

# New Bern Weekly Journal.

No. 100 NEW BERN, CRAVEN COUNTY, N. C., TUESDAY MARCH 19, 1912--FIRST SECTION 34th. YEAR

## WILMINGTON GETS THE NEXT ANNUAL CONVENTION

Also Wins Ring For Largest Mileage and Silver Cup For Making the Best Appearance and Largest Attendance In Parade. This Parade One of the Events of the Day.

Session Closes, Boat Trip Down Neuse River This Morning. Business Session Held Last Night. Number New Members Initiated. One of Most Successful Conventions Ever Held.

Bright and early yesterday morning every one of the visiting Elks who are here this week attending the annual convention of that order, were out on the streets and ready for the business session which began at 10 o'clock and convened at noon.

At 3 o'clock in the afternoon the big parade was held. The local Lodge and all of the visiting Lodges participated. The Wilmington Lodge took the prize, the judges claiming that that Lodge had largest attendance and made the best appearance. Wilmington also took the La-donne Elk ring offered as a prize to the Lodge having the largest membership mileage, in addition to this Wilmington was selected as the place of the next annual convention of the State Association.

The judges in the awarding of the prizes were Schumann, of Charlotte, Dewey, of Goldsboro, and Thurman, of Rocky Mount.

The Association's morning session elected the following officers for next year:

President, Wm. Dunn, Jr., New Bern, 1st V. Pres. P. A. Gorrell, Winston, 2nd V. Pres. J. P. T. Yler, Washington, Secy. and Treas. T. P. Kehoe, New Bern, Executive Committee, J. F. Leitner, Wilmington, J. P. Ferrall, Raleigh, F. L. Black, Charlotte, The President and Secretary being elected members.

Last night another business session in which several candidates were initiated, was held. This was followed by a social session.

This morning at 9 o'clock sharp the visitors and member of the local Lodge will leave on board the revenue cutter "Pamlico" for Winthrop, where an oyster roast will be held.

## NOTICE TO BRIDGETON TAXPAYERS.

Delinquent taxpayers of Bridgeton are hereby notified that unless their taxes are paid in full by April 1st, I will proceed to collect same by distraint.

T. W. MOORE, Tax Collector.

**Dr'd.**  
Yesterday morning at 8 o'clock at his home in Bridgeton, Mr. Joseph J. Ballard, in the 62nd year of his life. The funeral will be conducted from the residence Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock by Elder D. L. Wood and brother G. F. Stoker. The deceased is survived by his wife, three daughters and three sons.

## Bookworm Commission in North Carolina.

The Rockefeller Sanitary Commission has just issued its second annual report. This report shows that in the fight against bookworm disease in nine states for the year 1911, the Commission has expended \$148,407.14 (of this amount \$15,521.06 came to North Carolina). The States themselves have expended \$50,388.75. (North Carolina \$9,300.00). There have been treated during the year in the various States 140,678 persons. (N. C. being credited with 45,891 of them). This means that for every \$1.06 (in N. C. 46 cents) or for every \$1.27 (in N. C. 60 cents) expended by the Commission and the States, a human being has been benefited in health and helped to a higher and better scale of living.

The organizations have by preliminary survey demonstrated the presence of the infection in 710 of the 324 counties in ten States. (in N. C. infections in 99 of the 100 counties); have completed the definite infection survey in 47 counties in nine States, (21 of these are in N. C.), and for this survey have examined microscopically 37,287 (in N. C. 11,267) rural children from 6 to 15 years of age, have completed the definite sanitary survey in 125 counties (of these 44 are in N. C.) and have in treated 43,447 rural homes (13,182 of these being in N. C.).

Universal Food Choppers, CHOP, they don't mash. J. S. Bassnight Hdw Co.

