

INAUGURATION OF CRAIG AS GOVERNOR

IMPOSING EXERCISES AT RALEIGH TODAY.

Ideal Weather for It—Chief Justice Clark Administers the Oath of Office.—Gov. Craig's Inaugural Address a Fine One.

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 15.—With ideal weather conditions and a crowd that is the largest that ever participated in or witnessed the inauguration of a Governor of North Carolina, Hon. Locke Craig, of Asheville, was inducted into the office of Governor and all the other State officers sworn in at noon today in the big auditorium. The military and civic parade moved at 11:15 o'clock from lower Fayetteville street to Capital Square and thence to the Governor's mansion. There a cordial greeting transpired between Governor Kitchin and Governor Craig and then the parade moved back to Capital Square and down Fayetteville street to the auditorium for the inaugural ceremonies. Chief Justice Walter Clark administering the oath of office to the State officers and to Governor Craig, who thereafter entered upon the delivery of his inaugural address.

Gov. Craig's Inaugural Address.

In the opening sentences of his inaugural address Gov. Craig attributed to Democracy the intention to effectuate progress in government by legislation in recognition of the equal rights of man. Privilege, he said, in our material prosperity, had been substituted for justice, and the vast wealth of modern industry, the products of labor and genius had been gathered into the enormous fortunes of the few. Turning to North Carolina, he declared that the State would not continue to march in the rear of the procession of States, and that she looked expectant to the incoming administration and the General Assembly for the protection of the weak from the oppression of the strong.

Coming to the matter of discrimination in freight rates against North Carolina, the new Governor dwelt upon the irreparable injury already worked, and said the railroads collected excessive rates from our people, that cheaper rates might be granted to the people of adjoining States. Disclaiming antagonism to railroads, and recognizing that our welfare to a large extent is dependent upon their efficient operation, which can only result from just remuneration, he stated emphatically that when any corporation or person should persistently and defiantly by arbitrary wrong cripple the industries of the State and despoil her people, such person or corporation might expect relentless resistance and re-ment. He added that this administration was ready to put into operation the executive power of the State to prevent the continuation of this wrong, and that he felt sure that the General Assembly was ready to exercise any constitutional power to compel justice.

As to trusts, the incoming Governor said that North Carolina had paid her quota of tribute to the capacity of unlawful monopoly, the farmers especially having been plundered and oppressed in the open day, without hindrance, by a great concern adjudged now to be in violation of law. The Democratic platform had promised legislation that would make the existence of these concerns impossible, and the enforcement of the law against the trust and the men behind the trust. To fulfill that promise was needed a trust law clad in blue uniform that could raid a trust den with a warrant and handcuffs in its hand. The Governor recommended that water powers, being natural agencies for public service and natural monopolies, the companies controlling them should be controlled by the Corporation Commission.

An employers' liability law was urged for the protection of people who work in factories or on railroads.

Governor Craig said North Carolina must confess with humiliation neglect of country children worse than any state in the union save one or two, declaring this sin must be expiated if our noble heritage is still to be claimed. He pleaded for advancement in health precautions as essential to courage and energy of a conquering race.

Declaring that the mill men of the state deserve commendation for humane spirit in which they have exercised for the health and education of employes, he asserted that he doubts not that the present General Assembly will ratify in statute the humane

recommendations made for the protection of women and children by the committee of mill men and the Society for the protection of Child Labor.

He urged the legislature to provide for six months school terms as a relief to bad rural educational conditions, and advocated a compulsory school law.

He insisted that the higher institutions of learning must be sustained in full vigor and efficiency and the charitable institutions must be fostered. Neither must there be any retrograde in aid given Confederate veterans. And agriculture must be encouraged in every way.

He paid tribute to the importance of good highways and said: "I think a general statute should be enacted conferring upon the townships the power to levy taxes and issue bonds for road construction and providing administrative machinery. The counties can continue what they have been doing. The townships can complete. The State should supervise and encourage this great work by lending its credit and by all practical, feasible means. All available convicts should be worked on the public roads. In this way they can be used more appropriately and more to the advantage of the public than in the cultivation of the field of in mechanic arts."

Governor Craig advocated a legalized primary law and Corrupt Practices Act and declared that the most difficult question before the General Assembly is the raising of sufficient revenue for the necessities of the state. The state must live within its means and provide revenue for all necessary expenses. The state has ample resources and there must be progress with no withdrawal of support from any of the state's institutions of learning. Property is not properly assessed, and greatly undervalued, and much personal property not valued at all. An immediate reassessment on all property seems necessary and should be done before this legislature adjourns sine die. The reassessments should not be made with a view to increasing the rate but of lowering it and securing more equitable and complete listing of taxable property. Taxation of inheritance should be increased and collected.

