

IN THE NEWS

William R. Wilcox, who is formally to resign the chairmanship of the Republican National Committee at its meeting in St. Louis today, has been the head of the committee since 1916. He is a resident of New York and a lawyer by profession, with a good legal training and wide administrative experience. He has held public office as president of the New York City Park Board, postmaster of the city, and chairman for six years of the Public Utilities Commission of the New York City section of the State. Recently Mr. Wilcox has received appointment to the wage commission which is to aid Mr. McAdoo in investigating and adjusting conflicts between wage earners and the Federal Railway Commission should any arise.

A DAILY LESSON IN HISTORY.
One Hundred Years Ago Today, 1818—Chili formally declared its independence of Spanish sovereignty.
Seventy-five Years Ago Today, 1843—The Amerees at Hyderabad came to terms with the British Resolvent.

Fifty Years Ago Today.
1868—The Grand Duchy of Baden adopted a system of obligatory military service.
Twenty-five Years Ago Today, 1893—Observance of the 84th anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln.

ONE YEAR AGO TODAY IN WAR.
February 12, 1917—China advised the German government she would break off diplomatic relations if the new submarine policy were pursued, reported that President Wilson would ask Congress for authority to arm American merchant ships.

OUR DAILY BIRTHDAY PARTY.
A Platt Andrew, who received the decoration of the Legion of Honor for his services as administrative head of the American Ambulance Corps, born at La Porte, Ind., 45 years ago today.
Alice Roosevelt Longworth, daughter of former President Theodore Roosevelt, born 34 years ago today.
Silas Evans, who is to retire from the presidency of Ripon College, to become head of Occidental College, born at Scranton, Pa., 42 years ago today.

William Faversham, one of the most popular actors of the American stage, born in London, 50 years ago today.
James E. Smith, noted St. Louis business man, president of Mississippi Valley Waterways Association, born at Schellburg, Pa., 67 years ago today.
Clarence R. Rowland, manager of the Chicago American League baseball club, born at Plattsville, Wis., 39 years ago today.

PLANT DURING FEBRUARY.
Leaflet for Use of Gardeners Being Prepared Just Now.
Leaflet for use of gardeners is being prepared by Mr. J. P. Herring, county farm demonstrator, but because it will be several days before copies can be distributed Mr. Herring has prepared a list of crops that should be planted during February. Following is a statement of Mr. Herring:

"I would like to suggest that the gardeners buy seed and fertilizer cooperatively. They would find it more convenient and cheaper. I am recommending the grade of 8-3-3 fertilizer for all crops, as it comes as near fitting all crops as we can buy. Plant at the earliest convenience.
Garden Peas (Ameer or Alaska), onion sets (Yellow Danvers, Silver Skin or Pearl), set cabbage (Charleston Wakefield), Beets (Egyptian or Edgemoor), Carrots (half long Danvers), Radish (Button), Turnips (Milan), Kale (Scott or German), Spinach (long season), tomatoes (Acme or Stone), in boxes to be transplanted later; Egg Plant (Black Beauty or Florida High Bush); in boxes, Pepper (Giant or Ruby King), Irish potatoes (Irish Cobbler).
For these crops that are planted close together use one pound of fertilizer to 6 to 8 running feet. Those that are given more distance, one pound of fertilizer from nine to twelve running feet."

CONDITION IMPROVED.
Woman Reported as Having Taken Strychnine by Mistake.
The condition of Mrs. F. R. Bagwell, of Baltimore, a visitor in the city with her husband, who was carried to James Walker Memorial Hospital late Monday afternoon, suffering convulsions, said to have resulted from taking strychnine by mistake, was reported as improved by hospital authorities today. No statement has been made as to how or where she secured the medicine.

CALLS INTO SERVICE.
New Bern Nurse in Red Cross Work—Two Deaths.
(Special to The Dispatch.)
New Bern, Feb. 12.—Miss Mary Frances Roth, who has for the past eight months been superintendent of

Screenland by Ogden Lawrence



FRANKLYN FARNUM is a beanie. That is to say, he was born in Boston. He left there very soon to go on the stage and remained there until one dull summer he met a friend, Lee Moran, the famous Nestor comedian, who introduced him to Carl Laemmle, the motion picture magnate. The result was that Farnum put on a Bluebird uniform and has been batting around 390 in the photoplay league ever since. Farnum has just had the pleasurable experience of a new leading lady in the person of charming Juanita Hansen, who makes her first appearance

