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BUNCH OF GOSSIP IN STATE CAPITOL

Raleigh, June 24.—North Carolina's wisdom eight years ago has been many times recalled today when additional excuse for indulging hope for this state's constitutional amendment was being sought.

The northern papers, particularly the Democratic and independent ones, have been perhaps most jubilant over the defeat of the perpetual grandfather clauses in other constitutions. The New York World's "Republic at Last" leaves the locals to think that the World assumes North Carolina's overthrow. But new evidence creeps out while these metropolitan papers jubilate and the state's hopes are heightened.

Today representatives of the olden days recalled that when the amendment was adopted and being put to vote, Representative Fuller a negro of Warrenton, arose to explain his vote. He declared that the spirit in which the majority had passed the amendment was such that he was uncertain as to the way he should vote. He did vote "no" but he doubted its being the best for his race.

In 1907 quite a large element of both Democratic and Republican parties favored an extension of the grandfather clause. Senator Butler has been included among the many Republicans who believed in that extension. In a caucus during the 1907 general assembly strong Democrats pleaded for the larger opportunity to the white illiterate. Perhaps the strongest opponent was Attorney General Bickett.

Mr. Bickett declared that such an extension would convince the courts if the amendment ever came to their review, that North Carolina was trifling with the law and not sincere in the amendment that it did pass. He prophesied that if the state passed such an amendment to an amendment the law would have no standing in the highest courts. He told a story, too, illustrating the danger of holding no incentive to the dominant whites to become literate voters. "People advance as they are driven," Mr. Bickett said, and related the narrative of the frogs in the hole unable to jump out. One day they all came out. A black snake was under them.

Thereupon one of the most terrorless of the unterrified spoke up: "Mr. Chairman," he said, "I hope I would never live to hear the great sovereign Democracy of North Carolina likened unto a bunch of toads in a hole," and sat down.

But the enterprise failed. The majority were against the extension which meant perpetual discrimination against the black. The Raleigh Democrats believe it will avail much.

President W. C. Hammer, of the North Carolina Press association, has made Edward E. Britton, of Raleigh, chairman of the entertainment committee and left to Mr. Britton the appointment of his own committee.

Today Mr. Britton announced his aides. They are Henry B. Varner, of the Lexington Dispatch; J. J. Farriss, of High Point; Miss Lucile Mae Smith, of Skyland Magazine, Winston-Salem; James H. Caine, Asheville Citizen, Asheville; Isaac S. London, Siler City Grit, and James H. Cowan, of the Evening Dispatch, Wilmington.

The entertainment committee will have something to do. The South Carolina editorial association after its meeting will adjourn and come to North Carolina to hold a joint meeting with North Carolina editors. One of the days to be made memorable will be the visit to Mount Mitchell, a whole day being set apart for that excursion and climb. The South Carolinians come to

Montreat upon the adjournment of their association and this joint session, one of the stunts of President Hammer is going to be the biggest thing ever.

The office of Governor Craig received from Asheville today notice of the respite of Charles E. Trull, whose execution in the state's prison had been set for July 2, next week.

The date now set is August 6. Trull's attorneys indicated six weeks ago their line of procedure. They have found facts which they believe will justify them in the hope of final acquittal of a capital felony. Trull's friend testified against him in the lower court and evidence that the fellow was habitually without money made it impossible to overcome the evidence Trull was found with \$400. He will contend that his friend slipped that money to him and Trull was caught.

Trull's case, purely circumstantial, found no legs upon which to stand in the Supreme court. It was desperately weak, but new evidence is said to be stronger.

Adjutant General Young issued a half score of commissions today that will have considerable military interest.

Russell C. Woody of Asheville, is made second lieutenant of company F, of the first North Carolina regiment; James A. Leonard is commissioned captain of company A, of the third regiment, Lexington; Guthrie E. Robbins, of the same town, is made first lieutenant of the same company; James Freeman Hatch, of Raleigh, is appointed first lieutenant of the coast of artillery corps and Lee A. Layton, second lieutenant.

