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OLD NORTH STATE NEWS

Interesting Items of News Briefly Set Forth For Busy Readers.

Forest City is preparing for a big celebration July 4th.

The day for the election on bonds for lights and water works in Rutherfordton has been set for the 3rd Tuesday in July.

The Democratic Convention of the Tenth Congressional district will be held in Asheville at 12 o'clock Tuesday, July 12.

The Baptist and Methodist Sunday schools of Henrietta and Carolina will run an excursion Saturday, the 18th of this month, to Johnson City, Tenn.

The local chapter daughters of the Confederacy is engaged in the very laudable undertaking of raising money to build a Confederate monument on the court house square in Morganton in memory of Burke's Confederate dead.

At the meeting of the State Press Association at Wrightsville last week a movement was put on foot to collect funds to build a monument to Bill Nye, the humorist, whose remains lie in an unmarked grave in Henderson county.

The Lenoir Topic says the Carolina and North-Western Railway has purchased the Caldwell and Northern and the transfer will be made July 1st. This puts Lenoir on the main line between Chester and Edgemont instead of at the junction of two roads.

The State Department of Agriculture calls attention to the fact that the "seventeen-year locust" is due to appear this year in the region from Raleigh in Wake county to the northern limit of the state and in the counties of Cabarrus, Davie, Iredell, Rowan, Surry and Yadkin.

Supt. Hodges, of the Asheville division of the Southern Railway, has given out the statement that within a short time the Southern will place five new passenger engines, of the newest model, on the Asheville division. The engines are of the 1200 series, weigh 90 tons each and have 58-inch driving wheels—about as large wheels as are seen in these parts. The new engines will be a great improvement over those now in service on this division.

B. N. Duke's Latest Gift to Trinity College.

Durham, June 8.—From a sick bed today, Benjamin N. Duke sent the trustees of Trinity College \$100,000 for Trinity, making within a year more than a quarter million that the philanthropist has given.

At the last commencement the benefactor gave \$50,000 for a building, just the starter of a group and plant to cost \$250,000. The last offering was a great surprise. It marks the Duke philanthropies up high, something like \$1,250,000.

Dr. Chas. C. Weaver, late president of Davenport Female College, Lenoir, has been elected president of Emory and Henry College, Emory, Va., to succeed Dr. Waterhouse, elected bishop. The board first elected Dr. J. W. Perry, of Morristown, Tenn., but receiving no response to the telegram notifying Dr. Perry of his election, Dr. Weaver was named. Dr. Weaver cannot accept. He is vice president of Centenary Female College, Cleveland, Tenn., and the trustees of that institution refuse to release him.

YOU should own shares in the McDowell Building and Loan Association if you are interested in the county or town

MANY STATE OFFICES

Supreme Court Judges and Superior Court Judges to be Filled at Election.

Now that the dates have been fixed for both the State Democratic and the Republican conventions, interest runs especially to the matter of just what nominations have to be made for State offices. First of all there are the seats of Chief Justice Clark and Associate Justice Walker and Manning, the two former for eight years and the latter for the unexpired term of Judge Connor, to which Judge Manning was appointed by Governor Kitchin. Then there are two places on the corporation commission, one the six year term, to succeed Commissioner S. L. Rogers, and the other four years of the term of B. F. Aycock, deceased, now filled by H. C. Brown, through appointment of Governor Kitchin until after the general election.

There are sixteen solicitors, or prosecuting attorneys for the sixteen districts. Also eleven Superior Court judges, ten of them for full terms of eight years and the other, that of Judge Guion, resigned, for four years, this being filled by Judge D. L. Ward, through appointment of the Governor pending the election of a judge. Those Superior Court judges whose terms are expiring in connection with this campaign are: Judge Peebles, Northampton county; Judge Cook, of Franklin; Judge W. R. Allen, of Wayne; Judge W. J. Adams, of Moore; Judge B. F. Long, Iredell; Judge Bell, of Forsyth (successor to Judge Jones); Judge W. B. Councill, Catawba; Judge M. H. Justice, Rutherford; Judge J. S. Adams, Buncombe; Judge J. S. Ferguson, Haywood.

