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PLANNING FOR NEW RAILROAD.

Greensboro Chamber of Commerce Hears Reports of Automobiles Who Came to Henderson Over Route of Proposed New Road.

Greensboro, May 26.—Last night at the Chamber of Commerce hall there was a large gathering of members to hear the reports of those who recently went over the route of the proposed Greensboro-Burlington-Graham-Roxboro-Oxford-Henderson railroad in automobiles, and to consider plans for providing funds for the road. At the meeting were many of the most progressive business men of this progressive city, evidencing plainly that interest in securing another railroad out from Greensboro is deep, determined and sound.

Among the many reports made of what was seen along the route, there was not a single spread-eagle speech made, but simple statements of a splendid country, filled with intelligent farmers, fine timber, evidence of progress in road building, agriculture, and manufacturing were made by such leading business men as Capt. J. W. Fry, president of the Greensboro Loan and Trust Company and former manager of the C. F. & Y. V. Railroad; A. L. Brooks, former solicitor and a leading financial progressive and investor; C. D. Benton, known everywhere as one of the State's most aggressive business men and capitalists; R. C. Hood, president of the Chamber of Commerce in business development, and connected with the Southern Real Estate and Trust Company; J. T. Fain, editor of the Telegram, who recently coming from South Carolina, has in a brief space shown Greensboro that he is not only outside on a first-class daily paper, but determined to line up with business progress in all healthful undertakings. Postmaster R. D. Douglas, always foremost in public service enterprises and prudent investment in such. Also relating what was seen on the trip, how the new road would not only tap some of the prettiest farming and timber lands in the State, in Caswell and Person, now twenty miles from a railroad, they spoke of the factories on the line, and dwell on the bright prospects of the management of the enterprise from the thriving, developing towns of Gibsonville, Burlington, Graham, Roxboro, Oxford and Henderson.

Hon. A. L. Brooks, who was raised in Roxboro, and is therefore familiar with the whole section, spoke more particularly of the character of the people, their prosperity, intelligence and progressive desire. He showed the density of the population by census returns, comparing it with other prosperous railroad sections with much smaller population and showing that the density of facts and figures to show how much Greensboro could be benefited by the road, if for nothing else than by gaining connection for freight and passenger accommodations with the Norfolk and Western at Roxboro, the Seaboard Air Line at Henderson, and possibly with the Atlantic Coast Line, and certainly putting Greensboro fifty miles nearer Norfolk.

Capt. J. W. Fry, in his report, talked as a railroad builder and operator of years of experience. After relating what splendid opportunities in natural resources the route, as he viewed it, offered, as compared with other territory through which successful enterprises had been carried years ago, he said the physical difficulties to encounter were remarkable few. The whole route, lying on a ridge, was comparatively level and but few streams would have to be bridged. On this account, an expert engineer, who had made a careful estimate, put the cost of the road ready for operating at \$16,000 per mile. This would make the entire line less than \$2,000,000.

Something like half a million dollars would have to be guaranteed by local interests along the line before bonds could be floated and the remainder of the money secured to finance the road. Capt. Fry said the interest on the bonds would be \$700 per mile, but contrasting net earnings of other much less favored roads in other sections, he said the proposed road he confidently believed, would earn net \$1,200 per mile, leaving a good income over interest charges.

From the fact that the road goes through a large section of the wealthy counties of Guilford, Alamance, Caswell, Person, Granville and Vance, touches splendid back country and passes through so many progressive, enterprising towns of industrial and commercial magnitude like Gibsonville, Burlington, Roxboro, Oxford and Henderson, besides going through several isolated cotton mill villages, the prospect of getting the half million necessary by private subscription, county, town and township bond issues, is first class.

The outcome of the meeting was the unanimous adopting of a resolution, to at once employ an expert to make a careful and detailed examination and report of the entire country between Greensboro and Henderson for the purpose of ascertaining the probable business of the line, and the exact cost of construction. This preliminary work will begin as soon as the proper expert can be secured. With this work done, and the report made, the Chamber of Commerce will be prepared to give exactly what the road will cost and what it will earn, and will then actively and persistently begin a campaign here and elsewhere to raise the needed amount necessary to finance the project. There was some talk last night of the more practical plan and more stable route to carry the road, connecting from Oxford to Norfolk, with the Seaboard Air Line there instead of at Henderson. It was stated that this would not only cost less, but would open up territory in Vance and Granville counties, that the road from Oxford to Henderson would not do, besides tapping a small part of Warren county.

CONGRESS MAY TAKE RECESS

From July 1st to October 1st—The Weather in Washington Getting Too Hot for Our National Law-Makers.

A Washington dispatch says that Congress is considering a recess through the hottest period of the summer and the early fall. Talk in responsible quarters about the Senate is that a recess is likely to be determined upon. In case there is such a recess it will probably start early in July and last until about October first.

