

NOT A DRONE IN IT Business Men's Republican League of Franklin ASSERT THEIR RIGHTS

Democratic Pledges of Freedom of Thought and Speech Taken at Their Face Value

To the Editor of The Post:
In yesterday's News and Observer there was an article calling into question the existence of the Business Men's Republican League of Franklin county, the writer basing his article on the fact that Mr. P. N. Egerton and Mr. J. J. Hayne had never heard of it. Mr. Egerton has been away from home the greater part of the summer, and when at home has been ill most of the time. This accounts for his ignorance in the matter. There is no such man in Louisville as Mr. J. J. Hayne, nor has there ever been.

For the benefit of the editor of the News and Observer and the public, I will state that there is a genuine live white man's Republican League composed of some of the most aggressive and highly respected business men of Louisville—most of whom have been life long Democrats. These men believe that it is for their interest and that of the people of the State and nation that the principles declared for in the resolutions adopted by the league, which are the principles of the Republican party, should prevail. Believing this, they have organized for the purpose of bettering the success of these principles, and they propose to work toward such an end, and will not be deterred by fear or ridicule. They have no quarrel with people who differ with them, but they are entitled to their own views on these questions and intend to maintain them. One of the principal arguments used by the supporters of the constitutional amendment was that after its adoption, citizens of North Carolina should have freedom of thought, speech and action, but it seems that the argument made by some people was only to get votes and not made in sincerity. Unless the temper of the people elsewhere is different from what it is here, the people of North Carolina intend in future to think, speak and act as their conscience and judgment dictate on political questions, notwithstanding the editor of the News and Observer and others like him.

Those others may know who compose this league. I will state that Mr. E. C. Barrow, the secretary, is a cotton buyer and is one of the leading business men of the town. The treasurer, Mr. G. W. Ford, is the largest property owner in the town, and is a man of large business interest. The vice-president, Mr. W. H. Mann, is a contractor and builder and a leading man of the town. Among the members, I desire to mention Mr. P. S. Allen, of the Green and Yarrowbury Company, one of the oldest and largest houses in the county; Mr. K. P. Hill, one of the largest merchants in the town, also Mr. R. T. Carley, a grocery merchant, and Mr. C. B. Cheatham, one of the leading tobacco men of the county. There is not a drone nor a parasite in the league. Every man in it is earning his own living, is active in business and will be active in politics from this time on—and not one wants an office either.

The News and Observer insinuates that you are running a Republican paper. Would that it were so, for decent journalism in the Democratic party does more harm to Republicanism than the false and scurrilous denunciations of some newspaper of the State.

I beg pardon for taking up so much of your space. Having published our resolutions, I thought I due you and your readers that I write this article.

Yours,
P. A. REAVIS,
Louisburg, N. C., July 1, 1901.

THE N. C. STATE FAIR Captain Denison Tells of the Progress of Preparations

In speaking of the progress of work preparatory for the State Fair to be held here in October, Capt. C. B. Denison, treasurer and assistant secretary, said yesterday carpenters are putting the buildings at the fair grounds in thorough repair. The roofs and floors are receiving special attention now. Indications are for the largest and handsomest book of premiums in the history of the fair. The covers of the book will be especially handsome, being gotten up in colors.

Gen. W. R. Cox, president of the Agricultural Society, is expected here within the next few days on business connected with the fair.

Captain Denison says that indications point to the scoring of an unusual success in the athletic department. Mr. Sherwood Higgs has been appointed as director of this feature of the fair attractions, and he is bending every energy toward its success. This department includes the shooting contests and other sporting features.

A FORMER RALEIGHITE Mr. J. F. Lack Returns After Twenty-seven Years' Absence

"I never would have known Raleigh. The city has undergone wonderful improvement."

Such was the statement made by Mr. J. F. Lack yesterday, who returned to the city after an absence of 27 years. Mr. Lack is civil engineer of the Mobile and Ohio Railroad, his headquarters being in Mobile. He returned to his old home, where he spent his boyhood, to take his vacation and is accompanied by his wife and two interesting children.

