

SAYS WILSON, NOT KITCHIN HAS CHANGED IN POSITION

FLORIDA DEMOCRATIC NEWS-PAPER CARRIES EDITORIAL ON NATIONAL AFFAIRS AT PRESENT TIME.

A PUZZLING STAND

Hints at Inconsistency of Republican Leader Mann Supporting President Wilson's Plan and Kitchin's Opposition Thereof.

Washington, Feb. 21.—The Jacksonville Times-Union, partisan Democratic, has an editorial in its issue of last week strongly supporting the position of Majority Leader Claude Kitchin and those Democrats who have not decided to support the President's preparedness program in its entirety.

"Many professedly Democratic papers throughout the country are commending Republican Leader Mann for supporting the President and condemning Democratic Leader Kitchin for opposing Mann and Kitchin are both standing where they stood when the people elected them to office and the President has changed. Is it strange that the Republican leader should stand by him when he advocates Republican doctrine? Wilson was elected in company with Kitchin, and on two important questions at least he has gone over to the other side and is keeping company with Mann. Why should Mann run away?"

"In the last presidential campaign the Republicans advocated the creation of a tariff commission, and the Democrats had just abolished one. President Wilson was then opposed to a tariff commission and is now in favor of one. Representative Kitchin was, in opposition to one. Republicans have always favored centralization, and Democrats have always opposed it, but centralization will take the longest kind of a forward stride if Congress adopts the President's plans for military preparedness."

"The men who are criticizing Mr. Kitchin for standing by the principles of his party—his own principles—have none of their own. They wish to curry favor with power—that is all. When the President claimed to be ex-officio leader of his party, they hailed him as such. When he claimed the power to abrogate the principles of the party that elected him and repudiate the platform on which he was elected, they conceded such rights as a corollary to the claim of leadership which they had conceded. They stand ready to accept anything the President may do and to denounce any who do not obey as soon as he issues orders, and they do it only because he has power that they hope will be used in their interests and fear will be used to their hurt."

HONOR ROLL AT THE HIGHLAND SCHOOL

First grade—Eau Leggett, Elizabeth Latham, Mamie Heddyard. Second grade—Margaret Leggett, Croon Ferry. Third grade—Sheldon Scott. Fourth grade—A. G. Williams, Elsie Civita, Ruth Civita, Bainsbridge Leggett. Fifth grade—Arthur Scott, Lester Latham, Emma Leggett, Alma Leggett, Ophelia Latham. Sixth grade—Frank Leggett. A tacky party was given at the school house Friday night for the benefit of the baseball team. An interesting evening was enjoyed by the large number who attended and over \$50 was realized for the team.

LOCAL RESIDENT EXPLAINS BIRTH RATE IN NEW BERN

Armed with a copy of a recent edition of the New Bern Sun-Journal, a prominent local citizen entered the office this morning and called the attention of the editor to an item in that paper to the effect that seventy-five per cent of the births in New Bern were girls. The article also went on to explain that the end of the war in Europe would undoubtedly follow for the same reason—the lack of men to carry it on, due to the larger percentage of girl-children.

"That war business is a fake," indignantly stated the local man. "I'll give you the true facts for publication. New Bern is jealous of the girls in Washington and they are raising more girls over there in the hope of being able to outclass the feminine beauty in this city. But I want to tell you right now that all the births in that city can be girl twins for the next fifteen years and if they were entered in a beauty show with our own fair damsels, they wouldn't even be given a second glance by the judges."

146 BARACAS WERE OUT YESTERDAY

Class Will Have an Oyster Supper a Week from Friday Night. Place Announced Later.

Baraca members were out in good force again yesterday, 146 being present at the class meeting. The Army now has a considerable lead on the Navy, but the latter side has not given up hope and are confident that they will be there strong at the finish of the race. Twelve new members were added to the roll, seven by the Army and five by the Navy. It was announced yesterday that a week from Friday, the place where the supper is to be held will be announced later.