H. W. B. Whitley receives a commission as second lieutenant of company G, second regiment of Raeford; E. I. Burn is chosen second lieutenant of troop B, Asheville; Maj. S. Westray Battle, of Asheville, is retired with the rank of brigadier general; W. S. Ross gets his credit as first lieutenant of the coast artillery, Salisbury; Thomas B. Marsh is second lieutenant and Walter S. Blackmer, captain of the Salisbury coast artillery corps.

Dallas Zollicoff is captain of company M, first regiment, High Point; Phillip W. Hardie, first lieutenant of the coast artillery; and Frank Page second lieutenant of the same company, Greensboro, Arnold H. Vanderhoof, of the naval militia, Asheville.

The Auto Transit company, of Wilmington, was chartered today to do a passenger, freight and baggage business, C. D. Weeks, N. G. Shaw and the Jitney Bus company taking the \$1,000 paid up capital. The authorized amount is \$25,000.

The Raleigh Iron Works which was given a contract for \$100,000 worth of projectiles for the United States navy, has delivered 500 of the 12,000 pieces and has 500 more ready for delivery.

The company built within four months a factory equipped to make all necessary parts of the projectiles of the 5 to 8 inch type. From the navy department expressions of satisfaction have the local company is running day and night to finish its orders. These are target missiles but the company is able to make those used in field fighting. When Secretary Daniels gave this order to the Raleigh firm he escaped the whole criticism which the northern press has been in the habit of heaping upon him because of his partiality to his state and city.

Invictus

Out of the night that covers me,
Black as the pit from pole to pole,
I thank whatever gods may be
For my unconquerable soul.

In the fell clutch of circumstance
I have not winced nor cried aloud.
Under the bludgeonings of chance
My head is bloody but unbowed.

Beyond the place of wrath and tears
Looms but the horror of the shade.
And yet the menace of the years
Finds, and shall find me, unafraid.

It matters not how straight the gate,
How charged with punishments the
I am the master of my fate, scroll.
I am the captain of my soul.

—William Ernest Henly.

State's Oldest Mason Is Claimed By Death

Charlotte, June 24.—Col. Lewis S. Williams, one of Charlotte's oldest and most venerable citizens, died this morning at six o'clock. He would have been 90 years of age next Christmas day. He was long a leading figure of the town and is the last person who was here in 1836 when he came to Charlotte from Concord. He was a past Grand Master Mason of the State and also the State's oldest Mason. The funeral will be held tomorrow at 5 o'clock with Masonic honors. He is survived by one daughter, Mrs. J. P. Caldwell, city editor of the Charlotte News.

Tried and Proven.

Co-operative enterprise in Catawba has passed beyond the stage of experiment and doubt into that of tried and proven success.

The Creamery is five years old. Last year it put into circulation among the farmers some \$200,000. The disbursements for the month of March were \$18,000.

The county has now gone with equal success into co-operative egg collecting, fire insurance, potato marketing, and a farmers' building and loan association.

Western North Carolina has entered upon a new chapter in agricultural development. Crop growing is being topped-off with live stock production and farm industries.

Marketing farm wealth on four legs instead of four wheels is a great step forward. No farm community ever yet grew rich selling crops alone at any price whatsoever.

The next quarter century in our grain-growing, hay and forage counties will show great gains in good roads, good schools and churches, diversified crops, more and better farm animals accumulated farm wealth, home comforts, conveniences and luxuries.

A certain, steady, weekly income the whole year round means economic freedom in the farm regions. It means a self-supporting, self-financing, self-directing democratic civilization. —University News Letter.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Morganton News-Herald: Mrs. Walker Lyerly of Hickory, was the guest several days this week of Mrs. Eck Abernethy.