Mr. Lack was shaking hands yesterday with all his long-que friends who

day with his old friends, all of whom were glad to see him. He carried with him an interesting document, which was a certificate of apprenticeship on the Raleigh and Gaston Railroad, given him just 27 years ago prior to his departure from Raleigh. The certificate was signed by Mr. R. B. Harding, the then master of machinery on the Raleigh and Gaston Railroad, by Col. A. B. Andrews, who was superintendent, and the late W. J. Hawkins, who was president of the road. It was commented on by Col. Andrews, friends that his signature then is identical in every respect with that of today. Mr. Lack has just cause to feel proud of this interesting old paper. It reads:

Office Raleigh & Gaston R. R. Co., Raleigh, N. C., July 7, 1874.
This is to certify that P. F. Lack of the city of Raleigh and State of North Carolina, has duly and faithfully served his full time of apprenticeship, to-wit: for the term of four years in the car shops of the G. & G. R. R. Co., located in the city of Raleigh; that he has proven himself an upright and industrious apprentice, and is, at the date hereof, a car builder, and the undersigned officers of said company, hereby recommend and endorse him as such.

RED BIRDS FINALLY DROP A GAME

There are only five more weeks of baseball, and the interest in the race on the home stretch will soon begin to tell. There should be big crowds to see the games between the Red Birds and Hornets here next week.

Only fifteen more games here at home. The leaders lost and the other fellows won. That evens up things.

The game yesterday was lost through no fault of Stanley's. Though he was hit often, his support was ragged and errors were costly.

What do we care for one game, anyhow, anyhow?

Smith pitched three winning games out of five.

Next week we have the Hornets, and they will give the fans all the excitement they are entitled to.

The Beaufort club desires to borrow a battery from Raleigh Wednesday to play New Bern. Person and Sherman have been requested.

It was thought that Tarboro would be willing to play here today, the games scheduled in Tarboro. A big excursion from Durham will be here. The Tarboro team wanted its expenses guaranteed in addition to half of the receipts.

Captain Clark of the Spinners was fined by Empire Mace in Thursday's game for running up the coaching line.

Wilmington has lost Sebring, who has gone home. A pitcher by the name of Hopkins, from Virginia, has been signed. He is six feet three inches in height.

Sutch, who was with the Red Birds early in the season, is reported to have gone with Selma, Ala., again. Sutch came here from Selma and was released by the local management.

The games next week will be called at 4:30 p. m.

The cemetery editor of The Star crawls out of his hole and remarks: "The old guard never surrenders." The flight of the Lobsters has been so furious that they have hardly had the opportunity.

The derrick has resumed work, after a great effort.

HARDISON-PRITCHARD WEDDINGS Lovely Bridal Tableau at Wake Forest Thursday

The marriage of Mr. R. L. Hardison and Miss Bessie Pritchard was impressively solemnized at the home of the bride's parents at Wake Forest at 2:30 p. m. Thursday. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. F. Love. It was a pretty home wedding attended by a large company of relatives and friends.

The apartments of the Pritchard home were tastefully decorated with palms ferns and potted plants.

The guests were received by Miss Mattie Gill and ushered into the front parlor.

When the time for the ceremony arrived folding doors were rolled back by little Misses Hetty Briggs and Josephine Henley, revealing a lovely bridal tableau in the rear parlor—the happy pair facing the minister at the improvised altar ready for the ceremony to be pronounced. There were no bridal attendants.

The bride was attired in a lovely traveling suit of a light shade of castor cloth and wore a hat to match.

The bride was the recipient of very many handsome presents, among them being numerous articles in silver.

Mr. and Mrs. Hardison left Thursday night for Asheville, where they will spend their honeymoon.

SCHOOL COMMITTEEN MEET More Than 100 Respond to the Call of County Superintendent Clements

In accordance with a call issued by County Superintendent of Schools W. G. Clements, there was a meeting here yesterday of the committeemen of the public school districts of the county. The meeting was held in the office of the county superintendent and was attended by one hundred or more committeemen.

The enthusiasm manifested was a good indication of the deepening interest taken in educational matters by people in the rural districts.

The principal speakers during the meeting were Prof. Benjamin Slead of Wake Forest, Gen. T. F. Toon, Superintendent of Public Instruction, and County Superintendent Clements.

Professor Slead, who is on the school committee in Wake Forest district, was introduced, and his speech emphasized the importance of the committee in arousing interest and enthusiasm for the schools. He declared that the success of popular education in North Carolina must depend on the public schools, and this result cannot be accomplished by private schools.

General Toon explained the school law and Superintendent Clements spoke on the same line. One committeeman said something about carrying out the spirit of the law, and Superintendent Clements quickly told him that the law was to be obeyed to the letter in this county.

