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ATTORNEY GENERAL BICKETT
WANTS SALE SET ASIDE.

Suit Under Sherman Act Finding of Corporation Commission Justifies It Under the View of the Attorney General—Department of Justice Notified Last Night.

Attorney General T. W. Bickett last night notified Attorney General McReynolds, of the United States Department of Justice, to bring action to set aside the sale of the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railroad.

Economically, the sale of that road which ran from Wilmington to Mount Airy, a distance of 284.5 miles has been regarded one of the worst deals that the State could have wished. Chairman E. L. Travis, whose report formed the basis of Mr. Bickett's recommendations, believes that had this road been run as a competing line, North Carolina would have had a gateway equal to Norfolk in the city of Wilmington and a better one than Lynchburg in Mount Airy. The route from the West through that road to the sea is shorter than any other road to the coast. The sale utterly destroyed competition according to the claims of the State.

The general assembly of 1913 ordered the sale of these roads, for they are now the Atlantic Coast Line from Wilmington to Sanford to Mount Airy, investigated, and ex-Solicitor A. L. Brooks represented the Corporation Commission in the hearing at which evidence was first taken. Mr. Brooks continued his work until he brought Harry Walters multimillionaire before him, and brought from the New Yorker a full story of the sale. It was upon this testimony that the suit will really be brought.

The Sale Many Years Ago.

The sale of the two roads was made many years ago, 1897. The Corporation Commission found which it ran that they and the State had put up \$600,000 at one time and that another the State had contributed \$500,000. The bonded indebtedness became \$3,054,000 in time and the interest could not be paid.

Judge Simonton ordered the sale but he declared there must be no dismemberment of the road. The sale took place and Harry Walters, of New York, bought the property in. The conduct of the road since raises the question of contempt now.

Didn't Mean to Complete.

Mr. Walters made a most frank witness. He said he went to the sale with the best of intentions not to bid against anybody or to be opposed in the bidding. But he found that he was being opposed. Then it was called off and the Southern owns one end and the Coast Line the other.

The story can be understood now. The dismemberment of the road destroyed the sole competition that the two big roads had. The commission finds that the C. F. & Y. V. was doing interstate and intrastate business. That was the evil of the sale. The commission thinks that Walnut Cove and Winston-Salem would have been fine gateway, but for the destruction of that competition. Had the road remained one line it would have formed with the Norfolk and Western the best route from the West and one of the best from Virginia cities. The commission draws no conclusions in its report but the Attorney General does.

If Mr. McReynolds concludes to prosecute this case, Attorney General Bickett will assist in it and it will make one of the most interesting stories in railroad manipulations in the South in a long time. The old forgotten Sherman act may do business yet.

Gunaway.

A most interesting, and somewhat exciting accident occurred on the streets of Louisburg, Tuesday morning about 11:30 O'clock when a double team of horses belonging to Mr. J. D. Hill, coming up Nash street at breakneck speed. The driver was spunky enough however for the occasion, and set to his task, holding them straight in the streets, and succeeded in stopping them on top of the hill in front of Mr. F. N. Egerton's residence. He got out, and arranged the harness, and was joined by Messrs. J. D. Hill and W. G. Ayse, and the team was turned around, intended to take them back to the stables, but the horses were not satisfied, and pitched off in another heavy run making their way across town, again in the same direction as they came. They were stopped again near Mr. T. B. Wilder's residence on Nash street where they were unhitched and brought in one by one. It was lucky that there was nothing on

the streets that they would strike, and with the good judgment of the driver who stuck to his job, no damage was done. On the return run of the horses the speed was evidently too swift for Messrs. Hill and Ayse, so they left the job in charge of the man holding to the reins.

Building Notes.

The new building of Mr. F. B. McKinnon on Middle street is being rapidly pushed to completion, and is taking proportions of a large and handsome residence. When completed it will be one of the nicest residences erected in Louisburg in some time.

The new residence of Mr. A. W. Person, on Main street is already adding much to that section of the town, and will be a most modern structure both in conveniences, and designs. It will be a most convenient, and handsome home.

Mr. E. S. Green, is erecting a nice cottage on the corner of Perry street and Kenmore avenue, which will be a most desirable addition to that portion of the town.

