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OUTLINES

In the peonage case against railroad contractor E. A. Kline, at Beaufort, N. C., the proceedings were delayed yesterday by frequent battling between attorneys; Kline's defense is that he only held the Russians in order to make them comply with their contract with him—Indictments have been found at Washington against the trainmen alleged to be responsible for the B. & O. wreck December 31, last, when 48 lives were lost—The 500 employes of the Postal Telegraph Company at Chicago went on strike at 6 o'clock last evening—A romantic story comes that Bill Quantrell, the famous Confederate guerilla chief, is alive in Vancouver Island, at the age of 70 years; he was seen there and although he has been considered as dead, he was recognized by an old Federal veteran who helped to break up his band; the story is not credited in Missouri and Kansas—Attorney General Bonaparte was at Oyster Bay yesterday and for six hours was closeted with President Roosevelt; he refused to state what was up but acknowledged that the Standard Oil Company and the Southern Railway troubles were considered—In the New York Stock Market yesterday Standard Oil stock fell to the lowest point touched in many years—J. S. Thompson, at Montgomery, Ala., assistant to President Finley, of the Southern Railway, gives out a statement that the railroad was in a serious situation with its license taken away and consequently had to make terms with the State authorities; Governor Comer says the other roads must also come to time else he will call the Legislature together—A violent electric storm occurred at Baltimore and vicinity yesterday during which lightning struck and burned several residences and barns—The strike in Washington has tied up building operations on contracts involving \$1,000,000—New York markets: Money on call strong 3 to 4 3/4 per cent, ruling rates 4, closing bid 3, offered at 3 1/2; spot cotton 10 points higher, closing quiet at 13.40; flour barely steady; wheat easy, No. 2 red 94 elevator; corn steady, No. 2 60 elevator; oats strong, mixed 55; turpentine firm 60; rosin quiet, strained common to good 4.45.

The Saturday Evening Post, of Philadelphia, contains an article entitled "The Art of Handling Men." Art? How about policy?

Every time we see a Standard Oil official protesting against that \$29,240,000 fine, it makes us consumers feel that they really do hate to have to make us pay it.

The campaign slogan of the Democrats in Pennsylvania is "Thou shalt not steal." Recruits coming over from the Republican party will signify that they have decided to be honest.

The Rev. Dr. Hillis exclaims: "There are forty-four roads to hell and only one to Heaven." All roads lead to Wilmington. When in doubt, tell the conductor to put you off at Wilmington.

Vice President Archbold, of the Standard Oil Company, flatly denies a Government official's charge that the officers have practiced trickery. This may be true so far as Mr. Archbold knows. The other officials might have been ignoring him when they were up to their tricks.

Says the Raleigh Evening Times: "The Washington Star may rest easy now. Governor Glenn has found it impossible to get to Brooklyn to make that speech before the Democratic Club on the North Carolina controversy." Nevertheless, the Governor might not be too busy to prepare an article for that magazine.

The Hon. John Sharp Williams—and The Star is glad of it—is finally out of the woods with that Senatorial nomination. That it is conceded that he beat his opponent by only 648 majority, shows that Governor Vardaman is much more of a force in Mississippi politics than some of us are willing to admit is altogether a healthy sign.

If Jones continues to "pay the freight" and hasn't joined the hue and cry against "discrimination in restraint of trade," there is cause for the Government to get suspicious and investigate Jones as to whether satisfactory rebates make it perfectly agreeable for him to go right on paying the freight without any kick whatsoever.

A speech at Rushville, Ind., on Wednesday, Speaker Joseph G. Cannon refused to speak of Republican political affairs in Ohio and Indiana. Then he turned in and gave Socialism fits. When Uncle Joe fights shy of a family row and talks about something else, it shows that his judgment is still unclouded and his discretion is the better part of his judgment.

ON GUN CLUB TRAPS

Inter-State Shoot Under Auspices of Wilmington Gun Club Closed Here Yesterday.

IN EVERY WAY A SUCCESS

Crayton, of Charlotte, High Amateur Average for Both Days, Storr Leads Professionals—Two Special Events for Prizes.

