

ATLANTIC COAST LINE SPENDS SIX MILLION FOR ROLLING STOCK

"Standard Railroad Of The South" Buys One Thousand Cars and Many Locomotives.

CONTRACTS ALL LET

President Kenly States That the Equipment Will Replace Worn Stock.

Contracts for new rolling stock costing \$6,220,000 have been recently let by the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad company. "The Standard Railroad of the South," announced in this effect was made yesterday by John R. Kenly, president of the A. C. L., at his office in the headquarters of the Coast Line here.

Included in the purchase of new equipment by the Coast Line are: Twenty-five huge Pacific type, locomotives; five six-wheel switching engines; 400 modern steel coal cars; 500 modern box cars; 200 phosphate cars, and 25 all-steel passenger coaches.

This is one of the largest contracts ever let for equipment by the Atlantic Coast Line and, although it is an acknowledged fact that the A. C. L. like all other railroad systems, is doing a greatly reduced freight business at the present time, the tremendous investment in new rolling stock speaks highly of their faith in the future.

President Kenly stated yesterday that the purchase of this equipment did not mean that the Coast Line was contemplating any large extensions at this time, or that the company was spreading out. He declared that more rather, it was for the replacement of worn equipment.

Recently the Coast Line sold, through the firm of J. P. Morgan and company, \$4,500,000 of 4 1/2 per cent. one to 15-year equipment trust certificates, the proceeds of which will partly pay for the standard new railway equipment.

The A. C. L. will pay cash \$1,720,000 for the new rolling stock. This financing was approved by the interstate commerce commission last week.

The 30 new locomotives purchased by the A. C. L. will be built by the Baldwin Locomotive works. The 25 passenger coaches will be similar to the larger class of engines now used by the Coast Line. The five switch engines will also be similar to the present class of larger locomotives used in this service by the A. C. L.

The 25 passenger coaches purchased will be the last word in car construction. They will be of all-steel construction and the interior will be handsomely outfitted, containing all conveniences for passengers. The 1,100 box, coal and phosphate cars will also be of the most modern type.

Home Savings Bank Has Prosperous Year

Officers Submit Good Reports at the Annual Meeting

Splendid reports of the year's business were made by the officers of the Home Savings bank at the annual meeting of the stockholders of this organization, held yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the bank on Front and Chestnut streets. All officers and members of the board of directors were selected to serve during the ensuing year.

Jesse F. Roach, cashier, submitted his annual report showing that the institution did an excellent business during the two months of 1920. The deposits were shown to have increased substantially, as well as the number of depositors. The cashier announced that the stockholders were paid 5 per cent on their investments, and besides this several thousand dollars were put into the surplus fund of the bank.

The officers who will serve the institution this year are: President, J. W. Yates; vice-president, Joseph W. Little; cashier, Jesse F. Roach; assistant cashier, J. Alan Stewart.

The board of directors elected are the following: J. W. Yates, president; J. W. Little, Robert Scott, A. J. Moore, J. C. Van Leuven, E. T. Taylor, S. M. Boatwright, W. E. Perdew, W. I. Baxter, J. W. H. Fuchs, C. McD. Davis and Jesse F. Roach.

COUNTY JAIL IS FOUND IN A CLEAN CONDITION

Negro Prisoner Said: "I've Been in 14 Jails, But This is the Best"

Jailor John H. Davis, who has charge of the New Hanover county jail, conducted a representative of The Star on a tour of inspection of the prison yesterday afternoon.

It was found that the corridors and the cells in the jail were in a clean condition, and the morality of the prisoners appeared to be good. The building was well heated, and the ventilation also appeared to be sufficient to keep the good air in and let the bad air out.

About five of the white prisoners enjoy the privilege of the runway, but those held on the more serious charges are confined in the large confine surrounding the individual cells.

The negro prisoners are quartered upstairs, and all are confined in a large enclosure similar to the large confine surrounding the individual cells.

The women prisoners occupy quarters in another section of the building, altogether removed from the males, and the inmates are also isolated from the others.

"Kangaroo Kourt" Is Established In County Jail

Inmates Institute Tribunal to Maintain Law and Order in Prison

The negro prisoners in the county jail here have established a "Kangaroo Kourt," and they are gaining considerable fun and some good out of this ludicrous institution, which has organized that every entrant to the county jail must pay a fine of \$2 for "breaking in the New Hanover county jail and disturbing the peace and dignity of the inmates."