The Bonds Sold.

Charlotte News.

Every true North Carolinian will rejoice that the million or so of bonds issued to refund those coming due July 1 have been sold and that the necessity for a special session of the legislature no longer exists. The North Carolina bankers at a conference in Raleigh yesterday came to the rescue of their state and relieved it of any temporary embarrassment, Treasurer Lacy stating that the bonds were more than subscribed for. The American Tobacco Company the day before had purchased \$1,000,000 worth of bonds.

The act of the bankers in coming to the relief of their state will do more to quicken state pride than anything else has done in a decade. Here was the state traduced by unprincipled men, its old reconstruction bonds placed on the same footing as the present issue, and a cry by certain politicians of mismanagement. In the face of this, the North Carolina bankers assembled and spoke to the world with their capital that the state is all right, that its credit is gilt-edge, and that their confidence in it is as great as ever. There was no reason for fear. North Carolina cannot control the world's money, and the money market was responsible for the failure of the bonds to go at first.

Even the rankest partisan must feel a pride in his state at this time.

Press Association Officers.

The State Press Association in session at Wrightsville Beach last week elected new officers as follows: President, M. L. Shipman, Hendersonville Hustler; First, Second and Third Vice Presidents, J. J. Farris, High Point Enterprise, J. H. Payne, Asheville Citizen, T. G. Cobb, Morganton Herald; Secretary-Treasurer, J. H. Sherrill, Concord Tribune; Historian, D. J. Whichard, Greenville Reflector; Orator, Jas. H. Cowan, Wilmington Dispatch; alternate, J. P. Cook, Concord Tribune; Poet, W. L. Hill, Barium Springs; executive committee: H. A. London, Pittsboro Record; R. M. Phillips, Greensboro News; R. W. Vincent, Charlotte Observer; H. B. Varner, Lexington Dispatch; and D. T. Edwards, Kinston Free Press.

A VOICE FROM THE EAST

Hon. W. T. Lee Endorsed for Corporation Commissioner

EDITOR PROGRESS:

Since Mr. S. L. Rogers, the Western member of the Corporation Commission after many years of faithful and efficient service on the Board, has announced that he will not ask for re-nomination, and since Mr. H. C. Brown, who, prior to his recent appointment by the Governor to fill the vacancy on the Board caused by the death of our beloved and lamented Ben Aycock, was, in addition to the Hon. W. T. Lee, of Haywood county, an avowed candidate for the commissionership at present held by Mr. Rogers, but who, since his appointment, has declared that he will be a candidate to succeed himself, thereby leaving the field for the commissionership from the west practically clear to W. T. Lee—for I assume that the policy of the Democratic party is to be continued by giving the western half of the State representation on this important commission. Now, Mr. Editor, I seldom write endorsements for candidates for office, but here is an office to be filled this year in which every voter and tax payer should be vitally interested, for it has to do with railroad service, freight rates and the assessment and taxation of all railroad and other corporations. The farmer, the merchant and all other business men of North Carolina are interested in the matter of freight rates, it enters materially into the profit and loss account of every industry and enterprise of our commonwealth, and hence how very important it is to have a reasonable freight rate; and not only this, the valuation of these great corporations should be such as to require them—if they are not doing it—to pay their just proportion of taxes, to the end that the burdens may be lightened on the masses of the people. I would not be unjust to these corporations, for they are public necessities. We need a commissioner who will deal fairly with them and at the same time see to it that the people are given such rates and privileges as we are entitled to, and who would have the nerve and backbone to see that we get what we are entitled to. I know of no man in the west better qualified and equipped to discharge the duties of this important office than is the Hon. W. T. Lee, of Haywood county. His large experience in public affairs, both in the Legislature and as a member of the Board of Internal Improvements, which was given control of the Atlantic & North Carolina Railroad by the General Assembly, eminently fitted him for the position to which he aspires. Mr. Lee has the ability to clearly see the rights of the people, as well as the rights of the corporations. I was intimately associated with him in committee work during the session of the last Legislature, and he so impressed me as being a safe, sane, progressive, honest and courageous man that it gives me real pleasure to commend him to the people of Wayne county, and the State at large for this important place. In addition to Mr. Lee's excellent qualifications for the position he has the further credit of a long and loyal service to the Democratic party. For thirty years or more he has fought in the front of the battle, in season and out of season. I would be glad to see him nominated, for I believe he would fill the office acceptably, worthily and creditably, alike to himself and the people who trusted and honored him.

