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PRESIDENT IS VICTORIOUS AGAINST THE SPEAKER AND THE HOUSE FLOOR LEADER

Washington, March 31.—The national house of representatives tonight, after one of the most spectacular legislative struggles in the history of the nation, voted to repeal the provision of the Panama canal act, exempting American vessels from the payment of tolls. The vote on the repeal bill was 247 to 161, a majority of 86 votes, in support of the personal plea of Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States.

The annals of the house by a party division, which found Speaker Champ Clark, Majority Leader Underwood and other Democratic chieftains lined up in open opposition to the President on an issue which the latter had declared vital to his conduct of the nation's foreign policy.

Today's result was the first struggle within the party since Democracy took control of the government a year ago. Tomorrow the bill goes to the senate, where the fight will be renewed with all the vigor and determination that attended it in the lower house.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH MAKES IMPROVEMENTS

Rev. Stroup to be Advanced to Priesthood on April 26.—Bishop Will be Present.

There have been many evidences of new life and vigor in the Episcopal Church since the beginning of the present rectorship. Marked improvements have been made about the premises and a substantial new roof has been put on the church.

The services on Passion Sunday were notable for the introduction of a vested choir, adding greatly to the beauty of the quarterly ritual. It is now but a question of time when the forces of the parish will enable the great historic Liturgy to be set forth outwardly in a manner befitting the strong and definite teaching for which the Church of the Ascension is already conspicuous in the Diocese.

An event of unusual interest is looked forward to on April 25, when the Rev. Samuel B. Stroup will be advanced to the Priesthood and formally instituted as rector. The Bishop of Asheville will be present to confer the historic Apostolic gift of Holy Orders.

Automobiles.

A carefully conducted canvass of automobile registration throughout the country made by "Automobile" and just made public in its latest issue, tends to indicate that the number of automobiles and motor trucks registered in the United States increased from 1,010,483 in 1912 to 1,253,875 at present, a gain of 243,392, and the output of the factories grew from 378,261 cars and trucks in 1912 to over 450,000 in the past year.

Of course New York leads with a registration of 122,411, while North Carolina is twenty-ninth with 10,000. Today there are engaged in the manufacture of automobiles about 400 companies and the estimate for the output in 1913 is between 500,000 and 600,000 cars and trucks. There is probably no industry in the country growing faster than the manufacture of automobiles and as the price gets cheaper the annual output will be correspondingly increased to meet the demand.—Evening Chronicle.

A dispatch from Brive, France, says a large section of a mountain near there has become detached by seismic disturbances and is sliding down into a valley, sweeping everything in its path. Earthquake shocks were felt Sunday evening in Alabama, Ohio, Missouri and in Washington.

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NEW CHURCH IN HIGHLAND.

Baptist Congregation Commence Work on New Building.

Highland, Mar. 30.—Work has been commenced on the Highland Baptist church.

One of Mr. Wm. Lail's children was severely burned about the face several days ago while carrying coals of fire on a shovel from one part of the house to another. It is improving at this writing.

Mr. Robt. Eckard has been quite sick for several weeks.

Mr. J. H. Mingus is out again after suffering with a severe case of pneumonia.

Mr. Dick Martin and family are preparing to move to West Hickory.

Mr. Thos. Hoke, who is living in the Wm. Hyder house, is building a nice cottage south of the chair factory, which he will occupy as soon as it is completed.

Mr. Raymond Hunt has moved his family back to his home here from Charlotte.

Mr. Eugene Lafon has bought the Julia Bolick property. He will move his family there in a short time.

Mr. Perry Fry is on the police force at present.

Mr. and Mrs. John Deal, of Catfish, spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Leon Cline.

Mrs. John Fry and children spent Sunday with her sisters, the Misses Houck.

Mr. W. S. Robinson's family, including all but himself, took the mumps about the same time. They are all recovering.

News From West Hickory.

West Hickory, Mar. 30.—Since the warm weather has set in, garden making seems to be greatly in fashion in our town. It seemed as if everybody was busy during the past week preparing their gardens and planting seeds.

E. W. Humphrey has been sick with rheumatism for several days but is a little better at present.

S. M. Propst and Claud Griffin resigned their positions as loomfixers at the Ivey Mill and are going to Brookford to fix looms.

C. E. Bolick and G. C. Wilson take their places.

Miss Carrie Berry gave a birthday party Saturday evening. A number of her friends and school mates were invited. There were about fourteen present.

