

OUTLINES.

Fairs at San Francisco are improving and the people are being systematically fed; it is quite a problem how to dispose of the immense relief fund received; a ship yesterday arrived from Seattle with provisions and a submarine explosion at sea; banks have opened in San Francisco—An Oakland dispatch says 100 people's houses were burned in Francisco and 130,000 had homes destroyed—At New Orleans yesterday Confederate Veterans' reunion decided to meet in Richmond next year—the Jeff Davis monument will be unveiled; among the new things ordered by the veterans was to hold a memorial service each year for the dead and to urge the several Southern States to pension faithful slaves who followed their masters—In the Senate yesterday the rate bill, opposing interference with the jurisdiction of the inferior courts—The House engaged in a lively debate which will furnish a precedent for the campaign this fall, issues being protection and tariff; Hepburn was the protectionist and Williams and other opponents annoyed him—At Bristol, Tenn., Mrs. Ramsey is in jail on charge of almost severing Mrs. Cannon's head with an axe—A Mexican government gunboat seized a United States fishing craft on the coast yesterday; investigation of a Washington will result—In a collision near Columbia yesterday, Mrs. Joseph T. Baynes, of Troy, N. C., got her arm broken—The American Cotton Spinners' Association will meet in Asheville May 16 and when Senator Lodge and other distinguished men will deliver addresses—New York markets: Money on call 1/2; highest 5 per cent, lowest 3 1/2; the rate 4 1/2; closing bid 3; offered 4; spot cotton 10 points higher, quiet at 11 1/5; flour dull but elevator; corn steady, No. 2 57; meal elevator; oats steady; mixed, 1/2 1/2; turpentine and rosin firm.

Speaker Cannon was practically making himself in the way of President Roosevelt's muck raker when he introduced Congressman Blackburn after he had been announced that the incident is anti-Blackburn.

Recently a crazy woman went to the White House, demanded rent for the place and wanted "that Roosevelt person to vacate at once," as she angrily wanted him as a tenant. No one in the President looks on every day as a crazy who would like to see the President vacate, rent or no rent.

J. Kornblum, a Pittsburg occupant, has just made his customary examination of former President Cleveland's eyes. He says Mr. Cleveland is in the best of condition. We very naturally reach the conclusion that the former President is still able to see twenty years ahead of his party.

The Southern Wholesale Grocers' Association recently held its annual meeting in Jacksonville, Fla., and the report shows that it is in a flourishing condition. The Association expects to send 100 delegates to the annual meeting of the National Wholesale Grocers' Association which meets in Chicago June 5th, 6th and 7th.

The Norfolk Virginian-Pilot is to be purchased upon the acquisition of Governor W. E. Cameron to its ownership. He is a newspaper man of experience, a gentleman of fine culture and splendid attainments, and our selection of him some years back was one of the most successful, elegant and vigorous writings from the Virginia press.

The Metropolitan Opera Company which was playing in San Francisco the night of the earthquake, Wednesday of last week, passed through the city last Wednesday night. It is interesting to think how rapidly we now cross the American continent. The company did not get away from New York till two days after the catastrophe so that it was less than a week from the shabby country to the finest portion of the globe.

That was it Marion Butler said recently. Republican leadership in South? Oh, yes. Why, Butler was one of the speakers at the convention of the Republican Clubs in the District of Columbia one night last week in Washington but he was proposed and couldn't attend. In a speech he rendered his excuse and among other things said: "We have had Southern States been cursed with false and incompetent leadership. That's what Judge Bynum

CALL WARD MEETING

Early County Convention Called By Democratic Committee For Naming Delegates

OFFICIAL NOTICE IS ISSUED

Date Tuesday May 8th. With Convention Week Later at Court House at Noon—The Representation of New Hanover.

Delegates from New Hanover to the State, Congressional, Judicial and Senatorial conventions will be named at an earlier county convention than that called regularly for the nomination of county and Legislative officers. An official call for the earlier convention was issued yesterday by Chairman J. H. Burris, of the New Hanover Democratic Executive Committee. Ward meetings of primaries are called to be held in each ward, precinct or township on Tuesday, May 8th, under such rules, regulations and hours as the various precinct chairmen may prescribe and at these meetings delegates will be named to a county convention to be held at noon the following Tuesday, May 15th, at the Court House. At this convention delegates will be named to the State Convention at Greensboro July 3rd. The dates and places for the other conventions have not yet been designated.

