can be had?

Our public school system has been the football of politicians of both parties ever since it was established. It is easy to impose on the children, for they have no lobbyists; and the Unterrified Democracy and the Grand Old Party have alike been guilty of this crime. The children have no votes; therefore they simply do not exist, in the mind of the average politician.

This, we believe, is one of the most serious errors that a statesman can make. Sooner or later a man will arise with justice for the children on his platform. And when he gets through with the old machines the rescue squad will gather up of the fragments that remain twelve basketfuls.

But North Carolina has mighty little to brag about as long as she pays her brickmasons more than twice as much as she pays her school teachers.—Greensboro Daily News.

### A Costly Thanksgiving.

Thanksgiving was a glorious day. The harvests have been abundant and food is plenty, but with the grievous drawback that it high. The Thanksgiving dinners served yesterday were the most costly on record, the market charges for the food provided being from 35 to 100 per cent. more than they were ten years ago and greater for the same kind and quantity of food than in any other year.

What it is that has caused this great advance in the cost of living is a question which has not yet been satisfactorily and fully answered. This only is evident—that the charge that the Republican protective tariff caused these excessive prices is entirely disproved. We have seen the Democratic non-protective tariff in operation nearly two months. It has had ample time to bring down prices if the former tariff was the cause of them, but they do not come down. On the contrary they have continued to soar and the cost of living is ever higher in this country than it is at the present time.

We had hoped to see this cost of living reduced. We hoped that the country might receive some benefit by way of benefit for the industries which the new tariff has injured. The high prices and low duties together are bound to invite large importations to the place of American-made goods. They have already begun to come, but the duty which the government levies away benefits the importers, not the purchasers of these foreign goods.

The cost of living remains high while the ability of many Americans to meet it is certain to be reduced so long as the policy of encouraging importations rather than home industry has the sanction of American law.—Philadelphia

Death of Mrs. Polly All. Mrs. Polly Allbright, who lived in the Bethel neighborhood below Cape Fear, was buried Sunday, age of eighty three years.

Mrs. Allbright was one of the best citizens of that neighborhood. She had always been in good health, had a short time before her death was widely known, loved and respected, everybody knowing her. Polly. Her long life was lived with blank, but with decency and love to her neighbors.

She leaves four daughters, sons, Mr. J. S. Allbright, of being one of her sons, the one with her to her death. Mr. George H. Cook, of married her youngest daughter, died only a few years ago. Quite a few people from attended the funeral Sunday.

### Signs Bonds But Does Not Approve of Them.

Columbia, S. C., Dec. 1.—Governor Cole L. Blease today affixed his signature to new bonds, while indicating his disapproval of the bond act and of the transfer in no uncertain terms. In a letter to the State Treasurer, the Governor expresses himself as follows:

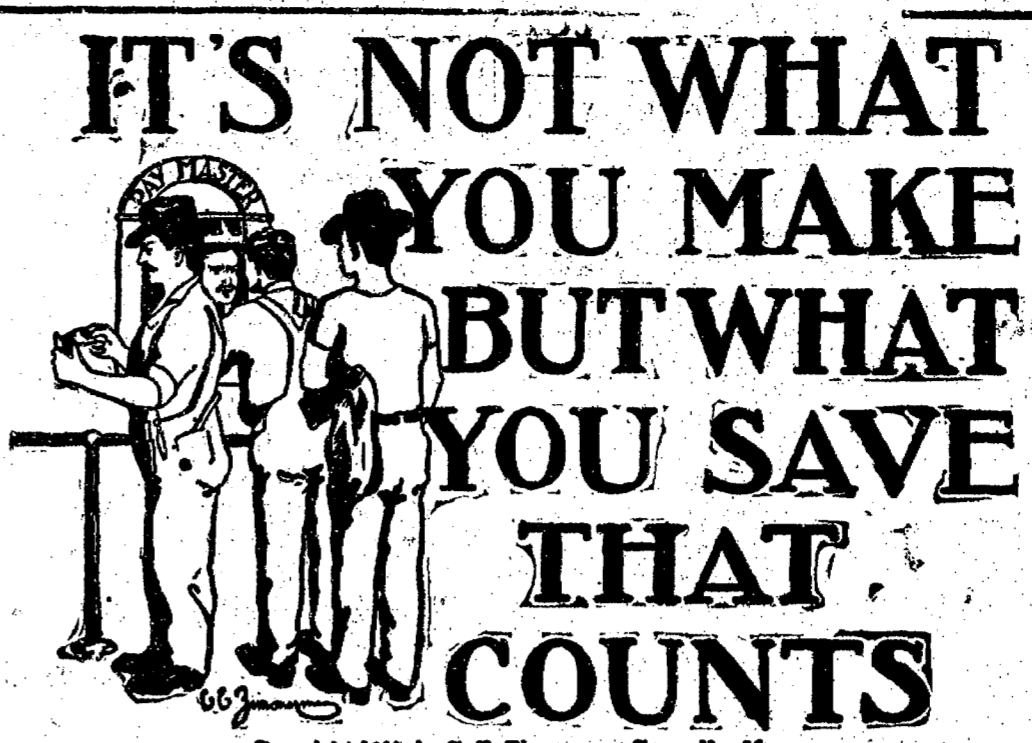
"I notice that the stock certificates presented by you and signed by A. W. Jones, Comptroller General, and Martin F. Ansel, D. C. Heyward and myself, as Governors, bearing different dates, read in part as follows: 'Stock certificates of this issue are free from all State, county and municipal taxes whatsoever, are exchangeable for coupon bonds and are transferrable in person or by attorney on the books of the State Treasurer at Columbia, S. C., by virtue of an act approved the 22nd. of December, 1912.'

"This certificate, as I have stated is signed by the Governor of South Carolina, countersigned by the Comptroller General, and bears the seal of the State. This, therefore, is a contract of the State, and of course should be carried out. I, therefore affix my signature in order to carry out the agreement made by the legal agents of the state, in accordance with the act of the General Assembly. Personally, I would not have approved this act, and personally, I do not approve of this transfer, particularly at this time, while the bond matter is in the very unsatisfactory condition that it is and is awaiting the action of the legislature in order to settle the differences between members of the Sinking Fund Commission. However, the matter having been put up to me as it is, I see but one thing left for me to do, and for that season and that alone I submit to this transfer, and affix my signature to the new bonds.

"COLE L. BLEASE, Governor."

### Congress Formally Opened Yesterday.

Washington, Dec. 1.—Congress today closed the extraordinary session which began April 7 and settled down to the regular "long" session, expected to continue into next summer. Only the absolutely necessary formality marked the ending of the old session and the beginning of the new. The senate was at work practically all day. An attempt to institute the proposed program of day and night sessions for the consideration of the administration currency bill failed. The Democrats agreeing to allow final settlement of the program to go over until tomorrow to give the Republicans time to consider it.



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For good things to eat, go to Ralph's Place.	<b>FOR SALE PRIVATELY:</b> 1 Kitchen table, 1 Heating Stove, 1 Parlor Oil Stove, Chairs, Carpet, Matting. The above articles are for sale at my residence and will be sold at a bargain.
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## PRIZES FOR TOBACCO FARMERS

The following is a list of valuable premiums donated by the business men of Burlington to Tobacco Farmers:

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**PRIZES FOR WEEK ENDING DEC. 3rd.**

Highest Price—One pair shoes by D. M. Moore & Son.

Highest average—1 Dozen pair hose by Whitehead Hosiery Mills.

Biggest load—One Dozen pair hose by Sellars Hosiery Company.

One bunch bananas given by Merchants' Supply Co. with each prize.

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**PRIZES FOR WEEK ENDING DEC. 13th.**

Highest Price—One Trunk Giving by Smith & Qualls price \$6.00.

Highest Average—Five Yards Dress Goods Given by J. Mazur, price \$5.00.

Largest Load—H. Goldstein, \$5.00 pair pants.

One bunch of bananas with each prize.