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NEW BERN, NORTH CAROLINA, THURSDAY AFTERNOON, NOVEMBER 23, 1922

Sun Journal

FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF EASTERN CAROLINA.

MORE BODIES ARE TAKEN FROM RUINS OF

Site of County Home Is Wanted For College

BIG LAND SUIT BEING TRIED

250 ACRE TRACTS INVOLVED

J. G. Thomas Is Suing Roper Lumber Company As Result of A Dispute.

MANY WITNESSES

Case Has Been In Progress For the Past 3 Days In the Superior Court Here.

Superior court continued today to hear evidence in the land suit of J. G. Thomas vs. Roper Lumber Company, an important case involving approximately 250 acres. It is doubtful whether the case will be completed by this evening. There were still a number of witnesses to be heard at this afternoon's session.

The suit has been standing some time. The original action was brought by H. C. Butler and wife against Thomas and the Roper Company. Butler, however, took non-suit. As a result of that action, Thomas proceeded to sue the Roper people. He purchased the land from J. B. Price and the lumber company took out an injunction against him to prevent him from cutting down any of the standing timber on the property.

The case centers over a dispute of boundary lines. It was begun on Tuesday and has occupied the entire attention of court ever since. Much detailed evidence has been introduced and a large number of witnesses have been placed on the stand by both sides. The case has aroused much interest in this section and the verdict is eagerly awaited.

ONE IS IN HOSPITAL; ANOTHER IS IN JAIL

Winston-Salem, Nov. 23.—As a result of an automobile and street car collision this morning, Charles Hanes is in a local hospital unconscious, while C. P. Shelton, a barber, is in jail charged with reckless driving of the car. Shelton, with his sister, and Hanes were coming up Salem hill on Main street and in attempting to pass a motor truck the street car and automobile collided. Hanes was thrown out with considerable force and sustained injuries which it is feared will prove fatal. Shelton and his sister escaped injury, though the car was badly damaged.

TOO MANY POLE KITTIES; COLLEGE GIRLS STAY IN

Auburn, N. Y., Nov. 23.—No more star-gazing walks for Aurora College maids these Indian Summer nights. The ubiquitous mephitis mephilica holds the answer.

Yes, ma'am, that means skunks. So thick is the skunk population in Cayuga county this fall that it's dangerous to stroll abroad in the moonlight.

Old Hickory to Greenville

Greenville, S. C., Nov. 23.—Headquarters of the Old Hickory Veterans' association, composed of veterans of the 30th division will be moved to Greenville this week from Knoxville, Tenn. It was announced recently by Major G. Heyward Mahon, president of the association. Herman B. McManway, assistant secretary of the Greenville chamber of commerce has been named secretary of the association.

Meet to Discuss Reforms

GREENSBORO, Nov. 23.—Prominent men and women from over the state and from other sections of the country will gather here tomorrow for the conference of the Committee of One Hundred, who has for its purpose legislation looking toward prison reform.

OVERHEARD

(Expressions heard locally from various persons on various topics.)

I've been with the News and Observer for 49 years and have visited every town in North Carolina. There isn't a place in the state but that I haven't some friends on hand to make me feel at home. I wouldn't exchange anything in the world for the friends I have made during my services with the Old Reliable.—Dan Hardy.

It's hard to say what the public wants in moving pictures. When you show a so-called society drama the attendance is large and the criticism is often unfavorable. It's mighty hard to please everybody.—T. B. Kehoe.

We've made some remarkable progress in developing our agricultural resources but we've only scratched the surface thus far. A world of things remain to be done but I believe that they are going to be accomplished. All we need is the proper co-operation from our people.—C. C. Kirkpatrick.

We'll never get lower freight rates in North Carolina unless we develop our waterway transportation. As long as conditions remain as they are at present, I don't believe the railroads will ever reduce their rates. So far all efforts to get them to do so have been unsuccessful.—E. W. Couch.

