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STATE SOLID FOR TAFT

THE REPUBLICAN DELEGATION TO THE CHICAGO CONVENTION WILL TURN CANNON DOWN

FIRST MEETING OF TRUSTEES

The "Corn Special" on the Norfolk & Southern Railway—Boylan Property to Be Put Upon the Real Estate Market—Weather Similar to That of A Year Ago.—News From The Capital City.

Special Correspondence.

Raleigh, N. C., March 9.—All the leading Republicans here agreed in saying that Taft will get every North Carolina vote in convention and that Cannon cannot get one. They say the fight in Guilford settled this question in North Carolina so far as the President and State Chairman are concerned and that no man has had the courage to come out and declare himself against State Chairman Adams.

As to the negroes, the Republican leaders say they think they can control them. They say very frankly that, two years ago, not over 4,000 negroes voted in this State, and that a majority of these voted the Democratic ticket.

The acts of the special session of the legislature, public and private, were completed today and will be issued by the end of this week. They make one volume of 286 pages.

State Treasurer Lacy returned last night from Arizona and says he is in better health than in 20 years. He certainly looks remarkably well. He will give up his home in this city, and will live at Millbrook, on the S. A. L. road, six miles north of here.

State Superintendent Joyner left today for Greenville to attend a meeting of the trustees of the Eastern Carolina Training School. Thursday and Friday he attends the district convention of county superintendents at Jacksonville and on Saturday makes a speech at Morehead City in favor of local taxation.

The Norfolk and Southern Railway has arranged for a special train of two cars to be known as the corn special, to go over all the line of that road, leaving here March 22nd. There will be four specialists on board, Dr. F. L. Stevens, Prof. R. I. Smith, Dr. Tait Butler, and C. D. Williams.

These will talk upon the culture of corn and its proper fertilization, the best methods of feeding the crop, the proper way to harvest it, and will give full instructions as to the selection of the right kind of corn for seed. The car will be on the road for a week and will go to twenty places. At four points President Winston of the Agricultural and Mechanical College will speak on Industrial Education. This corn special will be a great educator and it shows marked enterprise on the part of the Norfolk and Southern to supply it. The State is prompt to recognize the value of such an opportunity.

The people who have bought the well known Boylan property here,—known as Boylan's Heights, are making the final arrangement to put it on the market and 90 acres are now being platted. The matter is of special interest, because it is proposed to make it part of the great park system west of Raleigh, which will embrace the grounds of the Catholic Orphanage, Pullen Park, the grounds of the Agricultural and Mechanical College, those of the hospital for the insane and those of the Methodist Orphanage. The plan is to have winding driveways through these, all macadamized. It is the beginning of the most elaborate park system in the South and there is no telling the extent to which it can be developed.

The weather is now almost a duplicate of that last March, and the result upon vegetation in the past three days has been astonishing. The people who came here today from the mountain country and from New York express surprise and say that they have jumped into summer in a bound. Flowers are in bloom everywhere and plum trees are in full bloom.

Negro Missing

David Swindell, a colored fisherman of James City, has been missing since Saturday. No attention was paid when he failed to appear Saturday, but his failure to report Sunday or yesterday led his family and friends to fear that he had been drowned. He left for a fishing trip down Neuse river Saturday morning and no trace has been found of him or his boat.

Statistics show that married women live two years longer than single men.

One dollar's worth of seeds will do as much work as $1247 in hand work.

TWO UNDESIRABLE CITIZENS

As Far as the Republican Convention is Concerned, Bernard and Butler Get a Lemon.

Special to Journal.

Raleigh, March 7.—The Republican County Convention declined to send Claud Bernard and Lester Butler as delegates. It eliminated all opposition to Taft and endorsed him and Roosevelt and State Chairman Adams unanimously, refusing to entertain a motion by Bernard to endorse Roosevelt for renomination and ruled him off the floor. It had been expected that J. P. H. Adams would be elected County Chairman but since the county delegates declared that no revenue officer ought to hold this position so W. T. Barrow of Raleigh was elected.

Porto Rican National Forest To Be Put Under Administration

Special Correspondence.

Washington, D. C., March 9.—Porto Rico will soon have its only National Forest under administration.—Mr. M. Rothkugel, of the United States Forest Service, has just sailed from New York for the island to make a study of forest conditions and outline a plan of management of the Loquillo National Forest.

