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WILLIAM J. BRYAN AT THE STATE FAIR

Magnetic Commoner From Nebraska to Speak on Thursday, the "Big Day"

MAY BE HISTORIC

When He Comes to Speak to North Carolinians From the Stand on Which Roosevelt Announced His Central Policy, Bryan May Be Equally Significant.

Thursday, of the State Fair, will be made notable by the presence here of William Jennings Bryan, several times a visitor to the State and always warmly welcomed and more interesting in personality and utterance on each succeeding visit.

During the memorable campaign of 1896 Mr. Bryan came to Raleigh for the first time, speaking in Nash Square to an immense audience. He returned again a year or so later and a third time last year, just after his return from his tour around the world and the great reception tendered him at Madison Square Garden in New York.

Although twice defeated for the Presidency, Mr. Bryan remains the most generally magnetic character in American life and his hold on the sympathies of the people and his ability to interest them is strengthened rather than diminished with time.

When he speaks at the Fair Grounds on the "big day" the holiday occasion, the low rates and the opportunity of hearing the great Nebraskan again will operate to make the number of those who hear him exceed even the monster gathering at Raleigh. Gregarious, Winston and Charlotte, when he made his way through the State last September.

After the speech at the Fair, Mr. Bryan and a number of the prominent men of the State will be entertained by the management of the North Carolina Agricultural Society at a luncheon on the grounds.

It will be remembered that, when President Roosevelt spoke in Raleigh at the Fair in 1896, he sounded the keynote of his policy which resulted in the fight for the enactment of the rate bill into law by the last Congress. The utterance was the first authentic pledge of the President to the support of the policy which the Commoner, who will speak at this fair, first inaugurated.

At this time, while the fight for the Republican nomination for President in 1908 is already becoming warm, the attitude of the Democrats is one of waiting to see what Mr. Bryan is to say. So far he has not said that he would be a candidate or that he would not be. Therefore, in the relation to the chief role which he has twice enacted in his party and which he once voluntarily relinquished to another, Mr. Bryan is still the center of political interest to the great body of the Democrats throughout the country.

It is therefore possible that, when he comes to speak from the same platform on which Roosevelt stood when he announced the policy of the rate bill that has brought about a revolution in the attitude of the people toward the control of public-service corporations, the Nebraskan may be moved to make an interesting announcement and, perhaps, to formulate a key-note policy that may again cause important changes in the country's history to relate back to the State Fair at Raleigh.

At any rate, and in any event, the fact that Bryan will be present and will speak is warrant of a tremendous attendance of people from all parts of North Carolina, who never tire of listening to his eloquence and to the discussion and analysis of pending conditions and problems which no man living so well knows how to express so vividly.

With Bryan as the central attraction

and the Great State Fair further improved in exhibits and amusements, this year's "big day" may be counted upon to eclipse any other "big day" in the history of the enterprise.

NEW COLLEGE PUBLICATION

Alumni and Literary Societies of Elon Will Issue a Monthly.

(Special to News and Observer.) Elon College, N. C., Oct. 5.—The Alumni Association of the College and the three literary societies, the Clio, Philologist and Palphellan, have decided to undertake the publication of a college magazine to be called The Elonian. The first issue of this magazine will shortly appear. It will contain not less than 48 pages, and there will be 16 issues to the college year, one issue being for the summer. The pages will be numbered consecutively and the tenth number of each volume will contain an index to facilitate the reading and make the binding of the magazine worth while. It is understood that the magazine will be at some time in the near future printed on the Hill, but for the present it will be done by jobbers in one of the near-by towns. There is no reason why the "Elonian" should not rapidly take a leading place among the magazines of southern colleges. The interest in athletics continues to grow. Tennis and basket ball and other field sports are very popular with the students. Miss Helfenstein, who has charge of the physical culture of the young ladies is giving them excellent training and Mr. Fritchette, the director of the athletics for young men is infusing new life in the student body for athletics and gymnastics. Some time in the near future, a field day will be given and prizes awarded the successful contestants.