The spirit of Service is the great asset of a community in its citizenship. When this spirit is in evidence all things are possible in the way of growth and development and a betterment of local conditions. I am glad to see that the men of New Bern are to such a large extent unselfish in their labors for the community's good.—Frank Teston in address delivered last night.

GIRLS NEED AT LEAST \$18 WEEKLY PAY, VIEW

New York, Nov. 23.—Eighteen dollars a week is the minimum salary upon which a girl can live comfortably and decently in New York City, according to the report of the Association to Promote Proper Housing for Girls, declared at the recent two day conference of the organization.

ELKS OF STATE TO GREET OFFICERS

(By Associated Press)
GREENSBORO, Nov. 23.—Greensboro Lodge, No. 602, B. P. O. E. will entertain the highest officers of the order, including the Grand Exalted Ruler, J. Edgar Masters, of Charlotte, tomorrow.

While here, the visitors will be tendered a reception at which Elks from this and surrounding cities will be present. Friday morning they will go to High Point to attend a luncheon prepared by the Elks of that city, and while there will inspect the Southern Furniture Exposition.

BUTLER NOMINATED ON SUPREME COURT

WASHINGTON, Nov. 23.—Pierce Butler of St. Paul, Minn., was nominated today by President Harding as Associate Justice of the Supreme Court to take the place made vacant by Judge Day.

Mr. Butler is a democrat, he has been a practicing attorney in Minnesota since 1888 and has been counsel for the government in a number of important cases. He is a native of Dakota county, Minn., and is 56 years old.

INVITE CLEMENCEAU TO VISIT CHARLOTTE

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Nov. 23.—Georges Clemenceau, "Tiger of France," has been invited through Senator Simmons, of North Carolina, to attend the unveiling here of "The American Doughboy" statue, which will be dedicated to the memory of Mecklenburg county boys who lost their lives in the World War.

The bronze statue will be placed either on the postoffice grounds or in front of the court house and the time of the ceremonies awaits a reply from M. Clemenceau, it was stated today.

Great Frenchman Pays Tribute To Our Great American—Roosevelt



Georges Clemenceau, with Mrs. House, at the grave of Theodore Roosevelt at Oyster Bay, Long Island, on November 19th. The secretary to M. Clemenceau is placing a wreath upon the enclosure. (Inset) Close-up view of the "Tiger of France."

County Agent Reports On Work of Past Year

That the life of an active county agent is no bed of roses is illustrated by the report which is being prepared by J. G. Lawton, county agent in Craven county and which will be completed within the next few days.

Mr. Lawton has been very active in his work among the farmers as one of the details of his report show. Some of these are published below:

Letters written, 1511.
Circulars prepared, 18.
Copies circulated, 14,343.
Addresses made, 24.
Bulletins—state, 1604.
Bulletins—government, 90.
Demonstration farms visited, (projects) 370.
Other farms, 419.
Office consultations, 1235.
Schools visited, 125.
Miles travelled (auto) 9536.
Miles travelled, (rail) 880.
Committee meetings, 24.

PACKING MERGER IS NOW BEING DISCUSSED

WASHINGTON, Nov. 23.—Legal aspects of the proposed merger of the Armour and Morris packing interests are under study by the Department of Justice, it was learned today with a view of laying a comprehensive formal report before the cabinet at an early meeting.

Damage Done in Fire

Fire did considerable damage to the residence of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Thomas and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Morton, on Pollock street, early this morning. The upper story of the building was almost completely gutted and much damage was done to furniture. The firemen did some splendid work in extinguishing the blaze.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH TO HAVE LARGE BUDGET IN 1923

Atlantic City, N. J., Nov. 23.—The Presbyterian church will have a benevolent budget of \$15,000,000 for 1923, according to the decision of the church's budget committee announced today after three days of deliberation. This is an increase of \$500,000 over the last budget, but is less than was asked for by the various boards and agencies spending the money here and abroad.

27 MORE DAYS TO SHOP

AS FAST AS I BUY FOR A NAME ON MY XMAS LIST—I SCRATCH IT OFF WITH MY SANTA CLAUS!