Mr. J. R. Bunn, has recently improved his residence on Kenmore avenue, with a new coat of paint.

Play at Cedar Rock.

On the evening of July 7th, at 8:00 o'clock, the young people will present a most interesting play. Admission 15 and 10 cents.

After the play, refreshments consisting of ice cream, cake etc. will be for sale. The proceeds from the play and sale of refreshments are to be used to aid in the new school building, for Cedar Rock.

The public is cordially invited to be present.

E. T. GILL DEAD.

Last of Five Brothers, All Confederate Veterans, Dies at Soldiers Home.

E. T. Gill of Franklin county, the last of the five brothers, all prominent in the service of the Confederacy died at the Soldiers' Home Monday night at 11:15 o'clock. He was 70 years of age and had been ill for a month. The funeral service will be held from the chapel at the home Thursday afternoon at 5 o'clock, and the interment will be in the Confederate Cemetery. While Mr. Gill was the last member of his family, there are several relatives living in this city. Mr. W. C. Gill being a nephew and Messrs. C. B. and John A. Park being kinsmen.

He entered the home February 17, 1913, from Wake County and was a member of Company E, 27th Regiment.

Friday Afternoon Bridge Club.

On Friday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock Mrs. S. P. Boddie very delightful entertained the Friday afternoon Bridge Club.

A delightful, enjoyable six table game was played, after which a dainty, and tempting salad course was served.

Those present were Mesdames, Edward Best, A. W. Person, Garland Ricks, J. R. Collie, S. P. Boddie, J. L. Palmer, R. G. Burroughs of Henderson, L. L. Joyner, B. B. Perry, Maurice Clifton, L. E. Scoggin, S. J. Parham, R. C. Beck, F. H. Allen, Joe Barrow, Rob. Davis, Jno King, Geo. Cralle, and Misses Eleanor Cook, Annie Allen, Alma Allen, Annie Belle King, Green, and Edith Yarbrough.

Gets New Safe.

Mr. Fred A. ... reprieved a new and handsome Mosler safe on last Tuesday, and has placed it in his place of business on Court street. The safe is a huge one weighing above 3500 pounds, on the inside containing a nice chest for jeweler's use. Mr. M. F. Houck put the safe in position for him.

Case Continued.

The case of the United States of America against Sid Davis, for having in his possession a distilling apparatus without being bonded that was called before commissioner J. L. Palmer on Monday was continued until Monday morning, June 29th, 1914, at 10:30 O'clock on account of the absence of witnesses on both sides.

High Temperatures.

Louisburg was not overlooked by providence the past, while high temperature were being passed around to the many other points in North Carolina. On Monday the government thermometers registered 100 degrees, and on Tuesday it reached 99.

ALLEN LOY.

Prominent Louisburg Man Weds Roxboro Lady.

Roxboro, June 23.—Mr. J. M. Allen, of Louisburg, and Mrs. Annie Loy were quietly married here this morning at the home of the bride's father, Mr. W. E. Webb. While the event has been looked for some time, it came as a distinct surprise today. The bride is one of Roxboro's most popular ladies and a woman of many good qualities and fine traits of character. She had held a responsible position for two seasons with a leading business firm of Louisburg. Mr. Allen is one of Louisburg's most prominent and substantial citizens. They left immediately after the marriage in Mr. Allen's car.

THE KING-WALSAGEL.

Meeting at Baptist Church Begins Wednesday Night July 1.

Evangelists F. D. King of Charlotte, and E. L. Wolsagel, of Asheville are closing this week a most remarkable meeting in Brookhaven, Miss., in which more than a hundred have already united with the church. The interest in the meeting last Sunday, was so intense that the evangelists were forced to remain over and continue it this week. For that reason they can not reach our city in time to begin the meeting here Sunday, as was announced in these columns last week, but will begin Wednesday night, July 1. There will be two meetings daily at 9:00 A. M. and 8:00 P. M.

The need of a genuine revival in Louisburg at this time is apparent. The prospects for such a meeting were never brighter. Every true follower of the Lord, by whatever name, is invited to lend a helping hand. A crisis is on. Throw yourself into the work with perfect abandonment, and you will be ready to sing the victor's song.

