

New Bern Weekly Journal

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PLENTY LAND FOR SETTLERS

President Makes Eliminations From Forest Reserves to Advance Agriculture.

Washington, Oct. 9.—More than 3,000,000 acres of land formerly included in national forests, has been opened to entry and settlement during the past few months under proclamations of the President eliminating the land from forest reserves because it is believed to be better suited for agriculture than for any other purpose.

These lands will afford homes for many thousands of people. The tracts are widely scattered, so that the preference of almost any homeseeker can be gratified by the Government. Some of the areas are in Oklahoma and Arkansas, others in New Mexico and Nevada, Utah, Idaho, Washington, Wyoming and Colorado. There are even some in Alaska, which has been the bone of contention between conservationists and exploiters for several years. By far the largest portion of the areas reopened to entry, however, is in California.

In that State there are good lands to be had in spots all the way between lower California and the Oregon line. Much of it is said to be available for fruit culture. Other areas may be better suited for other crops. The lands can be obtained by complying with the Homestead, and other land laws, the price being low.

Applications should be made to the land office near the areas opened for entry. All necessary information can be obtained there.

See our line of Coal and Wood Heaters. J. S. Basnight Hdw. Co. 67 S. Front St., Phone 99.

Skips Out With The Coin.

Several days ago Charles Franklin, a painter from Goldsboro, arrived in New Bern and made a contract with the city to paint the stand pipe for the sum of \$60. On the following morning he arrived on the scene with three negroes and the work was begun. Last Saturday the work was completed and Franklin was paid the sum of \$60. At the time he told his assistants that he would see them at 4 o'clock in the afternoon and pay them off. When the hour arrived it was found that Franklin had boarded the Wilmington train and was off to parts unknown with all the coin that he could get his hands on and that he had left behind him an unpaid bill for lodging while in the city. The chief of police at Wilmington was telegraphed to and asked to be on the lookout for Franklin, but in some way he failed to locate him. However, the authorities here will leave no stone unturned to bring him back to this city and answer to the charge of defrauding his helpers and the proprietor of the lodging house out of the money which he owed them.

Bedroom Suits.

In cheap plain oak just received a car, they are well made and look good, price \$8.00, \$20.00, \$22.50 and \$25.00, extra dress at \$6.50, \$7.50 and \$9.00. Beds \$2.50, \$3.50, \$4.50, \$5.50 and \$6.50, for good service to the parties that don't feel like investing much in furniture. J. S. MILLER.

Seasonal Changes.

Feminine attire is as accurate an index to the season as any man-made calendar. This is daily evidenced in New Bern. "Girlhood" comes to outward whiteness again" was written of the advent of Spring, with its foreshadowing of the tropical months ahead. It has come and gone. Within the past few days the reverse process has been in operation. Instead of the demure visions of feminine beauty clad in the simple appealing white, which seemed superior to all other dress, New Bern womanhood on the streets yesterday by hundreds had donned the Smart costumes of fall and winter, and looked more chic than ever.

So far as man is concerned, when forced to express preference for Autumn, Winter, Spring or the Summer girl, his opinion is always favorable to the season which is at that time enthroned when chilly blasts are sweeping sharply down the street and mildy hoidly fares forth on a shopping tour in natty winter togs of the latest cut, with hat and gloves to match, remembrance of the summer girl's artful artlessness has fled, or it is retained, is a subject for wonder and disillusionment, so malapropos it seems. Gone is the languor which once challenged admiration. Roses, not the least of summer, but the first of Autumn, and real ones, too, bloom in neat and snug and spicy in the very air. Life is worth living in New Bern. The halcyon days of its ever changing seasons are in progress.

IN THE SHADOW OF THE CHAIR

Casey Murder Trial Drawing to a Close. Yesterday's Proceedings.

