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BRIEF MENTIONS.

Picked up and Put in Shape for the Town and County.

A cotton factory would be just the thing for Oxford.

The editor thanks Mayor B. S. Royster for some of the most lucid speeches of the season.

The PUBLIC LEDGER force is under obligations to Mr. J. T. Wiley for some splendid lemonade.

We are glad to learn that the Episcopal congregation is much pleased with their new rector, Rev. Mr. Plummer.

Geo. I. Nowitzky entertained the crowd on Thursday afternoon with some pertinent thoughts on the late Douglas Legislature.

Deputy Collector J. A. Thomas will be in Oxford next Tuesday, July 29th, for the purpose of taking bonds of those who wish to distill brandy.

Mr. John Taylor, who has been sick for some time, has almost entirely recovered and resumed his duties at the B. F. Taylor Buggy Works.

Fusion still continues. At the April term of Granville Superior court the clerk designated a Doug lassite as foreman of the grand jury and at the term now in session he picks out a Republican.

The storage barn of Mr. W. D. Kimball, who lives near Tar River, was burned Sunday afternoon.

It is not known how it caught on fire. Some 25 bushels of wheat went up along with the building.

The loss is about \$300.

Mr. J. C. Randolph has a fine patch of prolific corn in his garden. Many of the stalks have ten gleaning ears on them.

Many of our farmers would do well to see this corn, which they can do by going to the rear of Hall's drug store.

Sol Marable and the two women, Pokey Barnes and Mary Abernathy, were convicted of the murder of Mrs. Pollard at Lumburg, Va., court last week and sentenced to be hanged on Sept. 23.

Mary Barnes was sentenced to the Penitentiary for 10 years.

Prof. Alex Baker, school examiner for Granville county, will be in Oxford on Saturday, Aug. 3, to examine applicants for admission into the freshman class at the Agricultural and Mechanical College at Raleigh.

He will charge each applicant \$1.00 for examination.

Secretary Hoke Smith has left his duties in Washington and is now stumping Georgia in the interest of the gold standard.

We wonder when a member of the administration will invade North Carolina for the purpose of trying to stop the silver wave that is sweeping our State?

Jake Webb, colored, who was put in jail some time ago for cost is a great nuisance to the town.

He takes especial pains to preach and make all kinds of noise all night, consequently those who live in the vicinity of the jail cannot sleep.

Cannot something be done to abate the nuisance?

We more than regret to announce the illness of one of Oxford's most charming young ladies, Miss Fannie Skinner, who was stricken down last week with fever.

We learn this Thursday morning that she is some better, and we truly hope that it will continue until she is fully restored to health.

The Concord Standard says a certain merchant sent out a wheelbarrow one morning loaded with provisions to be delivered, among which was some butter.

THE PRESS CONVENTION.

The Boys Meet, Shake Hands and Have a Good Time.

The editor was numbered with the gang of newspaper men, from the Beaufort Herald to the Brevard Hustler, that assembled in the beautiful and hospitable city of Greensboro, on Wednesday, the 18th inst., where we received a most cordial welcome, becoming the guest of the city.

There were all told about 70 of the "pencil pushers" present in Odd Fellows' Hall, when handsome President Erwin, of the Morganton Herald, called the "boys" to order.

The efficient, energetic and affable Secretary, J. B. Shorrell, of the Concord Times, called the roll and the Convention was ready for business.

The youthful looking Mayor of Greensboro, Mr. Nelson, welcomed the Press Association in a neat address, and H. A. Lonlon, of the Chatham Record, in his usual graceful style, responded on the part of the editors.

A great deal of business was transacted during the first morning. Some 25 new members were admitted at this session.

We were glad to find all the brethren in good spirits, and genuine brotherly love marked their intercourse with each other.

We were entertained at the Benbow House, one of the best Hotels in the State, and the citizens of Greensboro were untiring in their efforts to make our visit an enjoyable one.

