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OUR FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Raleigh has the best and by far the most efficient volunteer fire department in the entire country. We doubt if there is a town in the country with a well paid department that can show a better or as good a record as our department. The department has been worked up to its high state of efficiency because all the boys have felt proud of our department and have taken an interest in it. This paper has been an ardent supporter of the department and we had hoped that in the near future we would see the department turned into a well paid department and every part of it strengthened and fitted with all the best and latest fire-fighting appliances and that we would have a fire chief paid for all of his time. Every department must have a competent head and this man must be so that he can give some time and thought to the development of his department, otherwise it will deteriorate and the men will lose interest and become disorganized. We have had a good chief and we had hoped that more interest would be taken in his department and that it would be placed on the level with other departments and that he would be paid a regular salary and that the city would have all his time (or some other competent man) to direct our fire department.

As it is we see that the chief has his salary cut in two and the driver gets more than the chief. Competent men are not going to work and risk their lives for nothing and the city should not expect it. Raleigh is growing fast and is becoming a big city with millions of property to protect from fire. On account of the enormous number of wooden buildings in the business section of the city we need more protection and more men and men who are paid to look after the safety of the city. A volunteer department goes to pieces when the interest goes down and when the city shows this kind of appreciation for the chief it is likely to produce bad results.

We are not saying this in a spirit of criticism, but on account of the interest we have in our department and the interest we have in the men who are conducting the business of the city. We feel that the department should be developed and improved and that the safety of the city should be the first consideration. We may save a few dollars in salary and lose half the town any night by a fire. We have been very fortunate in the past, but let us remember we are living in a city that has hundreds of old fire traps in the heart of the city.

This is proving a notable week in Raleigh, with four college commencements in progress at the same time. Many visitors have been here to attend the closing exercises, and with the hundreds of boys and girls in the various schools enjoying the greater liberty of commencement week the city has taken on somewhat of a holiday appearance. It is a matter of gratification, not only to Raleigh, but to friends of the institutions everywhere, that the schools have all enjoyed a year of unqualified success. Peace, St. Mary's, B. U. W. (Meredith College), and the A. & M. have

all had a successful year's work, uninterrupted from any cause, and rich in results obtained and the product sent forth to battle with the affairs of life. Dr. Stockard, Dr. Lay, Dr. Vann, and Dr. Hill may well feel proud of the result of their efforts. In noting the closing of the colleges it is also worth while to note the closing of the State School for the Blind, which occurs Friday. While its work differs a great deal from that of the other institutions noted its purpose is the same, the equipping for the work of life of our young people. That these students are handicapped makes the work harder and the path more difficult. But with sublime patience the instructors of the blind have done their year's work and are rewarded with abundant success. The closing exercises will take place Friday night at the institution, and those who attend may expect to be surprised at the wonderful exhibitions shown as a result of patient, practical teaching. The efficiency of the students will prove a revelation to many people.

CUTTING GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURES.

The government expects to save \$10,000,000 by cutting down expenses in the departments, stopping custom house leaks and smuggling frauds.

That there is much unnecessary expense attached to the administration of the government everyone believes, and that the government is losing millions of dollars through custom house frauds no one who has read the papers during the last few weeks can deny. It is an encouraging sign to see the heads of departments cutting off expenses in ten million chunks, as has been done in the army and navy departments. Collector Loeb's activity in cleaning out the rascality in the New York custom house is also encouraging and is to be commended. Collector Loeb as secretary to the late president was the butt of many a joke, but he has shown since he took charge of the New York custom house that he is fit for something besides serving as a scape-goat for the former president.

Getting back to the matter of government expenses a Washington special to The Baltimore Sun contains the following:

"That the government has not received the full share of its revenue under the Dingley bill has been made very clear during the past few months. The sugar trust case, involving millions, is only one instance. Throughout the tariff debate Chairman Payne and Senator Aldrich have insisted that there have been gross abuses in undervaluation which have resulted in the loss of large sums of revenue. On top of this comes the announcement from New York of frauds perpetrated upon the government through smuggling in goods that should have paid duty, and Collector William Loeb's activity in running down these smugglers is everywhere praised in Washington.