Witness after witness was placed on the stand yesterday by the defense in the case of the State vs. Burrill and Leona Casey, now being tried for their lives in Craven county Superior Court for the alleged poisoning of Mr. Joseph Whitty, in an effort to tear down the damaging evidence piled up against them by the State during the first part of the trial. Whether they succeeded in impressing the jury with their arguments is a matter of speculation and remains to be seen, but without any doubt, much of the evidence, if it is to be believed, at least frees Burrill Casey from any complicity in the poisoning of Mr. Joseph Whitty. This sensational trial is now nearing a close and it is more than probable that the defendants Burrill and Leona Casey, will know by tomorrow night whether they are to be turned loose from the custody of the sheriff or are to be sent on to the State penitentiary, to be confined in the death cell until they shall be carried out some bright morning within the next few weeks and take their seats in the death dealing chair, and have the life which God endowed them with taken away and returned to its Maker.

It can easily be discerned that the suspense which they have been in, especially during the past few days, is leaving its trace upon the two Caseys. During the first day or two of the trial, their cheerfulness was very noticeable and caused considerable comment from those who saw them. Now, however, they sit in their seats with listless air and seem to pay but little attention to the proceedings. Occasionally when their attorneys question them they seem to awake from the lethargy in which they seem to be and for a few minutes pay attention to whatever is transpiring at that time.

Mr. S. C. Coward, father of Leona Casey, was the first witness placed on the stand yesterday morning. The gist of his testimony was in regard to the habits of the deceased, Mr. Joseph Whitty, stating that he had often taken different kinds of medicine and that he had seen him frequently take little white tablets.

E. B. Hartley, was then placed on the stand and stated that the character of the Coward family was good and that they were well thought of in the section in which they lived.

Abner Kilpatrick, colored, said that he was living on Mr. Whitty's premises at the time of his death. Told of a visit Mr. Whitty made to Kinston. Saw him on Sunday morning before he died, said he was in a bad condition; was in the yard when he died. Had a talk with Mr. Whitty and he told him that he was dying and wanted him to continue with the crop. Upon cross examination, said Mr. Whitty died in great agony.

Mr. J. M. Eiden, who lived near the Whitty home, stated that on the night previous to the death of Mr. Whitty, Burrill Casey stayed at his home. Told of Mr. Whitty's illness. Went over to the Whitty home on the morning the deceased died, said Mr. Whitty was suffering very much. Had never seen any Paris green around the house. The cross examination of this witness was rigid and brought out the fact that he had been run out of that neighborhood for endeavoring to marry a white girl to a negro man whom he had staying at his home.

J. C. Casey was placed on the stand and stated that prior to Burrill's marriage he stayed at his home, had never heard him speak of being in any trouble.

John Green Smith said he knew J. C. Casey and that his character was good.

Blackwith Harper, also stated that Mr. Mr. J. C. Casey's character was good.

J. I. Vance, said he lived near Kinston, knew Mr. Casey and that his general character was good.

C. A. Potter said he knew J. C. Casey and that his general character was good.

Dr. Joseph Patterson, of this city, said he was 27 years of age and had been practicing medicine since 1905. Had treated poisoning cases. Had studied arsenical poison. Stated that in his estimation, nothing less than a dose of 30 grains would be certain to cause death.

At this juncture the court took a recess until 2:30 o'clock and upon re-opening the defense continued its examination of the witnesses.

TOBACCO MEN MUCH STIRRED

Every Branch of The Industry Taking Part In The Trust Reorganization Fight.

New York, Oct. 10.—Every branch of the tobacco industry will be represented in the opposition which the American Tobacco Company must face this week in striving to gain the approval of the United States Circuit Court for its plan of reorganization. After several days the tobacco trusts attorneys expect to submit a plan to the court and the position of the independents will not be fully revealed until they find just what they must face.

The cigarette manufacturers are the latest recruits to the opposition which the independents say include also the cigar manufacturers, leaf dealers, cigar box manufacturers and the organizations of the union and non-union cigarmakers. Until the reorganization matter came definitely before the court the independents seemed uncertain of their position. They did not know just how much voice the circuit court judges would allow them in settling the question.

"We realize that it will not be enough merely to attack the plan proposed," said John W. Surbrug, leader of the independent cigarette men. "We must be able to suggest something that is workable in its place. Whatever is done now I understand, it will be under the protection of the court so that if a mistake is made we shall have legalized monopoly with no chance of relief."

Paint your house with B. P. S machinery mixed paint. J. S. Basnight Hdw. Co., Phone 99 for color cards.

