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NEW BERN CRAVEN COUNTY, N. C., FRIDAY MAY 11, 1906.—SECOND SECTION.

29th YEAR

RALEIGH.

Cotton Acreage This Year Same as Last

New Electric Line, Rain Good for Crops, Federal Prisoner Still at Large. Monthly Crop Reports. Commencement Exercises at Peace Rev. Hubbard Argo.

(Special Correspondent.)

Raleigh, May 8.—State Treasurer Lacy says that although he is in better shape in point of health than in a number of years he is declining invitations to speak, his physician having advised such a course, he has declined no fewer than fifteen invitations to speak during the present month.

No absolutely positive information can be had as to the exact reduction of the cotton acreage in the state this year but the Agricultural Department officials are informed that the general impression is that the acreage will be about the same as that planted last year, falling off in some localities and increasing a little in others.

The electric railway out to the new suburb Glenwood here is completed with the exception of the wiring, and superintendent William J. Andrews of the railway company says the cars will be in operation next Sunday.

Farmers express unbounded pleasure at the rain of Sunday night and yesterday, and say it was of exactly the right character and did not wash lands, while a hard rain would have caused a good deal of damage in this way, the soil being so very loose.

Work on the tower of the First Baptist church, colored, which faces the capitol square is in progress. The church will not be finished this year, however, though it will be occupied. The total cost is a little more than \$20,000.

Mention has been made of the fact that the negro Johnson, with half a dozen aliases, the federal prisoner who escaped while he was being taken from Raleigh to Wilmington for trial is yet at large. Fifty dollars reward is offered for his recapture, half of it to the deputies, from whom he escaped. This negro is said to be from Moore Co.

Next Saturday examinations of the Senior Class at the A. & M. College begin, and the week following the other examinations come on. At the recent inspection of the corps of cadets, 335 paraded before the United States inspecting officer.

Commissioner of Agriculture Patterson was asked whether he would issue a crop report each month during the growing season. In reply he said that he did not know as yet, but that such reports might be issued. In the past years they have conveyed much interesting information.

During the sixty days it will require to make the alterations at the First Baptist church services may be held at the Baptist University for Women.

Rev. Hubbard Argo, of Raleigh, has made a very fine impression here by his preaching in the Episcopal church. He is a grandson of the late Rev. Dr. Hubbard so long a professor at the University of North Carolina and he himself a graduate of that institution.

Building Strike Inevitable

Special to Journal.

Chicago, May 8.—All hope of arbitration of the differences existing between contractors and structural steel workers, carpenters and other labor unions is deferred. A long strike is inevitable and the building industry amounting to nearly \$1,000,000 will remain idle.

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MOSTLY POLITICS.

Is News from Gate City just Now

Rumors of Congressman Blackburn's move

Against his Enemies. Mr. Wagner and his Alleged Dealings with Distillers. Walter Reported Possible Candidate for Republican Chairman

(Special Correspondence)

Greensboro N. C. May 8.—The presence of Mr. L. C. Wagner of Statesville here Saturday in earnest conference with Congressman Blackburn, has revived the old rumor, that the Congressman would train all his guns on President Roosevelt to fight the wrong he did Mr. Wagner, by throwing him down for the appointment as Marshal of the Western District, after having publicly assured him, he should have it.

The position now sought for Mr. Wagner is no less a one than that of Collector of the Western District. Collector Harkins, it is said, will be prevailed upon to retire, on July 1st, and if not pressure will be brought to bear that will practically force him out.

The fact that Mr. Wagner was turned down because of his alleged close relationship to the whiskey distillers, said relationship being only by reason of his legitimate occupation as a barrel and cask maker, and kinship to L. E. Davis it is now claimed was the veriest rot and insincerity on the part of the "organization," to support this contention, the insurgents are pointing to the alleged fact, that before Millikan was reappointed, the organization headed by state Chairman Rollins had practically endorsed Bailey, a veteran distiller of Davie county for Collector over Harkins and this with the understanding that Rollins should in return be supported for United States District Attorney, over the "immaculate anti-whiskey" Holton.