Wednesday afternoon the editors were driven over the city, visiting the State Normal School building, the Female College and the finishing mills.

The latter place is a very interesting one. The products of 52 cotton mills are finished here and made ready for the market.

About 130 or 140 hands are employed. It was a pleasure to us as we had never seen anything of the kind before, having no idea that goods had to go through such a process before being put on the market.

And another thing, we had not the faintest idea that North Carolina Mills produced such handsome goods as we saw there.

We were shown through the mills by our old friend D. G. Deyenish, who was Secretary and Treasurer of the Modern Barn Co. that was established in Oxford several years ago.

He is head book-keeper of the mills, and doing well. We also found our friend F. W. Carpenter, who is well known in Oxford, as a clerk in the mills.

At night Prof. Broekman's Musical Class gave a most enjoyable concert in the courthouse complimentary to the Press Association.

The orchestra was composed of young boys and ladies and the music rendered was of a high order and of splendid execution.

Claud Elam, for one so young, is developing into a wonderfully fine cornetist. Prof. Broekmann, upon the violin, has a splendid touch and with the drawing of his bow he draws out a fine interpretation of Mendelssohn.

Miss Broekmann is no less a fine performer on the piano. Miss Mabel Hill rendered a vocal solo in a very sweet manner.

She has a very soft, melodious voice, sweet in expression; and in fact a sweet young lady. She graciously responded to an enthusiastic encore.

The entertainment was highly appreciated by the entire Association.

J. R. Webster, of Webster's Weekly, Reidsville, the orator of the occasion, delivered a very patriotic address upon "North Carolina, God Bless Her." The close of his oration was as follows:

"It is a fact that North Carolina's great war Governor stood almost alone in appreciating the magnitude of the struggle from the beginning. The result was that North Carolina troops were the best clothed in the field."

Had all the Southern Governors possessed the practical wisdom of Zebulon B. Vance our attempt to change the map of America might have succeeded. North Carolina owes it to herself to perpetuate his memory in imperishable stone.

I point to him as a typical North Carolinian, the colossal figure around which the history of our dear old State revolved for thirty years. In victory and defeat, in sun shine and shadow, he was our leader, counselor and elder brother.

GOING TO AND FRO.

Folks You Know and I Know, Who Love Around.

Rev. J. M. Horner visited Charlotte this week.

Mr. John Haskins left Wednesday for a visit to Louisville.

Miss Mary Carrington, of Bullock, visited Oxford Saturday.

Col. R. J. Mitchell spent a few days the past week at Chase City.

Prof. J. C. Horner has returned from Harvard Athletic Training School.

Miss Bessie Royster, of Bullock, is spending some days with the Misses Ury.

Mr. Wade H. Britt is on a visit to his friend Mr. Willie Carrington, near Bullock.

Mr. Thomas Winston, of Youngsville, is on a visit to his nephew, Mr. T. W. Winston.

R. J. Daniel, of the revenue service, is here shaking hands with his numerous friends.

Mr. J. L. Garrett has returned from a two weeks visit to relatives in Vance and Franklin.

Misses Susie and Annie Gooch, after spending a week in Oxford, have returned home.

Mrs. M. A. Fancette and daughter have returned from a visit to Durham and other points.

Mr. W. B. Ballou returned on Friday from a most enjoyable visit to Morehead and Kinston.

Mr. Thos. White returned from Chase City Lithia Springs Saturday greatly improved in health.

Our old farmer friend, Mr. J. R. O'Bryant was a pleasant visitor to our sanctum on Wednesday.

Mr. T. T. Bobbitt, who has been spending a few days in Oxford, returned to Baltimore Thursday.

Mr. Jim Jenkins, one of the progressive leaf dealers of the Greenville market, visited Oxford the past week.

Prof. F. P. Hobgood attended the meeting of the Board of Directors of Thomasville Orphanage on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Hancock and daughter returned on Monday from a pleasant visit to relatives at Newbern.

