

JUDICIAL BOYKIN RESIGNS

To Devote His Entire Time to His Law Practice

EX-JUDGE W. R. ALLEN

It is Thought Will be His Successor, Though Governor Carr has Not Yet Taken Any Action in the Matter.

Judge Edward T. Boykin tendered his resignation today to Governor Carr as Superior Court Judge to take effect December thirty-first. Two years of his term remain unexpired.

Judge Boykin retires from the bench in order to devote his time entirely to the practice of law.

Judge Boykin is one of the ablest jurists on the bench and the announcement of his retirement will occasion general regret.

Governor Carr has not acted upon the resignation, but it is whispered that he will appoint Ex-Judge W. R. Allen of Goldsboro as Judge Boykin's successor.

ANOTHER SYNDICATE!

Sumors in Atlanta of a New Seaboard Air Line Deal.

The Atlanta Constitution of yesterday says:

Some significance has been attributed to the recent visit to Atlanta by Mr. H. N. Higginbotham, in company with Vice President St. John, of the Seaboard Air-Line. It has been suggested that perhaps Mr. Higginbotham was considering an investment in Seaboard and Honorable stock. He is worth fifteen or twenty millions, and if he were to get into the Seaboard situation, there would be no more heard of it being bought by Mr. Ryan or anyone else. It was given out that the Chicago merchant prince was down simply on a pleasure trip with his old friend, Mr. St. John. They may have been contemplating a little business with the pleasure trip.

Another significant visit to Atlanta was that of Mr. Mayer, ex-president of the Baltimore and Ohio, who came down about ten days ago with President Hoffman and Vice President St. John. That was said to be a pleasure trip, too. Mr. Mayer is also very wealthy, and has strong financial connections.

If a few more millionaires come down in Vice President St. John's private car, the public will begin to suspect that there is a new syndicate in process of organization, and that its purpose is to keep the Seaboard independent and practically in the hands of its present management.

The Baltimoreans estimate that Mr. Ryan did not have the money to take all the stock in the pool, and that he was glad to get out of the deal, and doubly glad to get his \$60,000 back which he had put up as a guarantee of good faith when he made his offer for the whole issue of stock. The idea in Baltimore is that Mr. Ryan and his associates thought they saw a chance to buy the Seaboard and sell it to either the Southern or the Louisville and Nashville. A hitch occurred somewhere, and the purchasers backed out, which left Mr. Ryan with the box to hold.

Fair and Cooler.

The storm in the north developed considerably in intensity and is now central over the St. Lawrence valley. The weather became cloudy all over the east, with moderate rains at many stations.

In the west the weather has cleared, and it is slightly cooler. The high area has moved down to Texas, but without being accompanied by freezing weather. The clearing condition is moving eastward.

Who Will Be Candidate for the Senator? If Governor Carr can manage to have the policy outlined in his interview, published in this issue, put into operation, he will make a governor in whom a coming generation will build the biggest monument ever erected in North Carolina—Canaan.

In C. V. S. N. Bipolar meeting Raleigh Council, No. 1, J. O. U. A. tonight at 8 o'clock. A full attendance is desired. Initiation of candidates and other very important business. J. E. Harness, Councilor.

IS WEYLER WOUNDED?

Macao Has Crossed the Trocha to Join Gomez.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. New York, Dec. 9.—A Herald special from Jacksonville, Florida, says:

A dispatch has been received from Havana, which states that Antonio Maceo has crossed the trocha with a large force. It is reported, according to the dispatch, that Captain General Weyler has been wounded at the front. All news from the scene of the engagement is suppressed by the officials at the palace. The Herald, commenting on the foregoing dispatch, says: The report that Maceo has crossed the trocha is in line with the expectation of Cuban Junta in this city. Since General Maceo, by order of General Gomez, and defiance of General Weyler, invaded the province of Pinar del Rio in March last Spanish as well as Cuban reports have reported him again and again as having crossed the trocha, constructed by General Weyler to keep him from rejoining Gomez.

The Spaniards have reported his crossing the line in disguise as his way of getting out of the trap into which, according to them, he had entered. The Cubans, on the other hand, however, had him crossing in defiance of the alleged security of the Spanish trocha.

Maceo has from time to time stated to those supposed to be in close communication with him that he would cross the line when it should be time for him to meet General Gomez again in Havana or Matanzas province.

According to recent dispatches, General Gomez was in Santa Clara province, near Matanzas, with his extreme van guard already near Havana itself. Some of his men are said to have participated in the raid on Guanabacoa, just across the bay from Havana, on December 1st.