## School News of The Week.

On Monday, Arbor Day was celebrated, all the grades taking part. At the recess hour ten trees were set out on the green; one by each grade in school. Immediately after recess all of the grades from the 2B up assembled in the auditorium and appropriate exercises were held. A number of songs were sung and Master Thomas Moore had a recitation on "Who Plants Trees," followed by Mr. R. A. Nunn is his most excellent address on "Trees." The exercises were enjoyed by all, especially the address of Mr. Nunn's which was very interesting and unique. Mrs. Rosa J. Hancock has been secured to teach the D. S. work for the remainder of the term and began her work on Monday of this week. Mrs. Hancock is taking the place of Mrs. Ferguson, who had charge of this work and who resigned some weeks ago. In the Central Building, the grade having the best order and marching at recess, is written upon the board immediately after recess. In the past ten days, the 4A grade have had their names on the board three times. On Friday morning the 2B grade had a "Spelling Bee" of over 400 words; at the end of which William Ireland and Lorna Jennette were standing. They were each given a little brown rabbit as a reward for their excellent work. The pupils in the 7B grade are taking much interest in collecting specimens for their work in Nature Study. They are planning to exchange specimens with a school in Aztec, New Mexico, which has written here in regard to the matter and offered to exchange specimens. The attendance of the 4B grade has been very good this week, only two boys have been absent. The editors and managers of the Athenian gave a candy stew at Griffin Hall Friday afternoon for the benefit of the magazine. The material for the next school magazine was sent to the printer Friday. This issue is entirely the work of the High School students unaided by any teacher, not a suggestion of any kind came from the principals themselves. Everybody is interested to see this issue.

Senator Dixon stated that contests at the Chicago convention would be made against all of Taft's Southern delegates.

## Rural Carrier Examination.

At New Bern, N. C., for Craven County, Saturday March 30th, 1912. The United States Civil Service Commission announces an examination on the date and at the places named above as a result of which it is expected to make certification to fill a vacancy in the position of rural carrier at Riverdale, Vanceboro and other vacancies as they may occur on rural routes at post offices in the above named county, unless it shall be decided in the interests of the service to fill the vacancy by reinstatement, transfer, or promotion. The usual entrance salary for rural carriers is from \$600 to \$1,000 per annum. Age limit, 18 to 55, on the date of the examination. The maximum age limit is waived in cases of persons honorably discharged from the United States military or naval service. An applicant must have his actual domicile in the territory supplied by a post office in the county for which the examination is announced. The examination is open to all male citizens of the United States who can comply with the requirements. Application form 1341, and full information concerning the requirements of the examination, can be secured from the secretary of the local examining board or the postmaster of any of the places named above, or from the U. S. Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C.

Applications should be properly executed and filed with the Commission at Washington. An examination papers are shipped direct from the Commission to the place of examination, it is necessary that applications be received in ample time to arrange for the examination desired at the place indicated by the applicant. The commission will therefore arrange to examine any applicant whose application is received in time to permit the shipment of the necessary papers.

An eligible register for the position of rural letter carrier for each county will be maintained. A person must be examined in the county in which the post office that supplies his home is situated. As a result of such examination he may become eligible to appointment as rural carrier at any post office in such county. A rural letter carrier, after one year of satisfactory service may be transferred to the position of clerk or carrier in a first or second class post office, to the position of railway mail clerk, or to other positions in the class of service, subject to such examination as may be required by the civil service rules.

JOHN C. BLACK, President.

## AFFAIRS AT THE STATE CAPITAL

Fendist Ed Cox Pardoned. Minnesota Tax Commissioner Examining N. C. System.

Raleigh, N. C., March 15.—Ed Cox, one of the victims of the "noted" "Clan Cox and Clan Hooks" feud in Mecklenburg Co., has received a pardon from Governor Kitchin from a five years sentence for manslaughter in which he had served since August, 1910. The killing was in a general fight between members of the Cox and Hooks families and was after the prisoner had been cut nine times and with one of the cuts indicative of fatal results and after another brother of the deceased had cut him in the back. The governor finds that the evidence shows the prisoner did not draw his revolver at all until after all this had transpired. Furthermore, one side of the prisoner's face is still paralyzed from one of the cuts he received.

The pardon is recommended by all the jury who indicates that but for the evidence of one witness the prisoner would have been acquitted and that since the conviction the testimony of this witness has been discredited. Furthermore there are many affidavits from reputable men in the hands of the governor to the effect and while there are protests filed, numbers of these have been withdrawn after the parties have learned the facts submitted to the Governor. The pardon is conditioned on good behavior.

