

# The Chatham Record.

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CONGRESS should not hesitate to repeal the clause of the act of Congress, passed in August, 1912, that exempts the coastwise vessels of the United States from paying tolls in going through the Panama canal. There seems to be no doubt that it is in violation of the treaty made between this country and Great Britain in 1901, called the Hay-Pauncefote treaty, and this is sufficient reason for its repeal, even if the policy of the act is proper.

President Wilson regards this repeal of very great importance, so much so that it impelled him to deliver a special message in person to both branches of Congress on last Thursday. He then urged its repeal with all the earnestness that he could command and plainly showed his deep conviction of the necessity of the repeal. This special message was quite remarkable, not taking five minutes in its delivery, but every sentence had force in it, and we doubt not that it will influence Congress to make the repeal.

This action of President Wilson is another evidence of his statesmanship, and the compliance of Congress with his request will be a very high compliment to his influence over that body. This is peculiarly true when it is remembered that the platform of the national convention that nominated Wilson distinctly declared in favor of the act exempting our coastwise vessels from paying tolls. This plank in that platform was inserted without due consideration, and without considering its attempt to violate a solemn treaty by our government with another. The truth is, many planks are inserted in political platforms without proper consideration and merely to catch votes, and this seems to have been one of them.

We sincerely hope that there is no foundation for the rumor that a call will shortly be issued by some prominent Democrats for a convention to be held at Raleigh of all persons favoring what are called "progressive measures." It is stated that the object of this convention is for the advocates of such measures to prepare plans to secure a majority in the next legislative favorable to them. It could be much better for all persons desiring such measures to contend for them in our next Democratic state convention. Do not hold a separate convention but go into the regular Democratic convention and contend for the measures desired by you, and let the majority of that convention decide on all matters of public policy. Do not begin to split up and divide the Democratic party into irreconcilable factions.

Stand together, brethren, and abide in the ship (as Gov. Vance once said) and do not begin to hold factional conventions, for no man can predict where it will end and what direful results may ensue.

The death of George W. Vanderbilt removes the largest real estate owner in this state. He died at Washington, D. C., last Friday after having been operated on for appendicitis ten days before, and his death was quite unexpected. In 1888 he became interested in buying land near Asheville and gradually bought about 100,000 acres, and by 1900 he had the most magnificent residence in this state and expended several million dollars in the buildings and in improving and beautifying his vast estate. Every visitor to Asheville was anxious to drive through the Vanderbilt estate, which was open to the public on certain days without any admission charge. He did more than anybody else to develop all that country around Asheville and to attract visitors to that city.

The next meeting of the North Carolina Press Association will be held on the 24th and 25th of next June at Wrightsville Beach. This was determined on at a meeting of the executive committee held yesterday at Raleigh. The bar association will meet there the week following.

**THE state executive committee of the Democratic party met at Raleigh last night and selected that city as the place and the 17th of June as the day for holding our next state convention. The 16th of May was selected as the day for holding all the precinct primaries and the 23rd of May was selected as the day for holding the county conventions, which will elect the delegates to the State, Congressional and Judicial District Conventions. It is to be regretted that these dates were selected, as our farmers are then very busy and we cannot see any reason for having the campaign to begin so early.**

Mr. Thomas D. Warren, of New Bern, was unanimously elected chairman of the committee in place of Mr. C. A. Webb, who had resigned because he had been appointed United States marshal of the western district.

WHEN the forces of nature assert themselves man's utter helplessness is plainly and painfully manifested, notwithstanding all his boasted skill and ingenuity. This was forcibly illustrated during the recent severe snowstorm that swept over New York and other northern cities.

On the last day of this month an unusually severe blizzard visited that section, the snow falling to the depth of about ten inches and the wind blowing a perfect gale and the temperature nearly down to zero. The greatest city on this continent was completely isolated for more than twenty-four hours from the rest of the world, all the telegraph and telephone lines prostrated and all the railroads rendered impassible. Trains that had started to and from New York were stalled in huge snowdrifts, through which it was impossible to move. Passengers on many of these stalled trains had most uncomfortable experiences, suffering from cold and hunger. One train in New Jersey ran into a cut filled with snow eighteen feet deep and could not go forward or backward, and the passengers suffered much from the cold and from hunger, for it was a long time before any persons could get from the train and secure provisions for the hungry passengers.

Although man's skill has triumphed so much over the forces of nature, yet he is helpless when nature is aroused and puts forth her force, as for instance in floods, fires and storms.