The talk of a recess is getting more and more vigorous, with the prospect that Congress is going to find itself entangled with general revision of the tariff before the extra session can be wound up.

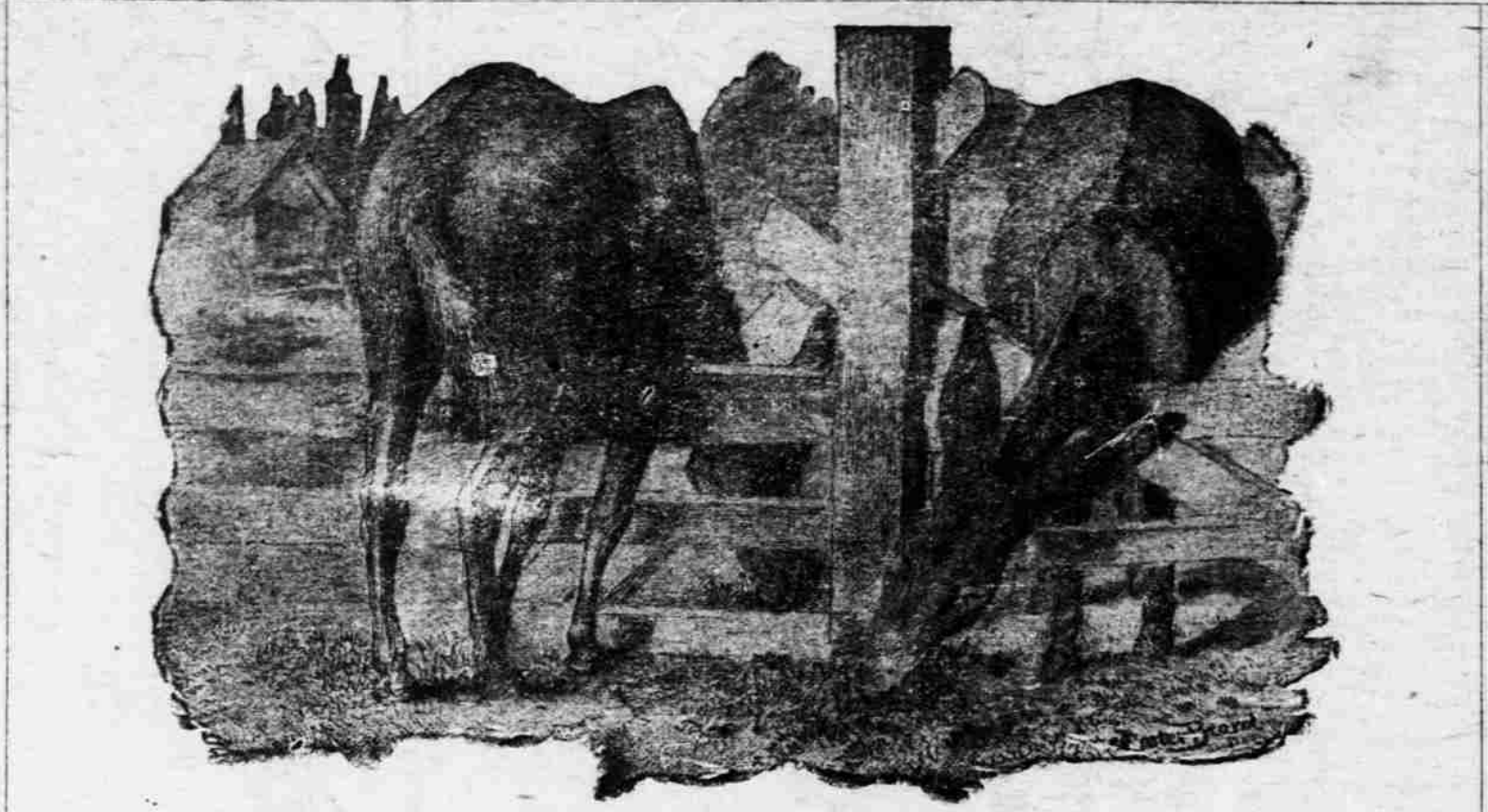
The outlook that the general revision will have to be considered is getting stronger and stronger. It is in the Senate rather than the House that the conditions are seemingly getting ripe for consideration of every phase of the tariff, such as senators would like to avoid it. This is the situation:

Things are dragging along in the Senate with respect to reciprocity, and nobody knows whether the agreement, when it gets to the floor, will be amended. If it is found that amendment can be attached to it revising one or more schedules, then it is certain general revision will be attempted through the medium of amendments to the reciprocity measure.

It is disclosed when the agreement gets before the Senate that there are votes enough to amend it in important particulars, then the Senate will be confronted with consideration of general revision.

