

THE DAILY FREE PRESS.

THE WEATHER:  
Light winds and prob-  
able showers tonight and  
Saturday.

Don't be Bashful—  
What do you want?  
Make it known through  
THE FREE PRESS and the  
want will be supplied.

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KINSTON'S RED LETTER DAY  
CO-OPERATION MADE PERMANENT

RESULTS OF A PULL ALL TOGETHER  
Three Organizations for the Good of the Town.

The Kinston Publishing Company Fully Organized—Committee Appointed to Report Plans for Organization for Chamber of Commerce—Kinston Mantel Company Set Upon Its Feet.

Probably the most important meeting ever held in Kinston, considering possible future results, was called to order in the opera house yesterday afternoon, and in sixty minutes sixty men transacted business which would take the breath away from any ordinary local gathering of business men. This is what was accomplished:

The Kinston Publishing Co. was fully organized with a capital of \$23,000.

A chamber of commerce was practically organized.

The Kinston Mantel Co., which, though carrying on a paying business was in financial distress owing to inefficient management, was put upon its feet and the necessary amount to give it a working capital was raised within a few hundred dollars by subscriptions for preferred stock and a committee was appointed to secure the remainder.

Talk about co-operation!

It was Kinston's red letter day, and the effects of that hour's business will reach into the future far beyond the period of life and usefulness of even the youngest participant.

It was the most important hour in all of Kinston's history and we do not believe it was ever equalled in a town of this size.

Plato Collins.....	100
S. H. Isler.....	100
Dr. W. T. Parrott.....	100
T. C. Wooten.....	100
Elmstein Bros.....	200
Lovitt Hines.....	100
Watts Hines.....	100
F. C. Dunn.....	100
Dal F. Wooten.....	100
J. W. Grainger.....	200
Z. Edwards.....	200
Dr. T. H. Faulkner.....	100
O. H. Allen.....	200
James Gilbert.....	100
Geo. B. Webb.....	100
Oettinger Bros.....	100
W. G. Jones.....	200
Kleber Denmark.....	100
Abe Schultz.....	100
E. F. Cox.....	100
Moore & Parrott.....	100
Rouse & Ormond.....	100
R. C. Strong.....	100
L. Harvey & Son.....	100
T. B. Brown.....	100
G. P. Fleming.....	100
Gay Lumber Co.....	200
Dr. F. A. & R. A. Whitaker.....	100
J. T. Midyette.....	100
W. D. Pollock.....	100
L. G. Rinker.....	100
E. J. Moser.....	100
W. E. Perry.....	100
Bland & Brooks.....	100
E. M. Hodges.....	100
Dr. C. B. Woodley.....	100
Chas. F. Harvey.....	100
Chas. E. Loops.....	200
Mrs. J. B. Hodges.....	100
B. W. Canady.....	100
J. B. Cummings.....	100
Junius Stevenson.....	100
S. A. Quinerly.....	100
J. C. McDaniel.....	100
J. C. Wagner.....	100
J. J. Rogers.....	100
E. B. Marston.....	100
Dr. V. E. Weyer.....	100
H. W. Cummings.....	100
W. C. Fields.....	100

In the above list there are 61 names representing 72 shares (\$7,200) of preferred stock.

That it has been possible to organize in a short period of time so many of our strongest and best business and professional men into such substantial support of their home paper speaks in thunder tones not only of the confidence of the business people of the community in their home paper, but also (and more important for the community), it shows to the community and to the outside world that Kinston is a co-operative town; that the people are more united than they have ever been for whatever will advance the best interests of the community; that our people have not ceased pulling together, but are going to all pull together more and better than they have ever done. Such pulling together will achieve wonders.

Business Men's Meeting.

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned, and immediately thereafter, upon motion, the meeting resolved itself into a business men's meeting, to take steps to form a chamber of commerce.

The same officers who presided over the Free Press meeting (Messrs. Grainger and Becton) were elected to preside over the business men's meeting.

Many short speeches were made, showing the importance of and advantages to be derived from such an organization.

A motion was finally adopted empowering the chairman, Mr. J. W. Grainger, to appoint a committee of five (the chair and secretary to make it seven) to prepare a plan of organization and make recommendations to a meeting, to be called by Chairman Grainger. The names of the committee and call for another meeting will be published in the Free Press.

Following this J. A. McDaniel, D. Oettinger, W. D. Pollock and others made talks in favor of subscribing preferred stock in the Kinston Mantel company, stating that only \$6,000 was necessary to put this industry safely on its feet and that \$4,000 of this amount had already been subscribed.

Volunteer subscriptions were called for in the meeting and \$1,550 was subscribed, leaving only a few hundred dollars to be raised. On motion D. Oettinger, J. A. McDaniel and W. S. Herbert were appointed to solicit further subscriptions.