**Neck Broken by Falling Tree.** Shelby, March 6.—While cutting wood in a forest, Mrs. Mary Dixon, a white woman, suffered a peculiar death Wednesday when the tree which she was felling twisted on the stump and fell across her body and broke her neck. Her husband, William Dixon, was hauling the wood to the house and was making a trip when the accident occurred. No one saw exactly how the accident occurred but when Dixon returned to the forest and found his wife dead, he calmly lifted the tree off her body, loaded another load of wood and took it to the house, where he got some planks and returned to haul her home. Dixon did not tell any of his near neighbors but drove to Grover and got Dr. Oats to come. He made an examination and reported to Coroner T. K. Barnett and his jury that her neck was broken by the falling tree and this was the jury report to the county commissioners. The Dixon family lives near the South Carolina line in a remote section on Buffalo creek.

**Walser's Index-Digest of Criminal Law.** Solicitor L. A. Martin in The Davidsonian.

**Walser's Index-Digest of Criminal Law, Evidence, Pleadings, Practice and Procedure,** a work edited and compiled by Messrs. Zeb V. Walser and Z. I. Walser, of the Lexington, N. C., bar, is just off the press and is being distributed to hundreds of lawyers throughout the state. It contains 558 pages and is handsomely bound in buckram. It covers all points in criminal cases decided by the North Carolina Supreme Court from its organization down to and including the One Hundred and Sixty-second North Carolina Report. It is exhaustive and something that the legal profession has needed and will welcome with open arms. It is of inestimable value and the bar is deeply indebted to the editors.

Hon. B. E. Grady, of Clinton, died there last Friday, aged 82 years. He was a gallant Confederate soldier and served two terms (from 1890 to 1894) in the Congress of the United States. He was remarkably well posted on our state history.

## Agricultural Course in Schools.

Chapel Hill, March 7, 1914.—Will every rural school in the state incorporate into its curriculum an agricultural course? Recommendations favoring such a measure are being staunchly supported by the committee on vocational training, as indicated by the report drawn up and discussed at the meeting held during the sessions of the National Educational Association in Richmond, Va., recently. The recommendations embodied in the report of the committee on vocational training, as drawn up by Prof. L. A. Williams, of the department of education of the University, and chairman of the committee on courses of study, urge many far-reaching additions to the high school courses. Studies in dairying, animal husbandry, cultivation of the crops of grain, tobacco and cotton, horticulture, and courses in the study of fertilizers are among the subjects advocated as coming within the province of the rural high school. The committee advocates that the studies for girls remain unchanged, and that the girls cling steadfastly to the traditional studies of home-making, cooking, keeping house, nursing, sewing, butter-making, canning, etc. In localities where factories are found superabundantly, business courses are recommended, and in strictly farming regions business practice, book-keeping and rural economics are thought advisable for the improvement of conditions.

The supporters of the idea of vocational training justify the agitation of the question by citing figures indicative of the fact that North Carolina is largely an agricultural state. Here are some of the major crops and the annual acreage of each: Corn, 2,459,457; oats, 228,620; wheat, 501,912; peanuts, 195,184; potatoes, 115,000; tobacco, 221,830; cotton, 1,274,404. The value of the domestic animals of the state is \$60,000,000. The fertilizer bill for the state annually is \$12,262,538. The magnitude of the two last mentioned items, considers the committee, sufficient justification for the high school to annex courses of study to inform pupils in animal husbandry and to furnish knowledge as to both natural and artificial fertilizers. The report, though tentative in matters of details, in a few words sums up the motive for vocational training:

"To serve as a preparation for advanced work in agricultural schools, while at the same time being designed primarily for the student who can go no further. To contribute to the state a set of boys and girls fitted to realize and develop the wealth of the state now lying dormant in the soil."

Superintendent of Public Instruction J. Y. Joyner and the city and county superintendents of schools are supporting the movement for vocational training in the high schools, particularly in the rural high schools. The personnel of the various chairmen of committees consists of N. W. Walker, state high school inspector; Editor Clarence Poe, of Raleigh; L. A. Williams, of the State University; C. S. Newman, of the State Agricultural Mechanical College, and E. E. Balcombe, of the State Normal and Industrial College of Greensboro.

Scholarship and recognition of the intrinsic value of class-room duties are in the ascendancy at the State University. The high scholarship record of eleven members of the present freshman class are shining testimonials to the truthfulness of this assertion. For their first collegiate term these eleven freshmen attained the tiptop standing of grades ranging between 90 and 100 per cent, which is considered remarkable proficiency in their classroom duties.

