

TEST VALIDITY QUART LAW IN SUPREME CO'T

MEASURE WILL BE TESTED
ALONG WITH WEBB-KENYON
LAW IN OTHER STATES.

MAY REPEAL LAW

Attorney General Bickett Has Joined
With Attorney Generals of Other
States. Brief Covers 63 Printed
Pages.

Raleigh, Feb. 12.—Attorney General T. W. Bickett, has joined with the attorneys general of the states of Arizona, Georgia, Idaho, Iowa, Kansas, Mississippi, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, Washington, and Alabama, in filing a brief before the Supreme court of the United States in the celebrated case of Clark Distilling company vs. American Express company, which case brings before the Supreme court the constitutionality of the Webb-Kenyon act, and involves also the validity of the North Carolina quart law.

The brief covers 63 printed pages and is divided into two propositions: First, that the Webb-Kenyon act is a valid exercise of the power of Congress to regulate commerce between the states.

Second, that a state in the exercise of its reserve police power may prohibit or regulate the receipt and possession of intoxicating liquors within its borders, and that since the enactment of the Webb-Kenyon act such legislation is not in violation of the commerce clause of the federal constitution.

One of the authorities emphasized in the brief is Glenn vs. Southern Express company decided at the fall term, 1913, in which Associate Justice Allen, speaking for a unanimous court, fully reviewed the law of the subject and sustains both the Webb-Kenyon act and the North Carolina quart law.

Writ of Error Granted.
In this connection the granting of a writ of error by the state Supreme court in the Glenn case going up from Wake is interesting as showing the desire of the North Carolina Supreme court to have the case settled as soon as possible.

George M. Glenn was a Raleigh policeman until the summer of 1913. That does not account for his thirst, if he had one, but he tested the Orier act last year and the Southern Express company refused to forget that he had received his legislative allotment earlier in the month. The company wanted the collection but feared to take the chances and declined to deliver the goods. Mr. Glenn sued and Judge Frank Daniels held with the company.

COLD SPELL COST CITY OVER \$1,000

Local Plumber Says Recent Freezing
Weather Cost Citizens at Least
That Much.

That the recent cold spell cost the residents of Washington over \$1,000 in actual cash was the statement made this morning by E. P. Martin, a local plumber.

Mr. Martin stated that the amount paid out for plumbing alone would run up into three figures. This included thawing out pipes and other damage to plumbing done by the freezing temperatures.

THE RED CIRCLE AT NEW THEATRE TONIGHT

The New Theatre will offer their patrons tonight the second episode of "The Red Circle," that splendid serial that was started last Friday, featuring Ruth Roland and Frank Mayo. There will also be five other reels of splendid pictures, consisting of good dramas and comedies. "The Red Circle" has been packing houses every where that it has been shown, and from all press reports it is the best serial that Pathé has ever released. No doubt it will pack the house tonight.

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EXPLAINS NEW BERN'S ANXIETY REGARDING SILENCE OF WHEDBEE

Elizabeth City Editor Claims That It Is Planned To Have
Judge Gulon Back On The Bench Again.

Although considerable interest has been expressed over the possibility of Judge Whedbee becoming a candidate for the office of congressman from the first district, the judge has never intimated in any way that he will or will not take any steps towards securing the nomination. Numerous stories have been coming out of New Bern lately regarding the judge's attitude and in connection with these articles, the following editorial appeared in yesterday's Elizabeth City Independent:

Why New Bern's Anxiety?
"New Bern, N. C., in the headquarters of a would-be Whedbee congressional boom. Some enterprising New Bern newspaper man

POLICE SEIZED MUCH LIQUOR

Forty-eight Pints Secured From
Norfolk Southern Station
Last Night.

The police made an important raid at the Norfolk Southern station last night, nabbing forty-eight pints of especially high grade liquor.

They obtained wind of the shipment and when they saw a large package being put down from the train they meandered slowly in that direction. The owner of the stuff evidently "suspected" something, however, and beat a hasty retreat. The officers loaded the large package into a dray and when it was opened this morning found that it contained 48 pints.

U. D. C. MEETING

To Be Held Tomorrow Afternoon at
the Home of Mrs. W. A. B.
Branch.

Familio Chapter, U. D. C., will hold an important meeting tomorrow afternoon at 3:30 o'clock with Mrs. W. A. B. Branch. Several business matters have developed during the last week and will be brought up at tomorrow's meeting. It is hoped that every member of the chapter will be in attendance.