The necessity of segregation of property in each community to bear the governmental expense of that community and property of a general character to bear the requirements of the state financially was declared, and the formation and submission of a constitutional amendment to this end by the present legislature was declared to be of supreme importance.

CONCORD LYCEUM COURSE.

Next Attraction, Frank Dixon, the Lecturer.

Frank Dixon was born in North Carolina, of Scotch-Irish stock, after the Civil War, and graduated from the University at Chapel Hill, president of his class of 1886. He taught school a year, entered the ministry, held pastorates in West Virginia, California and Connecticut, for fourteen years, and for the past ten years has been recognized as one of the most brilliant and powerful lecturers on the American platform. He is tall and slender, with a face that swiftly reflects every sentiment to which his lips give utterance. His voice is clear, penetrating, thrilling. He cares nothing for the petty tricks of the platform, but wields the weapons of genuine oratory with telling effect. He is in the prime of life, with the mature powers of a splendid intellect and a personality that is the essence of eloquence.

Central school auditorium next Monday night, January 20th. The date has been changed to the 20th. Single admission 50 cents.

THE FLOOD CONDITION.

Flood Will Begin to Recede in 48 Hours.—Two Buildings at Cincinnati Collapse.

Cincinnati, Jan. 15.—The Ohio river this morning was at a stage of sixty-two feet. Weatherman Davenport said the flood would begin to recede in forty-eight hours. Because of the collapse of two buildings, extra police today patrolled the flooded business section of the city. The council authorized a twenty thousand dollar bond issue for the relief of sufferers.

Bank Wrecker is Free.

Pittsburgh, Jan. 15.—After spending four years of the fifteen year sentence in the western penitentiary, James E. Rhinhardt, former vice president of the Farmers' and Druggists' National Bank of Waynesburg, wrecked in 1906, today became free, pardoned by President Taft. He was asked by the leading business men of his county to start life anew in his home town.

POSTAGE STAMP VENDING MACHINE



The postmaster general is trying out a new postage stamp vending machine in the Washington postoffice. It is, as may be seen, a coin in the slot device, and the lower part is a box for the deposit of mail.

STOCKHOLDERS MEET.

Owners of Southern Loan and Trust Company Meet, Receive Reports And Elect Officers.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Southern Loan and Trust Company was held yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the offices of the company in the St. Cloud Hotel building.

The reports of the officers were received, which showed the affairs of the company to be in good shape. Following the reports officers were elected as follows:

President—W. W. Flowe.
Vice President—W. C. Houston.
Secretary and Treasurer—C. A. Isehour.
Manager Insurance Department—T. W. Smith.

Bookkeeper—G. C. Fisher.
Directors: J. A. Cannon, D. B. Coltrane, W. W. Flowe, R. S. Young, J. F. Goodman, C. A. Isehour, T. W. Smith, John M. Cook, Paul Baringer, W. C. Houston, L. J. Foil, T. D. Du Puy, J. P. Allison and H. M. Propst.

What the N. & S. Means to a Fine Section.

Monroe Journal.
Mr. W. M. Furr, of Locust, Stanly county, was in Monroe yesterday. He is situated twenty miles from Monroe, twenty miles from Concord and fifteen miles from Albemarle. There is a large scope of country over there in the same fix, and in it the Norfolk and Southern road is building through on its way to Charlotte. It is easy to imagine what the coming of the railroad will mean to these farmers who have been compelled to do their hauling so long a distance. Mr. Furr, for instance, will be in two miles and a half of the depot which will be nearest Locust, a mile and a half south of Big Lick, at C. C. Furr's store. The road runs from Mt. Gilthead to Norwood, thence to Big Lick and Locust.

Skipped by the Light of the Moon.

John Dawkins, foreman of the concrete construction on the Norfolk Southern work in No. 10 township, left the county last Sunday night, leaving the contractor, Mr. Hatchett, poorer by a gold watch and chain and a pistol. He also took with him the pay envelopes of several of the laborers, with their contents. Not satisfied with this he borrowed \$15.00 from Mr. Ed. Small. The envelopes of the laborers contained from \$5.00 to \$11.00 each. Hawkins borrowed a horse and buggy from Mr. O. L. Black, but he was kind enough to send this back as he wanted a faster way to get out of reach. Nothing has been heard from him, except it is known that he took the train Sunday night at Harrisburg going South.

160,000 Now on Strike.

New York, Jan. 15.—The walkout today of twenty thousand dress and waist makers brought the total workers of the tailoring industry on strike to the one hundred and sixty thousand mark. The walkout was decided by an all week's voting, resulting in a large majority favorable to it.

FIRE THIS MORNING.