Under such circumstances it would seem that the moment had come when Gomez and Maceo would naturally wish to combine their forces for a strong attack on the Spanish army.

Bishop Held.

A large crowd gathered to hear Bishop Held's lecture last night, and those who heard it pronounce it a splendid discourse. The question box was a source of much interest and sometimes of amusement. Through it much information is dispensed.

At the mission service in the Catholic church this morning, the bishop eulogized the late very Rev. M. S. Gross, and presented several points of his life for imitation.

The Rt. Rev. Bishop will preach at the Catholic church tonight and lectures against Metropolitan Hall on Thursday and Friday nights. The subject of his lecture Thursday night will be "Christianity and Human Suffering." On Friday night he will lecture upon "Christianity and Labor."

St. Luke's Circle.

On Thursday Dec. 10th the St. Luke's Circle will please meet at Mr. Bates' on East Morgan street at 4 p. m. All members are earnestly requested to be present, as matters of importance must be attended to. Requested by Leader.

The Board of Directors will meet Monday, Dec. 13th at "St. Luke's Home" at 5 p. m. promptly.

Mr. Pigott Goes on Stage.

Mr. R. S. Pigott, of Atlanta, the clever baritone who has been a frequent visitor to Raleigh and is so favorably known here has decided to go on the stage. Mr. Pigott has joined the "Lost, Strayed or Stolen" company, which is playing in Philadelphia and had a such a successful run in New York.

By the way, pretty petite Georgia Gaine, who is pleasantly remembered in Raleigh, as Mataya in Wang for the past two seasons is leading lady in "Lost, Strayed or Stolen."

Out to Liberate Their Whose Works, Brothers.

Some months ago, upon petition of north's Christian people of Raleigh, the board of Aldermen of this city passed an ordinance closing the saloons at eleven o'clock at night, to go into effect January 1, 1897. At the last meeting of the Aldermen the effect of this ordinance was postponed until March 1st. This was done, it is alleged, because the Legislature will be in session in Raleigh from January until March. What a commentary on the Legislature—Biblical Recorder.

STUART ROBSON

and His Excellent Company the Next Attraction at the Academy.

Stuart Robson, one of the greatest comedians on the stage, is the next attraction at the Academy of Music. With Mr. Robson is Madame Januschak, the great tragedienne and an all-star cast. The appearance of this great combination here promises to be a leading social event.

Mr. Robson is playing this week at the La Fayette Square Opera House, Washington, D. C. Here is what the Washington Times said of the appearance of his company Monday night in the capital city: "Stuart Robson and Madame Januschak drew a large audience at the Lafayette Square Theatre last night, where they presented their new play, 'Mrs. Ponderbury's Past.'"

Madame Januschak, as Mrs. Ponderbury, has been half, who wanted to be the whole, played and looked the part to perfection, and the approval of the audience for her work became an ovation of applause worthy of her old-time successes. Miss Kathryn Osterman, as the uragenerate music hall singer, whose charms incite such a rebellion in the bosom of Mr. Ponderbury, was so excellent in her part that she fairly divided the honors of the evening with the principals of the cast. It would be hard to excel the comedy or the acting in the scene of her visit to Mr. Ponderbury in the last act. It is too dropl for description and convulsed the audience in uproarious laughter.

THE COMMISSIONERS

Still in Session—Mr. McManis not to be disturbed.

The county commissioners did little business today outside of the regular routine. The bonds of several constables were accepted while others were held for examination.

The board will not be able to complete its work before tomorrow. Mr. McManis, the road commissioner will not be disturbed. His term of office does not expire for a year and the board realizes that it will be difficult to get a capable person to fill his position.

The Board of County Commissioners last evening elected Mr. Chas. B. Ray Superintendent of the county institutions, in place of Mr. Will Allen, the very efficient Superintendent, who has served so acceptably for a number of years. Mr. Allen will not transfer the office until January.

Peter Cobb, Jim Young's man, Friday and the principal member of Jim's applauding machine during the late canvass was appointed Janitor of the Court House. Peter succeeds Mr. Booker, who has so long served in the capacity of Janitor with satisfaction to all. Mr. Booker is a crippled soldier, still suffering from a wound received during the war.

Sheriff Jones has appointed Mr. King of Cary, keeper of the jail. Sheriff Jones will occupy the room east of the sheriff's office until after the Xmas holidays. He has tendered Sheriff Pugh the use of the sheriff's office, so that the latter may conveniently collect the taxes for the year. Chief Clerk Rivers, who is a magistrate, will resign the latter office to keep from violating the double office holding law.

