

Rain Tonight And Tomorrow Colder

CITY OBSERVES BIRTHDAY OF THE IMMORTAL LEE

Music and Song and Oratory in the Public School Auditorium Last Night in Honor of Lee and Jackson.

Last night in the public school auditorium the men who fought in sixty-one and their descendants assembled on the birthday of General Lee to do honor to Lee and Jackson. The stage was decorated with potted plants and the colors of red and white. A picture of General Lee toward the front in the center of the stage was draped in the red and white, as was also the portrait of Stonewall Jackson on the wall.

Mayor Harding presided, introducing Rev. H. B. Searight, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, who made the opening invocation, petitioning for every one present a "life devoted to God, to our country, and to the service of our fellow-men." A solo was sung by Miss Ada Rhodes, followed by a duet by Miss Beale Conoley and Miss Kate Bragaw. After the children of the Confederacy had sung "Carolina," Miss Sallie Carrow recited "The Confederate's Farewell." The quartet composed of Messrs. R. Lee Stewart, Lyndon Shaw, John Smith and Z. M. Potts rendered a medley of old Southern songs.

At this juncture, the children were thoughtfully allowed to leave the hall who desired.

Supt. N. C. Newbold in introducing Mr. Robert Hanson Williams, of the Asheville bar, and member of the Legislature from Buncombe, eulogized General Lee as without exception the "greatest man born on American soil," and mentioned the fact that schools in the North were common to celebrate the birthday of Lee, then without more introduced Mr. Williams as the grandson of a Confederate soldier, who had come out of West Point with a captaincy in the United States army, when he joined the people of his State at the outbreak of the war and speedily rose to the rank of Brigadier General, commanding the district of South Carolina, Georgia, and Florida. Mr. Williams' mother was President of the State Daughters of the Confederacy for three years.

Mr. Williams began in a clear voice, enunciating his words with remarkable distinctness. He epitomized Lee as the "embodiment of knightly character and Southern chivalry." He was a superb general untrammelled by the rules of war. To Lee, warfare was a science, and none studied it more or mastered it better than he, who "struck with the arm of a giant and saw with the eye of an eagle." With all this he set a standard unequalled in modesty, humility, parity, and nobility. Disappointment did not embitter him.

Referring to Stonewall Jackson, the speaker quoted the words of the Louisiana chaplain, who said when unveiling a monument to Jackson

that while it was the divine, inscrutable will that the war should end as it did, Stonewall Jackson had to be taken away first.

Whether the cause of the South was just or not will never be decided, but at all events the issue is settled. The country is once more re-united; we would not leave this union if we could. "Let a foreign foe attack her and twenty million people will spring from the sunny South in her defense."

"The stars and bars," said the speaker, "have been forever furled, but around them clings the fondest recollection of a Southern soldier's heart. The splendor of their valor and fortitude is no longer confined to one section, but is the inheritance of the whole country. In the days to come their names will be honored by Massachusetts and Pennsylvania as well as by Virginia and North Carolina. They went through all the perils of disease without medicine, endured all the pangs of hunger without proper food, suffered for lack of shoes and clothes, and yet went through it all with a cheek that never blanched and a fortitude that never faltered. No wonder such an army established a military prestige which was the wonder of the world—the miracle of the age in which it occurred and the romance of the ages of the future. Can the historian present a more heroic soldier?" (Applause.)

Mr. Williams here paid tribute to the brave and dauntless women who had no martial spirit to inspire their sons to battle, easing their jaded nerves either with victory or with death. "I love," said the speaker, "to pay tribute to the soldiers of the South, but when I do I pay two tributes to the women of the South."

It is our duty, contended Mr. Williams, to do the little we can do to ease their heads, and it is fitting that we should gather together in the midst of the rush of modern life to worship at their shrine. We can offer no better prayer for our children or our children's children than that they inherit their patriotic virtues so as to wear worthily the mantle of the future.

"New problems will arise and we will have to solve them. Let us drink deep from the fount of inspiration. Can we offer a better prayer than that our love may be as earnest, as pure, and as strong as theirs has been?"

When the applause which followed Mr. Williams' address had died away, the quartet sang "Tenting Tonight on the Old Camp Ground," after which the benediction was pronounced by Rev. Nathaniel Harding, rector of St. Peter's Episcopal church.

ON WAY TO WASHINGTON

Mr. Herbert Allen, of Pungo, spent Sunday night in town with his friend, Mr. W. L. Vaughn, on his way to Washington, D. C. He won this magnificent free trip in the boys' corn-own contest for the first congressional district, producing the largest yield of corn at the least cost on an acre of land. He produced 83 bushels of corn at a cost of 14.2 cents per bushel. Only one other boy in North Carolina won this trip, when George E. West, of Kingston.