The Inter-State trap shoot, in progress here the past two days under the auspices of the Wilmington Gun Club, came to a close with the two special events yesterday afternoon, the one for the handsome hand-painted vase offered by the Hunter Arms Company, and tied for by Messrs. Boushee and Stokley, with scores of 22 out of 25, and the other for the gun offered by the Ithaca Arms Company, of Ithaca, N. Y., and won by Mr. Boushee, who broke 24 out of 25 targets exposed to his gun. The shoot was a perfect success in every way and nearly a score of visitors, who were in attendance express satisfaction with the manner in which everything passed off. There were ten events or 20 blue rocks each day for the usual prize offering and \$10 added money in each event. Mr. J. E. Crayton, of Charlotte, was high amateur average each day, with 187 and 183 respectively, out of the possible two hundred, while the second high amateur average for the first day was Mr. J. W. Todd, of Charlotte, 182 out of 200 and Dr. Jas. Iredell Johnson, of Raleigh, the second day, with 179 out of 200. The professionals were led both days by E. H. Storr, of Charlotte, with the Peters Cartridge Company. Mr. Storr broke 191 the first day and 187 the second. The local gunners did well both days and carried away a good portion of the money. The scores out of a possible 200 each day were as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Name and Score. Includes Hawkins (186), Sims (162), Storr (187), Dr. J. I. Johnson (179), Walls (173), Crayton (187), Sawyer (170), Bates (172), Todd (171), McPhee (161), Stokley (177), Boylan (170), Little (161), Bellamy, R. H. (163), Holmes (166), Penny (167), Dreher (174), J. Johnson (168), Killete (165), Truelove (152), Merriman (144), Anthony (178), Empe, B. G. (148).

Table with 2 columns: Name and Score. Includes First Events: Harriss, G. (135), Harriss, C. H. (180), Empe, B. G. (153), Wessell (102), Thurman (58), Reynolds (42). Second Events: Harriss, C. H. (61), Wessell (100), Creswell (36), Crawford (16), Bennett (20), Lyons (12), Harriss, G. (47).

The visiting men here for the shoot returned to their homes last evening and this morning. In spite of the large crowds at the firemen's tournament there was also a large crowd each day at the traps and the spectators remained with the men at the traps until nightfall of each day. The special events yesterday afternoon for the handpainted vase and the Ithaca gun lasted until the shades of night were well on. The tie between Stokley and Boushee for the vase will be shot off at the regular shoot of the club next week.

Some excellent photographs of the pair of horses attached to the W. R. Womble Hook and Ladder truck, of Raleigh, when it lowered the world's record in the tournament Thursday afternoon, together with the ladderman of the truck, who made such a sensational climb were taken yesterday afternoon at Second and Princess streets by the Gem Studio, 114 Market street. The photographs are handsome likenesses of the pair of bays and of the ladderman and copies may be had for a nominal sum by applying to the studio. The company placed an order for 500 of the pictures for distribution among friends. They were taken, printed and mounted by the Gem Studio in half an hour.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

- Naval Reserves—Attention. Robert C. DeRosset—"The Traitor." J. M. Solky & Co.—Clothing Fourth Off. Business Locals. Stolen—A Coat. Wanted—Teams for 30 Days. A colored boy about 13 to 14 years old may obtain work by making immediate application at the Star office.

FINANCES OF THE COUNTY

Auditing Committee of Board of Commissioners Pass on Treasurer's Report and Burn Retired Court House Bonds.

The Auditing Committee of the Board of County Commissioners held its regular monthly meeting at the Court House Thursday afternoon, the principal business transacted being the examination and approval of the monthly report of County Treasurer H. McL. Green, showing receipts and disbursements as follows:

Receipts—Balance from June account, general fund, \$21,977.66; special county funds, \$2,913.63; road fund, \$23,824.32; road sinking fund, \$10,787.25; interest, \$105.10; liquor tax, \$2,897.50; jail fees, \$4.60; marriage license, \$38.95; back taxes, \$141.84; transfer to special fund, \$1,700. Total \$64,390.85. Disbursements—Outdoor poor, \$248.70; Superior Court, \$321.05; jail, \$212.50; hospital, \$600; public buildings, \$602.11; United Charities, \$54.25; stationery and advertising, \$130.65; roads and bridges, \$908.06; county home, \$270.75; taxilisting, \$1,244.72; magistrates, \$13.73; election, \$11; miscellaneous, \$15; Register of Deeds, \$114.30; Superintendent of Health, \$100; Coroner, \$25; constable, \$18.60; clerk, \$60; janitor, \$50; general to special fund, \$1,700; treasurer's commissions, \$3,475.04; special county fund, \$4,247.43; road sinking fund, \$2,151.56. Total, \$16,813.18. The balance to August account is \$47,577.67 of which \$18,121.40 is to credit of general fund; \$366.20 to special fund; \$20,454.38 to road fund, and \$8,635.69 to road sinking fund. Eight court house bonds of \$500 each, due and payable in 1912, but recently called in by the Commissioners, were burned by the Board. These are the last of the bonds due on the new Court House, except \$7,800 due in 1917. Coupons to the amount \$2,125 on the road bonds, first and second issue, and \$170 on the Court House bonds having been paid, were also burned.

MARRIAGE AT RICHLANDS

Miss Bessie Koonce the Bride of Mr. J. L. King, of Wilmington. The Methodist Episcopal Church at Richlands, Onslow county, was the scene of a beautiful marriage ceremony on Thursday evening when Mr. J. L. King, of this city, led to the altar Miss Bessie Koonce, the attractive young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Koonce, and they were made man and wife in a beautiful ceremony performed by the pastor, Rev. Mr. McLaurin. The wedding marches were skillfully rendered by Miss Dannie Koonce, while the solo "O! Promise Me" was sweetly rendered just before the solemn service at the altar by Miss Nicholson, of Richlands. The ushers were Messrs. Leonard Taylor and P. A. Irving and they entered first, followed by the other attendants as follows: Two little flower girls; Miss Mary Hardy and Dr. C. W. Sutton; Miss May Cox and Mr. Jamie Rhodes; the bride with her cousin, Miss Lizie Koonce, maid of honor; the groom with his best man, Mr. W. Oterson, of Wilmington. Following the ceremony the wedding party was delightfully entertained at an elaborate reception at the Hardy Hotel and the bride and groom left yesterday morning for Jamestown and other points north. They will return to Wilmington a little later and will be at home in this city where Mr. King has a position as traveling salesman for the large dry goods house of I. M. Bear & Co. Both the bride and groom are very popular and will receive the happiest felicitations of many friends.

MRS. P. D. WALKER DEAD

Wife of Associate Justice Passed Away in Charlotte Thursday. Private telegrams to friends in this city Thursday night apprised them of the sad news of the death of Mrs. Nettie Covington Walker, wife of Associate Justice of the Supreme Court Platt D. Walker, which occurred late Thursday afternoon at the family home in Charlotte, N. C. She had been in poor health since last February, following an attack of la grippe in Raleigh from which she never finally recovered. Mrs. Walker was born near Rockingham, Richmond county, and as Miss Nettie Covington was a great belle of her time, being a daughter of Colonel John W. Covington, a large planter of that section of the State. Her mother was a sister of the late Judge Thomas Settle. Mr. and Mrs. Walker moved from Rockingham to Charlotte in 1878. Mr. Walker, having been raised in Wilmington and having spent his early manhood here, since which time he has had a host of friends in his native city. There are many here who extend to him their heart-felt sympathy.

Mrs. Walker is survived by her husband and a half brother, Mr. Oliver H. Dockery and a half sister, Mrs. Frank O. Landis. The funeral services were conducted from the residence at 11 o'clock yesterday morning in Charlotte.

Lumina Tonight. Mid-week dance. Express trains at 8 and 8:30 o'clock. Get you a fine suit at a great reduction from J. M. Solky & Co. Read their ad.

TOURNAMENT ENDED

Inter-State Day Races Most Interesting Events of Big Firemen's Meet Here.

