

# President Declares For Income, and In- heritance Tax and Other Reforms.

President Roosevelt, before the National Editorial Association:  
"Most great civilized countries have an income tax and inheritance tax. In my judgment both should be part of our system of Federal taxation. I speak confidently about the income tax because one scheme for an income tax was declared unconstitutional by the Supreme Court by a five to four vote, and in addition it is a difficult tax to administer in its practical workings, and great care would have to be exercised to see that it was not evaded by the very man whom it is most desirable to have taxed, for if so evaded it would of course be worse than no tax at all, as the least desirable of all taxes is the tax which bears heavily upon the honest as compared with the dishonest man. Nevertheless, a graduated income tax of the proper type would be a desirable permanent feature of Federal taxation, and I still hope that one may be devised which the Supreme Court will declare constitutional. In my judgment, however, the inheritance tax is both a far better method of taxation, and far more important for the purpose I have in view—the purpose of having swollen fortunes of the country bear in proportion to their size a constantly increasing burden of taxation.

Norfolk, Va., June 10.—Editors from all sections of the United States are assembled in the Auditorium at Jamestown. They are members of the National Editorial Association, holding its annual convention. The chief feature was the address of the President this afternoon, followed by a reception.

The sessions of the convention opened with several addresses, among which was that of W. S. Copeland, president of the Virginia Editorial Association, to which Walter Williams, of Columbia, Mo., past president of the National association, responded.

A large number of papers and addresses are to be presented during the week, and various committee reports submitted. Among those who are on the program to contribute papers are Gov. Glenn, of North Carolina; Barton Meyers and John Temple Graves.

In his address before the editors President Roosevelt said:

"It is of course a mere truism to say that no other body of our countrymen wield as extensive an influence as those who write for the daily press and for the periodicals. It is also a truism to say that such power implies the gravest responsibility, and the man exercising it should hold himself accountable, and should be held by others accountable, precisely as if he occupied any other position of public trust. I do not intend to dwell upon your duties today, however, save that I shall permit myself to point out one matter where it seems to me that the need of our people is vital. It is essential that the man in public life and the man who writes in the public press shall both of them, if they are really good servants of the people, be prompt to assail wrongdoing and wickedness. But in thus assailing wrongdoing and wickedness, there are two conditions to be fulfilled, because if unfulfilled, no good will result. In the first place, be sure of your facts and avoid everything like hysteria or exaggeration, for to assail a decent man for something of which he is innocent is to give aid and comfort to every scoundrel, while indulgence in hysterical exaggeration serves to weaken, not strengthen, the statement of truth. In the second place, be sure you base your judgment on conduct and not on the social or economic position of the individual with whom you are dealing. There are good and bad men in every walk of life, and their being good or bad does not depend upon whether they have or do not have large bank accounts. Yet this elemental fact, this fact which all accept as self-evident, when we think each of us of the people whom he himself knows is, often completely ignored by certain public men and certain public writers. The men who thus ignore it and who attack wickedness only when found in a particular class are always unsafe, and are sometimes very dangerous, leaders. Distrust equally the man who is never able to discover any vices of rich men to attack and the man who confines himself to attacking the sins and

shortcomings of rich men. It is a sure sign of moral and mental dishonesty in any man if in his public assault upon iniquity he is never able to see any iniquity save that of a particular class; and this whether he is able only to see the crimes of arrogance and oppression in the rich or the crimes of envy and violence in the poor. He is no true American if he is a respecter of persons where right and wrong are concerned and if he fails to denounce the demagogue no less than the corruptor, to denounce alike crimes of organized greed and crimes of brutal violence. There is equal need to denounce the wealthy man who swindles investors or buys legislatures or oppresses workmen and the needy man, who inflames class hatred or incites mob violence. We need to hold the scales of justice even, and to weigh them down on one side as bad as to weigh them down on the other.