The music, under the superb leadership of Mr. Wolsagel, will be a most attractive feature.

Besides being an able expounder of the word, Mr. King has a winsome personality that draws his congregations to him as with hooks of steel. Pastor Walter M. Gilmore will preach Sunday morning on "The Baptism in Fire," and at night on, "Weighed in the Scales."

Linen Shower.

On Monday evening Miss Julia Barrow gave a delightful card party, and linen shower in honor of Miss Margie Macon, who is to be married to Mr. Eaton Winston on June 30th.

The guests were met on the porch by the hostess, where Mrs. C. C. Blacknall of Kittrell served punch.

On entering the home each guest was presented with a beautiful hand painted score card each containing brides and cupids. Tables were placed for both Bridge and Rook, just as Miss Macon was taking her place for the game, Miss Mattie Ballard pulled a ribbon that sent a shower of beautiful dainty articles showering down upon the bride.

The gifts had been suspended in a large white umbrella just above the brides head and unseen until the shower fell.

Gathering up and looking at the articles caused much merriment and the game was entered into with fun and zest.

After the game Miss Frances Barrow very gracefully served refreshments and the guests departed with many good wishes for the happiness and a successful life's voyage for Miss Macon.

Those present were Misses Mattie Ballard of Franklinton, Gladys Johnson of Selma, Virginia Stainback of Mt. Gilead, Eugenia Clark of Raleigh, and Mrs. C. C. Blacknall of Kittrell.

Misses Kate High, Abiah Person, Ruth Allen, Louise and Susie Meadows, Lucy Smithwick, Mary Belle Macon, Annie Green, Margie Macon, Lynne Hall, Julia Barrow, Annie Belle King, Hodge Williams, and Mesdames A. W. Person, E. J. Macon, Joe Mann, Garland Ricks, M. C. Pleasant, T. W. Watson, and J. J. Barrow.

Farmers Union Meeting.

There will be a meeting of the Franklin County Farmers Union in the court house in Louisburg Thursday, July 2nd, all locals are requested to be represented without fail as there will be business of importance to come before the Union.

J. H. Harris, Pres.

J. C. Jones, Secy.

MRS. C. A. UZZELL.

Died After Lingered Illness of Paralysis.

After a lingering illness of paralysis Mrs. C. A. Uzzell died Sunday night at 10:30 at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. M. Boone, of Mapleville, in the eighty-fourth year of her age.

Mrs. Uzzell was the relict of Mr. W. B. Uzzell, who died 22 years ago. One son, Mr. W. E. Uzzell, of Louisburg, and two daughters, Mrs. W. M. Boone, of Mapleville, and Mrs. O. H. Harris of Louisburg, survive her.

The funeral services were conducted Tuesday afternoon at 4 O'clock at the Maple Springs Baptist church, and the interment was made in the cemetery near by in the presence of a very large company of sympathetic friends. Rev George M. Duke conducted the service.

Mrs. Uzzell was a member of one of the finest families in this section, and she was a most excellent lady, whose friends were numbered by her acquaintance.

House Party.

Mesdames J. A. Turner and S. J. Parham gave quite an enjoyable house party at Mapleville in the old academy building to a number of little folks from town the past week. They left town Monday with a full equipment of supplies and many reports of a pleasing nature have been received. Among those who are with the party are Mesdames J. A. Turner and S. J. Parham, Beatrice, Margaret, Mary and Francis Turner, Ruth Hall, Ruth Early, Mildred Scott, Mary Exum Burt, Eleanor and Camilla Yarbrough, Anna Fuller Parham, Jones Parham, Will Collie, Aubrey Waddell, William Neal, Maury Cralle, Harris Turner.

Younger Set Book Club.

On Thursday afternoon Mrs. B. T. Holden entertained the younger set Book Club.

A delightful program was carried out, the subject being "The Merchant of Venice." Mrs. Arthur Person read a criticism on the play, Miss Annie Green gave a number of quotations from the play, and Mrs. Allison Hodges read the court scene from the play.

After the program had been completed the hostess, assisted by Miss Frances Barrow served delightful refreshments.

Those present were Misses Annie Green, Eleanor Cooke, Margie Macon, Annie Belle King, Lynne Hall, Annie Allen and Mesdames, B. T. Holden, Arthur Person, Allison Hodges, and E. J. Macon.