VERY LARGE ATTENDANCE

Asheville and Raleigh Winners in Hose Wagon Contest—Salem and Salisbury Fastest in Hand and Grab Reel Races—Close.

With an all-day schedule of events constituting the Inter-State races of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association, the tournament which has been in progress in Wilmington during the past three days and which has been declared by everyone a magnificent success, came to a close yesterday afternoon shortly after 5 o'clock on the course beginning at Fifth and Bladen streets, extending north. The attendance was the largest of the week with the exception of the opening day when the crowd was variously estimated at from 10,000 to 15,000. The final events were the hand and grab reel races yesterday morning and the hose wagon contests in the afternoon. In the hand reel races Salem and Salisbury took first and second prizes of \$125 and \$75 respectively, while in the grab reel contest which immediately followed the order of the two teams was just reversed, Salisbury taking first money, \$100, and Salem second, \$50. The hose wagon races in the afternoon attracted the largest crowds, Asheville No. 2 taking first prize of \$150, Asheville No. 1, second prize of \$75 and Raleigh Capital Hose Company, third money, \$25. There were no third prizes in the hand and grab reel races.

There were six entries for the hand reel races, including two out of the State companies—Rome, Ga., and Florence, S. C. The timers were Messrs. R. C. Taylor, E. T. Mills and George Hardin while the judges were F. C. Meinung, S. G. Bernard, L. Weil and Mr. Daughteridge. Secretary VonGlahn being the official starter for all the events. The time made by the respective companies in their order was as follows: Salem 26 3/5 seconds; Salisbury 27 4/5 seconds; Morganton 29, Rome, Ga., 31 2/5 and Florence, S. C., 32 1/5. Graham failed on connection and no time was taken. The Rome team would have made a better record but for the fact that a ring to the pulling gear of their reel pulled out at a critical stage in the race.

In the grab reel races Graham and Florence did not enter, reducing the number of entries to four. Salisbury finished in 19 3/5 seconds; Salem 19 4/5; Rome, Ga., in 21 and Morganton in 22 seconds.

One Hundred Yards Dash. The one-hundred yards dash between sprinters of the respective teams is always a feature of Inter-State Day at the tournaments and yesterday was no exception. There were ten entries from all teams but C. C. Wood, of Rome, Ga., carried off the honors in covering the distance in 9 4/5 seconds which is but one-fifth of a second above the world's record. Mr. Wood had a close second in a comrade on the same team in the person of Mr. Grover Byars, of Rome, Ga., who went under the wire in ten seconds. George Seifert, of Salisbury, was third in the race. Those who entered for the race were Seifert, of Salisbury; Ernest Hill, Raleigh; M. Whitner, Morganton; R. E. Peddicord, Salem; E. G. Claywell, Morganton; P. W. Dalliare, Florence; Wood and Byars, of Georgia, and E. C. Stemple, of Salem. The first heat was a qualifying race and Rome and Salisbury runners were qualified for the championship event. The result was as stated. Young Wood is 20 years old and will enter the University of Georgia this season. He won the 100-yard dash at Asheville last year in 10 1/5 seconds and appears to be an all-round athlete.

Hose Wagon Races. There were 13 entries for the hose wagon contests, the judges having been Messrs. John C. Boesell, W. A. Ward, W. B. Pate, S. G. Bernard, L. Weil and Mr. Dougherty. The Durham team, Goldsboro Eclipse and Concord team failed of hose connection and the other companies finished in the following order: Asheville No. 2, 32 seconds; Asheville No. 1, 32 1/5 seconds; Raleigh Capital Hose Company, 32 4/5; Newbern, 33; Kingston, 34; Goldsboro No. 1 34 1/5; Newbern Atlantic and Salisbury, 36; Rocky Mount, 36 1/5; Statesville, 38. The races were pulled off much more smoothly than on the opening day and were witnessed by an immense crowd.

Exhibition With the Chemical. At the conclusion of the regular events scheduled for the day, through the courtesy of Chairman French, of the Fire Committee, and Chief Schnibben, of the Department, the visitors were given a practical demonstration of the Chemical Engine, of Wilmington, all the Department responding to a regular alarm and making a splendid showing in turning out from their respective houses. No time was recorded of course, but in spite of the demoralization on the course incident to the close of the regular events, the Wilmington laddies made a fine show-

BASEBALL GAMES TO-DAY

City League Promises Two Interesting Exhibitions This Afternoon at Hilton—Southside League. Will Also Play.

