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FRIDAY, MARCH 1st

A bill has been introduced in the Legislature from Cherokee county which is very much in harmony with the national forest reserve bill. It provides for protection in the State against forest fires by appointing in each township five fire wardens whose duty shall be to watch for forest fires and stop same by summoning as many men as they deem necessary to fight the fires.

With the new passenger schedule causing the first train to arrive here at 12:05 now, the Daily Charlotte Observer rarely reaches this point before 8:25 in the evening. This is a great inconvenience to the subscribers of that paper at this point and in Ashe county. Unless better connection is obtained this will immediately work a considerable injustice to that paper at this place and to the regret of subscribers. Under the new schedule it has scarcely reached this point with the other dailies.

The resolutions adopted by the Democratic County Executive Committee last Saturday, published in another column, furnish sufficient reasons to any fair-minded person that Wilkes county should have a separate office of treasurer. No officer should be allowed even the chance of using the people's taxes for electioneering purposes. If the present bill passes this business will be made impossible before another election comes round.

The Chronicle states that Mr. W. W. Barber stated before the Democratic committee last Saturday that the county treasurer was entitled to four per cent, for handling funds; but the Chronicle goes on to observe that according to Revisal, section 2778, the compensation is left with the commissioners and shall not exceed three per cent, on general funds and two per cent, on school funds. This is a conflict of statements.

Through the efforts of Senators Simmons and Clay, the salaries of rural free delivery carriers have been increased from \$720 to \$900 annually. There are now sixteen routes in Wilkes county with fifteen carriers, having a charge of two. This means \$13,500 coming into the county every year besides the fundamental reasons for the establishment of these routes. Senator Simmons is a full fledged rural route man.

The Senate of the Legislature Wednesday defeated the school bill providing for at least four months of public school in every county. The vote was fourteen to thirty-two, the opposition being principally based on constitutional grounds and objection to increased taxation in counties without the vote of the people.

The Holt bill regulating freight rates, which has been lost sight of for a week or two, was to have come up in the House yesterday. There is not much more time; the Legislature is supposed to adjourn a week from next Tuesday, the 12th.

We think the Legislature has wisely provided for the insane of the State without having to issue bonds. The demands will be met with funds of the State Treasury.

Representative Bryant seems to be making a fighting reputation in the Legislature. This is his second round.

County Democratic Committee Meets. The Democratic County Executive Committee met in Wilkesboro Saturday at the call of the chairman, W.

W. Barber, Chairman Barber presided and Mr. A. M. Vannoy acted as secretary. The object of the meeting was the adoption of the following resolutions. Two members of the 14 represented voted against the resolutions:

Whereas, information having come to our knowledge of the Dem. Ex. Com., of Wilkes county that since the adoption of the Constitutional Amendment requiring the payment of poll tax as a prerequisite to voting, on or before the 1st day of May, the Sheriff of Wilkes county has been taking checks in payment of hundreds of poll taxes, holding them until after the republican county convention met, then taking a note from the successful republican candidate and holding said note till after the election, or until it should suit the convenience of the maker to pay it, and

Whereas, the finances of the county have so increased that it is to the best interest of the people and taxpayers of the county that two officers shall handle them instead of one, and

Whereas, the fees and commissions of the offices of Sheriff and Treasurer combined amount to \$5000 or \$6000 a year, so that it is no injustice to the sheriff to divorce them, therefore be it

Resolved, that it is the sense of this committee that the office of Treasurer of Wilkes county be established by the General Assembly, and Chas. W. Carlton be appointed as Treasurer to serve until the next general election, or until his successor shall be elected and qualify, believing this will save the county money.

SHERIFF AND TREASURY BILL.

The Bill Appoints C. W. Carlton Treasurer With Salary of \$900.

Following is the bill introduced in the Legislature last week to separate the offices of the sheriff and treasurer in Wilkes county:

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1—That the Office of Treasurer of Wilkes county, North Carolina, be, and the same is hereby established and restored.

Section 2—That Chas. W. Carlton, be, and is hereby appointed Treasurer of Wilkes county, North Carolina, his term as such to begin upon his qualification and filing of his bond with the commissioners of Wilkes county. His term of office shall continue until the first Monday in December, 1908, or until his successor shall be duly elected and qualified. His bond as Treasurer of Wilkes county shall be the same as that now required of the Sheriff of Wilkes county, as Treasurer, and should the said Chas. W. Carlton or any subsequent Treasurer file a bond as such, duly executed by a Bonding Company legally authorized to make and execute such bonds in this State, said bond or bonds shall be accepted by the County Commissioners of Wilkes county, and the fees therefor, not to exceed Fifty dollars, shall be paid by the county.

Section 3—That the compensation of the Treasurer of Wilkes county herein provided for, shall be a salary of Nine Hundred dollars per annum, and no more, said salary to be paid monthly.

