

NEWS FROM WALTER.

Interesting News Items From that Prosperous Neighborhood

ARGUS BUREAU.
WALTER, N. C.
April 29, 1908.

Mrs. Mattie Peacock, of Tremont, is here on a visit to the home of her brother, Mr. George L. Beeton.

Miss Cora Dixon, who has been teaching at Oak Grove, near Raleigh, returned home last Friday, to spend vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Seth Dixon.

Messrs. Frank Yelverton, of Ayden, and Will Yelverton, of Fremont, were here last week, attending commencement and visiting their father, Mr. George Yelverton.

Mary Ruth, the interesting little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Luby Edwards, while out in the yard alone, one day last week, got too near the hives and was quite severely stung.

Mr. Fred Sasser, of Smithfield, was here Sunday, visiting his mother, Mrs. Kizzy Sasser, and brother, Mr. Ben Sasser. His friends here are glad to know that he is restored to health.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Howell and boys, Masters Willie and Arvin, and Mr. and Mrs. Con Whittington, of your city, were guests at the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Rose, last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Forest Smith, of Wilson, were here last week, attending commencement at Rosewood Academy and visiting their respective parents, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Smith and Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Hooks.

Miss Cora Payne Moore, who so acceptably and efficiently filled the position of teacher of music and assistant at Rosewood Academy during the term which closed last week, returned to her home at Burgaw last Saturday, carrying with her the best wishes and esteem of hosts of friends here.

Prof. E. C. Byerly, who so capably and successfully held the principalship of Rosewood Academy the past term, left Saturday for his home in the western part of the State. He made many friends in the community and the success with which he conducted the school was clearly evident in the closing exercises last week. His host of friends here wish him continued success, and the abiding good wishes of the community will attend him wherever he goes.

A severe cyclone passed here last Saturday evening, an angry, black cloud, tunnel shaped, and carried destruction in its path, but no one injured that is known. It traveled in a northeasterly direction, and when it struck Oak Glen, the large stately oaks in our yard were twisted off and uprooted as if they had been mere saplings. Fortunately, it passed to the east of the house, that is, the full force of it, and oaks two feet in diameter were snapped like reeds, and our office was demolished, the barn moved, and havoc played in our orchard. It crossed a rail fence four times in a distance of 200 yards, as evidenced from the position of rails left. Those who saw it, say it came to the ground just in front of our house, and when it struck the grove, arose again and come down in Mr. Lon Dail's field, and again arose and passed over the river, where it did damage to Mr. Woodard Deans' house. It is said to have formed on Beaver Dam, five miles above here, and gathered force as it came this way. It was a fearful thing, and we trust we will escape such another, and are thankful that it did as little damage as it did. When compared to such things, man is a small potato and such as that makes him feel considerably smaller. We are comforted with the fact that they seldom travel the same track twice. But more so, when we read: "Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night, nor for the arrow that flieth by day. Nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness, nor for the destruction that wasteth at noonday."

It caused the hearts of the community to throb with pardonable pride to witness the closing exercises of Rosewood Academy last Thursday and Friday nights. The musical recital given on Thursday night by the efficient and thoroughly competent teacher, Miss Cora Payne Moore, clearly showed to judges of music that it was far in advance of anything ever attempted in this section, and was calculated to reflect credit on schools of more pretentious proportions, considering that her pupils were practically all beginners, evidenced the fact that Miss Moore possessed the happy faculty of imparting knowledge to others, and at the same time bestowing upon each pupil the ease and grace of execution, which is characteristic of herself as a performer, and marks her as a teacher of musical ability and superior merit. After this the annual debate of the Washington and Jefferson Literary Society was held. Query, "Resolved, That the United States should have

four more battleships as proposed by the President." Affirmative—Harvey L. Edwards, Needham V. Bass. Negative—Cyrus P. Johnson, George W. Hooks. Each contestant handled the subject so well that it was almost a tie, the negative winning by only two points. The exercises closed with the Doll Drill by several little girls. On Friday night a most interesting and highly entertaining program, arranged by Prof. Byerly, showing his usual interest and capability as principal, was rendered, consisting of four plays in which the pupils took part, each one displaying evidence of histrionic talent. To add to the enjoyment of the evening a string band from your city discoursed sweet music between acts. This ended a very successful term of the school, and to the capable principal, Prof. E. C. Byerly, and worthy assistant, Miss Cora Payne Moore, are due the thanks of the community for inaugurating the high class of efficient work, which, with the future longer terms of school, we trust is but the beginning of our awakening of the intellectual upbuilding of this section, and that ere long we may have school second to none in the rural districts in the State.