The club had with them as visitors Mr. J. L. Palmer, Mrs. R. G. Burroughs of Henderson, Mrs. Sid Holden, Mrs. Ernest Furgurson, and Mrs. G. L. Aycock.

Dunce's Square News.

Miss Florence Perry is attending summer school at Greenville, N. C. Mrs. H. S. Pruitt, who has been paralyzed for some time, we are glad to say is able to set up.

Miss Annie Wilder, has returned from quite an extended trip to Centerville, Hickory Rock, and Mapleville.

Mr. J. H. Wilder's sister, Mrs. D. C. Thorrington, and grand daughter, Ruth Wester came over to see him the past week.

Miss Ethel Perry, has returned home from Greenville, where she has been attending school.

Miss Minnie Dickens is attending summer school at Chapel Hill.

Mrs. Hunter Dunn, of Henderson, spent the week end at Crescent Farm, guest of Mrs. J. H. Wilder.

Miss Eva Moore is visiting at Bobbitt.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hight have been quite sick for several days, but are better now.

Misses Hael, and Venie Tippet accompanied by Mr. Charlie Evan and Dick Hight, went over to Mt. Olive Sunday.

Quite a number of our young people attended the Missionary Rally at Plank Chapel Sunday.

Mrs. Tippet, of Wilton, spent the week with her son, Ed, the past week, some again "Grannie."

The most enjoyable event of the week was a fish frolic, where ladies only were allowed.

There were quite a number and among them was Mr. E. Tippet, of Wilton, who is seventy-two years of age, the champion fisher of all and Mrs. D. C. Thorrington, sixty-two.

Leading the party they fished at Chavis bridge on Tar river where they fished in their childhood days. All reported a fine trip in spite of the little shower of rain, which all

were glad to see.

"As you haven't heard from us in some time I'll just say we are living yet, with plenty of good water to drink."

We are all going to Oxford, St. Johns day and hope to see you all there.

Little Bess.

How is Your County Fair.

One again we urge the importance of the county fair. "But why a fair?" some one asks. Oh, well, why any effort for the good of the county or the State? For through the fairs, both county and State, are for the most part organized as private associations, they generally represent a praiseworthy patriotism on the part of the backers, and too often their reward is only the privilege of going down into their pockets to meet some deficiency occasioned; in part perhaps, by your failure to make an exhibit or to attend. The answer in brief as to why you should have a fair is, for the public good—for giving individuals new ideals and for stimulating community pride.

But these fairs are social organizations as well, and so helpful in this respect that it is questionable whether in any other way they serve so large a purpose. Bringing together the representatives of every township at some central place like the county seat leads the people to know one another, a knowledge as powerful with the community as the "know thyself" with the individual. They are likewise educational. The average fair, county or state, has something for the visitors who goes with his eyes open and mind alert.

Moreover, our fairs are putting larger stress on these educational features year. The midway is lessening the gambling devices and those who play there are on the decrease, and the drinking places have gone or going. This new order of things means much for the larger fairs, but more for the smaller ones, which have suffered from the false impression that special attractions beyond their financial reach were necessary to their success. Numerous most successful county fairs were held last year with their agriculture, education, and livestock exhibits for their sole drawing cards.

If your county isn't in line with the progressive counties with fairs, why not you and your neighbor get busy at once? By a little determined effort on the part of all classes, you may have a fair yet—may at least make a good start in 1914, and do better next year.—The Progressive

Banks to Close July 4th.

We are requested to state that the banks in Louisburg, will be closed on Saturday, July 4th, it being a legal holiday. Those having business with these institutions will bear this in mind.

About Cutting Tobacco.

Forty-nine years ago I began growing tobacco. A few years later I decided that there were certain days better than others on which to cut tobacco for it to cure up nicely and have a rich, waxy and heavy body. To find out the way to tell these dates, and to tell them ahead has been a hard job, but I was finally successful.