The methods of tax assessment and equalization in force in North Carolina are being inspected in the office of the Corporation Commission by Commissioner Lord of the Minnesota State Tax Commission with a view to planning the best of the features for application in his State. Mr. Lord is looking into the taxing systems of many of the states before final making his recommendations as to changes in the Minnesota system.

A number of painters and decorators, members of the Raleigh union, are out in a public protest against the recent action of the union in ordering the dismissal of Chief Justice Waite Clark for the United States Senate on the ground that such action is a violation of the tenets of unionism in entering partisan politics and because the action was taken when there was a very small representation of the membership present.

Justices Brown and Allen dissent from the majority of the Supreme Court in Peonokoke Guano Company, of Norfolk vs City of New Bern in which the majority of the court held that the guano company is liable to the \$50.00 franchise tax for maintaining a warehouse for their fertilizers in New Bern. The warehouse is used purely for storing the company's goods for shipment into the interior of the State and the dissent is on the ground that this tax should not apply since it does not benefit in New Bern as a warehouse or otherwise.

W. H. Aiken of the Fuquay Springs section, of Wake county, made the record tobacco crop the past season, having averaged upwards of \$5 per hundred for his crop. He had one tenant, who, with two mules, made a tobacco crop on which the net rental to Mr. Aiken was over \$2,000.

## REAL ESTATE FOR SALE.

A good residence No. 7 Graves St. near the corner of Union. Easy terms will be given if wanted. Also one building lot on George St., near Pollock. C. T. HANCOCK.

## POLICEMAN ROWE NABS "TIGER"

James L. Hall, White, in the Tolls Charged With Dispensing the Ardent. Placed Under Bond.

Caught in the act of selling a quart of whiskey to one of his friends, James L. Hall, white, and who lives on Queen street, was yesterday morning arrested by policeman Fred P. Rowe. He was given a hearing before Mayor McCarthy yesterday afternoon and upon pleading guilty to the charge was bound over to the next term of Superior Court under a bond of \$250.

Hall stated to the Mayor that he was only acting as the agent of the purchaser but this does not excuse him. The man who bought the whiskey claimed that Hall brought him the quart of whiskey and he gave him \$1.50 in exchange for it. If this is true, then Hall is not acting as the agent of the purchaser, but was selling it direct. However, if he had been acting as a messenger, under the laws of this State he would have been just as guilty as the man engaged in the sale of the liquor.

## DESPERADORES SHOOT UP COURT

Wholesale Tragedy Enacted In Carroll County, Va., Court House, When Mountaineers Kill Judge.

Hillsville, Va., March 15.—In a flame of unprovoked outburst the entire human fabric of Carroll County Circuit Court, in session here yesterday, was wiped out by assassination. Just as Judge Thornton Masie had sentenced Floyd Allen to one year in prison, for aiding in the escape of a county prisoner, two of Allen's brothers and several of their friends opened fire with revolvers. The Judge fell dead in his place on the bench at the first volley. Then the wretches were turned on Commonwealth Attorney Wm. Foster and he sank to the floor with several bullets in his brain, death being instantaneous. Sheriff Lewis Webb, while making a frantic effort to reach the ringleaders, was shot dead before he had taken ten steps. Several jurors, who tried the case, were seriously wounded. J. H. Blankenship probably fatally so.

The Alens, including the prisoner, and their friends, after killing the sheriff, backed slowly out of the court room, holding all would-be pursuers in check at the point of revolvers, and dashed for the mountains on horseback. A citizen's posse was soon in pursuit. Reports reached here that one of the Alens was seriously wounded in a pitched battle with the posse.

The trial had been in progress for several days and Floyd Allen had been found guilty and called for sentence to day. This a very little court room was crowded. Sidney and Jack Alen were among the first arrivals and took their places near the rail making the entrance for the prisoner and counsel. Standing near by were a number of their associates from the mountains. Judge Masie went about sentencing the prisoner, but the words "one year at hard labor" scarcely passed his lips when there came the crack of a revolver. A volley of shots followed. The Judge, who had partly risen at the first shot, lay dead and bleeding on the bench. Commonwealth Attorney Foster, sitting directly in front of the bench, next succumbed to the outlaws' shots.