In the various ward meetings for selecting delegates to the earlier county convention each ward and township will be entitled to a representation equal to one delegate for each twenty-five votes or fraction thereof over one-half of twenty-five cast for Governor in the last election. Under this rule the following will be the representation:

First Ward	7
Second Ward	9
Third Ward	11
Fourth Ward	10
Fifth Ward	9
Cape Fear Township	1
Federal Post Township	1
Masonboro Township	1
Harnett Township	2
Total	51

The representation may seem unequal according to the actual number of voters in the wards and precincts but according to the Democratic plan or organization all convention representation is based upon the vote for Governor in the preceding election and if the full strength was not brought out on general election day last time the wards and townships suffer in consequence thereof. This point was made by Chairman George L. Peschau at the last general election in order to bring out a full vote so that the county would have a good representation in the State and other conventions. The appeal, however, seems to have had little effect as only 1,284 votes were cast in the entire county for Governor, giving the county a representation of only nine in the State convention, based upon one delegate for every 150 votes. The vote in the Congressional Convention is based upon one delegate for every 50 votes for Governor and will give New Hanover a representation of 26 delegates in that body.

The official call of Chairman Burris for the county convention for the naming of delegates will be found in another column. The various ward and township committeemen will later issue calls in their respective divisions for the meeting of voters. The regular primary for the nomination of county officers will take place on Sept. 19th. Quite a contest is expected to develop in the earlier convention as to the proportion of the vote of the county each candidate for Congress will receive from New Hanover.

Funeral of Mr. Moore.

The funeral of the late William A. Moore, the Confederate veteran who died suddenly on the steamer Whitlock Tuesday of this week, was conducted at 11 o'clock yesterday morning, the order for the burial of the dead having been read by the Rev. James Carmichael, D. D., rector of St. John's parish. The pall-bearers were: Capt. F. W. Ortman, Capt. R. W. Price, Capt. G. W. Higgins and Messrs. J. A. Montgomery, R. V. Leonard and Capt. A. D. Brown.

WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY.

Adjourned Meeting at First Church, This City, Last Night.

An adjourned meeting of Wilmington Presbytery was held in the First church, this city, last night to receive the reply from the churches within the bounds of Presbytery, to the request of Rev. T. D. Johnston, pastor of the Burway group of churches, to be dismissed to the Presbytery of Charleston. The replies were favorable and Rev. Mr. Johnston was dismissed with regret.

Rev. J. S. Crowley presided at the meeting and the only other business was the announcement of the death of Rev. James Kelly at Clarkton last week and the appointment of a committee to prepare a suitable memorial. Very few of the congregations outside of Wilmington were represented at the adjourned session.

Baseball This Afternoon.

The High School and a picked team from the City League will try conclusions at baseball on the Hilltop Park diamond this afternoon beginning promptly at 3:30 o'clock. Brinkley and Seibert will do the honors for the picked team and Alderman and Jewell will be on the firing line for the High School. A good game is assured. Admission is free and the public is invited.

Outdoor Recreation.

Is necessary to everyone, especially during the first hot days in the Spring. There is no better place for an outing than the beach where one can enjoy the cool ocean breezes.

Business Locals.

M. O'Brien—Keys Lost.
J. G. Wright & Son—Real Estate Opportunities.

COMING OF MERRY CARNIVAL

Representative of Pierce Amusement Company Here Promoting Publicity of the Enterprise.

Mr. Edney Ridge, advertising manager for the Pierce Amusement Company which will furnish the attractions for the Jr. O. U. A. M. gala week and big street fair in this city, the week of May 7th, arrived yesterday and at once began a campaign of publicity for the enterprise he represents. Efforts will be made to get the railroads to offer reduced rates for the occasion and many out-of-town people are expected for the gala week.

The Pierce Amusement Company is giving fine satisfaction in Kinston this week and will be in Newbern next week, coming from there to Wilmington and remaining for six days. Of the attraction in Kinston, the Free Press of that city, says:

"The various attractions were liberally patronized and the universal criticism is that the shows are by far the cleanest and best that have ever been here with a carnival. Mr. Pierce does not boast of the number of attractions in his company, but lays a just claim to having good, clean and instructive shows, and will have no other. In this he has certainly kept perfect faith with the people and attractions can, one and all, be recommended to everybody, ladies and children as well as men and boys.

"A thing that strikes one very forcibly is the new and handsome outfit at each of the shows. They are all equipped expensively and look well."

