



THE PRESIDENT COMING SOUTH.

He Will Take In Atlanta, Richmond And Other Cities.

HARRIS IS MUCH PLEASED.

Whacks The Southern People Who Are Approaching The President With Flattery and Complimentary References—Mild Amusements.

WASHINGTON, January 10.—The President made known the fact definitely to-day that he will make two trips to the South during the present year, one in the spring and the other in the fall. This information was gained as the result of a visit to the White House by Senator Bate, of Tennessee, and a delegation of prominent citizens of Nashville who invited Mr. Roosevelt to visit that city on the occasion of his trip South. The President stated that it is his intention to visit the South next fall, when he will go to the home of his mother in Georgia. At the same time he will take in Atlanta, Richmond and other cities on route, and Greensboro will probably be among the number. The President explained that his trip in the spring on the occasion of his visit to Texas to attend the reunion of Rough Riders would not be made through the South proper and will only include Louisville. Mr. Roosevelt told the committee that he would like to visit Nashville, "for," he said, "every President should visit the Hermitage, the home and tomb of Andrew Jackson. I think it my duty to make a pilgrimage there during my administration."

A REBUKE IN SEASON.

The Star, the administration organ, editorially, whacks those Southern people who are approaching the President with flattery and complimentary references. The case in point is that of W. P. Parksdate, the Virginia elector-at-large, who yesterday protested against voting for Judge Barker and "slopped over," to use the vernacular of the day, in praise of Roosevelt. The Star, in commenting on the incident this afternoon, said:

"There is a good deal of this sort of talk going on in the South, and it occasions mild amusement. It is as little creditable to those who indulge in it as complimentary to the subject of it. The guess is not a risky one that as between the men who thumped him during the campaign, either through intense partisan heat, and offer no apology now, and those who at this day are smugling up with belated and suspicious praise, the President prefers the former. At any rate, praising him as a Democrat is 'slopped over' business."

DAY VISIT GREENSBORO.

With reference to the proposed visit of the President to Greensboro, Mr. C. J. Harris, one of the leading lights of the Tar Heel Club, who was here to-day, reiterated his desire as well as that of the club to have Mr. Roosevelt stop over in Greensboro when he goes to his mother's home next fall. An invitation from a local committee, it is said, will soon be presented to the President. As the President is going to stop in Richmond and will in all probability pass through Greensboro, the belief is strongly entertained by Tar Heel Republicans that he can be induced to stop for a short time.

Mr. Harris returned to his home in Jackson county to-day much pleased as the result of his visit here. He expressed the view that Rollins and Blackburn would get along in harmony, each giving consideration to the other's interests. That is a very amiable program for two individuals who are striving to distribute the same pie, and the former candidate for Governor may have to revise his estimate of the situation before many months.

[Other Washington dispatches say that Mr. Harris would invite Mr. Vice President Fairbanks to visit Greensboro and that it was likely that he would go.—The Sun.]

The New Free Delivery Route.

The new free rural delivery route No. 2 commenced business Monday with Mr. Houghlon Hill as carrier. The following patrons have already bought and put up boxes:

J. P. Abrams, W. A. Carson, Mrs. Frank Coxe, Harve Carson, John Bryant, Mrs. M. A. Camp, Otis Brisco, J. A. Gray, M. R. Giles, W. H. Gray, L. C. Jones, A. P. Hill, D. H. Houser, Mac McFarland, R. W. Logan, W. M. Moore, Annie Miller, N. D. Moore, Tob Miller, J. W. Mitchell, M. R. Moore, W. A. Gray, New York Store, L. D. Lollar, J. A. McClure, George Lynch, W. L. Morris, Bart Miller, Lou Miller, E. F. Mathis, M. V. Miller, J. P. Rollins, V. L. Shehan, W. W. Shehan, John Stimpson, S. L. Taylor, Lynch Twitty, J. Lee Taylor, W. C. Twitty, George Twitty, J. M. Stally, Harrison Simpson, N. E. Shehan, C. M. Watkins, L. B. Womick, L. S. Womick, J. D. Whitesides, J. M. Smawley, Henry Lawrence.



THEODORE ROOSEVELT



CHAS. WARREN FAIRBANKS

GLENN BECOMES CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Throngs Of People From All Over North Carolina.

WERE AT THE INAUGURATION

Grand Civic And Military Procession—On Account Of Rain The Ceremonies Took Place In The Academy Of Music Instead Of On The Capitol Square—Uvation.

(Special To The News.)

