

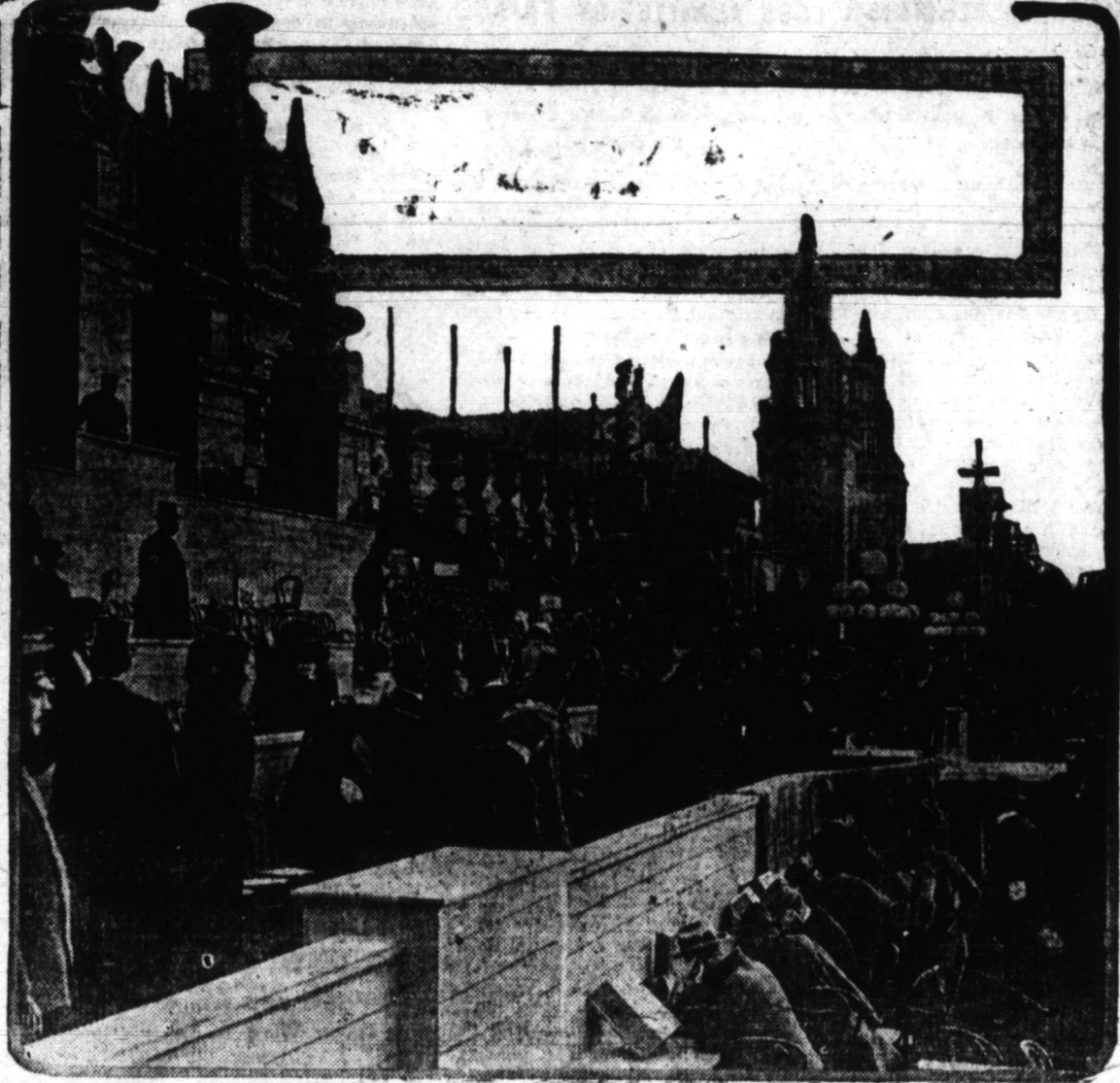
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DURING A LULL IN THE OPENING DAY CEREMONIES AT THE PANAMA-PACIFIC INTERNATIONAL EXPOSITION