Blaze Started Soon After Midnight in The Picker Room at Brander Mill.—Machinery and Cotton Damaged.

Fire started in the picker room at the Brander mill this morning about 1:30 o'clock. The blaze gained rapid headway and but for the prompt and effective efforts of the operatives and the firemen serious results would have followed. Several bales of cotton were damaged and two or three possibly rendered unfit for use. Parts of the machinery were also badly damaged. The blaze was confined to the picker room and other departments of the plant were not damaged. The damage cannot be estimated until the loss is completely adjusted.

Superintendent Legrand stated this morning that the mill, other than the picker room, was in operation, and that operations would be renewed in that department in a few days, pending the arrival of the parts of the damaged machinery.

TWO MEN ARE BURIED UNDER DEBRIS.

Following Explosion in a Chicago Tunnel.—Eight Others Injured.

Chicago, Jan. 15.—Two men were killed and eight injured in an explosion in a tunnel fifty feet under ground here early today. The dead were buried in the ruins 150 feet from the entrance of the tunnel. The unidentified bodies were recovered. The explosion was caused by gas accumulation, following a discharge of dynamite. The tunnel is a part of the city water works. The furious work of rescue to dig out the entombed men was futile.

Brief Aldermanic Session.

The board of aldermen held a brief session last night. In the absence of Mayor Wagoner, who is in Raleigh, Alderman King presided. No citizens were present at the meeting and no new business was presented. After ordering all bills approved by the finance committee paid and passing upon other matters of a routine nature the board adjourned, the meeting lasting considerably less than an hour.

Gunboat Ordered to Mexico.

Washington, Jan. 15.—The gunboat Denver was today ordered by the Navy Department to proceed to Acapulco, Mexico, to guard American residents and property there in case the rebels make the threatened attack on the city. The United States Consul at Acapulco asked for the vessel. The Denver leaves San Diego, California, tomorrow.

Jack Johnson Held.

Chicago, Jan. 15.—Jack Johnson appeared in the federal court today to explain his attempted flight to Canada and show cause why he should not be lodged in jail to await trial for violation of the white slave act. The authorities are to ask that Johnson be kept in jail until the trial is called.

Cotton is bringing 13 cents a pound on the local market today.

HUNTING SEASON CLOSURES.

Season Marked By Scarcity of Birds in Cabarrus.—Not an Accident Marred the Pastime.

The bird season closes today, in being illegal to kill quail after this date. Hunters state that the number of birds killed this season will not equal the number that fell before the guns in previous seasons. This is due largely to the reasons that the time limit to kill quail in this county has been greatly lessened and that the birds were not so plentiful this season. One hunter declares that not as many hunters have been in the fields this season as in former years. He also states that that there are also fewer high class birds dogs in Cabarrus now than at any time since he has been a resident here. Formerly there were a number of people here who devoted much time to breeding and training fine bird dogs but it seems that practice has been abandoned by the most of them.

The most remarkable fact about the season in Cabarrus is that not a single accident has marked the pastime this year, neither a quail shooter or a chaser of the rabbit falling victim to an accident. During the Christmas holidays and Thanksgiving the woods and fields were filled with hunters and usually when there are so many guns in action the accidents happen, but this year fortune smiled upon the hunters in this particular.

The scarcity of the birds, the hunters say, is due largely to the fact that dogs are allowed to run at large at all seasons of the year and that they kill the birds, rob their nests, disrupt the pairs after they are mated. One experienced hunter gives it as his opinion that five birds are killed in this way to one killed by a shot gun.

ROCKEFELLER NOT TOO SICK TO TESTIFY.

This is the Opinion of the Throat Specialist Who Examined Him.

Washington, Jan. 15.—William Rockefeller, the Standard Oil millionaire, is not too sick to testify briefly in the money trust inquiry. This is the opinion given today by Dr. Richardson, the committee's throat specialist, who examined Rockefeller at Miami Sunday. He said a long examination might be dangerous but that he would be able to endure two hours' ordeal on the stand on any matter of extreme importance without danger.

Paul Gilmore Here the 21st in "The Havoc."

The attraction at the opera house for the 21st will be "The Havoc" in which Paul Gilmore stars. This play is a comedy drama. It deals with a situation all too common in this twentieth century and one that if allowed to thrive unchecked, must inevitably sink the morality of nations to the lowest depth. As Mrs. Kate Craig, Miss Kathryn Hutchison fills a difficult role beyond criticism. Miss Hutchison faithfully portrays the woman in the case as one would expect a woman of today to act under identical circumstances. Mr. Wm. De Vere, as Paul Hearst, is also good, introducing into his part all that polish, veneer, plausibility, etc., characteristic of the class of homebreakers he is supposed to represent. Again let it be said the Havoc should not be missed. Beyond contradiction it brings light to bear on a question that is troubling thousands today. adv.