Section 4—That at the regular election in November, 1908, and at each regular election for county officers thereafter held, a Treasurer for said county of Wilkes, State of North Carolina, shall be duly elected and qualify, as provided for in chapter 28 of the Revisal of 1905 of North Carolina.

Section 5—That all laws or clauses of laws in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 6—That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

The latest news from Raleigh in regard to the bill is that the committee to whom the House had referred it has altered the bill to the extent that it is not to take effect until December 1st of this year, at which time C. W. Carlton will be appointed and serve until the regular election and installation of new officers.

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Freight Rate Question.

The committee freight rate bill in the House branch of the Legislature has the advantage over its predecessor of possessing greater definiteness. We are not advised what is the attitude toward it of Speaker Justice, the author of the first bill, but make little doubt that he will be guided in choosing by a desire to force the greatest attainable reduction from the three big systems. If such is his position The Observer is entirely in accordance with it. This question, unlike that of passenger rates, has nothing to do with the ability of the railroads to put up with a loss; it involves only the square-deal principle. North Carolina shippers whose charges sky-high rates could not be consoled by the assurance that, owing to low rates, the road's business with Virginia shippers is done at a very small profit. There can be no possible defense of such practices as the hauling of freight through North Carolina to Virginia and permitting it to be shipped back over its course to points in this State more cheaply than it could have been shipped here. Every neighboring State fares much better than ours, and it is no wonder that, after long and patient endurance under protest, an outcry should have arisen against such treatment. People now realize that this question vitally affects every man, woman and child, and that the amount paid for passenger travel is insignificant as compared with that paid for freight. They are also beginning to understand why North Carolina is so backward in the size of her cities.

The Observer, which has long been protesting against this outrageous discrimination, is utterly opposed to a policy of hitting the railroads anywhere they are vulnerable until they do justice—at least not yet. The matter may come to this, but, remembering that the beneficiaries of the present abuses must be reckoned with by the railroads, let us have patience for yet a while longer. The Observer earnestly hopes, though without much faith, that the roads will address themselves to this problem and give us a measure of satisfaction within the next two years. It is their sincere friend and would do all it could to persuade them against laying up trouble for themselves, but it will not defend them when they do wrong to the people of North Carolina and they are doing grievous wrong. Let them have another chance, but in the meantime no intra-State freight rate reduction which the courts are likely to let stand can be criticized as unjust.

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THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

LESSON IX, FIRST QUARTER, INTERNATIONAL SERIES, MARCH 3.

Text of the Lesson, Gen. xviii, 10-33. Memory Verses, 23-26—Golden Text, Luke xviii, 1.—Commentary Prepared by Rev. D. M. Stearns.

(Copyright, 1907, by American Press Association.) I cannot find in me a willingness to pass over chapters xvi and xvii with their many important events, written for us by the Holy Spirit, and one important lesson of chapter xvi is that God will always do as He has said, and not in any roundabout or wrong way, for He cannot be a partner to anything wrong. Concerning the promised son it is finally written, "The Lord visited Sarah as He had said, and the Lord did unto Sarah as He had spoken" (xvi, 1).

Ten years had passed since Abraham entered the land (xvi, 3), and no son having been given, the devil has a trap for Abraham, into which he falls, making a lot of family trouble and seemingly breaking intimate fellowship between Abraham and the Lord for thirteen years. Compare xvi, 10, and xvii, 1. In chapter xvi, 7-11, note the first mention of the angel of the Lord (four times), and in connection with a poor, wretched outcast woman, and take comfort from the ministry of angels (Heb. i, 14). Find greater comfort in the truth that God lives and sees and cares (xvi, 13, 14, and margin). Note how important is submission not only to the good and gentle, but also to the forward (xvi, 9; I Pet. ii, 18). Submission is said to be the highest mission on earth. It is interesting to notice that of the seven men mentioned in Scripture as being named before their birth Ishmael is the first.

After the thirteen years of silence the Lord revealed Himself to Abraham by a new name, the Almighty God (El Shaddai), or the God who is all sufficient or enough. This name is used more often in the book of Job than in all the rest of the Bible and can only be understood and appreciated when we are brought to the end of ourselves and our own resources (Job xli, 5, 6); then if we walk before God uprightly, sincerely (xvii, 1, margin), we will see the all sufficiency of God. Then follow in this wonderful chapter the covenant with Abraham confirmed, Abraham's change of name to Abraham by putting into it the principal letter of God's name, Jehovah, the rite of circumcision, suggesting death to the flesh, and the assurance that the long promised son would be given the next year and his name would be Isaac.

