



New Bern Weekly Journal.

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NEW BERN, CRAVEN COUNTY, N. C., TUESDAY MAY, 30, 1911--FIRST SECTION

34th. YEAR

WILL ADOPT PRESENT ROAD

Good Roads Meeting and Picnic Held at Riverdale Yesterday. Number of Visitors Present.

Yesterday was gala day at Riverdale and it was a day that will live long in the minds of citizens of that place and the surrounding locality. The Methodist Sunday School of that place held their annual picnic yesterday and in addition to this a "Good Roads" meeting was also held. A number of New Bern citizens went down on the early train and a few hours later another party left for the scene of the festivities in automobiles, arriving there shortly before noon.

The entire forenoon was given over to the picnickers who thoroughly enjoyed the occasion. Shortly after 12 o'clock a sumptuous dinner was laid and everyone present invited to partake of the repast.

Immediately after dinner Mr. Wm. Dunn chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Highway Commission invited the assembly to the church where interesting speeches were made by the following gentlemen in behalf of good roads in general and the great Central Highway in particular: Messrs. R. A. Nunn, J. A. Bryan, C. R. Thomas, L. I. Moore, Judge Bryan, C. D. Bradham, C. E. Foy, and G. L. Hudson.

At the conclusion of the meeting resolutions were passed adopting the present road between New Bern and Beaufort as the Central Highway. After this had been done the meeting adjourned and the visitors returned to their homes.

The people of that locality are especially interested in this Central Highway and have promised the commission to give them all of the assistance possible in building the road.

Your lawn will present a more sightly appearance by the application of a Philadelphia Lawn Mower. J. S. Basnight Hdw., Co. Phone 99, 67 S. Front St.

Stimson May Run With Taft.

Washington, May 25—One of the most interesting bits of political gossip Washington has heard a long while current here to the effect that the entrance of Henry L. Stimson, of New York, into President's Cabinet may mean that he will be Mr. Taft's running mate in the campaign of 1912. President Taft, it is said, fully expects to be nominated and little consideration is given here to reports to the contrary. The advisers of the President in casting about for a man to head the ticket with him are said to look with much favor upon Mr. Stimson, the new Secretary of War. They appear to be particularly anxious to get a strong man from the progressive element on the ticket, and prefer one from a pivot State like New York.

We sell the White Mountain Freezers. Send us your orders. J. S. Basnight Hdw., Co. Phone 99, 67 S. Front St.

Notice to Mariners.

Albermarle Sound—Croatian light station—characteristic of light, column 5; to be annealed as follows:

Fixed white with a fixed red sector between 274° and 315°.

Beaufort Harbor—range lights established, May 5, to mark dredged channel across bar.

Shackelford Point Range.

Front light, a fixed red lens-lantern light screened so that it will not be visible in line with Bird Island range rear light, shown 16 feet above water, from a red 3-pile horizontally slatted structure.

Rear Light, a fixed white lens-lantern light, illuminating the entire horizon, shown 31 feet above water, from a 3-pile horizontally slatted structure, surmounted by post; about 3,000 feet (.5 mile) SSW from (11° N. mag.) in rear of front light.

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Albermarle Sound, Norfolk-Southern railroad bridge across Albermarle Sound, Norfolk Southern Railway bridge—mark and fog bell established. The daymark is a pole 14 feet high, erected on top of bridge at draw and having two arms. The bell is struck by hand during thick or foggy weather.

PRESIDENT DIAZ RESIGNS

Under Stress of Ill Health. Aged Mexican Dictator Gives up the Struggle.

Mexico City, May 26.—General Porfirio Diaz resigned the presidency of Mexico at 4:45 o'clock Thursday afternoon. Francisco De La Barrera automatically became provisional president, but will not take the oath until later. Immense crowds thronged the streets, but there was no violence. Business was suspended by general accord.

Provisional President-elect De La Barrera, acknowledged his elevation to that high office in an open letter to the Mexican people last night. He declared he would not be a candidate for either president or vice-president when a general election should be called.

In his letter De La Barrera, in referring to foreign relations, declared that the Mexican government will spare no effort to make its relations with foreign nations more friendly every day.

