

### OUTLINES.

At Chicago yesterday Judge Landis laid fines of \$500, \$2,000 and \$5,000 on eleven desk and seat manufacturing companies for combining and controlling the price of church and school furniture; he delivered a scathing rebuke to the defendants. In New York yesterday the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railroad Company pleaded guilty to rebelling on coffee shipments and was fined \$20,000. Several important propositions were defeated at yesterday's session of the Supreme Council, Royal Arcanum, at Boston. At the fourth session of the Southern Presbyterian General Assembly, at Birmingham yesterday, the special committee named to consider the constitutionality of the articles of agreement bearing on closer relations of churches using the Presbyterian system, reported favorable to the agreement and held that such articles would not conflict with the constitution of the Southern church; the contrary report was made holding the contrary. Most of yesterday's session of the Southern Baptist Convention at Richmond was taken up in bearing reports of home mission work, good results being shown in Western North Carolina and among the Mexicans in Texas; the Baptists are the pioneers in missionary work on the Panama Canal Zone. Mrs. Howard Gould has filed suit for divorce in the Supreme Court in New York, on the ground of cruel and inhuman treatment. At Little Rock, Ark., yesterday several insurance companies paid fines of \$600 each for violating the States anti-trust law. The government having been defeated about a year ago in its efforts to remove its suit against the fertilizer trust from Virginia to Tennessee, has decided to renew the suits and will institute proceedings in Virginia, Tennessee and other States; it is alleged that 31 companies are in the fertilizer combine. At Odessa, Russia yesterday, two men and a woman, who were in a machine blew up the chief of police and two detectives, the tragedy starting general bloodshed. The State Republican League was organized in Atlanta yesterday to fight the Roosevelt administration in its effort to dictate the next party nomination for President. New York markets: Money on call steady 2-14 to 2-12, ruling rate 2-12, closing bid 2, offered at 2-12; spot cotton quiet 12-15; flour dull but firm; wheat firm. No. 2 red 101 3-4 elevator, corn firm. No. 2 62 1-2 elevator; oats steady mixed 48 to 49; turpentine firm 63 1-2 to 64; rosin firm.

Charlotte seems to be losing some of her population.

A financier says: "Fortune flirts with all men." Hardly necessary to say that she flirts most of them, too.

Just as we suspected. The more that Butler and Adams chew the rag, the plainer develops the cause—the spoils.

For a man who can take his buff and then saw wood, behold Mr. Harman. It's no sign, however, that he's made up his mind to be good.

Count Bonide Castellane says: "I rarely meet an American gentleman." He is not apt to meet any if they see him first.

"This is the age of women," says a New York paper. That's what makes it such an uncertain age. It is certainly keeping us guessing as to what next.

Says The Commoner: "So the Carolina Republicans want to furnish a Vice Presidential candidate. Dark horse?" Probably darkey horse. May as well be that.

We don't care how much they squelch Foraker, but the spunky way in which he hands out defiance to his opponents is bound to make us say he has the appearance of what we call 'er man.

We know now why President Roosevelt decided not to be a candidate again. He had made up his mind to burn his bridges behind him and lay waste so as to eliminate himself from the possibilities.

"Inside Workings" of politics in Washington is an exposure which former Senator Burton, of Kansas, ex-convict, threatens to make in a series of speeches in Kansas this week. He says he will show up Roosevelt to be an "undesirable citizen."

The St. Louis "Woman's National Daily" asserts that women would make good law-makers. Lots of married men will agree to the proposition if you will convince them that they could make law as well as they can law down the law.

Col. Bryan's paper, The Commoner, rejoices at the re-election of Francis W. Brown, Democrat, as mayor of Lincoln, Neb. Lincoln is the home of Col. Bryan, and while his State is Republican it would certainly be tough to have his home city Republican.

Read The Star Business Locals.

## BAGLEY MONUMENT

Unveiling Ceremonies on Capitol Grounds at Raleigh Early Yesterday Afternoon.

## THE HERO OF CARDENAS

Handsome Shaft to Memory of Only Naval Officer Killed During Spanish-American War—Hobson and Others Present.

