

Recorder Declined to Reduce the Amount Imposed Upon Rudolph Pape for Violating Prohibition Law—Pays Up.

Recorder Furlong having declined to reduce the fine of \$1,000 imposed upon Rudolph Pape, a well known merchant, about ten days ago for violating the prohibition law, and after notice had been given of an appeal...

When the fine was first imposed the defendant was given ten days in which to pay the amount into court, but released on bond to secure payment.

It was agreed that if defendant, in appealing to the Superior Court, might give bond to secure payment of the fine instead of having to pay into court at this time...

The Recorder dismissed the case against Ben Davis, colored, who was tried Monday on a charge of violating the tax ordinance in that he hauled in his back as baggage of a passenger...

SCHOONER REMAINS AGROUND.

Heavy Seas Prevent Seminoles From Trying to Float the Savannah. The revenue cutter Seminoles, after taking on about half her usual allowance of coal, steamed yesterday for Frying Pan Shoals to see what could be done towards saving the schooner...

PORT PARAGRAPHS

British Steamer King, George Clears W.P. Large Cargo of Cotton. The British steamer King George, Capt. Burnett, cleared and steamed yesterday for Bremen with cargo of 13,129 bales of cotton.

GOES INTO BANKING.

The many friends of Mr. Rudolph H. Gieschen, for the past eight years in the general offices of the Atlantic Coast Line in this city, last in the office of the Auditor of Disbursements, will be interested and pleased to know that on January 6th, he goes with the Atlantic Trust & Banking Co. Mr. Gieschen is a clever and talented young man and will "make good" in every sense of the word in his new position.

Survey of Right-of-Way is Being Made—Grading Will Begin in a Short Time—Development of Resort.

What is believed will be the final survey of a right-of-way for a car line from Wilmington to Carolina Beach merchant, about ten days ago for violating the prohibition law, and after notice had been given of an appeal...

According to the present plans of the officers of the company, gasoline motor cars, similar to those used by the Southern Railway on parts of its line, notably from Anderson to Belton, in South Carolina, will be used on the line to Carolina Beach.

The construction of the road and equipment will represent an investment of approximately \$200,000, and it is said that practically every cent of this amount could easily be raised in Wilmington. However, Messrs. Pate and Loughlin are not offering stock for sale and it is understood that they intend to push the undertaking through to a successful conclusion.

Immediate development of Carolina Beach now seems assured. The New Hanover Transit Company owns considerable property at the resort, including the pavilion, and the railroad which stretches across the mainland from the ocean to the river and also runs parallel to the river. The property has been divided into lots and many of these have already been sold, though no special effort has as yet been made to dispose of them in Wilmington.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Interesting Items From Weekly Bulletin Issued for Congregation. The following items of general interest are taken from last Sunday's issue of the bulletin of the First Presbyterian Church:

LEGISLATIVE BULLETINS

Received at Chamber of Commerce for Benefit of Members. The Chamber of Commerce of the United States, of which the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce is a member, will receive from the National organization a legislative bulletin service during present session of Congress.

Upwards of \$5,000 in Loot Recovered From Room of Negro Taken in Custody Yesterday Afternoon by A. C. L. Agent.

Upwards of \$5,000 in loot, nearly half of which is in railway mileage books, blank ticket forms and other property of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company, was recovered early last night from the room of W. M. Steward, colored, about 35 years of age, an employe of the company, who was arrested at Front and Red Cross streets yesterday afternoon between 3 and 4 o'clock by Officer J. S. Lane, of the Wilmington Police Department, at the behest of Special Agent W. P. Edmondson, of the A. C. L., who has been at work on the case the past several months.

It is believed that the arrest of Steward is also the entering wedge toward clearing up the many burglaries that have been committed in Wilmington during the past several weeks. Steward has a room at a colored boarding house, conducted by Matilda Nell, colored, at Eighth and Red Cross streets. This room, according to the Nell woman, no one had been allowed to enter except Steward and a few of his close companions during the past twelve months.

The special agent then arranged for the search of Steward's premises and learned that he was unmarried and occupied a room at the Nell boarding house. Soon after he was behind the bars, the party recovered to him a very large number of goods, including a full set of Coast Line mileage tickets and other property belonging to the railroad company; also goods that have undoubtedly been stolen from private residences.