WEDDING AT ZION CHURCH

On the evening of February 14th at eight o'clock, one of the most beautiful church weddings of the season was solemnized in the presence of their friends when Miss Helen Harvey became the bride of Robert Brady. The church was beautifully decorated with palms, ivory and white satin ribbon.

The wedding march was played by a friend of both bride and groom, Mrs. J. G. Nixon. At the appointed time the organ played the Mendelssohn Wedding March. The ushers, H. C. Cutler and Fender Cutler, marched down the aisles taking their places on each side of the altar. Then came the sister of the bride, Miss Margaret Harvey as bridesmaid. She was crowned in pink satin and carried a bouquet of pink and white flowers.

Both bride and groom are very popular in North Carolina and have many friends. The bride is the daughter of T. H. Harvey and a most popular young lady. The groom is a successful farmer. The bride and groom will make their future home near Zion.

NIGHT SCHOOL RESUMES ITS WORK TONIGHT

After having missed two sessions, the night school will continue its work tonight. All students and teachers are urged to be present.

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has a story in the daily papers of North Carolina and Virginia every few days, telling the public that Judge Harry Whedbee, of Greenville, is the logical candidate to oppose John H. Small for Congress. And still Judge Whedbee doesn't talk. Every day or two the New Bern scribes painstakingly publish the fact that Judge Whedbee will not talk.

One would think that if Judge Whedbee wouldn't talk, the newspapers would let him alone. If the judge doesn't know whether he is going to be a candidate or not, why should New Bern newspaper men worry themselves so, or worry the public? Why not let the good natured Judge alone and give him time to make up his mind what to do?

For the information of the perplexed public, I will explain the secret of New Bern's anxiety over Judge Whedbee's possible candidacy. There lives in New Bern an ex-Superior Court Judge, Hon. O. H. Gulon who wants to get the "Ex" off his title. Ex-Judge Gulon wants to be Judge Gulon again. Governor Craig is thoroughly anxious to oblige him.

But before this can be done, there must be a vacancy in the district. Now if Judge Whedbee would step down from the bench and become a candidate for congress, there would be a vacancy for ex-Judge Gulon of New Bern. And so the little ring around ex-Judge Gulon in New Bern is very anxious for Judge Whedbee to resign. And that is why some newspaper man in New Bern worries Judge Whedbee every two or three days and then goes to the public with a clever lament that Judge Whedbee won't talk. Of course ex-Judge Gulon and his friends are worried because Whedbee won't talk, isn't the Judge's exasperating silence enough to make them worry? I should smile!

Mr. Editor:
I would appreciate a small space in your paper for the purpose of explaining the operation of our fire alarm system, so that its workings will be more thoroughly understood. For illustration: A number of citizens have propounded this query to me: "In the event my house catches fire, and the nearest alarm box is two blocks away, must I leave my house, and it on fire, and rush to the box and turn in the alarm? The alarm being sent in from the box, the department would naturally hasten to that box." This is a natural question and one of course that needs an answer.

BASKETBALL GAME HERE TOMORROW

Local Girls to Play Greenville, Good
Game Is Expected to Take
Place.

The girls' basketball team of the local high school will play Greenville high school at the local court in the rear of the high school building tomorrow afternoon. The game will begin at 2:45 promptly and it is expected that a large audience will be on hand to witness the contest.

The local team has been practicing hard for tomorrow's game and feel confident of victory. The lineup will be as follows: Center, Lenora Blount; Guards, Elizabeth McIlhenny and Dorothy Blount; Forwards, Mildred Smith and Nellie Bright.

An admission price of ten cents will be charged to school children and twenty-five cents to all outsiders.

KINSTON POLITICS BEGIN TO SEETH

Much Interest Being Felt in Coming
Elections in Lenoir County.

(By Barbara Pease)
Kinston, Feb. 12.—Without one single "possibility" being willing to talk for publication, the political pot is beginning to seethe. It will not be long before the boiling stage is reached. It is generally accepted by the "knowing" that there will be three men in the field for Representative, at least two for Sheriff and probably two for Register of Deeds. It cannot be said "for certain," as the political prophets put it, that Treasurer Dawson will be opposed. One man regarded as a "probable" candidate is known to have his "friends" at work already, and the fight for the party office which he desires is expected to be a "bummer."

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WHILE SOME GIVE THE FOOT, WE GIVE THE HAND.



—Evans in Baltimore American.

CHIEF INSTRUCTS CITIZENS REGARDING FIRE ALARMS

Explains How Alarms Should Be Sent In And The
Meaning Of The Different Signals.