Fairview hospital, this city, and who is a member of the Red Cross Society, has received a call to the colors and will leave within the course of the next 10 days, having resigned her position here.
Miss Roth, who is a most estimable young lady, has made many friends since coming to New Bern and these will learn with regret of her contemplated departure.
Miss Roth, whose home is at Newport News, Va., will go to Maryland for a short visit before taking up her duties as a Red Cross nurse. She has been assigned to service in the home field and will probably be located at Camp Lee, Va.
A successor to Miss Roth has not yet been secured to assume the superintendency of Fairview hospital.
After an illness extending over a period of several days, Rosa M. Powell, the 10-year-old daughter of Mr. Kennon and Mrs. Emma Powell, of Croatan, died in a local hospital at an early hour Sunday morning.
The little girl was stricken with pneumonia several days ago and although everything possible was done to relieve her suffering, her condition grew worse until the end came.
The body was carried to Croatan for interment, the service being conducted Sunday afternoon by Rev. W. B. Everett, pastor of the Free Will Baptist church, this city.
Mr. Bruce Anderson, died at his home, foot of Spring street at an early hour Sunday morning, following an attack of something like heart disease.
The deceased was in apparently good health Saturday night, and was known to have been smoking his pipe as late as 1 o'clock. Between the hours of 3 and 5 o'clock he was seized with the attack and death followed.
The deceased is survived by his wife and one daughter, Mrs. Laura Eastwood, both of whom reside in this city.

FUNERAL OF A CHILD.
Conducted From Residence; Interment in Oakdale Cemetery.
Funeral services for Master George Love, Jr., 11-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. George L. Farmer, whose sad death occurred yesterday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the residence of the parents, No. 1901 Perry avenue, were conducted this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock from the residence by Rev. Dr. A. D. McClure, pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, and interment was made in Oakdale cemetery. The many beautiful floral designs sent showed the warm spot the little fellow occupied in the hearts of all those who knew him and the sympathy felt for the parents in their loss was thus exemplified. The pallbearers were Messrs. C. B. Newcomb, Meares Harris, W. G. James and W. L. Baxter.

Coal Famine Nearing an End.
Philadelphia, Feb. 12.—The coal famine may end in two weeks, Pennsylvania Fuel Administration officials say. Reports from the coal sections say the railroad movements of anthracite and bituminous are nearly normal and with mild weather likely to continue the shipments of fuel will steadily increase.
Freight Transport Ashore.
An Atlantic Port, Feb. 12.—Except that the ship was still aground, army officers here said they had received no word today regarding the converted freight transport which went ashore yesterday on the coast. Tugs dispatched to her assistance last night were expected to reach the vessel today.

REPORT CONFIRMED.

London, Feb. 12.—Confirmation of the German report that Russia has withdrawn from the war is contained in an official Russian statement received here today.
The peace negotiations with the Central powers have been ended, the statement says. The Russia delegation refused to sign a treaty providing for annexations by Germany. Nevertheless, Russia will not continue the war with the Germans and Austrians. "workmen and peasants, like ourselves."

STATE NEWS.

Work has already started in rebuilding the warehouse and wharf, belonging to the Charlotte Trading Company that was recently destroyed by fire. Mr. J. B. Gray has the contract.—Shallotte News.

Mr. W. T. Hurst, of Manndale, Alamance county, arrives Friday evening to take charge of the graded school. Mr. Hurst is a man of experience and it is hoped that the people of the town will do everything possible to help him in getting acquainted with the community and his work.—Red Springs Citizen.

In January, John G. Meivin, an R. F. D. carrier of Roseboro, sold War Stamps and securities to the amount of \$1,425.32. This shows what can be done in promoting the thrift campaign when a man really throws his heart into the work.—Greenville Reflector.

We know of one public-spirited young fellow who has gotten down his pipe and turned his back on the cigar for the duration of the war, and the difference he is putting into war savings stamps. He says the idea isn't original with him, or the smoke so much enjoyed when only taste is taken into consideration, but when he recalls that he is helping the nation rout the Huns and the boys over there he pulls away at his pipe with a satisfied smile, and he is, for he knows he is doing his patriotic duty.—Rocky Mount Telegram.

JUDGE BINGHAM SUCCEEDS FLETCHER
Washington, Feb. 12.—Judge Robert W. Bingham, of Louisville, was inaugurated president of the Southern Commercial Congress at a dinner here last night attended by a number of government officials and representative members of the Congress.
Judge Bingham succeeds Duncan B. Fletcher, of Florida, for a number of years head of the organization which is devoted to advancing Southern commerce. Senator Fletcher resigned because of pressure of his official duties. Other officers of the Congress will remain.

Greenville, S. C., Feb. 9.—The death of Corporal Lawrence Lewis, 105th Trench Mortar Battery, was announced today at divisional headquarters, Camp Sevier. Lewis died at the base hospital Friday afternoon of pneumonia. His father, Jeff Lewis, lives at Jasper, Tenn. This is the first death that has occurred at Camp Sevier since last Monday.—Charlotte Observer.