The brothers and their friends were well armed. It seemed to the spectators, who escaped from the bloody courtroom, that fully one hundred shots were fired. In the first fusillade several jurors were wounded, Blankenship, probably fatally. Sheriff Webb, whipping out his own weapon, made a start for the prisoner, who had joined in the shooting with an oath that he would never go to jail, but the officer was stopped by a perfect hail of lead and crumpled into a lifeless heap on the floor. By this time the shooting became general. There was a wild rush of unarmed men for windows and doors. Dexter Gault, court clerk, received a bullet wound in the neck and is desperately hurt. His death will mean the wiping out of the last vestige of the court's office.

## TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine Tablets. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVE'S signature is on each box. 25c.

## REVENUE OFFICERS DESTROY STILL

Was Located About Sixteen Miles From This City. The Operators Left For Parts Unknown Before the Officers Arrived.

Deputy Collector J. E. Cameron and Deputy Sheriff Samuel Lilly and D. E. Lilly returned to New Bern yesterday morning from Swift Creek where on the previous day they located and destroyed a still. The revenue men have thought for some time that there was illicit distilling being done in that section, but so clever were the operators in concealing their plant, it was almost impossible for the officers to secure enough information to warrant their making the raid.

Thursday morning, however, they decided to make a hunt for the still. This resulted in the still being located and cut up. The operators had in some way received warning that the officers were approaching and had left for parts unknown. New York police had a hand-to-hand encounter with highwaymen.

## THE WEEKLY COTTON REVIEW

Prices Decline Under Pressure, Heavy Selling. Failure to Settle English Strike.

New York, March 16.—Prices of cotton have latterly declined somewhat under the pressure of heavy selling for long account by Waldorf-Astoria operators, Memphis people and to some extent by the spot interests, to say nothing of scattered liquidations through various commission houses. This was due largely to disappointment over the failure to settle the English coal strike in the early part of the week. In such circumstances the Liverpool market was nervous; trading there was restricted and prices irregular. Meanwhile the movement of the crop continued large. There is an undercurrent of skepticism as to the likelihood of any very serious reduction in acreage this year with the price around \$50 a bale. Some look forward to a large surplus stock at the end of the season. There is a large party, including very influential interests who very seriously doubt the possibility of another 16,000,000 crop being raised for years to come. Bulls insist that there will be some reductions in acreage and in the use of fertilizers, if the crop gets a late start, which they believe is more than probable. Mean time, the exports are very large and some estimates put them at from 10,000,000 bales to 10,500,000 for the season against less than 8,000,000 last season. Domestic consumption, according to the bulls, is likely to reach 5,000,000 bales, which would overtop anything seen in the past. The National Ginners' Association is said to have put the ginners for the season at 16,100,000 bales, including linters. Cotton speculators, however, have come to a pause waiting the settlement of the English coal strike or some other new stimulus.

## NOTICE.

I have a nice Soda Fountain for sale I will give anyone a bargain if you want one. It is a beauty. E. E. DAUGHERTY, Dover, N. C.

## Left Handed Taot.

A poor attempt at tact is worse than none at all. In a banking house the other day somebody just back from several years on the other side of the Atlantic tried to throw a compliment at an old fellow, saying to him, "Why, you don't look a day older than ten years ago; indeed, you don't look sixty-five." The old fellow was mad enough to blow up, for he is only sixty-four and a half, and he believes he doesn't look more than fifty. — New York Press.

## NOTICE.

To the public—I am now ready to fill your orders for Cabinet Mante's at reduced rates, prices from \$1.50 up, also Writing Desks, Church Pews ends cut. Prices on demand. Tool Chests, Road or Speed Carts, Old Furniture made over and painted, Clocks rebuilt and varnished, Sewing Machines overhauled and retouched, Picture Frames made to fit your picture, Couches fixed up same as new, Organs renewed, Bicycles repaired and painted, Old Heaters made new, Guns stocked, in fact a general repair business for all. I wish to state the fact that I am situated so that I can make cut rates. I am very respectfully your general repair man. J. C. PUGH, Bridgeton, N. C.