(By Associated Press.) Raleigh, N. C., May 20.—The unveiling on the capitol grounds here this afternoon of the monument and statue to Ensign Worth Bagley, a North Carolina and the only naval officer of the United States killed in the war with Spain, attracted a crowd of about 20,000.

The only event of the day that interfered with its full pleasure was a torrent of rain that fell for twelve minutes immediately after the procession reached the capitol, but the big crowd stood it gamely and the sun soon came out to dry the drenched ones.

The statue is a life-like resemblance and stands seven feet, nine inches on a base of the same height. It is of bronze, following the work of F. H. Packer, of New York, the sculptor who designed it, while the pedestal and base are of pink granite from the Balfour quarry at Salisbury, N. C.

Ensign Bagley was killed in action off Cardenas, Cuba, being the deck officer of the torpedo boat Winslow, and with him four of the crew were killed, Bagley dying at once.

The statue is the gift of the entire Union, contributions of one dollar paying for it.

The city was liberally decorated in United States flags loaned by the War Department and the unveiling proper was in charge of Frederick D. Owen, draughtsman of the United States Department, who had charge of the unveiling of McClellan and the Rochambeau statues in Washington.

The day is a legal holiday in North Carolina, as it marks the twentieth of May, the signing of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence in 1775.

The invocation was by Rev. John S. Watkins, of the Presbyterian Church of Spartanburg, S. C., who was Bagley's pastor and in addition to music by military bands there was a children's chorus of 250 voices, which gave patriotic music. In the procession were Confederate, Federal and Spanish war veterans, National Guard troops and a thousand school children.

The oration was by Congressman Richmond Pearson Hobson, of Alabama, the hero of the Merrimac, grandson of the late Chief Justice Pearson, of this State, and there was an address by Lieutenant Victor Blue, of the United States Navy, who was born in North Carolina. Each paid glowing tributes to Ensign Bagley, who had been their comrade in arms.

In his oration Hobson dwelt upon the past primacy in the nation of the South, and the promise of the future for its repetition brought about by the Spanish war.

The address of Lieutenant Blue told of personal incidents of the bravery of Bagley.

On behalf of the alumni of Annapolis a tribute to Bagley was paid by Colonel John Wilkes, the oldest living alumni and president of the Annapolis Alumni Association.

Bagley and four at Cardenas Bay," a poem was read by Dr. Hubert Royster, the chief marshal.

The presentation of the statue was made by Chairman William W. Russ, of the Bagley Monument Committee, and was received for the State by Governor Glenn, in an eloquent address.

Mrs. Adelaide Worth Bagley, mother of Ensign Worth Bagley, was the honored guest of the day and handsome tributes were paid her on the value of her son.

Immediately following the unveiling of the statue on the capitol grounds Governor Glenn gave a public reception and over 2,000 persons passed the receiving line.

In the receiving party were Governor and Mrs. Glenn, Congressman Richmond Pearson Hobson, of Alabama; Lieutenant and Mrs. Victor Blue, Mrs. Adelaide Worth Bagley, mother of the Ensign; Misses Belle and Ethel Bagley and Mrs. Josephus Daniels, his sisters; Ensign David Worth Bagley and Mr. W. H. Bagley, Mr. Josephus Daniels, Captain Thomas Washington and Miss Grace Allen, of Washington, besides many prominent North Carolinians.

### More Maxwell Cars Coming.

Mr. Frank Herbst, the well-known agent in this city, has closed contracts with Dr. F. H. Russell, of this city, and Mr. B. H. Humphrey, of Middle Sound, for two more Maxwell runabouts of the popular type of automobile in Wilmington. These machines will be delivered at the earliest possible moment.

### NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Thos. F. Bagley—Wilmington Lodge, Masons.  
Business Locals.  
Gilbert House—Special Rates.  
Salesman or Book Keeper—Position Wanted.

## BENEFIT OF THE LIBRARY

Entertainment This Afternoon and Evening for Both Children and Grown-Ups—Diversion for Little Folks—Notes.