Information from various sources yesterday indicated that the day is near for the proposed parade of the troops at Camp Greene through the streets of Charlotte to Myers Park, where they will be reviewed by Major General Dickman. Ordering this parade, however, depends largely upon the nature of the weather, as it is known the commanding general is opposed to requiring his troops to stand in review on wet ground.—Charlotte Observer.

The campaign for the sale of war savings and thrift stamps in the country and in West and East Durham is now going at full blast. County Chairman Hill stated yesterday afternoon to a Herald representative that the people of the entire county were fully appreciating the needs of the government and were hastening to lend their savings to their country to aid in winning the war.—Durham Herald.

Mrs. L. T. King, of Rocky Mount, was severely, though not dangerously, hurt in a street car accident in Richmond, Va., Friday. She was removed to Grace hospital, where she will be under treatment for several days. She was injured principally about the legs. She was to visit friends on the Boulevard.—Rocky Mount Telegram.

Harris Resigns.
Savannah, Ga., Feb. 12.—A special to the Savannah Press from Washington, D. C., states that W. J. Harris, of the Federal Trade Commission, tendered his resignation to go to the President today. It is understood he is to return to Georgia to run for the United States Senate.

Nearly every piece of jewelry a married woman owns represents a peace offering.

CALLS COMMERCIAL CONGRESS OF SOUTH

Governor Harrington Issues Formal Proclamation Calling Tenth Convention
Annapolis, Md., Feb. 12.—Governor Harrington of Maryland, today issued a formal proclamation announcing the tenth annual convention of the Southern Commercial Congress to be held in Baltimore, December 8-12 next. He pointed out that the congress will be devoted to an interpretation of the part America will have taken in the war for liberty and democracy, and also to practical consideration of questions related to agriculture, education, industries and commerce.
Governor Harrington announced also that the general theme of the congress will be "world commerce after the world war," and will evolve plans of action as to exchange, credits, supply and demand, change in processes, merchant marine and shipping and plans for readjustment after the war.
In proclaiming the congress, Governor Harrington called upon the people of Maryland to respond cordially to the movement and through every organization to be represented in the convention. He extended an invitation not only to the States included in the territory of the Southern Commercial Congress, but to the chief executives and citizens of all the States to visit Maryland during the session of the congress.

LINCOLN'S BIRTH ANNIVERSARY WAS DULY CELEBRATED

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observed the birthday of General Robert E. Lee was held today by the 159th Infantry brigade, Brig. Gen. Charles S. Farnworth, commanding, in eulogizing Abraham Lincoln. The Virginia Legislature voted yesterday to adjourn until tomorrow in order that its members might attend the celebration at Camp Lee.
The personnel of the brigade, under whose auspices the celebration was held today, consists almost entirely of citizens of the State of Virginia. Dr. Douglas S. Freeman, of Richmond, was the principal speaker, his theme being "Abraham Lincoln in the Light of Present War."
Brigadier General Lloyd M. Brett, acting commanding general at the camp, also made an address. Brigadier General Farnworth presided. A brigade chorus of 600 voices, directed by Captain S. J. Raymond and Division Song Director John R. Driscoll, sang national anthems and the camp favorite, "God Help Kaiser Bill."
Patriotic Meeting in New York.
New York, Feb. 12.—The observance of Lincoln's birthday in New York city was marked by an unusually large number of patriotic meetings. Special celebrations were held in schools and churches under the auspices of the National Security League.
The directors of the Lincoln Patriotic Army here made the day an occasion for obtaining enlistments for this semi-military organization formed recently for the purpose of "inspiring and training in practical patriotism and intelligent citizenship." Men, women and children are eligible for membership.
The Lincoln Patriotic Army here was organized under the auspices of the Lincoln Memorial University, Cumberland Gap, Tenn. The campaign for enlistment will be nationwide and will continue throughout the week.

Storm Warning.
Washington, Feb. 12.—Southwest storm warnings for the Atlantic coast from Norfolk to Boston and southeast storm warnings from Marblehead to Eastport, were issued this afternoon by the Weather Bureau. Strong southwest winds tonight becoming westerly Wednesday morning, are indicated.

No Agreement on Chairman.
St. Louis, Feb. 12.—Just before the hour of meeting of the Republican National Committee, leaders this afternoon stated that an adjournment until tomorrow would be taken to give them time for further efforts to reach a compromise on the chairmanship.

A substitute for absorbent cotton has been made in Europe from pine cellulose.

TODAY'S MARKET.

LIVERPOOL COTTON.
Liverpool, Feb. 11.—Cotton: Spot, dull, prices steady; good middling 23.60; middling 23.08; low middling 22.25; good ordinary 21.56.
Sales 2,000 bales including 1,800 American. Receipts 10,000 bales, including 9,800 American. Futures closed dull; new contracts: February 23.42; March 23.00; April 22.63; May 22.30; June 22.05; July 21.80. Old contracts, fixed prices: February 21.92; February-March 21.83; March-April 21.74; April-May 21.66; June-July 21.50.