While on a tour of inspection of the jail yesterday afternoon, Jailor John H. Davis informed a representative of The Star of the queer manipulations of the peculiar court, and said that the tribunal had already had a good effect on the morale of the prisoners, in that one of the orders of the court was "cleanliness of body and cell." The court is operated entirely by the negro prisoners, for the negro prisoners and against every negro who might work himself into jail.

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Mr. Davis pointed out the "recorder," who, by virtue of his preponderating physical strength over the rest of the negroes, is Lee Mack; he next called for the prosecuting attorney, who is "Tennessie" Phillip; who also has physical power to back up his oratorical persuasion. Larnie Williams, another black giant, acted as sheriff. They are the biggest men in the new "great big men." On being pointed out by Mr. Davis, each, in his turn, grinned through the bars and displayed laughing faces that showed two rows of ivory and a pair of shiny eyes.

If a newcomer to the jail refuses to pay the \$2 fine imposed on him by the "kourt," he is ostracized by the other prisoners, who force him to mop up the floors and, until he has labored in lieu of the fine, he is not allowed to talk with any of the prisoners, or to "bum" cigarettes from them. If he fails to take a bath when necessary, his fellow prisoners are ordered by the "kourt" to treat him with the utmost contempt. "Law and order must be maintained at all times in jail," the "kourt" commands.

The "kourt" also "kommands" that every prisoner, immediately after arising, must make up his bunk and clean out his cell and make himself presentable for breakfast; otherwise, he is tried immediately after the first meal of the morning.

Jailor Davis has given his approval to the operation of the "kangaroo kourt." William Poland, white, a suspected I. W. W. and also charged with having set fire to the barge Northwester, instituted the "kourt" for the negroes. Here, the negroes, themselves, conduct the court.

The money derived from the fines is used to purchase the purchase of cigarettes, tobacco, and other "jail necessities," as one of them said.

The negro prisoners are confined in a large cell on the second floor, and they occupy individual cells within the larger confine.

OAKDALE LOT OWNERS IN ANNUAL MEETING

Reports Are Made and Directorates Elected

The sixty-eighth annual meeting of the lot owners of Oakdale Cemetery company was held last night in the Odd Fellows' building, and the various reports read before the meeting indicated the affairs of the company to be in excellent condition.

William E. Springer was appointed chairman of the meeting, and W. H. Howell acted as secretary. Reports from the president, the secretary and the superintendent were read and approved by the meeting.

The following directorate was elected: W. H. Yopp, M. W. Divine, J. D. Bellamy, Jr., D. C. Love, H. L. Fennell and D. H. Penton, and at a meeting of the board the following were re-elected: Secretary, W. H. Howell; treasurer, J. D. Bellamy, Jr., superintendent, James A. Perry.

The board of directors also re-elected the following trustees: Colonel Walker Taylor, J. W. Yates and Clayton Giles.

JAMES L. GORMAN DIES AT LOCAL SANITARIUM

Well Known Citizen Succumbs to Pneumonia

James L. Gorman, aged 66, died at St. John's sanitarium yesterday morning at 11:15 o'clock. Mr. Gorman suffered an attack of pneumonia a few days ago and sank steadily until the end came yesterday morning. The funeral service will be conducted at the Pearsall Memorial church this afternoon at 4 o'clock by Rev. J. C. Crowley. The interment will be made in Bellevue cemetery.

For a number of years Mr. Gorman resided on Middle Sound. He was born in Clearfield, Pa. June 23, 1855. He came to Acme, N. C., in 1894 and resided there until 1904, when he moved to Middle Sound. The deceased was a member of the Pearsall Memorial church and a devoted member of Wilmington lodge, No. 319 A. F. and A. M.

Surviving the deceased are three daughters: Mrs. Tullie Regan and Mrs. Wilmer Wright, of Federalburg, Md., and Mrs. Horace P. Nelson, of Monks, Md.; also two sons, G. C. Gorman of Middle Sound and C. P. Gorman, of this city.

The funeral will be held at the Pearsall Memorial church. The honorary pallbearers will be: Oscar Pearsall, Melzer Pearsall, Walter J. Taylor, and Victor Pearsall, R. C. Riggs, R. C. Lucas and H. C. Blake.

NEW PORT CHARGES ARE NOW EFFECTIVE

Claim Increased Terminal Rates Will Mean More Ships for Wilmington

Local port terminal managers, particularly those of the Seaboard Air Line and Atlantic Coast Line railroads, are much interested in the recent decision of the interstate commerce commission which allowed an increase in port terminal charges by railroads at South Atlantic and Gulf ports, which was strongly opposed by a number of interests. The new charges became effective yesterday.