THE CAUCASIAN

The Caucasian favors the establishment of a state reformatory. The editor of the Pender Star has received "a box of very fine strawberries fresh from the patch of Mr. Bruce Taylor, of Magnolia." They would have sold for about \$2 in New York.

Mr. B. B. Boudin, formerly of this city and recently revenue agent at Lynchburg, has been appointed revenue agent of accounts with headquarters at Washington, D. C.

Miss Mary Shipp yesterday gave an elegant luncheon to a number of her friends, complimentary to Miss McGill, of Petersburg, who is the guest of Miss Mary Turner.

The Wall Saving Circle will meet at the home of the Leader, on Thursday at 8:30 p. m. Members are earnestly requested to be present. Business of importance.

H. E. King, the principal clerk of the last Senate, is a candidate for re-election. Mr. King has the endorsement of Dr. Dr. Cyrus Thompson, J. L. King of New Hanover. What a commentary on the Legislature—Biblical Recorder.

MACCO IS MUCH ALIVE

His Reported Death a Pure Fake

CUBA IN CONGRESS

Three Bills Introduced in the Senate Today Favorable to the Insurgents—Weyler's Reported Injury Denied.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—Spanish Minister De Lome has received assurances that the reported death of Maceo is untrue. He also has denied Weyler being injured.

New York, Dec. 9.—Local Cuban agents give little credence to the reports of the death of Maceo. The present contradictory reports are given as the chief reason of doubts. WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 9th, '96. Senator Call introduced a resolution in Congress today asking for the recognition of the independence of Cuba. It will lie on the table until Senator Call can make a speech favoring it. Senator Cameron introduced a Cuban independence resolution, which was referred to the foreign affairs committee. Senator Mills introduced a joint resolution directing the president to seize Cuba and hold it until the Cubans can organize.

BRYAN'S TOUR

Will Embrace Fifty Principal Cities—Will Pay Him Over \$50,000.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 9.—The itinerary for the lecture tour of Hon. William J. Bryan, though not positively fixed, is practically arranged.

Mr. Alexander Comstock, who has entire charge of arranging the tour, has spent a busy week of it at his headquarters in the Kimball house.

It has been definitely decided to begin the tour from this city. Atlanta has the honor of hearing Mr. Bryan's initial lecture. It is probable that the tabernacle will be used for the purpose, though this has not been decided upon definitely.

The opening lecture will be delivered here on the night of January 5th. Mr. Bryan will come to Atlanta direct from his home in Lincoln, Neb.

From Atlanta Mr. Bryan will go to Nashville, and then, in all probability, to the following cities, unless there is some unexpected change in the arrangements.

Memphis, Little Rock, Dallas, Austin, San Antonio, Houston, New Orleans, Mobile, Birmingham, Jacksonville, Savannah, Charleston, Augusta, Columbia, Richmond, Louisville, Evansville, St. Louis, Indianapolis, Cincinnati, Columbus, Wheeling, Pittsburg, Washington, Baltimore, Albany, Buffalo, Cleveland, Detroit, Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul, Des Moines, Omaha, Kansas City, Denver, Salt Lake City, Butte, Portland, San Francisco and Los Angeles.

To questions regarding the remuneration that Mr. Bryan was to receive, Mr. Comstock declined to reply, saying that the terms of the contract were private; but, from reliable sources, it is learned that the much heralded press report of \$50,000 for fifty lectures is below the mark. Mr. Bryan gets more than this. The figure is such a handsome one that Mr. Bryan's many disappointed admirers may take some consolation in the fact that before the dawn of the coming insular day their defeated but not vanquished champion will have earned an amount almost equal to the yearly salary of the president of the United States. This amount will place Mr. Bryan, who is now a poor man, in sufficiently independent circumstances to enable him to devote his time and labor to the cherished cause of bimetallicism.

Southern Railway's New York and Florida Limited Train.

On January 18th, 1897, the Southern Railway Company will resume operation of its magnificent "New York and Florida Limited." These trains will run solid between New York and Florida points, and will be composed exclusively of Pullman cars, on which the regular Pullman fares will be charged in addition to the railroad fare.

Mrs. L. N. White left today for Baltimore, where she goes for medical treatment. She was accompanied by her sister Mrs. J. J. Bernard and Dr. W. H. Bobbitt.

FUNERAL OF MAJ. VASS

Attended by a Large Number of People This Morning.

The funeral services for the late Maj. W. W. Vass were conducted this morning from the First Baptist church, by the pastor Rev. Dr. J. W. Carter, assisted by Dr. Simms and Dr. Skinner. The church was filled with friends and acquaintances of the deceased.