Senator Simmons Honored at Shelby.

Shelby, Oct. 9.—Senator F. M. Simmons was the guest in Shelby today coming over from Kings Mountain with Congressman E. Y. Webb and Mrs. Webb in an automobile. Senator Simmons was at one of the local hotels and many friends gathered there during the evening and gave him the glad hand. A great crowd from Shelby and surrounding country attended the celebration at Kings Mountain today. Shelby furnished a company of militia which fought a sham battle with the Gastonia troops. The Shelby band under Manager W. P. Lister, dispensed music.

No Phone to Beaufort.

The telephone company is playing a new cable between Morehead City and Beaufort, so there will be no phone service from here to Beaufort for about two weeks.

A Good Heater.

You can get the Wilson & Coles wood heater nearly as cheap as inferior makes, just consider the amount of fuel you will save and the life of the heater. J. S. MILLER.

Mr. R. C. White of Greenville Passes.

News received in this city yesterday stated that Mr. R. C. White, of Greenville, N. C., died at a sanatorium in Kinston Saturday night and his remains were laid to rest yesterday afternoon at Greenville.

Mr. White is survived by his wife, formerly Miss Clara Pugh, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Pugh of this city, and one child.

Agricultural and Stock Exhibit Association Organized.

The Craven County Agricultural and Stock Exhibit Association has been organized and the following officers elected:

L. H. Cutler, Jr., President; B. B. Hurst, First Vice President; J. W. Stewart, Treasurer; D. P. Whitford, Second Vice President and J. L. Williams Secretary.

Messrs B. B. Hurst, Clyde Eby, M. D. Lane, Claude Foy, W. H. Bray and C. L. Ives were appointed members of the Executive Committee.

PILES! PILES! PILES!

Williams' Indian Pile Ointment will cure Blind, Bleeding and Itching Piles. It absorbs the tumors, always itching at once, acts as a poultice, gives instant relief. Williams' Indian Pile Ointment is prepared for Piles and itching of the private parts. Sole by druggists, mail \$0c and \$1.00. Williams' M'fg. Co., Prop., Cleveland, O.

eral of their witnesses this morning and if such is the case the arguments will doubtless not begin until the afternoon session. Just how long the arguments will last is a matter of conjecture but it is a foregone conclusion that the case will not be given to the jury before tomorrow morning.

MURDER TRIAL IS PROGRESSING

The State Rests Its Case And the Defense Puts on Number Of Witnesses.

Slowly but sure the trial of Burrill and Leona Casey is progressing and nearing the end of what will be one of the most sensational murder trials ever held within the borders of Craven county. Both the attorneys for the prosecution and the attorney for the defense are handling the case in a masterful manner, one side making every effort to prove that the defendants caused the death of Mr. Joseph Whitty by administering poison to him while the other side is endeavoring just as earnestly to show that the deceased died from natural causes and that Burrill Casey and his wife had nothing to do with his demise.

At the opening of yesterday's session Dr. Raymond Pollock was recalled to the witness stand and told of the effects of arsenic upon the human system. Said that if a very large dose was taken it would hardly have a fatal effect. If it if a person was to die from arsenical poison, traces of the drug would not necessarily be found in the body several weeks after death.

Dr. Primrose stated that he had been a practicing physician since 1889. Said that arsenic was poisonous metal. He then explained the effects of different quantities of arsenic upon the human body. Said that two and one half grains of arsenic would cause death. For more than an hour question after question in regards to the effect of arsenic was answered by the witness.

Dr. Gibbs was recalled and he described the action and effects of arsenic taken into the human system. He too was kept on the stand for considerable time and practically went over his testimony of the previous day.

Three other witnesses who lived near the Caseys were next placed on the stand. Their testimony was mainly in regards to the incidents occurring previous to Mr. Whitty's death. At this juncture the State rested its case.

Several witnesses were then placed on the stand by the defense. These testified that Casey was engaged in road work on the day previous to Mr. Whitty's death.

At 1 o'clock court took a recess until 2:30 o'clock.

Upon re-opening Mr. Chas. Potter was the first witness placed on the stand after the noon recess. Said he was a justice of the Peace in Lenoir county, that he married Burrill Casey and Leona Casey on June 30th, 1910.