An excellent opportunity is offered the public at large to show its appreciation of the city library, and at the same time to pass an evening most pleasantly by attending the exhibition of work by the public school children of Wilmington and other features of entertainment incident thereto this afternoon and evening in the rooms of the library, on the second floor of the City Hall building. The afternoon is especially for the children, and there will be several features of entertainment for them, including a Buster Brown contest from 3 to 6 o'clock, but grown people who find it inconvenient to attend at night will be welcomed during the afternoon.

In the evening from 8 to 10 o'clock the older people will be entertained not only with the best work accomplished by the school children, during the scholastic year just ended, but by a programme of other interesting features, including a popular guessing contest in which a handsome prize is offered. The exhibition of work by the children will be alone worth the time spent in attending the library benefit, but the guessing contest and some musical numbers added will round out an evening of real pleasure for all who accept the general invitation to be present.

The affair is for the benefit of a fund which will be expended in the purchase of new books for the library, a need which is insistent. There will be no charge for admission to the entertainment, but at the door will be found a receptacle in which all silver offerings, great or small, will be thankfully received. There are hundreds and hundreds of patrons of the library, who owe many an hour of pleasure to books drawn from the institution. If each of these would attend the library benefit tonight and make the least contribution the library would be made two-fold valuable to those who like to get the latest out when they call for a book. The invitation is repeated—all will be most cordially welcomed this afternoon or tonight.

### KILLED BY A NEGRO.

Young man Formerly of Autreyville Shot Near Tillery, N. C.

Rev. J. A. Smith returned last evening from Autreyville, N. C., on the A. & Y. division of the Coast Line, where on Sunday morning he conducted the funeral services over the remains of young Mr. O. T. Holt, an engineer of the A. C. L., who was shot and instantly killed about a week ago near Tillery, N. C. The particulars of the shooting are meagre but it seems from all accounts that the young man was acting conductor on a freight train and had some words with a negro. He climbed down off the train to resent an insult that the negro had directed at him, when the black man fired upon him with a shotgun, fearfully disfiguring his face. The negro then ran and at last accounts he had not been captured though bloodhounds were placed on his trail.

Young Mr. Holt formerly clerked for Mr. L. M. Cooper at Autreyville and was well known in Sampson county where his family formerly lived. His father and mother are both dead but he leaves two sisters and two brothers, one of the sisters being Mrs. Spell, wife of the night telegraph operator at Fayetteville. The services Sunday morning by Rev. Mr. Smith were largely attended by friends of the deceased.

### OUTSIDE 8-HOUR LAW.

Decision Affecting River and Harbor Employees of Government.

A large number of employees in the extensive river and harbor improvement by the government on the Cape Fear will be interested in a decision handed down last Tuesday by Justice Holmes of the United States Supreme Court in which it upholds the constitutionality of the eight-hour law, but decides that laborers and mechanics employed on dredges are seamen and therefore the law is not applicable to them. The Washington Post, quoting the decision, says:

"Justice Holmes' opinion, that men employed on dredges in river and harbor improvements are not laborers or mechanics, was based on the ground that in effect such men are seamen, to whom the law is not applicable. He said that all other employment is incidental to the work of the men on the dredges and to their services as seamen, and that, therefore, they must be classified as seamen.

"Continuing the applicability of the law to dredging, Justice Holmes said: 'The words laborers and mechanics are admitted not to apply to seamen as that name commonly is used. The scows and the floating dredges were vessels. They were within the admiralty jurisdiction of the United States. Therefore, all the hands mentioned in the information are seamen within the definition in an earlier statute of the United States. They all require something of the training and are liable to be called upon for more or less of the services required of ordinary seamen.'

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## TWENTIETH OF MAY

Anniversary of Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence Appropriately Observed.

## AT WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH

Wilmington Light Infantry Held Competitive Shoot, Closing Day's Outing With Brilliant Military Hop at Night—Medal to Gibson.

The one hundred and thirty-second anniversary of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence was given the usual observance in Wilmington yesterday. County and city offices, the banks and a number of private offices were closed all day, while the postoffice and other public places observed the usual holiday hours.