The graded school here closed Friday, March 27. The reports of the pupils in all the grades showed that they had done well during the term.

Miss Alma Berry visited Misses Minnie and Carrie Berry Saturday.

R. W. Williams, who has been here several weeks has gone to Alta Vista, Va., to resume his work in the mill there.

T. D. Berry, of Drexel, was here Saturday visiting his father, P. Berry.

Sid Lewis and wife moved from Brookford last week and are working in the mill here.

Clyde Boston and Miss Cordia Setzer were married here Sunday evening. Q. A. Hedrick performed the ceremony. The parents of both parties live in West Hickory.

Dr. J. J. Hicks bought Ed. Sherrill's house and lot in West Hickory Saturday. The consideration was \$350. This property is near the State Highway and it is reported that Dr. Hicks intends to build a dental office on the lot in the near future.

FINE PERCHERON HORSE.

Purchased for Farmers of This County in Ohio.

For some time the farmers in Catawba county have been discussing the advisability of purchasing a Percheron horse. About two weeks ago, a meeting was held and it was decided to send Mr. Dan T. Gray, of the Department of Agriculture at Raleigh, to Ohio and get a horse.

Mr. Gray spent a week in Ohio and visited a good many different farmers, and he purchased from Brown and Ayers, Hillsboro, Ohio, the black Percheron, "Jokai." This is a registered horse, and Mr. Gray says he is probably the best Percheron horse ever brought South. The day he was loaded on the car, he weighed 1850 pounds.

There will be a meeting of all farmers interested in this horse at the Farmers' Union Warehouse, Newton, Saturday, April 4th, at 1 o'clock, to organize a Horse Breeders' Union. Advertisements in regard to this horse will appear in next week's issue of this paper.

Thirty-five horses belonging to the Parham Supply Company of Henderson were roasted to death in a fire that destroyed the company's stable and all contents Saturday night.

CATAWBA COUNTY'S RURAL CREDIT ASSOCIATION

It Is in Effect a Rural Building and Loan Association—Why Not Try it in Your Neighborhood?

(By W. J. SHUFORD.)

For some time the question of farm credits has been discussed and various plans have been offered to help the farmer get money at a low rate of interest and for a long time. This question came up in Catawba County, and our farmers made study of the local building and loan idea, and decided to form an association modeled along its lines. Several meetings were held in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce and committees appointed to solicit shares.

After several months, and a good many meetings, we organized "The Catawba Rural Credit Association." We began business with 38 shareholders subscribing for 200 shares, and the plan in brief may be described as follows:

1. Shares of Stock.—Each member pays an initiation fee of 50 cents per share to join, and \$1 per month for each share carried par value of shares \$100. A payment of \$1 per month on each share will mature \$100 in about 81 or 82 months.
2. Time of Payments.—Payments may be made monthly, quarterly and semi-annually to suit the convenience of the shareholder, but shareholders, especially patrons of the creamery, are urged to pay monthly.
3. How Loans Are Made.—The money is loaned to shareholders at 6 per cent interest, and is secured by first mortgage on farm lands not to exceed two-thirds of their cash value. Loans are made to shareholders only, and each shareholder must carry one share of stock for every \$100 borrowed. He is charged 6 per cent interest on what he borrows, and gets 6 per cent on what he pays in; the compound interest more than takes care of any expense and helps to mature his share. Loans will be made in rotation as applied for, and as money comes in.

4. Paid-up Shares.—A limited number of paid-up shares will be issued. These will be taken by farmers as an investment, and will pay 4 per cent interest paid semi-annually, and will participate in the profits and mature in about five years. For example, a farmer takes a paid-up share, paying \$90 down on this. He receives interest at the rate of 4 per cent paid semi-annually, and this share will mature him \$100 in a fraction over five years.

5. Management.—The affairs of the association are managed by a Board of eight directors elected for one year, and this Board elects a President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer; also elects a loan committee from each township in which the Association works. The Board of Directors (with the exception of one or two) are all farmers. The directors meet monthly for the making of loans and the transaction of other business.

6. Local Direction.—Three shareholders from each township constitute a loan committee, and they examine all property offered to the Association as security for a loan; and make a written report to the directors on forms furnished them.

7. Fines.—Any shareholder neglecting to pay his dues when the time comes shall forfeit the sum of 10 cent per share for every month the dues remain unpaid.

