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THE FARMERS BANK ELECT OFFICERS

O. S. Young, Promoted From Cashier To President. In Fine Condition

Angier, Jan. 1.—At a meeting of the Directors of the Farmers Bank at Angier, December 23, 1922, Mr. Oscar Swift Young, Cashier of the Bank since its organization was unanimously elected President of the institution, succeeding Mr. J. L. Johnson, who had held the office for three years. Mr. J. F. Adams was elected vice-president and J. E. Dupree, Cashier. Mr. Adams has been a Director of the Bank since its beginning, while Mr Dupree had been assistant cashier previous to his election as new cashier. The directorate of the Bank is now as follows: O. S. Young, J. F. Adams, J. E. Dupree, J. A. Williams, B. F. Young, M. A. Fish and E. M. Carrin.

It may be of interest to Mr. Young's many friends throughout Harnett and adjoining counties to know that three years ago he entered upon his duties as Cashier of the newly organized Farmers Bank without previous banking experience. There was already one substantial bank at Angier and the new bank had hard slodging for sometime. Now, however, the Farmers Bank, through the foresight and energy of Mr. Young, has grown to an enviable position in banking circles. It began business in December, 1919. During the slump of 1920 practically every loan was repaid by its customers and at the close of that year the bank was in a good condition. Since then its growth has been steady. From a small beginning it has grown to a veritable financial bulwark upon which Harnett, eastern Johnston and southern Wake may well look with pride. Its deposits are unusually large and its surplus ample. The bank does not owe a dollar and carries a cash reserve many times that required by law. It has never knowingly made a speculative loan regardless of the attractive inducements offered it. It was, indeed, a high credit to the community that the presidency of the bank was unanimously voted upon him.

In Johnston and Northern Harnett "Oscar" is known as a cooperative marketing booster as well as a banker. It was through his efforts that Mr. E. B. Crow, vice-president of the Commercial National Bank at Raleigh and also the Secretary of the National Cotton Cooperative Association, were induced to publicly address the farmers in these counties and lend much of their time toward perfecting the organization.

COTTON AND TOBACCO CO-OPERATIVES JOIN

The Two Organizations Form County And Community Units Among The Growers

Raleigh, Jan. 3.—Cotton and tobacco co-operatives began the new year today by joining hands for co-operation between the two organizations in the formation of county and community units of growers. Fifteen hundred tobacco locals and 500 cotton locals were represented at a meeting here today of the field service representatives of the cotton and tobacco associations. District agents of the state agricultural extension service also attended the conference, which was called to work out plans to prevent duplication of effort in perfecting local organizations in counties where both cotton and tobacco are produced.

Dr. J. Y. Joyner, veteran educator, now turned dirt farmer, sat in the conference. He stressed the fact that the cotton and tobacco co-operatives are composed of growers and that the central selling agencies that have been set up exist only for the purpose of serving the growers. Dr. B. W. Kilgore, director of the state agricultural extension service, who also attended the conference, urged the importance of improved production along with improved marketing. The two go hand in hand, said he, and dependent upon each other. Dr. Kilgore predicted that through the organization of strong local groups by the co-operatives, it would be possible to accomplish greater things in improved production than had before been possible through appeal to individual interest. He saw in them a tremendous factor for the upbuilding of the state.

DID YOU KNOW?

That in 1917, in North Carolina the enrollment in High School was 20,670 and in 1922 it was 44,000, an increase of more than 23,000 in five years.

OUTSTANDING VICTORY NOTES TO BE RETIRED

Treasury Will Permit Redemption of About \$850,000,000 of Notes Not Yet Called

Washington, January 3.—Retirement of all outstanding victory notes in advance of their maturity date, May 20, was made possible tonight by the treasury, which announced it would redeem the notes upon presentation whether or not they had been called for redemption.

The treasury announcement will permit redemption of about \$850,000,000 of notes which have not been called, it was said. In addition, the treasury is waiting to pay \$225,000,000 to holders of notes which were called for retirement December 15 and have not been turned in.

Although no official statement was made on the subject, tonight's treasury announcement was regarded as indicating that its program of refinancing and of taking care of the earliest maturing of the war time loans was progressing satisfactorily. The treasury, it is shown by the announcement, is able to handle such of the victory notes as are offered for retirement in addition to meeting the call to pay for the 1918 issue of war savings stamps which matured January 1.

It was said tonight that about \$600,000,000 of the war savings stamps were outstanding on the maturity date. The first day's redemptions aggregated about \$108,000,000. Since most of the stamps are turned in through postoffices, officials expected there would be some delay before all were passed on to the treasury for final redemption and destruction.