RALEIGH, January 11.—Hon. Robt. B. Glenn, of Winston-Salem, was inaugurated Governor of North Carolina this afternoon in the presence of a great concourse of enthusiastic citizens that taxed the capacity of the Academy of Music and still half the throng could not even get to the door of the auditorium.

The Governor-elect and party arrived at 12:30 from Winston in a special train on which were, besides the escort, the military company and bands from Winston, Greensboro and Reidsville. A civic and military procession was formed at the Union station. Eleven companies of the North Carolina National Guard participated and proceeded to the Marlborough. Soon after the hotel was reached rain began to fall, necessitating a change of the place for the inaugural ceremonies from the capitol square to the Academy of Music. Great confusion was thereby caused among the thousands of people who are here from all parts of the State. It was almost 2 o'clock when the great audience was called to order by Lieutenant Governor Turner. Rev. J. D. Huffman invoked the blessings of God on the ceremony and the incoming administration, and thanks for the brilliant administration of the retiring Governor. Hon. A. H. Eller, chairman of the joint legislative committee on inauguration, introduced each of the State officers elect and the oath of office was administered by Chief Justice Walter Clark, beginning with the State officers, who were all sworn in first.

It was almost three o'clock when, amid the wildest enthusiasm, Governor Glenn was presented and the oath of office administered. He proceeded at once with the delivery of the inaugural address.

OVATION TO AYCOCK.

Governor Glenn was introduced by retiring Governor Aycock, who received a tremendous ovation. Waive after waive of shouts for "Aycock" swept the hall from pit to dome and it was more than five minutes before he could proceed. Glenn began speaking at 2:30 and concluded at 6:15. A review of the military by Governor Glenn and party is now in progress.

THE LEGISLATURE.

The Senate and House were in session about an hour prior to the inaugural ceremonies and held a short session just after the inauguration, the Senate being called to order this afternoon by the new Lieutenant Governor, Francis D. Winston. In the Senate the bill to prevent partners in a firm from misappropriating funds was defeated. The House passed an omnibus bill for the relief of sheriffs providing for the collection of back taxes to 1898. Mr. Sale, of Halifax, introduced a bill prohibiting women and children under eighteen to work more than ten hours a day.

Well Pleased With Our Country.

Lewis M. Borden, of Walkkill; Cyrus Curry, of New York city, and Elting Harp, of New Paltz, started on Tuesday at 4 p. m. from New York and arrived at Rutherfordton, N. C., at 7 p. m. on Wednesday. The latter part of their journey was in an observation car, where they rode without overcoats. They report the climate simply delightful. On Thursday they went out on the outskirts of the village, started three small beys of quail and killed ten. The dogs belonging to Messrs. Borden and Curry arrived Friday and on Saturday twenty-two quail were shot. Many encouraging reports are heard about quail in that section.—The New Paltz (N. Y.) Times, 10th.

Made a Ten-Strike.

The Hon. Richmond Pearson, the Tar Heel minister of the United States to Persia, has made a ten-strike. He has collected from the Shah's government a sum as indemnity for the killing of an American citizen far above the figures demanded by the deceased's widow. Mr. Pearson should immediately be transferred to the Constantinople mission so he could try his hand on the Sultan of Turkey.—Wilmington Messenger.

B. L. DUKE'S WIFE SUED BY A BANK.

She Is Said To Have Raised Much Cash.

A SIGNIFICANT STATEMENT.

One Who Knows Career Of The Woman Says She Is A Shrewd Character And Adds: "Wait Till You Hear From Banks Down East."

(Special To The Observer.)

CHICAGO, January 9.—The German National Bank, of Little Rock, Ark., is suing Alice L. Webb and her promoting company for \$10,000, the face of two notes of \$5,000 each, due and unpaid. "Just how far Taylor, Webb & Company's business has progressed since its birth, April 8, 1903, is only known to the two partners. I have been after Alice L. Webb since last July to get service on these notes and did not succeed until she bobbed up in New York and became the bride of Brodie L. Duke," said Attorney Packard. "I then sent the notes and papers on to New York and she was served there. I am inclined to believe they are absolutely worthless."