Some time ago application was filed with the interstate commerce commission by the railroads for an increased rate for the transportation of freight to and from the south Atlantic and Gulf ports, they claiming that the old tariff was compiled many years ago when labor was many times cheaper than it is today.

They declared that just as the haul of freight, they were forced to unload vessels at their terminals at a dead loss.

The proposed new scale of charges had been filed in Washington those opposing the increased rates asked that they be held up until they could be given a hearing in the matter. The proceedings seeking a suspension of the proposed tariff were instituted. Now that the informal proceedings have been decided in favor of the new tariff, the opposition may file formal proceedings with the commission.

However, it is not believed that they will be sustained should they be filed. Those in charge of the local terminals claim that the allowance of the tariff increasing the port terminal charges is going to mean much to Wilmington. They say that until now the unloading of ships at the Coast Line, Seaboard, or other docks here, has been done at a complete loss and that there has been little incentive for them to encourage importing concerns to send ships here to discharge cargoes for distribution in North Carolina or adjacent states.

It is also claimed that because of the losses sustained in the unloading of vessels here at the railroad terminals, the railroads had not attempted to establish new terminals or to modernize their old ones. It is said that with the new tariff effective, which was figured to pay the railroads the actual cost of unloading ships, it is probable that the railroads may increase their terminals here.

The old port terminal charges were figured about fifteen years ago and labor was exceedingly cheap. It was not increased until the labor soared. Until now the railroads have been allowed to charge twenty-five cents per ton for freight unloaded from a vessel and placed in cars or storage. The new tariff will permit them to charge seven cents per ton. The old tariff allowed a charge of ten cents per month for each ton of material in storage. Now they can charge twenty cents for each ton of material to be moved from storage to the cars, whereas before they could only charge fifteen cents.

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FATHER DUFFY HEADS ON "COVETOUSNESS"

Sermon Brings Vivid Realization of Faith as an Achieving Force

Simple in expression, humble in spirit, and yet bold in utterance, the Rev. P. Cavan Duffy, priest superior of the Society of the Divine Compassion, preached a sermon yesterday afternoon and delivered an instruction on "Faith" last night in St. Paul's church as a part of the eight-day mission service which began on Sunday.

With the gifts and graces of a favored son of Erin and with the consciousness of the responsibility of a priest and prophet of God, the missionary in telling phrase, homely illustration and pointed epigram brought to the congregation, which taxed the capacity of St. Paul's, vivid realization of faith as an achieving force and covetousness as one of the most respectable of vices, and consequently a factor in life.

Warning his hearers that belief and intellectual assent are of themselves insufficient to win salvation, in the instruction on "Faith," Father Duffy urged all to see to it that expectancy and venture are a very real part of their personal faith. Showing that the miracle of the feeding of the five thousand embodied both of these essentials, Father Duffy pointed out that the meekness of the disciples manifested their venture in obeying the command "Give them to eat."

Declaring that lack of faith was the only obstacle which prevented the full operation of Christ's power when upon earth, he likewise in the formal announcement by Gov. T. W. Bickett that he would shortly open a law office in Raleigh. Cards were received reading as follows: "Immediately after the inauguration of my successor, I will open a law office in the Allen building, on West Martin street, Raleigh."

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Maintaining that covetousness is "ugly mammon-worship that it has sacrificed human life, virtue, honor and country as well as the Son of God upon the altar of greed, the preacher portrayed this as vice common to humanity and not the special sin of one class. Assuring his hearers that all covet something, he gave them the apostolic injunction to covet earnestly the best gifts and not allow their desires to be misdirected and, thus be a sin.

The services today will be a celebration of the holy communion, 7:30 a. m., another celebration at 10:30 a. m., with an address by the missionary and the usual instruction and sermon at 8 p. m. The public is cordially invited to the services and is urged to do so may hand in requests for tesserae, or ask for certain questions to be answered.

NOT ABRAHAM OR ANDY, BUT LINCOLN CARNEGIE

While it can be truthfully said that neither Abraham Lincoln or Andrew Carnegie ever appeared before Recorder George Harris, nevertheless a negro, with the names of both of these distinguished Americans, was tried yesterday by the recorder on the charge of assault and robbery.

Lincoln Carnegie was found guilty of trespass, and judgment was suspended on payment of the costs.