NUMBER AT UNIVERSITY WILL BE ABOUT 2,000

New Scheme of Registration Put Into Effect This Term

Chapel Hill, Jan. 3.—A new plan of registration, designed to get all the students signed up in two days and ready to go to work in the classroom Thursday, was put into effect Tuesday. Newsom's term was expected to bring the total attendance for the year to about 2,000.

Memorial Hall is used for the concentration of the work. Registrar T. J. Wilson, Jr., installs himself there with all his assistants and with all the necessary records. The necessary operations in the process of registering are arranged in smooth sequence, so there is no doubling back and crisscrossing.

In the past there had been a good deal of delay in registration, largely owing to the limited space available in the regular offices in the Alumni Building. Long lines of students stretching out through the doors and over the campus lawns. All the students could not get through the mill in the two allotted days, and this meant that classes were held up.

A decentralization scheme, under which the various schools and departments register their students separately, is now in operation. This means the saving of time, just a step use of a number of ticket windows and entrances saves time at a big football game or a circus.

SIXTEEN YEAR OLD YOUTH ADMITS KILLING FATHER

"I Killed Him for the Good of My Sister, Myself and Community," He Said

Lynchburg, Va., Jan. 3.—Calmy admitting that he shot his father to death while the latter slept, Fred Steppe, 16, sat by the fire in the little farm-house 20 miles from this city early today and awaited the arrival of the sheriff. When the officer arrived, the boy told him to take him to jail and "get it over with."

Sheriff Farrow said the lad talked freely, and detailed the manner in which he killed his father, Edward Steppe, 54. He said he entered the elder Steppe's bedroom this morning with a single-barreled shotgun, and fired a charge of shot into the man's head. Then he reloaded the gun and a moment later fired the second shot.

"I killed him for the good of my sister, myself and the community," the sheriff said the boy told him. He said the youth told him that his father had treated his sister brutally and that he had brooded over this for several days, finally concluding to kill his father.

The youth was lodged in the Campbell county jail at Bastrop.

The power of the press goes into the kitchen. Several newspapers under the silcock on the kitchen table make the cloth last longer.

TEST VALIDITY OF HUSBAND'S WILL

Late R. E. Burwell Provided Estate Should Go To Town At Widow's Death

Lillington, Jan. 4.—Mrs. R. E. Burwell, widow of the late Louis D. Burwell, instituted Wednesday in Superior court, represented by A. D. McDonald, a suit to test the will of her husband, who in his last will and testament left to her a large estate and all his property, but stipulated that upon her death the entire property should go to the town of Lillington, to be used for the fixed purpose of erecting a town hall, to be known as the Burwell Memorial Building.

The Raleigh Banking and Trust Company was appointed executor. The law partner of McDonald, Hon. John Robert Baggett, now representing the 12th district in the State Senate, drew the will at the instance and direction of Mr. Burwell.

Much of the property has been sold by the executor to satisfy debts against the estate which were said to be \$10,000 or more. The stock of dry goods, in the business conducted by Mr. Burwell, was the first property disposed of. Recently the vacant lot adjoining the ball park was auctioned off for proceeds which the executors claimed were absolutely necessary to relieve outstanding indebtedness.

Although the will stipulated that the sum of \$50,000 go to the town of Lillington, appraisal of the property failed to show more than \$24,000 at the time the executor took charge.

Ground upon which the will will be tested is that the executor had no right to touch the property until after the death of the widow she being given life-time hold of it.

It is understood that the widow claims that under the provisions of the will she would have been given immediately all property in her own hands to do as she pleased with.

This provision she claims was defeated by the executor taking charge upon the death of her husband, and administering upon the estate.

In testimony taken at the office of the clerk of court revealed that summons were filed and served Wednesday. Complaint has not yet been received.

Marshall P. Speers is local attorney for the town of Lillington, as he is a member of the town council.

ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

Secretary of Home B. & L. Association Has Called Meeting Tuesday Night

Secretary Lee, of the Home Building and Loan Association, has arranged for the annual meeting of the stockholders next Tuesday evening, January 9th, at 8 o'clock. The meeting will be held in the Fraternal hall and all stockholders are urged to be present. The election of officers and a board of directors will take place at this meeting. The following letter was mailed to all stockholders this week by Mr. Lee:

Dunn, January 3rd.
"Agreeable with the by-laws of the Home Building and Loan Association of Dunn, N. C., the annual stockholders' meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 9th 1923, at 8:00 p. m., in Fraternal Hall.

"Reports will be made by the different officers for the period covered since incorporation.

"An Auditing or Examining Committee will be elected. Two stockholders will be elected for this committee who are not on the Board of Directors. It will be the duty of this committee to report on the conduct and condition of the affair of the Association at the next ensuing annual meeting—they having access to all books, papers and records belonging to the Association.

