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## SAVES CONGRESS TROUBLE

Represents that failure to adopt State-wide Primary was a big mistake. Will hold primaries whenever people do not object.

Representative John H. Small is maintaining his unique system of primaries to determine the applicants he will endorse for postmasters. Nobody has yet intimated him, but he expects others to fall in line when they see how much unity it saves members of Congress. He says it is his purpose to hold these primaries wherever the citizens do not object. In one or two cases, particularly Elizabeth City, he did not insist on the primary, as people of the town did not think it wise to hold one.

"The primary system is going to be adopted all over the country in a very short time," said Mr. Small. "People are demanding it, and I think the North Carolina legislature made a big mistake in not passing a state-wide primary law at its last session. Soon it will be forced to do it, for sentiment is demanding it already."

Mr. Small and other Democratic congressmen are having trouble in explaining the applicants for fourth class postmasterhips that these places are now under civil service, rotten as that service will soon be shown to be by Senator Overman and Senator Pomeroy. The North Carolina congressmen have been very careful to make it plain that it is not in their power to fill places where there are no candidates or to make recommendations in fourth class offices that will be effective.

## SENIOR DAY

On Wednesday, April 30th, East Carolina Teachers' Training School.

The Senior Class conducted the opening exercises Wednesday, April 30. The president of the class, Miss Bettie Pearl Fleming, led the devotional exercises, after which was rendered several solos by Misses Tundall, Taylor, Pittman, also an instrumental solo by Miss Dupree. Chorus by class, "Hey Liddle Hark," and class song, "Euse Susan Videre."

In the afternoon, the students met to form the time of march for the senior tree planting, which was the feature of the afternoon. The seniors, who were dressed in uniform, led the school, which was dressed in white, and marched to the chosen plot for the tree. The following program was carried out:

Song—America—School.  
Welcome address—Miss Ruth Moore.  
Planting of Tree—Senior Class.  
Presentation of Spade to Junior Class—Miss Louie Delle Pittman.  
Acceptance of Spade—Miss Mae Belle Cobb, president Junior Class.  
Song—Carolina—School.  
Presentation of Tree to School—Miss Bettie Pearl Fleming, president Senior Class.  
Acceptance of Tree—President Robt. H. Wright.  
Tree Poem—Miss Mary Weeks.  
Class Song—"Euse Susan Videre."  
Senior Class.

In the evening, President and Mrs. Robt. H. Wright gave a reception to the Senior Class. This last and most enjoyable event of the "Senior Day" shall long be in the memory of the honored guests.

## MAY IN HISTORY

- 1742—Opening of the National Assembly of France after the abdication of Louis Philippe.
- 1853—New Planet discovered at observatory of Bilk, at Düsseldorf, by Prof. Luther.
- 1862—Union forces victorious at battle of Williamsburg, Pa.
- 1864—Great battle of the Wilderness began. United States Senate voted to publish "Blacklist" of senators who neglected public business.
- 1889—Chinese exclusion act went into effect.
- 1894—Gen. Oka landed at Pitou.
- 1895—Attorney-General Moody announced that Congress had right to fix freight rates, giving one port preference over another.
- 1912—Direct election of Senators much discussed subject at Washington.

## LARGE ATTENDANCE AT CHURCH SERVICES

INTERESTING SERVICE AT WASHINGTON CHURCHES YESTERDAY

Sunday School—Held at Methodist Church, Chancel, Holy Communion at Episcopal Church. Three New Members at Presbyterian.

There was an excellent attendance at all the services held in the Washington churches yesterday.

At the Methodist church, Rev. R. H. Broom presided at both morning and evening services. At the morning service he took his text from Chronicles I, 29:5. "And who of them is willing to consecrate his services this day unto the Lord?" The pastor discussed David's example of generous giving in a personal way to the building of the temple and the contrast of that example to others.

The services were followed by the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, which was well attended. A deep spiritual feeling was displayed.

Sunday school was held in the afternoon. It was decided to change the hour during the summer months from four o'clock in the afternoon to 3:45 in the morning. Miss Beeste Buckman was unanimously elected pianist for the school.

At the evening services, Mr. Broom took his text from Acts 19:1. "There was a certain man in Caesarea called Cornelius." The circumstances leading to his conversion were emphasized and an earnest appeal was made for the use of the means of grace for the living of a better life.

At the Episcopal church, Rev. N. Harding preached on the Ascension at the morning service. He delivered a very interesting sermon which was listened to with the greatest attention by the large congregation which was present. Holy Communion was administered after the services. In the evening, Rev. C. D. Malone occupied the pulpit and took as his theme the words "Godliness profits in all things."