Mr. Vernon Stewart, son of the late Hosea Stewart, and Miss Sarah Miller, daughter of the late Junius Miller, both of Clines township, were married by Rev. G. P. Drum at Newton Thursday.

Blowing Rock Item: Mr. Ed Hoover, among Lenoir's popular young men, spent a few days here last week, coming with Mr. N. S. Dasher, Hickory's big telephone man, the very sight of whom is good for "the blues"—good to drive them away.

At a meeting of the creamery managers in the Carolinas, Virginia and Alabama, held in Statesville, an organization was effected for the purpose of establishing headquarters to handle the products of all these southern creameries. Mr. W. J. Shuford was made temporary president, and Mr. J. A. Reid of Raleigh, temporary secretary, and Mr. Shuford is also director. The object is to employ a business manager and a central office through which all business may be handled, with a view of getting market facilities bettered.

Farmers, mechanics, railroaders, laborers, rely on Dr. Thomas' Eclectic Oil. Fine for cuts, burns, bruises. Should be kept in every home. 25c and 50c.

Who Pays the Cost?

Knowledge in fire prevention means the saving of life and property. Don't that appeal to you? If not, there must be something lacking. What is it? You can do your part, no matter how little that may be. It keeps and means encouragement to others and helps reduce the fire waste, which means a saving to the individual. You are taxed to pay the fire losses of others. You may think you are not, but as a matter of fact you are, and you can readily learn this truth if you will study the fire loss in your own locality.

Deeds Filed for Record.

D. E. Flowers to M. L. Bolch for \$118 lot No. 1 adjoining C. C. Cline.

Q. A. Hedrick to Sarah Pharr for \$100, lot on Piedmont avenue, West Hickory.

Q. A. Hedrick to R. R. Reed for \$300, lot No. 7 on Piedmont avenue.

Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy.

This is a remedy that every family should be provided with, and especially during the summer months. Think of the pain and suffering that must be endured when medicine must be sent for or before relief obtained. This remedy is thoroughly reliable. Ask anyone who has used it. For sale by Menzies Drug Co. and Lutz Drug Co. adv.

Rev. D. L. Whitener of Wilsonburg, W. Va.



Rev. Mr. Whitener, who with his family is on a visit to relatives in this county, will conduct a meeting at Warlick's Chapel July 4. He is giving his entire time to evangelistic work and after this meeting is over he will be open for other engagements.

Just "Polymuriel."

Nice, sounding word that—Polymuriel. It does not set you at odds with the dictionary as does Przemysl. Indeed "Polymuriel" is not the name of either an Austrian, Hungarian, or Russian town. Though it has the sound it is not even the names of the charming young ladies, Polly and Muriel, mixed up. No indeed, it is the name of a dress.

It's the product of the mind of a New York young woman who won a prize of \$150 for designing a dress held to be of positively universal utility, and it can be made out of any old kind of goods—or new kind of goods—that may be desired, that is if any one desires to be enveloped in a "Polymuriel."

Having no diagram at hand we will attempt to explain. The "Polymuriel" is a dress planned to be worn all day long. When the fair lady who is the possessor of the "Polymuriel" arises she can put it on for breakfast table use. If there's a morning bridge stunt on she can appear in the "Poly," she can golf in it, she can fox-trot in it, she can appear at a theatre party in it. Anywhere, everywhere with "Poly."

Simplifies things, you see. No more changing of clothes, no more keeping the man on the job of waiting at his task, for women will always be on time. No more calling on "hubby" to "hook me up at the back. Ends the days of fashion. Fine thing that "Polymuriel." And it has pockets in it.

Will it be worn? My son, do not ask foolish questions. Of course it will not be. Who ever heard of a woman who would be satisfied with one kind of dress. "Polymuriel" may as well retire with the other discards. She's not wanted. —News & Observer.

New Laws.

On and after July 1st no agent in this State can insure any property in a city or town until he has inspected the same; and he must stamp or write on each policy an analysis of the rate. These are requirements of law and a non-compliance subjects the agent to a cancellation of license.