## ELKS CONVENTION CLOSES

Boat Trip Down Neuse River and Oyster Roast Yesterday. Visitors Return to Their Homes.

The annual State Convention of the North Carolina Association of Elks which convened in this city last Wednesday, came to a close yesterday and the visitors returned last evening to their homes in the different parts of the State.

A boat trip down Neuse river as far as Winthrop Mill had been planned for yesterday, but owing to the fact that the wind was blowing such a gale and bad weather threatening at every minute, the party only went a few miles down the river. An oyster roast was held and every one of the party enjoyed the occasion immensely. The visitors were profuse in their praise of the hospitality of the New Bern Lodge and the citizens in general and expressed the desire of returning here as individuals at an early date. It is to be hoped that they will be able to do this for they made many friends during their short visit.

## SIMMONS CLUB FORMED IN THIS CITY YESTERDAY

Enthusiastic Meeting at Court House Yesterday Afternoon. Campaign Formerly Opened. Twelve Hundred and Ninety-Five Voters Signed the Petition Calling for the Meeting.

Resolutions Adopted in Which the Members of the Club Extend Congratulations of Thousands of Voters in This State Who Favor the Retention of Hon. F. M. Simmons in the United States Senate. Senator Simmons Will be Asked to Address the Club at an Early Date.

The campaign for the selection of Senator F. M. Simmons' successor by the Democratic voters of the State was formerly opened in Craven county yesterday by the assembling of a large number of voters of the various precincts in the county at the court house in this city. Ex-Senator Thomas D. Warren was called to preside as temporary chairman of the meeting and Mr. Wm Dunn Jr., was chosen as temporary Secretary. Messrs A D Ward, J C Thomas, Jr., and Furney Powell were appointed a committee to examine the lists and report the number of voters who had signed the call for the meeting to organize a Craven County Simmons Club. The committee retired and soon after came in with the report that after going over the lists and counting the names they found that 1,295 Democratic voters out of a total of 1,527 cast at the last gubernatorial election had signed the call and thereby signified their desire to become members of the Club. The following named gentlemen were appointed on a committee on permanent organization: J M Morris, Vanceboro; Robert Stallings, Bridgeton; D W Richardson, Dover; R Aman, Cove City; L S Harper, Fort Barnwell; T E Haywood, Lee's Farm; J C Thomas, Thurman; E M Green, 1st ward; Dr. N M Gibbs, 2nd ward; W J McSorley, 3rd ward; Frank Shriner, 4th ward; H M Groves, Bern precinct; W H Bray, Tiedales; J L Humphrey, Bellai; M M Shute, Gum Row; E Z R Davis, Jasper.

This committee through E M Green, chairman, placed in nomination the following named gentlemen for officers of the Club: M D Lane, Fort Barnwell, President; E E Duley, 1st township; T W Holton, Bridgeton; Dr. S J Haws, 3rd township; Claud Taylor 5th township; Thomas E Haywood, 6th township; J A Miller 7th township; J T House, 8th township; outside of city:—J E Weherington, 9th township; T G Hyman 1st ward; O H Guion, 2d ward; C J McSorley, 3d ward; D E Henderson, 4th ward; R J Dioso, 5th ward; Bera precinct; vice president for their respective precincts, and Messrs O G Dunn, C L Stevens and H K Land as assistant secretaries; R A Nunn, secretary.

A committee to prepare resolutions was appointed consisting of Messrs D R Davis, Norman B Ipeck and R A Nunn. When this committee went out to perform their duty, Mr. James A Bryan was called upon for a speech and he made a happy response. He was followed by Hon. Chas R Thomas and Rev. B F Hoske and others. All the speakers without saying anything unkind of any candidate presented strong and forcible reasons for returning Mr. F M Simmons, our distinguished fellow townsman, to the U S Senate. The following resolutions were reported by the committee and adopted by the club.