Mr. Thomas traveling secretary of the A. C. L. in North Carolina was on the Hill during the past week, looking after the interests of his organization here. The Y. M. C. A. has always had a strong organization at Elon College, and this organization has never before been stronger than now. Mr. J. A. Vaughan is president at present, and is making an effort to have a larger representation from Elon College at the Bible Institute, to be held at the A. & M. College during the State fair. While Mr. Thomas was here he held conferences with the various committees and the executive council of the Y. M. C. A. and also addressed the young men of the institution.

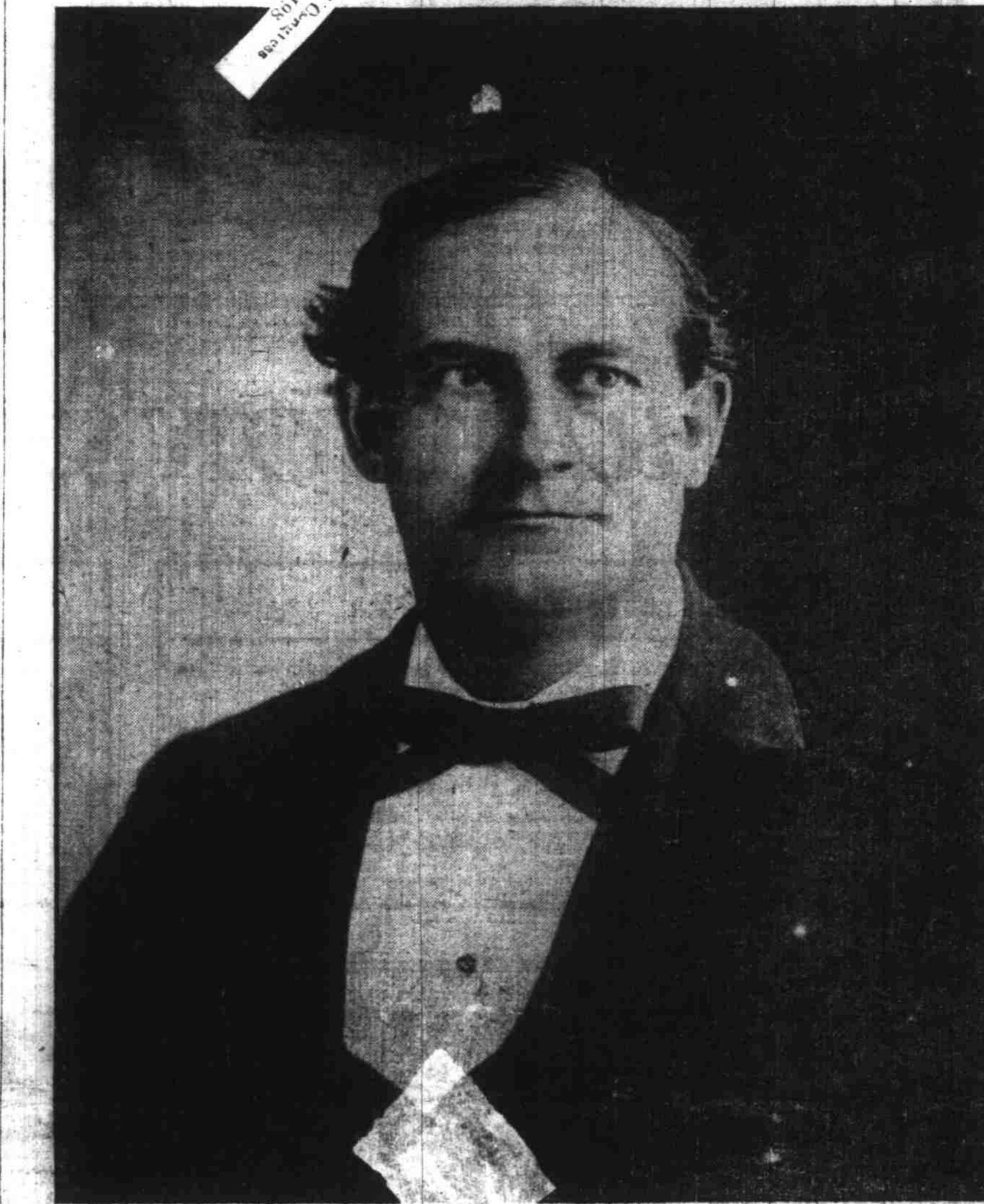
This was the week of the Alamance County fair held at Burlington five miles distant. Thursday was Educational Day, and Elon College was well represented both from the faculty and student body.

