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YESTERDAY'S CIRCULATION, 5,053.

For President:
WILLIAM J. BRYAN.

For Governor:
W. W. KITCHIN.

THE STATE HOSPITAL FOR THE INSANE.

A news item in one of today's papers tells of the harboring of an insane woman in the county jail. It is indeed deplorable that our great hospital for the insane is so crowded, but it seems that at present there is no way to help it. The hospital contains beds for three hundred women, and there are now three hundred unfortunate women in the institution. The next legislature should see to it that more adequate provisions are made for this great hospital.

And right here we wish to register an emphatic protest. In the news item above referred to one Rowland, superintendent of the county home, says that the Wake county home now contains thirty-two insane persons. He goes on to state that he has found it impossible to get white patients into the hospital from Wake county, but that the hospital for the colored insane at Goldsboro never turns down an "urgent request." The natural inference from Mr. Rowland's remarks is, that Wake county is not getting a square deal at the hands of the hospital officials. We don't know, of course, that he intended to convey this impression, but it sounds that way.

Mr. Rowland may be a capable public official. We do not know him or his record well enough to say. But there is one thing certain—he should know what he is talking about before he makes disparaging statements about one of the state's best managed institutions.

An examination of the records show that Wake county has had twice as many unfortunates cared for at this institution as any other county in the state. Since January 1, 1908, Wake county has had eight patients admitted to the asylum. No other county can show more than half as many. Mr. Rowland, and others, should bear in mind the fact that there are other counties in the state, and that practically the same conditions prevail in all of them. No clerk of court, judge, or grand jury has, or should have, power to force patients into these institutions where adequate provisions have not been made for their care and comfort. To do so would destroy the usefulness of the hospital. If Mr. Rowland, or any one else, wants to "jump on" somebody about this state of affairs, we respectfully refer him; or them, as the case may be, to the law-makers of this good old commonwealth, with the recommendation that the solons aforesaid receive no mercy until the unfortunate insane of Wake county and of every other county, are properly cared for. But don't turn loose any remarks that would in any way reflect or even seem to reflect on the present management.

We venture the assertion without fear of contradiction, that you could search the south from Richmond to New Orleans, and you could not find three men better fitted to fill their responsible positions than Drs. McKee, Picot and Jenkins. These men know their business from the ground up, and are in every respect worthy of the high positions they fill.

IMPROVEMENTS ON THE SEABOARD.

The people of this section will be extremely gratified at the news which emanates from Baltimore that the Seaboard Air Line Railway is to spend approximately \$1,500,000 on improvements in tracking and terminal facilities and that the work

has already been started, the contracts calling for completion January 1st. The money with which to complete the work is already in hand. The improvements are the first, on a large scale, attempted by the road since the panic last fall.

A half million of the amount will be spent in adding to the terminal facilities of the road at Tampa, the erection of a modern warehouse and elevator, extensive lumber wharves, etc. Tampa is a rapidly growing city and the Seaboard is growing with it and will be prepared to handle its growing freight business.

Another improvement will be the replacing of all wooden bridges on the system with the best and strongest steel structures. Nine bridges will be built and the amount spent in this department will be \$220,000. Then \$260,000 will be spent in laying 75-pound standard steel rails between Richmond and Norfolk and Norfolk and Portsmouth. When the laying of these rails is completed it will give the Seaboard one of the best roadbeds, on that part of the system, as well as the Jacksonville-Birmingham branch, in the country. The roadbed between Bostic and Monroe is also being ballasted and new heavy rails laid.

Concerning these improvements, and others, the Baltimore News says:

These latter improvements are being made in order that the Seaboard will be in position to handle the coal traffic from the Clinchfield, which will be turned over to the railroad at Bostic by the Carolina Clinchfield and Ohio Railroad. This tonnage will amount to about 1,000,000 tons a year, and it is expected that it will begin moving about January 1.