The Loquillo is the only National Forest in the insular possessions of the United States, and while it was created in 1903, provisions for its administration were not made until early in January when the Comptroller of the Treasury affirmed the jurisdiction of the Department of Agriculture over the forest.

The forest takes in a little less than 16,000 acres and is located in the north eastern part of the island. Mr. Rothkugel, who goes to make the plan of its administration and study of its administration and study of its forest conditions, is eminently fitted for the work, having had long experience in forest work both for the government and for private corporations. Mr. Rothkugel, on reaching Porto Rico—will confer with Governor Post, who has been exceedingly anxious that the forest be put under early administration. He will spend three months studying conditions and making his plans and will report to Forester Gifford Pinchot.

While in Porto Rico he will select and appoint native rangers picking men who have a thorough knowledge of forest conditions in Porto Rico.—This is in keeping with the government's policy of putting all National forests under administration of local officers.

Many of the laws governing the regulation of the National Forests in this country will not apply to Porto Rico forests because of the different conditions. It is expected that the Loquillo National Forest will be put under actual administration next fall, by which time the details of Forest agent Rothkugel's plans will have been worked out and approved by the forest officers in Washington.

Mothers and Teachers Meeting

The mothers and teachers held their regular monthly meeting at the High School building Monday afternoon.

The subject of this meeting: Management and Discipline of children.

An interesting paper was read by Mrs. Tom Roberts on Discipline and Government in Home and School. Prof Craven gave an instructive talk on Discipline and mentioned many incidents of personal experience along that line.

Mrs. C. L. Stevens in her usual pleasing manner, made a few remarks to the mothers, suggesting that mothers make a special study of their own children, getting in closer touch with them, thus obtaining a clearer understanding of their disposition and requirements.

All mothers are cordially invited to be present at next meeting April 13, subject: Care of the Physical Child.

AFTER TWENTY-NINE YEARS

"For twenty-nine years I have been at intervals a great sufferer from rheumatism," writes James Hyde, of Beebe, Ark. "During that time I used gallons of various kinds of liniments and oils, but got very little relief. The attacks were so bad that I was often confined to my bed helpless for weeks and months at a time.

"Not long ago, while suffering from a severe attack, a sample bottle of Sloan's Liniment was sent to me for trial. My surprise was great when I found that it gave me instant relief, and I immediately ordered two large bottles. I have used about a half of one fifty-cent bottle and feel so well that I want everybody afflicted as I was to know what Sloan's Liniment has done for me, and I shall always have a feeling of gratitude for the man who sent me the sample bottle."

John R. McLean, owner of the Washington Post, and the Cincinnati Enquirer, and once Democratic candidate for Governor of Ohio, has a fad for collecting tapestries, and has recently added an enormous hall to his town house, in Washington, to be used as a museum for his display of his treasures.

MEETING OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

Transact Important Business—Provision For New Building

At a special meeting of the Trustees of New Bern Academy, held in the office of W. M. Watson, yesterday, a communication from the Woman's Club was read in regard to the proposition to abolish the 9th and 10th grades of the white school. On motion the president and secretary were requested to acknowledge the receipt of the resolution and to thank the ladies for the interest manifested in the schools and that the same was greatly appreciated; and to assure them that the abolishment of the 9th and 10th grades had never been seriously considered by the board.

The completion of the colored graded school having been announced it was ordered that school be continued in the new building. A survey was ordered of the line between lots of the colored graded school and Isaac H. Smith, and that a fence be erected on the line.

The superintendent was authorized to purchase microscopes for use in the school.

A committee was appointed to secure control and use of the money belonging to the Griffin estate and that additional buildings be erected on the Academy green.

On motion it was ordered that the outside doors of the school buildings be changed so as to swing outward and that the executive committee be authorized to build, if necessary, stairs on the outside of the building.

Not a Narrow Escape.

I'm glad I'm not a millionaire,
My one and sole delight
To watch my hoard grow larger and
Clip coupons day and night.
To have a mortgage plastered down
On everything in view,
And to the people who were poor
Apply at times the screw.