S. R. WINTERS.

## Family Charged With Murder.

Winston-Salem, March 8.—Mrs. Bart Hall and daughter, Nancy, and two sons, Charlie and Larkin, were placed in the Wilkes county jail today, charged with the murder of Bart Hall, the husband and father of the accused, who lived about 10 miles from Wilkesboro.

The body was found 33 steps from his home, with two gun wounds in the stomach and another in his side and a shotgun lying nearby, with one empty shell in the gun and one on the ground nearby. There was no blood on the ground anywhere about the body, but blood was found in and about the house. The wife and daughter claim not to have heard the shots that ended the life of the husband and father, although they were at the house all day.

**For the Stomach and Liver.** I. N. Stuart, West Webster, N. Y. writes: "I have used Chamberlain's Tablets for disorders of the stomach and liver off and on for the past five years, and it affords me pleasure to state that I have found them to be just as represented. They are mild in their action and the results have been satisfactory. I value them highly."

The income tax law bids fair to live up to the expectations of the administration by producing about \$50,000,000 annually in revenue, paid by close to 425,000 individuals.

## Two Mothers Claim Son.

From the Laurinburg Exchange. Down in Opelousas, Louisiana, two mothers are laying claim to the same child. One is a wealthy Louisianaian and the other is a poor South Carolinian who is now living in Robeson county, North Carolina. Each swears that the little boy in the case is hers, that she brought him into the world, nursed him, loved him and engraved his very image upon her heart!

But evidently one of the mothers is mistaken. They can't both be mothers of the same child. And a modern American judge has to decide the greatest case of the kind since wise old King Solomon faced the famous case of two mothers claiming the same child. But an American judge can't afford to use Solomon's method.

"They shan't take him from me," cried Mrs. Dunbar, the Louisiana mother. "I don't care if all the judges and courts in the world say he isn't mine. If a mother doesn't know her own child, then please tell me who does? I tell you he is mine and I'll keep him."

And yet Julia Anderson has seen the child and declares he is hers. Of that she is absolutely sure.

It is not a legal battle, this Dunbar case, instead it's a battle between mothers for what each believes to her own child. And the boy is too young to realize what it is all about.

Robert Dunbar and Bruce Anderson were born, four years ago, the same month, the former in Opelousas, La., the latter in a hut in Carolina. The Dunbar child had every advantage, for and pleasure known; the Anderson child knew nothing of luxury.

The Anderson child was taken on a trip in a wagon through the farm lands of Louisiana and Mississippi by a man named Walters. The mother says she sent him away because he was very lonely. The child was looked upon with contempt by others because of his low birth.

About a month later, or to be exact, August 14, 1912, Robert Dunbar was playing on the banks of an alligator-ridden Lake Swayze, a noted summer resort in southern Louisiana. He failed to return after several hours' absence from his father, and mother and they began to hunt. His cap was found—that was all. All night and for several days the search was kept up, but finally after much newspaper publicity, it was believed that the child had been drowned and his body devoured by the alligators, so the hunt was called off.

Nearly a year after Bobbie had disappeared, several women in Columbia, Miss., noticed an old cabin suddenly inhabited. They saw a boy playing in the yard "The Dunbar boy," the women exclaimed. The next day the Dunbars got a letter urging them to come and see the lad. The father and mother hurry to Columbia, and they arrive at mid night on a train and are driven several miles in an auto to the hut. By a flickering lamp light the fashionable Louisiana aristocratic mother stoops over a dirty-faced, sleeping boy in a pile of straw.

"It's my boy—thank God!" she cries. The boy failed to show any signs of recognition of his mother. Walters declaring vehemently that the boy was not Robert Dunbar, but Bruce Anderson of South Carolina. The child, however, was taken to the well kept home in Opelousas and Walters was lashed in jail, charged with kidnapping. Julia Anderson was brought to Opelousas. The boy failed to recognize her also, but she was positive that it was her child.

It was just recently that the authorities in Louisiana succeeded in getting Walters to Louisiana for trial. Julia has been at her home over in Robeson county despite flattering offers to go on the stage in New Orleans, while the other mother has been in Opelousas all the time and has had the boy with her. Many witnesses have gone from this part of North and South Carolina to testify to the Carolina woman's claim. Disinterested people in Louisiana say it's a happy mistake, if it be one, to give the child to a home of culture. If it is Robert Dunbar, where is Bruce Anderson? If it is Bruce Anderson, where is Robert Dunbar? If it be the happy mistake, and the child is raised in a home of culture, what about the innocent Carolinian in the hands of the law to suffer?