To explain, let me say that tobacco has an oily substance which is its natural possession. It has a sap (water) like other vegetation. When the sap rises, it runs the oil out through the pores of the leaves, on the principle that oil and water won't mix, and oil being the lighter is pushed out by the sap. Tobacco cut and cured in this state will be light and "chacy" you see, there is nothing but sap in the tobacco and when cured this sap is gone. It evaporates and leaves the tobacco light and worthless. But to cut tobacco when the sap is down and the oil has full away, you can cure it up nicely and with a heavy body; it will be rich and "waxy". This happens because the tobacco is full of oil instead of sap, and the oil can't evaporate and remains in the leaf to make it rich and heavy.

It has been my experience that we must cut tobacco when there is oil in it, if we expect to have oil in it when cured. For instance, you have experienced cutting one week and having excellent luck and then cut a few days later, probably on the same piece of ground and with riper tobacco, and have no luck at all.

I shall be pleased to answer any correspondence from tobacco growers who may want to write me, provided postage is sent for reply.

D. V. Davis,
Fork, N. C.

OPEN TO SETTLEMENT.

He Said to Have Told Carruthers His Country Has Suffered Enough and He Will Accept Good Offices of United States—Coming of Carranza Men Awaited.

Washington, D. C., June 23.—Mexican Constitutionalists in Washington still awaited tonight the arrival of other representatives, en route here with instructions from General Carranza, before taking any formal action on the invitation from the American peace commissioners at Niagara Falls to meet them and the Huerta delegates informally to discuss plans for the pacification of their country.

The statement made in New Orleans today by Alfredo Breceda, one of General Carranza's confidential agents, that General Carranza held firmly to his attitude not to treat with Huerta except on the battlefield and that he would not accept the invitation from Niagara Falls, brought on comment from official quarters.

Despite the declarations by Mr. Breceda, members of the cabinet who discussed the mediation situation briefly with President Wilson, expressed hopeful views of the situation. Secretary Bryan as usual; reiterated his declaration of satisfactory progress. In administration circles expectations were general that representatives of the Constitutionalists eventually would be prevailed upon to confer with the Americans and Huerta delegates at Niagara Falls.

The mission to Washington of Mr. Breceda, who is coming with Fernando Iglesias Calderon and Leopoldo Hurtado Espinosa, still is unknown here. Rafael Zubaran, the chief Constitutional agent, now here, and his associates claim not to know the nature of their errand. It is significant, however, that Juan F. Urquidí met Constitutionalists agents at New Orleans today, taking them a message from Washington. Mr. Urquidí, it was learned, would proceed from New Orleans to Galveston on business for the revolutionists and it was rumored that he might confer directly with Carranza.

Villa Now the Hope.

Reports current in Washington since the precipitate action of General Villa in seizing the Constitutionalists headquarters at Juarez and arresting Carranza's officers there, that the United States was preparing to negotiate with Villa in preference to Carranza, were renewed today. It is known that it has been reported that Villa on June 15 informed George C. Carruthers, American counsel agent, that he would accept the results of the mediation conference whether Carranza should agree to them or not. Villa, the report stated, said Mexico had seen enough suffering and that he was ready to accept terms that would lead to peace with honor, particularly because of the threatening possibility of intervention.

"Encouraging" Says Bryan.

Secretary Bryan when asked about this tonight, smiled and said: "That is encouraging, isn't it; but there is nothing I can say about it." Similar reports, it had been learned, reached Constitutionalists several days ago, but it was pointed out that June 15 was before General Villa would renew his activities against Huerta, and that differences with General Carranza had been to some extent, at least, adjusted.

WHAT IS WINE DECIDED BY SECRETARY HOUSTON

Prohibits Use of the Name "Wine" on Products Made by the Addition of Water to the Juice.

Washington, June 24.—Secretary Houston has decided "what is wine" and made a pure food ruling of far reaching importance to all domestic wine makers.

It prohibits the use of the name of "wine" on products made by the addition of water to the juice, pomace or pulp of grapes, and defines wine to be "the product of the normal alcoholic fermentation of the juice of the fresh sound, ripe grapes, with the usual cellar treatment."

The new decision provides that where any water is added to the pomace of grapes it is not permissible to label the product "otherwise than as imitation wine," and effects all wines made after June 12, 1914. This action has been taken, in the language of the decision, "because the department of agriculture has concluded that gross deceptions have been practiced under food inspection decision 120."