A Republican here speaking of the "false pretense by which Wagner was undone said that although Rollins had never failed to defend the indicted whiskey distillers and revenue officers, when he could get a fee as Attorney, yet being more allied to that interest than Wagner, the latter was cast aside, and that when the news that "Millikan and Holton would be re-appointed by the President reached Rollins in Asheville, he was at that moment engaged in sending out a circular letter to members of the bar of the State recommending him for appointment as District Attorney and that this was being done with the knowledge and consent of his candidate for the collectorship Bailey."

If all this is true, and it has been told often enough without contradiction to be at least worthy of credence, it would seem that the "organization" and the Chairman, should not be saddled with the "blame" of Holton's, Millikan and Harkins retention of office for third term but that the administration at Washington and their apparent good records as officials are alone responsible. It is equally true, that regardless of politics, party, or faction everybody knowing Mr. Wagner feels that he was treated badly and that being a good clean man he ought to have something equally as good as the place he was promised, and a little bit bigger and better to make reparation for the injustice done him, and natural mental anguish.

Congressman Blackburn, who has been around for several days, but who has been talking not a thing for publication returned to Washington Sunday night but will come back Wednesday night.

Discussion of his tentative campaign for the Chairman of the Republican State Committee, has brought out the information, that Ex-Attorney General Z. V. Walsler, of Lexington, is really the most formidable rival he or any one else will have for the Chairman ship. A strong Blackburn man here this morning said that if Blackburn was made Chairman it would insure a republican Congressman from the 8th and the 10th Districts.

Judge Boyd, who has been in attendance on the United States Circuit Court of Appeals at Richmond for the past ten days returned home Sunday night and left for Asheville last night to hold Court.

It has been feared that Judge Peoples would be unable to hold Stokes Court this week on account of sickness, but he reached here Sunday night and left for Danbury via Winston yesterday morning. He was accompanied by Col. James T. Morehead of the Greensboro bar.

Sunday night policemen made a raid on a negro club room of some notoriety on East Washington St. They found all varieties of drinkables there, beer, whiskey, brandy bottles, jugs, etc. many negroes and two white men present. The whole lay out was confiscated the proprietor in default of bond being placed in the lock up.

Another Russian Assassinated

Kieff, Russia, May 8.—General Ignatieff, a prominent commander in the Russo-Japanese war and leader in military affairs was killed by a bomb today. Several attendants were injured. The assassin has not yet been caught.

CHARLOTTE'S CELEBRATION

Program of Four Days, May 20th Independence

Charlotte, May 9.—The committee on program for the four days celebration beginning May the 21st, has made its report.

Monday, the first day, the program will consist of an informal reception to all "Come-Homers," at the Manufacturers' Club at mid-day. The ladies constituting the Charlotte Womens Club will have charge of this reception. In the afternoon at 3 o'clock there will be a balloon ascension and at night a Carnival of Lights will be the attraction.

Tuesday will be ushered in by a gorgeous military parade at 11 o'clock. The veteran's drill will take place at 1 o'clock and a balloon ascension at 3 o'clock. At 4 o'clock there will be an exhibition drill by Company "E" the crack cavalry troop. At 8:30 o'clock in the evening the Marine Band will give a special concert at the Academy of Music.

On Wednesday the Floral Parade will be the initial feature. At 12:30 o'clock Hon. Champ Clark will deliver his oration at Vence Park. In the afternoon and evening, there will be concerts by the Marine Band, Red Men's Parade, Fire Works and a balloon ascension.

Thursday will be Fraternal Day. In addition to this a tournament and fireman's drill will take place.

Charlotte is preparing to entertain comfortably all visitors who come within her gates during the four days of her big celebration.

Fire Rates Increase

Special to Journal:

Chicago, May 9.—The Insurance rates on all desirable risks will be advanced 25 per cent in order to reimburse the companies losing by the San Francisco fire.

China Makes Good.

Special to Journal.

Hong Kong May 9.—The government has authorized the payment of \$60,000 to those countries whose church missions suffered the demolition of its buildings during the riots in Lien Chow last fall.

Union Station at Goldsboro

Special to Journal:

Raleigh, May 8.—The Corporation Commission today issued orders to the Atlantic Coast Line, Southern, and Atlantic & North Carolina Company whose roads pass through the City of Goldsboro to build a Union station in that city in accordance with the wishes of the citizens. They are required to file plans for the same with the commissioners within 30 days. The location for the station is to be at Western and Walnut streets, several blocks from the present depot.

