

DELAY IN FIRST ELECTROCUTION

Apparatus Not Ready and the Murderer Gets Respite.

Raleigh, N. C., Sept. 9.—The first execution of a condemned man in the electric chair in North Carolina is not to take place on schedule time, and this is caused by the delay of a manufacturing company of New York.

On Friday William Morrison, a negro of Robinson county, sentenced to death by electrocution, having been commuted on the charge of rape, was to have paid the penalty, but because the electric apparatus is not ready he gets another lease of life. The New York concern that is making the electric apparatus has not sent the machinery here on time.

It had been expected until the last few days that the electric switchboard and death chair would reach Raleigh in time, and be installed for use on Friday, but it was learned yesterday that there was no possibility of this, and late yesterday afternoon Governor Kitchin was informed that it would be impossible to carry out the sentence of the law on Friday. Today he will grant a reprieve to Morrison, the time to be sufficient to allow the arrival and installation of the electric death apparatus.

The General Assembly of 1909 substituted death in the electric chair in place of death by hanging, and the negro Morrison is the first to be sentenced under the new law. At his execution besides the warden or deputy warden, surgeon or physician of the penitentiary, twelve respectable persons shall be present, besides which the counsel, any relatives of the condemned and a minister or ministers of the gospel may be present. The warden, or in his absence the deputy warden, is to turn on the death current. If relatives to the degree of fourth cousin apply for the body it shall be given them. The State allows not exceeding fifty dollars for all burial expenses. If the body is not claimed by any relative it is to be disposed of as other bodies of convicts lying in the penitentiary.

Mayor Sterling Invited to Norfolk

Mayor C. H. Sterling is in receipt of an invitation to attend the Atlantic Deepwater Waterways meeting, to be held in the city of Norfolk, Va., November 17, 18, 19 and 20.

President Taft, Vice President Sherman, Speaker Cannon, and other national dignitaries are expected to attend.

School District No. 10 Discontinued; Pupils to Attend City Schools

In the spring, the County Board of Education passed an order doing away with school No. 10, in Washington township, situated near the home of Mr. J. M. Farther.

This school, prior to that time, had been taught with only 10 pupils enrolled. When this fact was ascertained by the County Board of Education, they realized that it was an useless expenditure of money to pay a first grade teacher \$35 per month to instruct only 10 scholars, so the board wisely, the News thinks, discontinued the school, and ordered that the pupils attending there come to the Washington public school, the county board paying therefor. The parents and pupils readily consented to this change, and, so far, it has worked to the great advantage of all concerned. When the next session of the city public schools opens next Monday, those scholars residing in school district No. 10, will again attend in Washington. This works a saving to the county of quite a sum, and besides, it affords the children the means of much better instruction. The Board of Education have acted judiciously in this matter, and they have the commendation and thanks of all the citizens residing in the township.

TEACHERS ARRIVE

The Misses Davis, of Shelby, N. C., who are to teach in the Washington public schools the ensuing year, arrived in the city today. They will have rooms and board with Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Clark, West Second street.

CONDITION FAVORABLE

The negro section band, William States, who was injured yesterday by the Atlantic Coast Line engine striking him, and who was brought here for medical treatment, is doing very well, and there are strong hopes for his recovery.

DEPUTY MARSHAL HERE

Deputy Marshal J. M. Farther was in the city yesterday on business in connection with the Federal court. Mr. Farther is deputy marshal.

DAILY NEWS VOTING COUPON

Twenty-five Cents in Coupons good for one 5c.

COMPANY D WINS PRIZE

The Nathaniel Harding Trophy Given by Colonel Bragaw Won by Goldsboro.

Company D, Second North Carolina Infantry, of Goldsboro, N. C., has been awarded the Nathaniel Harding trophy. This prize was offered by Col. H. Churchill Bragaw, commanding the Second regiment, at Morehead City, and was awarded to the company making the highest percentage in all phases of the work done while in camp.

The trophy given by Col. Bragaw was named in honor of the regiment's aged chaplain, Rev. Nathaniel Harding, of this city, who is one of the oldest officers of the National Guard in the entire country. The work for which this prize was offered and awarded, included every phase of military duty, such as target practice, field work, etc. Company D, of Goldsboro, had no real competitors, although out of three "calls to arms" it was beaten by the headquarters company of this city. Company G led the regiment twice in this and company D only once.

The Goldsboro company led the other eleven companies of the camp in target practice by a good margin.

The Coal Report Shows Decrease

Washington, D. C., Sept. 9.—The Geological Survey report shows that the production of coal in Tennessee in 1908, was 6,199,171 tons of the value of \$7,118,409, showing a decrease of 8.97 per cent in quality and 16.16 per cent in value. During the year 11,812 men, who worked an average of 209 days. The coal mines of Tennessee were not seriously affected by labor disturbances during 1908. It also shows that the "mineral resources for 1908" were less than any year since 1904.