At the conclusion of the services which were simple and impressive, Dr. Carter made a few remarks about the life of Major Vass. The choir rendered special music, including a solo by Miss Minnie Tucker, which was beautiful and touching.

At the grave the choir rendered several selections.

The floral offerings were among the most beautiful and elaborate ever seen in the city. Especially noticeable was a tribute from the Seaboard officials at Portsmouth in the shape of a cross covered with choicest cut flowers. From the cross hovered a pure white dove with wings outstretched.

The following gentlemen acted as pall bearers:

A. M. McPheters, J. B. Batchelor, T. D. Hogg, A. B. Hawkins, R. F. Hoke, T. H. Briggs, Chas. E. Johnson, J. C. Scarborough, C. H. Belvin, W. N. Jones, Spier Whitaker and R. H. Battle.

The following official notice of the funeral was read out from the Seaboard Air-Line offices at Portsmouth by Vice-President E. St. John. It is printed on a card with a black border and is addressed to officers and employees of the Seaboard Air-Line.

It is with sincere sorrow that I announce to the officers and employees of the Seaboard Air Line, of which the Raleigh & Gaston Railroad forms a part, the death of that company's Secretary, Major W. W. Vass, which occurred at Raleigh, N. C., this morning.

Major Vass entered the service of the Raleigh & Gaston Railroad company on January 1st, 1845, and has been continuously in its service since that date, having served in the capacity of Treasurer, Acting President and finally Secretary, which position he was occupying at the date of his death.

As a mark of respect for our departed friend and associate, the vice-president and general manager desires that the officers and employees, who can so arrange, shall attend the services to be held at his late home in Raleigh on Wednesday, December 9th, 1896, at 10 a. m., and that the shops and all other offices of the company, in that city, be closed on the day of the funeral.

Superintendents will issue free transportation to such employees of the Raleigh & Gaston railroad, as may desire to be present, and can be consistently spared from their other duties.

E. St. John, Vice-Pres. and Gen. Man.

A number of Seaboard officials arrived here this morning in special Pullman car "Shawano" to attend the funeral of the late Major W. W. Vass.

All departments are represented. Among the party are: Messrs. John H. Sharp, treasurer; W. T. Reid, superintendent of motive power; J. M. Sherwood, auditor receipts; C. T. Williams, chief clerk general superintendent's office; C. L. Ackiss, chief clerk passenger department; Geo. P. Johnson, superintendent car service; J. F. B. Martin, general auditor; W. F. Williams, superintendent telegraph; and Capt. T. W. Whitsart, superintendent 1st division.

Another Old Land Mark Gone.

It will be gratifying to the good people of Raleigh to know that the old Baptist college property on Blount street known as the Park Place has been bought by Mr. J. N. Williamson, Sr., father of Mr. W. H. Williamson of the Pilot cotton mills, who contemplates at an early day removing the old buildings and erecting instead handsome modern residences for the occupancy of himself and other members of his family. This will be quite an addition and ornament to that already beautiful street. This transfer was made by the energetic real-estate firm of J. M. Broughton & Co.

At the residence of her father, near Raleigh, Wednesday, December 9, Jennie Laurens Bledsoe, youngest daughter of Ed. M. and Annie M. Bledsoe, aged five years and ten months.

LE CLIQUE DRAMATIQUE.

Raleigh Amateurs to Live the Boards Next Tuesday Night.

Far into each night the lighted windows of the Academy of Music tell of the earnest work that is being done in rehearsal by the "Clique Dramatique." The play "Our Boys" will be produced next Tuesday evening, and in stage setting, in costumes, in quick rendition of its witty lines will be well nigh professional. The popular young amateurs who will take part have educated themselves to a point near enough to perfection to guarantee the statement that they will send their audience away, delighted with itself for coming and pardonably proud of Raleigh's dramatic organization.

The proceeds of this play will be given to Rex Hospital, and those that will very probably follow during the winter will also be produced in aid of some worthy charity. The members of the club are in earnest in their undertaking; and, as a rather practically inclined critic has declared, they will give to the people who come to see them play, at least one "delicious purple moment."

"Purple moments" are all too rare in this life, as, by the way, are the amateurs such as the club has produced. And it is a rare chance that the people will have to see and enjoy a bright, clean play by home talent. They will take it.

TODAY'S MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 9. Market quotations furnished by E. B. Cuthbert & Co., 30 Broad street, New York, and 305 Wilmington street, Raleigh, N. C., over their special wire:

Table with columns: MONTHS, OPENING, HIGH, LOW, CLOSING. Rows for January, February, March, April, May, June, July, August, Sept'mbr, October, November, December.