Details were completed today by department of agriculture officials for the start of the "all star" crop growing boys from the South and North who will spend all next week in Washington. Their program includes a visit to President Taft, the receipt of diplomas from the secretary of agriculture, visits to the government departments, and probable appearance before the agricultural committee of the House of Representatives.

In charge of Prof. O. B. Martin, assistant in the office of the farmers cooperative demonstration work; nineteen boys from Southern states will be entertained.

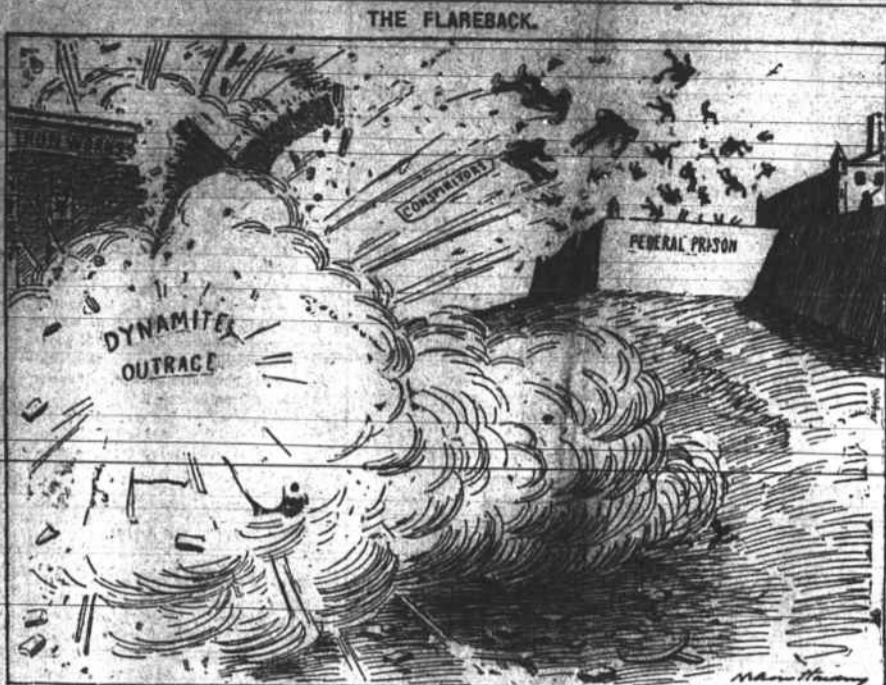
Twenty-one Northern boys will be entertained at the same time.

Excellent records in crop growing were turned in by the boys. In Mississippi forty-two produced more than 100 bushels of corn to the acre; in Alabama 130; in South Carolina 75; in North Carolina 75; and in Georgia 44. The corn crop of the twelve Southern states in 1913 was more than 200,000,000 bushels greater than in 1908 when the late Dr. S. A. Knapp started the systematic plan of organizing and encouraging the boys of the South in corn-growing.

COLONEL RODMAN

Colonel Wiley C. Rodman, representative from Beaufort County in the lower house of the General Assembly, arrived here last evening.

Mr. E. W. Burgeron, R. F. D. No. 3, is here today.



BUSIEST DAY YET IN THE LEGISLATURE

Raleigh, Jan. 21.—In point of amount of work done yesterday was the busiest day thus far in this session of the General Assembly. Both branches convened and adjourned practically simultaneously and were in session an hour and a half, during which a number of bills were introduced, a good number passed second and third readings, a number were ratified and once or twice in each house the proceedings were interrupted to a degree heretofore unusual by debate and contests, which in one case called for the year and more vote after an objection to suspension of the rules.

Of considerable interest is this roll call, which was taken on the adoption of a joint resolution introduced in the House by Representative E. J. Justice, to invite Messrs. W. J. Bryan, Woodrow Wilson and Robert M. LaFollette to address the General Assembly. Its significance lies in the fact that, in a measure, though not conclusively, it is taken to indicate the attitude of the Democratic membership of the House towards these national political leaders, their views as to certain principal reform measures they advocate, and the sentiment in the House relative to certain reform measures upon which the body will be called upon to act during this session.

Mr. Justice requested unanimous consent for immediate consideration of his resolution. Objection was made by Representative R. I. Haymore, Republican. Mr. Justice then moved suspension of the rules for immediate action upon his resolution, and was sustained by the necessary two-third vote. Mr. Haymore then called for the year and more and Mr. Justice seconded the call. On the roll call 55 voted for the adoption of the Justice resolution and 27 against it. While opposition to the resolution was led by Mr. Haymore, not all the Republicans voted with him, and at the same time a good sprinkling of Democrats voted against the resolution.

Interest was injected into the Senate proceedings by debate on the question of authorizing certain committees to employ secretaries, the argument relating to the idea of re-employment and to the report of the joint committee appointed to investigate as to the number of clerks and other employees needed in the General Assembly.