"The efforts of President Taft and his cabinet committee on budget to prepare the estimate for federal expenditures for the fiscal year 1911 and the joint effort to pare down the thousands of estimates submitted by various departments, indicates other fields for an improvement in financial administration. The fact that Secretary Meyer has been able to cut off \$19,000,000 from the forthcoming estimates for the navy and that \$10,000,000 is to be chopped out of the army estimates, while corresponding reductions are to be made in other departments all are considered significant. These things bear out the contention of Chairman James A. Tawney and others that this method of federal economy should have been put into effect long ago.

"A prominent New England member of the senate finance committee believes that \$30,000,000 can be saved through the operations of the committee on budget of the senate and the work of the cabinet budget committee. If this can be done and other millions can be saved through the introduction of honest valuations and the elimination of smuggling, something like \$40,000,000 may be saved the government during the fiscal year 1911."

The Wrights are getting orders for airships from all parts of the country. Not only are they getting many American orders, but from the unexpected places of the world. The Shah of Persia is one of those who has given an order and there are also orders from China and an inquiry has come from Iceland regarding the cost of delivering an aeroplane in that far-away island. The fever is spreading and the time when we will all fly gets nearer and nearer.

We cordially invite the editor of The Charlotte News to come over to Raleigh and see a real baseball team in action.

Meredith College sounds good, much better than the name which the institution has borne heretofore. May the success of the college be as marked and as gratifying under the new name as it has been under the two old names.

Perhaps that resident of Iceland who wants a Wright aeroplane has dreams of making a "dash for the pole".

SALE OF VALUABLE RESIDENCE LOT.

Under and by virtue of the powers of sale contained in a certain deed of trust, which is recorded in Book 219, page 193, of the register of deed's office, I will, at 12 o'clock on Monday, June 14th, expose for sale and sell for cash to the highest bidder, that valuable residence lot situated on the south side of Hillsboro street, between the Saunders and Harris residence, being one of the West lots, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at an iron stake on the south side of Hillsboro street; 142 feet east of Boylan avenue; runs thence in a southerly direction 150 feet to an iron stake; thence in an easterly direction 52 feet 3 inches to an iron stake; thence in a northerly direction 150 feet to Hillsboro street; thence in a westerly direction with the south side of Hillsboro street 52 feet 3 inches to the beginning, being lot No. 3 as shown by plot of the West property.

S. B. SHEPHERD, Trustee. 5-12-09. o. a. w.—39d.

United States District Court, Eastern District of North Carolina. In the matter of The Lillington Drug Co., a co-partnership, composed of J. M. Stewart and A. L. Pearsall. In Bankruptcy No. 296.

Notice of First Meeting of Creditors. To the creditors of the Lillington Drug Company, a co-partnership, composed of J. M. Stewart and A. L. Pearsall, of Lillington, in the County of Harnett and District aforesaid:

Notice is hereby given that on the 24th day of May, A. D. 1909, the said Lillington Drug Company was duly adjudicated bankrupt; and that the first meeting of its creditors will be held in my office at 413 Tucker Building, at Raleigh in said District, on the 7th day of June, A. D. 1909, at 10 o'clock A. M., before the undersigned referee, at which time the said creditors may attend, prove their claims, appoint a Trustee, examine the bankrupt and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

V. H. BOYDEN, Referee in Bankruptcy. Raleigh, N. C., May 24, 1909.

Further notice is given to creditors that an order will be entered at the first meeting of creditors, (if no objection be made thereto, and it shall appear for the best interest of the estate) directing the Trustee to sell any real and personal property belonging to the estate of the bankrupt corporation, without further notice to creditors than this notice, in order to save delay in the settlement of the estate.

V. H. BOYDEN, Referee in Bankruptcy. 25-21.

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