Commissioners Debating College Site Project At An Adjourned Meeting Today

Two Offers of Sites For College Have Been Made. Dover Road Contracts Also Taken Up At Today's Session of Board.

Whether the present site of the county home shall be donated as the location for a denominational college and whether the home shall be moved to some other point in the county is the question being debated this afternoon at an adjourned meeting of the Craven County Board of Commissioners. Other questions of importance are also up for consideration.

It is understood that two sites are being considered by those interested in securing the college here. Senator Simmons has made an offer in this connection, stating that he would give 25 or 40 acres of his land on the Trent river as a site for the college, and would donate ten acres of land to the Ghent Land Company for a park providing that Mr. McCarthy extended the street-car line to the college. Those who are working to secure the college here, however, seem to feel that it should be located in a more public place and for this reason they appeared before the county commissioners this afternoon.

According to facts submitted at the meeting, E. H. Meadows also has made an offer to the commissioners. He has volunteered to donate a site for the county home across the Neuse river from New Bern and add fifteen acres of his land, adjacent to the county home, providing that location is selected for the college and the county commissioners relinquish control of the county home property.

The matter was discussed by the commissioners when they met shortly before noon. When they adjourned for lunch, however, no decision had been reached. At three o'clock this afternoon they met again to act on the proposition.

Among the other matters to be taken up at today's meeting is a proposition to bind the contracts let for work on the Dover road, which matter was the subject of warm debate at a recent session of the board. It is said that the commissioners will borrow \$50,000 which will be placed in one of the city banks as a guaranty to the contractors who are doing the road work.

Boat Line Promoters Are Pleased With Prospects

As a result of conferences with a large number of business men and shippers of New Bern, Leigh G. Hogshire, and Captain J. S. Fulcher, of Norfolk, who have been in the city for the last two days, announced this afternoon that they had received every encouragement and promise of support that could be desired and that they believed the boat line between Norfolk and New Bern, which would be an actual fact within a very short time.

The two men will leave this afternoon for Kinston, where they go to interview the business men of that city. On Saturday they will go to Washington for a final conference with the shippers of that point.

There is no question but that the business men of New Bern are anxious to develop waterway transportation facilities," said Mr. Hogshire this afternoon to a representative of the Sun-Journal. "Captain Fulcher and I talked to over fifty men yesterday and today. We are not asking for any guarantee or any pledge; all that we desire is to know whether the men of your city desire a boat line and whether they will support it."

"Of course there are always all kinds of rumors floating around concerning a proposition of this kind," heard this morning that our project was linked up with the Norfolk Southern railroad and that it was started for the purpose of checking plans for a state-owned boat line. Needless to say, there is nothing to any such report. I wouldn't even take the trouble to deny it, were it not for the fact that some persons, hearing it upon the streets, might be influenced by it. Hogshire & Son Company, in which I am interested, are entirely independent. We are going into this proposition on our own hook.

"I might also state that while we were in New Bern we made arrangements for wharfage that are entirely satisfactory. Over in Washington they have municipal docks, so there will be no trouble there. We will go to Norfolk Sunday and expect to announce a decision within a week or so as to whether the boat line will be operated or not. If we decide to enter into the matter, we can make arrangements so as to start the line in actual operation a week or ten days after our decision is reached."

DAUGHERTY TO FACE CHARGES

Representative Keller Is Asked To Furnish Statement of Charges

WASHINGTON, Nov. 23.—The house judiciary committee adopted a resolution today, calling on Representative Keller, republican, Minn., to present by December 1 a statement of facts showing the alleged act or acts for which he had asked for the impeachment of Attorney General Daugherty.

Mr. Keller further was requested to name as far as possible "the persons involved in each transaction, the time and place there of and the witness by whom such facts could be established. The committee directed that Mr. Keller be notified at once of its action and would meet on December 4 to take up the charges.