Today's lesson chapter begins with another appearance of the Lord to Abraham, the sixth, I think, if I have counted correctly, and this time He is accompanied by two angels, the three appearing as men, and they accept Abraham's hospitality and rest under the tree while water is brought for their feet and an abundant meal provided by Abraham and Sarah, of which they all partake. Contrast the unleavened cakes which Sarah quickly makes with her three measures of meal with the leavened bread of the woman of Matt. xiii, 33. If you feel like saying how gladly you would have stood by or helped prepare the food or shared it with them, think of John xii, 1-3, and see the same Lord, and if that does not help then believe Rev. iii, 20.

See the reassurance of a son for Sarah, hear her unbelieving laugh and the Lord's patient rebuke and His searching question, "Is anything too hard for the Lord?" (Verses 9 to 15.) Compare Jer. xxxii, 17, 27, and say before Him if you are believing or unbelieving.

The visitors rose up and looked toward Sodom, and Abraham went with them to bring them on their way, and so the four start off, and we can easily imagine Sarah following them with her eyes as far as she could see them and thinking many things in her heart. Soon the two angels are on their way to Sodom, and the record of their visit to Lot and their hurrying him and his wife and daughters out of the doomed city is found in chapter xix along with the story of the destruction of the cities because of their sin. The angel's inability to destroy the cities until Lot was safely out suggests that the church must be taken out of the earth before the judgments can come upon it. Our Lord Jesus indorses this record also (Luke xvii, 28-30) and tells us that as it was so it shall be again at His coming. Contrast the willingness with which the visitors accepted Abraham's hospitality and Lot's difficulty in constraining the angels to enter his home.

Turning back to our lesson and to our Lord's words, "Shall I hide from Abraham that thing which I do?" (verse 17) we are reminded of Amos iii, 7, "Surely the Lord God will do nothing, but He revealeth His secret unto His servants the prophets." We therefore do well if we take heed to all prophecy and are foolish if we do not (II Pet. i, 19; Luke xxiv, 26). The Lord is looking for those with whom He can commune, for He seeks fellowship with us (II Chron. xvi, 9). The cry of Sodom and Gomorrah reaching the Lord brings to mind such passages as Gen. iv, 10; Hab. ii, 11; Jas. v, 4; Num. xxxii, 23. The words in verses 22 and 23, "Abraham stood yet before the Lord and Abraham drew near," remind us of our great privilege set forth in Heb. iv, 14-16. Abraham's sixfold petition for the sinful city and his prevailing until the Lord agreed to spare it for ten's sake," taken with such illustrations as the woman of Tyre and Sidon, the Toman centurion, the four friends of the palsied man, our Golden Text, etc., should greatly encourage us to persevere in prayer.

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English Girl Operatives Case.

Greensboro dispatch Charlotte Observer 24th.

The case in the civil suit of the United States against Messrs. E. A. Smith and Sumner B. Sargent of Charlotte, in which Samuel B. Powers and 20 other aliens are asking for \$21,000 in penalties for an alleged violation of the immigration laws, began here before Judge James E. Boyd this morning. The jury was selected and complaint and answer were read and several witnesses examined. At the place set today the trial promises to continue for ten days or two weeks.

There is one negro on the jury, his name is Alvus Glimmer, adarky of the old school, with a broad face, large lips, wide mouth and pleasant countenance. While Mr. Holton read his complaint Alvus took four naps. The warm room got the best of him. His eyes and his corpulent body reposed. The frequent snubbers of Uncle Alvus did not come as a result of a lack of interest in the proceedings of the court for everyone who observed him could see that he labored strenuously to keep awake. The drowsiness that falls on the country boy in a church during a long sermon had fallen upon the fellow.

Church Directory.

BAPTIST CHURCH, North Wilkesboro. Rev. W. F. Staley, Pastor. Preaching every second and fourth Sunday at 11, a. m., and 8, p. m.

Sunday School every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock, a. m. Superintendent Mr. W. H. Church. Prayer meeting every Thursday evening at 7:30, p. m.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH, North Wilkesboro. Rev. W. F. Elliott, Pastor. Preaching every Sunday morning at 11, and at 7:30, p. m. Sunday School at 10, a. m. Superintendent, Mr. J. M. Edwards. Prayer meeting on Wednesday night at 8:00.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, North Wilkesboro. Pastor, Rev. C. W. Robinson. Services every first and third Sundays, mornings and evenings. Sunday School, Sunday 10, a. m. Mr. J. E. Finley, superintendent. Prayer meeting on Wednesday evening at 7:30.

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BAPTIST CHURCH, Wilkesboro. Sunday School at 10, a. m. Mr. J. D. Smith, superintendent. Prayer meeting on Tuesday evening at 7:30.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, Wilkesboro. Services on fourth Sunday, morning and evening. Sunday School every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock. Mr. J. M. Kunkle, superintendent.

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