The Panama-Pacific International exposition was opened by a wireless spark, dispatched by President Woodrow Wilson at Washington, and caught on the tendrils of a wireless aerial on the lofty Tower of Jewels at the exposition. Instantly the power was released in the mighty Palace of Machinery and the portals of the exhibit palaces opened. The scene is on the grand stand after the ceremonies had ended. Secretary of the Interior Franklin K. Lane, Gov. Hiram Johnson of California, Mayor James Rolph, Jr., of San Francisco, President C. C. Moore of the exposition and a notable group of visiting dignitaries being seen in animated discussion of the epochal event. In the press box the correspondents are seen flashing to the world the news that the exposition had opened.

Will Remain In Williamston.

For the past week the Trustees of the Graded School have been waiting for decision of Prof. J. T. Jerome, who was considering asking to be released for the next year, he having been elected superintendent of the Edenton schools at a larger salary. This, of course, was a decided advancement for Prof. Jerome, even though the increase in money was left out. He has been studying each year with the view of being chosen to manage city schools, and Edenton's choice of him to succeed Prof. Bacman was not to be ignored. However, the Trustees here planned to keep him if possible, and gave him every evidence of their earnest desire to have him remain in charge of the work here.

At the meeting of the Board on Monday night he was urged to remain and so Tuesday gave them the assurance that he would stay here. His friendship for the people here and theirs for himself and wife, operated largely in his decision.

The place in the Faculty left vacant by the resignation of Miss Annie Mizell was filled by the election of Mrs. A. D. Mizell, who has accepted. Mrs. Mizell is a graduate of Wintrop College, of South Carolina, and a successful teacher. She taught in the Winston-Salem schools and was re-elected with an increase of salary, but she declined as she was to make her home here. Her election adds strength to an already strong faculty.

Farmers are getting ready to put tobacco in the barns for curing, and many are already curing. The weather for the past week has helped the weed wonderfully, the leaves showing an unusual amount of gum.

Just Like Edison.

The acceptance by Thomas A. Edison as head of the advisory board of the Bureau of Invention and Development of the Navy is like the man Edison. Just at this period it is a splendid manifestation of the patriotism of the greatest inventor of the world. Edison sees, no doubt, that his inventive genius can work a miracle in the development of the Navy to that state which present conditions in the world demand. Americans have been relying on him to be ready to rescue the Navy, if need be, in any crisis which might arise. Edison assumes the duties of his new office without the money consideration—real patriotism and the mark of the master mind, that is ready to give freely that which no amount of money can buy for brains are priceless.

In Honor of House Guests

Miss Fannie Biggs Martin entertained on Tuesday evening in honor of her house guests, Misses Gertrude Whitehead, Emily Mizell, Sarah Wood and Annie Mae Freeman. Quite a number of friends accepted Miss Martin's invitation, and upon entering the home, were greeted by Mrs. Wheeler Martin, Jr., and Maurice D. Watts. The young hostess with her guests received in the reception room. There were pleasing features of entertainment throughout the evening, ending in the enjoyment of an elegantly prepared menu, which was served in the dining room.

Miss Martin has been the guest at several house parties this season, and has vied with her friends in the entertainment of the pleasant party that is with her now at the home of her parents on Main Street.

J. L. Croom of Gold Point, was in town Monday.

Good Ball Game.

Last week a team composed of the first and second teams of Robersonville crossed bats here with a team made up accordingly. Thrower for the locals pitched good ball, striking out 13 men while James for Robersonville put it over 6, and the latter got only 3 hits off the local twirler.

Up to the 6th inning not a score had been made.

"Giant" Thrower won his game by knocking a two bagger and bringing two men in.

Local fans pronounced the game one of the best ever played on the diamond. The score stood 3 to 2 in favor of the locals. Joe Taylor, umpire.

