

AGE OF JUSTICE CLARK MAY DEBAR

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OVER SIXTY.

DISPATCHES FROM RALEIGH

Doings and Happenings That Mark
the Progress of North Carolina People
Gathered Around the State
Capitol.

Raleigh.

Washington—President Wilson told Senator Simmons and Overman that he could not consider for the U. S. supreme court a man over 65 years old and would not consider if he could help it a man over sixty years of age. This eliminates Chief Justice Walter Clark, of North Carolina, for consideration, as he is 68 years old, and makes doubtful the prospects of Judge B. F. Long, of Statesville, whose friends have been active in his behalf. The senators asked the president to consider Judge Long, whose age is 62, if he goes over the 60 mark. If he does not go beyond the 60-year limit, Senators Simmons asked him to examine the record of Associate Justice William R. Allen, of Goldsboro.

Senator Overman presented the endorsements of Judge Clark, which have been forwarded to him. Senator Simmons brought forward Judge Allen's name, after the president had announced his policy of appointment. In stating his objection to appointing a man over 60, the president is following a precedent which he and the attorney general have adhered to strictly in the making of judicial appointments.

A. W. McLean, of Lumberton, and J. W. Bailey, of Raleigh, followed the North Carolina senators into the presence of the president to discuss Judge Clark. They accompanied the senators to the White House. After these conferences Representative Pou was asked if he intended to keep his engagement with the president, when he is to accompany a Raleigh delegation to the White House in behalf of Judge Clark. He said he would keep the appointment unless he was advised by the president that there is no hope for Judge Clark or unless the Raleigh people tell him they have given up the battle.

Ex-Gov. Jarvis heads the list of endorsement of Judge Clark in Pitt county, which reached Representative Pou.

Farmers Expect Big Meeting.

The program for the Twelfth Annual Farmers' State Convention and Round-up Institute, to be held at the A. & M. College August 25-27, is ready for distribution and carries a number of features of special interest to the farmers of the state.

A number of prominent speakers from out of the state have consented to come and address the convention. The evening programs will be of a more or less popular nature and with illustrated lectures and it is hoped that the citizens of Raleigh will attend these sessions. All sessions of the convention will be held in Pullen Hall unless otherwise provided for.

On Wednesday, August 26, the convention will be divided into five sectional conferences, to be held in various halls on the campus, each conducted by a specialist. It is the desire of the committee that these conferences be made very informal and that the farmers will join freely in the discussions. Field demonstrations in the early mornings and late afternoons will be features of the convention.

There will be a free band concert on the college campus Tuesday and Wednesday evenings from 8:30 to 10:30.

The college will furnish the dormitories free, and meals at 25 cents each will be served in the college dining hall.

The largest convention in the history of the state is anticipated and it is hoped that the framers of the state will take a few days off and come and enjoy this great occasion.

Work of Assessing Corporations.

In their work of assessing the taxes against the 5,000 or more corporations in the state now under way the corporation commission is touching these institutions in most "vital spots" and that they are squirming considerably at the probing and assessments that the commission is making is indicated by the increasingly large number of the heads of these corporations that are coming to Raleigh from day to day to see the commission as a little matter of business. This work will not be completed before Sept. 15.

Will Be A Banned Gun Year.

Gov. W. A. Graham, superintendent of the state police, has recently issued a proclamation which forbids the sale of any kind of firearms in the state.

Community Work of State Board.

Community health work in the state took another step forward recently when the state board of health announced that one more county had been added to the list of those which desired the community method of hookworm eradication. This county is Columbus and the particular section of the county where this work will be done is at Hallsboro.

Along with this announcement by the board comes the one that Dr. P. W. Covington, of Wadesboro, who has been connected with the state health work as an officer for the past four years will be assigned to the work of hookworm eradication as a member of the hookworm commission and will begin his duties in Hallsboro at once. Dr. Covington will leave Raleigh at once for the seat of his new work. In making the choice of Dr. Covington the state board of health commends him for his past services which have been most efficient. He has served in several departments of the state health work and in each of them he has done excellent service.