Authority has been given to improve the dock facilities at Wilmington, N. C., at a cost of about \$140,000. A new warehouse, to cost \$50,000, will be built at Jacksonville, Fla. A modern lumber dock has recently been finished at that port. About \$10,000 is to be spent improving the facilities at Fernandina, Fla. This work is already in progress.

The Seaboard, in connection with other lines, will build a terminal station at Athens, Ga., at a cost of \$75,000. Three water-soaking plants in Florida have been authorized. These will cost about \$15,000. They will be used to improve the quality of water used by the road's locomotives in that state.

A new coal plant will also be built at Portsmouth, Va. The system has sufficient rolling stock, both locomotives and freight cars, with which to handle the present traffic and any prospective increase.

The receivers, while paying the closest attention to expenditures, intend to thoroughly modernize the property. They figure that by so doing the ratio of expense to earnings can be much reduced and the earning capacity largely increased. The Seaboard traverses one of the richest sections of the south, but has been handicapped in the past by lack of facilities. It is to overcome these objections that Receivers Warfield, Duncan and Williams are now concentrating their efforts.

ANGELL ON TAFT.

It seems to us that George T. Angell, president of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, editor of Our Dumb Animals and prefix for various other descriptive titles, in his excessive zeal in behalf of the brute creation, is himself acting cruelly, or rather has been cruel in one specific instance. Hear him:

"It is outrageous cruelty to animals for a big 300-pound man like Taft to ride a horse about the country."

"It ought to be stopped at once. No teamster, or any one who knows anything about animals, would think of loading a horse down."

"I do not doubt the stories sent out from Hot Springs that the horse's legs have been wrenched and strained."

"Something should certainly be done about it. No man weighing 300 pounds has any business on horseback. If he must ride, let him use an automobile or an elephant."

If that isn't cruelty we don't know what to call it. And how the big candidate's tender heart must go out in pity to the poor "wrenched and strained" horse when he meditates on the deliverance of George T. And how his conscience must smite him.

If the management of the state fair is anxious to get a headline attraction for that event, they could doubtless learn "something to their advantage" by corresponding with Miss Anna Delany, of Philadelphia, who has submitted to the state fair of Ohio, a proposition to "exhibit twenty comely girls, wearing director's skirts." And it comes free, too, or rather more than free, for Miss Delany offers to pay any reasonable sum for the privilege of exhibiting and no admission fee is charged to the show. "We are simply trying," she says, "to break down the prejudice against the new gown." The fair management here might inform Miss Delany that there is a good deal of prejudice against the sheath skirt in this locality, and, no doubt, she would be willing to undertake to remove our foolish dislike. We are all wise enough to be open to argument.

The following, which appears in an exchange, is too much for us:

A problem poem which has floated back to Manhattan from the Long Island summer resort opens quite as wide a field for debate as any of Browning's most intricate fancies. It has been a subject of hot discussion on more than one hotel veranda. It goes thus, according to the New York Sun:

Which do you think is the greatest slur:
DID he kiss her?
DID HE kiss her?
DID he KISS her?
Or,
DID he kiss HER?

Respectfully referred to Jo Patton, editor of the Charlotte News, for answer.

There were two notification meetings yesterday. At his home in Utica, N. Y., James Schoelcraft Sherman, amid much pomp and noise, was officially notified at 11 o'clock of his nomination by the Republicans, as their candidate for the vice-presidency. Last evening at 8 o'clock, in Chicago, where the candidate lives, Eugene W. Chafin was notified that he had been selected by the prohibitionists as their standard bearer for the campaign of 1908. And now, as the hokey pokey man says, "They are off."

Governor Magoon, of Havana, left that city yesterday for Washington to confer with Secretary of War Luke E. Wright regarding the presidential election to be held in Cuba next fall. He will also visit the president. Wonder if it will be decided to make the Cuban election unanimous, as was done in Panama.

Gov. John A. Johnson declares positively that he will not again be a candidate for governor, that he would not accept the nomination if it were offered him. Congressman W. B. Hammond will most likely succeed Johnson.