Of State wide interest is the bill introduced by Senator Daniel to provide the Torrens system of registering and guaranteeing land titles. Senator Daniel's bill is the measure introduced by the State Bar Association. Another divorce bill was introduced.

MOTHER AND CHILDREN DIE IN SUSPICIOUS FIRE

Elizabeth, N. J., Jan. 21.—A fire believed incendiary Mrs. Louis Simbro, thirty-two, and her two girls, one four years old and one four months, were burned to death this morning at No. 905 Flora street.

The woman's husband and Rafael Murtillo, a boarder, both had been jumped from a third-story window to the roof of an adjoining building and thence to the ground. Murtillo is in the Alexian Brothers' Hospital and Simbro elsewhere under the care of a physician.

It was only after the fire had died away and the ruins cooled that the burned bodies of Mrs. Simbro and her children were found.

Fire Chief Gerstung says there was nothing inflammable on the first or second floors and no apparent reason why fire should have started in either.

The property loss was about \$5,000.

WILSON SUCCEEDS DOING AWAY WITH BALL

Washington, D. C., Jan. 21.—The time-honored inaugural ball, the climax of the ceremonies incident to the inauguration of presidents of the United States will not be given this year. In compliance with Presidential elect Wilson's wishes the inaugural committee at a special meeting today unanimously decided to eliminate it.

Introduced in the House by Representative D. P. Dellinger, which reduces the time of separation from ten to five years. It differs from Mr. Stuart's bill in that the latter provides a ground for divorce additional to that now in the statute and allows either of the parties divorced to re-marry after one year by order of a Superior Court judge.

To enable counties to establish and maintain public hospitals, levy a tax and issue bonds therefor, elect hospital trustees, maintain training schools in the House by Representative E. R. Wooten.

Representative R. B. Miller is the author of a bill introduced in the House yesterday to define certain employment as extra hazardous, to abrogate the common law doctrine of "assumed risk," "negligence of a fellow servant," and "contributory negligence," as applied to such employment, and substituting in lieu thereof the doctrine of "comparative negligence."

Speaker Connor completed, with one exception, the appointment of standing committees of the House.

WILSON IS GOING AFTER THE TRUSTS

Trenton, N. J., Jan. 21.—A sweeping program of proposed changes in the corporation laws of New Jersey was announced by Governor Woodrow Wilson yesterday.

Not only would it be a misdemeanor or under the proposed laws, to acquire a monopoly or interfere with freedom of competition, but jail sentences are contemplated for those who promote or organize trusts.

To effect these changes seven voluminous bills have been drafted by Governor Wilson, Chancellor Walker and Judge Van Syckel.

They will be introduced in the State Legislature.

The first of these bills provides for a punishment not exceeding three years' imprisonment and \$1,000 fine for any corporation, firm, or individual who may agree to any of the following: To limit production or increased prices; to prevent competition in manufacturing, transporting or selling any commodity; to fix any standard or figure whereby prices to the public shall in any manner be controlled; to make any agreement which shall directly or indirectly preclude a free and unrestricted competition among themselves or any purchasers or consumers, to make any secret or oral agreement whereby the same thing is accomplished.

The other bills rule that corporations shall not issue stock upon fictitious values of property but must make "a fair bona fide valuation"; provide punishment by fine and imprisonment for those who organize a corporation in restraint of trade; prohibit holding companies, and prevent merged companies from acquiring stock of other corporations.

It is also provided that the consent of the public utility commission must be procured when two or more corporations want to merge and there is a prohibition against improper discrimination by corporations in prices of commodities in different communities.

THREE FOUND GUILTY IN RECORDER'S COURT

The following cases were before Recorder W. D. Windley this morning at the city hall and were disposed of as follows:

Thad Barber, Jr., colored, drunk. Found guilty and fined two dollars and costs.

Mack Solomon, retelling. Found guilty and sentenced to four months in the county jail.

R. Grimes, assault upon Pearl Dible. Found guilty, and fined ten dollars and costs.

CALL FOR PUBLIC MEETING TO SECURE LEAGUE BALL

Plans for Forming a Six Club Eastern Carolina League to be Discussed in Town Hall Friday.

A public meeting has been called in the town hall for Friday night at 8 o'clock, where the project will be broached of having a baseball club next season in an Eastern Carolina League. The views of every one are sought upon vital questions such as salary limit. The idea of those behind the movement is to organize upon conservative lines, so as to avoid any crippling financial disaster.

New Bern has taken the initiative,

and a committee representing the New Bern Athletic Association has written to fans in Rocky Mount, Wilson, Fayetteville, Wilmington, Tarboro, Kinston and Washington in the hope that there is sufficient enthusiasm in Eastern Carolina to bring in to line at least six towns.

It has been proposed that at Friday night's meeting Washington citizens appoint a committee to meet the New Bern committee on the night of January 31 in Goldsboro.

TEACHERS OF COUNTY MEET TALK BY PROF. WILSON

Last Saturday morning the County Teachers' Association held a joint meeting of graded and country school teachers, over 100 being present. Mr. M. A. Huggins, principal of the Washington High School, presided.

The invocation was delivered by Mr. A. W. Davenport, principal of the Pantego High School. A charming feature was the musical program rendered by Miss Kornegay's music class.

The main address was delivered by Prof. C. W. Wilson, of the chair of pedagogy in the Eastern Carolina Training School, whose subject was "Some Problems of the Rural Schools." His theme was the duty of the rural teacher to seize every opportunity for making country life as pleasant as possible. The people on the farms comprise 80 per cent. of our population at present, but in order to check the alarming drift to the cities it is necessary to foster the "back-to-the-farm" movement by making country life as attractive and livable as city life. Great strides have been made along these lines in recent years, with good roads, telephones, and now with the parcel post. The teacher must utilize the school, the betterment association, the country church, and the Sunday school, as means of becoming a part of community life. In a word, a teacher's duty doesn't end with work in the classroom—it goes beyond.

Miss Annie Jarvis, of the Washington graded school, read a paper on the teaching of reading in primary grades. Miss Jarvis was listened to with keen interest, she having had considerable successful experience in the art of teaching children to read. The meeting closed with some announcements by Supt. W. L. Vaughn. The above report of this meeting was held over from yesterday for lack of space.

BISHOP STRANGE LECTURE IN SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

Bishop Robert Strange, of the Eastern Carolina Diocese, will lecture in the public school auditorium on the evening of Tuesday, January 28. His subject will be, "Religion in Education and Business." Bishop Strange is exceedingly popular in Washington, and his prospective auditors, most of whom have heard him many times before, look forward with keen anticipation to the date of the lecture.

WILL COMPLY WITH WISHES OF WILSON.

Trenton, N. J., Jan. 21.—When President-elect Wilson arrived at the State House yesterday he found the following telegram, sent last Friday by William Corcoran Epstis, chairman of the inauguration committee: "Your letter in reference to the omission of the inaugural ball has not reached me, but I hasten to comply with your wishes in every way."

LEGAL TRANSFERS FOR PAST WEEK

The following deeds of transfer were filed in the Register's office the past week for registration:

- W. S. Bonner and wife to Sallie Carr Thompson.
- M. D. Hunnings and wife to B. T. Bonner.
- B. T. Bonner and wife to C. B. Boyd.
- C. B. Boyd to R. L. Bonner, trustee.
- A. F. Gurganus and wife to S. F. Alligood.
- W. T. Hudnell and wife to W. H. Wiggins.
- J. E. Hudnell trustee to Noah Simpson.
- W. T. Hudnell to Mattie Spawell.
- A. J. Manning and wife to Benjamin Bishop and wife.
- Benjamin Bishop and wife to J. H. S. Hodges.
- R. T. Bohner and wife to T. T. Allen and wife.
- B. T. Godley and wife to W. L. Godley.
- H. Turner and wife to East Carolina Lumber Co.
- Elmwood R. To. to Eureka Lumber Co.
- S. L. Sawyer and wife to G. E. Bradshaw.
- R. T. Bonner and wife to C. L. Broome.
- R. T. Bonner and wife to William Blount.
- G. E. Bradshaw and wife to S. L. Sawyer.
- William Blount and wife to C. L. Broome.
- Harmon Barr and wife to S. R. Powe and Son.
- W. S. Williams and wife to W. F. Kelly.
- Catherine A. Kelly to N. D. Williams.
- N. C. Hughes and wife to J. C. Ange.
- J. E. Pinkham to Thad Conleton.
- W. R. Cox and wife to W. R. Galloway.
- J. B. Harris and wife to I. Stokesberry.
- B. H. Thompson and wife to W. E. Swanner and wife.
- J. F. Thomas to Fannie T. Thomas.
- W. A. T. Litchfield to W. George Avant.
- John Eborn et al to N. L. Simmens.
- Morgan Farrow and wife to W. L. Oden.
- D. C. Ross and wife to C. G. Morris.
- N. S. Fulford and wife to Annie H. Carrow.
- Artillery Waters and wife to W. H. Watson.

U. D. C. MEETING.

There will be a meeting of the Daughters of the Confederacy at Mrs. H. W. Carter's residence tomorrow afternoon at four o'clock.

Mr. J. H. Pedrick and family have moved to the residence formerly occupied by Mr. Wilson Russ, on Market street.

COTTON MARKET.

Lint Cotton, \$11.75.
Seed Cotton, \$4.25.
Cotton Seed, \$26.00.

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