Unless all signs fail there will be two interesting games of baseball in the City League at Hilton Park this afternoon. The games last Saturday were interfered with by the heavy downpour of rain, but better things are promised for today, and if the teams have half a chance they will put up two splendid exhibitions of the National sport. At 3 o'clock the champion Y. M. C. A. team will be on the diamond with the Monarchs and at 5 o'clock the Giants and Rattlers will try conclusions. Under this arrangement the teams are perhaps more equally pitted one against the other than in any other formation, and each of them is going to put forth one supreme effort to win. The season is nearing an end and those teams not comfortably high enough in the percentage column are playing hide and seek with one another to keep above the bottom, while at least more than one has a covetous eye upon the top of the column.

Not only has the City League a tempting menu for patrons, but the Southside boys also have some games that will be worth while to see on their grounds, Castle street, between Third and Fourth. The first game this afternoon will be between the Union Leaguers and the Gray Eagles. This will be at 3 o'clock. The second game at 5 o'clock will be between the South Wilmington team and the Wilmington Cotton Mills. All these teams are playing no indifferent ball and hope to make a very creditable showing. Lady as well as gentleman patronage is solicited and the best of order is promised.

The Chemical engine was used to quick advantage on a pile of burning boxes and excelsior liberally saturated with oil just to the left of the band stand. Chief Schnibben preceded the apparatus of this department in the handsomely decorated automobile of Mr. Fred Dock.

"Not on the Programme." The most ludicrous event of the day was a burlesque race run as the last act of the tournament by what was placarded on the wagon as the "Never Late Company" of Wilmington. A miniature reel cart had been rigged up and with a dinner bell clanging the alarm down the track on came a long-eared jackass hitched to the wagon, Messrs. John W. Blomme, Otto Gen-aust, Sam King and F. W. Banks appearing on the reel as the firemen, all heavily rubbered and booted. The "Never-Lates" grabbed the Chemical hose at the hydrant and were out with water on schedule time.

The Bowling Tournament. The bowling tournament at Lumina between four-men teams from the Salem, Hickory and Morganton companies was completed last night, Salem having been awarded first prize of \$25; Hickory second prize of \$15 and Morganton, third prize of \$5. The contest was very close as will be seen by the figures for the three nights as follows: Salem, 468, 505 and 487. Total 1,460. Hickory, 452, 539, 430. Total 1,421. Morganton, 559, 485, 460. Total 1,404.

Some Tournament Notes. The following grateful appreciation from the members of Hose Company No. 2, of Durham, is merited by the Wilmington department and was handed to Chief Schnibben before the visiting Department left the city yesterday evening:

"To the Chief, Assistant Chief and members Wilmington Fire Department: 'Comrades: We, the members of Hose Company No. 2, Durham Fire Department, wish to extend to you, one and all, our thanks and appreciation for your many kindnesses to us and the hearty support you have so kindly given us at this most successful tournament. Owing to your generous hospitality and good fellowship, and your untiring efforts in our behalf, we feel called upon to show you in this way our thanks and appreciation. We trust that some day we can in a more substantial way, show you how very much we feel indebted to you, and when we leave, we want you to realize that our sympathies and best wishes are left behind us.

"Again thanking your department and each individual, believe us, gratefully yours, 'DURHAM HOSE CO. NO. 2. 'F. W. Denny, Captain."

Now that the tournament is over, it is fitting that some public expression should be made in regard to the tireless efforts of President Jas. D. McNeill, of Fayetteville; Secretary W. C. VonGlahn, of Wilmington; Treasurer R. C. Taylor, of Winston; Chief Schnibben and Assistant Chief Monroe and Supt. of Alarm John T. Yates, of Wilmington, who contributed much to the success of the big meet. They were the men behind the guns, so to speak, and their task was not one of play. They were the hardest worked men in Wilmington while it lasted, and thousands who witnessed and enjoyed the tournament are due them a very large debt of gratitude.