Messrs. L. Woodlief, of New Light, J. K. Bullock, of Dutchville, and H. N. Goss, of Lyon, dropped in to see us Wednesday.

Dr. Geo. I. Nowitzky, of Nowitzky's Monthly and Travelers' Guide, attended our court this week and we enjoyed a visit from him.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Elliott, of Cornwall, and Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Elliott and children, of Adoniam, spent a few hours in Oxford Wednesday.

Mr. John A. Waller, of Knap of Reeds, was in our town on Wednesday and rolled out of town in a nice new buggy and a new set of harness on his horse.

Miss Phie Bond, an attractive young lady of Jackson, Tenn., is on a visit to her uncle, Mayor B. S. Royster. Her father is a prominent lawyer of West Tennessee.

Besides our own lawyers there were in attendance upon our court this week ex-Judge Winston and Mr. T. A. Boone, of Durham, Major John Graham, of Hillsboro, Mr. J. B. Bachelor, of Raleigh, and Messrs. W. W. Kitchin and Aubrey Brooks, of Roxboro, and T. T. Hicks, Henderson.

Our esteemed old friend, Mr. J. C. Ury, of Wilton, made his usual yearly visit to Oxford Wednesday and visited the court room for the first time in fifteen years. We enjoyed a visit from him. We had the pleasure of grasping the warm hand of Mr. W. J. Badgett, of Sunset, in our office the same day.

GRANVILLE SUPERIOR COURT.

Judge Starbuck Presiding--A Disgusting Case consumes three Days.

Granville Superior Court opened on Monday last his Honor Judge Starbuck presiding, who owing to his youthful appearance looks less like a Judge than any man we ever saw on the bench.

His charge to the grand jury was appropriate, in the clear exposition of the law, and delivered in an easy manner. He is giving general satisfaction as he is fair in his rulings.

The grand jury is composed of the following persons: J. A. Norwood, foreman, J. W. Oakley, J. G. Bowling, W. T. Allen, J. B. Pruitt, T. B. Daniel, J. T. Morton, M. M. Jackson, J. W. Harris, J. W. Bowling, R. D. Brooks, S. D. McFarland, W. D. Renn, Henderson Williford, J. M. Meadows, Erastus Mitchell, J. E. Moss, J. H. Duncan, J. P. Buchanan has charge of jury.

Sheriff Cozart and his assistants are on hand and prompt in the discharge of their respective duties in connection with the court.

The celebrated vulgar and obscene O'Bryan-Beek case occupied the time of the court three days. It was a case in which W. T. O'Bryant was charged with seduction of Emma Beek. He is about 23 years and she is 17 and was present in court with an infant in her arms.

The evidence in the case was too disgusting to be even heard let alone being published and is said to have been one of the most nauseating trials that ever disgraced our docket, and we are glad we did not hear the witness testify.

Able counsel were employed on both sides. N. B. Cannady, Judge R. W. Winston and Crawford Biggs represented O'Bryant. Besides Solicitor Bynum Major John W. Graham, A. A. Hicks, Paul C. Graham and R. B. Boone represented the State. The speeches were very able and eloquent. Those of Solicitor Bynum and Mr. R. B. Boone were complimented very highly by the large crowd present.

There was considerable zeal manifested by counsel on both sides and warmly contested. Seldom has a case attracted more attention in the public mind. There was an eager throng all the time in the court room listening at the horrid details.

Some law should be made to prevent admission of the public, particularly the young, from listening to the evidence in such demoralizing trials. The jury brought in a verdict of acquittal.

We hope never to hear of another such case in Granville. State vs William Royster; larceny; guilty.

State vs Benny Hester; simple assault; guilty.

State vs Eddie Jeffreys, assault with attempt to commit rape on Mrs. Carrie Mathews near Lewis' is occupying the attention of the court as we go press.

THE PRESS CONVENTION.

noble women who have consecrated their powers to the patriotic work of writing history."

