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"THE KING CAN DO NO WRONG."

This Doctrine Cannot Obtain in North Carolina—The People Are Sovereign and They Will Exercise the Right to Criticise Judge and Courts and Other Public Institutions.

Our common law is that of England. Much of it has been found unsuited to our condition and to the liberal institutions of our country. In this country the people are sovereign. They, not the king, make the courts and the judges. In England, more in former times than now, the judges were a part of regal authority and carried in their persons representative kingship. When the king was a tyrant the judges were tyrants, and all who dared speak of the greatest evils in the conduct of judges were dealt with severely. The doctrine of contempt derives much of its force and authority from a spirit of oppression and holding people in subjection to wrong in the powers that ruled. North Carolina has in her own sovereign will defined what acts shall constitute contempt of court. It has eliminated much of the common law in this regard. We don't know how much more in this direction needs to be done, but if abuses of judicial prerogative become flagrant the Legislature will deal with it. North Carolinians love their laws and respect their courts, but they will not concede that the judge can do no wrong, that he is not the subject of criticism, that attorneys and litigants can be compelled by him to try their cases before him when all agree that they do not wish to do so; nor will they concede that the judge shall have the right to punish men who don't like him and agree that they will not try cases before him. Freemen here feel their freedom is equal to that of official prerogative and that prerogative is subordinate to the rights of men. The authority of courts rightfully exercised should be upheld; deferential respect should be shown them. A servile subjection to them cannot obtain here; our people are too strong and conscious of their rights for that.

The action of the Robeson county bar is unfortunate. We know nothing of their grievances, but just how the judge can arraign and punish the bar, who represent their clients, for agreeing on their own account and that of their clients, not to try cases before a particular judge, we fail to see. At least such action seems to us entirely out of harmony with those practices of freedom which we had believed pertain rightfully to men in all callings in this good republic.—Wadesboro Messenger-Intelligencer.

Centenarian's Ocean Voyage.

Jersey City, May 7.—John O'Reilly, a centenarian, of this city, and his wife, who is 78 years old, sailed to-day on the Lucania for Ireland to revisit the scenes of his childhood, Queen's County. Mr. O'Reilly rounded out the century April 6. He walked aboard the steamer erect and without even a bit of a stick.

"Indeed, and I am not going back to the old country to be buried there," said O'Reilly. "America is my country and shall be my last resting place. All my children and grandchildren and great-grandchildren, of whom I have about 90, are here and here I shall rest."

The aged couple will return for a family reunion in September.

Quick Arrest.

J. A. Gullede of Verbena, Ala. was twice in the hospital from a severe case of piles causing 24 tumors. After doctors and all remedies failed, Bucklen's Arnie Salve quickly arrested further inflammation and cured him. It conquers aches and kills pain. 25c. at Hood Bros., Druggists.

POLENTA NEWS.

Miss Sue Edmundson, who has been teaching at Dunn, returned home Monday evening.

Miss Addie Barber is on a visit to her sister, Mrs. Mary Stephenson, of Wise, Warren Co., N. C.

Mrs. J. C. Ellington, of Raleigh, and Mrs. Columbia Johnson, of near Four Oaks, spent a few days last week, visiting Mrs. Tomlinson.

We are sorry to hear that Miss Zula Tomlinson is sick with measles at Buies Creek Academy, at which institution she is the teacher of art. Hope for her speedy recovery.

Let the people's voice be heeded in preference to the politician, and R. B. Glenn will be our next Governor. Let us reward him, not only for his greatness as a man, but for unselfish services rendered the party.

Shiloh Sunday School will picnic on the church grounds Saturday before the second Sunday in July. Oakland, Mt. Zion and Elizabeth Sunday Schools have been invited to join in the picnic, and will likely accept the invitation. Rev. R. J. Bateman is expected to deliver an address on the occasion.

Miss Emma Tomlinson, who has been teaching School in Nash county, has returned to her home near Preston. She gave entire satisfaction in the conduct of the school, so much so, that the Committee in charge of the school has extended her an unanimous invitation to teach the next session of the same.

The Sunday School Township Convention will meet with Oakland church Saturday before the fourth Sunday in this month. It is hoped each Sunday School will have a large delegation present. It will open at 10 a. m. and continue all day. Several prominent speakers will be present and deliver addresses.

At 3 p. m. on Saturday before the fifth Sunday in this month, every Democrat in the Township is requested to meet at the Township Shelter, for the purpose of sending delegates to the county convention, which in turn will send delegates to the State Convention, which meets at Greensboro during June.

