

WOULD TAX CURS OUT OF EXISTENCE

Dogs That Are Worth Keeping Should Be Substantially Taxed Argues Mr. Lane.

TOO MANY CANINES AT LARGE

A menace to health and life, while some of them kill sheep and suck eggs.

Mr. Dennis Lane of Bellair has been doing some thinking along the lines of the sort of legislation North Carolina ought to demand at the hands of the General Assembly. For one thing he thinks that there should be a dog tax laid that would eliminate straggling dogs. In a communication to the Journal he says:

"While we are resting, reading and planning for the future, it is well that we retrospect, and see what has been neglected, then with prospective energy let us see what can be done for future progress. Our law makers are soon to assemble at Raleigh, and there are some very important things they can do for the good of North Carolina. Surely our representatives cannot longer allow the straggling dogs of our Old North State to be a menace to civilization as well as progress. Surely the worthless curs will be taxed out of existence and the dogs worth keeping pay a tax to help bring up our country schools to at least six months in the year.

"There are nearly as many dogs as children in the State, many of them running mad, and are a menace to health and progress while others are killing sheep and sucking eggs; real progress surely cannot be hindered in this way much longer.

"There are many other reforms very badly needed; We need the Torrens System, a law against double taxing, a law to keep birth and death records, complete and to protect forests from fires.

"There are many other things, but these are foremost in our mind just now. Surely our representatives cannot allow our State to let dogs run free and keep the children in ignorance for want of longer terms and better teachers.

"Go forward should be the watchword for 1913."

CAPTAIN OF THE ALCAZAR TALKS

Tells of the Abandonment of His Ship Off the Coast on Christmas Day.

VESSEL WAS ABOUT TO SINK

Tug Columbia From Wilmington Takes Crew on Board and to Safety.

Captain Henrique Garrod, commander of the Alcazar, the Spanish schooner abandoned off the coast of North Carolina on Christmas Day when the vessel showed signs of sinking, and several of his crew arrived in the city yesterday morning enroute to Beaufort to take charge of the vessel, it having been picked up at sea on Thursday by the Merchants and Miners steamship, the Dorchester.

It was the intention of Captain Garrod and his crew to go on to Beaufort yesterday morning but by a misunderstanding they took the wrong train and were compelled to remain here until last evening.

The Alcazar carried a cargo of hardwood and was bound from Trinidad to Chester, Pa. Tuesday night she ran into foul weather and although the crew worked heroically the vessel listed to port and was in danger of sinking. Wednesday morning the tug Columbia, from Wilmington, hove in sight and offered assistance. A line was run from the Columbia to the Alcazar and she was taken in tow. The waves were so high that she soon broke loose. The crew were then taken on board the Columbia, and the other vessel turned adrift. Several hours later the Columbia arrived at Wilmington and the crew were turned over to the Seamen's Home.

Captain Garrod and his men will leave Beaufort this morning and go to Lookout Cove where the vessel is anchored and take charge of her. Several members of the crew are yet at Wilmington. These will proceed to Norfolk by rail and continue the voyage from that point.

President Elect Arriving at Bermuda and Vacation Home



Photos by American Press Association.

PRESIDENT ELECT WILSON'S arrival at Bermuda on the steamer Bermudian for his month's "rest cure" after the strenuous campaign was made the occasion of a holiday. He was royally received and went at once to the quaint old coral cottage called "Glencove," on the little peninsula at Paget, across the bay from Hamilton. This is the home of Mrs. Peck, friend of the Wilsons, who loaned it to the president elect and his family for their vacation. The governor started at once to have the "last" play time of his life in preparation for his busy time to come.

MAYSVILLE MILL ORGANIZES

E. L. Mattocks President and J. C. Bauman Managing Director.

The Maysville Cotton Mill Company of Maysville has effected an organization by the election of the following officers: E. L. Mattocks, president, A. J. Collins, first vice-president, J. E. McCutcheon, second vice president, R. L. Jenkins, treasurer, Jesse G. Brown secretary, J. C. Bauman, managing director.

It is expected to begin working on the plans for the building in the course of the next two or three weeks. The mill will have a building plant consisting in the neighborhood of \$50,000. The brick will be made on the premises.

The promoters of the enterprise are enthusiastic over the success of their efforts in getting the stock subscribed and the community as a whole is aroused to a sense of the benefit which a plant employing a large number of people will involve.

Miss Bessie Hill, who is teaching at Bear Creek, is here spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Annie Dortch Hill.

A Christmas tree for the Sunday school of the Methodist church was given in the school building Wednesday night and proved a very enjoyable affair.

GATLIN HOTEL COMPLETED.

The little town of Stonewall in Pamlico county now has one of the nicest small hotels in this section. It is owned and managed by Asa Gatlin and was erected at a cost of several thousand dollars. The building is equipped with all modern improvements including running water, hot and cold, steam heat, private baths, etc. The house has recently been completed and was opened to the public on Christmas Day. Mr. Gatlin, the proprietor, is well known and his house will doubtless enjoy a large patronage.

WEDDING AT BEAUFORT.

(Special to the Journal.)

Beaufort, Dec. 26.—A wedding of much interest took place here at 6:15 o'clock at the Episcopal church when Miss Bessie Springle, the charming and accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Springle, became the bride of J. H. Wolf of Atlanta, Ga., Rev. F. N. Skinner, rector of the church, officiating. Mr. Wolf is in the government service and was at one time located at the wireless station near here. Some time ago he was transferred to Atlanta, Ga., and is living there at present. Mr. and Mrs. Wolf left on the morning train enroute to their new home.

DR. TURLINGTON HERE

Principal of Farm Life School Doing Preliminary Work.

Dr. J. E. Turlington, who has been chosen as Principal of the proposed Craven County Farm Life School to be located at Vanceboro, arrived in the city yesterday morning from Georgia, where he is connected with a prominent agricultural school. Dr. Turlington spent the day in talking over with County Superintendent S. M. Brinson the plans for the school and other matters pertaining to the institution. Today he will go to Vanceboro and look over the site. He will remain in the county for several days and before leaving will lay out the plans for the grounds. A meeting of the trustees of the school will be held within a few days and all preparations for the beginning of work will be made.

TWO NEW RESIDENTS.

George Raymond and little son Elwood have arrived here from New York and will make this place their home. Mr. Raymond is a piano tuner having been with Steinway for a number of years and held other places where a high order of skill was demanded. He has spent numerous winters in the South, but has come this time, he states, for keeps. He debated whether he should come here or go to Wilmington, having both places in mind when he decided to come South. After carefully weighing the matter he decided that he would be best satisfied in New Bern.

Some men haven't sense enough to distinguish between friends and acquaintances.

DINNER FOR THE POOR

Salvation Army Dinner Brings Cheer to Many Homes.

At 9 o'clock Wednesday morning the dinner for the poor for which the Salvation Army has been planning for the past few weeks, was distributed. There were thirty baskets in all and in each basket was enough food for several persons.

The distributing was done by Captain Satterfield and, as the recipients of the Christmas cheer grasped the baskets their satisfaction was plainly written on their faces. But for the thoughtfulness of the Salvation Army assisted by the benevolent public of New Bern there would have been some who would have gone cheerless on Christmas Day. Captain Satterfield wishes to express his thanks to those who so kindly helped in making this dinner for the poor a success.

NEGRO KILLS NEGRO

Andrew Ackias Shoots Henry Swanner at Washington.

Washington, Dec. 25.—Henry Swanner, colored, was killed in this city on Third street near the power house and Andrew Ackias, also colored, is charged with the deed. The homicide occurred about 1 o'clock this morning. It seems that Swanner and Ackias got in a dispute over a woman and a fight was the result. Ackias shot with a revolver and made a clean get away, Swanner dying a few moments after.

A preliminary inquest was held by Coroner Joshua Tayloe this morning, but on account of several principal witnesses being absent, the inquest was postponed. As yet Ackias has not been captured. The sheriff and posse are scouring the country.

HUNTED BOARDING HOUSE TWO DAYS

It Didn't Occur to Oklahoma Man That He Might Go Elsewhere.

LOST IN BIG CITY'S MAZES

Dropped In At the Railroad Stations Now and Then to Thaw Out.

New York, Dec. 27.—A man about 45 years old, weighing in the neighborhood of 250 pounds, tall in proportion, ruddy-cheeked, but very footsore, walked up to Policeman Kelly, of the 67th precinct, who was on duty at the West Twenty-third street ferries and this is the question he put to the blue-coat:

"I am from far-away Oklahoma, and have lost the name of the place where I'm boarding. S'pose you could give me a line on the place?"

"Ah, I get you. You're John H. Dawson, of Skiatook, Okla.," Kelly replied, and the Oklahoma man half smiled as he wonderingly replied:

"Yes, that's me, but how in the name of Tulsa and Okmulgee and the rest of Oklahoma did you know it?"

"It's a cinch, look at this," Kelly answered, and then he pulled from his pocket a copy of yesterday's paper, and showed Dawson a sorry with the heading "Oklahoma Farmer and \$10,000 Missing."

"I'll be darned. Ain't that a peculiarity," said Dawson, as he read the story.

"The money is all right right here in my inside pocket. I may get lost and I may have a tough time getting on the right trail again, but my money I never lose."

The money was in certified checks for the most part, and so Dawson never was in much danger of losing any of it. Dawson was in fine shape, all but his feet. He walked with difficulty.

"You see, pardner," he said to Kelly, "I have been hiking for two and a half days and the result is that my transportation facilities are just a little on the bum, as you fellows put it here. For the first day I did fine and the hiking was great, but then came the snow and, take it from me, old scout, the going was hard."

"You don't mean to tell me," Kelly asked, "that for more than two days you have been walking all the time without any rest? Didn't you go anywhere to get warm?"

"Oh, yes," Dawson answered. "I dropped into the railroad stations now and then to thaw out, but I was so worried to get to where my folks were that I never stayed in long. You see, I was hoping all the time to see somebody who knew where I was stopping."