To custom I would be a slave
In keeping with my wealth,
I'd live on food with foreign names
That does not boost the health.
I'd have to have a retinue
Of servants sixty strong,
Detectives when I took a stroll,
Perforce would go along.

My wife would have clothes enough
To stock a dry goods store,
And never anything to wear
Unless she bought some more.
My daughter, if I had a girl,
Would need a like amount,
And maybe I would have to buy
For her a foreign count.

I'm glad I'm not a millionaire,
Give me the simple life.
With just enough to dodge the wolf
And satisfy my wife,
Nor would I envy in my heart
The millionaires who pass
Because I cannot see a hope
To blossom in that class.

NEWS FROM FOREST

Special Correspondence.

March, 9.—We are having some very beautiful weather. Spring has come and the peach trees are putting out their beautiful pink blooms.

There were a few of the Forest people attended the Sunday School Convention, at Galilee, Sunday. Among them were Miss Lena Fulcher and Mr. Adam Hartley.

Miss Mollie Gaskins was the guest of her brother and sister, Mr. J. K. Hartley and Mrs. Fred Belangia, Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Docia Belangia come home on a visit from school at New Bern Saturday and returned Sunday.

Mr. Adam Gaskins was the guest of Mr. E. T. Rice, of this place Sunday and Sunday night.

Mr. George Barrington and Mr. C. A. Foy, and Messrs Ira Rice and Lester Fulcher of this place, were visitors at Edwardsville Sunday evening.

Miss Nettie Fulcher was the guest of Miss Mamie Hartley Saturday night.

Mr. W. L. Gaskins and wife, and daughter, Miss Mamie, attended convention at Galilee, Sunday.

BLUE EYES.

EDWARDSVILLE NOTES

Special Correspondence.

Edwardsville, N. C., March 9.—We are having some beautiful weather now. Something strange for March.

Mr. A. A. Paul and family of Bridgeton visited his mother, Mrs. Martha Paul last Sunday.

Mr. C. E. Spink went to New Bern Saturday on business.

Mr. W. H. Sillery of North River, spent Saturday night at Mr. C. E. Spink's and returned home Sunday afternoon.

Messrs N. H. Gaskins and C. A. Foy, of Oak Grove, were visitors in Newberg yesterday.

Messrs. Ira Rice and Lester Fulcher of Forest, were visitors in our burg a little while Sunday night.

PRINCE.

The value of the potato crop of 1907, was $163,000,000 or 2 per cent above the average for the five previous years.

COUNTY TEACHERS MEET

In Regular Monthly Session. Largest Attendance of Any Meeting.

The regular monthly meeting of the teachers of Craven county was held Saturday morning in the court house. Professor Moser, of Dover, presided. The attendance was the largest of any meeting held, about fifty teachers being present. There was great interest taken in all the proceedings, and the papers read were given the closest attention.

Principal Vickers of Vanceboro school, read a paper on Discipline, the point made being that teachers who could best control themselves, would best control the children under them. Mr. Hill of Riverdale, read a paper on How to Stimulate Educational Interest, during Vacation Season. There was general discussion by the teachers on the subject, How to Keep Classes not Reciting Interested. Representative W. C. Brewer, of Craven County spoke in an interesting way on the Importance of Improving School Houses, and Local School Taxation. A letter was read from R. D. W. Connor, urging the teachers to attend the State Teachers Assembly meeting at Charlotte, in June.

Reports on school attendance caused some discussion, the report of the Dover school being specially fine in its high percentage. The interest in the matter of school attendance is receiving particular notice just now, as the time is nearing, when the Journal's prize will be awarded the county school showing the best attendance during the year.

The summer institute of one month in July, for the county came up for discussion. Invitations were extended by Dover and Vanceboro, and on motion the latter place was selected. A pleasant diversion was some packages containing apples and bananas the gift of Mr. F. S. Ernul. The teachers enjoyed the fruit during the meeting.

In the afternoon through the courtesy of Mr. Linus Sutton, the teachers were given an enjoyable trip on his boat, the Dixie, up the Neuse river, to Rock Spring. The weather was delightful for the water trip and the teachers gave three cheers for Mr. Sutton upon their return home, as they landed at Pollock street. These monthly meetings are proving of great profit, as well as interest to the county teachers.

