

Subscription Terms
One Year by Mail.....\$6.00
Six Months by Mail.....\$3.00
Three Months by Mail....\$1.50

THE MORNING STAR.

The Morning Star
Oldest Daily Newspaper in the State.
Largest circulation of any Wilmington Paper.

VOL. LXXXIII—NO. 121

WILMINGTON, N. C., TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1909.

WHOLE NO. 12,924.

OUTLINES.

The fleet from a world's cruise, and the attending cruisers, assembled in Hampton Roads yesterday and were given a notable welcome by President Roosevelt and the many thousands that witnessed the review and the appropriate ceremonies in connection with the home-coming event—Robin Cooper was on the stand four hours yesterday, and was followed by John D. Sharp, who made a good impression, but contradicted himself several times under the rapid cross-examination of the attorneys. Honors are divided between the State and the defense in the trial for the murder of former Senator Carmack, at Nashville, Tenn.—T. A. Uzzell has been appointed receiver of the Bank of Carteret—Senate committee adds clause to Diplomatic Bill prohibiting the creating of an embassy except by act of Congress—The Senate Judiciary Committee decides to report on no more appointments at this session—Southern Express train No. 35 was wrecked near Greenville, S. C., yesterday. The engineer and fireman were killed—Jefferson Davis' name by order of the President will be restored to the tablet on the Cabin John Bridge near Washington City—At Mondovio, Wis., a man kills his four children, stabs his horses and cattle, sets fire to his premises and then takes his own life—Mr. Rainey made his second speech in the House yesterday attacking Cromwell and the others heretofore charged by him as being implicated in the Panama scandal. He was replied to by Mr. Burton in a severe arraignment of his conduct—The programme for receiving the home-coming battleship fleet was carried out in every detail yesterday and was a magnificent naval pageant—Seven persons were killed, some of them burned to death, in a wreck of a train from Philadelphia to Norfolk yesterday. Princess Trixie, the famous educated horse was also burned to death.

It's neither the hand nor the voice of Roosevelt which is building the Taft Cabinet. That is perfectly plain.

Taft's inaugural address will contain only five thousand words—another evidence of his pulling away from the Roosevelt policies.

Don't you know that Atlanta lady detective will have a number of female friends? What a fund of gossip she will have.

A little attention to duty would have saved the directors of the Newbern bank from having to make good that hundred thousand dollar default.

It's like hitting a man when he is down, to criticize Knox's position after knowing that he will lose four thousand dollars a year by the change in the law.

State Senator Barringer ought to have explained that it was a joke before that Guilford county delegation went to the expense of a trip to Raleigh.

About the only change that will be made in the Panama Canal plans will be the consecutive changes in the figures of the estimates of cost of construction.

We do not suppose the editors of the New York World and of the Indianapolis News are anticipating the donning of striped clothes in the near future.

While Congress is trying to expose the President's short-comings it should remember that equity maxim of the Common Law that "a man must come into equity with clean hands."

According to Robin Cooper, he did all the shooting, and it was to protect his own life and not that of his father, as was the general impression until he went on the witness stand.

For a while the Greensboro newspapers poked fun at Charlotte about the trouble the latter was having over her proposed new charter. Now they know themselves how it is.

Of course it will be said by some that the appointment of J. M. Dickson as Secretary of War is for the purpose of securing the vote of Tennessee for the Republican party.

What we can't understand is how the price of leaf tobacco is going to be increased by running out of the State the chief buyer and biggest manufacturer of that product of our farms.

Cutting off the appropriation for the secret service bureau does not cut down the number of men employed. Then why not let the Government save all the money spent on that service?

If the tobacco farmer can be really helped by legislation, then by all means let's have the legislation; but first it ought to be ascertained whether proposed action will do any good or not.

MAY HAVE WIRELESS

Representative of DeForest System in Wilmington Engaged in Campaign of Education.

A VELOUS INVENTION

Proposed to Establish Chain of Local Stations Down Atlantic Coast From Baltimore—Atlantic Plans are in Prospect.