So much for what I have to say to you in your capacity of mouldeers and guides of public thought. In addition I want to speak to you on two great movements in our public life which I feel must necessarily occupy no inconsiderable part of the time of our public men in the near future. One of these is the question of, in certain ways, reshaping our system of taxation so as to make it bear most heavily on those most capable of supporting the strain. The other is the question of utilizing the natural resources of the nation in the way that will be of the most benefit to the nation as a whole.

Now as to the matter of taxation. Most great civilized countries have an income tax and an inheritance tax. In my judgment both should be part of our system of Federal taxation. I speak confidently about the income tax because one scheme for an income tax was declared unconstitutional by the Supreme Court by a five to four vote; and in addition it is a difficult tax to administer in its practical workings, and great care would have to be exercised to see that it was not evaded by the very man whom it is most desirable to have taxed, for if so evaded it would of course be worse than no tax at all, as the least desirable of all taxes is the tax which bears heavily upon the honest as compared with the dishonest man. Nevertheless, a graduated income tax of the proper type would be a desirable permanent feature of Federal taxation, and I still hope that one may be devised which the Supreme Court will declare constitutional."

### MR. VARNER PRESIDENT.

Editor of Davison Dispatch Head of National Editorial Association.

Norfolk Va., June 14.—The National Editorial Association Friday chose as its president Mr. H. B. Varner, of North Carolina, editor of the Lexington Dispatch, and Commissioner of Labor and Printing. The first vote was a tie, but the second ballot Varner was elected by a vote of 128 to 124 for Bumgardner, his competitor.

Other officers elected were: First Vice-President, W. H. Hayes, Brownwood, Texas; Second Vice-President, A. Nevin Pomeroy, of Chambersburg, Pa.; Third Vice-President R. E. Dowdell, of North Dakota, Corresponding Secretary W. F. Parrot, of Waterloo, Iowa; Recording Secretary, J. W. Cockrum, of Oakland City, Ind.; Treasurer, W. A. Steele, Seattle, Washington.

Automatic Device For Changing Ry. Switches.

Harold Shemwell, of Lexington has patented an automatic switch which is to be used in an electric street car equipment. By means of a lever the motorman is enabled to throw a switch either way without leaving his post. Mr. Shemwell is trying to organize a company to manufacture the attachment an put it on the market.

The Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias will meet next year at Raleigh.

### FOR OVERMAN.

Hickory Editor Thinks He Deserves Re-Election.

The Catawba News, edited by Prof. C. H. Mebane, former State Superintendent of Public Instruction says:

"We hear much these days about Glenn being a candidate for the place now occupied by Lee S. Overman. It is a privilege Mr. Glenn or any other citizen of North Carolina has to be a candidate for office, but with the present condition before us we are for Lee Overman to succeed Senator Lee Overman. He has made a good senator so far as we know. He has had on the Democrat government when the Democrat party said wear it. He has had on the Bryan argument when his party said wear it, and he will wear the Bryan garment next year if his party says wear it.

"Thus he has been faithful as a party man. He did what he thought best for his people and the whole country while in the Senate."

### NEW TEACHER SUPPLIED.

Miss Agnes Moring Will Teach The Fourth and Fifth Grades.

The board of trustees for the Asheboro Graded Schools met in call session Friday afternoon.

The matter of supplying a teacher for the fourth and fifth grades for the election of Miss Agnes Moring to the position. Miss Moring is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Moring and is well qualified for the charge. She taught successfully at Thomasville last year and was highly esteemed by both patrons and pupils of the school.

The many friends of Miss Moring will no doubt with pleasure that she will remain in Asheboro during the coming winter.

### WHITNEY POWER CO.

Will Be Ready For Operation January 1, 1908.

The manager of the Whitney Power Co. of Rowan county, announces that it will be ready for business by the first of the year. The great canal will then be conveying the water that will whirl more spindles and run more wheels than any other water power south of Niagara. John S. Henderson, manager of the company, since Capt. Hambley's death, advertises that January 1 will find the company ready for business and that it will supply towns forty miles from Salisbury. Already 40 per cent. of the highest possible development has been contracted for, and there is no doubt that all of it will be taken.