"SONS" WILL HOLD BANQUET TONIGHT

Prominent Men to Make Addresses on Revolutionary Events and Personalities.

A seven-course banquet will be given by the Sons of the American Revolution tonight at the Knights of Pythias hall in the First National Bank building. The occasion promises to be extremely interesting and entertaining. The following program of addresses will be rendered: Address of Welcome—F. H. Bryan, toastmaster.

Daughters of the American Revolution—Miss Lida T. Rodman. Benjamin Franklin—J. D. Grimes. Revolutionary Tea Party—E. A. Dantel, Jr. Lafayette—H. C. Carter, Jr. Alexander Hamilton—E. L. Stewart. Revolutionary battles—Col. W. C. Rodman. Thomas Jefferson—A. D. MacLean. Patrick Henry—H. S. Ward. George Washington—Judge Stephen C. Brasaw. Optional—Judge O. H. Allen. The historian of the Sons of the Revolution, Major Coleman of Ruthertord, will be present at the banquet.

STOLE MONEY AND BOOKS AT SCHOOL

Two Thefts Were Committed at High School Building on Night of the Concert.

Although attempts were made to "hush up" the affair, it was learned today that two thefts occurred at the high school Wednesday night at the concert which was given by Miss Glasgow's pupils. Some person or persons, probably pupils of the school, entered one of the rooms and stole a record book of the teacher. The book contained the reports on each of the students and it is believed that it was stolen by some of those who had received rather poor marks. Another room was also entered the same night and six or four dollars' worth of books were taken.

WILL APPOINT COMMISSION AT NEXT MEETING

Bond Issue Commission and Advisory Committee to be Selected by County Commissioners.

Considerable interest is being manifested by both residents of the city and country over the appointment of the bond issue commission, which the county commissioners will probably ratify at their next meeting.

While Mr. Fowle and Mr. Berry have practically committed to serve on the commission, the refusal of Mr. Hodges leaves a vacancy which the commissioners will have to fill. Who the third man on the commission will be is a matter of considerable speculation. Several names have been suggested. It is generally admitted that the appointee will be a resident of the country.

At the next meeting, the commissioners will also appoint the "advisory committee," which will be called upon to decide certain matters regarding the expenditure of the bond issue on the roads of the township.

WILL GIVE BASKET, CAKE AND PIE PARTY ON FRIDAY NIGHT

There will be a basket, cake and pie party at Bucks school house Friday night, February 25th. After the party a social will be given by the pupils. Everybody has a cordial invitation to attend. The ladies are requested to bring a cake, pie or basket.

GREENVILLE WINS BASKETBALL GAME

Visiting Girls Defeated Locals Saturday Afternoon by Score of 19 to 7.

The Greenville high school girls' basketball team played the Washington high school team at the local court Saturday afternoon. The visitors came out victorious, the score being 19-7. A large crowd of spectators, including about thirty pupils of the Greenville school, witnessed the game.

As this is the first game that the local girls have played against any outside team, they are not discouraged because of their defeat. Several other games will be played during the season.

APPOINT RECEIVER FOR H.M. JENKINS CO.

Wholesale Grocery Closed Doors Saturday. E. L. Stewart Appointed Temporary Receiver.

Judge Bond, of Elizabeth City, has made an order appointing E. L. Stewart temporary receiver for the firm of H. M. Jenkins & Co., wholesale grocers of this city. The establishment which is located on West Main street, closed its doors Saturday.

An application will be made to Judge Allen at the present term of Superior court to make the receivership permanent. In the event of his granting the request, the property will be sold and the proceeds will be distributed equally among the creditors.