An unusually large congregation attended both services at the Presbyterian church. Rev. H. D. Fearight preached on the principles of Presbyterianism in the morning. Three new members, upon confession of faith, were received into the church. The evening service was a missionary praise service. It was also a service of thanksgiving. The contributions made by the Presbyterian church for foreign missions were greater during the past year than any time before. The debt on the foreign board has also been paid off.

## BIRTHDAY PARTY

Little Miss Edith Leach, the youngest daughter of Captain and Mrs. G. T. Leach, celebrated the third anniversary of her birth Saturday afternoon at four o'clock. A number of her young friends were present and helped make the day an enjoyable one. After a pleasant time had been spent playing games and romping on the beautiful lawn, ice cream and cake were served. Among those who were present were Eva Hassell Hackney, Mary Rawls Jenkins, Martha MacLean, Annetta MacLean, Mary MacLean, Leonora Jennette, Katherine Bowers, Mary Grist Bowers, Orlie Rodman, Louise Leach, Francis Leach, Jack Daughtridge, William Newbold, N. C. Newbold, Jr., Alonso Dunny, Gorham and John Leach.

## Closing Exercises of Colored School

The closing exercises of the Washington Colored school will be held this and next week. Thursday and Friday night's exercises will be held at Masonic Temple. The annual sermon will be preached by Dr. H. L. Johnson. The graduating exercises will be held Monday night at the C. M. E. Church. Admission is ten cents for each night.

## T. C. Carrowan Dies at Maxton

Mrs. G. E. Ricks received a telegram this morning stating that T. C. Carrowan died this morning at half past seven at Maxton, North Carolina. Mr. Carrowan had been in the hospital at Richmond, but had improved to such an extent that he had been taken to the home of his son at Maxton. While there he suffered a relapse and died.

He was formerly a resident of this city and had numerous acquaintances and friends, who will read of the news of his death with the deepest regret.

C. A. Campbell, traveling salesman for E. H. Dixon left for Aurora Saturday on a business trip.

## UP FROM VETERANS OF LAST YEAR'S BLUE

The new members, however, made good and played good ball in all the games in which they participated.

There were four games played in all. If these, the local team won three. They beat Elizabeth City, New Bern and Tarboro by one-sided scores, but were trimmed by the Greenville team. In the latter game, they were forced to go up against semi-professional players who probably never saw the inside of the Greenville High School and to this fact, must largely be laid the cause of their defeat. The Washington

## HALIGH VOTES TODAY FOR COMMISSIONERS

Raleigh—With interest in the municipal election today at fever heat, Raleigh politicians today completed their plans for a stubborn contest at the polls. The success of commission government, which was adopted three weeks ago, really depends on the election of at least two commissioners outside of the old ring influence and advocates of law enforcement claims that they will have a decided majority.

In most cities of Raleigh's size the advocates of a wide open town are comparatively few, but in the state capital they are likely to win at any election in which the people are not deeply interested. They always cast their full vote, always fight hard and never give up; whereas your average Raleigh citizen waits for a crisis to assert himself. As a result, the ring crowd usually gets a slice of the city government and sometimes gets the whole thing.

Astor House to Close.

New York, May 4.—The historic Astor house on lower Broadway, once the principal hotel in the city, is to be closed May 29. Notice to this effect was posted in the hotel this afternoon. It is understood the property, or part of it, is to be sold to the city to make way for the new subway. The management declared it was practically certain that the structure would be razed.

## OLYMPIC CONGRESS MEETS

Lausanne, Switzerland, May 5.—Noted athletic officials from all over the world are attending the international Olympic Congress, which met today for the purpose of completing plans for the 1916 Olympic games in Berlin. Today's program includes the reunion of the commission in preparation for the Olympic congress of 1914. Tomorrow the international Olympic committee will meet, and the rest of the program is as follows:

Wednesday—Meeting of the committee. At night, reception in honor of the delegates given by the municipality of Lausanne.

Thursday—Opening of the congress; lecture by Prof. Guglielmo Ferrero. At night, feast of fencing and basketball in the Abbaye de l'An.

Friday—Session of the congress. At night, "Olympic Revue" in three acts at the Kursaal.

Saturday—Session of the congress. At night, Venetian feast at Ouchy.

Sunday—Close of the congress. Excursion to Lac Lemani; lunch at the Chateau de Chillon.

Barras Pierre de Coubertin, is president of the international Olympic committee in Switzerland getting ready.

No Prayer Meeting Wednesday.

There will be no prayer meeting at the Methodist church Wednesday night. This is due to the fact that it is Commencement week at the Washington High School.