HARLOWE AND NORTH HARLOWE

Special Correspondence.

Harlowe, N. C., March 9.—Mrs. Dan G. Bell of Morehead City, came over Monday to spend the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. R. Bell.

Mr. R. W. Ward continues his improvement around his home, among which is the re-shingling of his residence.

Mr. Jno. R. Bowen of Bachelor, with his family came to Dr. C. N. Mason's on his naptha boat, getting some treatment for the grippe.

Mrs. Cora Tinson of Beaufort, is spending a few days at the home of Mr. A. W. Ward's.

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. W. Conner and several of their children of Thurman, who have been here on account of the sickness and death of Mrs. Conner's mother, Mrs. Eliza Taylor, have returned to their home.

Mr. Jas. R. Bell went to Morehead City on business Thursday and returned Friday morning.

Rev. F. S. Becton passed through to his home at Bachelor from his work at Witt, where he has been sick with grippe, and had not fully recovered.

Mrs. C. C. Bell son Mr. W. W. Morris and daugters, Misses Bertha and Eva Bell, of Bachelor, were here this week to attend the funeral services of Mrs Eliza Taylor.

Rev. Futrell, of Newport, our pastor, was here Thursday to conduct the funeral services of Mrs. Taylor, one of our oldest and sainted mothers.

The North Harlowe school has just gotten in a new library case for its books and new blackboards, both of which are acceptable additions to its present equipment.

Mrs. J. L. Taylor and family of Bachelor, were all here this week attending the burial of his mother. In her life she had reason to be proud of him as a son and in her death he is consoled that mother has gone before them to receive her rich reward.

Miss Bessie Morton, North Harlowe's popular school teacher was in New Bern Saturday to attend the meetings of the teachers of Craven county. She is one of our most active teachers and is always in attendance at the institutes of education.

Mrs. Eliza Taylor, widow of the late Furman Taylor, who was one of our oldest inhabitants, having reached the age of 74 years, departed this life at the home of her son, J. G. Taylor on the 4th of March and was on the 5th laid to rest in the Harlowe cemetery by loving relatives and a large circle of friends, who will ever remember the many Christian graces of saint Eliza Taylor.

It is estimated that there are 12,000 inventions in the world and half of them are in Germany.

MR. BEDDINGFIELD WITHDRAWS

Personal Motives Cause Him to Retire From The Field For Member of The Corporation Commission

Special to Journal.

Raleigh, N. C., March 9.—Eugene C. Beddingfield, today made the following announcement.

"I desire to give notice to my friends throughout the State that for reasons private and purely personal to myself, I have decided not to be a candidate for the nomination to office of Corporation Commissioner at coming State Convention. In doing so, I desire to thank my friends for their loyal support in past and especially do I desire to express my grateful appreciation to that not inconsiderable number who without solicitation on my part have given assurance of their aid and support in event I was a candidate for third term." He has served nearly twelve years. It is probable that Henry Clay Brown, who ever since commissioner was enacted in 1891 will be candidate for Beddingfield's position. He appears to be regarded as the logical candidate.

Jades, Amethyst, Coral and Cameo, are the gems of fashion now. We will be glad to show you the new line. J. O. Baxter, the Leading Jeweler.

Death of William Bynum

Special Correspondence.

Maysville, N. C., March 9.—Mr. William Bynum, one of the oldest and most highly respected men in this section, died at his home about four miles from Maysville, Saturday morning, last, of pneumonia. Mr. Bynum was born and lived all his life in this vicinity, was a farmer and made a success of his chosen vocation.

The writer was acquainted with him for a number of years, and esteemed him very highly, always finding him to be generous, hospitable and kind. For many years Mr. Bynum has been afflicted with a disease which impaired his activity and kept him confined nearly all the time at home, but he bore his afflictions cheerfully. He leaves a widow and several sons and daughters, all grown ,and some married, who are among the most highly esteemed residents of Jones and Onslow counties.