Resolved, That the 1,295 members of the Craven County Simmons Club, whose names have already been given to the secretary, on behalf of themselves as well as for the large number of voters in the county, who have signified their intention to become members of this club, but whose names have not yet been handed to the secretary, extend congratulations to the thousands of Democratic voters in the State who favor the retention of Hon. F. M. Simmons in the United States Senate and make known to them that the Democratic voters of Craven county where Senator Simmons now resides will with almost solid unanimity heartily and steadfastly support Senator Simmons in the Democratic primary when in his successor is to be chosen.

Resolved, That the Democratic voters of Senator Simmons' home county have been so united at the baseness charges circulated by some people for the purpose of impeaching Senator Simmons' Democracy, yet we feel that while such false accusations will fall in their purpose they will tend to remind the good citizens of the State of the unparalleled efforts of Senator Simmons in their behalf during the last thirty years and of his unflinching and aggressive devotion to Democratic principles and the interest of the people during his whole public career.

Resolved, That we have been pleased to find that public discussion of his career increases the number of his supporters and admirers and we sincerely trust that the campaign will be conducted until the end in a manner that will cause no man to regret that he has supported in the past any of the distinguished gentlemen who aspire to the high office to be conferred by the people of the State and we will deplore any departure from the high plane upon which the contest should be waged. Resolved, That in our opinion the services of Senator Simmons in the United States Senate are particularly valuable to the people of the State and that it would be little less than a public calamity to sacrifice at this time the advantage he has gained for us by his long, able and honorable career, for any reason urged by any of his competitors. It was upon motion of Mr. L. L. Moore unanimously decided to invite Senator Simmons to address the Craven County Simmons Club at such time as his public duties would permit him to do so. The meeting was spirited and enjoyable. An unusual large attendance being present for amid day meeting. It looks as if Senator Simmons will have flattering support in his home county in this campaign.

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Do you like a mission finish? Then our Monastery Stains will suit your taste, B. P. S. Brand. J. S. Bassnight Hdw Co.

## House Burned Near Deppe.

News reached here of the burning Wednesday night of a dwelling house on the farm of Mr. James Holland, near Deppe. The house which was of two stories was occupied by Mr. John Riggs and family, who lost a good portion of their furniture. Mr. and Mrs. Riggs were severely burned about the face and hands trying to save their effects.

## Wilmington Chamber of Commerce Withdraws Offer for Central Warehouse.

Wilmington, March 14.—Following a statement of Mr. J. Z. Green, organizer of the State Farmers' Union, that it was never the purpose of the organization to erect one central or general warehouse, as was thought by the business men of Wilmington, but to have a chain of medium-sized warehouses, one probably to be located in this city, the manufacturers and business enterprises committee of the Chamber of Commerce, in session yesterday morning, voted to withdraw its offer of a 10 acre site and 25 per cent. of the capital stock in the enterprise, but agreed to give a site, number of acres not stated, and possibly to take some stock when the Union is ready to build one of its several warehouses in this city.

## WILLIAMS' KIDNEY PILLS

Have you neglected your kidneys? Have you overworked your nervous system and caused trouble with your kidneys and bladder? Have you pains in loins, side, back, groins and bladder? Have you a flabby appearance of the face, especially under the eyes? Too frequent a desire to pass urine? If so, Williams' Kidney Pills will cure you at Druggist, Price 50c. Williams' M'T'g. Co., Prop., Cleveland, O.

Significant orders were issued from the Navy Department directing three of the big armored cruisers of the Pacific fleet to proceed at once to the Philippines.

## ANNOUNCEMENT.

Fellow citizens of Jones County. Having been incapacitated for labor for the last seven years, and in trying to get the most of my substance in having spent to regain my health, while yet feeble, I think I could perform the duties of an office as well as any other man who has health and not in need of the office, while giving an office to me would amount almost to charity. And now therefore, I announce myself as a candidate for the office of County Treasurer and call upon my friends all over the county to come to my support. This will be a small matter for each one, but a great favor to me, and if you will elect me I promise to fill the office as well as any of the aspirants. I ask my fellow citizens to consider my claim, and give me your support. I am yours very truly, SAMUEL S. HARRETT, Pollockville, N. C., Feb. 15, 1912.