LINEMAN LAID OUT

Vernon Fogle Rendered Unconscious by Touching a Live Wire.

(Gastonia Gazette.) Pedestrians and others on Main street were horrified to see Vernon Fogle, a young man at work on one of the poles of the Telephone Company, fall apparently lifeless across a cross-arm which he was putting up. Assistance was immediately summoned and the limp body was removed to the offices of Drs. Reid and Glenn where medical treatment was begun. It was found that he was in pretty bad shape, though there were no burns on his body. He remained unconscious several hours, despite all efforts to restore him to consciousness.

On investigation it was discovered that young Fogle had accidentally touched one of the high voltage wires of the city light and power system, which are fastened to the telephone pole below the phone wires. These wires are charged with 2,300 volts of electricity though it is probable that he did not receive the full force that the entire voltage would have given him. It appears that here, as well as at other points in town the city's



HON. WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN Who Will Address the People of North Carolina at the State Fair in Raleigh on Thursday, at Twelve O'clock, October Nineteenth.

high voltage wires are either fastened to the telephone company's poles or swing so close to them that the telephone linemen are compelled to climb through a network of death-dealing currents whenever it is necessary for them to reach the phone wires above.

EDUCATION IN THE EAST.

Twenty County Superintendents Will Hold a Two Days' Meeting.

Tarboro, N. C., Oct. 5.—The School Superintendents of this district, comprising twenty counties, will meet in Tarboro, in their regular annual session, November 7th and 8th. This date may be changed to a week later, if it conflicts with the Fall term of civil court, which begins Oct. 28.

The session will open Thursday night and continue Friday and Saturday night. A very interesting program is being prepared, which will be published within the next two weeks.

Prof. W. H. Ragsdale, president of the association, is recognized as one of the foremost educators in the State. Superintendent Ragsdale has been in this service longer than any other man in the State, having served under every State Superintendent since the term of office of Major Flinger expired. As superintendent of Pitt county, he worked zealously and faithfully for the establishment of the East Carolina Training School for Teachers. Prof. Ragsdale is a native of Granville county. Prof. Ragsdale will deliver an address at this meeting.

Mrs. Albert Rosenthal Dead. Goldsboro, N. C., Oct. 5.—Relatives in this city, where she had at times visited and was greatly esteemed, were unexpectedly saddened by the receipt of a telegram announcing the death of Mrs. Albert Rosenthal, which occurred rather suddenly, Thursday morning at her home in Mt. Airy, N. Y.

Her brother-in-law, Mr. Jos. Rosenthal, and her niece, Miss Gertrude Well, left immediately upon receipt of the sad intelligence to attend the funeral in Baltimore, where the interment will be made in the family plot in that city.

Dr. S. Hassell having purchased the Gov. Holt estate at Haw River, this State, left last week to make that his future home. His many friends here regret exceedingly to have him leave Plymouth.—Plymouth Beacon.

ENOUGH TO BUY A CAR

Dr. Goler's Estimate of His Mental Anguish for Being Put Off a Train.

(Special to News and Observer.) Salisbury, N. C., Oct. 5.—Because he was put off a Southern Railway train five miles west of Salisbury for refusing to ride in a Jim crow passenger coach, it is alleged that Dr. W. H. Goler, president of Livingstone College, colored, located at Salisbury, bring suit against the Southern Railway. The amount which he demands from the officers of the company has not yet been determined but learned it will be a sum sufficient

to buy a car of his own. Dr. Goler boarded the train and finding the colored apartment not as well kept as the coach for the whites took a seat in the latter. He was ordered out by the conductor and refusing to go was left on the ground, walking five miles back to the city.