BIG SHIPPING BOARD FREIGHTER WILL SAIL

Steamer Syros Leaves for Savannah Today—Has Been Idle Many Weeks

After having been idle in the harbor here since she was turned over to the United States shipping board by the George & S. Syros company, Carolina shipyard, builders, the splendid 9,600-ton freighter Syros leaves this morning for Savannah, Ga.

Whether or not the Syros has been allocated by the government to some firm for operation is not known here, Captain Wilson, the master of the steamer, on Saturday received a message from the shipping board office in Savannah directing him to proceed to that port today. Captain Wilson has no idea of the movements of the vessel after she reaches the Georgia port.

Enough officers and men to complete the crew of the Syros arrived in the city from Savannah on Sunday. All yesterday was spent by Captain Wilson and his crew in getting the steamer ready for her voyage. On her trial trip, before acceptance by the shipping board, the Syros showed up in splendid shape. Her trip to Savannah will be her first since she was taken over from the builders.

The Syros was the last of the eight vessels to be completed at the Carolina shipyard for the shipping board. She was turned over about November 1, of last year, since that time has been tied up at the plant of the Chadbourn Lumber company. During this time she has been in charge of captain and skeleton crew.

With the sailing of the Syros today there will yet remain idle in the harbor the freighter Hybert, the seventh vessel to be completed by the George & S. Syros company for the government. Like the Syros, she has been idle here for many weeks because of the inability of the shipping board to get any firm to operate or purchase the vessel.

The Hybert is tied up at the Eagles Island docks, opposite Chestnut street. The Syros and the Hybert are vessels of the finest class constructed for the government under contracts let during the war emergency. The fact that these two ships have been tied up in the harbor idle for many weeks has caused considerable comment.

JONES TRIAL TOMORROW

The trial of M. C. Jones, alias "Itney" Jones, who is charged with disposing of a mortgaged automobile, will be resumed tomorrow morning by Recorder George Harris, who ordered the bond of the defendant reduced from \$1,000 to \$500.

TWO WOMEN SENT TO FARM

Mary Bradley and Doile Blue, negroes, aged one and six months, respectively, on the county farm, of the recorder's court yesterday. Both were charged with receiving stolen goods, and both pleaded guilty.

CLAYTON-SHANNON TRIALS

Much time was consumed in the recorder's court yesterday morning with the trials of J. E. Clayton and H. M. Shannon, both charged with reckless operation of an auto, and the cases were held open by Recorder Harris until today.

BEE KEEPERS CONVENE FOR ANNUAL MEETING

One-Day Session at Chamber of Commerce—Many Delegates Expected

The fifth annual convention of the North Carolina Beekeepers' association will be convened here this morning for a one-day session. Local members of the association who have been making arrangements for the meet, declared there will probably be 150 members of the association here from all parts of the state.

The opening session will be called to order in the rooms of the chamber of commerce at 10 o'clock by James M. Gibbs, president of the association. The address of welcome will be made by James H. Cowan, secretary of the chamber. One of the features of the morning session will be an address, "Large Hives," by C. P. Daddant, editor of the American Bee Journal, Hamilton, Ill.

In the afternoon one of the interesting speakers will be J. J. Wilder, of Waycross, Ga., editor of the Dixie Beekeeper. His subject will be, "Beekeeping in Dixie." Following are some of the others to speak in the afternoon, and their subjects: "Comb Honey Production," by C. D. Duvall; "Anatomy of the Honey Bee," by Prof. Z. P. Metcalf; "My Experience in Wintering," by O. C. Wall; "Beekeeping as a Commercial Proposition," by C. D. Daddant; "Foul Brood Diseases," by J. E. Eckert.

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DR. W. R. DOBYNS HERE FOR REVIVAL SERVICES

Birmingham Preacher Will Begin Series of Sermons Tonight

The two weeks' series of union evangelistic meetings in the Church of the Covenant, at Fifteenth and Market streets, will be continued in that edifice at 7:45 o'clock tonight, by Dr. William R. Dobyns, a preacher of pure gospel, whom the combined congregations of the Trinity Methodist church and the Presbyterian Church of the Covenant invited to preach during the term of the meetings.

Dr. Dobyns, pastor of the South Highlands Presbyterian church, Birmingham, Ala., will arrive in the city at noon today. His text for tonight could not be learned, but it is certain that he will interest and impress the large audience.

The second preparatory sermon for the union meetings was given last night by Dr. John M. Wells, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, who preached a strong sermon to the joint congregations in the Church of the Covenant, using as his text, "Behold I make all things new."

