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BRODIE DUKE GETS DAY OF PLEASURE IN THE LIMELIGHT FOR TRIP DOWN THE HISTORIC CAPE FEAR RIVER. Fourth Matrimonial Venture Creates Sensation. AIR THICK WITH REPORTS OF BRILLIANT DANCE AT NIGHT.

Reports That He Married Miss Rochelle, of Durham, in Washington, D. C.—Other Reports to the Effect That No Marriage Has Taken Place and That Groom Did Not Appear at Time When the Ceremony Was to be Performed.

By THOMAS J. FENCE. Washington, D. C., June 10.—Brodie L. Duke, of Durham, N. C., who has faced the hypochondriac on three previous occasions, slipped quietly into Washington today and obtained a license in haste. Miss Wynette Rochelle, also of Durham, who the wedding has taken place, the principals have succeeded in keeping the fact from a squad of newspaper men and a battery of photographers who have been leading a vain pursuit of the couple throughout the day.

The marriage license named the Rev. Donald G. MacLeod, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, as the contracting minister, but he had not performed the ceremony at eleven o'clock tonight, and he announced that he would not do so at a later hour. As the law in the District requires that the minister named in the license perform the ceremony, Mr. Duke will hardly go through the marriage ceremony tonight for the purpose of obtaining the license.

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NEARLY \$100,000 IN CASH PRIZES AWAIT THE FLYING MACHINE MEN



(C. E. Hamilton, G. H. Curtis, Edwin Gould and Wilbur Wright)

GIRL DROWNED IN CREEK TRIAL OF ALLEGED COUNTERFEITERS

PARTICULARS ARE MEAGRE OF TRAGEDY IN ANSON COUNTY—IT APPEARS GIRL WAS CROSSING STREAM. (Special to News and Observer.) Wadesboro, June 10.—Telephonic advices from the southern part of the county tell of the drowning in the creek of a young girl, the daughter of Peter Moore. Particulars could not be secured, but it appears that the girl was seventeen years old and was attempting to cross Thompson's creek, which was running swiftly and full when she was drowned. Her companion, another girl, was rescued.

TERRIFIC ELECTRIC STORM FARMS SPOOLED AND LANDS BADLY WASHED IN ANSON—LIGHTNING STRIKES BARN WHICH IS BURNED.

(Special to News and Observer.) Wadesboro, June 10.—There was a terrific rain storm, accompanied by a severe electrical display, this afternoon, covering the entire county. Cotton is injured. Farms were flooded and land was badly washed. Lightning struck a barn in the rear of the residence of H. H. McLendon here and it was burned. Some property was saved. The loss is \$1,500, with insurance of \$500.

EVIDENCE ALL IN AND ARGUMENT BEGUN WILLIAMS CASE MONDAY

Defenses and Lady Clerk Fined for Not Appearing as Witnesses—Warrant Served Out Charging Young Woman With Lacking a Diamond Ring—'Blind Tiger' Representatives Thrown Into State of Confusion—Nurses Graduate—Gulfport Superior Court. By ANDREW JOYNER. Greensboro, N. C., June 10.—After two days' steady work the government rested its testimony in the case against Sidney Allen and Preston Dickson, late yesterday afternoon, more than twenty-five witnesses summoned from every section of the nation, including Alabama in weaving the web of circumstantial evidence around the alleged counterfeiters. The defense swore four witnesses, principally the two defendants and Dickson was the first to take the stand. Dickson is a man of fine appearance, wears a plug hat, spikes tall oaks, patent leather shoes and has the general appearance of a man of means and intelligence, though in the latter respect he showed little on the witness stand, telling one tale and then another under the skillful cross-examination conducted by District Attorney Holton. His general demeanor was one of doubt and the general impression of those who heard his testimony was that he was attempting to shield Allen, believed by the government to have been the prime mover in making and selling the spurious \$10 gold pieces. This morning Allen's defense rested and he was put through the most grueling examination ever heard here. When court adjourned for the noon recess his cross-examination was resumed and the entire narrative of the visit to Winston, where the arrest was made, being in the process of destruction under questions of Holton. The witness got along fairly well until he said he was a merchant in response to a question from the District Attorney. "Well you didn't use that equipment in merchandising," asked Mr. Holton, pointing towards the machine used for engraving and coloring which stood in plain view of the jury. The question staggered the witness and after mumbling considerably made an evasive reply.

OMNIBUS LIGHTHOUSE BILL. Conference Reached An Agreement—Measure Carries \$1,248,000.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, D. C., June 10.—Conference on the Omnibus Lighthouse bill reached an agreement today, and their report was adopted by the Senate. The bill carries a total appropriation of \$1,248,000. The bill also contains a substitute for independent measures to create a bureau of lighthouses in the department of commerce and labor. In the main, civilian inspectors will be employed by the new bureau. For a number of years there has been a contest of the question as to whether the lighthouse administration should be conducted by civilians or by officers of the army and navy, as at present. The House has favored civilian employes, while the Senate favored the designation of officers of the army and navy. The conference bill, however, would permit the President to use army and navy officers to act in lieu of the appointment of civilian lighthouse inspectors for a period not exceeding three years.