President Diaz's letter of resignation follows:

"Sir—The Mexican people who generously have covered me with honors, who proclaimed me as their leader during the international war who patriotically assisted me in all works undertaken to develop industry and the commerce of the republic, establish its credit, gain for it the respect of the world and obtain for it an honorable position in the concert of nations; that same people, who have revolted in armed military bands, stating that my presence in the exercise of supreme executive power is the cause of this insurrection.

"I do not know of any fact imputable to me which could have caused this social phenomenon, but, permitting, though not admitting, that I may be unwittingly culpable, such a possibility makes me the least able to reason out and decide my own culpability.

Therefore, respecting as I have always respected the will of the people, and in accordance with article 82 of the Federal constitution, I come before the supreme representatives of the nation in order to resign, unreservedly, the office of Constitutional President of the Republic, with which the national vote honored me, which I do with all the more reason since, in order to remain in office it would be necessary to shed Mexican blood, endangering the credit of the country, dissipating its wealth, exhausting its resources and exposing its policy to international complications.

"I hope, gentlemen, that when the passions which are inherent to all revolutions have been calmed, a more conscientious and justified study will bring out in the national mind a correct acknowledgement which will allow me to die, carrying engraved in my soul a just impression of the estimation of my life, which throughout I have devoted and will devote to my countrymen."

Hardy.

"Whiffer has bought a very handsome axminster."

"I'm no glad! Maybe he will take me for a ride."

"I hardly think so. There are no magic carpets these days."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

Bradstreet's Weekly Trade Report.

Richmond, Va., May 25.—Bradstreet's tomorrow will say for Richmond and vicinity:

Changes for the week in the condition of trade are few and not important. Jobbers of shoes, clothing and hats are making early shipments of fall orders and have received a good volume of business. The warm weather has been favorable to retail trade, and stocks have been depleted to some extent. Foundries and iron workers have a fair prospect for future business, but at present most of them are working on short time. Dealers in paper and kindred lines report only moderate sales and unfavorable market conditions due to an extended period of low prices. Curtailment of production continues among the cotton spinning and knitting mills. Manufacturers of buggies and wagons have had a fairly satisfactory season. Collections are fair. The continued drought is unfavorable to all crops, and in some localities it has become serious. Early vegetables and berries show a considerable shortage, and receipts are much below the average. Corn is badly in need of rain, the few local showers have afforded only temporary and slight relief, and in some sections there is talk of replanting. In necessary cases there is a copious rainfall in a few days.

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WILLIAMS' KIDNEY PILLS.

Have you neglected your kidneys?

Have you overworked your nervous sys-

tem and caused trouble with your kidneys and bladder? Have you pains in your

liver, side, back, groins and bladder?

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OLD PROB USES TELEPHONE

Farmers Will be Supplied With Weather Predictions by Phone.

Washington, D. C., May 26.—Announcement is made by the Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company that it has completed arrangements by which co-operating with the United States Weather Bureau, it will supply more than 25,000 Southern farmers with daily weather reports by telephone.

At a given hour each day a general alarm will be sounded, calling every farmer to the telephone. The daily report will then be read. In case a farmer does not find it convenient to answer the signal, he may have the privilege of calling the operator and receiving the information.

Peerless Iceland Freezers, you don't break them, they freeze quicker and last longer. Phone 229, J. S. Miller.

Light Docket For Next Term Court.

Unless something unexpected occurs the next term of Craven county court which convenes on June 12th, for a one week term, will have one of the lightest dockets of the year up to the present time. Outside of a few blind tiger defendants sent over since the last term, there have been only a few defendants bound over from any of the magistrates courts or from the police court. However, it is invariably the case that the June docket is very light.

State Bond Issue Sold.

Raleigh, N. C., May 25.—The issue of \$130,900 North Carolina State bonds, 4 per cent, for forty years, was sold Thursday to C. C. McDonald, of Raleigh, and A. B. Leach, of New York, on a joint bid for \$10,124. Of these bonds \$24,000 is for the fireproof State administrative building and \$60,000 for the proposed State school for feeble-minded. There were seventeen bidders and the total amount of bonds bid for was \$387,100.

Rheumatism Relieved in Six Hours

Dr. Detchon's relief for Rheumatism usually relieves severest cases in a few hours. Its action upon the system is remarkable and effective. It removes at once the cause and the disease quickly disappears. First dose—really benefits .75 and \$1.00. Sold by Bradham Drug Co.