The carnival carries a military band under the leadership of Prof. McQuarrie and the free acts are Prof. Rose, "the Dare Devil," in his slide for life in a sheet of flame and the marvelous Connors & Connors. Some of the shows are "Creation," introducing vaudeville, electrical effects and the radium dance; "Trilby," the flying lady; "In the Hall of Fame," introducing Galatea; "The Liberty Theatre," presenting an electric show, the "Ferris Wheel," "Ocean Waves," and an abundance of privilege booths.

THE POLICE YESTERDAY.

Only One Case in Court—Bad Negro Arrested.

There was only one lonesome offender in the police court yesterday. He was one R. S. Wilson, from the county, charged with being drunk, down and "busted," at Eleventh and Chesnut streets Wednesday night. He couldn't pay anything, pleaded with the Mayor that he was a stranger in hard lines and asked to be allowed to go home and be quiet. The request was granted and Wilson went.

Early yesterday afternoon Special Policeman E. J. Littleton brought in John Johnson, a negro from Kidder's Hill. Littleton said the negro was drunk, trying to fight and had drawn a pistol on a third party on the "Hill" Wednesday night; that when he went after him, Johnson ran, was subsequently caught, but broke loose again and was not re-captured until yesterday. The negro denied all these counts, but the charges of disorderly conduct, carrying a concealed weapon and resisting arrest were preferred against him anyway and he will have to tell his story over again to the Mayor in the municipal court to-day at noon.

Funeral of Mr. Lord.

Services from St. James' This Afternoon—Remains to Louisville.

The funeral of the late James C. Lord will be conducted from St. James' Episcopal church this afternoon at 5:45 o'clock and the remains will be taken on the evening train to the former home of the deceased in Louisville, Ky. A brother and other relatives are expected on the noon Seaboard train to-day. The remains were taken from the hospital to the rooms of Funeral Director Woolvin, on Third street, yesterday morning and embalmed for shipment. Yesterday afternoon the Brotherhood of Saint James escorted all that was mortal of their late member to the parish church and the services will be held there this evening.

Mr. Lord was a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles and the aerie in this city has been very kind to the bereaved ones in the hour of their distress. A committee from the aerie will accompany the remains from the church to the depot this evening.

Dr. Slidd's Lecture To-Night.

The tickets for Dr. Benjamin Slidd's lecture on Browning at the High School at 8:30 o'clock to-night are on sale at Fates' book store. Tickets will be sold at the door also. The admission is 15 cents. Dr. Slidd comes under the auspices of the Sorosis and a treat is in store for those who hear him.

The Judges Entertained.

The Justices of the Y. M. C. A. were delightfully entertained last night in the building on Front street. The programme has previously been published and it was carried out to the infinite pleasure of the young people present.

BERRY MOVEMENT

Thirty-Eight Solid Refrigerator Cars Exclusive of Express Shipments Yesterday

NO INJURY BY THE WEATHER

Only Effect Was to Retard Ripening, A Condition Desired—Review of the Outlook by Carolina Truck Growers' Journal.

Strawberry shipments yesterday went to the high water mark of the new shipping season, having consisted of 38 solid refrigerator cars exclusive of several thousand crates by express. The distribution yesterday was 15 cars to New York, 10 to Philadelphia, seven to Newark, N. J., two to Buffalo and one each to Washington, Worcester, Springfield and Atlantic City. There is no doubt but that the cold weather in the earlier part of the week considerably retarded the ripening of the fruit, but in a few days the daily shipments are expected to go beyond 150 cars. Thus far no complaint has been heard of the insufficiency of iced cars or the inability of the transportation people to promptly move the crop. Prices, however, are not so good as the growers expected.

The Carolina Fruit and Truck Growers' Journal in its issue of this week says:

"The temperature of the weather went down pretty low on Monday night and Tuesday last throughout the trucking belt of North and South Carolina as well as Virginia. At one time it was feared that the damage would be quite heavy to the growing crops, but a careful survey of the situation shows that after all it was very light. Peas, beans, cucumbers, cantaloupes and melons suffered about the extent of the loss, potatoes being nipped in some places, strawberries escaping without practically any damage whatsoever. The strawberry foliage was so heavy that the blooms were protected, even though they were left uncovered, and consequently sustained no damage to speak of."