Big End of Season Sale at Hoover's.

On Thursday, January 16, Hoover's new store will begin their End of Season Sale, during which they will sell all men's and boy's suits, overcoats, pants, hats and underwear at one-third off the marked prices. All the goods are new and of the latest styles, but they will not carry goods over from one season to another, and for this reason will make this big cut in price. See big ad. on page-two today.

Mr. Benson Operated On and is Doing Well.

Mr. R. P. Benson was operated on for appendicitis at the Charlotte Sanatorium this morning. A telegram received at 12 o'clock from Dr. J. C. Montgomery at the Charlotte Sanatorium was as follows: "Operation completed successfully. Condition satisfactory." This will be good news to Mr. Benson's friends here, and his early recovery is looked for.

Outlook of Peace is Dark.

London, Jan. 15.—If the war map as seen in London does not shift, Turkey and the Balkan Allies will be fighting again at the Chatalja lines Sunday. The protocol signed at Baghche, provided that four days notice must be given to either side desiring to terminate the armistice. The outlook of peace is dark.

WILSON SAYS HE WILL STAND PAT

ON HIS PUBLIC UTTERANCE AT CHICAGO.

It is Reported That Wall Street is Panicky Over His Post Election Speeches.—An Attempt Will Be Made to Make an Issue of His Chicago Speech.

Trenton, N. J., Jan. 15.—"I have nothing to say, but will stand pat," the statement of President-elect Wilson today on the reports published that Wall Street is panicky over his post election speeches. According to his private secretary, Tumulty, attempts will be made to make an issue of Gov. Wilson's speech at Chicago. He says Gov. Wilson's attitude on business and its relation to government is the same as before the election.

SCHOOL NEWS.

Numerous Matters Pertaining to the Rural Schools of Cabarrus.

The receipts from the box supper at Howell's school, which was held a few weeks ago, netted \$15.85. The teachers, Mr. D. V. Carter and Miss Fannie Best, have purchased a water cooler, chair and table for the school with the proceeds.

Mr. John A. Suther, teacher at Barrier's school in No. 5 township, reports that he has raised the money for purchasing a water cooler. St. John's, Winecoff and Cruse schools have also purchased water coolers.

In purchasing the water coolers for the various schools the teachers are acting in keeping with the recommendation made by the board of health. The board recommended some time ago that water coolers and individual drinking cups be placed in as many schools as possible and that the school drinking cup and water bucket be abandoned.

The county recently purchased two barrels of floor oil to be used on the public school houses in the county. A number of the schools have applied the oil to the floors and it has proved an efficient dust preventative. The oil is furnished free to the schools and the ones desiring it can secure same by making application to the superintendent of public instruction. In order to secure it, however, it will be necessary to bring cans to carry it away in.

The Wallace school in No. 3 township, has raised \$10 for the purpose of starting a rural library. The money, it is reported, was raised by a box supper.

Bethel school leads all the schools of the county in largest enrollment and also in the largest percentage of attendance. The enrollment of the school in 122 and the average attendance is 108. The report of Rimer school shows an enrollment of 107 and an average attendance of 80. The census of both schools shows the same number, 126.

Superintendent Boger has the affairs of the schools well in hand and the educational work in the county is working smoothly and effectively.

Death of Mrs. F. A. Caldwell.

Rock Hill, Jan. 14.—Mrs. F. A. Caldwell died here last night at 8:30 o'clock at the home of her daughter, Mrs. B. M. Fewell. Mrs. Caldwell was 79 years old, having been born in Harrisburg, N. C., in 1833, and was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. McKinley. Her mother was a sister of the late Dr. R. H. Hope, of this city. In 1856 she was married to Rev. Cyrus K. Caldwell, a member of the distinguished Caldwell family of North Carolina and a minister of the Presbyterian Church. Of the four children of this union, two survive, Mrs. B. M. Fewell, of this city, and Mrs. A. M. Young, of Davidson, N. C.

Controversy Over Niagara Falls.

Washington, Jan. 15.—The commercialization of Niagara Falls was the subject of a bitter controversy before the House foreign affairs committee today. New York Congressmen protested against the bill depriving the State of authority to regulate rates of the power generated by Niagara, lodging the entire jurisdiction with the federal government. The measure is part of a plan for joint control of Niagara under a treaty a treaty between the United States and Canada designed to prevent development of power that destroys the beauty of the falls.

Mr. J. W. Cline was taken seriously ill at his home on East Depot street Sunday night and his condition is not improved today. It is thought Mr. Cline has appendicitis.