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WORK OF THE WILY MARION

BUTLER'S FRIENDS DO NOT DENY THAT HE HAD HAND IN KNOCKING ADAMS OUT FOR FEDERAL JUDGE SHIP.

ONES WITH CHIEF JUSTICE

Gain of Masonic Membership Not so Large the Past Year. Noted Expert to Address Legislature on Farm Demonstration Work. No Improvements Yet For State House.

Raleigh, Jan. 15.—The first military commission issued by Governor Kitchin was sent today to Major Max L. Barker of Salisbury, who will command the newly formed coast artillery corps and who was elected Tuesday evening at a meeting of the officers of the four companies composing this force.

Though very earnest efforts are being made to induce the legislature to make a provision for a fire-proof state building fear is expressed that there will not be anything at this session though much interest is expressed in the project. The statement of the state treasurer that during the past two years the outgo of funds has exceeded the income has made the members extremely reluctant to expend any money it seems, outside of what they conceive to be urgent expenses.

Mr. Richard H. Battle is the President of the Good Government League and many other prominent men are in its ranks.

A charter is granted the Farmers & Merchants Bank at Kinston to do a commercial, savings and trust business, capital stock \$25,000.

Governor Kitchin and the other State officers were the guests of Chief Justice Walter Clark at dinner at his home today.

The new quarters of the state laboratory of Hygiene have been nearly all fitted up and Dr. Shore finds the place very convenient. There is a spacious room for the general work together with reception room, ammonia test room, and others, including one of which rabbits and guinea-pigs are kept, the latter being used for various tests, notably in case of hydrophobia. The animals are obtained from the park at Raleigh.

There were only five whiskey distilleries in this revenue district and of course all are now closed. In a couple of them there is a quantity of whiskey, this of course being under government supervision.

Congressman Hackett of the Eighth district who is deputy Grand Master of Masons returned to Washington last night, taking with him a handsome cane presented by Spanish veterans for his work in securing a bill's passage giving them additional pay-allowances.

The insurance returns from the great number of companies doing business in this state have begun to come in to the office of the Insurance Commissioner. That official had a letter today from Commissioner Crouse of Maryland asking whether the provisions of the insurance law for better protection and to prevent fire wrecks have resulted in the production of rates in North Carolina. He was informed that these improvements had had this effect.

The friends of Harry Skinner, have by no means given up hope of his getting the judgeship in this Federal district and say he is by no means out of the race, adding that he is naturally the man for the position. There does not seem to be any denial of the fact that ex-Senator Marion Butler brought about the knocking out of ex-Judge Adams for this place. Butler's friends make no denial of this at all.

In the course of an interview with Grand Secretary B. H. Woodell, of the Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows, it was learned that their number in the state now approximate 15,000, but that the gains in the past 12 months have been something less than a thousand. In other words the panic had no effect on this order which is on a financial basis that is all members pay. Yet there were 19 new lodges formed during 1908 and this does not show much falling off the usual number being about 21. There are in the orphanage which is at Goldsboro 116 children, and the Grand Secretary says the cost per month of obtaining these was only \$5.50.

Dr. S. A. Knapp is to address the Legislature at an early day upon the subject of farm demonstration work. He is perhaps the most noted expert on that line in the country, and he has shown a great deal of interest in his work in North Carolina, where the state agricultural department is doing

MR. SHEPARD BRYAN WEDS IN ATLANTA

Former New Bern Boy Now Brilliant Lawyer, of Atlanta, Weds Miss Florence Jackson, Beautiful Belle of that City.

The following elaborate account of the wedding of Mr. Shepard Bryan and Miss Florence Jackson, one of the most beautiful and accomplished young ladies of Atlanta, will be of interest to Mr. Bryan's many friends in this city and elsewhere in the state. Mr. Bryan, it will be remembered is the son of ex-Judge Henry R. Bryan of this city, but for several years has been living in Atlanta, where he has distinguished himself as one of the leading attorneys at that city.

A beautiful event of last evening was the wedding of Miss Florence Jackson and Mr. Shepard Bryan, which took place at the home of the bride's sister, and brother, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Orpe, on Peachtree street.

A more beautiful wedding picture could not be arranged than that which the bride party formed with the circle of lovely bridesmaids wearing white satin gowns made directoire and carrying immense bouquets of pink carnations, and the group of interested little nieces and nephews who were the ribbon bearers.

The attendants were Miss Kathleen Brown, maid of honor; Miss Josie Stockell, first bridesmaid, and the bridesmaid; were Miss Louise Black and Miss Rollie Clark.

The ribbon children were, Miss Cora Moore, Miss Evelyn Jackson, Miss Sarah Orme, and Miss Callie Orme, and the ribbon bearers were Mr. Wilmer Moore, Jr., Mr. Henry Jackson and Mr. Quill Orme, Jr.

The bride and groom entered together and were met at the altar by Mr. Frederick Bryan, of Roanoke, Va., the groom's brother.

The bride was lovely, wearing a beautiful wedding gown of white mesaline satin, made directoire. The collar and sleeves were of rich point lace net appliqued with point lace around the yoke to the hem of the gown. Front and to the long train in the back there was an embroidered panel of the design of gardenias. The lace was a gift to the bride from her grandfather, Mrs. Henry R. Jackson, of Savannah. She wore a wedding veil of tulle, adjusted with a wreath of orange blossoms and carried a beautiful bouquet of lavender orchids and lilies of the valley.

After the ceremony a delicious supper, was served the bridal party and a number of out of town guests being seated at a long oval table in the dining room and who were Miss Stockell, Miss Brown, Miss Clark, Miss Black, Mrs. Ringland Fisher Kirkpatrick of New York, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bingham, of Louisville, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Ransom, Mr. Armande De Coustelle of North Carolina, Mr. Henry McCullough, Mr. Walter Colquitt, Mr. Lewis Martin, Mr. Fred Bryan, Mr. Henry Bryan, of North Carolina, Mr. Im Goodrum, Mr. Henry Hull and Mr. William Davies.

Mrs. Edwin Jordan of New Bern, N. C., a sister of the groom, wore a pretty gown of pale pink crepe de chine and white lace. Miss Margaret Bryan's gown was of deep rose colored satin embroidered. Mrs. George Perrijo, of Milwaukee, wore a gown of cream chiffon cloth the corsage combined with white lace.

Mrs. Sidney Pezzy Cooper, of Henderson, N. C., wore a gown of white satin embroidered in panels of pastel colored silk. Mrs. Bingham of Louisville, Ky., wore a gown of Atlantic blue. Miss Millie Rutherford, of Athens, wore a beautiful French gown of heavy poplin.

Mr. Bryan and his bride left for a wedding trip south and on their return will be at home with Mrs. Henry Jackson.—Atlanta Journal.

A Thought.

"It is a shining day in any educated man's growth when he comes to see and to feel and to know and freely admit that it is just as important to the world that the ragamuffin child of his worthless neighbor should be trained as it is that his own child should be. Until a man sees this he cannot be a worthy democrat, no, not a patriotic conception of education; so man has known the deep meaning of democracy, or felt either its obligation or its life till he has seen this truth clearly."—Walter H. Page.

Seawell Feels Good.

Special to Journal.

Raleigh, Jan. 18.—Herbert F. Seawell, is in state of keen delight, tonight. President Roosevelt having nominated him to U. S. Senate, this afternoon.

So much. Here the old adage is found to be true, for the United States helps the state which help themselves and there is the heartiest and most valuable co-operation between the federal and state workers.

THE STATE MILITARY COMMISSIONS

Appointments by Governor. Fourth Class Postmaster Not on Officer Can Hold in Legislative.

Special to Journal.

Raleigh, Jan. 18.—National Guardsmen will be interested in the report that Governor Kitchin will make military appointments Wednesday, and that Joseph F. Armfield will be Adjutant General, William W. Stringfield, Inspector General; Francis Macon, Quartermaster General; J. O. Hollingsworth, pay master general.

Commissions are issued to S. Cohen, of Goldsboro, as inspector of small arms practice, second regiment, under the provisions of the Dick bill with rank of captain, and N. L. Simmons, of Washington as captain, Company G, Second Regiment.

The Dick law makes special provision for inspectors of small arms practice, who hold continuing commissions.

Secretary Wildes of the Raleigh Republican Club, and also attorney for Powhatan Matthews, Republican who received the highest vote on that ticket for the legislature in this county, serves notice of inelegibility upon Ell Scarborough, democrat, who holds a seat in the lower house, on the ground he is a postmaster.

Lawyers say this question has been settled, and it has been held that a fourth class postmaster is not an officer under the intent of the law, which prohibits holding two offices.

Best proof seed oats, seed rye and Crimson Clover, at Charles B. HHP's, 25 Middle street.

Latham's Cotton Letter

Special to Journal.

Greensboro, Jan. 16.—The better feeling in the cotton market continues and prices continue to slowly climb, nearly every day shows a gain over the previous days. There are no new influences except a better demand from China, which is aided by continuous advances in the price of silver. The receipts are small and the spots are held very firmly. The mills are not buying so freely, because they have already bought with freedom at lower prices, and goods and yarns have not advanced to the level of the spot market. Holders of cotton futures have confidence in a further rise, as they believe in improving trade, and expect the coming acreage to be reduced.

Those who are bullish certainly have the advantage at present.

South Holds Stocks.

Special to Journal.

New York, Jan. 18.—Standard Oil officials say, there is not a sound business man in any Southern state, but holds shares of steel or mining stocks.

NEW STATE HYMN SUGGESTED

Senate Passes Bill to Allow Counties to Establish Hospital for Consumption Patients.

Special to Journal.

Raleigh, Jan. 15.—In the Senate a bill passed allowing the establishment by counties of hospitals for consumption patients, in order to check this disease.

An odd incident in the Senate was the reading by Senator Godwin, of Gates, of a poem by Miss Bettie Fresh water Poole, this being declared to be fit for a state hymn. It was ordered to be spread on the Senate Journal, this being the first occurrence of the kind on record.

A bill was introduced in the House to make the personal property exemption from taxation three hundred dollars.

None of the other business of the Senate or House was of any general interest.

In the Superior court here King Walton, a notorious negro robber was sentenced to six years on the public roads for snatching a satchel containing several thousand dollars from a Southern Express agent at the union station here. He also stole a mail pouch at the station.

The Peruna Almanac.

The druggists have already been supplied with the Peruna almanac for 1909. In addition to the regular astronomical matter usually furnished in almanacs, the articles on astrology are very attractive to most people. The mental characteristics of each sign are given with faithful accuracy. A list of lucky and unlucky days will be furnished to those who have our almanac, free of charge. Address The Peruna Drug Co., Columbus, O.

FOR RENT!

The farm known as the David Gasling place, located north side Nouse river eight miles from Vanceboro, suitable for corn, cotton, tobacco, peas, potatoes, and any crop grown in this section. For further information apply to W. E. GASKINS, 43 Griffith street.

A MATTER OF TRUCK SUCCESS

ITS DISCUSSION BY GEO. N. IVES SHOWS THE WAY FOR THIS SECTION

QUESTION OF TRANSPORTATION

In Former Years Boats and Railroad Could Handle Truck Crops to Advantage. Present System Inadequate and Discourages Growers

The following correspondence which explains itself, is of vital interest to the truckers and every business interest of New Bern. It points the way for Chamber of Commerce effort.

Norfolk, Va., January 5, 1909.

Mr. Geo. N. Ives, New Bern, N. C.

Dear Sir:

Sometime ago, in response to an inquiry from you regarding the trucking industry in your section, you replied in part as follows:

"Our people know the business, climate is all right; but the trouble is transportation. The transportation facilities for this section are not nearly as good as they were ten years ago."

As we are anxious to give good service—especially to the truckers whose success depends so largely upon proper transportation facilities—I will appreciate it if you will kindly go into details regarding this matter; stating candidly the difficulties under which you and others have to labor, and giving me the benefit of any suggestions that may occur to you for the improvement of the service, as well as for securing better markets for truck grown in your section.

Yours very truly,
FRED L. MERRITT,
New Bern, N. C.,
January 7, 1909.

Mr. Fred L. Merritt, L. & I. Agent, N. & S. Railway, Norfolk, Va.

Yours of the 5th received and noted and as per your request, I will give you reasons in full as to my statement in former letter to you, that:

"The transportation facilities for this section are not nearly as good as they were ten years ago."

In former years we were able to ship truck stuff, fresh fish, oysters and other perishable goods by the E. C. D. line steamers up to 5 p. m., and in the rush seasons of truck, they would often take shipments as late as 6 and 6:30 p. m. Shipments made for instance, on Monday's by this line were put on Baltimore markets, early Wednesday morning, and on Philadelphia and New York markets, early Thursday morning. Shipments made on Friday p. m. boat reached all of these markets promptly for early Monday morning market. Our A. & N. C. R. R. had fast freight truck trains during the trucking season, which took shipments up to 11 o'clock a. m., putting stuff in the northern markets at same time that the E. C. D. line boats did by steamer, which left the previous afternoon. It was very seldom in those days, that shipments were delayed. We used to ship large quantities of shad and oyster oysters to northern markets by E. C. D. line boats and it was seldom, that we had any trouble or loss by delayed shipments. By the present arrangement of N. & S. business, we are obliged to have all truck and perishable stuff billed, and delivered by three o'clock p. m., and when your trains make connections as per schedule, these shipments do not reach the northern market any sooner than they used to do, by E. C. D. boat line leaving three hours later in the afternoon, or by the fast truck trains which used to leave at 11 o'clock the following day. You can see that instead of having improved or more rapid arrangements, we have lost several hours time in shipments from this end. When you consider, that our truck farms, or most of them, are some distance from the city, you will readily see that it is almost impossible for our farmers to have their truck gathered and delivered to your railroad by three o'clock p. m. All stuff which is not in time for that delivery, must be carried over twenty four hours and consequently, is that much older and poorer when it reaches market. As truck stuff depends upon its fresh and good condition for price, you will readily see that there is not much chance for good prices to be obtained by our New Bern truckers under present transportation arrangement. Norfolk people can put their truck stuff into these markets twenty four hours fresher than we can.

I will now give you two instances, showing you the trouble we are having with transportation by your line. On November 20th, we made a shipment of three boxes of fancy fish to New York, by freight, leaving here at 3 p. m., weather was then cool and we knew that fish should go in good condition, and ought to be delivered about as soon as they could be if shipped by express the next morning, which was Saturday. We counted on the fish going on the New York market not later than Tuesday morning. The fish have never been heard from since shipped, and we now have claim pending against your company for the cost of the fish about thirty dollars, which we may possibly get within six months or a year. We are getting a large surplus of oysters here, and thought we would try a shipment to New York market and see what could be done with them. On Saturday December 26th, we made a shipment of one barrel of opened oysters to a commission oyster house in New York. This shipment should certainly have reached New York by Tuesday, but they were not received. On Wednesday the barrel arrived and were in spoiled condition, and we have not received a cent for the shipment. You can see what we are up against, in this transportation business, and our truckers having been badly hurt in past season do not care to take many more chances in this business. The business has fallen off very materially, in the past two years from what it used to be, and from what I can learn it will be much less this coming season. It is up to your people to give this section much better schedules than you are now doing for the movement of truck crops or you cannot expect much business from this section in future. The secret of the whole business as to the success of truck farming is good transportation, and the putting of his products in the markets of the country in good condition.

Yours truly,
GEO. N. IVES,
Norfolk, Va.,
January 12th.

Mr. Geo. N. Ives, New Bern, N. C.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter in response to my inquiry of the 5th inst., and thank you very much for going into the matter so thoroughly.

The management of the Norfolk and Southern is anxious to give its patrons the best possible transportation facilities, and will do all in its power to remedy any defect or correct any abuse that may be called to its attention.

The information contained in your letter shall be laid before the proper officials, with recommendations that something be done to improve the service.

Yours very truly,
FRED L. MERRITT,
New Bern Academy Have Important Meeting, Resolution for Increase School Tax.

The Board of trustees of New Bern Academy had an important meeting yesterday afternoon, a majority being present.

A resolution was passed, that the Building Committee be authorized to make a loan payable in three years, or sooner, not exceeding \$5,000, for the purpose of erecting a heating plant building and home for the junior loan to be secured by deed of trust on Middle street property.

A. D. Ward, W. W. Clark, and H. C. Whitehurst were named as a committee to draft a bill to be presented to the General Assembly, to pass an act to amend the city charter, to allow the citizens to vote a special tax levy not exceeding 20 cents on the \$100 property valuation. This is an increase of 7 1/2 cents.

The resignation of F. C. Roberts, was accepted and W. B. Blades elected to fill the vacancy. The resignation of Miss Etta Nunn, teacher in the school was accepted, and Miss Lisette Henff was elected to fill the vacancy.

Re-arrangement Corporation Commission.

Special to Journal.

Raleigh, Jan. 18.—There is a new member of the Corporation Commission, Benjamin F. Aycock of Wayne. Today the commission organized for the new term. Re-elected Franklin McNeill, Chairman, Henry Clay Brown, Clerk; Stodman Thomas, Assistant clerk; J. Kemp Doughton, State Bank Examiner, W. L. Williams, asst. Bank Examiner, Miss Estie G. Riddick, stenographer.

A NEW PROFESSION!

Optical, dental and medical science have individually reached such an advance state that it is no longer within the power of average human intelligence for the practitioner to be equally competent to practice jointly optometry, dentistry or medicine. Our optical department is the best in the city. J. O. Baxter, Optometrist.

THE SCHOOL TAX IN THE

A Broad Local View Benefits to all Classes. The Mayor's Pledge.

Since the loss of the whiskey license our city schools have not the money necessary to do the work they owe our children, and there is much concern about it. Some of our citizens are in favor of raising the school tax while others are advocating the curtailing of expenses by cutting off the higher grades.

This financial loss to the schools has come at a most unfortunate time. Ordinarily our people would not have hesitated in saying "certainly, raise the tax sufficiently to support the schools," but this has been an exceedingly hard year for this immediate section. On the heels of the summer panic, has come the fall crop shortage and so, thinking to economize, some are saying "curtail expenses." "Do away with the high school." But to cripple our schools would be poor economy. Ignorance is the most expensive luxury in which any nation or state or city can indulge.

Then too, so many of us had looked on only one side of the question and have gotten a distorted view, when the question is many sided and so much depends on the point of view. First the hardest view for us to get, that the moral responsibility of the government to protect every child against ignorance is as great as it is to protect him against bodily injury, and the advantage thereof a hundred times greater.

A prominent business man of New York after thorough investigation and much study of the subject gives it as his opinion that a grammar school education adds 50 per cent to a man's worth, a high school education 100 per cent, and a college education 300 per cent. The kind of man that a boy makes, means far more to the state or the community than it does to his parents. The parents may die long before he is grown and not be at all affected by his life. If they live they are but two to suffer for his faults or rejoice in his successes, while if he is a drone, a criminal or an outlaw he is so much dead weight, a burden or a menace to the whole community or the community shines in his property and hundreds are uplifted and inspired by his example if he becomes a progressive, public spirited, useful citizen.

Others are looking at the question at close range and so see only a very small part of it and even that small area is overshadowed by unconscious selfishness. They believe in education, but after the grammar grade, the boy should get it for himself if his parents cannot give it to him, and furthermore, they really believe and are telling others that the high school in New Bern is an imposition on the poor people because, they say, "we poor people are taxed to send certain rich men's children to high school." Let's figure that out: As 12 1/2 cents on the one hundred dollars, it takes a property valuation of \$28,800 to amount to one high school tuition, as \$4.00 a month for 9 school months. There are 60 children in our high school. Take out 12 of these, and have the remaining 48 the required property valuation behind them? No poor man's school tax amounts to more than the tuition of his own child, while some of the rich pay many times the cost of their own. But neither the rich man who has child, nor the man who has no children if he is fair minded and far-sighted, objects to school tax, for he knows that an educated community is a prosperous community, and that the more prosperous the community, the more valuable the property.