The committees have met and organized in the various districts. The next thing is the selection of teachers. These

must be elected at a regular meeting, and ten days' notice of such session and the time and place at which it will be held has to be given. The public schools in this county must open between October 15 and November 15.

DAMAGE SUIT INSTITUTED J. J. Jordan Sues W. J. Hobby for \$3,000

Col. T. M. Arzo, counsel for J. J. Jordan, of this county, filed the complaint yesterday in a suit instituted against W. J. Hobby for \$3,000 damages claimed to have been sustained by the plaintiff by reason of Jordan's arrest on a warrant sworn out by Hobby.

The complaint sets forth that on July 1st W. J. Hobby swore out a warrant before Justice George P. Partin on the criminal charge of moving and loosening a bridge over Little creek, thereby obstructing the public highway and travel. The fact of the hearing of the case before the justice is then recited and the dismissal of the case, together with the various phases of damage sustained by reason of the arrest, and being held as a common felon, etc.

There is also the charge that Hobby swore out the warrant against Jordan with malice and without probable cause, and the damage which is prayed to be collected out of Hobby is \$3,000.

The case will come up for a hearing at the next term of the Criminal Court.

Central Carolina Fair The Post is in receipt of a copy of the Central Carolina Fair, which holds forth at Greensboro October 8th, 9th, 10th and 11th. Liberal premiums are offered. This is the second annual meeting of the fair. Mr. J. Van Lindley is president of the organization and Mr. R. S. Petty secretary.

Mr. George Norwood, who served efficiently as chief clerk in the office of the secretary of state for two months when Secretary Grimes first took charge spent several hours in the city yesterday and brought a number of fine water-melons to Mr. Grimes and the office force. Mr. Norwood's farm is about seven miles north of Raleigh and he reports fairly good crops. The expense of working the crops and keeping them clear of grass has, he says, been nearly double what it usually is per acre.

Amanda Dunston Dead About 9 o'clock last night Amanda Dunston, one of the most highly esteemed negro women in Raleigh, died at her late home on South Blount street. She had sustained three strokes of paralysis within the past three months. She was sixty-seven years old, and had for a number of years conducted a restaurant for white people in the basement at the east end of the city market. She was well liked and respected by the best people in this city. She gave freely to charity, and it was her custom to regularly give a New Year's dinner to the city officers and policemen.

She was a member of the Episcopal church, and the funeral will be held from that church Sunday.

POSTSCRIPTS. Mr. Crisp Wooten, of Kinston, was here yesterday.

Mr. "Tin" Cobb, of Sanford, was here yesterday.

Mr. Chas. C. Ferrall returned to the city yesterday.

Mr. Herbert Rosenthal, who has been in Norfolk on a visit for the past month, returned to the city yesterday.

McDaniel's orchestra has signed the contract to furnish music at the Academy of Music this winter.

Mr. Watkins Hobards left yesterday for the Sanphire country for a sojourn of several weeks.

Mrs. W. P. Whitaker and children returned yesterday from Morehead, where they spent several weeks as guests of the Atlantic Hotel.

Mrs. J. T. B. Hoover, of Henderson, is visiting her sister, Mrs. R. C. Rivers, who is very sick at her home on Oakwood avenue.

The bookbinders and pressmen will play the printers a game of baseball at the fair grounds this afternoon at 4:45. The admission will be free.

Mr. W. A. Stancil and Mr. F. M. Bridges will leave this morning for Virginia Beach, where they will spend Sunday. Mr. Bridges has just recovered from an attack of fever and will resume the duties of his position as book-keeper for Mr. W. A. Myatt Monday.

In the mayor's court yesterday Julius Hicks and John Thompson were tried for an affray. Hicks was bound over to court in \$30 bond, and Thompson was discharged. Julius Hicks and Tom Adams were put under \$30 bonds for assault with deadly weapon. Cornelia Jones was fined \$7.25 for disorderly conduct and John Foust a similar amount for a like offense.

A Life and Death Fight Mr. W. A. Hines of Manchester, Ia., writing of his almost miraculous escape from death, says: "Exposure after measles induced serious lung trouble, which ended in Consumption. I had frequent hemorrhages and coughed night and day. All my doctors said I must soon die. Then I began to use Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, which completely cured me. I would not be without it even if it cost \$5.00 a bottle. Hundreds have used it on my recommendation and all say it never fails to cure Throat, Chest and Lung troubles." Regular size 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free at all drug stores.