Dawson went home, all right.

SAYS PUBLIC IS ROBBED

Ex-Member of Stock Exchange Tired of Seeing Crooked Deals.

Albany, Dec. 27.—John H. Reynolds, Jr., the member of the brokerage firm of Effingham Lawrence, who recently gave up his New York Stock Exchange seat, was in Albany to spend Christmas.

Mr. Reynolds would not be interviewed as to why he left the Stock Exchange, but it is known that he had become disgusted with the practices pursued there. He has said that he grew "tired of seeing an unsuspecting public robbed by unscrupulous men of wealth, traveling under the guise of respectability."

Mr. Reynolds's experience in New York has turned him to the study of socialism in the belief that that theory of government presents a means of removing the yoke now held on the country by men such as those who control the Stock Exchange. He is only twenty-five years of age, and his father says he never did care much for the business of dealing in stocks.

He will take a rest for a few months after which he may enter the electrical business, being much interested in electricity. He became a member of the Stock Exchange firm through his relationship to Effingham Lawrence.

Mr. Reynolds is a member of one of the oldest and most fashionable families in this part of the State. His grandfather was Judge Reynolds of the State Court of Appeals. Mrs. Franklin Townsend, one of the leading society women of Albany, is an aunt, and James A. Reynolds, the banker of Kinderhook, is an uncle.

F. B. Elliot, cotton buyer for J. E. Latham & Co. of Greensboro, has moved his family here from Pollocksville and will make this city his home. He is living at 127 Broad street.

Singers seldom sing the praises of each other.

CHRISTMAS WAS SANELY OBSERVED

No Unnecessary Noises. No Tragedies, Near Tragedies, or Rowdiness.

DAY ONE OF JOY FOR ALL

Absence of Large Fire Crackers With Their Accompanying Horrors Noticeable.

Christmas of 1912 in New Bern can in all truthfulness be recorded as a day which was fittingly observed. There was no unnecessary noise, no tragedies, near tragedies, or rowdiness. During the early part of the day all were busy with the gifts, examining and sending, the children were trying out the things which St. Nicholas had left as he hurried on his journey from home to home and everywhere there was joy.

Particularly noticeable was the absence of very large firecrackers, the variety that usually cause carnage and death and leave horror in their wake. Cap pistols and sky rockets were quite numerous but so far as is known there were no accidents caused by these. The poor were not forgotten and many whom the vicissitudes of life have left stranded on the shores of poverty were made happy by the thoughtfulness of kind hearted friends. If anyone went hungry in New Bern on Christmas day it was their own fault. Benevolence ruled supreme and the spirit of the Christ-child prevailed throughout the city.

"PREPARE FOR THE WORST"—PENROSE

Revision Downward Will Soon Be Accomplished, He Says.

READY TO DROP OBSTRUCTION

Manufacturers Informed Democrats Will Have Majority in Senate.

Washington, Dec. 28.—Republican members of the Senate Finance Committee have concluded that the next Congress is going to pass a low tariff bill which will satisfy the Democratic platform pledge and be signed by the President. They have written a letter and sent copies of it broadcast among their friends, the manufacturers, saying in brief:

"Prepare for the worst. Revision downward will soon be an accomplished fact."

This letter, which is being used by the present Republican chairman of the committee, Senator Penrose, and by other members, is full of interesting matter at this particular time, when even some Democrats doubt that their party will safely control the Senate.

Mr. Penrose and his friends have no such doubts and say positively that except on the sugar bill, when they expect Gulf States Democrats to prevent a sweeping reduction, the Underwood bill of the Sixty-second Congress will be passed as they went through the present House.

This interesting communication from those who helped to frame the Payne-Aldrich law, especially the Aldrich end of it, and who, after March-4, will lose the power to control legislation, contains the information that obstructive tactics will not be followed by the Republicans.

The manufacturers are informed that the Democrats will have a small but sure majority in the next Senate, which, except on the sugar bill, will hold together on the Underwood bills. Thus obstructive tactics would mean only a waste of time and prolong the extra session into the uninviting days of August, when the Republicans do not desire to remain here. Those comprising the present majority, therefore, have informed the manufacturers that they will content themselves merely with making a record of protest against the Democratic bills.

There will be the usual Republican predictions of ruin and disaster to the Democratic party and peril to the industries of the country, but filibusters, three-day speeches and similar Senate tricks used to delay the progress of legislation will not be resorted to by the present leaders. This program, if carried out means that after all the Underwood bills, or the single revision bill, will reach the Senate by June or July, and that the measure or measures will be speedily considered and passed in the upper body and sent to President Wilson for his signature.

MAKING MANY IMPROVEMENTS

W. C. Bartley, owner and proprietor of the Dime Shaving Parlor located in one of the new Coplon buildings on Middle street, is making a number of improvements in his place of business.

Three new chairs are being added in order to give the patrons of the place better service, a fifteen foot heavy French mirror is to be placed on one of the walls and large porcelain lavatories with Italian marble bases are also being placed. When the work is completed the shop will be one of the most attractive in the city.

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