Mr. C. F. Bodley, of New Orleans, La., general agent of the Radio Wireless Telephone Company, and representing Robert B. Jones Co., general Southern agents of the company exploiting the DeForest inventions, arrived in the city yesterday and is a guest at The Orton, where he will spend several days in the interest of the Atlantic Radio Wireless Telephone Company, a subsidiary organization of the parent organization, formed to extend the DeForest system along the Southern coast and interior coastal States from Baltimore, Md., to the southernmost point in Florida.

A representative of the Star yesterday had a very interesting interview with Mr. Bodley in regard to the marvellous invention which he is promoting and plans for putting it into practical use on the Atlantic seaboard. He stated that his mission on this trip to Wilmington was one largely of education along the lines of the DeForest inventions with a view of later interesting the people in the establishment of the service in this territory. The parent company formed in New York several years ago has laid plans for forming 16 subsidiary companies and putting them in operation all over the United States. Only within the last year the Great Lakes subsidiary organization has been formed and put into practical working order and at a meeting of the parent company in New York last week, it was decided next to organize the subsidiary company to operate on the Atlantic seaboard, beginning at Baltimore and establishing six central offices along the coast to southern Florida. While Mr. Bodley could not say that one of the six stations would be located in Wilmington, inasmuch as six States lie immediately along the south Atlantic seaboard, it is reasonable to presume that each State will be given a station and that Wilmington will be the location selected for North Carolina.

While the location is not conditioned upon the amount of financial assistance received at the several points and that is never held out to investors as an inducement, Mr. Bodley is interesting people in the Radio Wireless company as an investment promising the yield of not only large dividends but large increases in face value of the stock. The Great Lakes subsidiary proved a great investment and the stock was more than doubled in value since Mr. Bodley's arrival. The invention is one of especial value to marine interests, hence the efforts for the present will be confined exclusively to the coast with later extension of the service inland.

Nearly every reader of current literature knows of the DeForest-wireless telephone invention and its wonderful possibilities and the service is now in practical operation on nearly all the steamers plying the great lakes which are in instant communication "by word of mouth" with the six central stations at important points on shore. The installation of the service along the Atlantic coast will mean that vessels equipped with the DeForest transmitters and receivers can communicate at any time with the stations on shore upon an instant's notice. The equipment will consist not only of the wireless telephone but the wireless telegraph also, the latter being the new sparkless system only recently perfected by Dr. DeForest. The statement is given out by the company that these stations along the Atlantic seaboard will be installed as fast as men and money can place them at the various stations and on board ships plying the coast. A large tower is used for the stations and Wilmington is believed to be ideally located for the service. A number of the wireless telephone towers have been erected on the tallest buildings in New York and recently one has been erected on the Eiffel tower in France from which the inventor claims it will be possible to talk in ordinary conversation to a person in one of the tower stations in New York. It is a most wonderful invention and that it is soon to be put in practical operation on this coast is a matter of importance.

Mr. Bodley will be at The Orton for a few days and will be glad to talk with anyone interested in this marvelous invention and its possibilities for application to commerce on this coast.

Mr. Dew Goes With Southern.

Friends of Mr. William P. Dew will be interested to learn that he has recently accepted the agency of the Southern Railway at Mooresville, N. C., and he leaves Thursday to assume charge of his new position. He has been connected with the Coast Line in the general offices in this city for some time past and is a young railroad man with considerable experience and a promising future. He has many friends here, who regret to see him leave.

THE LAYMEN'S MOVEMENT

Returning Delegates Speak in Enthusiastic Terms of Great Birmingham Convention—To Give Some Impressions.

At the regular prayer meeting service at the First Presbyterian Church tomorrow evening at the usual hour, the visitors from that congregation to the recent great Laymen's Missionary Conference in Birmingham, Ala., will give some impressions of their visit and on next Sabbath in the absence of the pastor, the representatives from St. Andrew's church will give similar echoes to their congregation from the great convention.