HICKS-BRIGMAN.

The Rockingham paper contains the announcement of the coming marriage of our young friend and townsman Mr. Oscar Vernon Hicks to Miss Mattie Brigman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jno. W. Brigman, of that town, the happy event to take place in the Methodist church there on May 28.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hicks, and is principal of the Rockingham public school. He is a graduate of the Goldsboro High School, after which he went to the University, where a younger brother is now a student. This is but another evidence of the splendid work of our peerless graded school and of the recognition and success of Goldsboro talent.

Mr. and Mrs. Hicks, parents of the groom, and his brother at Chapel Hill, will attend the wedding.

Cotton Appointments.

Mr. S. H. Hobbs who is doing such earnest work for the State Cotton Growers Association has the following appointments to speak in Wayne county:

- Fork township—Ebenezer 8 p. m. Tuesday May 5th.
- Brogden township—Woodland 8 p. m. Wednesday May 6th.
- New Hope township—Caseys Chapel 8 p. m. Thursday May 7th.
- Goldsboro—Court House 1 p. m. Friday May 8th.

Carnival of Flowers for Sailors.

(Special to the Argus.)

Santa Barbara, Cal., April 27—Several thousand sailors of Admiral Evans' battleship fleet were given shore leave today to enjoy the festivities arranged for their entertainment by the citizens of Santa Barbara and vicinity. The programme began this morning with a baseball and football tournament. For this afternoon there has been arranged a floral pageant and battle of flowers, which promises to be the most gorgeous affair of its kind ever seen in California.

EVERY HOUR OF THE DAY.

J. H. Hill & Son the reliable druggists of Goldsboro, are having calls for "HINDIPO," the new Kidney Cure and Nerve Tonic that they are selling under a positive guarantee.

Its merits are becoming the talk of the town and everybody wants to try it, and why not? It costs nothing if it don't do you good—not one cent. They don't want your money if it does not benefit you, and will cheerfully refund the money. Try it to-day.

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NOTICE OF PROHIBITION ELECTION

Pursuant to the general election laws of North Carolina, and "An act to prohibit the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors in North Carolina," ratified on the 31st day of January, 1908, notice is hereby given to the voters of Wayne county that an election will be held at the various precincts of said county on Tuesday, 26th day of May, 1908.

Registration books will be open on Friday, April 24th, and close at sunset Saturday, May 16, 1908. Registration books will be open at the polling places in the county from 9 o'clock a. m. till sunset on Saturday, April 25th, May 2nd, May 9th, and May 16th. Registration books will be open for challenges on Saturday, May 23, from 9 o'clock a. m. till sunset.

This April 2nd, 1908. H. B. PARKER, JR., Ch'm Board of Elections of Wayne Co. BARNES AYCOCK, Secretary.

BOUGHT AND SOLD.

The late William C. Whitney, once secretary of the navy, obtained from the surface railroad company in New York \$500,000, which is understood to have been devoted to political purposes. Later he obtained from that company \$60,000, which went, it is believed, to secure the election of a certain judge in New York city. On one day the company sent by messenger twenty \$1,000-bills to Chairman Odell of the Republican State committee and \$16,700 to Tammany Hall. The Republicans were expected to serve the company at Albany, while Tammany was expected to guard it at home. The big sum of \$500,000 was advanced by Messrs. Whitney, Ryan, Widener, Dolan and Elkins, all of whom are trolley magnates, or rather were, for Mr. Whitney is dead. This money was subsequently repaid to the five men, and so adroitly was the business transacted that the destination of it cannot be traced. It was spent in the presidential election of 1900, however, beyond all reasonable doubt, and it is beyond doubt also that not a dollar of it went to subvert Mr. Bryan in that year of slush and vote buying.

The subject has been brought before a New York grand jury, but so cunningly have the statutes bearing on the subject been drawn that none of the payments for political purposes made by the Metropolitan street railway come within the letter of the criminal statutes of New York State. And yet Mr. Whitney said in black and white that the money in question was spent for "political campaign purposes for the benefit of the road". The money of investors was in that way abstracted to be spent in carrying elections. Such work is not, however, criminal in New York. If it were, there would be few magnates left in New York, and the pen at Sing Sing would be full of them.