The day was notable in Wilmington for the celebration at Wrightsville Beach of the fifty-fourth anniversary of the founding of the Wilmington Light Infantry, which event is always celebrated simultaneously with the observance of Independence day. This feature attracted a large number of the military to the beach, together with many of their friends, the Consolidated Company having operated a special schedule on the suburban line during the morning and afternoon, with late cars at night. The day's festivities closed with a grand military hop at Lumina which was headquarters during the day. A large number of lady friends of the company were present and "tripped the light fantastic" with the infantrymen until a late hour. Excellent music was furnished by Kneissel's Academy orchestra, which was specially engaged for the dance.

The programme of events for the day included three competitive target matches. First there was a company shoot for the selection of a team to meet a team from the Boys' Brigade and to meet a team from the Reserve Corps team of the command. The team from the active membership of the company won both competitive matches and the medal in the company shoot was won by Private A. T. Gibbons. It was held last year by Private W. Stokley. Gibbons also did the best shooting in the team for the company, having scored 30 out of a possible 25 in each event. In the Reserve Corps shoot the score was 80 to 76 in favor of the active membership and in the shoot with the Boys' Brigade the score was \$2 to 66. Herbert McClammy, Esq., acted as official scorer and a large number of spectators were at the range during the afternoon to follow the shoot. A trophy valued at \$10 each was offered in each of the team shoots and these will be awarded later. The matches were over a 200-yard course at a regulation target, placed just below Lumina on the Sound side of the railroad track.

### Reserve Corps Shoot.

Perhaps the most interesting of the events during the day was the shoot of the active members of the company with a team from the Reserve Corps, which was concluded just before nightfall. The scores were as follows:

Reserve Corps—	
Cooper, J. B.	4 3 4 3—18
Boatwright, S. M.	2 4 4 4—18
Davis, Geo.	0 0 4 4—8
Willard, E. P.	4 4 3 3—17
Willson, W. A.	3 3 3 3—15
Total	166

Light Infantry—

Stokley	0 3 3 3—14
Merritt	2 3 3 3—11
McKoy	4 3 3 3—17
Cantwell	4 3 4 3—18
Gibbons	4 4 4 3—20
Total	80

### With the Boys' Brigade.

The shoot with the team from the Boys' Brigade was the first pulled off after the company shoot and great interest was displayed by the respective members of those commands. The scores in detail were as follows:

Boys' Brigade—	
Thomas	3 2 3 2—13
Herganrother	2 0 3 3—8
Kure	3 4 2 0—11
Laughlin, J. J.	3 5 4 3—18
Laughlin, C. C.	2 3 4 5—26
Total	66

Light Infantry—

Stokley	3 2 3 3—13
Merritt	5 0 5 2—15
McKoy	5 2 4 3—18
Cantwell	4 4 4 4—20
Gibbons	3 5 4 4—20
Total	82

### The Company Shoot.

The following were the scores made in the company shoot out of a possible 25:

Smith, A. C.	0 4 2 5—15
Smith, W. L.	0 2 2 0—4
Dickinson, E. C.	0 2 0 3—5
Watters, W.	4 0 3 5—12
Bell, Z. K.	4 2 4 3—13
O'Neill, H.	2 0 2 0—4
Merritt, L. L.	2 4 4 4—18
Jackson, Geo.	0 0 0 0—0
Swain, C. T.	0 0 0 0—0
Gibbons, A. T.	4 4 4 4—20
Stokley, W.	0 4 4 4—16
Lynch, H. A.	3 4 2 0—11
Cantwell	0 4 4 4—16
McKoy, T. B.	3 3 3 4—17
Orrell, T. R.	2 3 4 4—16
Taylor	4 3 3 4—15
Poisson, L. J.	0 4 4 0—12

## RALEIGH HAS A SENSATION

Well-Known Practicing Physician is Charged With Being Responsible for Sudden Deaths—Woman Said to Be in Case.

(Special Star Correspondence.) Raleigh, N. C., May 20.—Dr. D. S. Rowland, a well-known practicing physician of this city, was arrested this morning by the Raleigh police on the strength of a telegram from Sheriff Powell, of Vance county, that he is wanted in Henderson to answer the charge of murder. Rowland was locked up in the city prison to await the coming of the Vance sheriff.

