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OLD NORTH STATE NEWS

Interesting Items of News Briefly Set Forth For Busy Readers.

A car load of pigeons, containing about 1,500 birds have been liberated in Lexington.

The first car of North Carolina dewberries was sold to a Northern commission house for 16c per quart.

Democratic Convention of the Tenth Congressional district is called to meet in Asheville on Tuesday, July 12, at 12 o'clock.

The enrollment at the State Normal College last year was 613, the highest in the history of the school. Ninety of the 98 counties were represented.

An effort was recently made to have Toxaway Hotel Company, which has large holdings in Transylvania county, declared a bankrupt but the United States Circuit Court of Appeals at Richmond has decided that the company is not bankrupt.

John Allan Stackhouse, scheduled to be electrocuted in North Carolina's new death-chamber, June 10, is granted commutation by Governor Kitchin to life-imprisonment. Stackhouse killed his wife in Scotland county, the representation made to the Governor being that the killing was under extenuating circumstances.

At Salem Female College commencement this week it was stated that Andrew Carnegie had agreed to give the institution \$75,000 of the \$300,000 endowment and \$80,000 of this amount is yet to be raised. This is the fourth woman's college in the country that Mr. Carnegie has recognized.

Hub Holt, a negro sent from Davidson county to the State prison two years ago, to serve a sentence of 15 years for attempted criminal assault on a white woman, turned up at Linwood recently, and it was found that the penitentiary officials had mixed him up with another negro whose time was out, and had discharged him by mistake.

Mr. Walter H. Woodson has been elected chairman of the Democratic executive committee of Rowan county to succeed Mr. A. H. Boyden, who resigned some time ago, and who held the position for 24 years. In all that time Mr. Boyden never failed to lead the Democratic hosts to victory.

Free Political Boosting.

Our esteemed and interesting neighbor, the Cleveland Star, emerges from the recent primary election with an experience that has put him wise for future similar events. The columns of The Star during the primary campaign, were groaning under the burden of a free correspondence sent in by friendly boosters of different candidates, all of which under ordinary conditions, is just as properly classified as "paid matter" as is the announcement placed in the paper by the candidate himself, and a newspaper can no more give its space free to a political friend than to the candidate. We learned the lesson ourself after paying the price of experience, but we learned it early in life, and we are glad our brother of The Star is now convinced that the free space business is a burden that ought not be imposed on the country weekly any more than the city daily and that he will suffer it no longer. Give them the column rate next time.—Kings Mountain Herald.

The comet is as shy and shrinking as a sweet summer girl—that is some sweet summer girls.

FOLK GIVES HIS IDEAS

Former Governor of Missouri May Run For President in 1912.

St. Louis, Mo., June 2.—Missouri democrats of all factions at a dinner tonight heard former Governor Folk announce the principles on which, it is said, he will seek the presidential nomination in 1912. The dinner was in charge of men who have been promoting the boom of the former governor.

"The doctrine of equal rights should be made a living, vital and controlling force in the government," said Mr. Folk after he had listened to democrats from all over the state tell the guests that the former governor should be endorsed for the presidency. "The democratic party," continued Mr. Folk, "should insist upon the stamping out of graft and corruption from every department of government; the eradication of all special favors, including bounties, subsidies and a tariff for any purpose other than revenue.

"We need the honest, sincere enforcement of the laws we already have and the regulations of public utility corporations upon a basis that justice must be done the people and a fair return for the amount actually invested be afforded."

STANDS ON ISSUES.

On the subject of issues before the people the former governor said:

"The great issue before the people of this country is, shall there be government by privilege for a class, or government by the people for all? This is a question within parties as well as between parties. The republican party is dominated by special interests and operates with them upon a profit sharing basis. We should not be oblivious to the fact, however, that we have Aldrichs and Cannon in our party, and it is the duty of democrats to lessen their influence as much as possible. We cannot prevent some of them being in the party, but we should keep them from running the party.

"A crisis has been reached in the affairs of the nation. Pick up a newspaper any day and you will find accounts of thievery and graft. What does it mean? Is corruption becoming a national disease? Is there something in our system of government that encourages men to violate the commandment 'Thou shalt not steal.' Is not the government itself in a large sense to blame for this seeming general disposition? Has not the example which the government sets in enriching a few by taking from all by means of the protective tariff been an influence for corruption?"

"With the example of the national government giving privileges to a few there is encouragement afforded all forms of graft, for all graft is based upon privilege. Officials are not bribed to give equal rights but to confer upon the few some privileges denied the many. The elimination of privilege is the fight confronting democracy."

Big Timber Deal.

Asheville, May 31.—An important timber deal was consummated here today when W. B. McEwen, George A. Lewis and J. A. Walker purchased the stumpage rights and privileges of the well known Connally boundary in the Black Mountain section of Buncombe county, a tract of land adjoining the city's water shed. The tract embraces 40,000 acres of virgin timber and it is understood that the contract price was \$40,000. The land is situated between Swannanoa and Black Mountain station, some six or seven miles from the railroad. A railroad will either be built or flumes constructed to get the lumber out. Several million feet are said to be on the boundary, and the purchasers have twelve years to complete the contract. Operations will begin in the near future.

RAILROAD BILL PASSES SENATE

Vote Was Fifty to Twelve—Insurgents Voted For It.

Washington, June 3.—The Senate passed the administration railroad bill at 9:55 o'clock tonight. It had been under consideration for more than twelve weeks and practically no other business except appropriation bills were considered in that long period.

Only 12 votes, all of these by Democrats, were recorded against the bill. The practical unanimity with which the measure was passed was due to the radical changes made in the measure from the form in which it was drafted by Attorney General Wickersham, following numerous conferences at the White House on the subject of amending interstate commerce laws.

All of the insurgents who opposed many features of the original bill, voted for it tonight.

Through the elimination of pooling and merger sections and by reason of the adoption of many amendments in the interest of shippers the progressive Republicans claimed to have won a signal victory, any most of the Democrats expressed themselves as favorable to the large portion of the measure.

In Memory of Dr. B. A. Cheek.

And now I feel free to say of him as has been said of another "beloved physician":

"He was a man whom all the people loved. For he was good, and loved to do them good."

And always round about him goodness moved. He could not be ungentle if he would!

Each day, unfailing as the sun in heaven.

His blessed round of healing he performed: Each day some portion of his life was given.

That others might be vivified and warmed.

He had such pity as few mortals have: For suffering's sake alone he would be spent.

All that he had—himself—he gave: He brought his love and left it when he went.

The rich and poor, the humble and the great,

With equal favor sought his tender aid. He never used to pass the poor man's gate.

Became the rich man just beyond was ill.

Early and late he toiled for poor mankind.

In summer's heat and winter's bitter cold.

His heart was never chilled by frost or wind:

For love and kindness wrapped it fold in fold.

Of times at night, when others were asleep,

The loved physician sought the couch of pain.

And like a rock that breaks the angry deep.

Beat back the awful wave of death again.

He was a tower of strength to all the faint.

And hope, when other hope had almost fled:

His gentle touch would soothe the wild complaint.

And wake a trembling sigh of peace instead.

Where'er he went the sunshine of his face

Brought gladness and a sense of sweet relief:

Death turned away with quick and silent pace.

And hope, returning, took the place of grief.

Thus ever, through his long and busy life,

The loved physician toiled for others' good.

Till death, alas! prevailing in the strife,

Stilled that warm heart, which nothing but death could.

His blessed memory shall shine as long

As true unselfish worth is praised of men.

He is not dead, that soul so pure and strong!

He lives, and we shall see his face again.

GOVERNOR CALLS EXTRA SESSION.

General Assembly to Take Action in Bond Issue Matter—Will Convene June 14th.

Raleigh, June 3.—Governor Kitchin issued this evening a proclamation calling the North Carolina General Assembly to meet in extraordinary session here June 14 to take action as to the impending \$3,430,000 refunding bond issue to take care of bonds falling due July 1, the necessity for the special session being the inability of the Council of State to market the refunding bonds at this time in sufficient quantities under the restrictions of the legislative act authorizing them to meet the July bond obligations.

Why 'Should Judge Manning be Turned Down.'

From The Gaston Record, April 17th.

The people of North Carolina are to be congratulated that they have two such worthy gentlemen, staunch Democrats and eminent jurists as Judges Manning and Allen as aspirants for the high and honorable office of Associate Justice of our Supreme Court, because either of them would fill that position with credit to himself and honor to the State. And yet, while this is true, we think that Democratic usage and common fairness demand the nomination of Judge Manning.

During the forty-two years, since 1868, that our judges have been nominated by political conventions and elected by a vote of the people, no Democratic State Convention has "turned down," or refused to nominate, the appointee of the Governor, and only four district conventions have refused to nominate the judge of a district who had been appointed by him. So that according to Democratic usage Judge Manning should be nominated.

Common fairness also demands his nomination, and the people of North Carolina are fair-minded. Judge Manning has "made good" the Governor's appointment of him, for he has fully met the high expectations of his many friends who urged his appointment. He has worn the judicial ermine most worthily, and his opinions are ranked among the best ever delivered by any judge of our Supreme Court. No lawyer doubts his fitness for the office. In character, legal learning, party service and judicial temperament he is worthy of receiving the endorsement by his party of the Governor's appointment. And why should he not receive it! The only objection suggested is that another good Democrat wants it!

Is this a sufficient reason for "turning down" Judge Manning and rebuking Governor Kitchin for appointing him? While, of course, the Democratic party has the right and power to rebuke a Governor for any appointment made by him, yet does Governor Kitchin deserve such a rebuke in his appointment of Judge Manning? If Governor Kitchin had appointed Judge Allen instead of Judge Manning, when both were aspirants for the appointment, and he had discharged the duties of his office as well as Judge Manning has (and we do not doubt that he would have done so) then we would have urged Judge Allen's nomination for the same reasons above given for Judge Manning's nomination.

In this connection we may mention that the Democrats of this State, so far back as 1896, thought Judge Manning worthy of judicial honors, for at the election that year he was their candidate for judge of the Fifth Judicial District, and received more votes than any other Democratic candidate on the State ticket, although he was defeated by the Fusion ticket.

A. P. Andrews, at present director of the mint, has been selected as assistant secretary of the treasury to succeed Charles D. Norton, who has been appointed private secretary to President Taft.

PEOPLE'S FORUM.

(This department is reserved for letters from the people on various topics. The Progress is not responsible for the views of its correspondents. All communications must be originally signed for our protection though the same may be withheld in publication.)

The Patent Churn.

Prithee, Erb, why this wild guessing at identities and causes, this forsaking of practical topics to invade the territory of Cupid? Janus has become "techy" and your assumption that he is an old bachelor will rile him again and make things worse for Jane. Your surmise as to his being a churn agent may be correct, for all we know,—there were several around this spring,—but, in that case, why should he pose as the only "correct" authority on farm life! How admirably he proved in his article that it is easier to be critical than correct! Hereafter let it be understood among correspondents that only the "Jokes of Janus" do not need labeling, and any levity or joking from others will be considered as "serious" and deserving of reproof from Janus, who "accepts" sarcasm of no mortal. (Janus was the two-faced god, you know.) Like Erb, who is a philosopher, we propose to take things quite goodnaturedly. The "old maids" and "schoolma'ams," like the mothers-in-law, are always fair game, and they don't mind a little sarcasm, especially of the Janus brand! Bless you, no! They're used to it, and would be lonesome without it! Any able-bodied old maid who isn't willing to support some indigent man deserves all she gets. The schoolma'ams, though, it seems to us, might be exempt. They have taught in the "little brown schoolhouses" where Janus imbibed the first principles of phonetic spelling. It is only the colleges and higher education that is in the way of literary societies and phonetic spelling. T. R. will have to wield the big stick over the Carnegies, who do not know even a little. (Perhaps though, the societies and spelling will have to be termed "illiterate" after the colleges and the highly educated have all been disposed of.) Well, perhaps Queux need not try on caps that do not fit, since the education we long for is always beyond us, and "higher." The older we grow and the further we delve into knowledge the more conscious we are of our ignorance, and the less pert and flippant we become. The "smart Alexs" are usually found only among the very young.

"A little learning is a dangerous thing," quoth the old philosopher, but most of us reverence the little brown school houses and their schoolma'ams too much to condemn them to "marrying off." They are doing a noble work and we would pension them instead. They are knowing, too, those schoolma'ams, and have no intention of jumping out of the frying pan into the fire.

Now Queux does not make even wild guesses at identities, so all these feeble remarks are entirely impersonal and in no sense "serious." But Janus says Queux trips the wheels of Progress, and that must never be! All this is highly undignified, if not highly educated, anyway, and in the interests of literary societies and phonetic spelling Queux retires to keep still in a corner and watch Janus march by as a leader of literary societies, matrimonial bureaus and phonetic spellers. (If Janus gets on the war path again we may be sorry, yet, that we did not buy that patent-churn!)

Only the language of Bill Nye is adequate to the situation: "Sic semper domino, in hoc aureka, limburgher, gobrough."

QUEUX.

Publisher's Notice.

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A PITIABLE CASE.

Young Woman Goes Insane on Subject of Religion as Result of Listening to Unknown Tongue Preachers.

Gastonia Gazette.

Barefooted, her black hair streaming loosely down her back, Hilda Buggess, an attractive looking girl of perhaps eighteen years, sat in a surrey in front of the city hall yesterday afternoon and gave utterance to the wildest ravings of a maniac. She had been brought from her home at the Lory Mill and was taken, as quickly as Magistrate W. Meek Adams could write a commitment, to the county jail, where she is incarcerated pending application for her entrance into the State Insane Asylum at Morganton. She wore a plain white dress and when not talking loudly and wildly was engaged in munching on a lunch of bananas, cakes, etc., which had been provided for her.

This is another case traceable directly to the influence of the "unknown tongue" tribe which continues its operations in this immediate section un molested. It is hence all the more a case for supreme pity as her present plight might have been prevented had this aggregation of fakirs been sent away from Gastonia some time ago. This is only one of quite a number of cases which have come to light in Gastonia within the past year in which lives have been blighted in one way or another by the baneful influence of these near-religious mountebanks.

The girl who was taken to Dallas jail yesterday afternoon is the one who, on the night of May 18th, as chronicled in The Gazette of May 20th, gathered a large number of people at her home on the supposition that she was to be married that night to a certain young man in the community. He failed to show up and on investigation it was found that he knew nothing whatever of the matter and her only explanation was contained in the declaration that "the Lord told me we were to be married tonight." It was found then that she was laboring under a mental cloud and since that time she has grown steadily worse until it was found necessary to place her in confinement. It is asserted positively by those in a position to know that she was an attendant at the services of the "unknown tongue" people and her insanity is directly traceable to the influences exerted upon her by these people.

ESTABLISHES A NEW RECORD

English Aviator Crosses and Recrosses the English Channel in a Wright Biplane Without Alighting.

Dover, England, June 2.—The Hon. Charles Stewart Rolls, captain in the London section of the army motor reserve, driving a Wright biplane vindicated Anglo-Saxon aeronautics by crossing the English channel twice this evening without alighting. He made the round trip between Dover and Calais in 90 minutes.

While two Frenchmen, Louis Biernot and Count De Lesseps, have crossed the channel in an aeroplane, it remained for an Englishman in an American machine to perform the double feat. The distance across between the two points named is 21 miles, so that his overwater flight of 42 miles without a stop establishes a new record.

Doctor Peterson

A regular and expert Physician will visit Marion every Monday, stopping at Hotel Fleming, beginning on 1st Monday in June.

He does not interfere with the work of your local Physicians but confines his work to the treating of Chronic and intractable diseases, such as Rheumatism, Dyspepsia, Catarrh, etc., etc. He does not send you to Drug Stores, but furnishes his Medicines free. Consultation free and invited. If your treatment with others has not been satisfactory, consult Doctor Peterson, and you will not be disappointed.

Remember time and date, and come early.