8. New Shares.—A new series of shares will be opened up every quarter.

This in brief is the plan we are doing business under, and we believe it is going to help our farmers. As we grow, changes will probably be made, and the work strengthened. Will we get funds enough to meet the demands that will be made upon us? That remains to be seen, but we believe that we will as soon as our farmers get their attention called to the fact that they can individually help each other buy a farm, improve what they have, or buy more livestock, etc., for the farm.

Our association starts out under the most favorable circumstances. Our President is a successful farmer, our Vice-President is president of the First Building and Loan of Hickory, and has been for years. This Association has \$350,000 loaned in Hickory, and never lost a dollar. Our Secretary is Secretary of the above Association, and has volunteered his services for a year at no cost to the Association. With no rents, etc., to pay, our expenses will be very small.

MASS MEETING APRIL 8.

Progressive Democrats to Gather in Raleigh on That Date.

Wednesday, April 8th, is the day for the Progressive Democratic mass meeting in Raleigh; William J. Bryan and Josephus Daniels are coming in addition to State leaders, and a thorough going State-wide primary is expected to be the dominant issue.

So announced Chairman Clarence Poe, who yesterday received a telegram from Washington giving the Bryan date and also a letter from President Wilson expressing further interest in the North Carolina primary light and special satisfaction with the New Jersey primary law, which was put through while he was Governor.

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church.

Rev. J. H. Wannemacher, pastor.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES, Palm Sunday Services, April 5, 11:00. Our Hosannas. By the Pastor. 7:30 p. m., Christ Trial Before Pilate.

Monday Evening. Peter's Denial. By the Pastor.

Tuesday Evening. Christ on Barabbas. Rev. L. L. Lohr.

Wednesday Evening. Rehearsal of the Men. Rev. R. L. Fritz.

Thursday Evening. The Two Malefactors. Rev. Grover Moran.

Friday Morning 10:30. Special Good Friday Services.

Friday Evening. It Is Finished. Rev. M. L. Stirewalt.

EASTER DAY, 11 a. m. Our Easter Message, Communion.

7:30 p. m. Easter Program, consisting of music and recitations.

The public is cordially invited to attend all these services.

Gastonia Guardsman Dies on Duty.

Gastonia, March 30.—Bert Gilbert, a member of the local Military company, died suddenly late this afternoon while the company was undergoing inspection at the hands of the Federal and State authorities. The company was drawn up in the Army at the time and Captain Russell Langdon, detailed to this State by the United States Army as Colonel Stringfield of the State Guard were giving instruction. It is supposed some affection of the heart was the cause of the Guardsman's death.

Mr. Gilbert was about 35 years old and leaves a family. He had not been well for several days.

Dr. Brown and his Bungalow.

Dr. R. Wood Brown and lady are domiciled at the Marshall Hotel where they will remain until their bungalow is ready for occupancy. While their new residence will not be very large it will be modern in every respect, being built for comfort instead of display. The doctor says the house and out buildings will be spacious enough for his wife and self, the canary, "Toots", the pony, "Dolly" and his thoroughbred chickens.

St. Andrew's Evangelical Lutheran Church.

Regular services Sunday morning with Confirmation. The Passion History of our Lord will be read during Holy Week beginning with Sunday evening and continuing up to Saturday. All are cordially invited.

Car Load of Cream Separators.

The Empire Cream Separator Company, of Bloomfield, N. J., will distribute separators in North Carolina from Hickory. The Hickory Seed Company has just received a car load of these famous separators.

Advertisements of these machines and prices will appear in next week's issue.

We will operate in Catawba, Alexander, Burke and Caldwell counties, and serve the farmers. It is just a little over two months since we organized, and we are now ready to make our first loans amounting to about \$1,500, April 1.

Any system of rural credits that may be worked out must recognize the building and loan to some extent. It affords a splendid opportunity for systematic monthly saving. It is mutual, all members sharing alike. It is operated economically. No new laws are necessary to put it into operation.

Why not try it in your community? Think of it—about 80 months from January 1 we will distribute \$20,000 in cancelled mortgages and cash, among the farmers that carry their shares to maturity.

SECOND ANNUAL HIGH SCHOOL DEBATING CONTEST AT LENOIR COLLEGE APR. 24

The second annual high school debating class for a gold medal will be held in the Lenoir College auditorium Friday evening, April 24.

These exercises are conducted in order to encourage the practice of declamation in our high schools as an exercise of high cultural value and as necessary foundation for success in the study and practice of public speaking.