Conditions Improving Rapidly

Special to Journal.

San Francisco, May 8.—A. W. Greely, commanding general in his report to the Secretary of War states that systematic arrangements have been made for the distribution of clothing to the destitute under the regulations of the Red Cross Society. Clothing for women appears to be the greatest need at present. The health conditions are good and the citizens are co-operating heartily to relieve the distress. Many bank vaults have been opened and the contents found to be safe and all right.

Railways and Coal Mines Separate

Special to Journal.

Washington, May 8.—The discussion on the rate bill today was largely on the Elkin amendment which prevents railway corporations from owning coal mines.

Will Extradite Gorky

Special to Journal.

Moscow, May 8.—The government will take steps to extradite Gorky, the Russian socialist-novelist, now traveling in America, for fomenting the socialist uprising which occurred in St. Petersburg in December.

Dr. Pepper is sold only in bottles 5 cents.

Poverty in Cities Shows Decrease

Special to Journal.

Philadelphia, May 10.—At the National Conference of Charities and Corrections the report on solicitation made by the Salvation Army saying that its work among the poor had diminished perceptibly; there were only three colonies of 350 members and that there is but little work to do in the slums.

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CONVENTION DAYS.

Those of Politics Engaging More Serious Attention.

Biggs of Durham, Reported Strong Against Judge Shaw. Roosevelt Holds Out Against Blackburn's Would-be Postmasters. Verdict Against Embezzler Affirmed. (Special Correspondence.)

Greensboro, N. C., May 10.—At a meeting of the Democratic Executive Committee of the ninth judicial district composed of the counties of Guilford, Durham, Person, Granville, Alamance and Orange, at the Benbow hotel here last night, June 14th, at Durham was named as the time and place for the Democratic nomination convention to name candidates for judge and solicitor. John N. Wilson, of Guilford, chairman, presided, the following members being present in person: H. A. Foushee, Durham; Sol. W. Cooper, Granville; A. H. Garwood, Alamance. Mr. Foushee had the proxies for J. A. Long, of Person and J. A. Harris, of Orange. Greensboro received only the vote of the Guilford member as the place of the next convention, all the others voting solidly for Durham.

So far there has been no announcement of any candidate to oppose solicitor Brooks, of Guilford for renomination. For the judgeship, the only avowed candidate against Judge Shaw, of Guilford is Mr. Biggs, of Durham, who has been conducting a vigorous campaign for the nomination for the past six months. Mr. Foushee, who is a strong friend of his Durham brother lawyer's nomination, said last night that Biggs would get the nomination, as he has Granville, Durham and Person solid for him, and would carry half of Alamance and Orange.

While Judge Shaw has not had anything to do with the campaign for his nomination, his friends here and elsewhere in the district have gone to work with a will for him, and will try to save him to the State while having not the least intention or desire to discredit the merits or capacity of Mr. Biggs.

Those who rejoiced here when Congressman Blackburn's case was taken from the jury by Judge Goff, and his complete vindication was heralded to the four corners of the Union, honestly expected that President Roosevelt, or the senate committee, would immediately order action favorably on the Congressman's appointees for postmasters at Goldsboro and Greensboro. It was an open secret at the time, outside of the applause in the court room given by the large number of visiting revenue officers who were themselves indicted, most of that coming from local habitues of the court house when Judge Goff acquitted the Congressman, was on account of the sentiment aroused for Professor Frazier for Greensboro's postmastership. The attacks on his character had drawn his friends to him and it was felt that Blackburn's vindication would also mean Frazier's. But since weeks have passed, and neither he or Grant have had anything done for them, there has been a feeling here that somehow the Congressman's vindication has had a miscarriage, so far as the President was concerned.

A decision of the Supreme Court this week affirming a verdict of the superior court of Guilford in the case of G. A. Summers interested people here. Summers, who was only an agent for the Singer sewing machine Company, ran away about two years ago with about \$1800 of the company's money. He was captured out west, was brought back here, gave bond, employed several lawyers and has been giving the law and the sewing machine company a lively fight. He was finally tried, convicted and sentenced to several years on the roads for embezzlement. He took an appeal and gave bond. His defense was that the company owed him the money in commissions.

