

NEW BERN BANKING & TRUST CO.

THE WEEK OF DECISION

This is the last week in the old year. If you are going to make every day in the New Year count in a definite way for saving, you must decide this week.

Make this indeed YOUR Week of Decision. Determine on some practical plan for limiting your expenses and saving a percentage of your income, and stick to your plan through the whole of 1910. Better open your savings account during this week if you possibly can.

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New Bern Stores Excel All Others

Never before in the history of New Bern have the stores in every line of industry presented such attractive and well selected goods and wares.

The beautiful and artistic window decorations excite admiration of all and are worth coming many miles to see.

Visitors from neighboring towns and villages are flocking to witness the wonderful progress of GREATER NEW BERN, and are buying great values from the well stocked stores at prices heretofore unknown.

If you want to save money and visit the smartest and best town in all Eastern North Carolina, come to New Bern and buy your Christmas goods, where every courtesy and the freedom of the place will be extended to you.

New Bern Chamber of Commerce

A SELECT LINE

We have a very select line of suiting and pants patterns. Also several fancy vest patterns.

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A Happy and Prosperous New Year to All

Real estate values are enhancing steadily. If you are wise you will buy now before the flood-tide of high prices.

An offering of the entire holdings of Mr. Howe, situated 81 to 87 Craven St., 28 Broad St., and 50 to 56 Griffith St., also desirable dwelling on large corner lot, Avenue A, Riverbank, all being good values.

Also execute notarial papers, Surety Bonds and Insurances covering fire, accidents, sickness, plate-glass, boilers, by schools, bank and personal burglary, live-stock, etc. Remember that satisfaction is guaranteed absolutely in all transactions through this agency.

W. G. BOYD

REAL ESTATE - INSURANCE - INVESTMENTS

THE WASHINGTON LETTER

By CARL SCHOFIELD, Special Correspondent. Under the personal direction of Mrs. Taft arrangements for the social season at the White House have virtually been completed, and the program shows a number of innovations which reflect the great interest and study which she has given to the subject.

While Mrs. Taft probably will not participate in any of the larger receptions or state functions, the details of these affairs will be carried out under her immediate supervision. She will continue to receive by appointment two or three afternoons each week during the season, but it is felt that it would be too much of a tax upon her to be present during the long hours of all the state functions.

Invitation Lists Curtailed. The problem of the larger receptions, such as the diplomatic, the judicial, the congressional and the army and navy, with invitation lists in past years of 2,000 and more, presented to Mrs. Taft the greatest difficulty of the social program, and she set about to devise some means of making the receptions more significant, more distinctive and more of a personal honor to the guests of the evening and to those invited to meet them.

To do this it has been found necessary materially to reduce the invitation lists, not by the elimination of any one in or out of official life who should be on the White House lists, but by limiting the invitations to one or the other of the receptions and not inviting the same guests to all of the receptions. Only a few persons in official life will be invited to more than one of the big receptions, and no one out of official life. It is said, will receive succeeding invitations.

Old Custom Revived. One of the principal reasons for limiting the numbers at the several receptions is the fact that during this administration refreshments are to be served during the state receptions. This has not been done since President Hayes' administration. The facilities for serving refreshments to so large a company at the White House are comparatively limited, of course, and the guests to be invited must be reckoned accordingly.

There is a sentimental feature attached to this restoration of refreshments at the receptions, for it was during the Hayes administration that Mrs. Taft first visited and lived in the White House as the house guest of President and Mrs. Hayes.

President Hayes was the law partner of Judge Herron, Mrs. Taft's father, and Mrs. Taft spent many happy girlhood days in the executive mansion. It is said that the reason refreshments were cut out was because the crowd of guests was usually so great that it became virtually a mob.

Jackson's Cheese Reception. The early presidents all served refreshments, and in some instances a festive punch bowl was kept in use. An amusing incident in connection with this subject occurred during the administration of President Jackson. A mammoth cheese, weighing 1,400 pounds, four feet in diameter and two feet thick, was presented to Jackson.

The general Jackson gave a George Washington's birthday reception of Feb. 22, 1807, and invited his fellow citizens to visit the White House between 1 and 3 and taste the cheese. The citizens came to the tune of about 10,000 or more. The guests adjourned to attend the cheese reception, while the odoriferous house of representatives was restrained by a scanty majority from attending en masse. The cheese was eaten, but the carpets and furniture of the east room were ruined.

An Ambassador's Misstep. It is related that one foreign ambassador rode in state to the White House in blinding ignorance of the inner details of a cheese reception. As he entered the east room a small boy was precipitated into the savory extravaganza and minister plenipotentiary. He was the huge chunk of cheese to which the boy was attached.

The inevitable occurred, and the minister was plastered with the delicacy. Giving one horrified glance at the non-descript assemblage and smelling the mingled odors of cheese, hot potato and cologne water, the minister fled. As he left the mansion he remarked to a colleague:

"You can stay if you want to and are able, but this is too good democratic for me."

Abolished by Van Buren. President Van Buren, who took office shortly after this incident, was so averse to the destruction to furniture and carpets by the cheese party that he did away with any sort of refreshments at either public or card receptions. This rule obtained until the Lincoln took office, when the custom of light refreshments was restored. The Hayeses found it impossible and abolished it during the last of their regime, and it now remains for Mrs. Taft to restore the lavish headed southern hospitality to the receptions.

Dresses at White House. A well known theatrical manager is completing plans which look to the monthly production in the executive mansion of one act plays of a more or less classical and educational nature. These plays will be submitted to Mrs. Taft for her approval shortly after the first of the year. For a while during the last administration Mrs. Roosevelt had under consideration the plan of giving dramatic entertainments at the White House. It has now been agreed that by an ingenious arrangement of costumes and lights the new drama as an adapted substitute for refreshments or refreshments.

SHORT PASSING EVENTS

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was one of the most interesting and instructive of its kind ever held in this city. His description of the rubber industry and the cruelties inflicted on the natives by the inhuman overseers, was very vivid and showed to what extremes such atrocities were perpetrated. The church was packed to its utmost capacity and every one was profuse in their praise of this eloquent speaker.

In the Police Court yesterday afternoon James Chapman, one of the ball boys at the Gaston Hotel, was given a hearing on a warrant charging him with riding his bicycle on the sidewalk. He was found guilty of the offense but as this was his first time in court he was dismissed upon the payment of the cost of the trial. J. H. Bryant, colored, was in the toils for disorderly conduct and as the testimony given showed that he was evidently guilty he was fined two dollars and taxed with the cost of the trial.

Among the many improvements that are being made in the city a large wooden structure owned by Isaac H. Smith and located on the corner of Pine and Smith streets is very noticeable. The building which is opposite Smith's Hall; another building owned by the same person, is three stories high, 81 feet long and 66 feet wide. The first floor will be used for stores, the second, which is an immense hall without any post to obstruct the view will be used as a theatre, while the third and top floor will be used for lodge purposes.

Several days ago it was discovered that a young woman, who claimed to be from Washington, N. C., and her child which was only a few weeks old, were living in a small house near Justice's Island and that apparently she had no means of support and was in a destitute condition. Several citizens took up the matter with the authorities and it was decided to secure employment for the mother while the child was to be sent to Greensboro and placed in some home for destitute children. Owing to some hitch in the proceedings this plan was not carried out and the woman was forced to place the child in the care of the county home while she has returned to Washington.

PILES CURED IN 6 TO 14 DAYS PAZO OINTMENT is guaranteed to cure any case of Itching, Blind, Bleeding or Protruding Piles in 6 to 14 days or money refunded. 80c.

At Davis Pharmacy Hudnut's Violet Water, Sacket Powders, Perfumes, Hair Brushes, Military Brushes, Combs, Buffers, Mirrors, Shaving Brushes, Soap Boxes, Puff Boxes, Purses, Cigars, Stationery, Pipes, Whittman's Candy, &c.

Norfolk and Southern Appointments.

January 1st, two important appointments went into effect on the Norfolk and Southern rail road, these being Mr. Virgil Walker, as Superintendent of the Beaufort, Pamlico and Raleigh divisions, to succeed Colonel Foster. Mr. Walker is a gentleman who will be found a capable superintendent for all the duties involved in this office. He has been in this city several months, and those who have met him are pleased to know him. His railroad ability is recognized among railroad people.

The other appointment is that of J. C. Lewis, as chief dispatcher and train master of the above division. Mr. Lewis is well known in this section, and is thoroughly efficient for his official duties.

ANNUAL MEETING

Of the Stockholders of the New Bern Banking & Trust Company New Bern, N. C.