The following lines are contributed by a close neighbor and friend of the late Mr. Bynum:—

In Memoriam

Our community was saddened by the death of Mr. Wiliam Bynum, which occurred Saturday mornig, March 7th after a brief illness. Drs. Hughes of of Pollocksville, Duffy of New Bern were the doctors in attendance. They pronounced the disease pneumonia.—But alas! Medical skill was unavailing, death quietly relieved him of his suffering. His remains were interred in the burial grounds at his home near Maysville. He leaves a wife and three sons, two daughters, besides a host of relatives and friends to mourn his death. He was 68 years of age. He was highly respected by all who knew him. He was of good Christian character, a devoted husband and father; and with his kind and jovial disposition, readily made friends with every one he met, all of whom are shocked at his untimely death. But bereaved family and friends, weep not, for is not our loss Heaven's gain? Trust all to God. Remember that nothing is our own. We hold our pleasures just a little while ere they are fled one by one life robs us of our treasures. Nothing is our own except our death. Jesus is keeping watch over him. The angels are singing to him their sweet refrain and filling his path way with thornless roses as he enters this throne. He is safer in Jesus' care than with us in this cold, cold world, so full of sin and woe. Remember that Heaven will claim its own. Yet we are barred down with grief and sorrow we know. We know that tears are vain and they bring not back to us again. Life seems dark and dreary without him. We know we shall never see his face on earth any more, yet he is not gone from us forever, for we have only a few more tears to shed and join him in that bright Home above, the Home called Heaven, where all will be re-united in Heavenly love.

A FRIEND.

Northern Grown Early Rose Seed Potatoes. White Spring Seed Oats at Chas. B. Hill's, No. 35 Middle street, New Bern, N. C.

BASE BALL ENTHUSIASM

Meeting of League Representatives at Wilson Today Will Be Largely Attended

Special to Journal.

Raleigh, N. C., March 9.— Raleigh sends Charles H. Gattis, M. Rosenthal, J. B. Pearce and Albert Cox to Wilson to the base ball meeting tomorrow. A good league is certain, as all points with which the club here has corresponded announce they will send representatives to the meeting. There is more enthusiasm than in several years over base ball in this section, where clubs will join the league.

MAY CREATE COLD RECORD

Solidified Helium Said to be Better Than Liquified Hydrogen

London, March 9.—Professor Bailey of University College, states that helium was the only gas that, down to the present time, had until now resisted every attempt to liquify or solidify. The success of Professor Ohmes of Leyden, in solidifying it makes it possible to obtain a far lower temperature than any one has succeeded in obtaining.

It is now certain that solidified helium will prove much colder than even liquified hydrogen.

Rush Output Fearing Strike

Indianapolis, March 9.—The coal mines of Indiana are being run to their fullest capacity in anticipation of a shut-down in April. The operators have timed contracts of sale in accordance with the expiration of the present wage scale and are refusing to make summer contracts with factory owners until they know what the miners intend to do. Canvassers of the miners by some of the larger operators show there is no desire on the part of the men to quit work on April 1, but all agree that they will be guided by whatever the coming national convention decides.

The operators are promoting some of their oldest and best employes to "top boss" position and are thus taking them from the jurisdiction of the union in order that they may be available for care of the machinery and for running the pumps in the event of a suspension.

Miss Donnell Laid to Rest

The funeral of Miss Anne Donnell, was held in Christ Church Monday, the services being conducted by the rector, Rev. J. H. Brown. Many of the older residents were present, by whom she was well remembered. She had been a resident of Wilmington for many years.

Home Coming Week—New Bern—1910.

Miss Anne M. Donnell

Died in Wilmington, N. C., on Friday the 6th day of March, 1908, aged eighty six years.

Miss Donnell was a member of one of the most distinguished families of North Carolina, she was a daughter of the late Judge John R. Donnell an eminent jurist of this State in the early part of the last century, and sister of the distinguished and able lawyer, Richard S. Donnell, she was the grand-daughter of Richard Dobbs Spaight, who was a member of the Continental Congress, and also a member of the convention that formed the Constitution of the United States. In 1792 he was elected Governor of this State. Her uncle, Richard D. Spaight was also Governor of this State in 1834. He was the son of the former Governor of that name, and they are both buried at "Clermont" near this city. Miss Donnell was a native of New Bern and a resident here for many years. She was a consistent and loyal member of the Episcopal church, she was well-known throughout this State and highly esteemed.

Her funeral will take place from the Episcopal church on Monday morning at 11 o'clock.

We can sell you Accident and Health policies, payable monthly.—Timberlake & Smith

Weather Forecast

Special to Journal.