The Greensboro friends of Hon. T. J. Shaw have formed an organization for the purpose of securing his renomination as judge of this district.

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Will Probe Drug Trust

Special to Journal.

Indianapolis, May 9.—The Attorney General states that proceedings have been established by the district attorney against the drug trust in that State, which, it claims has combined to regulate the prices to customers. The trust includes the Association of Proprietors Medicines; The National Wholesale Druggists Association and the National Association of Retail Druggists.

Corporation's Shameful Deception

Special to Journal:

Chicago, May 10.—Another surprise was sprung in the Standard Oil investigation here today. Evidence shows how clerks doctored reports and drivers of tank wagons were bribed to report the handling of 195 to 208 gallons when the tanks hold 200 gallons, this gives proof of gigantic deception.

FROST AND ICE

The May Cold Wave Checks Vegetation.

State Record Volume Sent Out. Memorial Day Exercises. Fewer Cases of Small Pox. State Charters Granted. Child Labor Law. (Special Correspondence.)

Raleigh, May 10. The State Librarian is sending out volumes 23, 24 and 25 of the State Record. Numbers 22 and 25 are being printed. Number 26 is the last of the volumes in the series. It seems not to be generally known but all the State Records, as well as the Colonial Records are placed in the office of the clerks of court in the various counties and furnish invaluable reading for the public. Volume 16 contains the complete roster of the North Carolina troops in the Revolutionary war. Volume 26 contains a census of 1790, the first taken by the United States and shows all the heads of families in North Carolina, the numbers of their families and of their slaves.

All business was suspended in the public offices today. At noon business was suspended in the city, as a mark of respect to Memorial Day. The exercises were held in the House of Representatives, Capt. Samuel A. Ashe was chief marshal and introduced Col. Wm. H. S. Burgwyn of Weldon, the orator of the day, whose subject was the life and military services of Brigadier General Matt W. Ransom. The Daughters of the Confederacy, the Ladies Memorial Association, the Children of the Confederacy, and the Sons of Veterans were present, including nearly all the inmates of the Soldiers Home. There was also a visiting delegation of veterans from Northampton county, the home of General Ransom and also of Col. Burgwyn and these were shown special attention.

The remarkably cold weather is causing a little damage to crops of various kinds. There was plenty of frost this morning and west of here there was ice as well. The wind has blown steadily every day since Sunday and this has increased the damage. All crops above ground are checked in their growth. The season is late any way and this weather will make it even later.

The Secretary of the State Board of Health says all the reports on small pox have not been received yet but from those in hand it seems there were not as many cases as there were the winter before.

Charters were granted to the trustees of the Presbyterian Home Mission school, which is at Elise; the Robbins Lumber Co., of Elm City, Wilson county, \$12,500 capital stock; the Apex Land & Improvement Co., of this county, W. W. Olive of Apex, J. B. Mason of Durham and C. P. Sellers of Greensboro being the principal stockholders, capital stock \$100,000.

Labor Commissioner Varner says the decision of the Supreme Court in the case from Forsyth county in which it is held that employing children under 12 years of age in factories is evidence of negligence on the part of the employer in case there is injury to such a child will have an excellent effect, and that it will run children that age from out of the mills, in case such are employed. The law is incomplete, in that it gives the Labor Commissioner no power to investigate matters of this kind.

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Superior Court News

The case of Disoway vs Edwards was settled out of court, the defendant paying the costs of the action. The trial of Watson vs the City of New Bern was on trial during yesterday. The case arises from damages alleged to have been made on account of imperfect drainage of the street during the heavy rains last year causing a depreciation of property. O. H. Guion is counsel for the plaintiff and W. D. McIver is conducting the case for the city. Most of the evidence was produced before recess yesterday and the arguments will be heard today.

North Carolina hams and Norway Mackerel at Oaks Market.

Mrs. Duke Appeals

Special to Journal.

Trenton, May 10.—Mrs. James B. Duke has given notice through her attorney that she will contest the decision of the lower court in granting her husband James B. Duke absolute divorce.

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