The following are the conditions under which the contest will be conducted:

State High Schools, City High Schools, or other schools of the same rank, in counties of North Carolina west of the Yadkin River, or in Davidson County, shall be entitled to one representative in the contest.

The name of each contestant, the subject of his declamation,

and a statement from the principal of his school that he is a BONE FIDE student, shall be in the hands of the secretary of the faculty of Lenoir College not later than April 20. Schools intending to send a representative should inform the undersigned at once.

The places of declamation on the program in the contest shall be determined by lot.

In case there are more than eight contestants, a preliminary contest shall be held at the College, Friday afternoon, April 24, 1914.

No declamation shall contain more than 1000 words (600 to 1000 words is a good range.)

A gold medal shall be awarded by a competent committee to that declaimer whom they shall judge to have won in the contest.

Has No Objections to Progressive Meeting.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 30.—Senator Simmons when questioned upon his return here today regarding the progressive convention to be held at Raleigh, stated that if some gentleman in the state wished to call a convention to discuss progressive policies and plan progressive legislation they were entirely within their rights and that he would make no objection and place no obstacles in their way.

The senator returned today after an absence of about two weeks which he spent recuperating at his home in Newbern. He explained that he returned earlier than he intended because of the statement made by Senator O'Gorman, chairman of the committee on interoceanic canals, that he would not call the committee to consider the bill to repeal the canal tolls provision because of the absence of Senators Simmons and Shields.

Student Gamblers Exposed.

A correspondent writing from Chapel Hill to the Raleigh News and Observer and the Greensboro News says the betrayal of confidence between professed gamblers, growing out of the refusal of the one to redeem a check for \$20 passed in a "crap" game, led to an exposure between some students of the University and citizens of the village.

The names given are Jack Sparrow, W. J. Patterson, N. J. Cartmell and Floyd Booker, citizens; J. D. Kernodle of Graham, G. B. Crowell of Lenoir, J. E. Ware of Charlotte, Julius Johnson, Jr., of Yanceyville and F. C. Jones of Plymouth, students, the two latter members of the law class; Ralph Andrews, pharmacy student and M. B. Warren, automobile chauffeur. The persons implicated were placed under bonds of \$15 and \$25 each to appear in court.

When the papers publishing the story reached Chapel Hill the persons implicated in the gambling and their friends were very wrath and the correspondent of the papers was assaulted.

Thus the State University, through some of the folks allowed there, continues to make a reputation for itself. A little more than a year ago a student was killed while being haz.d. Now it is a gambling crowd and those involved resort to mob law when exposed. The University, it should be remembered, is supported by the money of the taxpayers; and it is fast becoming a disgrace to the State.—The Landmark.

Mr. William Harris, of Lenoir, was in the city Monday.

ANNIVERSARY EXERCISES AT LENOIR COLLEGE

Eumenean and Philathethan Literary Societies to Render a Splendid Program.

The fourth Anniversary of the Eumenean and Philathethan Literary Societies of Lenoir College will hold their fourth anniversary in the college auditorium Monday evening, April 6, at 8:15 o'clock.

The program is as follows:

PART I.
Piano Duet, Spanish Dance No. 3. Meszkewski
Misses Christian and Hooker
Essay, The North American Indian. Annie Fowles

Chorus, (a) De Coppah Moon. Rowe Shelley
(b) Don't You Mind The Sorrows. Eugene Cowles

Ten Years Hence, by Members of the Societies
Piano Solo, Shadow Dance Op. 39. Edward McDowell
Miss Bryte Beam

PART II.
Drama, Hiawatha. Henry Wadsworth Longfellow
This program is very interesting and the people of the city are cordially invited to come and hear it.

How Advertising Rolled in the Money.

The Fourth Estate tells the following story:

F. Irving Fletcher, advertising manager of Saks & Co., New York, at a Sphinx Club dinner in New York, told a thrilling advertising story.

"I once made a bet with a dry-goods dealer," said Mr. Fletcher, "that he couldn't spend in a year on advertising all he made in that year. The man took me up and sailed in."

"But he lost his bet. Though his advertising bills grew bigger and bigger, he lost. For the more he advertised, the more he sold, and in the end, after starting eight branch stores, he gave in and paid me my money."

Notice to Confederate Veterans.

All Confederate Veterans intending to go to the Reunion at Jacksonville, Fla., will please give me their names, company and regiment.

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