Efforts will be made to hitch the free list to the agreement and also to attach to it revision of the sugar schedule, the cotton and the woolen schedules, and steel schedule. Should one of these pass the Senate, then every schedule will be taken up and debated and an effort be made to attach a revision of it to the reciprocity agreement.

Once the Senate sees this can be done it will not try to hitch the work in the hot months of July and August, but will take the whole fall to the task.



GRAZING IN THE OTHER FELLOW'S PASTURE.

The grass always looks better on the other fellow's side of the fence. So often we go away from home to get those things that might be had just as good and as cheap at home. We depend upon our home people for positions, for business, for salaries, and for help in all our undertakings, and go or send away to buy goods. We have goods charged at home and pay cash abroad.

We send our money away from home to purchase carpets and other supplies for the Church and then ask the home merchant, who could have sold us the same thing for the same money or less, to help pay the Church debt thus incurred. We patronize out-of-town merchants and enterprises all we can and then tax our home merchants and enterprises to support our schools and other public institutions, build our streets and make general improvements. By such a narrow-sighted business policy we are thus cutting our own throats.

All things being equal, home people should always have the benefit of our patronage and support. It is the only policy that will build up our own home community and town. When we spend a dollar at home we stand a chance to get it back again through the regular channels of business. But when we send it away, it is gone for good, to help enrich and build up some other community and make it more prosperous and leave ours only the poorer. People who send money away from home should never complain that money is scarce.

And last, but not least, don't spend your money for out-of-town newspapers, and then "cuss" your home paper because it is not a better one. Give it your patronage and support and thereby help it to be better in every way.

Recorder to Have New Home.

The Biblical Recorder, organ of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention, will by October 1 have a home of its own, the work of breaking ground for a three-story structure, to cost approximately \$15,000 having begun. The location of the building will be on west Hargett street, directly west of the Oak City Steam Laundry plant, and will be an excess to visitors. It will be in the business section of Raleigh.

The building will be 50 feet wide and 100 feet long, will contain three stories, will be of brick construction and of handsome finish in front. Ford Brothers, of Raleigh, have the contract and will complete their work by October 1.

The first floor will contain the furnace, stock room, press room, etc. The second floor will contain eight offices and a composition room in the rear, the offices being used by the Recorder and various departments of the Baptist work. The third floor will be for rent, and will contain sixteen well-fitted office rooms.

The building will be equipped with a first class printing plant and the Recorder will eventually be printed from its own presses.

The Wonderful Bible.

The Bible is not a book. It is a library of 66 different books, written in its present form by 40 or 50 different writers, but contributed to by many more. Its earliest book—the Book of the Covenant, containing the present book of Exodus—was written ten or twelve centuries before Christ, the Gospel of John, one of the latest, was written at the close of the first, or the beginning of the second century after Christ. It is for not less than 1,000 or 1,200 years was this library in process of formation. It contains all that is best in the literature of an ancient people which has survived the wrecks of time. In it are found history, biography, law, both political and ecclesiastical; fiction, poetry, drama, political ethics, practical theology. Art, music and science are conspicuously absent, as is philosophy, except in the latter portion of the New Testament, where it is philosophy used for practical purposes and applied to practical problems.—Lyman Abbott in Outlook.

President Diaz Beats an Ignominious Retreat.

Partrio Diaz, for whom during the past thirty years all Mexico has stood aside, early on last Friday morning, under cover of darkness and with hat in hand, so to speak, silently and secretly stole away from the Mexican capital perhaps never to return. Only a few friends whom he dared to trust, followed him to the station at 3 o'clock in the morning, shortly after the noisy celebration over his resignation had partly quieted down. Diaz was bound for Vera Cruz to take the ship for Spain.

In the distance he could hear the voices of a few of the more enthusiastic citizens who were still acclaiming to the new President, Francisco Leon De La Brara, shouting "Viva Madero!"

So carefully were the arrangements made for the abdicated President's escape that the news did not transpire until late Friday afternoon. Secrecy was due less to apprehension of a popular outburst than a desire to reach Vera Cruz, before Marauders along the route could learn of the trip. Travel between Mexico City and Vera Cruz is over the Mexican Railway, a standard gauge line with modern equipment. Rails along the route, however, frequently have been removed of late by bandits, who were determined that Diaz, for reasons best known to themselves should not leave the capital.

They are reported to have harbored the idea that Diaz would follow the precedent of other Latin-American presidents and carry the National funds with him.

There is also a narrow gauge railroad to the coast. Taking it for granted that Diaz would take the more luxurious route the bandits did not molest the narrow gauge road. For this reason it was chosen by Diaz for his trip.

The inauguration of De La Barra as provisional president of the Mexican Republic took place Friday, and the reins of government at once passed into entirely new hands.

Rescued Chickens Swallowed by a Snake.