And the Raleigh Evening Times is not the only paper that doesn't understand "mock gravity." For instance, we were only jesting ourselves, but our Charlotte contemporary seems to have taken us seriously.

The preliminaries in the Hains case give promise of another nauseating murder trial, which will almost, if not quite, equal the Thaw case.

Did Mr. Angell have in mind the G. O. P. when he suggested that if Mr. Taft must ride he should procure an elephant.

May Well Be Proud.

That was a commendable thing, that editorial of The Raleigh Evening Times, suggesting that certain newspapers cease disparaging Gov. Glenn. The Tar Heel executive may have made mistakes, since he is human, but his administration is such that the people of the state may well be proud of it.—Winston-Salem Journal.

Lots and houses for laboring people. \$5.00 cash, \$3.50 per month. Auction Thursday, August 20.

To Richmond and Norfolk

Last Excursion of the Season

Via Seaboard Tuesday, August 25. Good Returning on Regular Trains Until Thursday, 27th. For 50c Additional Can Stay Until Thursday Night, August 27th.

The Seaboard will operate the last excursion of the season, jointly to Richmond and Portsmouth-Norfolk, Tuesday, August 25th, as follows: Leave Raleigh, 9:30 a. m. Rate, \$3.00. Leave Durham 9:30 a. m. Rate, \$3.00. Leave Louisburg 7:50 a. m. Rate, \$3.00. Leave Oxford 10:00 a. m. Rate, \$2.50. Leave Henderson 11:00 a. m. Rate, \$2.50.

Rates on same basis from other points. The Richmond train takes on passengers to Norfolk and the Portsmouth train to Weldon, allowing two nights and one day and a half in Richmond or Norfolk; tickets good returning on regular trains Wednesday night, August 26th, or early morning trains Thursday, August 27th from Richmond or Portsmouth.

By Paying an Additional Fifty (50) Cents.

at the time tickets are purchased they will be good returning on all regular trains from Richmond or Portsmouth up to and including Thursday night, August 27th, allowing two whole and one-half days and two nights in Richmond or Portsmouth.

Pullman Seats Cars Attached for those who reserve seats in advance, seat rate 75 cents additional from Raleigh and Durham.

Positively the last excursion of the season, consisting of vestibule coaches, Pullman Sleeping Cars, operated on fast schedule, and the best of order will prevail.

See your agent or flyers for additional information.

C. H. GATTIS, T. P. A., Raleigh, N. C.

SALE OF JUDGMENTS

—BY—

Merchants' Association.

Pursuant to a resolution, adopted at a regular meeting, to advertise and sell the judgments secured by members of this Association against delinquent debtors and assigned to this Association, on Saturday, August 29, 1908, at 12 o'clock, noon, in front of the court house door, judgments for the amounts set after their names (exclusive of interest and costs) against the following persons will be sold:

- O. E. Warren \$2.60
- Neill A. Spence 2.14
- Will X. Coley 40.75

TERMS: Cash, with right reserved to reject any bid, and to sell any judgment at private sale and withdraw from sale. Other judgments will be advertised from time to time as being for sale.

THE MERCHANTS' ASSOCIATION OF RALEIGH, N. C.
M. ASHBY LAMBERT, Attorney.

Southern Annual Excursion From Raleigh to Asheville, Aug. 27.

On Thursday, August 27, the Southern railway will operate their big annual excursion from Goldsboro and Raleigh to Asheville. Low rate of \$4.75 will apply from Raleigh for the round trip. Train will leave Raleigh at 8:45 a. m., arriving at Asheville 8:15 p. m., thus affording all an excellent opportunity of seeing the wonderful scenery along the line.

Tickets will be good returning leaving Asheville on any of the regular trains up to and including Sunday, August the 30th, allowing three days in Asheville, which will afford ample time to visit the many attractions in the "land of the sky." This is the first and last excursion of the season to this delightful mountain city and worldwide famous resort. Your best chance for a magnificent outing at a very small cost. For further information ask your nearest agent or address,
W. H. McGlamery, P. & T. A., Raleigh, N. C.