Dr. Wells, at the services at the First Church on Sunday made some reference to the great gathering under the auspices of the Southern Presbyterian Church, but tomorrow night the laymen themselves will testify to the great influence and impress upon their lives by the Birmingham meeting. At the convention there were 1,157 delegates, representative men from every section of the country, all united in one common purpose, the extension of the Master's Kingdom in the world. Returning delegates say there were many things that came out of the meeting itself. The needs of one hospital in China were only briefly referred to and immediately Mr. W. M. Cumming, of this city, was on his feet with an inquiry as to the amount required for the proper equipment of the institution. The reply came \$10,000. Mr. Cumming made a motion that the amount be raised then and there and in 20 minutes the need was more than subscribed. Mr. Robert E. Speer, secretary of the Foreign Missionary Board of the Southern Presbyterian Church, Dr. J. Campbell White, general secretary of the Laymen's Missionary Movement, and other prominent speakers were heard with great enthusiasm.

As has already been noted in the press dispatches plans were formulated to carry out the missionary platform of the Southern Presbyterian church, which has declared for a million dollars per annum for foreign missions. It is gratifying to know that Wilmington did well her part in pledging to the support of this campaign, an elder in the First Presbyterian Church of this city, having contributed \$10,000. Others did equally well according to their means and those who returned say it was an inspiration to hear these twelve hundred men sing, speak and give in the great cause of Christianity for the world.

In respect to numbers, the personnel, money raised and in other ways, the convention came up to the expectations of the most enthusiastic. The arrangements for the convention were a work of great proportions and the people of Birmingham acquitted themselves handsomely in the way in which they cared for the big crowd.

ON SERIOUS CHARGES.

Ed Wrison Tried in Two Cases, is Held For Higher Court.

On charges of forcible trespass and an assault with a deadly weapon on Mr. W. L. Webb, at Scott's Hill yesterday morning, Ed Wrison, colored, was tried yesterday afternoon before Justice Sykes, and placed in jail in default of a \$50 bond in each case, to await trial in higher court.

Mr. Webb is a farmer and it seems that Wrison laid claim to certain property of the former as that of his mother-in-law and proceeded to use it as he pleased. Mr. Webb interfered with him and asked him to keep off the land, but he paid no heed and yesterday morning went so far as to attempt to strike him with a shovel. Mr. Webb managed to ward off the blow by throwing up a board in front of him. The case attracted some interest and eleven witnesses were examined during the hearing. Herbert McClammy, Esq., represented the prosecutor, and Woodus Kellum, Esq., defended the negro.

Sumner Went Ashore and Drifted.

Advice to the effect that the schooner Ethyl B. Sumner, which is 26 days over due, bound from New York to Wilmington, went ashore on Lookout shoals and afterwards floated slightly leaking, having been received from her charterer in New York at the local port. It is supposed that the vessel is making for port, but on account of being disabled is proceeding slowly.

Cutter Had Rough Voyage.

The revenue cutter Seminole, which arrived in port Sunday afternoon for Washington's birthday, experienced extremely rough weather on her cruise of a few days along the North Carolina coast. The cutter leaves again today for a voyage over the cruising grounds and will destroy several derelicts, which were sighted on previous trips.

Funds Awaiting Investment

If you have funds awaiting investment there is no necessity for them to lie idle. The People's Savings Bank, pays 4 per cent. compound interest on deposits, and if you deposit now your interest will begin March 1st. 3t

"The Devil"—Academy tonight.

Seats selling at Plummer's. 2t

See the new Muslin Underwear at Rehder's.

PRIMARY MARCH 24TH

Democratic City Executive Committee Yesterday at Noon Named The Date.

REGISTRARS APPOINTED

Use of Money in Elections is Deplored But No Action Taken—Woodus Kellum, Esq., is Elected Chairman.

The City Democratic Executive Committee met yesterday noon at the office of Woodus Kellum, Esq., in the I. O. O. F. building, and after organizing by the election of Mr. Kellum permanent chairman and Mr. B. C. Moore secretary, proceeded to issue an official call for the municipal primary, the date for which will be Wednesday, March 24th.

The meeting was called to order promptly at 12 o'clock with the following members in attendance: Captain John Barry and Mr. B. C. Moore, first ward; Messrs. M. W. Jacobi and John H. Sweeney, second ward; Wm. E. Perdue and S. Behrends, third ward; C. W. Worth, fourth ward; O. H. Kennedy and Woodus Kellum, Esq., fifth ward. Mr. J. H. Watters was the most members absent. The permanent organization of the committee was the first business taken up. Mr. Worth declined an election to the chairmanship and upon motion of Mr. Perdue and second by Mr. Worth, the election of Mr. Kellum was unanimously chosen permanent secretary of the committee.