The twenty-odd members of the Rome, Ga., hose reel company who were here for Inter-State day, left last night in a party for the Jamestown Exposition. They will spend a while there, returning to their homes next week. They are a very clever, genial set of fellows and the regret is that the city could not have had them for its guests all the week.

NO CONFERENCE HELD

Officials of Railways Not Ready For Consideration of Freight Rates at Raleigh.

NORFOLK & WESTERN CASE

Postponed Meeting Will Probably Be Held Week After Next—Southern Ticket Agent Green Engages in Private Business.

(Special Star Correspondence.) Raleigh, N. C., Aug. 9.—The conference proposed by Governor Glenn between himself, the Corporation Commission and the traffic managers of the Southern, Atlantic Coast Line, Seaboard Air Line, Norfolk & Western and the Norfolk & Southern Railroad companies, with a view to launching a movement for the elimination of freight rate discrimination against North Carolina points as compared with the "Virginia cities" rates, did not materialize owing to the fact that the officials of the railroad with one accord expressed their inability to come to Raleigh at this time. As a result the whole matter has been postponed to some date, probably week after next. At least this is the desire of the Governor as he will be out of Raleigh all next week at the Jamestown Exposition. The Corporation Commission will have to confer with Traffic Manager DeVant, of Norfolk & Western as to what new date will be settled on for the hearing in the case against this company involving the rate to Winston-Salem and Durham. This is the case the Commission has been working on for some time in which it believes it can bring a modification of the N. & W. rate into the State and thereby force corresponding reductions by the Southern and other competing roads, as it is the Norfolk & Western with its own rails from Cincinnati to North Carolina points via Virginia cities which makes the short haul rate to the Virginia cities that the Southern and other roads have to meet. The Commission will communicate with Traffic Manager DeVant as to some future date of mutual convenience for this hearing, and it is the desire of the Governor to have the other traffic managers and his own counsel for the State present and participate in this conference.

None of the delegation of merchants and other shippers that were expected from other towns for the conference today by invitation from the Governor came, except the Charlotte delegation consisting of A. B. Justice and Messrs. Ford and Stone. Most of the other delegations were notified that the meeting would not be held in time for them not to start on the trip. The Governor is anxious to so formulate the complaint against the railroad companies as to embrace the discriminations against all kinds of freight for every class of the people.

The Corporation Commission obtained telegraphic communication with Traffic Manager Davant of the Norfolk and Western, this evening and arranged for the Norfolk & Western hearing to take place Monday.

This means the Governor cannot be present as he will be in Norfolk all the week. This also eliminates the possibility of having the officials of any other roads to whom the Governor sent notices to be present. The hearing Monday will be as to alleged discriminations against Winston-Salem and Durham by the Norfolk & Western, as compared with rates granted Virginia cities, the rates by the Southern and other roads to North Carolina points being controlled by the Norfolk & Western rate to Lynchburg and other Virginia points which are discriminatory in the case of the Norfolk & Western against Winston-Salem and Durham.

T. E. Green, the Southern ticket agent who figured in the sensational railway rate cases here a week or two ago, has quit the service of the railway and will devote his time to the furniture business as secretary and treasurer of the Raleigh Furniture Company, in which he has been a stockholder for some time. Mr. Green is also financially interested in the Green Grocery Company, and these affairs will require all of his time.

(By Associated Press.) Raleigh, N. C., Aug.—An informal conference between merchants, State representatives, the Governor and representatives of the freight department of railroads to discuss the matter of alleged freight rate discrimination against North Carolina towns, called for today by the Governor, was postponed by Governor Glenn as T. S. Davant, freight traffic manager of the Norfolk and Western and the Seaboard Air Line freight representatives could not be present. Representatives of some shippers appeared and filed complaint against the Norfolk & Western, though the whole freight rate situation was to have been discussed. The Corporation Commission has notified T. S. Davant to appear before it Monday in the matter of alleged discrimination by the Norfolk & Western. A time after next week will later be named by Governor Glenn for the general conference.

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