On the 27th, of April our community was saddened by the unexpected death of Mrs. Mattie Wood. Her illness was of only about thirty-six hours duration, and was a great shock to her husband, parents and many friends. She was a consistent member of Shiloh church. Her remains were interred in the cemetery at said church. To her husband and loved ones we join the community in extending sympathy in this their time of grief.

TYPO.

SELMA NEWS.

Mr. M. C. Winston went to Raleigh Wednesday on business.

Misses Mary Ferrell and Lottie Vinson, of Wilson's Mills, are visiting Miss Rosa Richardson.

Wednesday night at the residence of the bride's father, Hardie Hatcher, Esq., Mr. Fabius Busbee Whitley and Miss Cornelia Hatcher were married by Rev. J. O. Guthrie, pastor of the Methodist church. There were no attendants. The happy couple have the best wishes of our people.

Wednesday night at the Opera House the musical department of The Selma Graded Schools under the direction of Miss Lois Bass, our accomplished music teacher, gave a delightful entertainment. It is impossible to mention each; but, all acquitted themselves with credit to themselves and honor to their teacher. There were four, Willie F. Creech, J. Sam Mitchener, Annie S. Noble and Beulah Robertson, who had completed the course prescribed by the trustees and were presented with Diplomas. A full account will be given next week.

SEX.

THE COUNTY CONVENTION.

Matters of Importance Pertaining to the Precinct Committees, &c.

The County Democratic Executive Committee has called the County Convention to meet in Smithfield Monday, June 6th, to select delegates and alternates to the Congressional and State Conventions. The Township Conventions have been called to meet at 3 p. m., Saturday, May 28th. We urge the people of their respective townships to attend the township meetings. Here is the place to lay the foundation for the work of the coming campaign. Section 1, of the Democratic plan of organization is as follows:

"The unit of county organization shall be the voting precincts. In each precinct there shall be an Executive Committee, to consist of five active Democrats, who shall be elected by the Democratic voters at the several precincts in the meeting first called by the County Executive Committee. And said committee so elected shall elect one of its members as chairman, who shall preside at all committee meetings."

The chairmen of the different precinct committees compose the County Executive Committee, and it is important that live, active party workers be chosen for these positions. Please remember that this precinct Executive Committee of five is to be chosen at the meeting held on May 28th.

We also earnestly request that as soon as the precinct committee is chosen, and has selected its chairman, that the names of each member with his postoffice address be sent to either the chairman or secretary of the County Committee. This is important and we trust that every precinct committee will see that we have this information as soon after the township primaries as is possible.

Select 6, of the plan of organization is as follows:

"At every precinct meeting there shall (before the delegates to the County Convention are elected) be a vote taken for the different candidates for office, whose names may be presented and the delegates shall vote in the County Convention of their respective districts in accordance with this vote; that is to say, each candidate shall receive in the County Convention that proportion of the vote to which he received in the precinct meeting. The chairman and secretary of the precinct meeting shall certify to the County Convention the vote received by each candidate at the precinct meeting."

Every township should see that it is represented at the County Convention. In order that each township may know how many votes it is entitled to in the various conventions we published the following table:

TOWNSHIP	STATE	CONG.	CO.
Clayton	2	7	15
Cleveland	1	3	8
Pleasant Grove	1	4	8
Elevation	2	5	10
Banner	2	5	11
Meadow	1	4	7
Beantown	1	2	5
Ingram	1	4	8
Boon Hill	2	7	14
Beulah	3	9	16
Onaiah	2	6	12
Wilders	1	4	7
Wilson's Mills	1	2	5
Selma	1	4	9
Pine Level	1	3	5
Smithfield	3	8	15

The above vote is based on the Aycock vote of 1900.

We hope to have a full attendance at the County Convention on June 6th. As heretofore every Democrat who chooses to attend will have a vote in the convention. But it is important that each township send the number of delegates and alternates it is entitled to.

W. W. COLE,
Chrmn. Dem. Co. Ex Com.
T. J. LASSITER,
Sec'y.

The State Medical Society will meet in Raleigh May 24th.

Last Monday the town of Chadbourn shipped 330 cars of strawberries to the northern markets, in all about 30,000 bushels.

BENSON BUDGET.

Mrs. Lucy Ryals visited relatives at Dunn last week.