The law governing the primary was carefully gone over both before and during the meeting, it being ascertained that in order to give the required length of notice and length of time for a revision of the registration books and come within the scope of the law, the date for the primary would have to be either the 24th or 31st of March. Several members expressed themselves in favor of an early primary and the former date was unanimously chosen with little discussion. Upon motion of Mr. Worth the chairman was authorized and instructed to issue the formal call for the primary as required by law for Mayor, two members of the Board of Aldermen from each ward and two members of the executive committee.

Some one brought up the matter of the expense of the primary and asked if there would be necessity for again assessing the candidates to meet the expense of the same. Mr. Kellum stated that, thanks to a bill passed by Mr. Morton at the special session of last year, this expense would hereafter be borne by the city out of the public funds.

SCHOOL FIRE TEST TODAY

Alarm to be Sent in From Union School Today—Fire Drill, Etc.

Upon the well accepted presumption in cases of emergency that being prepared is more than half the battle, Chairman W. A. French, of the Fire Committee of the Board of Aldermen, has arranged for a very interesting and at the same time a very important test of the fire department in connection with the system of fire drills regularly maintained at the Union School. New alarm boxes have recently been installed in all the school buildings and the one from Union will be sent in between 12 and 1 o'clock today. The Department will respond just as if there were a fire, hose will be laid, ladders extended and the firemen will be in readiness to extend any assistance necessary. Meantime the principal and teachers of the school will have put the children through the fire drill and it will be ascertained just exactly how all may co-operate in acting in the event of a real emergency. There are more than 1,000 pupils in this school and it is said that everyone of them may be gotten out of the building in just three minutes by the fire drill. The experiment will be watched with much interest by many people, vitally interested in the safeguards thrown around all the schools.

SLUMBERLAND SUCCESS.

Not Only Artistic, But a Great Financial Success For Worthy Benefit.

It is with feelings of profound gratitude that the Ministering Circle of the King's Daughters, through the courtesy of the Morning Star, take this means of thanking the public generally for their very cordial support in the recent production of "Slumberland."

The success of the undertaking is well known to all from a spectacular and musical point of view, but it may not be amiss to state that from a financial standpoint the result far exceeds the most sanguine expectations, netting the sum of \$603.83 for the District Nurse Fund.

The ladies comprising the circle wish to extend to each member of the cast their sincerest thanks for the time and talent they have so cheerfully and willingly given to this worthy cause.

Money
Awaiting investment need not be idle. 4 per cent compound interest, can be earned on it during the waiting period if deposited in The People's Savings Bank. Deposits made now will bear interest from March 1st. 3t

WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY

Observance of Anniversary in Wilmington Generally Yesterday—Day of Great Interest For Cape Fear Golf Club Members.

The anniversary of the birthday of George Washington, "Father of His Country," was very appropriately observed in Wilmington yesterday. Banks and offices were closed for all or a part of the day, the government departments transacted no business, the postoffice observed holiday hours and the harbor craft, including the Revenue Cutter Seminole and even the British steamers in port, appropriately dressed ship in honor of the occasion of so much sentiment in the country.

At noon a Presidential salute of 21 guns was fired from the Seminole and other incidents occurred to make it altogether one of the most general celebrations of Washington's birthday yet observed in the city. The public schools held only short sessions and at the Union very pretty exercises were given. The programme included scriptural readings, songs by the school, recitations, readings, essays, etc., by Jeannette Buck, Carolyn Northrop, Emily Hammond, Latham Harris, Helen Bright, John Wells, William Monroe and others of the bright pupils.