Stamp Tax to Be Tested New York, Aug. 2.—George C. Thomas, a broker and a member of the Consolidated Exchange of this city, was arrested today and arraigned before United States Commissioner Shields, charged with violating the revenue act in failing to place revenue stamps on sales of stocks. He waived examination and was held in \$1,500 bail for examination. Mr. Thomas contends that the tax is illegal and was arrested in order that a test might be made in the courts.

Durban, Aug. 2.—Lord Milner, governor of the Transvaal and Orange River Colonies, will be banished here on his return from England if he accepts the honor.

FIRE IN THE CLOUDS Wilson Dazzled by a Splendid Electric Display AND THEN THE RAIN

All Followed by a Sunset of Unequaled Splendor—Wedding Next Wednesday. Tobacco Season Opens

Wilson, N. C., Aug. 1.
Correspondence of The Morning Post.
Wednesday, as the five or six preceding days had been, was oppressively hot and distressing, and perspiration ran in continuous rivulets from every pore. Humanity sweated in its own scorching liquefaction as the sizzling process went on. But in the afternoon clouds began to gather, and soon an unusual scene of magnificent sublimity was presented, for one portion of the sky was choiced with blackest clouds, growning with internal agonies and vomiting quivering fires, and the other was one matchless scene of magnificent brilliancy, for the sun was showering upon earth his richest streams of dazzling coronations, and the brilliant gleaming of the sunbeams, mingling with the quivering flashing of the lightning, made the sombre fringes of the dark storm cloud gleam like the radiant smile of an icicle, and caused the first rain drops, the messengers and forerunners of the coming flood, to glisten and tremble like the heart throbs of a diamond. The low rumbling of heaven's artillery wheels, as God's thunder-throated batteries of electricity were getting ready for their terrific and magnificent bombardment of the earth, would soon pass in a startling panorama across the skies; and never did mortals behold a grander or more thrilling picture of God's power and glory, and in the dazzling light, as quivering fires which flashed from the growning and bursting clouds we read the comforting truths of God's goodness and grandeur, and in the deep-toned reverberations of heaven's thundering batteries we heard the thrilling pronunciation, "Behold and know that I am God." After two hours of terrific magnificence and awe-inspiring splendor the storm spent its fury, and a blessed calm settled in a halo of God-given peace where erst the angry element had so lately raged and battled, and then, as the daylight began to fade and die, it seemed as if nature had exhausted her richest dye-pots to tint with appropriate colorings the gorgeous pathway of departing day. And the night was full of beauty, for the clouds were broken and scattered, and the moon in full-orbed splendor rode gracefully through the sky and left on every object a silver mantle of richest and mellowed radiance. The drifting clouds swept slowly by and seemed like floating islands of perpetual snow on the glowing bosom of a sapphire sea. The earth was beautiful, for every blade of grass clad itself in a moonbeam and adorned its bosom with some jewel that glitten and twinkled as it shined. Floweret slept with its closed leaves sealed with a rain-drop, like a child asleep with a tear just resting on the fringe of its eyelids, and in the radiant blushing of their moon-kissed petals there was beauty as pure as the snow on the lovely smiles the angels send in noiseless ripples on the dimpled cheeks of sleeping innocence. Every little hole of water—those rain-made lakes of the streets—caught a moonbeam or star-flash on its gleaming bosom, and as it held the radiant twinkling of the glistening jewel of the sky a trembling captive there, it became a reflected type of the silvery world above and made the night a matchless scene of sublimity and joyfulness. Oh, how gorgeous and beautiful must heaven be when such scenes are but shadows of its glories and its splendors.

The tobacco season opened today with the brilliant promise of a flourishing reign, and the prospects now are that more tobacco will be sold in Wilson this year than ever before in its history. A large number of buyers are here, additional steamships have been erected and the determination is seen on every face to buy Wilson at the greatest tobacco market in the South. There was a much larger "break" than was anticipated, the prices were good and satisfactory, and the farmers returned to their homes with faces radiant with the beams of a perfect satisfaction.

On Wednesday next another happy couple—two of Wilson's most popular society people—will stand at the shrine of Hymen and unite their lives in the love-forged links of sweetest bondage. In advance, we extend congratulations, for the earth will have for them charms

never seen before. The flowers will emit a sweeter fragrance and have a richer tinging, and every earthly scene will glisten with heaven-borrowed hues of rapture and enchantment.

