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## STATE OFFICERS TO HAVE OPPOSITION.

### C. C. Wright, of Wilkes County, Announces Candidacy For Mr. Graham's Place.

Washington, Jan. 31.—C. C. Wright, of Wilkes county, who has been in Washington during the past week, has authorized his friends here to announce his candidacy for commissioner of agriculture of North Carolina to succeed Commissioner Graham in 1916.

It is no secret in Washington, however, that a determined effort is to be made to infuse new blood into the state's official family in 1916. It is said that a good live man will be put out against each and every officer now holding a job at Raleigh with the possible exception of Commissioner of Fire Insurance James R. Young.

According to a leading Democrat who comes to Washington frequently, Treasurer B. R. Lacy, Attorney General Bickett, Secretary of State J. Bryan Grimes, Auditor W. P. Wood and Commissioner of Agriculture Graham will be vigorously opposed for reelection. Mr. Bickett, however, it is said, will not be a candidate for reelection but will enter the gubernatorial race.

One of the main issues against those who have been holding state office so long is that they have been there long enough; that some of the fellows who have been doing the Democratic work desire some of the returns. They contend that 12 years is a long time for one set of men to hold office and that they are going to be vigorously opposed in 1916. Who the candidates will be besides Mr. Wright has not been divulged, but that there will be candidates a-plenty is a foregone conclusion.

### Fell From Second Story.

Mr. H. L. Blue, a young broker, of Laurinburg, fell from a second story window Friday night while in somnambulant condition, and was so seriously injured externally that he will probably die. His room-mate, with whom he was sleeping, did not even know that he had left his bed.

Insure with Saterfield.

## FAIR ASSOCIATION ORGANIZED.

### Large and Enthusiastic Meeting Held.

On last Saturday the stockholders of the Person County Fair Association met in the court house and organized the above named association. Something like \$3,000 had been subscribed and a charter secured. The stock was well represented and the meeting was very enthusiastic.

Mr. L. M. Carlton, who had secured the charter for the Association, called the meeting to order and explained matters as far as they had gone. After a short address from him as to the nature of the undertaking the Association was organized by electing Mr. Z. V. Gwynn president, Col. D. M. Andrews vice-president, Mr. C. C. Cuninghame secretary, Mr. E. G. Long treasurer and Mess. Joe H. Carver, J. W. Chambers and John Q. Yarbrough, J. C. Wrenn, W. R. Wilkerson, directors.

This association will mean much for the County and, as all acquainted with the gentlemen above named know, is well and ably equipped in the way of officers. These men are progressive and will give of their time and means to see that nothing is lacking to make it a success. We hope the people of the town and County will give them their hearty support and next fall when the first fair is held that all will pronounce it a great success.

### Hon. J. A. Long Formally Tenders State Building.

Hon. J. A. Long left here Sunday morning for Raleigh where, as Chairman of the Building Committee, on Monday night he formally tendered to the State the new Administration building. At the death of Mr. Ashley Horn Mr. Long was made Chairman of the Building Committee, and he has given the matter much of his valued time and ripe experience. The building is a credit to the State, and he is said to the credit of the building committee it was built, finished and turned over to the State inside of the appropriation made for same. A new record for this State.

## FORTY NINE PERISH

### When Old Dominion Line Goes To Bottom.

Norfolk, Va., Jan. 30.—This morning at 1:30 when most of the passengers on the steamer Nantucket and Monroe had long since sought their state rooms, the two liners collided and the Monroe went to the bottom.

The cooped up passengers had no warning of the impending catastrophe and many were carried down to a watery grave.

The ocean-going steamship Monroe, thronged with happy, confident people bound for the port of New York, put out of Norfolk last night at 7:45. A few hours later a number of her passengers had been carried down to the bottom and another thrilling and pitiful tale has to be recorded among the Marine disasters of this country.

According to wireless messages received in Norfolk immediately following the tragedy, over forty people went down with the ill-fated ship.

The liner went to her fate after the collision with a boat of the Merchants' and Miners' Line, bound from Boston to Norfolk, without so much as a whisper of what must have been a terrible tragedy enacted on her decks.

The boat only carried between forty and fifty passengers, but her crew numbered eighty-four men.

After the collision, the Nantucket stood by and did all that was possible, but the crash came so suddenly that it is feared that the death toll will exceed the first number given out.

A wreckage tug and the revenue cutter Onondago left Norfolk as soon as the tragedy reported and arrived on the scene of the disaster at nine o'clock this morning.

After the Monroe went down, the Nantucket stood by and did all that was possible in the way of relief work. As soon as it was ascertained that the Nantucket could help no further in the work of successor, she started on the last lap of her trip to Norfolk bearing all of the survivors taken from the other vessel.

Forty-nine persons were reported drowned when the Merchants' and Miners' Liner Nantucket rammed the Old Dominion Liner Monroe amidships, off Hog Island, sixty miles out, at one-thirty o'clock this morning during a dense fog. The Monroe went down in twenty minutes. The Nantucket picked up many from the sea. The Nantucket, which was crippled, sent constant S. O. S. calls. Captain Johnson, of the Monroe, was rescued.

### Texas Visitor.

Mr. W. Y. Carver, of Farmersville, Tex., arrived last Saturday night and is visiting friends here this week. No man visits our town who is more universally liked than Mr. Carver. He is a native of this County, having many relatives here, and is always a welcome visitor. He is deeply attached to this, his native home, and nothing would give us more pleasure than to be able to announce that he would return. However, there is no prospect of this soon, we fear.

### Death of Dr. Brooks.

Dr. Whitfield Brooks died recently at Lake Toxaway. He had represented Transylvania county in the Legislature, had chairman of the school board and superintendent of schools. He was the father of 17 children and 16 of these survive.