The most notable celebration of the day was at the links of the Cape Fear Golf Club where the largest and best attended golf tournament of the season was held. The event began at 10 A. M. and was known as the "men's match against Bogie." There were some 20 or 30 contestants and some excellent playing. The winner was Mr. R. H. Gwaltney, who added another laurel to his wreath as champion of the South. He expects to participate in the free-for-all tourney at Pinehurst the last of the month. (After the men's match a delightful luncheon was served by the ladies of the club. At 3 o'clock in the afternoon the mixed tournament began and after a warm contest this was won by Major and Mrs. E. W. VanC. Lucas. Following the set events a number of individual contests were held and a new club record was established. This was accomplished by Miss Lucile Murchison and Mr. Gwaltney, who lowered the record for lady and gentleman playing together to 47 for the course of nine holes.

It was a superb day and the broad veranda of the handsome new club house presented an animated scene thronged with the players and their friends. Golf has many devotees among Wilmington people and the tournament yesterday has given the sport a wonderful impetus among them.

HOUSE WORKS ALL DAY ON MEASURE.

School Law Amended in Important Sections—In Honor of Ex-Representative Stewart.

(Special Star Telegram.)
Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 22.—The chief feature of interest in the General Assembly for Wilmington people today was the introduction of the New Hanover Recorder's Court bill in the Senate by Mr. Pharr, of Mecklenburg, for Senator Emple, who went via Wilmington Sunday for a visit with the legislative committee for an inspection of State fishing interests around Edenton, N. C.

The bill names John J. Furlong as Recorder of the court at a salary of \$1,200 and to hold office until an election can be held in November, 1911, and every two years thereafter. It will be a court of record with jurisdiction over misdemeanors, daily sessions of court to be held in the Court House except where otherwise provided for; there will be a clerk to be appointed by the recorder at a salary of \$50 per month and an attorney, if so desired by the County Commissioners, who shall fix his salary. Salaries shall be paid out of fees and costs and if this be insufficient, then the same shall be paid out of the treasury of the county. The act will go into effect from and after its ratification. It goes from the Senate to the House where it is said Mr. Morton is favorable to it.

The matter of State interest in the Assembly today was the Revenue and Machinery Act, which is being considered by sections. In addition there were many other matters which will appear from the detailed proceedings below.

The Senate.

The Senate convened at 12 o'clock. President Pro. Tem. Klutz in the chair and prayer by Senator Means. Among the new bills: Ormond, to amend Article 8 of the constitution relating to corporations other than municipal, so as to relieve the Legislatures of the endless grind of local bills delegating the power of these to the Secretary of State and county authorities. Ormond, to amend Chapter 100 Revisal relative to domestic insurance companies. Starbuck, to permit judgments on appeal bonds where bankrupts are defendants.

Emple, to establish a special criminal court in New Hanover and prescribe its jurisdiction.
Doughton, to amend 4097 Revisal relative to annual appropriation for education.
Peele, to amend Revisal relative to courts in Scotland county.

A resolution by Mr. Scott that when the Senate adjourns it do so in honor of Washington, was put upon its immediate passage.
The House Bill by Mr. Morton to provide separation of the races in convict camps during sleeping and eating hours came up for final reading but was passed over after some discussion.

The House Bill to amend Section 2631 Revisal relative to the operation of through trains on Sunday provided they stop in this State only for coal, water and orders, came up and a long discussion followed.

Senator Nimocks opposed the bill. Senator Bassett argued for the bill on the ground it is necessary to give roads operating through North Carolina equal ground to compete with western roads and with water routes. Senators Dockery, Jones and Peele spoke in advocacy of the bill. Senator Means against it. The bill passed its second reading.

Senator Nimocks made objection to final reading but the rules were suspended by a two-thirds roll call vote and the bill was put through final reading without division being ordered enrolled for ratification.
The Senate at 2:25 adjourned to 10 o'clock Tuesday morning.

House—Day Session.

The House was called to order at 11 o'clock. Prayer by Representative Latham, of Beaufort.
Petitions: McDonald, of Moore and Lee, from the Sanford Chamber of Commerce asking that the State capital be moved to that place.
Butler, from citizens of Columbus county, for the protection of fish and that wine be sold in quantities of one quart or more when made from fruit on the seller's land.