Real Estate Transfers

Deeds were filed for record yesterday as follows: A. K. Moore to W. M. Cunningham and wife, for \$100 and other considerations, lot on east side of Brooklyn street, 156 feet north of Taylor, 33.75 feet in size; T. F. Boyd and wife, of Hamlet, to F. J. Carter and W. B. Brice, for \$1,000 and other considerations, the "Godfrey Hart Tract" of land in Masonboro township; J. W. Scott and wife to J. G. Darden and wife, for \$100 and other considerations, lot on west side of Second street, 231 feet south of Queen, 33x165 feet in size; J. O. Bowden and wife to F. Q. Moore and wife, for \$100 and other considerations, lot 81, Wrightsville Beach, same being on northeast corner of Atlanta street and Lumina avenue; Thos. A. Smith and wife to W. Henry Capehart and wife, for \$100 and other considerations, lot on east side of Fifth street, 66 feet north of Swan street, 42x44 feet in size.

Los Angeles, Cal., December 31.—

Frank Chance, formerly manager of Chicago National League baseball club today announced that he would leave his home at Glendora, Cal., on January 4th, for Chicago. Chance expects to meet President Frank H. Farrell, of the New York Americans, on January 7th in Chicago for a discussion of an offer of Chance's services next season.

IF YOU HAVE MONEY TO INVEST

Write or call to see us. A part of the business of this bank is to direct the investment of money. We have some high-class County and School Bonds, yielding 5 per cent interest, payable semi-annually by coupons. These can be supplied without premium and we recommend them.

The Southern National Bank

Regular Interest Quarter

January 2nd

Your money deposited with this bank on or before Jan. 2nd will draw interest from Jan. 1st, and you will receive a full quarter's interest April 1st. Start the New Year with a savings account, and let the interest that we pay you assist you in 1913.

SAFEST FOR SAVINGS

THE PEOPLES SAVINGS BANK

RECEIVER FOR STEVENSON CO.

Order Signed Yesterday by Judge Oliver H. Allen at Kinston—Liabilities and Assets Large—T. W. Davis, Esq., in Charge.

Upon complaint in a suit brought by the Boney & Harper Milling Co., of this city, in behalf of itself and all other creditors who may come in and make themselves parties plaintiff, Judge Oliver H. Allen, in chambers at Kinston, N. C., yesterday appointed Thos. W. Davis, Esq., of the local bar, a receiver for the J. C. Stevenson Company, wholesale grocers of Wilmington.

The complaint was filed by the Boney & Harper Milling Co., through its attorneys, Messrs. Rountree & Carr, and it is understood, was not strenuously resisted by the defendant company. It alleges on information and belief that the indebtedness of the corporation is about \$56,000 and that the nominal assets are about \$68,000. The liabilities are independently of the \$50,000 capital of the company with Mr. James M. Stevenson, as one of the principal stockholders and the manager of the business.

Mr. Davis, the receiver, stated to counsel last night that he was very hopeful, from a cursory examination of affairs, to pay the debts of the company in a satisfactory manner. The J. C. Stevenson Co., is a corporation under the laws of the State of North Carolina and was formed some years ago upon the death of the late Mr. J. C. Stevenson to take over the business founded by him and conducted under partnership by him for many years.

REDUCE CABLE RATES

Postal Gives Substantial Cut on Plain Language Cablegrams. Mr. W. H. Stansell, manager of the local office of the Postal Telegraph Company, last night received a telegram from the head office announcing a further reduction in rates on deferred plain language cablegrams from points in the United States to Great Britain and Ireland, effective January 1st. The reduction in rates applies to a large number of States, including North Carolina. The deferred plain language cablegrams have been sent by the Postal Telegraph Company for the past few months at half the regular rates or at 15-12 cents a word, and beginning today these messages will be sent at 12-13 cents a word from Wilmington and other points in North Carolina.

CITY SCHOOLS TOMORROW.

Will Re-open After Holidays—Announcements by Superintendent. The attention of patrons and pupils of the Wilmington public schools is called to the fact that all the schools of the city will open for the second session of the present scholastic year at 9 o'clock tomorrow morning. It is important, of course, that every one reports for duty the first day.