We are told of a remarkable and unusual rescue which Mrs. John Rhodes, of Haymeadow, made on Sunday afternoon, when she saved several of her small chickens from certain death. Hearing a commotion among the chickens near the house she investigated and found that a large black snake had swallowed nine of her small chicks and that the mother hen was as much disturbed as the snake was contented. Mrs. Rhodes hastily secured an axe and cut the snake in two, and as she did so five of the chicks leaped out. Four of them are still living and following the mother hen seemingly quite unmindful of their thrilling and Jonah-like experience.—Wilkes Patriot.

Work Brings Happiness.

Lives there the man who has not sighed for leisure? And lives there the man, who, in his more sober moments, has not been honestly glad that he must work? Human nature, which sweetens under toil, soured in leisure. And it is by no means sure that the fall from innocence which first brought work into the world, "and all our woe," was not bringing salvation disguised as labor. Faithfulness will dignify and beautify even drudgery; no matter what the work is, provided that it is honest, if it is done well, the command will be fulfilled. Besides, if we did not all have to work so hard to keep alive, the jails would have standing room only.—Boston Transcript.

Curiosity Punished.

"This large bump running across the back of your head means that you are inclined to be curious to the point of recklessness. I know it. I got that by sticking my head into an elevator shaft to see if the elevator was coming up and it was coming down.—Houston Post.

They Didn't Smell Like Penitents.

A typical old-time "circuit rider," who died recently in Alabama, will long be remembered by his flock for the familiarity with which he addressed the Lord in prayer.

It is said that on one occasion he had been preaching in a log meeting house in the pine woods of North Alabama. There were several young lads over his head who had been celebrating by patronizing a still near by. After a long, fiery sermon, the preacher made a call for mourners, and soon the rude altar was filled mostly by the afore-mentioned young fellows. The old man looked them over for a moment, and then, with intonation felt that it was a "lark" on the boys' part, but he knelt to pray.

"Oh, Lord," he began, "here's a crowd of young fellows kneeling round your altar. They've been well, they've been eating and drinking their time away in riotous living; but they've come up here seemingly penitent. They look like penitents, Lord, and I hope they are. They weep like penitents, Lord, and I hope you'll forgive 'em if they are; but, oh, Lord, they don't smell like penitents!"

Even's Up With the Old Hen.

The Newton Enterprise tells how a young rooster in Catawba, got even with an old hen for eating up the corn that he had planted. The doctor planted a few rows of very valuable roasting ear corn in his garden. When he had finished planting it he discovered to his horror a hen had followed him taking the corn row by row and had completely swiped the corn. He caught that hen and with his pocket knife made an incision in her car, removed the corn, replanted it and with a needle and thread sewed up the incision made by the knife, and now both the hen and the corn are doing nicely.

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Can Your Fruit and Vegetables.

The Charlotte Chronicle points out in the following way the advantages there are in canning fruit and vegetables at home and also the economy there is in the home canning process: "We would be afraid to attempt to say, but at a rough guess, the South raises fruits and vegetables enough to feed the United States for a period of at least four months through which these fruits and vegetables largely grow. If the surplus only were canned and properly put on the market, it would yield a great income for these products of the soil. But, as a matter of fact, not enough of these Southern products are canned to supply the home markets. Vast sums of money are sent out of the different Southern States annually to buy canned goods which are put up in the North. The right beginning is for each farmer to get a home canning outfit and go to work. After supplying the home and then selling the surplus, it will be time enough to look up the big canning factory business. They say that in Catawba county, omitting what is done in the kitchens, there are fifty home canning outfits which operate each year. The consequence is, we are told, that the importation of canned goods has been enormous, and that the home merchants now looking to the home-made goods for their supply for the season. What is the use of sending money to the North to buy goods that can be better raised and as well canned at home? The soil and the climate are both here in the South favorable to a splendid business of a magnificent production of vegetables and fruits."

House of Jones.

Jones painted his house last year. It looks dull, dead, no life to it. Smith painted his house 10 years ago. It looks clean, nice, and doesn't need repainting, because he used L. & M. Paint, and added three quarts of Oil to each gallon.

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A Mammoth Apple Tree.

Wilkes county claims to have the biggest apple tree in the world. The Wilkes Patriot says that Messrs. J. B. and H. W. Horton discovered an old apple tree some days ago, on the Newton Gentry farm, in Traphill township, which they believe to be the largest apple tree in the world. The tree, at its base, is 16 feet and 5 inches in circumference. Eight feet from the ground, at the first limb, the tree is 12 feet and 5 inches in circumference. This would make it, at the base, something over 5 feet in diameter. At one time the limbs extended for 30 feet on all sides, but a heavy sleet broke them off some years ago, and now it has a growth of new and vigorous limbs. Speculation can only guess the age of the tree, though it is known to be more than 100 years old. The tree bears, almost every year, a large crop of splendidly flavored, good keeping apples. A single crop has frequently been estimated at near fifty bushels.

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