LOCAL MARKETS.

Eggs (Wholesale Prices.)
Butter (scarce) 50c
Spring chickens 36c
Grown chickens 40 to 60c
Puddle chicks 70 to 90
Guineas 40c
Deef (dressed) 13 to 14c
Irish potatoes (bag) \$5.00
Irish potatoes, Maine grown, Irish
Cobbler seed potatoes, 150 lb
bag \$6.25
N. C. Hams, lb 32 to 35c
N. C. shoulders and ribs 30 to 32c
Cabbage, 100 lbs. (scarce) \$4.35
Hides, green 17c
Wool, free of burr, 55c
Corn, bushel \$2.00
Peas wax 30 to 32c
Salted hides 15c
Tallow 10 to 12c
Onions, (2 bushels) \$4.50
Peanuts, N. C. and Va. \$2.16 to \$2.20
Peanuts, Spanish \$2.15
Apples, Winesap, bbl. \$6.75
Apples, Yorks and other varieties, \$6.00
Oranges, box \$4.25 to \$4.75

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK.

Chicago, Feb. 12.—Hogs: Receipts 65,000. Bulk 15.55 to 15.75; light 15.25 to 15.80; mixed 15.35 to 15.80; heavy 15.25 to 15.80; rough 15.25 to 15.40; pigs 12.25 to 14.65.
Cattle: Receipts 23,000. Slow Native steers 8.30 to 13.75; stockers and feeders 7.15 to 10.25; cows and heifers 6.20 to 11.50; calves 8.75 to 14.25.
Sheep: Receipts 19,000. Weak. Wethers 8.75 to 13.25; lambs 13.75 to 16.90.

WEATHER REPORT

WEATHER	Temperature	Wind	Clouds
at 8 a. m.	Last Night	Lowest	Yesterday
			Highest
			Precipitation

Asheville, cloudy	70	44	0
Atlanta, cloudy	70	52	0
Charleston, pt. cloudy	51	48	0
Charlotte, cloudy	18	48	0
Chicago, raining	50	42	.70
Galveston, cloudy	60	54	0
Jacksonville, pt. cloudy	76	58	0
New Orleans, cloudy	74	64	.55
New York, cloudy	40	36	0
Pittsburg, cloudy	58	48	0
Raleigh, cloudy	68	46	0
St. Louis, cloudy	16	50	.40
Washington, cloudy	50	40	0
Wilmington, cloudy	64	46	0

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

—For—
County Commissioner
JOHN R. MORRIS
Your support solicited.
CLERK SUPERIOR COURT
I beg to announce to the public my candidacy for the office of
CLERK SUPERIOR COURT
And will heartily appreciate your support.
W. N. HARRISS.
2-8-eod.tf
2-8:30:1j
FOR COUNTY AUDITOR.
To the Democratic Voters of New Hanover County:
I am a candidate for the office of County Auditor, subject to the will of the voters in Primary to be held March 19th, 1918, and will appreciate your support.
JOHN A. ORRELL.
2-10-sun, mon, wed, fri

For Sheriff

Geo. C. Jackson
Any effort of yours in my behalf will be appreciated.

REGISTER OF DEEDS

B. F. KING
Your Support Will Be Appreciated
SERVICE—EFFICIENCY
1:80:20days
To the Democratic Voters of New Hanover County:
I take this method to inform you that I will be a candidate for the office of Registrar of Deeds of New Hanover County at the primary election to be held March 19th, 1918, and respectfully solicit your support.
HENRY HORNE
Candidate for office of
REGISTER OF DEEDS
To the Voters of New Hanover County:
I will be a candidate at the approaching Democratic primary for nomination to the office of Registrar of Deeds of New Hanover County. I will appreciate your support.
J. D. EDWARDS
1-30-504

FOR REGISTER OF DEEDS

Walter H. Blair
Your Support Will Be Appreciated
1-30-504
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REGISTER OF DEEDS
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Your Support Will Be Appreciated
1-30-504
FOR
COUNTY COMMISSIONER.
To the Democratic Voters of New Hanover County:
I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of County Commissioner, subject to the voters in the Primary Election to be held March 19th next.
Your support will be appreciated.
J. HERBERT JOHNSTON.
Sun Mon Wed Fri-26-t

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER

To the Democratic Voters of New Hanover County:
I beg to announce myself a candidate for the Office of Register of Deeds of New Hanover County at the Primary Election to be held March 19th, 1918, and will appreciate any support given me.
JOHN HAAR.
2-2-27-t.

FOR SHERIFF

S. P. COWAN
Your support will be appreciated.
—FOR—
COUNTY COMMISSIONER
G. W. TRASK
Your Support Will Be Appreciated
2-5-4-251
For County Commissioner
W. P. McGLAUGHON
Your Support Appreciated