Among the new bills were:
Shepherd, to provide a board of audit and finance for Robeson county.
Shepherd, to provide special tax for road improvement in Robeson.
Shepherd, by request, to amend charter of Rowland.
Gavin, to amend charter of Warsaw, Duplin county.
Gavin, to amend Warsaw to issue sewerage and other improvement bonds.
Kennedy, for relief of James Eldridge, school teacher of Sampson county.
Crumpler, validate marriages here.

(Continued on Page 5.)

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Wilmington Recorder's Court Bill Naming John J. Furlong as Presiding Officer.

REVENUE AND MACHINERY

House Works All Day on Measure. School Law Amended in Important Sections—In Honor of Ex-Representative Stewart.

(Special Star Telegram.)
Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 22.—The chief feature of interest in the General Assembly for Wilmington people today was the introduction of the New Hanover Recorder's Court bill in the Senate by Mr. Pharr, of Mecklenburg, for Senator Emple, who went via Wilmington Sunday for a visit with the legislative committee for an inspection of State fishing interests around Edenton, N. C.

The bill names John J. Furlong as Recorder of the court at a salary of \$1,200 and to hold office until an election can be held in November, 1911, and every two years thereafter. It will be a court of record with jurisdiction over misdemeanors, daily sessions of court to be held in the Court House except where otherwise provided for; there will be a clerk to be appointed by the recorder at a salary of \$50 per month and an attorney, if so desired by the County Commissioners, who shall fix his salary. Salaries shall be paid out of fees and costs and if this be insufficient, then the same shall be paid out of the treasury of the county. The act will go into effect from and after its ratification. It goes from the Senate to the House where it is said Mr. Morton is favorable to it.

The matter of State interest in the Assembly today was the Revenue and Machinery Act, which is being considered by sections. In addition there were many other matters which will appear from the detailed proceedings below.

The Senate.

The Senate convened at 12 o'clock. President Pro. Tem. Klutz in the chair and prayer by Senator Means. Among the new bills: Ormond, to amend Article 8 of the constitution relating to corporations other than municipal, so as to relieve the Legislatures of the endless grind of local bills delegating the power of these to the Secretary of State and county authorities. Ormond, to amend Chapter 100 Revisal relative to domestic insurance companies. Starbuck, to permit judgments on appeal bonds where bankrupts are defendants.

Emple, to establish a special criminal court in New Hanover and prescribe its jurisdiction.
Doughton, to amend 4097 Revisal relative to annual appropriation for education.
Peele, to amend Revisal relative to courts in Scotland county.

A resolution by Mr. Scott that when the Senate adjourns it do so in honor of Washington, was put upon its immediate passage.
The House Bill by Mr. Morton to provide separation of the races in convict camps during sleeping and eating hours came up for final reading but was passed over after some discussion.

The House Bill to amend Section 2631 Revisal relative to the operation of through trains on Sunday provided they stop in this State only for coal, water and orders, came up and a long discussion followed.

Senator Nimocks opposed the bill. Senator Bassett argued for the bill on the ground it is necessary to give roads operating through North Carolina equal ground to compete with western roads and with water routes. Senators Dockery, Jones and Peele spoke in advocacy of the bill. Senator Means against it. The bill passed its second reading.

Senator Nimocks made objection to final reading but the rules were suspended by a two-thirds roll call vote and the bill was put through final reading without division being ordered enrolled for ratification.
The Senate at 2:25 adjourned to 10 o'clock Tuesday morning.

House—Day Session.

The House was called to order at 11 o'clock. Prayer by Representative Latham, of Beaufort.
Petitions: McDonald, of Moore and Lee, from the Sanford Chamber of Commerce asking that the State capital be moved to that place.
Butler, from citizens of Columbus county, for the protection of fish and that wine be sold in quantities of one quart or more when made from fruit on the seller's land.

Among the new bills were:
Shepherd, to provide a board of audit and finance for Robeson county.
Shepherd, to provide special tax for road improvement in Robeson.
Shepherd, by request, to amend charter of Rowland.
Gavin, to amend charter of Warsaw, Duplin county.
Gavin, to amend Warsaw to issue sewerage and other improvement bonds.
Kennedy, for relief of James Eldridge, school teacher of Sampson county.
Crumpler, validate marriages here.

(Continued on Page 5.)