DEATH OF MR. ADAMS

James Franklin Adams, aged 67, died at his home in Bath on February 5. Death followed an illness of pneumonia, which lasted for six weeks. Paralysis also entered in a week before his demise. The funeral services were conducted by John Brasaw of Washington, D. C., and the interment was made in the Episcopal churchyard on Sunday afternoon, February 7. Mr. Adams is survived by a wife and three children and his death is mourned by a host of friends in Beaufort county. He was a working member of St. Thomas' Episcopal church and was loved and respected by all who knew him.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Those having business with the County Superintendent are asked to take notice that on account of his attendance at the Superintendent's Division Meeting of the National Educational Association at Detroit, the office will be closed from Feb. 19 to 24. W. G. AYERS, Clerk.

PREPAREDNESS AND MILITARISM



SHORTAGE OF BURLEY WILL RAISE TOBACCO PRICES

V. B. Shelburne Urges Farmers of Beaufort County to Plant Plenty of Tobacco This Season.

"Plant tobacco and plant plenty of it. The price during the coming season will be higher than ever before," is the advice given to the farmers of this section by V. B. Shelburne, manager of the Central warehouse of this city. Mr. Shelburne has just returned from the Kentucky market.

"The crop of Burley tobacco which is used largely for pipe and plug tobacco, is forty per cent short," stated Mr. Shelburne, "and they have to use ours to make up this shortage, as the Eastern Carolina tobacco is the only substitute that is available. There is over 120,000,000 pounds shortage of the Burley tobacco. This shortage is going to boost prices of our tobacco here and is going to boost it high. Some of the same Burley which was sold on the Kentucky market last year for \$1.50 or \$2.00 is now selling for \$4 and \$5. I brought some of it back with me and it is now at the First National Bank, where the farmers may see it if they want to."

Next season is going to be a big one in the history of the tobacco market. Prices are going to be high. Those farmers who plant tobacco and who plant plenty of it are going to be well paid for it."

Mr. Shelburne will remain in Washington from now on and devote his entire time to developing the local market.

GAVE BIRTHDAY PARTY

Irma Linwood Roper was hostess to a number of her little friends Saturday at a party which was given in honor of her fifth birthday. Those present were: Virginia Paul, William A. Oden, Benjamin Willis, Jack Robbins, William Walker, Josh Walker, Sarah Elizabeth Walton, Mary Harvey Charles, John Myers, Sidney Little, Houghton Randolph, Elizabeth Mayo, Milton Brown, Charlie Satterthwaite, Mary W. Matthews.

Sarah Elizabeth Walton won the prize in the contest and Mary W. Matthews won the booby prize. The refreshments were served by Miss Elizabeth Oden, Miss Ruth Satterthwaite and Miss Lila Roper.

ARREST THIRTEEN OVER-WEEK'S END

Largest Number Ever Arrested in Washington for That Length of Time.

Local police officers made a record in the way of arrests during the week end. From three o'clock Saturday afternoon until last night thirteen persons were confined in the city jail. Most of these were of the colored population. The principal charges were drunkenness and gambling. A busy session of the recorder's court will be held this afternoon.

THE PINK LADY COMING

That queen of international musical comedy, "The Pink Lady," under the management of John C. Fisher, is announced as one of the season's best attractions at New Theatre wherever "The Pink Lady" has appeared it has been warmly welcomed and reluctantly bidden goodbye. In its beautiful setting of color it has danced, skipped and sung itself into the hearts of audiences the wide world over. To the eye alone, "The Pink Lady" is a treat. Scenic of exceptional artistic cleverness are the background against which the happy people of comedy skip nimbly through the intricacies of the plot.

CHOCOWINITY HOME IS ROBBED; BELIEVED THIEVES MAY BE THE CONVICTS FROM PITT COUNTY

Sheriff Received Word This Morning of Robbery of Thos. Buck's Home

BLOODHOUNDS TAKEN TO THE SCENE

Pitt County Sheriff States That Hunt for Escaped Convicts Will Not be Given Up. \$200 Reward Offered for Evans

Sheriff Windley this morning received a telephone message from Mr. VonEberstein of Chocowinity to the effect that thieves had broken into the home of Thomas Buck, who lives south of Chocowinity and that it was suspected that the robbers might have been the negroes who escaped from the Pitt county chain gang last week. Officers left here early this morning with bloodhounds.