Another set are claiming that they are making a university of our high school. Surely these people are talking from hear say, for they have either failed to inform themselves as to the course of our high school, or they know nothing of what a college course is. Why do they know that when Carnegie set aside a certain fund on which college professors who had taught a certain number of years, could retire, that not two of the colleges of North Carolina could meet the requirements of a college and take advantage of that fund, and that not until last year could a graduate of our high school enter the freshman class of our best colleges.

And those who are boasting that they paid for their education, I want to tell that they never labored under a greater delusion if they have ever attended college. They may have paid for their primary teaching but no student of any real college pays more than a very small fraction his expenses, the tuition even of Harvard college, the college of the wealthy do not nearly pay the running expenses of the college to say nothing of the buildings and equipment.

Do these boosters know that Harvard and Columbia and most of our great colleges in spite of their high tuitions, their government support and their magnificent endowments are more or less deeply in debt?

Is this state support and these un-

IN THE LEGISLATURE

SOME BILLS INTRODUCED. LABOR COMMISSIONER GETS \$2,000.

OYSTERS AND TYPHOID FEVER

Gathering at Chapel Hill. Opening of Federal Court, Social Week at Capitol.

Special to Journal.

Raleigh, Jan. 18.—In the Senate, a bill was introduced upon public health business in North Carolina.

The House bills were introduced, to amend the divorce law, by allowing a new one, requiring separation of white and negro convicts in the penitentiary, and in county jails at sleeping and eating hours, to provide a reformatory and training school for negro youth; to regulate the hours of labor, of women and children in factories; to regulate the sale of pistols and cartridges; to incorporate the Asheville and East Tennessee railway to regulate trails of capital cases by giving the state and defendant each wife's prerogative challenges.

A bill passed increasing the salary of the Labor Commissioner to two thousand dollars. Original bill was for \$2,500.

Tomorrow will be a holiday here and a large number of persons will go to Chapel Hill, both to see the University and to hear the address by President Woodard Wilson of Princeton University. Practically all the state officers and members of the legislature will be in the party and numbers of other prominent men will go.

Judge James E. Boyd arrived this evening and will tomorrow begin a term of the Federal court. The Grand jury was in session today. A number of post office inspectors were here largely to appear as witnesses in the case of postal route agent John W. Coltrane, who is charged with stealing several hundred dollars from letters, while on the run between Greensboro and Goldsboro. There are also a number of witnesses present in this case.

Shell Fish Commissioner William M. Vebb of Morehead City is here and has been before the legislative committee on oysters. He says that for some reason the oyster business has fallen off greatly in the past two years, and there is a poor market. The reason given is that a lot of people in the north have an idea that typhoid fever has been produced by the eating of oysters. This certainly was not the case from any oysters brought to North Carolina; that is direct, but it must be borne in mind that in some of the places north, people get the oysters in vats or in beds and feed them artificially, so as to fatten them quickly, and some of these places have seen where there was polluted water and this may have caused some sickness. None has ever resulted from oysters taken and marketed from their natural beds. It does not appear that he panic has had much to do with the falling off of this business.

A social way this will be quite a gay week here, Wednesday the Capital Club will give a very large reception to the Governor and other State officers of the legislature. Another feature of the week will be a costume ball at the Agricultural and Mechanical College next Saturday evening.

No Change Proposed in Southern Ry

Washington, Jan. 18.—Mr. C. H. Ackert, Vice-President and General Manager of the Southern Railway Company, referring Saturday to the persistent submission of reports of impending changes in the operating department of that Company said:

"There is no foundation, whatever, for any of these publications. The various reports and rumors that have been in circulation and have found their way into the newspapers have come from sources without information as to the plans and purposes of the management of the Company. No such changes as have been reported are contemplated. On the contrary, the present personnel and organization of the operating department are highly satisfactory to the management and we doubt whether there exists in the organization of any railway company in the country more efficient and loyal teamwork than the Southern Railway Company now has in its operating department."

What do you think of one of the rarest kind of 20-year worn bank and front 16 size gold watches for \$2.00, while they last? J. O. Baxter, the Leading Jeweler.

downs given for the rich always. Shall not our poor boys be put in a (Continued on Page Two)