Greatly Benefited by Chamberlain's Liniment.

"I have used Chamberlain's Liniment for sprains, bruises and rheumatic pains, and the great benefit I have received justifies my recommending it in the highest terms," writes Mrs. Florence Sillie, Wabash, Ind. If you are troubled with rheumatic pains you will certainly be pleased with the prompt relief which Chamberlain's Liniment affords. For sale by Menzies Drug Co. and Lutz Drug Co.

Marketing the Farm Eggs.

(From the office of Poultry Investigations and Pathology, Animal Industry Division North Carolina Experiment Station.)

The families of the cities want strictly fresh eggs, they are tired of storage eggs and eggs sold them for strictly fresh country eggs which are not, (the writer having lived in the city for more than twenty years speaks from experience) and they are willing to pay the highest prices for them. Will you deliver to them this first-class product? Now with parcel post it is within your power to come in direct touch with the city consumer. How are you going to reach them?

Most farmers look upon eggs as a by-product of the farm and in many instances the hens are compelled to forage for themselves and are not provided with proper shelter, feeding and care.

When the hens forage for a living and go without care it may be true that the money their products bring in is clear gain, but on the other hand if they were properly cared for, watered, fed and housed they could be made one of most profitable branches of the farm. They should be placed on the proper basis they deserve.

The losses to the egg industry which are avoidable is about 17 per cent and includes rotten, stale, held, dirty, heated and cracked eggs.

Don't keep broody hens around on the nests used for laying hens. A broody hen is not a profitable hen and if she is not needed for sitting and brooding purposes break her up at once—don't put it off from day to day until finally she gets discouraged and gives it up herself. If she is broken up from sitting she should return to laying in about 10 days. Don't keep mongrels or pullets that don't reach maturity by early winter. Keep clean nesting material in the nests as soiled eggs don't present a pleasing appearance to the city buyer and they don't pay so much for them. Provide special rooms for the sitting hens and keep the room closed so they will not be molested. Collect the eggs twice daily in hot weather. Store them in a clean, dry, cool room and market them twice a week. Sell your eggs in attractive packages and sell on a cash basis, delivering only clean, fresh and large eggs should weigh at least 24 ounces to the dozen. Under such conditions you will find it profitable.

This office can give you information as to how you can best market your eggs.

Reunion August 19th.

August 19th. is the date this year for the annual Confederate reunion in Newton, and discussion of plans for it has already commenced. It is considered that it is time to begin getting ready for the event. Last year, it will be recalled, the reunion had to be postponed until later date than the third Thursday in August, on account of the street work. Nothing this year has arisen to interfere with the regular date and the reunion promises to be the usual big affair when thousands of people will gather for the county's biggest public affair and homecoming celebration. From now on activities looking toward reunion will increase and before long full preparations will be made. —Enterprise.

Change Ordered in Routing Mail

Complaints that censors tamper with neutral mail passing through Great Britain resulted in the issuance of an order by the Postoffice Department, directing that all mail from the United States for Norway, Sweden, Denmark and The Netherlands, be dispatched on steamers sailing direct.

This is the remedy suggested by the Swedish minister who recently filed with the State Department evidence that mail from the United States had been censored in England. As the countries in which mails originate control the routing, the order will affect only outgoing mail. It is expected here, however, that similar steps soon will be taken by at least some of the European neutrals.

Under the new arrangements mails to the northern countries will not leave as frequently but there are several regular direct steamer lines and no serious delays are looked for. A general inquiry into alleged tampering with mails, at home and abroad, is being conducted by the Postoffice Department, charges having been made that mail of embassies and legations of belligerent countries has been opened on United States railway mail cars. Sweden, it is said, has protested sharply to London against interference with mails. According to information reaching here Swedish firms have suffered so greatly from interruption of their correspondence with America actually is threatened with ruin.

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