### Death of Dr. Groome.

Rev. P. L. Groome, D. D., after an illness of several months, died at Greensboro, Friday. The deceased was for years a minister, belonging to the Western North Carolina Conference, of the M. E. Church South. He was a man of liberal education and wide reading. He was a graduate of Trinity College and took a postgraduate course at Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore. Of late years he has been unable to do any work in the ministry on account of his failing health. He was at one time editor of the Christian Advocate.

### Better Pay to R. F. D. Carriers.

A circular has been issued from the postoffice department announcing an increase in the salary of Rural Free Delivery carriers. Carriers that have been receiving \$720 per year will be raised to \$900; those receiving from \$684 to \$702 will get \$864; \$648 and \$666 class is raised to \$810; \$612 class to \$720 and \$676 class to \$630.

### Mr. Fry in Arkansas.

Rev. J. A. B. Fry, who last year transferred from the Western North Carolina Conference to the Pacific Conference, and who was stationed at Berkeley, Cal., has been elected a professor in Henderson College, at Arkadelphia, Ark. Mr. Fry is a native of Moore county.

### Carbolic Acid In Prescriptions.

Charlotte, N. C., June 15.—The placing of carbolic acid in a prescription filled for the relief of Carl Kiser, five-year-old son of J. W. Kiser, resulted in the death of the boy. The prescription was filled in answer to a telephone message from a well known physician.

### IN BLOODY RUSSIA.

Another Revolution Has Begun—Seven Hundred Seamen In Chains.

Dispatches from St. Petersburg, Russia tell of the outburst of the smouldering spark of Revolution.

As soon as the seamen of the Black Sea Fleet of the Russian Navy heard of the dissolution of the Douma they mutined and openly defied the naval officers. Today at noon seven hundred sailors were thrown into irons, this act preventing the temporary seizure of warships by the mutineers. Great masses of troops are today policing the streets of St. Petersburg, in anticipation of the bloody general revolution which is bound to come at once. Bloody scenes are expected and the struggle may commence at any moment.

Vienna, Austria, 2:30 p. m., June 17.—The entire Black Sea squadron of the Russian Navy has been put out of commission by the mutiny of the Ruzhik seaman. More than seven hundred sailors have been thrown into prison. All loyal troops are being rushed to Odessa.

### KILLED BROTHER-IN-LAW.

Fatal Result of Domestic Trouble Near Kamapolis.

Edward Ashby furnished another tragedy for Cabarrus county Sunday by shooting and instantly killing his brother-in-law, Dan Overcash near Kamapolis, and immediately taking flight. The crime is enveloped in mystery. Many rumors are afloat, but the exact facts are unknown. It is believed to have grown out of some domestic difficulty with which is associated two neighbors, Reece Pethel and wife. It seems that Ashby had told Pethel that his wife had been guilty of misconduct with Overcash. The Pethels were enroute to a point where Overcash and Ashby were to meet, when Ashby appeared from ambush and fired the fatal shot. The Pethels will probably be arrested for complicity.

### NATIVE OF RANDLOPE.

Mrs. Smith Dies at High Point, Buried at Pleasant Grove.

Mrs. Rena Smith, aged 60 years died at the home of her late daughter, Mrs. Bryant, at High Point, Wednesday of last week, death resulting from a complication of diseases. The funeral services were held Tuesday morning, and the remains brought to Pleasant Grove, in Randolph county, for interment. Four children survive. A daughter, Mrs. Bryant, preceded her mother to the grave only one week ago. Mrs. Smith was a native of Randolph county.

### Grand Lodge Officers.

The Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias at its annual meeting at Elizabeth City last week elected the following officers: Grand Chancellor—W. C. Crist, of Winston-Salem. Vice Chancellor—Thos. H. Webb, of Dunn. Prelate—Rev. John Welborn, of High Point. K. of R. S.—W. T. Hollowell, of Goldsboro. Master of Exchequer—J. H. C. Mills, Rutherfordton. Master at Arms—O. C. Bruton, of Mt. Gilead. Colonel Walker Taylor, of Wilmington, was elected for the eleventh consecutive time as chairman of the Grand Lodge Judiciary Committee.