A two horse wagon and team with two barrels of blockade whiskey was captured at Gold Hill Thursday night by Mayor B. V. Hedrick, who arrested the driver, Sam Smith, colored, and landed him in Salisbury jail yesterday. Two white men driving in sight of the illicit load fled to the woods and escaped. Smith refuses to talk and all efforts to ascertain the names of the owners of the team have proven futile.

President George L. Whitney and Charles Staley, of Pittsburg, T. A. Gillespie and J. J. Kehy, of New York, all of whom are officers of the Whitney Reduction Company, owners of the big water and electric plant at Whitney, Stanly county, met a large party of prominent mill men from England, who arrived in Salisbury on a special train today, and went directly to the power plant for an investigation of the great development at that place. A number of officials of the Southern Railway Company accompanied the party through this State.

THE SANFORD CONNECTION.

Which is No Connection at All Between Southern and Coast Line Trains.

(Special to the News and Observer.) Mount Airy, N. C., Oct. 5.—Familiar information on the subject seems to place the blame for a failure of the Southern and A. C. L. to put on through trains between Mt. Airy and Wilmington on the Atlantic Coast Line people.

On Tuesday of this week the A. C. L. train left Sanford just fifteen minutes before the train from Mt. Airy arrived at that place. A number of officials of the Southern Railway Company accompanied the party through this State.

The delay to the mails is also another very serious matter, so much so that the department has asked that through service be resumed.

It is a shame for the people to be so entirely ignored about a matter that concerns them so much, especially when the change would be profitable to both roads.

bringing about this needed change at once. Since the transfer at Sanford was established, express rates have advanced 23 1/2 per cent, which has ruined the produce trade, as points reached on the A. C. L.

It any good reason were produced showing why through car service should not be re-established, it would be quite different. Why one train should, when it is in time and makes connection, pull up right beside another train and unload over 95 per cent of its entire load right on to another train is simply foolish and inexcusable. The margin of the south-bound train is only ten minutes and whole car loads of chickens, eggs, cabbage, apples, butter, potatoes, onions, etc., are all dumped right on the other train in a pile, the damage being too great to allow to go on this way any longer.

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BODY BADLY MUTILATED.

Three Freight Trains Run Over John Smith, of Balsam.

(Jackson County Journal.) John Smith, of Balsam, was run over by a freight train just above Adde, Saturday night and killed. He was at Waynesville Saturday and came back on passenger way tanked with Waynesville dispensary results, and he passed on by, his home getting off at Adde, Sunday morning. He was seen about dark staggering about the place where he was killed.

He was run over by a freight train and mutilated almost beyond recognition. He was not found until about 10 o'clock that night by train men after being run over by three trains possibly.

CHURCH DEDICATED

Methodists at Sylva Have a New House of Worship.

Sylva, N. C., Oct. 5.—The debt on the Sylva Methodist church has lately been raised, and Rev. I. A. Irwin, pastor of Waynesville Methodist church, preached the dedicatory sermon last Sunday.

BISHOP ANDERSON HERE ON SUNDAY

Head of Chicago Diocese to Preach in Raleigh Today.

DISTINGUISHED PRELATE

Bishop Anderson Will Deliver Sermons at Christ Church This Morning and Tonight—Fine Music and Public Invited. Raleigh has the privilege and honor of entertaining today a very distinguished prelate and Bishop of the Episcopal Church.

The Right Reverend Charles Palmerston Anderson, D. D., Bishop of Chicago, and one of the most prominent members of the American Episcopate, arrived in the city last evening from Richmond and will preach this morning and tonight at Christ church.

While here Bishop Anderson will be the guest of Colonel and Mrs. Thomas S. Kenan.

Born in Canada, and educated at

tor's wife, on the activity they have shown in this work.

When Rev. and Mrs. Marsh came here, the church and parsonage were both in debt, but let it be said to their credit and that of the Ladies Home Missionary Society that both are now free from debt.

Bro. Marsh who was seriously ill some time ago seems how pretty thoroughly recuperated, judging from the energy he can put in a sermon. An interesting feature of the dedication was the singing of an appropriate hymn, composed by Mrs. Steadman. It had been printed and distributed through the congregation.

NOT IN RAEFORD.

The Fever Scourged Family Three Miles Out of Town.

