

PROPOSES UTILITIES COMMISSION HERE

Councilman Wade to Offer Resolution at Meeting This Morning.

Councilman James L. Wade announced last night that at the regular session of city council this morning he would introduce a resolution providing for the appointment, by the city fathers, of a public utilities commission to handle all requests made of the municipality by the Tidewater Power company and possibly all other public service corporations operating in Wilmington.

Primarily, however, said Councilman Wade last night, the resolution was drawn by him with particular reference to the local traction company. Councilman Wade believes that all requests for increased street car fares, gas rates, electric light rates and power rates made of the city by the Tidewater can be handled to the best interest of the public and the corporation by a commission of citizens.

Although the resolution to be offered this morning by Councilman Wade only provides for an agreement between the council and the Tidewater relative to the commission, the councilman says that if the commission is appointed and proves a success, he will ask council to also give the commission power to consider all requests made by other public service corporations.

SUCCESSFUL UNION SERVICES CONTINUE

Rev. Dr. Dobyns is Again Heard by Three Large Congregations

Again yesterday, the Rev. Dr. W. H. Dobyns was heard by three large congregations, and the visiting preacher continued to make a deep impression upon his hearers. The morning service at the Church of the Covenant, a song service at the First Presbyterian church, and an educational and inspiring discourse on the Book of Exodus.

A large crowd of business people appeared at the Victoria theatre for the early afternoon talk of Dr. Dobyns. There was an impressive song service, and the audience was held closely by Dr. Dobyns' discussion of the experience of the blind man who came to Christ when he had heard some one say, "Jesus of Nazareth passes by."

At the evening service, Dr. Dobyns preached a strong sermon of the need of a positive decision in the matter of serving God.

The song and praise service was conducted by the Rev. J. O. Mann, and a beautiful prayer was delivered by the Rev. W. S. Stanbury, of Grace M. E. church. During the service Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Fenly tenderly sang "The Land of the Unsetting Sun," and a beautiful solo was sung by Mrs. Fenly, whose selection was "Step Over the Line."

The Rev. Mr. Mann announced that Dr. Dobyns would be here till tomorrow night and will hold the usual service morning and evening at the Church of the Covenant. At 10:30 o'clock this morning he will preach his wonderful sermon on the Bible, from Genesis to Revelation, a discourse which will require but 52 minutes. That is what the evangelist calls his "sermon in view of the Holy Scriptures, and Mrs. Mann said it is sufficient to make everybody in Wilmington anxious to hear it. He declared that he wants every seat in the church taken this morning.

CONFERENCE ON "PUPIL" AND "TEACHER" IS HELD

Miss Cooper Heard by Church School Teachers

Combining a scientific presentation of the process by which the individual learns with many helpful and valuable suggestions to church school teachers in applying to their needs the most assured results of modern psychology, Miss Mabel Lee Cooper, professor of education in the West Tennessee Normal college in Memphis, conducted a conference on the "Pupil" and one on the "Teacher," yesterday in the parish house of St. James church.

Stating that there are periods in the life of the individual when instinct, impulse, emotion and finally volition predominate, emphasizing the idea that these characteristics need to be cultivated at the proper time when nature intended them to be developed and not repressed or eliminated, Miss Cooper showed the direful results following upon the tragedy of not recognizing this principle both in secular and religious education.

BIG STEAMER PLAYS HAVOC IN THE HARBOR

Hybert, Sailing for Savannah, Has Hard Time Turning Around in River

Refusing the services of a harbor tug offered by the Stone Towing company and moving his vessel from the Eagle island docks unassisted, the master of the shipping board freighter Hybert, which sailed for Savannah yesterday morning about 10 o'clock, played havoc with docks and boats on the west side of the river.

Rivermen agree that Captain Brown of the Hybert did the unusual in attempting to turn his big vessel, which was moored at the docks of the Acme Tea Chest company, opposite Chestnut street, without the aid of tugs. Lying at the dock the Hybert was headed upstream and it was necessary to turn the vessel at a very narrow point in the river before the journey down the Cape Fear could begin. It was while turning against an adverse wind and strong tide that all the damage was done.