RECEPTION GIVEN

A reception was given in Elizabeth City on Tuesday evening by Miss Mary Pencil, at the residence of H. Clay Tunstall, on Broad street, in honor of Misses Mary Bell and Katherine Small, who have been visiting in that town for a fortnight.

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FUSIONISTS TO HAVE TICKET

The Great Battle for Ballots is to be Waged in New York City.

New York, Sept. 9.—With the approach of the municipal election, the interest is already becoming intense, with the probable result that before the campaign is over the whole nation will be occupied in watching the greatest battle for ballots ever waged in the metropolis.

A conference of great importance is expected tomorrow between representatives of the Republican organization and the Committee of One Hundred, which may result in the taking of definite and final steps toward putting a fusion ticket in the field to oppose the cohorts of Tammany.

Never have the anti-Tammany leaders felt more confident of success than today. The Committee of One Hundred, although it may not have on its roster so many well-known names as such bodies as the Committee of Seventy, is nevertheless one of the most homogeneous and capable independent organizations that have ever taken part in a municipal campaign. And what is of even more importance, it is a working body.

On the other hand, the Republican organization has never been more thoroughly and systematically equipped for a campaign or more ably directed than at present. This, taken in connection with the prevalent dissatisfaction and unrest in Tammany Hall, the dislike of the mayor and district of Charles F. Murphy, would tend to create a more even balance between the parties without taking into consideration the fact that this year, for the first time in a municipal contest, the personal signature registration goes into effect. This alone can be counted on, according to careful estimates, to weaken the normal Tammany vote by from 25,000 to 30,000 through the elimination of 424 many "floaters" and "repeaters."

There is to be no call for a general fusion conference. There will be no conferences at all in which participants will vote as organizations with a fixed voting ratio according to their supposed strength or arbitrary agreement. But there will be conferences between sub-committees of the Hundred and representatives of the several minor independent organizations, the Independence League, and the Republican party. The latter, the important one of the three, will take place tomorrow.

At this conference representatives of the Hundred will present to the Republican conference one or more names for each of the offices whose election carries with it membership on the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, and possibly for the district attorneyship of New York county. It does not, of course, necessarily follow that one of these names will be chosen for the Hundred, and not going into the conference with the idea of bringing about the nomination of any one man. It is the type of man, rather than the individual, they will insist upon.

Many names are discussed daily by the committee on candidates in the effort to arrive at an approximation of the choice for the several offices to be filled. In this thrashing-out process, more names are to be considered for the head of the ticket than for any other place on it. On this list there are at present business and professional men, Republicans and Democrats.

Among the business men most seriously discussed are Gustav H. Schwab, Charles A. Moore, and Otto T. Bannard. All three are Republicans. Mr. Schwab was chairman of the preliminary committee of the Hundred, and has participated actively in this work. Mr. Moore, the head of a large machinery concern, is president of the American Protective Tariff League, a director of the Civic Federation, and a member of the recent charter commission. He has made a study of municipal and labor problems and is popular with the labor element. Mr. Bannard is president of a trust company and treasurer of the New York County Republican Committee.

Henry L. Stimson, recently United States district attorney, a Republican, and Wallace MacFarlane, a Democrat, who held the same position in Cleveland's last administration, are among the lawyers frequently discussed. In the same list must be mentioned Robert C. Morris, president of the Republican Club; Judge Charles E. Whitman, Republican; and J. M. Farther, the Joe Medges, all Republican organization men. Other names on the list are Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia University, and William Lock, Jr., collector of the port of New York, but it is not believed that either could be prevailed upon to make the run. Both are Republicans.

A possible objection to those that has been made is that a candidate has been put forward who is not a resident of the city. This objection is being vigorously combated by the Republican organization.

ASHEVILLE GOOD ROADS MEETING

To Be Held October 5, 6 and 7 for the Purpose of Stimulating Good Roads.

In order to stimulate good roads construction in the Southern Appalachian mountains, the Highway Division of the North Carolina Geological and Economic Survey has been conducting for the past six weeks a series of good roads meetings through the various counties of Western North Carolina. At these meetings information and instruction were given with regard to the location and construction of improved roads in the county where the meeting was held. In order to more thoroughly arouse the interest for good roads work in the Southern Appalachian country, arrangements have been made for a convention to be held in Asheville, October 5, 6 and 7, which will take up the most important questions: How can we get better roads in the Southern Appalachian Mountains?

There will be invited speakers at this convention, who are thoroughly competent to discuss the various phases of good roads work and, while at this time it is impossible to give the complete program, yet, an idea is given below of its scope. Honorable James Wilson, Secretary of Agriculture, is also expected to make one of the more important addresses of the convention. The U. S. Office of Public Roads comes under the Department of Agriculture, and Mr. Wilson has always shown the greatest interest in good roads work throughout the country, appreciating as he does the value of good roads to the agricultural sections.

As is seen from the above, the various questions relating to good road work will be discussed by able men, and should arouse a great deal of interest in this important question of good roads construction.

The county and road commissioners of the counties in the Southern Appalachian region have been specially invited to this convention, and it is expected that a large number of these men, under whom nearly all the roads in this region are constructed, will be in attendance at the convention.

On Tuesday, October 5, the work of the convention will deal especially with road construction in the various counties, and an attempt will be made to provide ways and means to make it possible to have surveyed out the system of roads that is advocated by the convention. It is expected that the county and road commissioners will thoroughly discuss the road situation in their counties, with the result that it will be found that it is possible for the counties to take a united action in the construction of this system of good roads; so that instead of having isolated pieces of good roads, we will have the good roads in one county connected with those in another.

That such a system of good roads, which will connect one county with another and the mountain counties with the Piedmont, is of the utmost value to the Southern Appalachian region, all admit who have investigated the situation. The construction of 200 to 300 miles of such improved roads is not an idle dream, and, by the united action of the different counties, it can become, within a very short time, an assured fact. That the counties are interested in the convention and in the possibility of the construction of such a system of roads, is evidenced by the number of delegates that they are appointing to the convention. Not only are the specially appointed delegates invited to this convention, but any and every one who may be interested in good roads are cordially invited to attend the convention on October 5, 6 and 7, at Asheville, and to take part in its deliberations.

City Cleaning Out the Ditches

The city has finished cleaning out the town ditch that runs across the north end of the city, and are at present engaged in cleaning and renovating the ditch leading into Cool Spring branch. This is something that has been long needed.

Allan Robinson, real estate man; Gen. Theodore A. Bingham, ex-postal commissioner; Postmaster Morgan; and W. R. Wilcox, chairman of the Public Service Commission. It is not supposed that either of the last two could be persuaded to run. Justice Gaylor and John A. Bessel, president of the Board of Water Supply, are being considered, but there is said to be little chance of either receiving serious consideration by the Republican voters.

The Republican city convention will convene on September 28, when the action of the legislature will be considered.

DEMOCRATS IN HARMONY MEET

The Democratic Party in the Empire State is Now in Session.

Saratoga, N. Y., Sept. 9.—To give the Democratic party in the Empire State new birth and a new life, to reform it into a united, efficient and victory-winning political organization and to restore the spirit of harmony which has been sadly lacking in the party convalesces for many years, is the object of a gathering of the leading Democrats of the State in Saratoga today. The delegates present maintain a cheerful air of enthusiasm, in keeping with the "harmony" meeting, although the disaffection of the Hearst and Bryan adherents has been a blow to the reorganization movement. Although it is composed almost exclusively of New York Democrats, the meeting which opened today and will continue through tomorrow, is declared to be really representative of the nation and will have a national bearing upon the future of the party. Alton B. Parker, John G. Carlisle, Edward M. Sheppard and others are prominent in the meeting, and the delegates are almost exclusively old-time Cleveland and Home-Rule Democrats—infinitely to the Congress machine.

Tariff revision downward, economy in government, observance of State rights, abolition of special privilege, income tax, encouragement in the building of an American mercantile marine, removal of the gag rule in Congress, postal savings banks—these are the national issues most generally urged by the delegates. Home rule, economic discontinuance of government by commission, primary reform, and the repeal of the present liquor tax law are proposed as issues for the next State campaign. There is an almost total absence of all the "isms" which have been repudiated by the people in the recent defeats of William J. Bryan and W. B. Hearst.

The party reorganizers do not expect to take any part in the city campaign. The first fight will be in the county campaign this fall. The real fight, however, will be next year, when the reorganizers hope to be strong enough to control the nomination for governor and the State ticket and to sweep the State, as in the old Cleveland days. In order to do this they admit that they will have to make a fight in the primaries.

New Teacher for Manual Training

Mr. Charles C. Stoker, who was elected by the board of trustees of the Washington public schools, as teacher in the department of manual training, tendered his resignation about two weeks ago.

Mr. G. B. Howard, of Rockvale, Ky., a graduate of the University of Kentucky, and who has had considerable experience in teaching manual training, has been elected to succeed Mr. Stoker and he has accepted and will arrive in Washington sometime this week. Mr. Howard, the trustees think, will be a much better man for the position than the original. He comes to the city schools highly recommended and with the best of endorsement. The school is to be congratulated on securing his valued services.