## LYCEUM ENTERTAINMENT.

### On Thursday Evening February 12th, at the Auditorium.

The third number of the Lyceum course will be given by The Boston Lyrics. Those who enjoy a wholesome, forget-your-troubles entertainment should make it a point to see and hear this company. The program will be delightfully varied, consisting of vocal and instrumental music, readings and cartoons. The instruments to be used include a cornet, trombone, and also, that interesting instrument known as a marmyaphone. Best humor with best literary and musical merit will be represented and the entertainment as a whole will be interesting and gemmed with novel and unique features throughout.

Tickets will be on sale at Davis Drug Company, Feb. 11th and 12th. Call and make reservation of seats for an evening of profitable pleasure.

### Society News.

The Research Club met with Mrs. J. A. Long Wednesday afternoon, fifteen out of the sixteen members were present and three visitors, Mrs. E. M. Snipes, a member while living here, Miss Bessie Thompson of Leasburg, guest of Mrs. Long, and Mrs. Sloan, sister of Mrs. J. A. Long, Jr. An interesting meeting was held and delightful refreshments served.

Mrs. W. T. Pass was hostess to the Twice Eight Club and a number of other guests on Friday afternoon from 3 to 5 o'clock at the residence of Mrs. J. M. Pass on Main Street. Rook was played at six tables. Delightful refreshments were served and the guests spent a most enjoyable afternoon.

Mrs. W. C. Watkins delightfully entertained at Auction Bridge Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. W. L. Lewis. There were four tables. The hostess assisted by Miss Breta Noell, served an ice course, cake and delicious home-made candies.

### Probably the Oldest Almanac.

Mr. A. R. Foushee of our town exhibited to us in our sanctum today a copy of the Farmers and Planters Salem, N. C., Almanac for the year 1839, 75 years old, published by Blum & Son at Salem, N. C. He has had this almanac for about 50 years. While it shows age it is in a fairly good state of preservation and has many interesting items in it, among them it gives the rate of letter postage on single sheets at from 6 to 25 cents each, owing to distance to be carried, larger letters in proportion.

### Death of Mr. H. L. Bumpass.

Mr. H. L. Bumpass, who with his family moved here several months ago, died at his residence on Depot Street last Friday night. Mr. Bumpass had been in bad health for quite a long time, in fact moved here so that he might be more convenient to his Doctor. He leaves a wife and several children.

### In St. Louis.

Mr. T. D. Winstead is in St. Louis, Mo., where he will buy some horses and mules for this market. The Sheriff knows a horse and when he returns he will have some worth your attention.

### Texas Anti-Trust Law.

The Texas anti-trust law has scored again. This time it picked up the General Film Company of New York and caused that company to turn over to the State treasury the sum of \$25,000 for being a trust.

From the Kinston Free Press.

## Hammer Would Not Consider Swap.

Washington, Feb. 2.—All doubt as to whether W. C. Hammer would accept another position should Senator Overman fail in his attempt to secure his appointment as district attorney for western North Carolina, were set at rest when Mr. Hammer, while here yesterday, told Senator Overman that he would not consider any other place than that which the two North Carolina senators had recommended him for. He told Senator Overman that if he was not good enough for the district attorneyship he was not fit to fill any other place which Mr. McReynolds had suggested might be secured for him.

### To the Public.

Having sold my drug business, known as the Thomas Drug Co., to the Davis Drug Co., I take pleasure in commending the gentleman composing this firm to the people of Roxboro and Person County. The manager, Mr. E. M. Davis, is a pharmacist of ripe experience and ability and the people will make no mistake in entrusting their prescriptions and other wants in his line to him.

I desire to thank the people for their very liberal patronage while in business, and assure them that the new firm of the Davis Drug Co. will treat them just as well as I did and respectfully appreciate their business.

Respectfully,

W. L. Thomas.

### Mr. J. R. Blair Dead.

Mr. J. R. Blair, of Troy, died Monday night from the effects of a paralytic stroke received on Saturday while he was attending to business in the courthouse. The remains were buried at Monroe, where he was reared. Mr. Blair was very well known to all public men throughout the State, having been active in the affairs of the Democratic party for many years, and a member of the State Executive Committee. He served in both houses of the Legislature and enjoyed a considerable degree of personal popularity.

## Rates Should Be Lowered.

One of the high officials of the Southeastern Tariff Association, or at least a man who mixes with the high officials, told a Record man yesterday that Greensboro was the best protected city in the State as to rates; that the recently added motor truck had aided greatly and that he was positive that rates would not be increased. This was in reply to a question asking, now that a new and speedy truck had been added, if the association would not raise the rates.

The truth is insurance rates should be lowered in Greensboro as a matter of simple justice. Why, is patent to the companies. As a matter of policy it would be a good idea to lower them, for an investigation has been authorized by the Legislature and if the rates are not lowered, ten to one they will be ordered to lower them.

From the Greensboro Record.

## Postmaster Makes A Strong Report.

Washington, Jan. 31.—An emphatic recommendation for government establishment of a monopoly in the telephone and telegraph business was contained in a report made to the senate today by Postmaster General Burleson. He recommended that congress acquire, by purchase at the appraised value, all the commercial telephones network of lines except the farmers' lines and that congress authorize the postmaster general to issue, in his discretion, revocable licenses for operation by private individuals, corporations and companies of telegraph and such parts of the telephone service as may not be acquired by the government. The report summarizes the investigation made by the departmental committee which was appointed to look into the matter. The government ownership plan by Senator Lewis, of Maryland, was completely endorsed.

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In the meantime we are closing out odd lots and all heavy winter goods at ridiculously low prices.

## Harris & Burns.

Roxboro's Best Store.