Some weeks ago Dr. Rowland's little son, who was with relatives near Henderson, died suddenly while reciting a lesson in school. Heart failure is reported to have been the cause. Now it is charged that Dr. Rowland was responsible, having conveyed poison in candy or other dainties sent him from Raleigh. There is alleged to have been a \$5,000 life insurance policy on the boy's life in favor of Dr. Rowland. On the other hand Dr. Rowland carried \$30,000 on his own life for the boy's benefit. Dr. Rowland has been a widower for a number of years. Relatives of the deceased wife are understood to be behind the prosecution.

What adds to the complication is a movement against Rowland by the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, of the First division of the Seaboard Air line, involving the recent sudden death of Engineer C. R. Strange, of the Seaboard. He was taken suddenly ill after breakfast three weeks ago. Rowland was the first physician to reach him, being called in by Mrs. Strange, and Strange died, it was announced, from heart failure. Rowland and the widow of Strange had been intimate for some time. She is a handsome brunette. They went to Norfolk one week ago and registered as man and wife under a fictitious name and claim now to be married. Engineer Strange carried \$5,000 insurance and had several thousand dollars in the bank.

At the city prison Dr. Rowland declines to talk about the charges, saying that he has no idea of the case until he goes to Henderson and there is nothing in the charges. Sheriff Powell is expected for the prisoner this afternoon. Rowland has one of the largest and best equipped suites of medical offices in this State with X-ray and electric appliances of every kind. He lived in Kittrell and Henderson before locating here six years ago.

The sheriff of Vance county carried Dr. Rowland to Henderson this afternoon. He was instructed by the coroner of Wake county to hold Rowland for the authorities here, in the event the murder of his little son is not proven, as he will be wanted here for the murder of Engineer Strange. Mrs. Rowland was arrested this afternoon and gave \$2,000 bond, pending the charge of accessory before the fact in the murder of her former husband, C. R. Strange, whose body will be exhumed for examination.

Strange and his wife were Western people, he being a locomotive engineer, and had lived here only a short time. An officer from Vance county, who came here for Rowland today, is said to have stated that there are suspicious circumstances connected with the death of Rowland's first wife. Rowland is widely known and his arrest caused a great sensation.

The body of Davis Austin Rowland, the 11-year-old son of Dr. Rowland, has been exhumed and the stomach will be brought from Vance county to Raleigh in the morning for examination for poisoning.

The boy died two weeks ago, after taking a walk in the woods with his father, and it is alleged that the lad said his father had given him an orange which tasted bitter. The warrant charges murder by poison. Rowland's wife, to whom he was married last week, was arrested as an accessory.

### ENGINEERS ARE HERE.

Committee From Atlantic Coast Line Here for Important Conference.

The committee from the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers from all three divisions of the Atlantic Coast Line from Richmond to Tampa, Fla., have returned to Wilmington to complete negotiations pending with the officials in the general offices of the road in this city relative to certain changes that are wanted in the regulations governing the service, and in the way of an increase in the wage scale. The men held a meeting yesterday in the Elks' Temple and will have a conference with General Manager Royall today.

### To Build on Ann Street.

Building Inspector Furlong yesterday issued a permit to Mr. O. A. Wiggins to erect on Ann street, between Second and Third, a seven-room residence to cost \$3,000. The name of the contractor is not given but work on the structure will begin at once.

DeHay	2 0 2 0—4
Peschau, W. A.	0 2 2 2—8
Davis, J. H.	0 2 0 3—9
Reaves	2 0 2 0—6
Joyner	0 2 0 2—7
Banck, F.	0 0 2 0—4
Tapp, R. E.	3 0 2 0—5
Robertson	3 3 3 5—17
Tillery, G. L.	3 0 4 0—7
Smith, J. L.	0 3 0 0—3
Holmes, E. H.	4 2 4 4—18
Gause, T. J.	2 2 5 0—11
Duffy	0 3 4 3—13
Myers, J. Q.	3 3 4 0—14

## TALE OF HARDSHIPS

Capt. Maxwell and Crew of Wilmington Cleared Vessel Landed in New York.