BLAME MANAGEMENT FOR THE MINE DISASTER IN PENNA.

Barnesboro, Pa., Nov. 23.—The management of the Reilly Colliery company, mine numbers one, at Span-gler, was held responsible for gas explosion in the underground workings on November 6, last, when 77 men met death, in the coroner's jury's verdict returned here early today.

In conclusion, the verdict said "we further find the mine management responsible for the aforesaid explosion."

STRUCK A HARD BLOW AT STILLS

Big Raid Is Made Against the Liquor Traffic In Western Part of the State

ASHEVILLE, N. C., Nov. 23.—Federal officials here today declared that the session of U. S. district court, now drawing to a close, "has broken the back-noon" of illicit whiskey manufacture and selling in Western North Carolina. Following a concerted drive by prohibition officers, deputy sheriffs and others during the past six months, about 500 defendants were arrested.

FINED FOR READING ALLEGED K. C. OATH

BEEVILLE, Tex., A jury in the county court at George West, Liveoak county, yesterday, found W. J. Bugg, itinerant preacher, guilty of criminal libel and fined him \$1000 in connection with reading an alleged bogus oath of the Knights of Columbus to his congregation last Easter Sunday.

Bugg was conducting a tent revival near George West at the time. The case was tried once before but the jury was unable to agree.

Defense attorneys gave notice of an appeal.

SEEKING VICTIMS IN RUINS

Officials Say That the List of Dead May Be In Excess of 80 Men.

WORK ALL NIGHT

Rescue Crews Continued Their Labors In the Passages of the Mine Today.

(By Associated Press)
BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Nov. 23.—Eighty-four lives were lost and 60 persons were injured as a result of an accident and explosion yesterday in No. 3 coal mine of the Woodland Iron Company, according to a statement issued today at noon by Frank H. Crookard, president of the company. Of the injured, 35 were removed to their homes and 25 were in hospitals. Work of identification at that hour had not been completed, but it is believed that there are 38 whites dead and 20 whites injured.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Nov. 23.

Work of removing the dead from Dolomite Mine No. 3, of the Woodland Iron Company, in which 40 men were trapped by an explosion yesterday, was renewed with vigor by rescue crews aided by undertakers' assistants today after daylight. Company officials estimated that the list of dead might be increased from 83. Checking of injured indicated that the list of 60 was approximately correct. Of the known dead 35 men were white men, while about 80 per cent of the injured are negroes, according to company officials.

At least fifty men, who are listed in the casualties, were either killed or injured when a train of trip cars, running wild from the tangle, crashed into the mine yard in the main entry. This accident caused the snapping of an electric cable which in turn set off the dust which resulted in the explosion.

The concussion rocked the earth for miles around and occurred so nearly simultaneously with the accident which produced it that the victims were not aware of what was happening.

As the first streaks of dawn swept the eastern sky, weary watchers about the pit appeared to gain new hope that missing loved ones might be found, despite announcement that the list of 60 had been removed. White and black huddled in the biting cold about the pit. Tots of tender years stood through the long night, watching with sad but eager eyes every crew that emerged.

LABOR PARTY DISSATISFIED

Leader of the New Opposition Party in England Gives His Views on King's Message

(By Associated Press)
LONDON, Nov. 23.—J. Ramsay MacDonald, Laborite, assumed his new position as leader of the opposition in the House of Commons this afternoon and in the debate on the speech from the throne, declared that the statement in the King's address regarding unemployment was profoundly unsatisfactory to Labor. He said he sincerely with the government had no real appreciation of a terrible tragedy.

Mr. MacDonald said the Labor party had no interests in the ameliorative measures of the late government mentioned in the King's speech, but in the blunders of that government which had created the condition from which the country is suffering. He called attention to the fact that there are 1,300,000 unemployed. The Laborites, he said, propose to introduce an amendment to the speech from the throne to show what Labor would do to relieve the situation. He appealed to Premier Bonar Law to receive the delegation of unemployed leaders who have been trying to gain an audience for some days.