This opinion of the Journal is based upon special reports to it from Chadburn, Rocky Point, Wallace, Mount Olive, Goldsboro, Newbern, Fayetteville, N. C., Lake City and Charleston, S. C., Norfolk, Winchester, Green Bay and Petersburg, Va., and many other points in the trucking belt. From Chadburn comes the report that the outlook was never brighter for strawberries at that place and practically all shipments thus far have been from there. At Wallace the strawberry outlook is reported "exceedingly flattering." Concluding an editorial the Truckers' Journal says:

"During the present week carload shipments are expected to reach anywhere from 100 to 125, and possibly 150 per day. The following week may reach as high as 175 or even 200 carloads a day, as the daily shipments will then have reached high water mark all over the district. The weather is ideal, being such as to ripen the berries at only a moderate rate, neither too cold or too hot."

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WERE WEDDED LAST NIGHT

Miss Ella K. Herring the Bride of Mr. Benjamin Newkirk, of Wallace—A Reception Followed.

The marriage of Miss Ella K. Herring, a daughter of the late Thos. J. Herring, of Kerr, N. C., and Mr. Benjamin Newkirk, of Wallace, was solemnized last night at 8 o'clock at the home of the bride's sister, Miss Anna Herring, No. 115 North Fourth street, a large assemblage of friends and relatives having been present to witness the pretty ceremony as performed by the bride's pastor, Rev. A. D. McClure, D. D., of Saint Andrew's Presbyterian church. The parlors of the home were very attractively decorated with plants and flowers and the scene was a very pretty one indeed.

The bride was attended as maid of honor by her sister, Miss Fannie Herring, and the groom as best man, by his relative, Mr. Thad. Newkirk. The wedding marches were rendered by Miss Britt, and the other attendants entered in the following order: Miss Jennie Newkirk and Mr. Forrest Hall; Miss Rosa Herring, sister of the bride, and Mr. Joseph Anderson; Miss Denie Moore and Mr. Edgar Herring, a brother of the bride. The words that made the young people man and wife were impressively spoken by Dr. McClure, and when the ceremony was over, a sumptuous wedding supper was served and a reception given in honor of the bride and groom at which they received the happiest congratulations of many friends. A number of very handsome wedding presents were received. Mr. and Mrs. Newkirk are guests at The Orion but will leave this morning for their future home at Wallace where both are well known and have a host of friends.

The bride last night for the wedding wore white silk, while the maid of honor and bridesmaids were becomingly attired in white chiffon. Bride's roses were the bouquets and the effect was very pleasing indeed.

THE APARTMENT HOUSE.

Charleston Paper Submits Some Remarks Editorially Upon Subject.

Under the head "Good for Wilmington," the Charleston News and Courier says editorially:

"In Wilmington, N. C., the Carolina Apartment Company has begun the construction of a six-story apartment house, which will cost \$78,000, and will be equipped with all the conveniences which help to make life worth living for bachelors and small families, whose circumstances do not permit them to set up independent establishments with spacious green lawns, strawberry beds and watermelon patches appurtenant. The building will be the largest and most up-to-date of its kind South of Richmond and North of Atlanta," says a Wilmington newspaper.

"This house will prove a good thing for Wilmington. It will fill a long-felt want, and those who have long felt the want will fill it. Many an ambitious young man seeking a home finds himself walled out of the city to his first choice, because it is without those convenient nesting places adapted to moderate means and provided with the material comforts of a 'town house' demanded by his wife. He can afford the \$40 monthly rental for a six-room cottage, perhaps, but cannot maintain in respectable style the fences and the flower garden.

The cottage entails expenses on the lessee that the flat does not, unless the tenant is willing to endure a broken-down, unsightly relic of better and ancient times. The flat is 50 per cent cheaper than the dwelling at the same price.

There are other towns south of Wilmington and southeast of Atlanta, whose need for just such structures is crying.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Transactions Which Appear from Deeds for Record Yesterday.

Louise Potter Penny and her son James Bernard Williamson to Dallas Chesnut, for \$100 and other considerations, property on west side of MacRae street, 165 feet south of Red Cross street, 33x140 feet in size.

T. R. Mask and wife and J. E. Taylor and wife to Bettie Lewis, for \$450, property on west side of Dawson street, 33x165 feet in size.

Edward Newton Penny and wife, Eugene V. McKenzie and wife and George Robert Penny and wife and others to Dallas Chesnut, for \$10 and other considerations, property on west side of MacRae, 165 feet south of Red Cross street, 33x139 feet in size.

Water Extension Completed.

The extension of the mains of the Clarendon Water Works Company from Ninth, up Market street, to Carolina Place, was completed yesterday by Foreman James D. Mote and force of laborers. The water has been turned on the works satisfactorily. Foreman Mote is now engaged in laying service pipe or laterals for a number of Market street residents who desire water connections.