## Killed Her Grandchild.

From the Greensboro News. Under the guard of a deputy sheriff of Swain county, Nancy Kurlee, 67 years of age, passed through the city yesterday afternoon on train No. 22 on her way to Raleigh, where she begins a sentence of 30 years which she got at a recent term of superior court of Swain county when she was convicted of the second degree murder of Robena Putnam, her six-year-old grandchild. The convicted woman put the child in a cave on a mountain side near Waynesville, and walling the cave left the child to die from the cold weather and starvation. The crime was committed last March.

## Stubborn, Annoying Coughs Cured.

"My husband had a cough for fifteen years and my son for eight years. Dr. King's New Discovery completely cured them, for which I am most thankful," writes Mrs. David Moor, of Saginaw, Ala. What Dr. King's New Discovery did for these men, it will do for you. Dr. King's New Discovery should be in every home. Stops hacking coughs, relieves a gripe and all throat and lung ailments. Money back if it fails. At all druggists or by mail. Price 50c and \$1. H. E. Bucklen & Co., Philadelphia or St. Louis, advt.

## Accidentally Shot While Hunting.

Late Saturday afternoon Hampton Guinn, in Williamson township, was accidentally killed by being shot by a young man named Ganey, about 18 years of age. The two had gone rabbit hunting. Only one gun was carried, which belonged to Guinn. A rabbit was soon jumped and chased to a clay root, under which it sought safety. Guinn handed his gun, a double-barrel one, to young Ganey and told him to shoot the rabbit when he came out, Guinn going to the root to dig the cotton tail up. Almost immediately the rabbit dashed out of its hiding place, and it is presumed that, excited by its appearance, young Ganey fired the gun without thought of the consequences and killed his companion. The load took effect in Guinn's head, blowing it almost off and producing instant death.

## Attention, Shriners!

Operated via Seaboard Air-Line Railway to Atlanta, Ga., and return Sunday, May 10th, 1914.

Lv. Raleigh 6.07 p.m.  
Lv. Wilmington 3.45 p.m.  
Lv. Charlotte 8.20 p.m.  
Lv. Hamlet 9.10 p.m.  
Lv. Wadesboro 9.56 p.m.  
Lv. Monroe 10.10 p.m.

## SPECIAL TRAIN, ALL STEEL EQUIPMENT.

Write at once for detailed information and make Pullman reservations in advance. Limited accommodations. Special train will be parked at Inman Park siding on the Seaboard, the safest, quietest and cleanest location in Atlanta. JOHN T. WEST, D. P. A., Raleigh, N. C.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.** Having qualified as administrator of S. M. Thomas, dec'd, this is to notify all persons holding claims against said decedent to present them to the undersigned on or before the 28th day of March, 1914, or this notice will be filed in bar of their recovery. This February 28th, 1914. IVEY B. THOMAS, Admr. R. H. Hayes, Attorney.

## SEWERS WANTED

We offer positions in our Sewing Rooms in Burlington and Graham to women and girls who wish nice positions in which they can earn good money. Those sewing for us make from \$1 per week, which we pay all beginners, up to \$10 and \$12 per week after they have become accustomed to the work, which is not difficult, as machines are run by power and easily controlled. Write us and we will save you a machine and entrance board in nice family at \$2.00 or \$3 per week.

SCOTT-MERANE MFG CO., BURLINGTON, N. C.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.** Having qualified as administrator of Chesley Morgan, dec'd, this is to notify all persons holding claims against said decedent to present them to the undersigned on or before the 28th day of January, 1914. This 28th January, 1914. Admr J. Chesley Morgan. Fred. W. Bynum, Attorney.

## EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Having qualified as executor of the last will and testament of Sarah Ann Williams, deceased, this is to notify all persons holding claims against said decedent to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 23rd day of February, 1914, or this notice will be filed in bar of their recovery. Parties indebted to said decedent will please make settlement at once. This February 23, 1914. O. E. HATLEY, Executor. R. H. Hayes, Attorney.

**THE MORNING AFTER THE NIGHT BEFORE**  
Bromo-Crescent  
Go to your nearest soda fountain and say "Bromo-Crescent." Say it so the dispenser will understand. Pleasant to take and knocks that headache without an after effect.  
It's worth trying once—for a nickel.  
10c, 25c, 50c Bottles. BROMALGINE CO., Goldsboro, N. C.