COLORED FARMER LOSES TWO MULES AND TWO BOYS. Killed by Lightning.

(Special to News and Observer.) Statesville, June 10.—Supt. Hodges, of the Asheville division of the Southern railway, spent a short while in Statesville yesterday. Mr. Hodges says that within a short time the Southern will place five new passenger engines of the newest model on the Asheville division. The engines are of the 1,100 series, weigh 90 tons each and have 55-inch driving wheels—about as large wheels as are seen in these parts. The new engines will be a great improvement over those now in service on this division.

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FRAUD, BRIBERY, RIOTING

The contest now going on in Wake county to be settled in the Democratic primary on the 25th of June, is not a contest for office. It is not primarily a contest for rotation in office; it is not merely a fight for economy and to put officers on salaries. These issues are involved, and are important enough to demand a change of officers and of methods in public administration. But the uprising of the sterling Democracy of the county and the staunch Democracy of the city was not caused chiefly by these important issues. There was something deeper and graver that brought forth the Mass Meetings and that has stirred the people of Wake county from centre to circumference as they have not been stirred since the epoch-making campaign of 1898. No ordinary issues could have aroused the people as they are now aroused. Fundamental questions are at the root of the uprising in the ranks of Wake Democracy. The moral regeneration of the County Democracy is the aim and purpose of the men back of the Mass Meeting.

The people were slow to move. They could stand ordinary evils in party management, but when these evils became crimes then the Democrats of Wake saw that to permit them to continue would be to work the moral degradation of the party and to raise up their children in a political miasma that would blight their high ideals and make them desert the Democratic party or acquiesce in immoral and dishonest and illegal practices.

The Ring that controls the machinery of the Democratic party in Wake county has been guilty of FRAUD, BRIBERY AND RIOTING, and it is to end these crimes against Democracy and Deceit the Mass Meeting advocates are making their fight. They care nothing for men except as they are the agents for effective reforms. To be sure, there are men supporting the Ring who are honest and would not practise either fraud, bribery or violence. These men do not know "the ways that are dark and the tricks that are vain" to which certain Ringsters resort to hold their power. If they knew of these things, they would "come out from among them." Some of the good men who have heretofore supported Ring men have left them and others are doing so every day. The rowdism by which Ringsters broke up the Mass Meeting on April 30th, cost the Ring scores of votes. Many people saw then for the first time that the policy of the Ring is Rule or Ruin and they resolved then to vote against every Ringster in Wake county and to have new officials and a new and better Democratic organization in Wake county.

THE RING WILL PRACTICE FRAUD AND BRIBERY TO CARRY ITS ENDS.

The Democratic primaries in the city and county should be not only fair but above suspicion. In the city primary the Raleigh Ring showed its teeth. Mind you, it is the very same Ring, run by the same persons, who are now running the Ringster campaign in Wake county. When the citizens of Raleigh grew tired of the partnership with city officials and crime, which culminated in Mulhisen and destruction of city records, the Ring called a Snap Primary, refused representation to the Mass Meeting ticket at the polls, and began the methods that convinced the people of Raleigh that the Ring would practise fraud in certain wards of the city unless the vigilance and determination of the citizens prevented it. In the county Primary in 1906 nearly a thousand Republicans were voted by the Ring and one Ring candidate spent over fifteen thousand dollars of money contributed by railroads and trusts to get the nomination for an office that paid \$240. That was the year when the Ring began wholesale fraud and bribery, and made in some precincts a Democratic primary a disgrace to Democracy. Born in that year, the frauds and bribery and debauchery on a smaller scale were practised in the county primary of 1908, and the time has come when scores of the best Democrats have no faith in the honesty of any Democratic primary in certain precincts in Wake when the Ring is in control and does the counting.

In 1908 the primaries in certain precincts were believed to have been fraudulently conducted and prominent Democrats in Raleigh, Wake Forest and certain other townships believe that some men were nominated by fraud and bribery, whereas by clean methods their opponents would have received the certificate of nomination and now be in office. This belief that the 1908 county primary was tainted by fraud and bribery was so strong that the Mass Meeting of citizens in Raleigh in March, 1909, did not hesitate to declare that the citizens of Raleigh could not get a fair election except by the vigorous threat to the Ring of "A Fair Election or a Funeral." Why do the people believe that certain Ringsters have practised fraud and would do it again? Plenty of good Democrats will tell you they believe the same Ring backing the county Ring ticket in 1908 committed fraud, in that year, but there was no law that would punish them. On the eve of the city election, the same Ring, believed to have committed fraud in the county election of 1908, was believed to be planning to steal the city election. In a remarkable speech made in the Court House in Raleigh, on the night before the city election, Mr. James H. Fox, former Chairman of the State Democratic Executive Committee, made a speech in

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