### Dr. Rowland Bound Over to Court.

As the result of an investigation, ex parte before Coroner Separk that lasted all day yesterday, Dr. David S. Rowland and his wife, Lillian M. Rowland, are held in Wake county jail without bail on a charge of having murdered engineer C. R. Strange, Mrs. Rowland's husband up to the day of his death on April 6th last.

### Fire at Lexington.

Tuesday night fire partially destroyed the home of Robert L. Burkhead, at Lexington. The loss including some furniture, will amount to about \$500. The origin of the fire is unknown.

### Deep River Mines.

The property which belongs to A. P. Redding is being opened and machinery will be put in. It is situated on Deep River near the Oakdale factory.—High Point Enterprise.

# Wholesale Dry Goods House Latest Addition to Asheboro's List of Enterprises.

PARK AT WORTHVILLE.  
Opened Last Saturday Evening—Preparations For Fourth of July—Archibald Johnson to Deliver Address.

The informal opening of the beautiful "River View" Park last Saturday evening was an enjoyable occasion. There were many present from the town and community.

Refreshments were supplied by Groce and Prevost. The grove and pavilion was lighted by Japanese lanterns. Many dozens of these lanterns have been ordered to light the grove surrounding the boat laddings. The Park presents a pretty appearance at night. There will be held in the Park on Saturday evening June 29th a voting contest. The young lady receiving the highest number of votes, the largest boat will be named in her honor, and so on down to the smallest one. This will be one of the most interesting occasions between now and the 4th of July.

Mr. Archibald Johnson, of Thomasville, Editor of Charity and Children, will deliver the address in the forenoon. The program will be good all day. The Franklinville Cornet Band will furnish music for the occasion.

Mr. J. M. Trogdon went to fill the pulpit at Forest Avenue Baptist church at Greensboro, last Sunday. Mr. Trogdon and family have just returned home from Chester Penn., where he attended the Theological Seminary last term.

Mrs. Porter, of Asheboro, is visiting at Dr. Hubbard this week.

Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Meredith were among the visitors at the Park Saturday evening.

### WILL ENTER MINISTRY.

Young Man Who Made Record at Guilford College Will Devote Time to Religious Work.

Eugene Coltrane, son of J. R. Coltrane, of New Market township, will devote his energies to Religious work.

Mr. Coltrane will go to Asheville, where he will attend the three weeks' conference of the Y. M. C. A. He is a young man of great ability in many lines. He will go to Tennessee and will next year be elected secretary of the Y. M. C. A. of that State. It is the intention of Mr. Coltrane eventually to enter the high calling of Christian ministry, and this work is but the preparation for such a step.

### NEW PRINCIPAL.

Rev. Harold Turner at the Head of Trinity High School.

Rev. Harold Turner, of Charlotte, is here. He will be principal of the Trinity High School and is looking after its interests.

He is one of the brightest young men in the North Carolina Conference and Trinity is to be congratulated on having him at the head of its school.

### Three Negroes Killed.

Marvin Bullock was arrested near Wilson last Saturday charged with murdering three negroes at a railroad camp at Rocky Spring Church in Nash County. Bob Brown and John Wilkes were found at their tent, dead from a pistol shot. Their death would have probably remained a mystery had it not been for another unknown negro being found struggling in death's grasp also wounded by a pistol ball. Before dying he stated that Bullock had committed the crime over an old gambling grudge.

### Fined for Counterfeit Money.

Jas. J. Muse, of Salisbury, was tried in the Federal Court at Asheville on the charge of passing counterfeit money and convicted. Muse was sentenced to a term of 15 months in the Federal prison at Atlanta. The sentence was later changed to 13 months.

Keeping pace with the general development of the State, Asheboro regularly adds new and better industries to its list of business enterprises.