To the Editor: The article in your paper of October 2nd from Raeford, and headed "Scourged With Fever," is calculated to mislead the public and to do great injustice to our town.

It should have been stated that this "scourged" family did not live in Raeford and that one of the three deaths was in a hospital in Columbia, S. C.

There have been only two cases of typhoid fever in Raeford in the past two years. One of these came from Lumberton, N. C., and the other was just developed, the attending physician having diagnosed the case "typhoid fever" in the past 48 hours.

In all of its history Raeford has had only one death from typhoid fever. Your informant had no idea of hurting the interest of Raeford and was thinking only of the Williamson family. Very truly,

GEO. A. GRAHAM, M. D., Chairman Board of Health, Raeford, N. C., Oct. 5.

IN NEW BUILDING

La Grange Graded School Opens With Large Attendance.

(Special to News and Observer.) La Grange, N. C., Oct. 5.—The graded school opened this week with a very large attendance for the first session in the handsome new brick building.

Mrs. J. W. Sutton and Mrs. Nathan Sutton were called to Griffin by the death of their sister, Mrs. G. W. Gardner, which occurred yesterday.

ASKED TO RECONSIDER

It is Hoped Mayor Pender Will Decide to Continue in Office.

Tarboro, N. C., Oct. 5.—Mayor James Pender, who is now serving his sixth term, was waited upon by the members of the board yesterday on his return from a business trip to Littleton and asked to reconsider his resignation, which was to take effect October 14th, at the time of the regular meeting of the board. Owing to his health and business duties, Mr. Pender had decided to resign.

His Democratic Spirit.

The coming of age of Miss Gladys Vanderbilt and the payment to her of some \$12,000,000 inheritance has brought out a new crop of anecdotes about the Vanderbilt fortune. One of the latest illustrates the democratic spirit of the old Commodore.

Sitting on the porch of a hotel at a fashionable resort on one occasion, it is related, the Commodore saw a lady approaching with whom he was acquainted. His wife and daughter, who recognized her, could scarcely contain their anger when he arose and politely addressed her.

Trinity College, Port Hope, Ontario, and Trinity University, Toronto.

Bishop Anderson has spent the larger part of his ministry in the United States and before his elevation to the Episcopate was rector for ten years of Grace church, Oak Park, Chicago.

As bishop of the diocese of Chicago he occupies a position of commanding influence in the West, and is in great demand as a speaker for religious assemblies in various parts of the country.

A prominent clergyman of this city, who heard him, along with many other notable speakers on a memorable occasion at Harvard University a few years ago pronounced the address of Bishop Anderson the finest delivered before the distinguished gathering assembled at Cambridge at that time.

The Bishop will doubtless be greeted by very large congregations at both services in Christ church.

He returns to Richmond tomorrow to attend the sessions of the General Convention. It is to be regretted his stay in our midst will not be of longer duration.

Fine music will be heard at Christ church at both the morning and night services. The public is cordially invited.

Rev. Archibald Battle Dead.

Kinston N. C., Oct. 5.—Rev. Dr. Henry W. Battle, pastor of the Baptist church of this city has received information of the death of his distinguished uncle, Rev. Archibald J. Battle, of Macon, Ga.

COME TO THE STATE FAIR THE STATE FAIR THIS YEAR, OCTOBER 14th-19th, will be a Great Home Coming Week for North Carolinians abroad as well as in the State. In addition to Great Attractions, on THURSDAY BRYAN, of Nebraska America's Greatest Orator and Statesman will speak to the acres of people who will be in Raleigh on that date to welcome the NEXT PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATE.

THE GREAT STATE FAIR THE GREAT STATE FAIR, OCTOBER 14th-19th, promises at this time to be the most successful in all its career. Every department is filling admirably. The races will be exceptionally fast and interesting. The Free attractions will be in class to themselves—expensive, novel and new—not to be seen elsewhere in the South. The entries already made in Poultry, Agricultural Products and Machinery guarantees results never yet attained at the State Fair. The crowds this year will assuredly surpass even the phenomenally great attendance of Raleigh when President Roosevelt spoke to 40,000 visitors at the State Fair Grounds two years ago.