North Carolina is the pioneer state in the community health work. The results of its efforts along this line are being eagerly watched by other state health departments. The literature of the North Carolina state board of health is being scattered over the country and a great deal of it is sent on request from other states for information in regard to the work which is being done in this state. When the hookworm was found to be so prevalent in the South the various health departments of the South immediately undertook the discovery of the most practical method of eradication. The North Carolina board finally determined that the hookworm dispensaries established at various points for a short time on general campaign were not bringing the results which had been hoped for. The intensive method of hookworm eradication was then undertaken.

Successful Combat of Army Worm.

The department of agriculture continues to receive queries concerning the army worm which is infesting the crops in this section of the state and which has laid waste entire crops of certain farmers. Mr. Franklin Sherman, state entomologist, addressed the Farmers' Institute Normal in regard to the methods which may be used to stop the march of the worm.

Mr. W. A. Smith, of Neuse, Route 1, recently forwarded to the News and Observer a suggestion which he declares has been found successful in combating the inroads of the pest.

"To destroy army worms," says he, "take a pitchfork full of pine straw and put piles of straw in the rows about twenty feet apart and ahead of the worms. Sprinkle one-quarter pound of sulphur on each pile of straw. Set fire to piles of straw just after sundown, when the wind is calm. This has been found to be a successful remedy."

Secretary Issues New Charters.

Winslow System Co., of Greensboro. Purpose is to do an accounting business. Capital stock is placed at \$100,000. The incorporators are C. G. Harrison, J. Clyde Cheek and R. B. Young.

The Wayne Distributing Company, of Goldsboro, with capital stock of \$100,000. The object is to deal in lumber and fuel. The incorporators are W. J. Lunaford, F. B. Edmundson and others.

The Universal Cement Products Company of High Point. The capital stock is \$125,000. The purpose is to manufacture all kinds of cement products.

The El Ore Mining Company, of Hamp, Moore County, was incorporated recently by the secretary of state. The capital stock is placed at \$300,000. The incorporators are Charles F. Gerhardt, of Washington, D. C., Paul Gerhardt, of Hamp, and Henry M. Green, Asheboro.

Battlefield Maps Placed in Hall.

There has been placed in the North Carolina Hall of History a map of the battlefield of Fredericksburg and Chancellorsville, this being drawn with pen by Engineer Officers W. L. Martin and Claud B. Denson, of the Confederate States topographical engineer corps in September, 1863. Officer Denson referred to was Capt. Denson, so long a resident of Raleigh and who at the outbreak of the war had a military school in Duplin county, he having entered the service in the early spring of 1861.

Mr. Broughton in California.

Mr. J. M. Broughton, who is spending some time in California, and who is now at Mill Valley, a suburb of San Francisco, writes to his son, Mr. J. M. Broughton, Jr., of this city that he is taking hikes and auto trips over the mountains. The temperature there he says is like that we have here during the Thanksgiving season. One of the interesting features of this trip, he says, is the meeting of old acquaintances who went out there in '61 and remained. He expects to return about September 1.

Commissioner Young in Missouri.

Commissioner of Insurance Jan. R. Young left recently for Missouri where he will spend a short time.

WORKING DAY AND NIGHT

Contractors Never Stop Work on Replacing Fire Swept Section of Durham.

Durham—The contractors in charge of the construction of the Geer building have employed a night force, and in the future will use about a hundred hands on the excavation for this building during the day and half that number during the night.

Hundreds watt incandescents have been stretched across building site, and these make the night about as bright as the day for the laborers. No trouble was experienced in getting negroes to work during the night for they like the cool nights better than the warm days. The construction forces are using two forces of horses and are hauling the dirt from the excavation as fast as the negroes can get it up.

Putting on of the night force was made necessary on account of the nature of the soil six feet under the surface. A kind of sand stone was encountered which made the progress of the work so slow that the contractors had to resort to the night work in order to get the building completed on schedule time.

The work of dismantling the First National Bank building is being carried forward rapidly and the contractors announce that as soon as they get the old building out of the way they will use a day and night force to get the excavation dug.

The novel sight of a half hundred negroes working under the glare of electric lights attracted a great deal of attention. People hearing that a night force was to be worked came up street especially to see the sights.

North Carolina Boys Good Shots.