Miss Mary Sanders, of Four Oaks, is visiting Mrs. E. F. Moore. Mr. John D. Bain, of Lucama, is in town among his old friends.

Mr. Ed Surles, of Copes, S. C. is here spending a few days with relatives.

Mr. Charlie Creech, of Ayden, N. C., is here spending a few days with relatives.

Miss Carrie Spence, of Bunes Creek, is here visiting her sister, Mrs. J. L. Hall.

Mrs. Mary F. Ryals went to Dunn last week to visit her niece, Mrs. Lube Royal.

Rev. Mr. Bowen, of Four Oaks, is here assisting Rev. J. W. Suttle in his meeting at the Baptist Church.

Work has begun in earnest on the brick depot here. It will be a handsome and commodious structure.

The Dunn boys played the Benson "Youngsters" Wednesday evening on their ball ground here. The score was 14 to 7 in favor of the Benson boys.

We are glad to state that W. J. Boon of this place, recently graduated at the Baltimore College of Pharmacy with high honors. He was second in the medal contest. He will locate at Waynesville, N. C. in the near future. Mr. Boon is one among the most promising young men of this section of the state.

The Benson merchants are doing a lively business now. The dealers have already sold over 400 car loads of guano. This indicates an effort on the part of the farmers to make a heavy cotton crop. The acreage is not so much increased, but our farmers are learning to better fertilize and cultivate fewer acres, thereby realizing more from their labor.

Prof. Ira T. Turlington, President of the Southeastern Association of County Superintendents, will go to Goldsboro today to meet with the committee to prepare a programme for the next meeting of the Association to be held at Morehead City at the time the Teachers' Assembly meets.

Coast Line Wins.

Judge Geo. H. Brown has decided the Selma connection case—Corporation Commission vs. the Atlantic Coast Line—in favor of the Coast Line, that is, that the corporation commission hasn't the power to require one railroad company to operate an additional train on its line for the sole purpose of making close connection with a train of another railroad company, however convenient such connection may be.—Raleigh Post, 12th.

The Japanese have been steadily going forward in the war in Manchuria. They have cut off Port Arthur and it is only a question of time when the Russian stronghold in the East will fall into the hands of the Japs. The Japs have been successful in every engagement yet fought.

Defeated 1500 Tibetans.

British Camp, Karo Pass, Tibet, Friday, May 6.—A stiff fight today to drive the Tibetans from their positions two miles below the pass lasted six hours.

The Tibetans, numbering 1500, held their positions with great tenacity, and lost nearly 200 before they were expelled.

The British losses were Captain Bethune and three men killed and 21 men wounded.

A snow storm prevailed throughout the fight.

Robert M. Furman, editor of the Raleigh Post, died yesterday in Beaufort.

Prompt treatment of a slight attack of Diarrhoea will often prevent a serious sickness. The best known Remedy is DR. SETH ARNOLD'S BALSAM. Your apothecary, Hood Bros. warrants it to give satisfaction.

KENLY NOTES.

Mr. C. W. Edgerton made a business trip to Smithfield Tuesday.

Dr. Scoggins, President of the Atlantic Christian College, of Wilson, was in our town Thursday.

Several of the young people here went to the Flower Hill near Watkins Chapel, and spent the day, last Sunday.

Mrs. R. H. Alford, Miss Passie Harris and Miss Julia McEachern spent Saturday evening in Lucama with Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Alford.

Mr. W. L. Moore, who has been R. R. section master here, for several months, has been transferred to Rocky Mount, and Mr. Charlie Lane now has the section.

Dr. R. H. Whitaker filled his regular appointment here at the Methodist church Sunday night. He preached an excellent sermon on the rules of the Methodist church.

The Kenly Dramatic Club, went to Selma Thursday evening and gave the play, entitled, "A Box of Monkeys" to a large and appreciative audience, the receipts being about \$31.00, the proceeds of which was given to the Methodist church here.

The farmers in this section have finished planting corn and most of them are done planting cotton, and some have begun setting tobacco. From all indications there will not be more than half as much tobacco planted this year as was last year.

Several gentlemen from here and near here went to Smithfield, Saturday to stand the R. F. D. Civil Service examination for carrier for the new route No. 4, from this office which is to go into operation May 16th. We have not yet heard who was successful.

Mr. Geo. Savage, of Smithfield, the contractor who has the contract to build Bailey Bros & Kirby's brick store came Monday to begin work with a force of 3 or 4 brick masons. The store will be 28x100 feet, two stories high. This is the sixth large brick store now in course of construction.