Mr. C. C. Griffin, of Lenoir county, stated that he knew Mollie Rodgers and that her general reputation was bad. Had seen a letter written by Mr. Whitty's wife to Burrill Casey and had seen them together one or two times.

Upon cross examination Mr. Griffin was asked by the attorneys for the State what the letter he had seen contained—attorneys for the defendants objected—Judge ordered jury to leave the room and the contents of the letter were divulged. Mr. Griffin stated that Leona Whitty said she loved Burrill Casey and wished that Mr. Joseph Whitty was in it.—Judge Carter contended that if this evidence was allowed to go to jury it would tend to incriminate Leona Casey more than it would Burrill Casey and that if such was insisted upon he would be compelled to grant a severance of the case and that the present case would be terminated in a mis-trial. Upon this condition the State withdrew their plea for the contents of the letter to be divulged.

Miss Bessie Hill, said she lived at Lane's Chapel, this county, near the home of Mr. Joseph Whitty. Burrill Casey was at her home on the evening of Mr. Whitty's death, was not at the Whitty home.

A number of other witnesses were then placed on the stand who testified that Burrill Casey was not at the Whitty home on the day previous to Mr. Whitty's death.

Several witnesses were then placed on the stand and gave testimony which tended to show that Mr. Whitty frequently suffered attacks of back ache and that he took quantities of patent medicines which he had on sale in his store, and also that he was frequently seen walking barefooted in a field strewn with Paris green. This evidence, however, seemed to have but little or no effect upon the jury.

At 6 o'clock court took a recess until this morning at 9:30 o'clock.

From present indications and unless some unexpected delay occurs, the case will doubtless be concluded by Friday afternoon and then will begin the arguments. These will consume several hours and at the conclusion the Judge will make his charge to the jury. This will doubtless consume at least two hours, and then the jury will have the case. As to how long they will take in reaching a conclusion is a matter of speculation but the general opinion is that they will render a verdict within four hours.

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Nothing is better to heat quick with, than an Oil Stove. I have the Barlow which is considered the best, price from \$3.50 to \$7.00. J. S. MILLER.

FAMOUS McNAMARA'S TRIAL

History of This Notable Labor Fight to be Engaged In.

Los Angeles, Cal., Oct. 10.—The first scene in the McNamara trial, which is attracting world-wide attention, is being enacted here where 125 prospective jurors are summoned before Judge Walter Bondwell for preliminary examination as to their qualifications to sit in judgment on the men charged with dynamiting the Los Angeles Times building, Oct. 1, 1910.

The Times building, at First and Broadway, Los Angeles, was destroyed early in the morning of Oct. 1, 1910. Gen. Harrison Grey Otis, owner and publisher of the Times, was in Mexico when the explosion occurred and his home killed. Twenty-one persons were killed in the disaster.

A special grand jury to investigate the affair was assembled October 25th, 1910. It returned a verdict that the Times was destroyed by dynamite. Gen. Otis, through the columns of the Times, charged union labor with being responsible. Union labor leaders denied the charge and offered a reward of \$5,000 for evidence leading to the arrest and conviction of the guilty parties. Twenty-three indictments were returned by the grand jury on January 5th, 1911. Earl Rogers, a Los Angeles attorney, employed by the Merchants and Manufacturers' Association, presented the evidence. The indictments were secretly filed and bench warrants issued. On April 12, 1911, James B. McNamara and Orrie R. McManigal were arrested in Detroit, Mich., by operatives of Wm. J. Burns' National Detective Agency.

On April 23, 1911, John J. McNamara, international secretary of the Bridge and Structural Ironworkers' Union, was arrested in the office of the union in Indianapolis.

After a hasty arraignment—according to union men, before an incompetent judge—John McNamara was taken to Los Angeles by California deputy sheriffs and Burns' Detective Agency operatives. James B. McNamara and Orrie McManigal were also brought West at the same time, but by different routes. All three were lodged in the city jail in Los Angeles. On July 11, 1911, the two McNamaras and McManigal were given their preliminary examination. McManigal was charged with dynamiting the Littlefield Iron Works, in Los Angeles, on December 25, 1910. The two McNamaras were charged with responsibility for the Times explosion and were held for trial on a charge of murder without bail.