First of all, the Hybert rammed the docks at which she was moored, tearing wharves, property and piling. However, the most serious damage was done to the river steamer Thelma, tied up just below the Hybert. The Thelma was struck and damaged to the extent of several hundred dollars was done, it is said.

Spectators who watched the Hybert being maneuvered in the river, declare that for a few minutes it seemed that the entire river front, for a distance of several blocks, would be swept clear of tugs, barges and derricks by the giant steamer. Fortunately, however, after much handling, the master of the vessel succeeded in getting her headed down stream and proceeded on the voyage to Savannah.

The Hybert was one of the last vessels to be completed at the Carolina shipyard for the Emergency Fleet corporation. Since she was turned over to the government many weeks ago, she has been idle in this port, not having been sold or allocated for operation.

The Hybert was recently ordered to Savannah, where she will be tied up with many other vessels constructed for the Emergency Fleet corporation and any unsold.

It is understood that claims will be filed against the government for damage done to boats, docks and other property by the Hybert.

REAL ROTARY SPIRIT SUBJECT OF ADDRESS

Rev. Frank Dean Tells Rotarians of Club's Policies for Future

An address by Rotarian Frank D. Dean on the true principles of Rotary and the soup dinner served the members of the organization, were the two outstanding features of the regular weekly luncheon and business session of the Rotary club held yesterday afternoon at 1 o'clock at the Young Men's Christian association.

Rotarian Dean's address was based upon the present and future policies of the club. He said that the executive committee, of which he is a member, has been holding sessions weekly for the past several months and the principal topic of discussion was always the building-up of the ideal Rotary spirit among the members of the local club.

He declared that the members of the local club were coming into their own as true Rotarians. During the past 12 months, said Rotarian Dean, this fact evidenced itself more than ever before. One outward and visible sign of Rotary spirit is attendance, something in which the members of the Wilmington club excelled last year, he said.

To serve as a true Rotarian and with the true Rotary spirit, one must forget "self," said Rotarian Dean. The members of the club and the public generally must get away from the idea that the Wilmington Rotary club is a clearing house for any matter that can be taken up by the club, because there are many things that should be rightly handled by such organizations as the chamber of commerce, he declared.

Rotarian Charles N. Feldelson read a letter from International President Sneedcor, asking that the local club observe the 15th anniversary of the organization, which is on February 23. President Polvogt stated that a regular meeting of the club would be held February 22 at which time an appropriate program would be carried out.

It was announced that Rotarian George P. Galvin would soon leave the city for Dallas, Tex., and the executive committee will draw resolutions expressing the club's regret upon the loss of Rotarian Galvin as a member. Marsden Bellamy was named chairman of the educational committee, formerly in charge of Rotarian Galvin.

REEL, MISS JARRELL, WILLIAMS ARRAIGNED

Trial of Criminal Assault Case Is Set for Thursday

James Reel, alleged criminal assailant of a 14-year-old white girl, and Miss Lula Jarrell and Paul Williams, alleged aiders and abettors, were arraigned before Judge E. H. Cramer in superior court yesterday morning on a bill of indictment found against them by the grand jury Monday. The trial starts Thursday morning.

The litigation which preferred the charges against Reel and the others was in court seated beside her stepmother. Her father and little brother were also in court.

The trial of this case bids fair to be a hard-fought contest, as the girl's story is contradicted by Reel, Miss Jarrell and Williams. Solicitor Woodus Kellum will conduct the prosecution, and the defendants will be represented by Herbert McClammy and J. C. King.

It will be recalled that the case was tried recently by Recorder George Harris, who found probable cause and who bound the defendants over to the superior court for trial.

Reel and Miss Jarrell were remanded to jail after the arraignment. Reel is held without bond, and Miss Jarrell has been in jail in default of \$500 bail. Williams gave bond of \$500 sometime ago.

Judge Cramer announced that the Reel-Jarrell-Williams trial would start Thursday morning, and he instructed Maj. W. N. Harris, clerk of the court, to draw a special venire of 100 jurors drawn.

To Announce Decision in Canady Case Today

Recorder Will Dispose of Case Which Has Been Hanging Fire Sometime

Decision in the Luke Canady case, which has been pending since December 24, will be announced today, according to Recorder George Harris.