Ladies' Aid Society Meeting.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Methodist church will meet this afternoon with Mrs. W. H. Call at four o'clock at her residence at East Main street.

## SHIPPING NEWS

The schooner Columbia, Captain Peter Storm, of Hatteras, arrived in port yesterday with a cargo of fresh fish. She is loading this morning with a supply of general merchandise and will leave some time during the day.

The freighter Madd and Reginald left port this morning bound down stream.

The tug Nautilus came down the river Saturday afternoon with a long tow of logs.

The gasoline boat Cora is moored to the wharf in front of the Mutual Machine Company's plant.

The tug Wm. B. Blade is moored to the Norfolk Southern dock and is taking on a load of supplies. She will leave this morning.

The oyster boat Clem of Whit arrived here yesterday with a large load of oysters.

The schooner A. L. White, which has been in Washington for the last few days, leaves today for Hatteras.

## COMMISSION RULE TO RALEIGH

Raleigh, N. C., May 5.—This city has adopted the commission form of government and three commissioners are being elected today. The salary is \$2,000.

Meeting of Civic Club.

A regular meeting of the Civic Club will be held tomorrow afternoon at 3:30 at the Public Library. Business of special importance is to be taken up and it is urged that all members, who can possibly do so, be present.

## EXCELLENT MOTION PICTURES AT LYRIC THEATRE TONIGHT

Another high-class program of motion pictures will be the exclusive offering at the Lyric tonight and continue for the first half of this week.

The photo plays offered in their program today are a class that has every pleasing indication from both dramatic western and comedy.

Among the features offered today is another "Vitagraph" picture featuring the clever comedian Mr. Johnny Bunny, the man who makes you laugh. Others that will appear on the screen consists of an excellent western picture and a Lubin drama.

For the last half of the week the Lyric manager announces a feature act in vaudeville that can be depended on for real live amusement.

Today's offering is exclusively three reels of motion pictures and good ones too, for which the admission prices will be 5 and 10 cents.

## MEETING OF LADIES' HOME AND MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Ladies' Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the First Presbyterian church of Washington, N. C., held its regular monthly meeting on the second Monday in April, at the home of Mrs. George E. Buckman.

The meeting was called to order by the President Mrs. Howard Wiswell. This being the first meeting of the new church year, the election of officers took place.

Mrs. Wiswell was unanimously re-elected President, but on account of failing strength, felt necessary to tender her resignation, which the society very reluctantly accepted.

Just eleven years ago, at a meeting of the society at the home of Mrs. Buckman, Mrs. Wiswell was elected President, and during the entire time since then has served the organization with untiring energy and devotion as its official head; and to her is largely due the growth and progress of the society, which has developed and increased steadily each succeeding year. Her deep interest in the Mission cause, has been a constant incentive and inspiration to each member to carry on more efficiently the work which has been so carefully planned by her.

The Society elected Mrs. M. J. Payne as President to carry on the active work, retaining Mrs. Wiswell as honorary president and recognized head.

## WASHINGTON HOSPITAL NOTES

Mrs. Taylor of Chocowinity was operated on Friday and is now improving nicely.

Miss Osborne of Plymouth, who was operated on for appendicitis two weeks ago, leaves for her home today.

Mrs. Love of this city is a patient at the hospital.

A nurse of the hospital staff left for Farmville Saturday to take charge of a case in that town. Another left for Snow Hill and a third for Aden.

John Tooley, who has been in the hospital for some time, is able to sit up today.

Mrs. Harvey Way, who has been the guest of Mrs. J. and Mrs. P. B. Meyers, left for her home in Belhaven Saturday.

## W. T. HUDNELL BUYS

State Library SYSTEM

PURCHASE SYSTEM OF WASHINGTON AURORA COMPANY.

Sold to Him at Public Auction This Noon—The Court House for the Sum of Four Hundred Dollars. Will Start Work at Once.

The telephone system of the Washington and Aurora Telephone Company was sold this noon at public auction at the steps of the Court House. The lines, poles, connections, telephones, etc., were sold to W. T. Hudnell of this city for \$400. Mr. Hudnell will begin at once repairing the line between here and Aurora. He will have all the wires repaired and put everything in first class shape. There is a good deal of work to be accomplished before the system will be ready for service, but Mr. Hudnell stated after the sale this noon that he fully expected everything to be completed within thirty days. The new company, which will be composed of Mr. Hudnell and some of his business associates will make their headquarters in Aurora.

## BOND ISSUE BEING CARRIED

That the \$250,000 bond issue will be carried is now assured beyond a doubt. Up to two o'clock this afternoon, the voting was as follows:

Wards	For	Against
First	106	5
Second	85	1
Third	28	6
Fourth	55	9
Total	284	21

In case every qualified voter votes, it will take 330 votes to carry the election. It is now absolutely sure that the issue will be carried by a big majority.