Newbern.—The Newbern division of the North Carolina naval militia, under command of Captain Caleb D. Bradham has returned from a 10 days' cruise to Bermuda on board of the U. S. S. Rhode Island. On board of the Rhode Island were four divisions of militia from North Carolina and the militia from New Jersey, Pennsylvania and the District of Columbia and out of this entire aggregation the Newbern division won the highest honors in the target practice with the big guns. The target practice was done with three-inch guns at targets 21 feet by 12 feet at a distance of 1,600 yards from the boat which was traveling at a speed of five knots an hour. Each division was allowed 20 shots and the four North Carolina divisions made 42 hits out of 80 shots. New Jersey made 16 hits out of 40 shots, Pennsylvania made 12 hits out of 40 shots and the District of Columbia made only 16 hits out of 80 shots.

Prepare For Farmers Meetings.

Raleigh.—More than 500 well known agriculturists and practical farmers from various parts of the state and members of the staff of farm specialists maintained by the state department of agriculture were here for a three days' conference preparatory for dividing into special farmers' institute workers for the series of farmers' institutes that are to be held under the auspices of the state department of agriculture in all those counties stretching from Raleigh westward to the crest of the Blue Ridge Mountains during the next 60 days. Capt. T. E. Parker is director of the institute work and has arranged the dates for the institutes and will have immediate supervision of the work of all four of the parties that started out from here, immediately after the conference closed to take up the work of holding the institutes. Chatham, Durham, Moore, Hoke, Davie and Randolph being among the first counties to have institutes in connection with this series.

Durham Favors Both Routes.

Durham.—The Durham county commercial organizations have stamped their approval on both the routes between Durham and Raleigh the selection of which has been a bone of contention between two sections of Wake county. The Cary people have been making a fight for the adoption of the Cary route as the official route of the central highway between Durham and Raleigh, and the Leesville people have also presented their case before the local organizations.

Greensboro Vote Street Bonds.

Greensboro.—Greensboro voted to issue \$100,000 in bonds for the permanent improvement of streets. The bonds carried by a majority of 85.

New Demonstrator in Cabarrus.

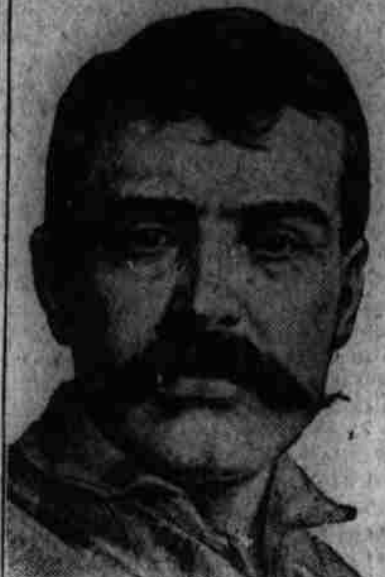
Concord.—E. S. Millsaps, district supervisor of farm demonstration work, has appointed R. D. Goodman of No. 4 township, farm demonstration agent for Cabarrus county. Mr. Goodman of Tennessee was recently appointed to the position but notified the department that he could not serve. Mr. Goodman is a son of Mr. Cash Goodman, one of the best known farmers in the county. He is a graduate of A and M. College and is a capable and energetic young man.

Fire at Lexington.

Lexington.—The Patterson Lumber Company lost \$25,000 worth of lumber, mostly hemlocks, by fire recently in the yard owned by the company. The fire in the yard was caused by a lightning bolt striking the yard and spreading to the lumber.

PROMINENT PEOPLE

EMILIANO ZAPATA, THE REBEL



Emiliano Zapata is the leader of the constitutionalist forces in southern Mexico. In describing this man, Francisco Urquidí, a constitutionalist agent, the other day said:

"Zapata is a peon of Morelos. He comes from a state in which the land is held in fee simple by less than two dozen landlords. He worked out in the fields with fellow peons. He is an uneducated man, because he had no opportunity to get learning. He can read and write, but he learned to do these after he was twenty-one years old. He is now thirty-eight years old and is a wiry, slim-built man slightly under six feet in height. He is a half-breed, but the Indian blood does not show as strong in him as it does in many of his followers. He is light-complexioned, energetic, and is a dreamer in that he sees things as they might be and is not contented with them as they are.