A man who knows Alice L. Webb gives this outline of her recent career: "Alice L. Webb is 35 years old. She married E. H. Powell, of Pittsburg, who formerly owned the Seventh Avenue Hotel, Pittsburg, and in this I am informed, she invested \$60,000 and lost the money. She was later divorced from Powell, who now lives in Allegheny, Pa. I know she has a wealthy uncle living near Tusculum, Pa., with whom she was constantly in correspondence, and her father was also a great friend of Prof. Holden, owner of the Hotel Holenden and The Cleveland Plain Dealer, and he has always taken a great interest in the woman. I don't know much about her connection with Brodie L. Duke and was even surprised to hear of her marriage to him. I am inclined to believe that it was not her intention to marry when she went East. Mrs. Webb-Duke was the shrewdest woman I ever met in my life. She was all business and could look through a man at a glance. Wait till you hear from some banks down East."

Charles F. Taylor, her partner, to-day said: "Mrs. Duke is the daughter of William H. Webb, who was a wealthy corporation lawyer of New York. When her father died ten years ago he left her \$100,000 and she engaged in business. She did not care for society and proved to be a very shrewd business woman. She told me that her first husband, Powell, had squandered her fortune. Since forming the partnership I have been associated with Miss Webb in many business ventures."

Taylor, who was formerly Chicago agent for an insurance company of Iowa, laughed at any idea that the firm was not all that it was represented to be. He said:

"Mrs. Duke is an extra ordinary woman and attends strictly to business. I never heard her say any unkind thing to any one. She is not handsome or even good looking. Anybody who clashes with her will meet his match. I have known her 14 years and have been in business with her two years."

Mr. Taylor said further: "I can safely say that Mrs. Duke has made fully \$1,000,000 in investments since I have known her. Outside of the fact we may be involved in our land deal in Texas our firm is all right. We purchased 75 acres of ground at Nacogdoches, Texas, from Col. S. F. B. Morse, and paid \$2,000 down. He is the ex-traffic manager of the Southern Pacific Railway Company. It developed after the failure of Daniel J. Sully, the cotton king, that Morse was his partner and that the property which he had about purchased was included in the assets. This brought the property into court and it is still there. All of our transactions have been bona fide. I don't know Duke and did not know Miss Webb was going to marry him. I never knew any of her private business."

CAPTURE OF DUKE'S BONDS.

The district attorney's office appears to have lent a hand in the proceedings by which Brodie L. Duke, of Durham, N. C., brother of James B. Duke of the American Tobacco Company, was taken from his bride at the Park Avenue Hotel on Friday night, to be sent later to Sanford Hall, a Flushing asylum for the insane. The \$40,000 in stocks and bonds which were found on Duke at Bellevue are now in the possession of Mr. Perkins, one of Mr. Jerome's assistants. They were turned over to him on the district attorney's order by the property clerk of (Continued on Page Two.)

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LUSK SUES SETTLE.

A Matter Of Fees In The Moody Contest.

ASHEVILLE, N. C., January 7.—Col. V. S. Lusk has instituted suit in the Buncombe county Superior court against Hon. Thomas Settle for the recovery of \$250.00. Col. Lusk was associated with Mr. Settle in the contested election case of Moody against Gudge, and the cause of action has grown out of this fact. Col. Lusk claims that \$250.00 is the balance due him as his fee in the election case. He says that Maj. Moody had agreed to pay him \$500.00 for his services, and did pay him \$250.00 before his death; that after Maj. Moody's death and when the contest had been ended and Mr. Settle had secured from Mrs. Moody, \$2,000.00, as alleged in another complaint, Col. Lusk asked for the remaining \$250.00 and was told if he would sign a receipt for \$250.00 to be given Mrs. Moody, Mr. Settle would pay Col. Lusk \$250.00 from the amount received from the widow. It is this amount that Col. Lusk is now suing for. Mrs. Moody recently began suit in the Superior court of Haywood county against Mr. Settle for the recovery of the \$2,000.00 paid the attorneys, which she claims to have paid Mr. Settle after her husband's death and through a misunderstanding.

Turner-Beam.

Mr. S. D. Turner, popular agent of the Southern Railroad at Mooresboro, and Miss Susan Beam, were most happily married at the bride's father, Mr. M. L. Beam, on Wednesday evening, January 4th, at 6:30. Rev. Z. D. Harrill performed the ceremony in his usually graceful manner. They were rendered receptions by Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Seruggs and Mrs. M. G. Martin.—Cleveland Star.

A Record Breaking Business.

Mr. J. P. D. Withrow, of Hollis, in paying for his advertising in The Star for last year says, his sales during 1904 amounted to \$98,000.00 cash, and he attributed a good part of this business to the free use of advertising space. His trade covers a wide territory.—Cleveland Star, 11th.

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