## Singing Class Here Tomorrow

The Singing Class of the Oxford Orphanage will arrive on the Norfolk Southern train which reaches Washington at 3:30 tomorrow. The class will entertain the High School tomorrow night. The young people, who compose this well known organization have made a decided "hit" wherever they have appeared. It is hoped that a large number will be out to enjoy their songs tomorrow night.

## CONFERENCE

New York, May 5.—A conference between representatives of English speaking peoples began here today to discuss holding a celebration of the centenary of peace between England and America in 1915. The meeting will continue until Friday next, when it will close with a great banquet to which President Wilson, Vice-President Marshall, members of the Cabinet, Premier Borden of Canada and ambassadors of foreign nations at Washington have been invited.

## PEACE CELEBRATION

Mrs. J. R. Moss and daughter of Elizabeth City are expected to arrive in the city this afternoon. Mrs. Moss will join her husband, who has been in the city for several weeks.

## 15 FREE TRIPS TO PANAMA

UNIQUE CONTEST INAUGURATED BY COMMERCIAL CONGRESS

## CONTEST IS OPEN TO ALL

Trips Are Offered as Prizes for the Best Suggestions for a Memorial to Commemorate the Opening of the Canal.

Washington, D. C., May 5.—A unique contest was today inaugurated by the Southern Commercial Congress, which offers fifteen free trips to the Panama Canal for the best suggestions for a memorial to commemorate the opening of the Canal. The announcement was made today by Senator Duncan U. Fletcher, of Florida, president of the Congress.

The Congress believes completion of the canal should be marked by some suitable memorial, and the contest will arouse interest in the study of the trade relations of the canal to the United States, Latin America, and the world.

The memorial can take any form, a statue, an international celebration, a book, a convention—anything that the jury of award decides is the best suggestion to commemorate completion of the canal.

Secretary of State Bryan and John Barrett, Director General of the Pan-American Union, with others to be selected by themselves, will constitute the jury of award. They will decide the fifteen best suggestions.

The trip to the canal will be made in October next from Mobile, Ala., where the fifth annual convention of the Southern Commercial Congress will be held, coincident with the opening of the canal. At this convention the American Commission of the Congress, which sailed April 26th for a three month's tour of fourteen European countries to study agricultural co-operation and co-operative rural banking, will make a report of its investigations.

Great preparations are now being made at Mobile for the convention. Many of the 10,000 delegates who will attend the convention will make trips to the canal. After the convention the Southern Commercial Congress will conduct a tour of several hundred men through South and Central American countries to study at first hand new trade conditions and possibilities that will come with opening of the canal.

The contest is open to any newspaper, chamber of commerce, board of trade, commercial organization, college or high school, or individual. Each suggestion for the memorial should, if possible, be printed in some newspaper and a copy of the newspaper containing the suggestion must accompany the letter of each contestant. Each suggestion must be limited to one hundred words. The contest closes July 15. The awards will be announced within 30 days thereafter. All suggestions should be addressed to "Contest Department," Southern Commercial Congress, Southern Building, Washington, D. C.

## Quality First—Then Advertise

If you start out to buy any given article and are offered the choice of one that is well known through advertising and one that you never heard of, you will instinctively choose the one that you know about. You feel secure in selecting an article that will stand up and justify generous.

You are right. A manufacturer or a merchant cannot afford to lend his name to anything that is inferior in quality to that up to the standards of value.

If an article has real merit it is worth talking about. If it hasn't merit it doesn't pay to tell people that it has.

If you make hats or shoes or whatnot and they are good and honest and possess unusual qualities tell the public. If not, go back to your factory or your store and bring your merchandise up to a standard that will justify the public's confidence.



M. POLK MILLER, COL. TOM BOOKER AND M. MILLER'S "OLD SOUTH QUARTERS." ONE CRITIC SAYS "THOSE NEGROES LOOK LIKE HORN HANDS AND SING LIKE CARBOCS."

Two nights more and the resident of Washington will have the opportunity to hear one of the best imitators and comedians of the day, Polk Miller. He will be here with his partners and famous quartet on Wednesday night and will entertain at the High School Auditorium. This is something that no one can afford to miss. Don't be one of those who, when they hear about the affair the next morning say, "Oh, I wish I had been there!" Take the hint and BE THERE. You won't be sorry. The price of admission is insignificant compared with the trade of amusement which is furnished.

Tickets for this entertainment will go on sale at Worthy and Etheridge's drug store tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock.