

To Judge a Man's Character, First Find the Food Upon Which His Brain Feeds--Good Reading Makes Good Men

PROSPECTS OF DEMOCRATIC VICTORY ENCOURAGE BUSINESS EXPANSION

All Large Business Interests Show Decided Increase Over Year Ago. Comparative Figures Given for Wage Earners Under Protection and Tariff for Revenue Plan. Relief From Express Companies

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AURORA SOCIETY
The Col. James Bonner Society Is Delightfully Entertained by Mrs. R. L. M. Bonner.

The Colonel James Bonner Society of the Children of the American Revolution, of Aurora, N. C., were delightedly entertained at a Washington birthday party given by Mrs. R. L. M. Bonner at her home, which was decorated with flags and the national colors.

The children of the Kindergarten will give a concert on Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the school auditorium, the proceeds to be used for pictures for the Kindergarten.

TONIGHT THE NIGHT AT CITY HALL 8 P. M.

A Democratic Club will be organized to use every honorable effort to re-elect Senator F. M. Simmons to the United States Senate.

KINDERGARTEN WILL HAVE AN ENTERTAINMENT
The children of the Kindergarten will give a concert on Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the school auditorium.

- 1.—Clock Song... By Kindergarten
2.—Sleighing Song... Kindergarten
3.—The Three Bears... Kindergarten

PEOPLE YOU KNOW COMING AND GOING

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Radwell, of Royal, are in the city today. Mr. Radwell has purchased the Bogart property on East Second street and will occupy same about March 1.

COMPANY G, MAKING READY FOR INSPECTION

Local Company Hold Skirmish Drill and Brighten Up for Inspection on Wednesday Evening
On Friday evening, Company G, 2nd Infantry, assembled in their armory on Market street and went through the skirmish drill and other maneuvers, preparatory to the annual inspection on Wednesday evening.

RECORDED HELD LIVELY SESSION THIS MORNING

LUCY AUSTIN PROVES TO BE CHAMPION CUSHER—JUDGE GRIMES NOT AVERSE TO AWARDING HER DIPLOMA.

PEARCE ODEN'S CAFE

JOE EDWARDS REFORMS AFTER LOSING FIVE CENTS IN GAME OF "FIVE UP"—ODEN FINED \$10.00 AND COST, A TOTAL OF \$28.00.

The Honor Judge Grimes, rejoiced not at a man's misfortune, nor the downfall of a woman, but to sit upon the bench in his tribunal and look back and see the blenchers all occupied and the S. E. O. sign hanging on the front of the dock causes a wreath of smiles to illumine his countenance, for he feels that the effects of the law have been on the spot and rounded up offenders.

Among the distinguished educational leaders attending the various meetings is Mr. Phillander P. Claxton, U. S. commissioner of education, who will take part in several important discussions and will be the guest of honor at a banquet arranged by the National Committee on Agricultural Education, at which the food, so far as possible, will be prepared and served by students of agriculture and home economics in agricultural, domestic science, technical, normal and high schools of the United States.

Odón was represented by Mr. J. D. Grimes, who thought that the warrant under which his client had been arrested, was faulty, and quoted his authority.

The Court disagreed with him, and Odón's counsel logically argued that the defendant should be given the benefit of the doubt, in spite of which Oden was paroled in the custody of Officer Roberts to raise \$25.00, fine and cost and to provide a bondsman to guarantee the Court he would refrain from the conduct of his place in the future. The \$50.00 behaviour bond was fixed at \$50.

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The drill was highly satisfactory, the arms and uniforms, speck and span and the local company are anticipating an exceptionally good report. They will hold another drill tomorrow night. The public is invited to be present Wednesday evening at 8:30 as such inspections are of more than passing interest.

Turkey Raffle His Undoing
Faulina, Ia., Feb. 26.—Because he participated in a turkey raffle last Thanksgiving, Frank J. McCracken, until recently the mayor of this city, is to stand trial on a charge of gambling at the term of the district court which convened today.

Gary, Ind., Feb. 26.—With the starting of work in the rail mill today the Gary Steel Works for the first time are running to the fullest capacity. All rolling mills, axle, plate, blank and bar mills and coke ovens are in full operation.

NATIONAL EDUCATORS IN SESSION TODAY

All Sections of Country Represented and Hotels Crowded at Great Gathering of Educators.

St. Louis, Feb. 26.—The Planters' Hotel and several other large hotels in the downtown district of this city are crowded with educators who have gathered here to attend the various educational conventions scheduled to meet here this week.

The most important of these conventions, the annual meeting of the Department of Superintendence of the National Educational Association, as well as a few other important conventions will not open until tomorrow, but two of the bodies, the National Society of Education, and the National Society for the Study of Education, held their opening sessions today.

President Armstrong spoke on "State Organization" this afternoon and papers were presented by W. W. Marsh of Waterloo, on "State Publicity," and S. R. McKelvie of Lincoln, Neb., on "Advertising to the Farmer." The convention will conclude tomorrow.

Alleged Lyncers on Trial
Georgetown, Tex., Feb. 26.—Ezra W. Stephens, Harry Wuenske and C. P. Noack, three residents of Milam county, were arraigned in the district court here today to answer to the charge of murder in the first degree as the result of their alleged participation in the lynching of Antonio Gomez, at Thorndale last June.

To Wrestle for Title
Cleveland, O., Feb. 26.—Henry Gehring of this city will defend his title of middleweight champion wrestler in a mat bout here tomorrow night with Mike Yokel of Salt Lake City.

Conference of Railroad Workers
Springfield, Ill., Feb. 26.—Seven thousand delegates representing the four big brotherhoods of railroad workers, the Locomotive Firemen and Engineers, the Railway Trainmen, the Locomotive Engineers and the Railway Conductors, met here today in a fraternal and co-operative conference for the purpose of discussing matters of co-operation and legislation and for deliberating on ways and means for obtaining the cooperation of the management of the railroads in matters of mutual interest.

The forenoon was devoted to the reception of delegates and in the afternoon a closed session was held which will be followed this evening by a reception at the Governor's mansion.

THE WEATHER
Cloudy and colder tonight with probable snow in mountain regions. Tuesday shifting to west winds and colder.

DIPLOMAS READY FOR WINNERS IN BOYS CORN CLUB

THREE BEAUFORT COUNTY BOYS RECEIVE DIPLOMAS FOR YIELD OF CORN—TO BE MAILED OUT AT ONCE.

THIRTEEN WIN PINS

THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OFFERED PINS TO CONTESTANTS AND THIRTEEN HAVE BEEN AWARDED FOR HAVING DONE THE WORK.

Superintendent of schools, Mr. W. L. Vaughan, has received from the State, three handsome diplomas to be awarded as follows: J. W. Leggett, Washington, yield 77.8 bushels of corn to acre; Roscoe Radcliffe, Pantego, 97 bushels to acre; Murray Midyette, Bath, 84.9 bushels to acre.

Something Doing for Half a Week
Three Nights This Week Will Furnish Entertainment for Washington Folk.—Speeches, Shakespeare Plays, Military Inspection, Billed.

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New York, Feb. 26.—What appears to be the most attractive item on the static menu in the metropolis this week will be served up at the Fairmont A. C. tomorrow night, when Pursey McFarland and Tom Maloney will come together for a ten-round setto.