Invitations are out and great preparation being made for the Kenly Academy Commencement May 23, 24, and from all indications it will be a very good commencement. The Literary address will be delivered by Dr. Vann, President Baptist Female University Raleigh, N. C.

"REX"

Elected Town Attorney.

Mr. Charles U. Harris, of Raleigh, who has just located in Selma for the practice of law, has opened up his office in the opera house building there. His services have already been in demand as a lawyer.

During even the short stay he has made in Selma he has won friends, and a reporter of this paper, who was there yesterday, heard him very highly spoken of.

He has been elected as the attorney for Selma by the town commissioners and has also been selected by two big corporations of Selma as their attorney. He is a bright and able young man, and having just passed his twenty-first birthday has allied himself with the Democratic party. His friends wish for him a full measure of success in his new home, and know that he will be found capable and deserving.—News and Observer.

Made Young Again.

"One of Dr. King's New Life Pills each night for two weeks has put me in my 'teens' again" writes D. H. Turner of Dempseytown, Pa. They're the best in the world for Liver, Stomach and Bowels. Purely vegetable. Never gripe. Only 25c at Hood Bros. Drug Store.

The Snow Hill Standard says that Green county's excellent Sheriff, B. W. Edwards, collected every white man's poll tax in the county prior to May 1st.

CLAYTON CHIPS.

Miss Lucy Stancill is visiting in Dunn.

Mr. Ashley Horne went to Raleigh Monday.

Mr. Macon Harris went to Raleigh Wednesday.

Mrs. E. B. McCullers went to Raleigh Wednesday.

Miss Minnie Whitley is visiting Mrs. W. I. Whitley.

Mrs. D. H. McCullers is visiting relatives in Virginia.

Sheriff Ellington was here several days this week.

Mr. M. G. Guley went to the County Home Tuesday.

Mrs. Hardy Horne has returned from a visit to parents at Dunn.

The family of Mr. Joe Pleasant moved to Wake county Monday.

Mr. Nick Allen, of Auburn, spent Saturday and Sunday here.

Mr. I. S. Bagwell went to Raleigh Monday and to Smithfield Tuesday.

Mrs. John S. Barnes went to Benson for a few days visit, Tuesday.

Ex-Judge Frank Winston, of Bertie county, is a candidate for Lieutenant Governor.

Mr. Sam Harris, of the Illinois Life Insurance Co., was here Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mr. Lida Ellis, of Greensboro, spent several days visiting relatives in this vicinity, recently.

Rev. G. W. Fisher has been quite sick with roseola, but is able to be up and about now.

Mr. Chas. G. Gulley, of The Higgins Drug Co., of Goldsboro, spent Sunday here with parents.

Mr. D. T. Barnes and sister Miss Jennie, spent Monday night here with their brother, Mr. John Barnes.

Messrs. W. I. Whitley, W. A. Barnes, and Q. F. Pool are spending this week near New Bern, fishing.

Quite a crowd of our young folks attended the picnics at Bank's bridge and other places last Saturday.

Mr. T. E. Best, who has been associated with Messrs. W. E. Stallings & Co., since January 1st, has returned to Chapel Hill.

Mrs. Jas. T. Hinton and Miss Irene, have returned from the Sanatorium at Wilson where Mrs. Hinton has been for treatment.

Spencer has a population of 3,500 people and has not a single negro voter in the place. It voted a special tax for schools last week.

Mr. A. Sam White, superintendent of the Clayton Cotton Mills, left Tuesday night for Washington, D. C., to attend the Cotton Manufacturers Association.

Policeman J. L. Ellis was notified Monday morning sometime after 8 o'clock that some one had stolen a yoke of oxen from a man near Pine Level, N. C. Before 2 o'clock Monday afternoon, he had the man in jail and the oxen secure. How is that for quick work?

"YELIR."

A Sure Thing.

It is said that nothing is sure except death and taxes, but that is not altogether true. Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption is a sure cure for all lung and throat troubles. Thousands can testify to that. Mrs. C. B. VanMetre of Shepherdstown, W. Va., says "I had a severe case of Bronchitis and for a year tried everything I heard of, but got no relief. One bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery then cured me absolutely." It's infallible for Croup, Whooping Cough, Grip, Pneumonia and Consumption. Try it. It's guaranteed by Hood Bros., Druggists. Trial bottle free. Reg. sizes 50c, \$1.00.