"At this meeting also the Board of Directors for 1923 will be elected. These will hold office for one year or until their successors are elected and qualified.

"If possible, every stockholder should attend this meeting and avail himself of the opportunity to learn of the conduct and condition of the Association and also to support his choice for the fifteen members of the Board of Directors."

T. L. Riddle Leaves Dunn For Position Sanford Co.

Sanford, Jan. 4.—T. L. Riddle, the wide-awake secretary of the Chamber of Commerce of Dunn, is moving to Sanford about February 1, where he will become the secretary and treasurer of the Sandhill Fruit Company and also of the Carolina Promotion

ILLNESS FATAL TO DUKES CITIZEN

S. P. Daniels, 46, Dies After Battle With Pneumonia

Duke, Jan. 3.—S. P. Daniels, one of the leading citizens of Duke, died in the Erwin cotton mill, following a sharp attack of pneumonia. He was 46 years of age at the time of his death. He had been ill for some time and his death was a great loss to the community.

The deceased was born in Wilton and had become a citizen of Duke in 1912. He had been a member of the Duke community since that time. He was a well-known and respected citizen.

Funeral services were held in Tarboro at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning and were conducted by the Rev. J. A. Daniels, pastor of the Episcopal church in Duke. Mr. Daniels was a member of the Duke vestrymen of the church.

CANT STAND PURE INTEREST

Grady, New Judge, Maintains Klan Membership is Private Matter

Kinston, Jan. 3.—Following his induction last night by Judge Henry A. Grady, new judge of the 12th district, today said he would not make a statement regarding his membership in the Ku Klux Klan. He said he was in no wise ashamed of his membership but he could not understand why the public should take an interest in it. He considered it a private matter.

"Our people here are satisfied," he declared, referring to his home town of Clinton, where a banquet was tendered him last night. Grady has been called the chief of the organization in the State.

PAY HONOR TO GRADY AT BIG NEW YEAR AT BANQUET

Clinton, Jan. 2.—The leading event of the New Year in Clinton was a banquet given at the Montague Hotel last night by the local bar association in honor of Judge Henry A. Grady, who was on this occasion inducted into office. The toast was administered by his friend Moses E. Britt, justice of the peace.

Covers were laid for more than a hundred people and the occasion was one of the most notable and pleasing of its kind ever witnessed here. Hon. Jno. E. Fowler was toastmaster and performed his task most graciously and acceptably. The guests besides the members of the local bar and their wives, included many visiting lawyers from Duplin county, all the resident ministers of Clinton, a number of townspeople and friends from other sections of the county.

The toasts were fitting to the occasion and were responded to most delightfully in every instance, a number of ladies being on the program. The high tributes paid Judge Grady ought to be an inspiration to him in the important work he is undertaking upon.

It was a real pleasure to the people of his home town to pay this mark of respect to a favorite son and the sincere expressions of high regard that came from all who were called upon visibly affected him.

Judge Grady begins his career on the bench next Monday at New Bern where he will hold a two weeks term and Sales Company.

The Sandhill Fruit Company has 1,500 acres in peaches at Hamlet, near Hamlet. When the orchard is developed it will be the largest in that whole section.

Another German Fredigy (Scientific American)

Germany has another memory prodigy in a 21-year-old girl who has mastered the art of brain control over muscle most completely. She sings a German song, writes an English sentence with her right hand and a French sentence with her left hand at the same time. Also writes a sentence in one language backwards, and another in a different language in the regular way. She can calculate with one hand while dictating backwards with the other. She can also begin a sentence at both ends and complete it in the middle, using both

STATE IS FIFTH IN CROP VALUES

Climbs From Twelfth, Close To Top, In 21st Years of Growth

From the position of eleventh, maintained during the five-year period 1918-1922, North Carolina now ranks as fourth among all the states of the union in the value of the twenty-two principal crops and from the five year average of twelfth has climbed to fifth position in the value of all crops, according to figures furnished Frank Parker, agricultural statistician by the United States Department of Agriculture.

According to the new statistics, North Carolina is first in the value of tobacco crop, leading Kentucky by six million dollars. The State also edges Alabama out of first place in the total production of peanuts. In 1921 Alabama raised 161,000,000 pounds of peanuts while North Carolina lagged behind with 129,000,000.

In 1922 North Carolina came forward with 113,000,000 to 112,000,000 for Alabama. Alabama, however, maintains a lead in the value of the sweet potato crop, leaving North Carolina in second place. First place goes to this State in the production of soy beans, and also, among the cotton growing States, in the per acre yield of cotton. Missouri, which raised not enough cotton to utilize it to rank among the cotton growing States, alone has a better per acre average than North Carolina.