Won't Give Up the Hunt. Over long distance telephone this morning, Sheriff McLawhorn of Pitt county stated that the hunt for Evans and the three negroes will be resumed today. "The people here won't give up the hunt for Evans and the three negroes in the county," said the sheriff. "This isn't a case of giving up. We're going to find those men."

The reward offered for the capture of the four men has been increased and is now as follows: Dave Evans, \$200. Paul Dixon, \$25. Will Burton, \$25. Ed. Forbes, \$25.

Took Cooked Food. (Over long distance phone) A message from Chocowinity over tel phone was received this morning, giving some details regarding last night's robbery. It is stated that the thieves entered Mr. Buck's home at about nine o'clock, forcing their entrance through a kitchen window. They took some of the food.

NEW BERN SPEEDERS MADE TO PAY FINES

Mayor of That City Gives Warning that All Speeders Will Be Heavily Fined.

(By Eastern Press) New Bern, Feb. 21.—In police court Saturday afternoon, Richardson Cotton, colored, and chauffeur for a local physician, was found guilty of running an automobile through the streets of New Bern at a speed estimated at between twenty and thirty miles an hour.

Cotton was allowed to go after paying the costs of the case but Mayor Bangert declared that hereafter all persons convicted of speeding will have to pay at least five dollars and the costs of the case. There will be no more suspended judgments in such cases and the fines will not go below the five dollar mark.

CABARET ENT'M'T. TOMORROW NIGHT

Event Promised to be Well Attended. Good Program Has Been Arranged.

Judging from the advance sale of tickets, a large number of local residents will be present at the cabaret entertainment that is to be given tomorrow night at the Elks Hall for the benefit of the library fund. The event promises to be an attractive novelty. Refreshments of various kinds will be served throughout the course of the evening. The following program will be rendered:

Male quartette: E. L. Stewart, R. L. Stewart, John Smith and L. Shaw. Song and dance: Mary Baugham and Ida Tucker. Quartette: Rigoletto: Mrs. Walter Wolfe, Miss Glasgow, Messrs. Smith and Shaw. Minuet: Miss Lizzie Hill and class. Sextette: Beautiful Isle of Capri: Miss Mason, Mrs. G. Phillips, Misses Mabel Ine Elsworth, Bernice Nicholson, Mabel Dalley, Cassie Lewis, Elsie Kelly and Evelyn Ross. Recitation: Ben Taylor. Solo: Mrs. D. M. Carter.

SUPERIOR COURT CONVENES TODAY

Judge Allen Will Preside Over the Two Weeks' Term. Important Cases on the Calendar.

Superior court began a two weeks' session here today. Judge Allen presiding. Only civil cases will be tried at this term. There are several important cases to be brought up but for the first few days most of the matters brought up will be those which have been appealed from the J. P. court.

RECORDER'S COURT

Many Cases Disposed of Saturday Afternoon.

The following cases were brought up before Recorder Vaughan Saturday afternoon: Clyde Paul, speeding; costs. Josh Mill, speeding; costs. John Neumer, intoxicated; costs. Gus Clark, intoxicated; costs. Dave Carter, speeding; \$2 and costs. Colored—Garfield Clining, no license on transfer; ordered to quit the business. Charley Benton, speeding; costs. Bill Leary, speeding; \$2 and costs. Edgar Evans, vagrancy; suspended judgment. Ordered to get to work. James Ellison (emphasis on "colored") selling cider. Not proved with leave. John Brady, larceny; guilty. Judgment to be announced today.

Advertisement for New Theatre. TO-NIGHT 5th Episode "The Broken Coin" "THE VILLAGE OUTCAST" 2 reel drama "ROMANCE A LA CARTE" 1 reel comedy 2-OTHER REELS Prices 5c & 10c