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There is a wheel for every box and every imaginary box in the city, and a machine for this specific purpose in the city hall, and in the event of fire, and the person sending in the alarm is nearer to a telephone than a fire box, telephone the alarm in. The operator, at the city hall, will, with this machine, send out the alarm, as if the box was pulled nearest the fire. In this way the firemen will know the immediate vicinity of the fire.

With twenty-seven boxes and eight imaginary boxes we feel we have the city well covered.

The insurance people, in their requirements of the locating of the different boxes, expressly specify that within the fire districts no box shall be located so that a person will have to go over four hundred feet from any point to a box. In the residential district, they shall be so situated that a person shall not have to go over eight hundred feet to a box.

SOCIETY LEADERS WILL FIGHT DUEL WITH SWORDS

New Haven, Conn., Feb. 12.—The men were squared for action, when George L. Woodward, a former president of the club, interferred. Charles Frissell, another brother of the Southerner, questioned Woodward's authority. It is said he became angered at Woodward's reply and challenged the latter to fight. The feeling between Earl and Frissell broke out afresh over Wednesday and yesterday. Friends acted as go-betweens, with the result that the climax was reached when the challenges were exchanged.

The men, it is said, engaged in a heated argument regarding modern chivalry in the middle of the dancing floor, with the one hundred and fifty guests taking sides with either one or the other. It is alleged that Frissell struck Earl. The latter sought to return the blow, but was prevented. Earl then invited Frissell to step outside and settle the controversy with bare fists. Frissell accepted.

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THREE ESCAPED CONVICTS SEEN EARLY TODAY NEAR CHOCOWINITY; LOCAL OFFICIALS TAKE UP HUNT

Word Received This Morning That
Were Seen Near the Home of
Mrs. Bright

EVANS IS STILL AT LARGE

Not Known Whether Murderer is One of Those Who
Was Seen Today. Believed That their Capture
Is Certain.

Local officials received word this morning from the sheriff's office at Greenville to the effect that three of the convicts, who escaped from the Pitt road gang, were seen in the vicinity of Mrs. Bright's home at Chocowinity. Deputy Sheriff Williams and four or five others immediately left here with blood hounds to take up the hunt.

It is claimed that one of the negroes has a sister living near Chocowinity and it is believed that the three are on their way there to get something to eat.

The negroes who were captured near Grimesland yesterday were taken to Greenville last night. One of them is still confined in jail there but the other two have been returned to the road gang.

No word has been received from Evans, the man who murdered McLawhorn. It is not known whether he is still at large or whether he was seen this morning near Chocowinity.

Joined by Pitt County Men.
Shortly after eleven o'clock five officials from Pitt county joined the local officials at Chocowinity. Although inquiries were made of various residents, no one appears to know what became of the three negroes. A thorough search is being made by the officers, however, and they are confident that the men will be captured.

When asked whether the negroes had anything to say regarding the murder, the sheriff made the statement that they had not been queried to any great length but that he believed he murder was unpremeditated. He stated that according to his theory, Evans did the act on the spur of the moment or after but a very few moments thought.

Upon being asked whether he thought the other negroes knew of Evans' intentions, the sheriff stated that he believed they were guiltless but that they became frightened when they saw what Evans had done and ran away for this reason.

EVANS IS GOING IT ALONE

(Over phone, 2:30 p. m.)
Sheriff McLawhorn of Pitt county stated over the telephone this afternoon that he had heard nothing further from his men regarding the outcome of the hunt that they and Beaufort county officials were engaged in near Chocowinity.

Evans Going It Alone.
He also stated that the negroes who were captured yesterday said that Evans had left them immediately after delivering the blow which caused the death of the road superintendent and that they had no idea where he went.

Murder Was Unpremeditated.

CABARET ENT'M'T. TUESDAY NIGHT

Good Program Is Being Prepared and
Will Be Made Public Tomorrow.
Tables Selling Fast.

The program for the cabaret entertainment, which is to be given at the Elks' Hall for the benefit of the library fund next Tuesday night, has been practically completed and will be announced tomorrow. A number of feature attractions have been secured and the affair promises to be an enjoyable and novel one.

Young ladies are selling the tables and are disposing of them rapidly. A large number of persons are expected to attend. Refreshments will be served and dancing will be permitted.

FARMVILLE MKT.

SOLD 7,202,416

Greenville, Feb. 12.—The Farmville tobacco market makes another record breaker during the season of 1913-14, which recently came to a close.

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TO-NIGHT
2nd episode of
"THE RED CIRCLE"
"HIS WIFE'S STORY"
2 reels
"A Troublesome Cat"
1 reel
"An Esquimaux Fable"
Love, Oil & Grease
1 reel
Prizes \$2.10