J. E. KELLY.

Mount Olive, N. C.

Correspondents in reporting persons should not mention the visit of one individual to another in the same neighborhood, but if some one comes into your community from a distance or leaves your locality for a distant point you can properly note it.

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 through the name may be withheld in publication.]

Progressive Mythology.

Perhaps the editor will allow me space for a short treatise on Progressive mythology, which is becoming sadly mixed.

JANUS, the old Roman god, kept the door of his temple open only in times of war, instead of in times of peace, thus showing his belligerent disposition. He was a guardian of gateways rather than a patron of patent churns, and his two faces gazed unsmilingly and perpetually into the East and West, never toward the North and South, thus proving his partisanship and sectionalism. It is not recorded of him that while inconsistently frowning down higher education, he yet advocated literacy societies; that he was a forerunner of Theodore in trying to wrest from our language the silent letters which preserve in words the history of their derivation and meaning; or that, belonging as he did to urban civilization, he ever forsook it for farm life and failed of contentment therewith.

CUPID, son of Venus and Mars, never grew up but remained a pranks, chubby boy, whose costume consisted chiefly of a bandage over his eyes, a bow and arrows and a pair of abbreviated wings. He is reputed to have been both unprincipled and saucy, and the inference is that he was frequently spanked by his goddess-mother, probably for impudence to Old Maids, who, having neither hearts nor love affairs, resented his meddling and were arrow-proof, while the younger fry, of whom Venus was the special patroness, could not live without him. As Venus was a lady of energy and determination, as well as of exceeding beauty, this probably accounts for her son's exile to the chill environment of Stinky Valley, where, if one may judge from the Venus-slipper flowers still scattered about, his reform is still personally conducted. Here ceaseless interest in the boy-god; we had hoped to see him more amenable to discipline.

ERB is a flower of the field, not born to blush unseen or unheard, we judge, ere it fadeth away. To find him strayed among the match-makers is a case of Saul among the prophets. But Erb, like Caesar, is too ambitious. He should tackle something less difficult, and not strive to pluck a comet for his hat-band.

SCHOOLMA'AMS need little defence here, or elsewhere, except among rabid cases of sorehead. The choicest recruits to the O. M. ranks come from that sorority. In the hands of the schoolma'am we place more power and influence than is ever wielded by a dozen matrons. Devotion to their calling, which, to those who love it, is as fascinating as it is exacting, obliterates all other inclinations. The way in which one saintly face, with its halo of white hair, used to fight up with pleasure when visiting in old age a neighboring school and teaching a class of little children, is fixed in the memory of many of her pupils. And this is the sisterhood we are exhorted to "marry-off" as undesirable! What a gallant gentleman is Janus!

OLD MAIDS are a dignified and benevolent body, divinely appointed by Providence to assist in the education and maintenance of overflowing families. In those days of frenzied and hysterical marrying and unmarried, with their resultant suicides, insanity, murders and wholesale scarping, O. M.'s act as a mental balance and a benign influence. The title O. M. is now a distinction and a decoration rather than a reproach, as in pagan days. Scriptural authority states that it is not good for man to be alone, and taxes on bachelors are imminent; they need the ameliorating influence of wives. The O. Ms., however, are under no such Scriptural ban, which is for-

unate, since census returns of the last two or three decades show such an overwhelming surplus of femininity that the only way to accomplish Janus' threat lies through Mormon or Bluebeard tactics. Janus may be consoled, however, there will always be plenty of meek and quiet little Jams.

QUEXU, O. M.

Rutherfordton News.