This time it is a wholesale dry goods and notion house. The concern has been quietly discussed among our business men for several weeks, but during the past few days the plan has so far matured that the establishment is assured.

It will be known as the Asheboro Mercantile Company.

The articles of incorporation have been drawn and this, with an application for a charter for the company will be sent to the Secretary of State tomorrow.

The details of the organization are not ready for the public, but the charter will authorize a capital stock of \$125,000. It will be backed by our best business men whose connection with the concern assures its success.

It is the expectation of the promoters of the company to be ready for business by the first of September.

Many towns in North Carolina have shown large development during the past two years, but few have experienced a greater awakening than has Asheboro. An absence from our town of six months shows a remarkable improvement.

The grating of the mason's trowel is now telling of the erection of business houses that are a credit to any town and the sound of the trowel and carpenter's hammer tell of the erection of handsome and commodious residences in every section of the town.

Asheboro has a strong pulse and 1908 will witness a great improvement in every way.

### STANDING OF CANDIDATES.

The names of ladies who have received votes since the contest began appear below:

NUMBER 1.	
Miss Lena Kerns.....	6540
" Corinna Auman.....	11420
" May Dickens.....	10420
" Bette Shamberger.....	6135
" Fannie Birkhead.....	6225
" Lois Andrews.....	6720
" May Ridge.....	4740
" Chice Lister.....	11565
" Ada Nowby.....	12185
" Rona Yow.....	1820
" Nora Kanoy.....	945
" Mrs. W. L. Koller.....	520
" R. L. Kearns.....	810

NUMBER 2.	
Mrs. L. F. Fentress.....	7530
Miss Fleta Parks.....	500
" Lovie Swain.....	500
" Sallie Beckwith.....	700
" Clara Wall.....	3225
" Ethel Barker.....	5285
" Laura Stinson.....	520
" Blanche Covington.....	620
" Annie Black.....	2180
" Ora Scott.....	810
" Sallie Thomas.....	500
" Florence Luther.....	1000
" Sallie Foust.....	900
" Lena Smith.....	900
" Lizzie Smith.....	50
" Daisy Osborn.....	1825
" Swanna Lowdermilk.....	800
" Fleta Hatch.....	500
" Martilla Robbins.....	560
" Rosa Farmer.....	10075
" City Fox.....	800
" Albert White.....	1210
" Winnie Casney.....	940
" Blanche Moffitt.....	510

NUMBER 3.	
Miss Lola Bruton.....	500
" Callie Nason.....	500
" Bertha Lewis.....	4100
" Claudia Dickens.....	900
" Bon Wade.....	820
" Ethel Bigger.....	520
" Minnie Hall.....	310
" Jennie Bruton.....	985
" Mary Scarborough.....	10415

NUMBER 4.	
" Maud Lanier.....	500
" Florence Bush.....	1210
" Mrs. Geo. H. Yow.....	900

MINISTERS.	
DISTRICT NO. 1.	
J. H. Stowe.....	700
N. K. Richardson.....	2815
N. K. Swain.....	1000
B. F. Harpold.....	710
J. W. Ingle.....	6625
C. A. Wood.....	675
J. W. Frank.....	520
C. M. Campbell.....	900

NUMBER 2.	
K. C. Horner.....	745
S. T. Moyle.....	970
W. R. Evans.....	900
D. N. Cavens.....	700
J. J. Eads.....	900

NUMBER 3.	
Parker Holmes.....	540
M. D. Hicks.....	500
J. H. Moton.....	500
Henry Sheets.....	520
J. D. Newton.....	500
Jefferson Lanning.....	540

### Successful in Alabama.

Mr. Nixon Lucas, of Wedowee, Ala., spent Tuesday in Asheboro. Mr. Lucas left Randolph nine years ago and went to Alabama where he engaged in the turpentine business. He met with marked success and a year ago joined two brothers in the lumber business. He has accumulated a neat fortune and his many friends are glad to note his success.