Canady, it will be recalled, was arrested at the same time Frank Ferguson was taken in custody, both charged with violating the prohibition laws; however, Canady testified that he had tipped the officers on the whiskey violation, and Officer Leon George substantiated him in this point. It is said that Canady balked, or refused to testify against Ferguson, and for this reason was made a principal in the case.

On the same day, however, he notified Recorder Harris, through Jailer John H. Davis, that he wished to tell the truth about the entire affair, and the recorder permitted him to take the stand.

His testimony has already been carried in these columns, it being a complete reversal of the evidence given by him on the day previous. The recorder, on hearing the contradictory testimony, was unable to do so, and he would ask the solicitor to have a warrant issued against Canady, charging him with perjury.

Frank Ferguson, who was a defendant in the same case, was declared not guilty when the solicitor advised the recorder that he did not have evidence sufficient to convict, and Ferguson was accordingly released.

HIGH COMPLIMENT IS PAID MAJOR HARRIS

Give Flowers to Living, Not Dead, Judge Says

A very pretty tribute was paid yesterday morning to Maj. W. N. Harris, clerk of the superior court, when Judge E. H. Cramer addressed the members of the bar and the court officers, in a few words, in substance as follows: "New Hanover county is indeed fortunate in having such an efficient clerk of the court, in the person of Maj. W. N. Harris, and I want to tell you that we should not wait until he has gone into the land of no returning, and then regret that we did not do so. He is a good clerk."

COWAN REPRESENTS PORT AT WASHINGTON

Attends Meeting Called to Safeguard Shipping Interests of the South

James H. Cowan, secretary of the chamber of commerce, left last night for Washington, where today he will represent the ports of Wilmington at a highly important meeting of the South Atlantic States' association, and the Mid-West Gulf Ports association.

At the meeting at the capital today every port and some of the other important cities of the South Atlantic states, together with those of the Mid-West and Gulf states, will have representatives present. The principal topic of discussion will be the rumored efforts on the part of certain eastern railroads to have cancelled the competitive export rates granted the South Atlantic and Gulf ports by the railroad administration and the United States shipping board some time ago.

If it is found by the members of the two associations that certain railroad systems are in fact striving to have these equalized port rates cancelled, every effort will be made to block the move and it is understood that, if necessary, a congressional investigation should there be a cancellation of the equalized port rates. The equalization was made to put the southern ports on an equal footing with the northern ports. The idea was to have diverted to South Atlantic and Gulf ports the export shipments that rightly belonged to them but which were being moved through other ports because of the then existing rates.

Action in this matter was begun here a few days ago when J. A. Taylor, at a special meeting of the chamber of commerce, introduced resolutions requesting the Atlantic Coast Line and the Seaboard Air Lines to make a statement regarding their attitude toward the rumored efforts of the eastern systems.

WILL HONOR MEMORY OF LEE AND JACKSON

Birthdays of Both of These Heroes to Be Observed Today

The birthdays of the Confederate chieftains, Gen. Robert E. Lee and "Stonewall" Jackson, which are on January 19 and 21, respectively, will be honorably observed here today with memorial exercises in the banquet hall of the Masonic Temple at 1 o'clock.

The exercises will be held under the auspices of the local chapter of the Daughters of the Confederacy. Following a dinner that will be served to the members of Cape Fear camp, United Confederate Veterans, and other veterans of the city, the annual memorial address will be made by Rev. J. A. Sullivan, pastor of Calvary Baptist church.

In accordance with an order issued yesterday by Gen. James I. Metts, commander of the local camp of veterans, the wearers of the gray will assemble at the army of the Wilmington Light Infantry at noon today and march to the Masonic Temple. Those veterans who are unable to take part in the parade are requested to be present for the exercises at 1 o'clock.

In observance of the occasion, Judge Cramer, presiding at the term of superior court, yesterday announced that court would not open until 2 o'clock this afternoon. The office of Maj. W. N. Harris, clerk of the superior court will be closed all day as will the office of the register of deeds.

TAX RETURN FORMS ARE RECEIVED BY COLLECTOR

W. A. McGowan, deputy collector of revenue, announces that he has just received forms upon which income tax returns for the year 1920 are to be made. There are two separate forms, 1040-A and 1040. Upon form 1040-A persons whose income is less than \$5,000 per year will make returns and form 1040 income of more than \$5,000 annually will be reported. The forms can be secured and filed at Mr. McGowan's office in the custom house building.