The twenty-two principal crops in which North Carolina maintains fourth position reached in 1922 include corn, wheat, oats, barley, rye, buckwheat, flaxseed, rice, potatoes, soy, tobacco, lint cotton, beans, brown corn sorghum, hop, orange, clover seed, peanuts, cranberries, and apples.

Ahead of North Carolina in these principal crops are Texas, Iowa and Illinois while California is added to these, in order, in the priority list for all-the-crops.

HOLD WOMAN WHO ABANDONED BABY

Chatham Woman Charged With Leaving Child On Train Last Friday

Fayetteville, Jan. 4.—Officers from Chatham county arrived here late today to take back to that county Mrs. Leon Welton, charged with abandoning her two-week-old baby on a Fayetteville-Greensboro train last Friday.

The young woman got off the train at Siler City, leaving the baby on a seat of the car. The wife of a Greensboro policeman and other women on the train took charge of the infant and it was carried to Greensboro and placed in the State home for children there.

Mrs. Welton's home is in Siler City but police officials say that she has been here for some time with the young man who claims to be her husband. He boarded the Greensboro train in this city Friday and the authorities here were asked to look out for her in case she returned to Fayetteville. Her arrest was brought about when the secretary of the Travelers' Aid at the Atlantic Coast Line station in this city overheard Welton and the young woman laying plans to leave here on an afternoon train Monday. The Travelers' Aid secretary notified the police of the couple's plans and the girl was taken into custody.

The baby abandoned by the young mother is said to have been born in this city.

Colonel Joe. D. Langston To Be Decorated at Bragg

Goldboro, Jan. 3.—Col. John D. Langston leaves for Camp Bragg in the morning where he will be decorated with the Distinguished Service Cross during the day. In accordance with Col. Langston's request of the War Department, the commanding general at Camp Bragg has stated that the ceremony will be quiet and simple. Colonel Langston was on Lieut.-General Crowder's staff during the war.

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ENGLAND LOOKING FOR COTTON IN THE SUDAN

Considerable Attention Is Being Paid To Development Schemes To Relieve Shortage

London, Jan. 3.—In view of the threatened shortage of American cotton for the Lancashire mills and the resulting serious position in which England's textile industry is likely to be placed, British officials are directing considerable attention to development schemes in the Sudan by which it is estimated Egypt's annual production of long staple cotton can soon be increased 110,000 bales.

A loan is about to be issued, guaranteed by the British government, to provide funds for the construction of a 217-mile extension of the Sudan railways to Kassala, in order to make possible the expansion of the cotton growing area in the delta of the River Gash, at the same time opening eastern Sudan for the export of cereals and oilseeds.

WILL BEGIN FIGHT ON KLAN TODAY

Senator Baggett Announces He Will Introduce Unmasking Measure

The first gun in the expected legislative war against the Ku Klux Klan in North Carolina will be fired today, according to an announcement by Senator J. B. Baggett, of Harnett, who expects to introduce his bill making it a crime to appear in public masked when the Senate convenes today. Senator Baggett has other measures in mind, including one proposed by the unmasked report that Judge Henry A. Grady, of Clinton, is a high officer of the secret organization.

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One letter, which Senator Baggett says is typical of a score of anonymous communications he has received, urges all way to negro blood in the ridiculous charges is signed "I John" and dated at Salisbury on December 11. The envelope in which it was mailed was postmarked at Salisbury on December 15 and Senator Baggett infers from the discrepancy in the dates that the letter was written elsewhere and sent to Salisbury to be mailed.

CLAYTON BAPTISTS TO GET IN NEW CHURCH

Dedication Services Will Be Held January 7 With Special Prayers on Hand

Clayton, Jan. 3.—With special services morning and evening Baptists will dedicate their handsome new church building here on Sunday, January 7.

DREAMED THERE WAS GOING TO BE WRECK

Woman Passenger Dreamed And Waiting For It When Train Left Balls Blown

Macon, Ga., Jan. 3.—A broken brake beam that dropped down from one of the Pullman sleepers, caused the derailment of the northbound Dixie Flyer, fast Jacksonville-Chicago train, at 6:43 o'clock yesterday, causing injury to 24 persons, three of them seriously, according to a statement from Central of Georgia Railroad officials. One of the rails was stripped from the road bed for a distance of a thousand feet and lay along the 18-foot embankment, in the form of a double "Y" and at the bottom of the ravine lay seven Pullman sleepers, a dining car, a day coach, all turned on their sides. The rail was intact in all but one place near the locomotive. But for the fact that the equipment was of steel there would have been a heavy loss of life, railroad officials say.

In next to the last car of the wrecked train at Miss Jane Cassidy, of Shelbyville, Ky., fully dressed and waiting for the wreck.

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