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## CLEAR CASE OF CRIMINAL LIBEL

**Judge Bynum Says He Will Not Appear for Blackburn, But Expects to Represent Hackett—'Spence' Scored on Every Hand.**

Greensboro, N. C., Dec. 31.—In connection with the published report from Washington that Ex-Judge W. P. Bynum Jr of Greensboro was one of counsel for Blackburn in his contest against Hackett for his seat in Congress, Judge Bynum desires it stated that this report is entirely a mistake. He says further that not only has he never been consulted by Blackburn about the matter, but that he has even had no conversation with him about anything since the election. He says further sometime ago in response to a letter from Mr. Hackett asking for his services to represent him, he replied he would do so upon the making of a satisfactory arrangement.

In all the comment here yesterday and to-day—and there was very much of it—over the letter given out by Congressman Blackburn and published in Sunday's News & Observer, charging Governor Glenn and Congressman-elect Hackett with a corrupt bargain and the governor with absolute malfeasance and acceptance of a bribe, there has not been heard a single word from Democrats or Republicans which did not indignantly resent the imputation cast upon the chief executive, and through him upon the State of North Carolina.

There was several prominent men here to-day from governors home town of Winston. They did not hesitate to say that should Blackburn show himself in Winston it would be difficult to prevent him being openly castigated by some of the governor's neighbors and warm personal friends.

The lawyers here, without exception, and regardless of their political bias, seem astounded at the foolishness of the publication. They all say that it is criminal libel. Many of them declare that Blackburn could be indicted in every county in the State where the papers publishing the letter circulated, and some of them warmly aver that it should be done.

## BLACKBURN FOR CRIMINAL LIBEL.

**Governor Glenn, Hearing That Blackburn Was in Greensboro, Wires Hon. Clement Manly to Have Him arrested.**

Congressman Spencer Blackburn must answer in the courts of North Carolina his criminal libel of the Governor of North Carolina. Hearing yesterday that Blackburn was in Greensboro, the Governor telegraphed to Hon. Clement Manly, his former law partner, to confer with Solicitor A. L. Brooks, and represent him in proceedings looking to the prosecution of Blackburn for criminal libel. The charges under which Blackburn will be prosecuted were printed in the News and Observer and three other North Carolina papers on Sunday morning, and were contained a letter given out by Congressman Blackburn to the press addressed Congressman-elect Hackett. A

special from Salisbury in today's paper, says that Mr. Hackett has not yet received the original letter a copy of which was furnished to the newspaper correspondents at Washington Saturday afternoon.

The law is plain upon the subject and there is no doubt that Blackburn has been guilty of criminal libel. Section 3635 of the revision of 1905, says:

### The Law on the Case.

"If any person, deliver or transmit by any means whatever to the manager, editor, publisher, reporter of any newspaper or periodical for publication therein any false and libelious statement concerning any person or corporation, and thereby secure the publication of the same, he shall be guilty of a misdemeanor."

Governor Glenn was prompted to take this course to secure the fullest investigation of every matter relating to the adoption of school books and to vindicate in court his reputation from the foul aspersion cast upon it in Blackburn's letter.

## ROCKS ON THE TRACK.

Danville, Va., Dec. 31.—A dastardly attempt was made Saturday to wreck train No. 33, known as the Florida Express, and the same train which carried the ill-fated car of president Spencer and his party at the time of the big wreck at Lawyers on Thanksgiving Day. The scene of the attempted wreck was at Whitties, about twenty miles North of Danville.

The train was running about 25 miles an hour, when the engine ran into a pile of rock that had been placed, it is thought, deliberately on the track. The front wheels of the locomotive jumped the track, and all of the passengers were more or less shaken up.

After a delay of about half an hour the derailed engine was placed on the track and the damage resulting was slight. Railway detectives are now at work on the case.

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Lengthen your face when a stranger speaks of locating in your town.

If a man wants to buy your property ask him two prices for it.

If he wants anybody's else intere and discourage him.

Refuse to see the merit if any scheme that does not exactly benefit you.

Run down your newspaper.

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## PRETTY EVENING WEDDING.

**Miss Annie Harrison Became the Bride of Mr. Claud Winstead—They Will Reside in Birmingham.**

A very beautiful home wedding was that celebrated last evening at a quarter of six at the home of the brides mother, Mrs. Julia P. Harrison, on fourth street, when Miss Annie Harrison became the bride of Mr. Claude Winstead of Birmingham, Ala. The ceremony occurred in the front parlor and was witnessed only by relatives and a few intimate friends of the the contracting parties. Dr. Jas. Carmichael impressively read the beautiful Episcopal service which made them man and wife.

The parlors of the Harrison home were charmingly decorated with southern smilax and ferns, and were brilliantly lighted with many wax tapers in silver candleabra, the shades being of pink and white the color scheme.

The bride was joined at the foot of the stairs by the groom and they approached the improvised altar where the ceremony was performed, standing directly beneath a large wedding bell formed of evergreens and carnations.

The bride was exquisitely gowned in white silk, with pearl passamcenterie trimmings and she wore a real lace veil. Her bouquet was lilies-of-the-valley. The maid of honor Miss Julia Harrison was dressed in cream silk mull with lace trimmings and she carried white carnations. The bridesmaid, Miss Francis Chadbourn wore white lace over pink silk and her bouquet was of American Beauty roses.

Mr. Winstead was attended by his brother, Mr. Garland Winstead of Roxboro, as best man. Mr. Jas. H. MacRae of this city was groomsman. All the gentlemen wore the conventional evening dress.

After the wedding a delightful reception was given in honor of the bride and groom, who received hurried congratulations from many friends, and they left on the north-bound A. C. L. train to visit the groom's parents at Roxboro, where they will be guests of honor at several delightful receptions that have been planned. They will then go to Birmingham, where they reside in the future.

A large and handsome assortment of valuable wedding presents testified to the hearty well wishes of numbers of friends.

Out of town guests were here to witness the ceremony were Mr. O. McRee-Holmes of Newberry, S. C. Mrs. W. G. Houghton and son, Master Graham Houghton, of Spartanburg, S. C. and Mr. Garland Winstead, of Roxboro.—Wilmington Messenger.

Mr. and Mrs. Winstead arrived in Roxboro last Friday evening and were guest of Mr. Winstead's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Winstead.

A reception was tendered then at the home of Mr. Winstead and also at the home of Mrs. J. S. Merritt a sister of the groom, at which the met a number of Mr. Winstead's friends, all of whom wish the happy pair a long, happy and useful life.

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G. W. Thomas.

## TO THE PUBLIC.

Notice is hereby given that a bill will be introduced in the state Legislature at its next regular session in Jan. 1907 requiring the town commissioners of Roxboro to call an election for the purpose of voting for an issue of bonds by said town not to exceed fifteen thousand dollars to be used in erecting suitable buildings for the public schools of said town.

R. I. FEATHERSTONE,  
Chairman Board of Trustees.  
JOHN A. NOELL  
Sec. Board of trustees  
Dec. 8 1906.

## ons and Friends.

We are glad to announce to our customers that the market has opened up with good prices and glad to say to you that we will have more buyers on our market with good orders and anxious for all grades of Tobacco. Now I want to thank you for your patronage in the past, and I can assure you that if you will sell at the Pioneer you shall have the highest market prices for your tobacco. I am now on my first legs to look after your interest.  
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