The sad news has just reached Wilson that Dr. L. A. Stith, formerly a prominent and highly respected physician of Wilson, but recently of Suffolk, Va., died in that place yesterday. The sad announcement has sent a pang of anguish through many hearts in Wilson, for he was esteemed and admired by all who knew him. A braver, nobler, more chivalrous, more knightly, more polished gentleman never lived, for he was the embodiment of all the virtues and all the graces that give dignity and nobility to manhood. Rest to his honored ashes; peace to his noble spirit.

The model Governor Aycock and his accomplished wife were called to Wilson yesterday to attend the bedside of their eldest son, who is critically ill in the sanitarium in this place. The prayers and sympathies of our entire community are with them in their sore anxiety.

No HOPE FOR CHARLES AYCOCK, JR.
Governor Writes Physicians Say His Son Can't Live

The people throughout the State will learn with deep sorrow that little hope is entertained for the recovery of Mr. Charles B. Aycock, Jr., son of Governor Aycock.

Col. P. M. Pearsall, private secretary, received a letter last night from the Governor stating that the attending physicians have given him to understand that nothing short of a miracle could save him. He has been desperately ill of meningitis for several days, the Governor having been called from Wilmington to his bedside at Wilson on last Wednesday. And Mrs. Aycock went down to Wilson from Raleigh on the same train.

Mr. Aycock is quite a bright and promising young man. Last year was the second in his course at the University of North Carolina. The prayers of hosts of his admiring friends as well as those of the honored Governor throughout the State will go up to an all-wise Providence for his recovery.

London, Aug. 2.—According to the Brussels correspondent of the Morning Post, Mr. Kruger's departure for the United States is fixed for the end of August.

He Fooled the Surgeons
All doctors told Renick Hamilton, of West Jefferson, Ohio, after suffering 18 months from Rectal Fistula, he would die unless a costly operation was performed; but he cured himself with five boxes of Buckle's Arnica Salve, the surest Pile cure on Earth, and the best Salve in the World. 25 cents a box. Sold by Druggists.

75.50 to Norfolk, Va., via S. A. L. Ry. Account Grand Encampment I. O. O. F. of North Carolina, Elizabeth City, N. C., August 13th. Tickets on sale August 11, 12 and 13, final limit August 19th.

C. H. GATTIS, C. T. and P. A. Yarrow House, Raleigh, N. C.

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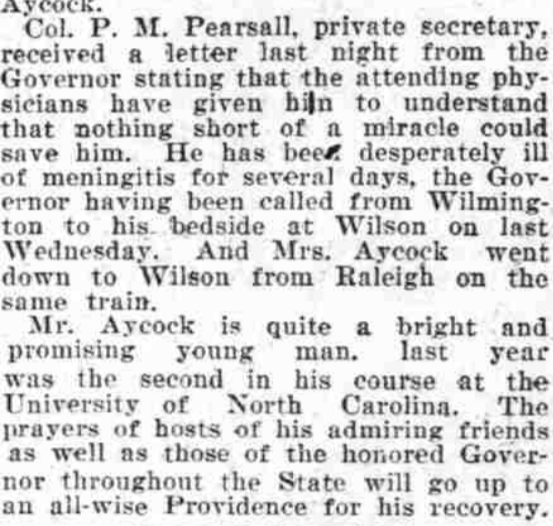
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	30 35.18	41.78	41.58	39.67	39.44	40.29	39.64	41.01
	35 38.29	46.06	45.38	43.85	43.52	44.32	43.51	44.21
	40 46.18	50.92	51.46	48.84	48.83	49.23	48.22	49.05
	25 \$42.43	\$51.67	\$51.67	\$48.00	\$47.77	\$49.53	\$49.24	\$49.71
	30 47.07	56.18	56.18	52.02	52.28	53.90	53.52	54.05
	35 50.61	60.69	60.69	55.11	55.11	56.90	56.58	57.21
	40 59.17	67.90	67.90	61.61	61.30	63.30	62.99	63.65
	25 \$47.07	\$50.53	\$50.53	\$48.39	\$50.18	\$48.33	\$48.15	\$49.15
	30 48.09	51.31	50.92	49.97	50.96	49.18	48.83	49.99
	35 49.34	52.33	52.33	49.89	52.13	50.38	49.95	51.22
	40 51.81	54.31	54.00	51.57	53.08	52.27	51.48	53.13

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