Last Legal Hanging.

Frankfort, Ky., May 26—Kentucky's last legal execution by hanging occurred yesterday morning at sunrise, when Roger Warren, a negro, who killed another negro, was hanged. Warren confessed the murder. An electrocution law is now effective in Kentucky.

Special Committee.

Washington, May 26—A new turn

was given to the Lorimer case when a number of Democratic Senators declared a party caucus called by Senator Martin that they would support the La Follette resolution, which would place the conduct of the proposed new inquiry in the hands of a special committee of five new Senators rather than leave it with the regular Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections.

Dinner Set, now is the time,

as M. E. Whitehurst & Co., will give special discounts

all this week.

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LATHAM ON COTTON SITUATION

Prices Upward, Mills Curtail Prospects For Big Crop That Is Needed For Demand.

Cotton continues to soar; the mills continue to run; near curtailment is practiced and short time is threatened. All manufacturers seem to agree upon three things. First, that prices of cotton and cotton goods are at a disparity and many of the mills are not making a profit. Second, the way to lengthen the supply of cotton and shorten the supply of cotton goods is by actual short time. Third, the other fellow ought to shut down tight or curtail 50 per cent while I run full time.

This policy of everybody waiting for the other fellow to curtail has placed cotton in a very strong statistical position. Spinners find themselves bidding against each other and against a handful of strong speculators who have the situation so much at their command that their supremacy is conceded. The supply of goods seems to be ample although the accumulations are not burdensome. In Great Britain business continues good and the continent shows improvement.

Crop accounts are very favorable and the start is much above the average except in small areas in North Carolina, South Carolina and Oklahoma where dry weather has delayed the coming up. The acreage and the use of fertilizers will exceed all records. Man's effort to grow a big crop and an early one can be defeated only by conditions beyond human control. A big crop of cotton is desired and a big crop will be required for the world's need. "None are so anxious as those who watch and wait," and all civilization is concerned about the cotton crop and this anxiety will not be relieved for many days at a time until we are nearer the bales.

J. E. LATHAM,

Diaz Leaves For Spain.

Mexico City, May 27.—Prof. Diaz, whom during thirty years all Mexico stood to one side, early Friday, hat in hand, stole from the capital. Only a few devoted friends, whom he dared to trust, followed him to the station at 2 o'clock that morning, shortly after the celebration over his resignation had quieted down.

Diaz was bound for Vera Cruz to take a ship for Spain.

Wedding Announcement.

The following clipping from Saturday's News Observer will be of interest to Mr. Vass' many friends in New Bern. Mr. Vass is a native of this city, a son of the late Rev. Lachlan C. Vass, for many years pastor of the local Presbyterian church.

Invitations have been issued to friends which read:

Mr. and Mrs. John Howard Sharp request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter Frances Steedman to Reverend Lachlan Cumming Vass on the evening of Wednesday the fourteenth of June at half after seven o'clock Nut Bush Presbyterian church, Townsville, near Mansfield, North Carolina.

Miss Frances Steedman Sharp is a cultured and attractive young woman well known in Raleigh, where she has relatives and friends. She is a graduate of Peace Institute and is the youngest daughter of Mr. John H. Sharp, former treasurer of the Seaboard Air Line. She is a native of Vance, Ga., where she is visiting her sister, Mrs. Geo. P. Hardy.

Mr. Vass is a Presbyterian minister of means. Now the assistant pastor of the Second Presbyterian church in Memphis, Tenn., the second largest of the Southern Presbyterian churches. He has preached in Raleigh and has many friends here.

First Occupant of Hall.

Raleigh, May 27.—The bust to be located in the new hall of history in the new administration building is to be one of the late Adjutant-General J. F. Atkinson, who died about a year ago. This will be provided by the North Carolina National Guard and Adjutant-General Lester feels that the bust will be ready by the time the building is completed.

Ireland Loses Population.

London, May 27.—The census returns for Ireland, show a population of 4,381,951. This is a decrease from ten years ago of 17 per cent. The decrease in the male population was 6, and in the number of females 2.8 per cent.

W. O. W. Unveiling Ceremonies Here</p