NOTICE.

The Christian church at Kitt Swamp, Number Two township, will hold its quarterly meeting Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 14th and 15th. A cordial welcome is extended to all and the members are especially urged to attend as there will be business of importance to consider. J. B. SWANN

Blades-Duffy.

One of the most brilliant marriage events of the season took place at Christ Episcopal church on Wednesday morning at 8:30, when Miss Emma Duffy, the charming daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Duffy, became the bride of Mr. James Vernon Blades, both of the contracting parties being of this city. The church was attractively decorated in honor of the occasion, and as the bridal party formed at the altar amidst the strains of Lohengrin's wedding march, Rev. B. F. Huske performed the ceremony that made them man and wife. The occasion was one that will long be remembered in the memory of those who were present.

The bride was attired in an attractive blue traveling suit, and carried a shower bouquet of white roses and lilies of the valley. She was accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Charles Buford, who was dame of honor. Mrs. Buford wore a costume of white serge and a large black picture hat and carried a large bouquet of pink roses.

Messrs Albert Patterson, Mark Stevenson, W. W. Griffin and Dr. N. M. Gibbs were the church ushers.

After the ceremony the bride and groom and also the bridal party were driven to the passenger station where they boarded a private car en route to Norfolk, from there Mr. and Mrs. Blades will leave for New York and Europe, where they will take their bridal trip.

The many beautiful presents received by the bride attested her popularity and the love in which she is held by her friends.

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SOUTHERN RAILROAD'S GREAT YEAR

Improvements Made. Two Dividends Paid. Industrial Growth Promoted In Its Territory.

The 17th, annual report of the Southern Railway Company for fiscal year ending June 30th, 1911, is a narrative of figures showing facts that are full of interest proving both the growth and prosperous condition of this great railway system, but also that the sections through which the road passes have shared in development and growth.

The report shows that the business of the company is expanding. In the same statement it is shown that the company operates 7,041.95 miles of road and that the gross operating revenue for the year ending June 30, 1911, were \$93,845,062.64 as against \$7,294,508.34 for the previous twelve months, an increase in revenues of \$3,050,554.30; the total operating expenses increasing from \$38,635,745.94 to \$40,928,790.68.

With deductions and the interest on mortgage, bonded and secured debt, amounting to \$11,124,856.76, as against \$11,362,478.37, the balance of income over charges for the year ending June 30, 1911, was \$6,670,003.49, as against \$5,757,018.61, an increase in income of \$912,984.88.

The report states that in April, 1911, a one per cent dividend, the twenty-first, was paid, this amounting to \$600,000 and that a one per cent dividend was reserved for October, this amounting to \$600,000, or a total of \$1,200,000 in the period as against nothing paid the previous year.

The dividends paid this year are the first since the conditions arose which culminated in the financial panic of 1907 and the subsequent business depression which brought their suspension, is stated by a resident Finley who goes on to say that the financial condition of the company has "so improved as to make such action entirely consistent with a sound and conservative policy," that this was due the expectation of the holders of preferred stock, and that with a continuance of favorable conditions the rate of dividend can be increased until the full dividend can be properly paid.

The industrial development contiguous to the Southern include the completion of 379 industrial plants and additions to 141 existing plants. At the close of the year there were 62 plants under construction. The plants completed during the year included 34 textile mills, 71 lumber mills, 11 furniture factories, 20 other woodworking plants, 21 iron industries, 12 cotton-seed oil mills, 13 fertilizer works, 29 flour and feed mills, 29 stone quarries, coal and other mines, 19 brick works and 118 miscellaneous plants.

President Finley and his board of directors are to be congratulated on the splendid exhibit for the year, of which the fore going is but a brief synopsis.

The Gate City Peace Monument was unveiled at Atlanta, Ga.

Twenty-one persons were hurt when the engine of a Shaboard Air Line train left the rails near Cordele, Ga.

The first vessels for Cuba's navy were launched at Philadelphia.

Mrs. Ida von Claussen's sanity will be required into at Bellevue Hospital, New York.