Dr. Wells, in his sermon last night, showed that Jesus Christ is sufficient to meet the needs of the present; that while we are a little pessimistic at the present time, there have been times when things were worse, he said.

Continuing, Dr. Wells emphasized the truth that "the trouble with the present is not that Jesus Christ has lost power, but the world has lost touch with Him."

There was a large crowd at the meeting last night, and the singing was fine. Albert Brown and Mrs. Hamilton Sively, from the choir of the First Presbyterian church, sang several beautiful selections, and Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Penley gave a very pretty duet. The chorals were given by the choir of the Church of the Covenant and the Trinity Methodist church, assisted by the chairs of the other Presbyterian churches in the city, will be one of the features of the evening meeting tonight. Each night during the remainder of the series of meetings, these song services will begin promptly at 7:45 o'clock.

Bishop to Address Membership Meeting

Y. M. C. A. Secretary Expects Record Attendance at Gathering at "Y" Tonight

J. B. Huntington, general secretary of the Y. M. C. A., is expecting a record breaking attendance at the annual membership meeting of the association to be held at the "Y" tonight. Many members of the senior department, the boys' cabinet and the boys' division have signified their intention of being present.

The speaker of the evening, Bishop Thomas C. Darst, of the Diocese of Eastern North Carolina, has chosen as his subject, "The Young Man and His Problems." A musical program has been arranged by W. R. Doshier. One of the special features will be solos by Mrs. H. M. Age.

Jesse E. Rouse, president of the association, will preside and act as toastmaster. He will open the meeting with a statement of the association organization and what it stands for locally and throughout the world. J. J. Orr will respond on behalf of the membership of the local association.

According to the reports now in the hands of the committees, the Wilmington Y. M. C. A. has just completed the biggest year in its history.

PARK STOLEN CAR AT DESK SERGEANT'S HOME

Missing Machine Turns Up at Convenient Post

BURNS DAY PLANS

The regular monthly meeting of the United Society of the Sons of St. George and St. Andrew held Monday night, arrangements for the annual celebration of Bobbie Burns day, on January 25, were perfected. The program is being made and will be announced shortly.

DEATH OF MRS. THOMPSON

Mrs. Martha Thompson, aged 68 years, died at the James Wolfe Memorial hospital early yesterday morning following a lingering illness. The remains were taken yesterday to Abbottsburg for interment. The deceased is survived by one son, W. D. Thompson, of this city.

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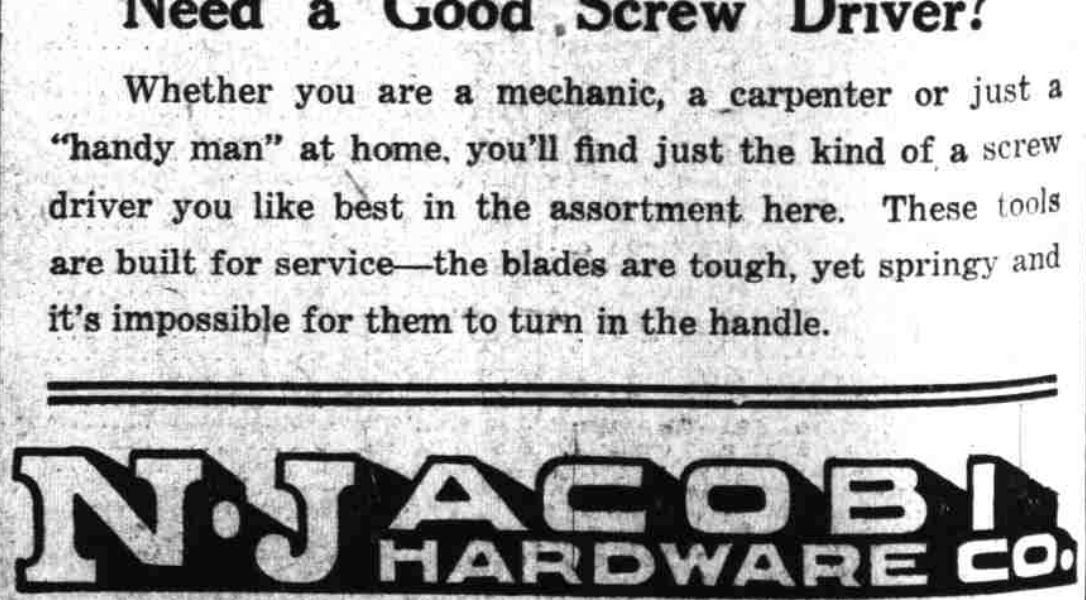
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