President Erwin's annual address was full of admirable suggestions, which the Association fully recognized.

Major Hale, the able and distinguished editor of the Fayetteville Observer, read a most valuable paper on newspapers in State history, which was well received.

Editor Joe Daniels, the able champion of free silver, through the News and Observer, read a paper on "The Relations of the Editor to Partisan Politics." He said the editor must have his own opinions and fixed principles and should suffer political death rather than depart from what he thinks is right.

Editor W. C. Dowd, of the Charlotte News, read an interesting paper on "The Responsibility and Influence of Editorial Utterances," speaking of the phenomenal growth of newspapers in North Carolina and paying a high tribute to the State press.

During Thursday's session a telegram was received by the Secretary from Dr. Blacknall, the man who has made more Colonels, Majors and Captains, than was attained on the field during the war, inviting the Association to be the guest of Col. J. S. Carr at the Atlantic Hotel, Morehead City, Saturday and Sunday, which was accepted.

The editors also visited the noted Keely Institute, so ably presided over by our former townsman, Mr. W. H. Osborn, and witnessed the patients undergoing treatment.

The members of the Press gang enjoyed a good joke gotten off by a farmer. He was in front of the Benbow House and saw so many of us with blue badges on, he wanted to know "if there was an Alliance meeting going on."

The annual election of officers resulted as follows: President, C. L. Stevens, Southport Leader; Vice Presidents, W. F. Marshall, Gastonia Gazette, W. W. McAdairmid, Lumberton Robesonian, W. K. Jacobson, Washington Progress; Secretary, John B. Sherrill, Concord Times; Orator, W. F. Dowd, Charlotte News; Poet, Hal W. Ayer, Caucasian; Historian, J. D. Kennelode, Alamance Gleaner; Delegates to National Editorial Association, Joseph P. Caldwell, W. C. Erwin, John P. Carr, J. W. Bailey; Alternates, W. W. McAdairmid, Josephus Daniels, J. N. Robinson, D. J. Wichard.

Maj. E. J. Hale read an interesting history of the "Doings of the Press for the Past Year." The secretary was on motion directed to arrange for the transportation of the editors to the Atlanta Exposition at some date to be agreed upon.

The matter of establishing a central bureau of advertising to take charge of all foreign advertising for the State was discussed at length and a committee of seven, with Josephus Daniels as chairman, was appointed to confer and report at the next meeting.

The banquet at the Benbow House Thursday night, at 11 o'clock was an elegant affair, and many of the prominent citizens of Greensboro joined the editors in the feast of not only something to eat, but in wit, humor and solid facts, as flowed from the mouths of various speakers on the different toasts.

Maj. E. J. Hale, of the Fayetteville Observer, was toast-master, and the first toast was: "Our Churches and Benevolent Orders," responded to by Hon. John Gray Bynum. Mr. Chas. H. Ireland spoke on "Our Mercantile Interests," Dr. Chas. D. McIver on "Our Educational Institutions," Col. Jas. E. Boyd on "Our Railroads and Hotels," Mr. Moses H. Cone on "Our Manufacturing Enterprises," and Col. R. M. Douglas on "The Greensboro Bar."

Some of the toasts responded to by editors were: "North Carolina as a Health Resort" Hal W. Ayer; "The Reward of the Editor," Josephus Daniels; "North Carolina's Industrial Future," W. F. Marshall. The speeches of Col. Boyd and Mr. Marshall were specially bright, and that of Mr. Cone singularly suggestive and entertaining.

All the speeches were of a high order, showing that Greensboro as well as the Association had good speakers.

Friday morning some forty odd of the editors left for Morehead City to enjoy sailing, fishing, and cleanse themselves in the serf of old ocean, dead bent on solid pleasure and they certainly had it. We enjoyed Saturday and Sunday at this most delightful North Carolina summer resort and must say the Atlantic Hotel is a

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