Tuesday afternoon quite a number of fans from here went to Robersonville to see the Braves battle with the Plymouth aggregation, which was strengthened by Perry and Smith from Williamston. Brown pitched for the visitors and Grimes for the locals, both did splendid work. Dick Smith won the game for Plymouth by sending a two bagger racing down first and bringing a man in. Hassell for the visitors made a sensational play worthy of any man in the leagues by catching a hot liner at third and shooting it to first. Grimes in the field played real ball for the locals.

The visitors won by 3 to 2. Umpires, Pope and Keel.

Baracas Entertain

A very interesting business and social meeting of the Baraca and Philathea Classes was held at the home of Rev. W. R. Burrell on Monday evening. The committees reported the regular work done, and after the transaction of other business, the Philatheas were very pleasantly entertained by the Baracas, a contest and other amusements filling the hour. Refreshments were served by the young men. All reported a pleasant evening.

The Last Taps Are Sounded

Again taps have been sounded, and another brave Confederate has answered the summons to join the ranks of Heaven, where the smoke of battle and detonation of cannon have been lost in the songs of the triumphant hosts, whose victories are recorded in the Book of Life. One by one the Southrons are falling, and all too soon will the ranks be decimated. But their fight with life is over, and victorious as on the fields of Virginia, they have laid their armor down, and passed over the river to rest under the shade of the trees.

James Augustus Whitley was born in Martin County in 1842, and in the year 1866 married Miss Addie Perkins, of Pitt County, who preceded him to the spirit land by many years. To them were born six children, five of whom are living. His earlier years of manhood were spent in Hamilton where he engaged in the mercantile business, afterwards purchasing a farm near Everetts, where he spent the remainder of his life. He was a successful farmer and laid up for himself and family a worthy competency.

Realizing that all life is vain save that which is founded upon the religion of the Lord Jesus Christ, he professed faith in the risen Saviour and for fifty years was a member of the Missionary Baptist Church, attending its services and contributing to the furtherance of the Gospel. With a heart filled with love for his fellow man and recognizing the beautiful teachings of Masonry, he was made a Master Mason in Skewarkey Lodge over fifty years ago, and soon after organized Stonewall Lodge at Robersonville and became its leader. He was also a charter member of Conoho Chapter R. A. M. As an authority on Masonry he had no peer in the county, and in his life exemplified its teachings.

His interest in the affairs of government, brought him into prominence, and he had the distinction of being the first Democratic County Commissioner after the war. His services to his party were given freely and unstintingly, and none there were who strived more earnestly to maintain the integrity of the State and county. During the political campaign of 1904, he was a candidate for the Legislature and won by a splendid majority. In this capacity, he served the people faithfully and well.

As a Confederate soldier, he won undying fame and generations yet unborn will read his name in the pages of history, and recount his valorous deed at Gettysburg. His career in the Army of the South needs more space than can be given at this time, and later a full recountal will be published.

For weeks, he had lain on a bed of suffering which at times rendered his mind a blank. He was taken ill at the home of his son near Everetts, but later was removed to Rocky Mount where at the home of his daughter, he died Tuesday, June 13th, 1915. Wednesday his body was brought to Everetts on the noon train, and from there borne to the family cemetery and interred beside that of his beloved wife. The honors of a Master Mason were paid him, Stonewall Lodge conducting the services assisted by other Masons throughout the county. Fresh as the evergreen, will his memory re-

Safe, Sound And Secure.

The statements of the banks in the Enterprise of last week show that loans and discounts amount to \$567,195.55, with combined deposits of \$431,068.04; surplus funds \$53,775. Of these amounts the banks in Williamston show \$450,236.01 in loans and discounts; deposits, \$318,174.88; surplus funds, \$45,000.

The statement of the Bank of Robersonville, which appeared in the local paper shows \$95,346.76 in loans and discounts, deposits, \$65,972.46 and surplus, \$15,00.

Adding the amounts in the six banks the sums are, loans, \$662,542.31, deposits, \$497,643.50 and surplus, \$73,775.

The soundness of the Martin County banks is another thing which makes for the growth and development of the county. They are an index to the financial balance sheet and that the wave of depression has not overspread the county which is known as one of the strongest in the entire State. It remains for the people to keep it in the same line by an earnest endeavor to produce greater results in agriculture and other industries.