Special Car Service. Special car service will be given on the suburban line today. The regular week-day schedule will be operated on the suburban line this morning, and this afternoon the half-hour schedule will be operated the same as on Saturday afternoons.

New Year's Programme. Special music including quartette at the Grand Theatre today. Be sure you attend. (advertisement)

Begin the New Year Right. What better way than by opening an account here—at the OLDEST and LARGEST SAVINGS BANK IN NORTH CAROLINA. Such deposits will draw interest from Jan. 1st, if made here on or before January 2nd. No savings institution in the City or State offers greater security for your savings, nor superior facilities for the transaction of your business. YOUR business will be Appreciated Here. The Wilmington Savings & Trust Co. 110 PRINCESS STREET. C. E. TAYLOR, JR., President. H. WALTERS, Vice-President. J. W. NORWOOD, Vice-President. J. L. WILLIAMS, Cashier.

CONFERENCE TOMORROW. Commissioners Will Meet With Legislators From This County. Tomorrow is the day appointed for the conference between the committee from the Board of County Commissioners and this county's representatives in the next Legislature with a view of arriving at some conclusion as to the amount that should be paid the county officers when the proposed change from the fee system to salary has been made. The conference will be held either late in the afternoon or in the evening. It has been set for on account of a previous engagement of one of the representatives that the meeting will have to be held at night instead. Chairman M. S. Willard, of the County Commissioners, is office chairman of the committee, the other two members being Commissioners Metz and McGirt. They will meet with Senator-elect Marsden Bellamy and Representative Woodus, Kellum. It is understood that the legislators have obtained from the present officers the approximate amount their respective offices paid the past year and the figures will be used at the conference to aid in arriving at the proper salaries to be paid in the event the fee system is abolished, which seems most likely. The schedule of salaries paid in some of the counties which have already put their officers on a salary basis has been received and will no doubt be used as a guide by the Commissioners and legislators in fixing the salaries for this county. With the placing of the county officers on a salary basis a new office will be created by legislative enactment, that of county auditor. The duty of the auditor will be to supervise the listing of taxes as well as to audit the accounts of the various officers of the county. Plaintiff Seeks Information to be Used in Damage Suit. In the case of Martha J. Register, administratrix of James Register, against the Tidewater Power Company, an order was issued yesterday afternoon by Maj. W. N. Harriss, Clerk of Superior Court, at the request of counsel for the plaintiff, to the officials of the Tidewater Power Company, to appear before him on Monday, January 6th, and give full information as to the circumstances of the death of Mr. Register, who lost his life while working at the top of a pole at Third and Castle streets, last June, supposedly by coming in contact with a "live wire." Authority to require the defendant in an action of the kind to furnish the plaintiff with any information the defense might have, bearing upon the case at issue, is given by statute, though it is seldom invoked. The plaintiff is suing for \$20,000 for the death of her husband. Certain additional information is desired by the plaintiff before filing the complaint, and it is for the purpose of receiving this data that the order was issued yesterday. Wm. J. Bellamy, Esq., and John D. Bellamy & Son represent the plaintiff. Call to Fayetteville. Yesterday afternoon's Fayetteville Observer: "Mr. B. R. Rose and Maj. B. R. Huske returned this morning from Roanoke, Va., whither they had gone as a committee representing the vestry of St. John's church, this city, to invite the Rev. Arch. W. Boogher of Roanoke, to become rector of St. John's church. He has been induced to visit Fayetteville in a week or two before making a decision. The committee was much pleased with him."

TO OUR CUSTOMERS Greetings WE take this method of expressing to our friends and customers our sincere appreciation of the liberal support given us during the year 1912, which has been the biggest year in the history of our business. We have made more sales, we have made more progress and we have made more friends. As we launch into the New Year—1913—we do so with the confident feeling that we are going to reap the benefit of our past efforts to please and satisfy our trade, by surpassing in growth the year just closed, and we promise in the future that same careful attention to your needs and desires that has always characterized our business in the past. With a good wish for all, and a hearty "Thank-ye," we solicit a continuance of your valued patronage. Wilmington Shoe Co. 217 North Front Street. L. W. WESSELL, Mgr.