DESIRABLE LOTS.

If not sold privately to be sold at auction at Court House September 7, the desirable residences and lots in West Raleigh belonging to Mrs. Marshall; also the cottage on Park Ave. occupied by W. O. Smith. Apply for information to S. A. ASHE, 8-5-law-4w Executor.

SPECIAL RATES TO CHARLOTTE.

Account of the Republican State Convention, August 26.

The Seaboard begs to announce rates based on 80 per cent. of the double local fares for the round trip from all points in North Carolina to Charlotte account of this occasion. Tickets to be sold for all trains Aug. 25th, and for trains arriving at Charlotte forancon of Aug. 26th, with final return limit Aug. 30th.

The Seaboard offers excellent double daily train service to Charlotte. For further information regarding rates and schedules from your station call on your ticket agent or address the undersigned.
C. H. GATTIS, Traveling Passenger Agent.

We pay carriage to any point in North Carolina on all orders of \$5.00 or more. We give D. & F. Gold Trading Stamps with every cash purchase— one stamp for every 10c.

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AUGUST Carpet AND Rug Sale

This is Our Great Annual August Sale of Carpets and Rugs.

Planned to run the entire month, and one of the striking points about this great sale is the enormous quantities of Carpets and Rugs and the magnificent varieties presented. You do not have to pick from little lots, the Carpets and Rugs offered for your selection in this Great Sale would make a full-sized stock of Carpets and Rugs in any big Carpet Store.

There are all kinds of Carpets and Rugs: Carpets for Parlors, Carpets for Reception Rooms, Carpets for Dining Rooms, Carpets for Dens, Carpets for Halls, Carpets for Churches, Carpets for Public Buildings and Libraries, Carpets for Society Halls, Carpets for Offices, and of every grade. Rugs of all sizes and for all uses.

The saving in prices in this Great Annual August Carpet and Rug Sale is worth the while, most distinctly, of every one, and so are the Carpets and Rugs.

No one interested in Carpets and Rugs within a radius of 100 miles of Raleigh can afford to miss the great saving this great sale gives them.

You Can Make a Saving on the Regular Fall Prices of Fully 25 PER CENT.

This Great Annual August Carpet and Rug Sale gives a grand opportunity for Hotels, public buildings, libraries, societies, churches, institutions, schools and Halls to make their carpet purchases before the regular fall season begins. There's a saving of fully 25 per cent. on the regular fall prices.

NO SALE OF ANY KIND THAT TAKES PLACE IN THIS STORE APPROACHES THE IMPORTANCE OF OUR ANNUAL AUGUST CARPET AND RUG SALE—OFFERING A BONA FIDE SAVING OF AT LEAST 25% ON THE REGULAR FALL AND WINTER PRICES.

There is no sale for which we make such extraordinary preparations—enabling us to give Carpet and Rug Values that cannot be equalled outside of this Great Annual August Carpet and Rug Sale.

A Great Offer

NOTWITHSTANDING THE AUGUST SALE PRICES WE WILL MAKE AND LAY THESE CARPETS AND RUGS WITHOUT EXTRA CHARGES, AND IF YOU LIVE OUT OF RALEIGH WE WILL MAKE FREE OF CHARGE AND PRE-PAY THE FREIGHT OR EXPRESS TO YOUR RAILROAD STATION, AND IF YOU WILL PAY THE TRANSPORTATION AND KEEP WHILE HE IS DOING THE WORK WE WILL SEND ONE OF OUR EXPERT CARPET LAYERS TO LAY THEM FOR YOU.

TAKE NOTICE!

Carpets and Rugs purchased during this August Sale—upon request—will be held for future delivery without any extra charge for storage and we will lay them when you are ready for them later on in the fall or winter—but you must buy them now to get the advantage of the August Sale prices.