The entire affair calls for a campaign publicity act, to the end that all financial transactions of campaign committees shall be made public. The use of corporate funds for political purposes should be absolutely forbidden by State and nation, and until that is done corruption funds will be berolled up and elections will be bought and sold, and the voice of the people will be lost in a flood of corrupt corporate money.

IT IS NO BOGIE.

We have shut out Chinese coolies, and we have tried to shut out Chinese iron by imposing a tax at the custom-house of \$4.75 a ton. But the tax is not prohibitive, and the Dingley duty that does not prohibit is considered below standard.

It is now known that Chinese iron can be carried 600 miles down the Yangtze river to the sea and then carried 14,000 miles through the Suez canal to New York, where, after paying a duty of \$4.75 a ton, it can be sold profitably at \$17.50 a ton. The price left a profit, thus rendering similar shipments practicable whenever the price of No. 2 foundry in New York is \$17.50 a ton. It is worth about that much in New York today.

Beyond doubt there are immense undeveloped seams of iron ore and coal in China or near navigable rivers, and the development of them is near at hand. Labor is low-priced and abundant in China, and water transportation goes far toward annihilating the taxation of transportation. Our Yellow Peril is, therefore, real. It is no bogie, conjured up by sensation mongers. It lies in great seams alongside navigable rivers, and on awakening China will soon coin those seams into commercial products. When she does our Yellow Peril will stand before us at once, unless indeed we utilize to the utmost an Open Warrior and get ready to lay down iron at the sea bearing minimum transportation charges.

NEED NOT ALARM US.

May options are today selling at less than 9 cents in New Orleans and middling spots at about 10 cents. This is a fall from the best prices of the season of about 4 cents a pound, and such a fall is, indeed, a crash that is felt on the farms where cotton is still held. What a bumper crop next fall would lead to we need not consider.

The decline in prices has been brought about by the general condition of trade. A slackened demand for goods has placed the staple at the mercy of the mills. In hard times people can wear old clothes, but wheat and corn cannot be treated in that manner. This, no doubt, is why we have \$1 wheat and 9-cent cotton. The prices of wheat and corn have been well maintained, while the prices of cotton have gone down from day to day, and the fear is that the bottom has not been reached.

Of all years this is the one in which the South should endeavor to make its own corn, and as nearly as may be its own meat. If we do that the prices for cotton need not alarm us. If we do that, our farmers can hold a portion of their cotton, and that would bring the mills, both foreign and domestic, to an improved appreciation of the situation.

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To the Voters of Wayne County

GOLDSBORO, N. C., April 28, 1908.

Knowing you favor strong, pure, conservative men in office, I write to say I will appreciate greatly your aid in sending as many delegates from your township as possible, favorable to the nomination of Hon. W. W. Kitchin, the only man who was found able to redeem the Fifth District from the Republicans; who is the ablest debator in the State, with one or two exceptions; who has always, in private and public life, been a true Christian gentleman and against whom no reproach can be truthfully uttered; an ideal man whom we can point out as an example to the young men of our State.

A few of his strong friends in Goldsboro are: I. F. Ormond, ex-Clerk of the Superior Court; I. F. Dortch, Geo. A. Norwood, President of the National Bank; Geo. C. Kornegay, Capt. D. J. Broadhurst, M. T. Dickinson, Chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee; W. G. Britt, Register of Deeds; Col. J. A. Washington, B. G. Thompson, M. J. Best, Walter Creech, E. L. Edmundson, Jos. E. Peterson, and Milfred Edgerton. There are many others I could mention, but these will suffice to show some of his strong support in this city, and he is gaining strength daily.

Yours sincerely,

H. B. Parker, Jr.

LETTER FROM MR. NORWOOD.

Mr. H. B. Parker, Jr., Goldsboro, N. C.

Dear Sir:--You ask why I want to see W. W. Kitchin Governor of North Carolina.

I knew him as a boy and right young man. I believe he has led an unusually pure, spotless private life. In public he has always seemed ready to state his position frankly and fearlessly; never expressing contrary, inconsistent opinions to different people for influence or dollars. He is a student of men and political questions and has had the best opportunities.

His ability no one questions. His opponents are not ready to meet him in a canvass of the State.

His services to the State and party will certainly compare well with any other aspirant to the office.

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Yours truly,

G. A. Norwood, Jr.

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