HIGH PAGE TAKES APPEAL

To the Supreme Court. Appeal Bond Fixed at \$35 and the Appearance Bond Fixed at \$2,500.

Through his attorneys, Messrs Moore & Dunn, Hugh Napoleon Pace the Wake county man who was sentenced to a term of five years in the State prison in this city last Saturday for seducing Miss Irietta Daugherty under promise of marriage, has taken an appeal to the Supreme court. The appeal bond was fixed at \$35 and the appearance bond at \$2,500. Up to the present time Pace has not been able to get this bond.

There is not the least doubt in the minds of all who are familiar with the case, but that the Supreme court will affirm the decision of the lower court and that Pace will yet have to serve his sentence, which he justly deserves to do. Although his father has made strenuous efforts to secure the amount of money necessary to give this bond, he had failed to do so late yesterday afternoon, Judge Carter instructed the clerk of the court to be very careful in accepting a bond in the case, and it was secured to be absolutely sure that it was bona fide in every respect.

State Cotton Conference Called.

To persons interested in the sale of cotton:

At the request of Dr. H. Q. Alexander, President of the N. C. Farmers' Union, I unite with him in a call for a conference as to the best mode of selling the present crop so as to procure and maintain a price that will be remunerative to the producer.

All persons interested in the matter are requested to meet at Raleigh on Wednesday, the 13th inst. the time and place of meeting to be published in the city papers on the day of the assembly and the evening before.

W. A. GRAHAM, Comptroller of Agriculture, P. O. ALEXANDER, Pres. N. C. Farmers' Union, Raleigh, N. C. Oct. 7th, 1911.

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CASEY TRIAL ALMOST ENDED

Arguments Made Yesterday And Jury Will be Given The Case Today. What Will The Verdict Be?

Practically the entire session of court yesterday was consumed by the attorneys in the Casey murder case making their arguments. Mr. D. L. Ward led off for the prosecution with a strong appeal for the jury to convict the prisoners, Burrill and Leona Casey.

He was followed by Mr. Carl L. Daniels for the defense. This was Mr. Daniels' first argument before a jury, and he made a creditable speech and was highly complimented.

In the afternoon session Mr. W. D. McIver began his argument. There was an adjournment at 6:30 p. m. until this morning. Mr. McIver asking leave for this interruption in order to look up some authorities. He will resume this morning and the closing argument will be by the Solicitor. The Judges charge to the jury will follow and this should be some time this p. m.

At the opening of the session yesterday the State said that in view of the fact that a woman had never been convicted of a capital crime and put to death in this State, as far as they knew, that they would only ask for a verdict of murder in the second degree. This will mean that if the prisoners are found guilty that they will only get a long term in the State prison.

NOTICE.

The public school committee of No. 2 township Craven county will meet at Bridge-ton Oct. 14th, 1911 for the purpose of electing teachers for said township. Teachers desiring positions will be present in person or have written applications in hands of Secretary W. R. Arthur, Askin, N. C. by 14th Oct.

W. R. ARTHUR, Secretary.

One of The Finest Bands In The World.

There is no show complete without music and there is no show that dare look for approval that has the audacity to furnish inferior music. Discard may masquerade for music but the mask is soon pulled off and then instead of approval comes condemnation. With the John Robinson 10 Big Shows combined which will be here Tuesday Oct. 17th, there are several bands of music and all of them good bands and of a standing far ahead of the usual show band. The large band that is the concert band there are forty solo musicians in it under the most competent leadership of that eminent composer a director, Professor Chas. Gorch. During the past winter this famous band was heard in concert in all the principal cities of this country and Canada. The program furnished by this sterling musical organization is varied and excellent. Classic and popular music are pleasingly interspersed and the descriptive instrumentalities are as new as they are novel. In order that the accomplishments of this body of musicians may be enjoyed the management has arranged for a grand concert of an hour's duration immediately preceding the performances of the afternoon and evening.

New Bern, Take Notice.

Mr. Editor—Please stop my ad at once. Since my last ad was placed in your paper my business has increased so I cannot hardly wait on my customers. Please stop until further notice. One fine mule for sale.—"Big Hill," the Shingle and Paper Roofing Man.

Three men were killed when a building collapsed in Boston.

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