The meeting then adjourned, everybody agreeing that it was one of the most satisfactory meetings of business people (including those of the professions) ever held in Kinston or anywhere, and that the Free Press naturally anticipates great good to flow from the meeting together, the uniting of so many of Kinston's best and strongest citizens.



PROF. ADOLF SLABY, WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY EXPERT.  
Marconi's rival, Prof. Adolf Slaby, inventor of the Slaby-Arc wireless system, is head of the Technical High school at Charlottenburg and one of the most famous scientific men of Germany. By his splendid work in wireless telegraphy he has won the esteem and support of the Kaiser. Slaby and Marconi no longer speak as they pass by.

SITE FOR THE FREE PRESS

The matter of a site for THE FREE PRESS building has not yet been determined upon beyond recall. We know that we have a very fine site, unless a better and more desirable one can be obtained. Wherever THE FREE PRESS goes, especially when the business is so largely increased, will be a permanent locality for business, because even now probably more different people visit THE FREE PRESS office than any business establishment in town. With enlarged business more people will visit it.

We desire to secure either a suitable building (that might be improved) or a site in a business part of town where owners of adjacent property would sell at some sort of reasonable price to other business concerns that might desire to build.

We would also consider offers at reasonable prices of property on Queen street or on side streets near Queen.

Any offers will be regarded as confidential if parties making them will so specify.

If you have any property you think would answer our purpose we trust you will give this matter your immediate consideration and give us by mail or in person written and reliable options on what you desire to sell.

Truly,  
W. S. HERBERT.

The Bargain Counter.

SPRING HAS COME.

We mean, of course, our line of Bed Springs. You should inspect them. You will find them all bargains. We have a complete stock of Furniture and can supply any of your needs in that line. Give us a trial.

QUINN & MILLER.

WE WANT TO SEE YOU

at our store where we keep constantly on hand a choice line of Fancy Groceries. We are striving to please. Prompt delivery to any part of town.

J. H. ALEXANDER, General Store.

HANDSOME BICYCLES, \$15.00.

Think of it! Only \$15 for a handsome wheel—"bran new." Come and see them. Wheels of all kinds. Repairing a specialty.

KINSTON CYCLE CO.

BARGAINS IN PRINTING

We have some more of those Letter Heads, Note Heads, Bill Heads and Statements in fine quality colored bond papers, pink and blue. They are good values for price charged. If in need of some stationery examine these goods before making your selection. Letter Heads 500 for \$1.75, 1,000 for \$3.00. Note Heads 500 for \$1.35, 1,000 for \$2.25. Fine Old Hampshire Bond pink Note Heads 500 for \$1.65, 1,000 for \$2.85. Fine blue or pink Bill Heads, 7x9 1/2 inches, 500 for \$1.40, 1,000 for \$2.40. Statements, elegant quality bond papers in blue, pink, lilac or salmon, 500 for \$1.50, 1,000 for \$2.50.

OLD NORTH STATE  
NEWS AND GOSSIP

ODD AND INTERESTING HAPPENINGS.

Salisbury Sun: An inspection of the tax books yesterday showed that 600 white men in Salisbury township have not paid their poll tax.

The product of North Carolina lumber business in 1901, was in quantity sawed 1,286,638,000 feet valued at \$11,067,909.33. The south has 11,465 establishments, about 33 per cent. of the whole.

Governor Aycock on Monday morning issued a proclamation offering a reward of \$300 for the arrest and delivery, with sufficient evidence to convict, to the sheriff of Davidson county of the party or parties who set fire to the graded school building for the colored race, in Lexington, on the morning of the 12th inst.

Winston Journal: Asberry James, an employe at Bailey's distillery in Davis county, met with a very severe accident on last Friday. He was working in the beer room when he was caught in a belt and, after being whirled around a wheel four or five times, was pitched into a beer tub and badly scalded. His injuries are considered quite serious.

A company has just been organized at High Point for the manufacture of youth's pants. The capital stock is \$15,000. The capital is all subscribed by home people with the exception of those taken by a gentleman from a distant town, who is the promoter of the industry. The name of the company and its officers have not been given.

Sheriff Sharp has arrested Buck Eason at Wilson for the killing of Jas. C. Ellis last February. For some time after the deed no clue could be found as to who committed the crime. Ellis' friends took the matter in hand with the above result. Deputy Mayo says the evidence, while circumstantial, is strong. The scene of the crime was at Saratoga, near Wilson.

Salisbury Sun: The work of pumping the water out of the main shafts at the Gold Hill Copper Mine was begun Saturday after the arrival of Mr. W. G. Newman, president of the company, and from that time until the shaft is dry three big pumps will be kept constantly at work. As soon as the condition of the shafts will permit the mine will be operated on an extensive scale and it is the opinion of President Newman that it will make a showing far beyond the most sanguine expectations of those who pin their faith to the Gold Hill Mine.