"Zapata stands for the peasant ownership of some of the lands the peon tills. He has worked for the big sugar companies for years. During that time he received the least possible pay the companies could give him and his fellow workers. He did not receive this pay in money, but in orders on the company's store for the simple food he ate and the cloth to make the clothes that partly cover his body. For six months of the year he worked hard and for the other six months he was forced to sit back and starve while he waited for another crop of the sugar cane so that he could get busy in the fields. His condition was the condition of the peons generally.

"Zapatism is an idea the peons think worth fighting for. They will not be content until they can get some of the land for their own. If Carranza does as he promises—and I am certain he will do so—the peasants will get land for their own. If he does not carry out the needed reforms and do it promptly he will be forced to fight Zapata and the Zapatistas.

"These men have been fighting for years. They fought Diaz, they fought Madero and they fought Huerta."

MURRAY'S PLEA FOR MILEAGE

"Where do members of congress who come to Washington without their families spend their time at night?"

This question was discussed in the house the other day by Alfalfa Bill Murray of Oklahoma in connection with the mileage provision of the conference report on the legislative bill. Alfalfa Bill insisted that it was the duty of all members to bring their families to Washington with them, and he insisted that that was why it was desirable to make a liberal allowance for mileage.

The Oklahoma statesman declared that in the absence of a man's family time was likely to hang heavily on his hands and he would do more roaming around at night than was good for him. Alfalfa Bill wanted all members to have their families with them constantly throughout the sessions in order that they might not grow lonesome.

"Abraham Lincoln, Daniel Webster, James A. Garfield, William J. Bryan and others all took this allowance when they were in the house, and who would dare accuse any of them of being grafters," said Mr. Murray. The house rocked with applause as Alfalfa Bill concluded with this statement, "I believe in voting for mileage and taking it."



DOCTOR JORDAN HEADS EDUCATORS



Dr. David Starr Jordan of California, one of the most prominent of present-day educators, was unanimously elected president of the National Education association at the St. Paul convention. No other candidate was mentioned.

The resolutions committee endorsed woman's suffrage, equal pay for equal work without regard to sex, simplified spelling, social centers, larger playgrounds, increased salaries for teachers, pensions for teachers and the settlement of international differences by arbitration. President Wilson's "watchful waiting" policy was approved.

Physical inspection of children for health purposes secured endorsement. A plan for a national university was favored and it was recommended that congress appropriate annually \$500,000 for use in improving educational conditions.

The association did not recommend sex hygiene in the schools, but recommended that "institutions preparing teachers give attention to such subjects as would qualify for instruction in the particular field of sex hygiene."

MRS. LONGWORTH'S LITTLE "BREAK"

Mrs. Nickhina Longworth, formerly Alice Roosevelt, made a little "break" at a smart dinner party in London the other night which has been the talk of the drawing rooms there ever since.

Mr. Edward Carson, the "uncrowned king of Ulster" is one of the bones of the session. He has been much annoyed by some lines by a poetess which he will shortly marry a niece of Lord Curzon, the well-known statesman and politician. This matter has never been mentioned in the presence of Mrs. Longworth but Mrs. Longworth obviously got in a bad voice when she at the dinner "What's the wedding going to be?"

"There is not going to be any wedding," replied Mr. Edward Carson. "I am not going to marry her."



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Quite Evident Mr. Miggs was Right When He Testified as to the Handwriting.

"Label, indeed!" Old Miggs repeated the words to himself dully and uncomprehendingly, as he was tramped along to the court, where he was to appear as a witness in a local libel suit.

Nervously he entered the witness box. The fierce looking lawyer eyed him calculatingly.

"Do you swear," he asked, "that this is not your handwriting?" "I don't think so," stammered Miggs.

"Now, be careful," intimated the lawyer. "Are you prepared to swear that this handwriting does not resemble yours?"

"Yes," answered Miggs trembling. "You take your oath that this does not in any way resemble your handwriting?" solemnly queried the learned man.

"Yes, sir," stammered the witness, now thoroughly frightened.

"Well, then, prove it!" denounced the lawyer triumphantly, as he thrust his head toward the witness.

This action woke the last spark of drooping courage in poor Miggs; and, thrusting forth his head, he yelled: "Cos I can't write!"

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