LEGAL HOLIDAY

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19, 1921 LEE'S BIRTHDAY

No business will be transacted by the banks of this city on that day

Wilmington Clearing House Association THOS. E. COOPER, Secretary Wilmington, N. C.

SPECIAL SERVICES TODAY

REV. JAMES I. VANCE, D. D. Speaker 1:10-1:45, AT THE VICTORIA THEATRE

Subject: "THE UNKNOWN GOD" Soloist, Mr. Brown

AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

With a Song Service, Led by Mr. Brown and Special Music by St. Andrew's Male Quartet

"WE WOULD SEE JESUS," IS TEXT OF DR. VANCE

Visiting Preacher Makes Deep Impression At Start of Services Here

Dr. Vance made a profound impression in his initial sermon at the First Presbyterian church last night. He chose his text from John 12:26, where the Greeks came saying, "We would see Jesus." This, thinks Dr. Vance, was not idle curiosity on their part, but a prayer. To offer such a prayer is to set your face toward heaven and to have it answered is to taste here the glories of the future world. The Greeks wanted an interpretation of Jesus which a sight of Him would give. What was the portrait of Him which they got? They saw: (1) Christ's Godhead. They had great philosophers, but they knew that in all their list was not one who said such things as those that fell from the lips of this Jewish peasant. Christ did not so much proclaim His Deity as reveal it. He called Himself "Son of Man." He so called Himself not because He had doubts of His Deity but because He was certain of it. A little man needs a big name. Think of adding D. D. to Dwight L. Moody or Spurgeon!

What do degrees mean to Woodrow Wilson? What do medals mean to him in the cold region of metaphysical reasoning is not dogma, but to see Jesus. We learn great spiritual truths connected with Jesus through an experience, not by intellectual teachings. The Greeks saw also: (2) The humanity of Jesus. His humanity was so spacious, so international, so social that it proves His Deity. He was thoroughly human. Nothing that is human is foreign to Him. His sufferings were real. His temptations were real. The Judge who is to try us has stood in the dock Himself. When Theseus went into the Labyrinth to fight against almost insuperable enemies, Ariadne lived around his arm a silken cord to remind him of her love, and the pressure of this cord gave him courage in the struggle. Jesus does more for us. In the Labyrinth we must enter, we can feel the pressure of His love and hear Him say, "It is I, be not afraid." They saw: (3) Themselves. Christ has a way of revealing a man to himself. Men see their sins. Those who never thought themselves sinners suddenly feel the pressure of His love and hear Him say, "It is I, be not afraid." They saw: (4) What life meant. The Greeks taught that life consists in a man lives to be unselfish and to serve. God is building a kingdom, transforming this world, but He wants our help. If a man is to help the world upward today, he must be a Christian, not a pharisee self-righteous Christian but one who knows how hard it is for the seed to die that golden fields may wave and the harvest song be sung.

This is why, they say, but there is something greater yet, they did not see. They never saw that face crowned with thorns. We must see the dead Christ—see God in the cross, see the Perfect Man with the breaking heart, see ourselves and our sins in Calvary and know that it is for us He gave Himself.

Dr. Vance is a speaker whom no one can afford to miss. He will preach through next Sunday. This week his services will be from 1:10 to 1:45 p. m. at the Victoria theater, and at the First Presbyterian church, Third and Orange streets, at 7:45 each night. These night services begin with 15 minutes of song led by Albert Brown, and there is also special music at each service by members of the First Presbyterian choir.

FINDS NO SIGN OF WRECK; SEMINOLE IS DISABLED

After having failed to find the wreckage of the coast guard cutter, Seminole, returned to port yesterday morning, Captain E. S. Addison states that the Seminole cruised to the north and south of the position the wreckage was reported to have been in, but failed to find any trace of it.

During a gale off the North Carolina coast the intermediate cylinder of the cutter's triple-compound engine broke down and the vessel had to lay-to in the stormy weather until temporary repairs could be made. One cylinder had to be disconnected altogether. Several days will be required to put the engine in shape again.

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