Winston Sentinel: It is reported that George R. Ritchie, of Kentucky, has leased 200 acres of mountain land near Asheville, which he intends to cultivate in tobacco this year. Mr. Ritchie will grow burley and other grades of tobacco that are extensively cultivated in Kentucky. He will also experiment with plants native to Porto Rico. When his tobacco crop is matured Mr. Ritchie expects to begin a process of curing that has never been introduced in the states south of Kentucky. He will run cure the burley and heavy grades.

TIMELY TOPICS  
TERSELY TREATED.

Short Local Stories, Editorial Notes.

NOTICE.

Owing to unforeseen delays THE FREE PRESS will consist of only four pages tomorrow. But precautions are being made whereby it is hoped there will be no failure in the future.

Welcome the Wayne County Advertiser, Vol. I No. 1, Arthur Whitley, publisher, of Goldsboro, formerly the Mt. Olive Advertiser. It is neatly gotten up, its contents are bright and new, and it immediately steps into the front rank of good North Carolina weeklies.

Raleigh, N. C. April 22.—There was a trial here this morning before a U. S. commissioner of a man charged with breaking a rural free delivery mail box. He was sent on to court and an example will be made of him; He was a countryman who committed the offense "out of reckless wantonness," as a witness testified.

Timely Topics publishes the foregoing as a warning to anybody who may feel inclined to "get gay" when the boxes are put up on the rural routes to be established in Lenoir county. These individuals should remember that when they tamper with mail boxes they have no less an individual than Uncle Sam to deal with. They will be tried in U. S. courts where stern justice is meted out without regard to local pull or influence. So, when the boxes go up Timely Topics' advice is: "Hands off."

THE FREE PRESS has had much to say about the possible profit in raising Sumatra tobacco, and in the same spirit it would like to turn the baculic mind to a consideration of the suggestion that there is good money in cattle, with a minimum of labor as compared with raising tobacco. Wherever a majority of farmers go in for one crop it is overdone, the supply exceeds the demand, there is a slump in price and profits are greatly reduced and often entirely wiped out.

Diversified farming is necessary if we are going to build up the wealthiest farming community in the country, which is entirely possible with our climatic and soil advantages, and one of the most important features is cattle raising.

It was shown in a recent clipping that cattle can find their own living without cost a large part of the year, and they can be easily and cheaply provided for the remainder of the year.

There is revenue in almost every pound of a beef carcass and every part of the product is always in demand at good prices. Kinston pays more for milk, cream, butter and cooking beef than Philadelphia or New York city. This is altogether wrong. We ought to get such supplies at the very lowest figures to be found anywhere, and still cattle raising and dairy farming would be highly profitable.

Add to this poultry farming and the farmer has products which can be more quickly and profitably turned into cash than any others. Fortunes are being easily made in these elsewhere, why not here?

THE FREE PRESS has received from the Department of Agriculture a number of copies of "Farmers' Bulletin No. 106," on "Breeds of Dairy Cattle," which it will be pleased to distribute to its farmer friends who will call or write for a copy. It describes all the best breeds and tells how to select the best, and contains much valuable information.

OOVE.

April 24.

Times are quite dull around Cove, though the farmers are hustling, as we have a few fair days for once, and they need to hustle for we presume by their long faces their crops are short. Most everybody report their potatoes growing downward instead of upward, as they can walk a long distance up and down the rows and not find a hill, but the dear old bugs are there just the same.

Rev. Mr. Newton will fill his regular appointment at the Missionary church Sunday morning and night.

Miss Nellie Taylor returned from Newbern Monday, where she has been spending several days' accompanied by Miss Mamie Borden.

Mrs. L. P. Avery and family, of Newbern, were the guests of Mr. C. D. Avery Sunday.

Miss Hattie Taylor left Saturday for a visit to her sister at South Creek.

The Methodists have reorganized their Sunday School with quite a large enrollment and it is progressing rapidly, and also a prayer service at night which is quite interesting.

It seems as though fishing for herring is all the go now.

Mrs. Clarke Werthington returned from Newbern Sunday, where she has been spending the winter.

Below is published a list of subscribers to the preferred stock of the Kinston Publishing company. Our readers understand, as has been previously stated, that only preferred stock is sold, the common stock all being held in equal shares by W. S. and J. H. Herbert and F. M. Harrington.

Dr. H. D. Harper.....	\$100
S. H. Abbott.....	200
Dr. H. Tull.....	200
Dr. H. O. Hyatt.....	100
J. E. Hood.....	100
L. Stough.....	100
F. Taylor.....	100
M. Parrott.....	200
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