Truly, Martin County is safe, sound and secure.

Griffin-Peel

Mr. Roy Griffin and Miss Carrie Peel were married at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Slade Peel, of Martin County, on Sunday morning, Rev. A. J. Manning of the Christian Church, performing the ceremony. Immediately after the marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Griffin motored here and left on the A. C. L. for a trip North.

The bride is an attractive young woman both in person and character and her many friends wish for her years of happiness. Mr. Griffin is employed in the Bank of Martin County and has earned the confidence of the business world.

Griffin Items

(Last week)

Luther Peel left for Richmond Monday where he will enter school.

George C. Griffin and Miss Jimmie Manning were out motoring Sunday.

Claudius Hardison and J. D. Lilley took a party of girls out to ride Sunday.

Miss Fannie Daniel entertained a large party of girls Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Roberson were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Manning Sunday.

Alexander and N. R. Peel spent Sunday with their cousin Mrs. Mathra Roberson.

L. E. Corey while motoring in Washington a few days ago lost control of his car and ran against a colored woman on the street, almost tearing her dress off, but failed to inflict other injuries.

Mrs. F. K. Hoopes, accompanied by Dr. Hugh B. York, went to Norfolk Monday to undergo treatment at St. Vincent's Hospital.

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Active pall bearers were, W. C. Whitehurst, R. A. Peel, W. W. Salsbury, John L. Rodgers, W. C. Manning and Dr. J. H. Saunders.

FINE SHOWING FIRST YEAR

A representative number of the stockholders of the Martin County Building and Loan Association met on Wednesday evening of last week for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year and for the transaction of other important business.

Wheeler Martin, Jr., Secretary and Treasurer, made his annual report, which showed loans amounting to \$8,200, gross earnings, \$402.39; net earnings, \$172.99; disbursements with money in banks, \$9,207.37; receipts, \$9,207.37.

C. H. Godwin was re-elected president, Dr. P. B. Cone, vice president, and Wheeler Martin, Jr., Secretary and Treasurer.

Upon motion, it was ordered that beginning with July 24th, all installments must be paid by noon of each Monday following each Saturday in the month, or a fine of 5 cents per share will be imposed and collected. This order was made necessary (and all associations act on the same plan), because of the failure of some to pay promptly, thus making a small loss in the matter of interest.

The Association in its working for the first year, has demonstrated its usefulness to Williamston and other parts of county. The business is conducted carefully and the stockholders are enthusiastic over its continued prosperity.

Dr. Thos. S. Burbank.

Friends here will learn with regret of the death of Dr. Thos. S. Burbank, which occurred at Wilmington at 2:15 on Monday, 12. He leaves three children, Mrs. Eugene Lagrand, Mrs. E. F. Peschau and Miss Reslie Burbank, of Wilmington.

Dr. Burbank came to Williamston from Wilmington for the practice of his profession soon after receiving his license, and was one of the most popular physicians who ever practiced in Martin County. After the death of Dr. Wood, of Wilmington, he returned to that city and became one of the leaders in his profession. He was a native of Washington, where he is prominently connected. He married Miss Mammie Lippitt, of Wilmington, who died several years ago.

Suicide At Parmele

Charlie Trainham, superintendent of the construction force of the Western Union Telegraph Co., for this section with headquarters at Parmele, shot himself through the heart Wednesday night. He had been located at Parmele for two years and had married Miss Alena Ward of that town.

On Wednesday night about 12 o'clock, he was found by his wife sitting on the railroad track between the depot and the post-office. There was no one present except his wife when he shot himself through the heart and fell backwards, never moving again. Mrs. Trainham screamed and the night section crew came and found the man already dead.

His body was taken to his home at Gordonsville, Va. interment on Thursday.

"The Million Dollar Mystery" begins Monday night at the Gaiety. There will be three extra reels. A part of the proceeds will be given to the Philathea Class of the Baptist church, who are selling tickets.