## SCHR. EVERETT WEBSTER

Men Went for Days on Half a Biscuit Each—French Craft Picked Them Up and Took Them to France—Vessel.

(By Associated Press.) New York, May 10.—Another tale of the sea having to do with the horrors of shipwreck in mid-ocean was told today by Captain Clarence Maxwell, who, with his crew of six men of the schooner Webster, arrived here on the steamer Philadelphia. At the same time the mystery surrounding the derelict schooner, which had been reported by almost every Atlantic liner for the past month as lying in the main waterway as a serious menace to navigation, was explained.

The Webster, a three-master schooner, belonging to Haldt & Cummins, of Philadelphia, left Wilmington, N. C., on March 31, bound for Philadelphia. When off Cape Hatteras she ran into a series of heavy gales and on the third day out sprang a leak. The deck load was washed away and Captain Maxwell ordered all the crew to the pumps, but constant work so exhausted them that their hands were raw and swollen to more than twice the normal size.

Finally the captain gathered his men in the stern of his ship, the only part above water, and counsel was held. It was found that they had only a barrel of biscuits and a gallon jar of water left of their stores. The fury of the storm increased and the waves constantly broke over the men and they were obliged to lash themselves fast. Westerly gales blew the schooner out to sea, far from the regular track of ships, and to add to their desperate condition a wave which swept over the stern upset the biscuit barrel and all but a few of the men lived on a portion of a biscuit each and a spoonful of water each a day.

On April 13 a vessel bore down on them. The members of the crew were delirious, but Captain Maxwell stood up and, taking off his coat, waved it frantically above his head. It was the French bark Quevilly, Captain Ladonne, from Philadelphia to Rouen, France. The Quevilly lowered a boat and, although high seas made the work extremely dangerous, the shipwrecked men were rescued.

For a week they were nursed by the crew of the French bark. Arriving at Rouen, they were taken in charge by the American consul, who sent them to Southampton, where they boarded the Philadelphia.

Captain Maxwell said that before abandoning his vessel he set fire to her.

### MAYOR'S COURT YESTERDAY.

Mr. Goodman Fined For Speeding Auto—Other Cases.

The following cases were before Mayor Springer at noon yesterday: W. H. Goodman, for exceeding the speed limit with his automobile, was fined \$15 and the costs, which he paid.

R. J. Jenkins, colored, charged with being drunk and down, was fined \$5 and costs. J. R. Hall, Silas Wilson, George Lucas, Sam Roberson and Lula Roberson, all colored, were charged with disorderly conduct. The last named was sent to the county farm for 30 days. Lucas was fined \$10 and costs and the remaining trio were fined \$5 and the costs in each case.

Wm. Moore, a bootblack, was up for shining shoes on the sidewalk. He was discharged on condition his mother give him a good "licking."

Joseph Woods, Emanuel Silvy, W. H. Hope and R. L. McLeod, white, were charged with being drunk and down. McLeod was fined \$5 and the costs. Hope and Woods were let off with the costs and Silvy was fined \$5 and the costs.

Dan Smith, for an assault on Rose Smith, was fined \$10 and the costs. Antonie Olivia, charged with an assault on Ellen Olivia, was sent to the county roads for 30 days.

A. Limpton and Chas. Brindell, charged with an affray at Fourth and Nixon streets, were each fined \$5 and costs.

### Great Mass Meetings.

Rev. Henry W. Stough, the evangelist, addressed a very large mass meeting of men in the Academy of Music Sunday afternoon, his subject having been "Chaining the Giant." His singer, Mr. Reynolds, led the singing and this was greatly enjoyed by the large congregation. Mr. Stough's discourse was strong and appealing. The great audience gave him the closest attention all through. Last night Mr. Stough addressed another mass meeting in the First Presbyterian Church, this being the last of the series of very successful meetings which the evangelist has conducted here. Mr. Stough, who joined her husband Saturday, assisted with the singing at the services in the churches Sunday and charmed all her hearers with her sweet voice.