Washington, D. C., March 9.—Rain and colder, partly cloudy, light to fresh northerly winds.

A Sweet Love Song

Next Sunday's World will contain the words and music of "Dear Heart," as originally produced in the great Broadway musical comedy success,—"A Knight for a Day," now appearing at Wallack's Theatre, New York. Beautiful cover design drawn exclusively for this music by Penrya Stanlawa, the well-known pen-and-ink artist.—Order next Sunday's New York World today.

Beautifying methods that injure the skin and health are dangerous. Be beautiful without injuring yourself, taking Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea. Lovely complexions follow its use. 35 cents, Tea or Tablets. F. S. Duffy.

YE OLD TYME FIDDLERS

The Convention Will Surely Be Held Tonight and Will be Worth The Money

The Fiddlers Convention which has been worked up from a former attempt will be a distinct success and will be one of the unique entertainments of the season. About 35 fiddlers have been engaged, and they will make the walls echo with melody. In addition to the fiddling there may be some violin playing and for a relief or between the set start there. They will give a parade today. Watch for it. Make it a point to go tonight and you will certainly enjoy the novelty.

JESSE GRANT SHOWS UP WELL

UNION GENERALS SON WILL HAVE CALIFORNIA'S SOLID VOTE IN DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL CONVENTION

ADMIRALS DENY SIMS STORY

Tokio Excited Over Turn of Affairs—War May Be Declared At Any Time Bad Feeling Between United States And Venezuela—Graft Trial in Harrisburg Will go to the Jury Today—Mothers Congress Begins Today.

Special to Journal.

San Francisco, March 9.—California will almost certainly cast her vote in the Democratic national convention for Jesse Grant for presidential nomination on the first ballot. This is the concensus of opinion gathered today of the leading party men over the State.

Washington, D. C., March 9.—In the investigation being conducted by the Senate Committee on Naval Affairs on the faulty construction of battleships, Admirals Remy and Goodrich denied Sim's charge that the American navy is not composed of serviceable boats. They stated that no country in the world had a better navy and the ability of Americans to manage the vessels is excelled by no country on the globe.

Tokio, March 9.—This city is in a fever of excitement today over hurried departure of the cruiser Chiyida, believed to be on a bellicose mission. The boundary dispute question of postal privileges of China in Manchuria, and the telegraph matter, add to the tension, and prospects of trouble by no means yet disappeared.

Washington, D. C., March 9.—The situation between the United States and Venezuela is becoming interesting. President Roosevelt is determined to press claims against that country and even threatens to send battleships to make the Venezuelan government pay.

Washington, D. C., March 9.—The House of Representatives had no session today adjourning immediately after opening out of respect to the memory of Representative Adolph Meyer, of Louisiana, who died yesterday.

Harrisburg, Pa., March 9.—The trial of th capitol grafters is approaching the end after three weeks of securing evidence. It is probable that two days will be devoted t cargument and that the jury will get the case by Friday.

Washington, D. C., March 9.—The delegates to the Mothers Congress are arriving and the first session will begin tomorrow. More than 2,000 will be in attendance.

Chicago Under Water

Special to Journal.

Chicago, March 9.—Four square miles of territory as large as most cities the size of Chattanooga is still under water in the city of Chicago, and has been, for this makes the fourth day. It is impossible to reach some of the houses and families are suffering for food.

Whether your bank account be large or small your earning capacity needs protection—Continental Casualty Company.

COTTON MARKETS

H. C. Lumsden, agent for A. Sprunt & Sons, Wilmington. 'Phone 186; 17 Craven street.

March 9th.

New York Market.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
March	10.56	10.63	10.55	10.60
May	10.73	10.74	10.59	10.70
July	10.48	10.51	10.45	10.51

Liverpool Market.

May—June	5.67 1-2 5.67
Port Receipts	19,189

New York Stocks.

Sales sold	———
Quoted	10 to 11 1-4

Sickening headaches, indigestion,—constipation, indicate unhealthy condition of the bowels. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea makes the bowels work naturally and restores your system to perfect health and happiness. 35c, Tea or Tablets. F. S. Duffy.

The sales of the world amount to 500,000 patents, and more than half of them are in the United States.