87TH. ANNIVERSARY

Odd Fellows Celebrate Auspicious Event in History of Their Order Last Night

AN ELABORATE PROGRAMME

Music, Ritualistic Exercises and Topical Talks by Representatives from Each Lodge—Large Audience Present.

A large audience of both ladies and gentlemen taxed the capacity of the handsome new Odd Fellows Hall, on Third street, last night, the occasion having been the 87th anniversary of the founding of the order in the United States. The hall was attractively decorated with smlax, palms, ferns and cut flowers and the scene of the celebration was a pretty one. The comfort and convenience of each and every guest was carefully looked after by the general committee in charge and it may be safely said that no more appropriate or more enjoyable exercises of the kind have taken place in Wilmington in a long time. The committee in charge was composed of Messrs. B. F. King, chairman; John E. Wood, secretary; D. K. LeGwin, C. D. Morrill, J. W. Fleet, L. Tate Bowden, J. H. Swinson, E. Y. Davis, T. G. Landen, J. F. Littleton, C. R. Spooner and C. F. Williams. The meeting was called to order by Chairman King, of the committee, who turned the exercises over to Col. Walker Taylor, in the chair as Noble Grand. Other officers were Past Grand, W. L. Smith; R. S. to N. G., L. W. Moore; L. S. to N. G., Jno. H. Williams; Vice Grand, B. J. Jacobs; R. S. to V. G., J. J. Craig; C. S. to V. G., O. E. Merritt; Secretary, Samuel G. Hall; Treasurer, John E. Silvia; Warden, D. W. Davis; Conductor, W. J. Meredith; Outter Guard, A. T. Parker; R. S. S., W. J. Swayles; L. S. S., J. L. Middleton; Chaplain, Rev. S. Mendelsohn, D. D. The following grand lodge officers were present: Past Grand Masters Jno. D. Bellamy and M. W. Jacobi; Grand Treasurer, Richard J. Jones; Trustee of Orphan's Home, N. Jacobi; P. C. P., L. L. Boon.

The opening of the exercises was a chorus, "Gloria" from Mozart's Twelfth Mass by a double mixed quartette composed of Mrs. Cameron F. MacRae, Miss Mattie Lee Horne, soprano; Mrs. F. A. Muse and Mrs. Greene Fenly, altos; Mrs. R. C. Banks and Mr. Greene Fenly, tenors; Mr. James S. Williams and Mr. Alex. S. Holden, basses. The singing was followed by an invocation to deity by Dr. Mendelsohn and the reading of the proclamation for the observance by Mr. S. G. Hall. The anniversary ceremonies according to the beautiful ritual of the order then followed, the officers as named above taking part. The "Slumber Song" by Lohr was rendered by a quartette composed of Mrs. MacRae, Mrs. Fenly, Mr. Fenly and Mr. Holden, after which there were ten-minute "Topical Talks" by a representative of each of the four lodges and Letitia Lodge No. 3, Daughters of Rebekah, with musical selections interspersed in the following order:

"Friendship"..... Rev. A. McCullen
Cornet Solo..... Selected
Mr. S. A. Schloss.
"Central Link in Odd Fellowship"..... H. O. Craig
Quartette (Male)..... Geibel
Mr. Fenly, Mr. Banks, Mr. Williams, Mr. Holden.
"Why I Am an Odd Fellow"..... Rev. A. D. McClure
Quartette.
"Good Night, Beloved"..... Pinsutti
Mrs. Muse, Miss Horne, Mr. Banks, Mr. Williams.

"The Attitude of the Order Toward the Liquor Question"..... Ed. N. Penny
"The Good of the Order"..... Mrs. J. M. Lord
Chorus
"The Troubadour"..... Watson
All the Voices.
Benediction..... Rev. S. Mendelsohn
The accompaniment for all the musical numbers was by Mrs. Mattie L. Chasten. The "Topical Talks" by the representatives from the lodges were timely, well delivered and much appreciated by all the audience, including many who were not Odd Fellows but who took a keen interest in the proceedings.

Boys' Brigade Bazaar.

A big bazaar will be given May 23rd, 24th, and 25th, for the benefit of the Boys' Brigade at the handsome aforesaid building on Second street. Plans for the big bazaar were made and the programme outlined shortly. Mrs. C. B. Bynum has been named as general secretary and other committees and other chairs have been announced as follows: Mrs. J. M. Lord, Mrs. John Sholar, Mrs. W. J. Swayles, Mrs. G. Henry, Mrs. J. M. Solky; Capt. J. B. Bynum, hard