## Tax Round—Last Call

For the convenience of those who have not paid their 1913 taxes, I will be at the following places on the dates mentioned below for the purpose of giving you another opportunity to settle your taxes.

All who are in arrears please meet me. I do not wish to put you to any cost or expense, but I must collect the taxes. I have given you ample time and opportunity. Come and settle or do not blame me for collecting by law.

Respectfully, LEON T. LANE, Sheriff of Chatham County. March 4th, 1914.

Goldston	Monday	March 23
Bear Creek	Tuesday morning	" 24
Bonlee	Tuesday afternoon	" 24
Harper's X Roads	Wednesday morn	" 25
Wells	Wednesday after	" 26
Bennett	Thursday	" 26
Siler City	Friday	" 27
Siler City	Saturday	" 28
M. W. Duncan's house	Mon. morning	" 30
Silk Hope	Monday afternoon	" 30
Mrs. S. J. Henderson's store	Tuesday	" 31
R. J. More's store	Bynum Wednesday	April 1
Riggsbee	Thursday	" 2
Fearrington's	Friday	" 3
Thraikill's store	Saturday	" 4
R. R. Segroves	Wednesday morn	" 8
Jim Knight's shop	Wednesday after	" 8
Merry Oaks	Thursday	" 9
B. F. Upchurch's res.	Friday morning	" 10
Wilcox & Luther's store	Friday after	" 10
Tom Buchanan's	Saturday	" 11
Moncure	Monday	" 13

## Frost-Proof Cabbage Plants.

Can be planted in the open ground any time during the months of February, March or April. Freezing weather will not injure them, and they will mature headed cabbage two to four weeks earlier than home grown plants.

We want the people of our community to learn from actual tests the profits to be made growing early crops of cabbage from these plants. We have contracted with Wm. C. Geraty Company, of Yonges Island, S. C., to grow us a supply of plants for delivery during the months of February, March and April. Varieties: Early Jersey and Charleston Large Type Wakefield, Succession and Early Flat Dutch. Prices: By mail postpaid 35c per 100 or \$3.50 per 1,000 plants. By express (buyer paying the express charges which are very low) 500 plants for \$1; in lots of 1,000 to 4,000 at \$1.50 per 1,000; lots of 5,000 and over at \$1.25 per 1,000 plants. Shipment direct from growing station at Yonges Island, S. C. Plants guaranteed to reach you in good condition and to produce satisfactory crops of headed cabbage, or we will refund purchase price.

Terms cash with order. No shipment sent C. O. D. As a further inducement to introduce the plants and to increase the circulation of our paper we will give 100 plants postpaid free for each new yearly cash with order subscription. By getting us a few new subscribers you can secure what plants you need free. Send order direct to us and we will forward to growing station.

## Chatham Record, Pittsboro, N.C.

**Tour to Florida and Havana, Cuba**  
NORTH CAROLINA—Chatham County—In the Superior Court. W. B. Cheek and J. C. Cheek Co., partners trading as The Cheek Lumber Co., vs. D. J. Eubanks—Summons by Publication.

To D. J. Eubanks, the defendant above named: You are hereby notified and will take notice that a proceeding as above entitled has been instituted before the undersigned, clerk of the superior court of Chatham county, for the purpose of having the timber on that tract of land, situated in Baldwin township, Chatham county, N. C., adjoining the lands of C. W. Snipes, Elizabeth Parrott, W. K. Rowwood and others, containing about 377 acres, sold for partition, in which timber it appears that you have an interest.

You are hereby notified and summoned to appear before the undersigned clerk of the superior court at his office in Pittsboro, N. C., on Tuesday, the 31st day of March, 1914, and answer or demur to the complaint now on file in this office, otherwise the report demanded in the complaint will be granted. JAS. L. GRIFFIN, Clerk of the Superior Court. R. H. Hayes, Attorney.

## COFFINS and CASKETS

A full stock of Coffins and Caskets always on hand and sold at all prices. All kinds and sizes. B. NOOE, PITTSBORO, N. C.

The W.D.N. next have mont I ses at Euba you s them when ed cheap The order can't with cash horse black Blyn at th resur and week scrip then at R you, adv now than has week mer we i mers Eub you quar or at cash adv eral G. Mon trad -W do r fin gro may fore of v Pitt fro cold birt ore old squ fur son Fre of har sid ful mo He beve tw Ju ve ing th up wa et w Tu Ci fo m to ac N in we ce pri g d w