The following were the closing quotations on the New York Stock Exchange today:

Table with columns: New York Stock Market, Sugar, American Tobacco, Burlington and Quincy, Chicago Gas, Des. and Cst. Feed, General Electric, Louisville and Nashville, Manhattan, Rock Island, Southern Preferred, St. Paul, Tennessee Coal and Iron, Western Union.

The following were the closing quotations on the Chicago Grain and Provision market today:

Table with columns: Wheat-December, 75 1/2; May, 79 1/2; Corn-December, 22 1/2; May, 26; Oats-December, 17 1/2; May, 20 1/2; Pork-January, 7.00; May, 7.92; Lard-January, 3.85; May, 4.07; Clear Rib Sides-January, 3.87; May, 4.02.

Liverpool Cotton Market.

Table with columns: December, 4.07; December-January, 4.04; January-February, 4.04; February-March, 4.04; March-April, 4.04; April-May, 4.04; May-June, 4.04 b.

De Lome Hears of Maceo's Death.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 9.—Spanish Minister De Lome received a Cablegram from the Havana line with press reports of the death of Maceo, the Cuban insurgent general and Francisco Gomez. The dispatch is lacking in details, having been sent before the press reports.

Thieves robbed three well laden pantries of three neighbors on East Hargett street last night. The sufferers were Mr. Wm. B. Mann, Mrs. House and Mr. W. J. Pittman. The thieves must have employed a wagon, as they carried away a great deal of provisions.

Miss Bessie Upchurch, the young daughter of Mr. W. A. Upchurch is ill with pneumonia at Mr. Upchurch's home three miles beyond the city.

Hon. Francis D. Winston, of Bertie is a visitor to the city. Mr. Winston is one of the cleverest men imaginable and his visits to Raleigh are always pleasurable to his many friends.

BUTLER ALSO BLUFFING

Says the Next Senator Must be For Silver

OR NO ELECTION.

The Caucasian States Finally That a Silver Republican May Be Elected—Senator Butler Talks About Stench of Corruption.

The Senatorial situation grows more interesting. The republicans have already threatened to block all legislation in the legislature in order to secure the election of Senator Pritchard.

Now the populists have taken up the bluff. The Caucasian says today: "Either a man favorable to silver and financial reform will be elected, or there will be no election at all."

"Now, if the expression of the popular will shall have its proper influence on the legislature in the matter of electing the United States Senator, and we doubt not that such influence will prevail, the proprieties will demand the election of a silver republican as the next Senator from North Carolina. Without having taken the pains to make any inquiry, we are of the opinion that the populist members of the legislature will be more than willing to support such a candidate."

Senator Butler was recently interviewed by the Boston Herald to which paper he made some interesting statements. He stated that if the gold men held the balance of power in the Senate Cleveland's policy would be approved; the greenbacks would be retired, and people might never be able to overthrow the rule of trust and monopolies. He said that if Populists should hold the balance of power, they would not be adverse to certain Tariff Legislation.

Senator Butler said in regard to the possible re-election of Senator Pritchard:

I admit that if the gold men succeed in capturing the Legislature of North Carolina, they will probably capture the Senate and have charge of every branch of the government. Mark Hanna and McKinley will, no doubt, promise Federal patronage, and use every other means of "persuasion" to capture the Legislature of my State, as Cleveland did to get Democratic Congressmen and Senators to vote against silver in the extra session of 1893. But I do not believe there is a single Peoples Party member of the Legislature that they can influence by such means. Populists are not made of that kind of stuff. Our party was organized to condemn such corrupt methods, and to drive from power men who would sell their convictions for spoils.

Q.—Then you do not think it possible for a gold Senator to be elected in your state?

A.—No, most positively, I do not. A Populist member of the legislature who would vote for a gold Senator would smell so strongly of corruption that he could not live in the state and have the respect of any decent man. The Populists hold the balance of power, and they will in their caucus declare for some man who is not only a straight silver man, but who is also for an income tax, and who is opposed to the national banking system. I believe they will stand solidly for such a man, and if there are not enough silver men in the legislature to come to their assistance to elect such a man, then the legislature will be denuded and no one will be elected. If this should happen, this would leave the United States Senate still in the control of silver men by one vote.

Transferred to Chattanooga.

Mr. Benjamin Thompson, assistant engineer of the Southern railway, has been transferred to Chattanooga from Salisbury. He has been in charge of the construction of the Southern's new shops at Salisbury, which were built in less than eight months. They will give employment to 800 men. Mr. Thompson was formerly assistant city engineer of Chattanooga.

Gen. Blanco Resigns.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. MANILA, Dec. 9.—Gen. Blanco has resigned the governor-generalship of the Philippines.