Bowling Match Friday Night

Tomorrow evening at the Imperial Bowling Alley there will be a match game between local teams. For weeks the rivals for supremacy have been practicing for this occasion. All of the contestants are confident of success, and all who witness this interesting feat will be amply repaid.

The following well-known bowlers have so far entered for the contest: Jos. Ross, Guy Gabriel, Guy Harding, H. B. Mayo, C. M. Sanderson, Cal E. Jordan, D. C. Ross, I. K. Morris, S. R. Pegram, J. H. Calloway, Will Beasley and W. K. Jacobson.

The bowling begins promptly at 8:30 o'clock. Ladies are cordially invited. An admission fee of ten cents will be charged. A pleasant and entertaining evening is looked forward to.

A prize will be presented to the winning team by the management of the Imperial Bowling Alley.

A WELL MANAGED HOSIERY MILL WOULD BE PROFITABLE INVESTMENT

Would Be a Money-Maker for the Stockholders and Give Employment to Men and Women Now Unemployed.

LET'S REAP THE BENEFITS

The following has been handed The News with the request to publish the same—the article originally having been received from Mr. Fred L. Merritt, land and industrial agent of the Norfolk and Southern Railway, at Norfolk, Va.

From the Wilmington Star, August 31st. As one of the needs of the Southern cotton manufacturing industry is diversification, it appears that now is a good time to establish some hosiery mills. With the New England manufacturers going into the knitting mill business because the amount of protection on hosiery is the highest this country ever had, we need not stop to argue with politicians who are endeavoring to make the people believe that there was "downward revision" of the tariff. The New Englander knows better and he is going to take advantage of upward revision. That sharp manufacturers, of Massachusetts, have their money on higher tariff schedules, the following from the Boston Commercial Bulletin will show: "It is stated that because the new tariff schedules on a certain grade of hosiery are 20 to 25 per cent higher than on the Dingler bill, E. A. Richardson, of North Adams, Mass., has completed plans to start a hosiery mill in one of his large buildings on State street, in that city. The machinery is bought and the company will be known as the Berkshire Hosiery Company." As the hosiery business ranks with the smaller and more profitable branches of manufacturing it would be a good idea to have knitting mills scattered throughout North Carolina. There are already a dozen or more knitting mills in the State, and they are said to be among North Carolina's most profitable industries.

A well managed hosiery mill at Washington would be a profitable enterprise. It would make money for stockholders, give desirable work to women and children now unemployed, and contribute much through its pay roll to the general trade prosperity of the town. It does not take a great amount of capital to start a knitting mill. There is plenty of idle money in Washington looking for investment. Why not put it into a knitting mill and let some of the benefits of the high tariff on hosiery and knit goods come home to us?

Circus Men Are to Protest

New York, Sept. 9.—Circus men today held a meeting and decided to begin an active protest against that phase of the new tariff law which prevents them from taking their menageries on foreign tours. Under the Dingley law it was possible to take all animals to foreign countries and bring them back without the payment of duty, but under the Payne bill all domestic animals exported must pay the regular duty when they are brought back. The new law makes an exception in the case of animals sent abroad for purposes of exhibition at fairs or expositions, but these are not held to include circuses.

The Hoo-Hoos Are in Session

Hot Springs, Ark., Sept. 9.—The Concentrated Order of Hoo-Hoo, are in session here. There is a large attendance. The order is a social and fraternal organization of lumbermen, which was first suggested in the parlors of the old Hotel Hall, at Gurdon, a building since torn down, and on its site a memorial tablet has been inserted. Its membership is now over 20,000, extending practically all over the world. The headquarters of the order is at Nashville, Tenn. The title of the officers are peculiar. Instead of president, secretary, etc., they run in order thus: Snark of the Universe, Senior Hoo-Hoo, Junior Hoo-Hoo, Bojum, Scrivener, Jabberwock, Custodian, Gurdon. This morning their time was taken up solely with business matters. This afternoon they are to have an excursion to Gurdon, Ark., where they are to dedicate their tablet which cost over \$2,000. The tablet is elaborate, embodying all the design of the Egyptian symbolism on which the orders ritualistic work rests.

TIME GROWS SHORTER

Each day that comes makes your chances less to win the gold and silver prize at Smith & Co. You will not only lose the prize, but the opportunity of reading The News and securing coupons, both for one prize. Those who have failed to subscribe to this paper had better visit the business office at once and have your name added to the list. A chance to win the baby prize and secure the best afternoon paper in this section of North Carolina, all for one cost. Suppose you try it?

ADDITION COMPLETED

The addition to the Fallers Hardware building, fronting on Water street, erected for their shipping department, has been completed and added considerably to the amount of that already large and commodious structure.

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