Rutherfordton, June 6.—The friends of Attorney W. G. McRorie, of this city, were pleased to learn of his nomination as Republican candidate for Solicitor of the 14th Judicial district, at the Republican convention held at Marion last week.

Hon. William J. Cocks, of Buncombe county, one among the number seeking the nomination for the Democratic candidacy of the 10th Congressional district, was in Rutherfordton recently looking over the political field. Cocks or Gudgeon will in all probability get the nomination.

Hill Scoggin, of Marion, spent several days in Rutherfordton last and this week.

J. S. Martin, of Shelby, of the J. S. Martin Grocery Company, was in town Friday in the interest of his firm.

Messrs. W. Jason McDaniel and John A. Wilson attended the Republican convention of the 14th Judicial district held in the city of Marion quite recently.

Dr. A. Littman, optometrist, of Asheville, is spending a few days in Rutherfordton with Allred, the jeweler.

Capt. J. A. Maxwell, of Rock Hill, S. C., of the Charleston division of the Southern railway, was in the city Friday. It will be recalled that he met a fearful accident last year in service on the Southern railway, and lost one of his feet.

G. W. Long, of Charlotte, formerly of Rutherford county, is a Rutherfordton visitor this week.

The Western Bloomer Girl baseball club crossed bats with the Forest City team this afternoon. With Maud Nelson, the alleged champion lady pitcher of the world, a splendid game is expected.

The Rutherford county institute for teachers will be held at Round Hill Academy at Union Mills, beginning Monday, July 18th, and

continuing two weeks. Rev. W. E. McElwain, D. D., of Charlotte, by invitation, will preach in the Presbyterian church here the third Sunday in June, services both morning and evening. GAZON.

To Democrats.

It is generally believed that the next House of Representatives at Washington will be Democratic if there is united and harmonious effort on the part of Democrats everywhere.

The National Democratic Congressional Committee is charged with much responsibility in furnishing a campaign book and other literature, directing speakers, and doing the general work of organization. We need your active support especially in a financial way. Please send to the National Democratic Congressional Committee, Washington, D. C., a check at once as we are greatly in need of funds to push our work, and most depend upon Democrats to furnish them. Our Committee is sustained by voluntary contributions. We are reliably informed that the Republican Committee is already generously supplied with money. Will you not aid us at once!

JAMES T. LLOYD, Chairman. JOSEPH E. RANDELL, Chairman Finance Committee.

For Mr. Hyams.

Sunnyvale, June 6.—We might say that if there is any man in the county whom we would endorse for Register of Deeds it is Mr. Geo. W. Hyams.

We have been connected with him even here, and we feel safe in saying that should he be placed before the public he could not possibly be beaten. He may expect our hearty support if he be placed for Register of Deeds, which we feel sure he will be.

A FRIEND.

Doctor Peterson

A regular and expert Physician will visit Marion every Monday, stopping at Hotel Flemming.

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.

A WILL AND A WAY

A singular profession offers support to a large number of men in various sections of the United States. It is that of professional credit man. These men are employed by commercial houses whose interests are large and scattered over a great deal of territory. It is their duty to determine whether credit shall be extended to certain individuals or firms, and to just what extent this credit shall be extended. They decide just when to shut down on accounts.

Naturally these men learn a great deal of their fellow men and their peculiarities, especially so far as finances are concerned. And listen to what they have to say! They say that it isn't so much the fellow who can't pay, as the fellow who won't pay. Which all goes to prove that the old adage is still good in the year 1910; "where there's a will, there's a way."

With the will to become the owner of a home and the possessor of a competence, the building and loan association furnishes a comfortable way to attain the desired end.

The man who will pay, can pay. There may be temporary failures to meet obligations, but if he is perfectly honest in his intentions the chances are 99 out of a 100, yes 999 out of a 1,000 that he will do so sooner or later.

This should be borne in mind by those who naturally fear to undertake obligations with the idea in mind that they will meet insurmountable obstacles; "where there's a will, there's a way," if you want anything badly enough, you can with proper effort attain the desired goal.

The McDowell Building and Loan Association