The annual meeting of the Stockholders of the New Bern Banking & Trust Company, for the election of Directors and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before it, will be held at its Banking House, New Bern, North Carolina, Tuesday January 11th 1910, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 12 m.

GEO. B. FENDLETON, Cashier.

Notice

All members of the Atlantic steam fire engine Co. who desire to carry accident insurances are requested to pay same to F. M. Scott, Sec., before Jan. 15th, 1910. By order of F. M. SCOTT, Secretary.

Music Lessons

After Jan. 1st, 1910, I will accept limited number of pupils for all kinds of music in Harmony, Theory and Voice. Terms and conditions on application. F. M. SCOTT, Secretary.

YOUNG PAIR HORSE THIEVES

Two Diminutive Colored Boys Steals a Man's Team.

Late yesterday afternoon officer Lupton received a message from a Mr. Holton who lives a few miles beyond Bridgton, stating that his mule and wagon which he valued at about one hundred dollars had been stolen, and that he would like to have the police assist him in locating the team.

After securing a brief description of the animal officer Lupton started out with the intention of notifying the other officers to be on the lookout for it and incidentally closely observing every team himself in the hopes of accidentally locating it.

As he was passing through the southern section of the city he saw a mule and cart driven by two very small colored boys that was exactly like Mr. Holton's description. The drivers of the team were stopped and officer Lupton began questioning them with the result that they finally acknowledged that the animal they were driving was the one that had been stolen.

They were taken to Police headquarters where, after being questioned, gave their names as James Collins age 8 years and John Franklin Jones age 7 years and that they had found the animal hitched to a tree and as they badly needed some spare change, had taken him and cart for fifteen dollars. They were unable to give bond and were placed in jail to await trial this afternoon at two o'clock.

WILLIAMS' KIDNEY PILLS

Have you neglected your Kidneys? Have you overworked your nervous system and caused trouble with your kidneys and bladder? Have you pains in loins, side, back, groins and bladder? Have you a flabby appearance of the face, especially under the eyes? Too frequent a desire to pass urine? If so, Williams' Kidney Pills will cure you at Druggists, Price 50c. Williams' M'fg. Co., Proprs., Cleveland, O.

DIED.

At his residence in this city Monday morning at 7:35 o'clock, Mr. M. DeW. Stevenson in his 65th year. Funeral services from Christ Church this afternoon at 8:30 o'clock.

Attention, Veterans.

You are requested to meet at corner of Pollock and George streets at three o'clock to-day to attend the funeral of our late Comander and brother, M. De W. Stevenson.

By order Comdr, J. F. CLARK, Adjt.

Attention Knights of Harmony.

The members of Craven Lodge No. 1, Knights of Harmony, are requested to assemble at their lodge-room at three o'clock sharp to attend the funeral of our late brother M. De W. Stevenson, by order of the President.

JAMES H. SMITH, Secretary.

Trustees New Bern Academy.

You are requested to meet at Christ Episcopal Church this afternoon at 8 o'clock to attend the funeral in a body of Mr. M. De W. Stevenson, a member of the Board.

A full attendance is requested. By order of the President.

W. M. WATSON, Secretary.

Norfolk & Southern Railway Special Train.

Account of performance of "Paid in Full" we will operate a special train New Bern to Goldsboro and return Jan. 10th, leaving New Bern 5:45 P. M., returning leave Goldsboro directly after the performance. Train will stop at intermediate stations and special rates will be authorized fare from New Bern \$1.25 round trip. For further information apply to T. H. Bennett, Ticket Agent.

H. C. Hodgins, G. P. A.

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Of the Stockholders of the National Bank of New Bern.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the National Bank of New Bern, for the election of its directors and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before it, will be held at its banking house on the second Tuesday of January, being the 11th, day of January, 1910.

The polls will be open at 10 o'clock and close at 1 p. m.

G. B. ROBERTS, Cashier.

The Peoples Bank

NEW BERN, N. C.

4% PAID ON SAVINGS

YOUR 1910 BANK ACCOUNT

Choosing the bank through which to transact your financial affairs during 1910 is an important matter which should receive most careful consideration. We invite you to open an account with this institution which uniformly extends courteous and efficient service to its patrons, and by reason of conservative management and ample capital and surplus, affords unquestioned safety. Deposits, small as well as large, are invited.

WM. DUNN, C.D. BRADHAM, T.A. UZZELL, PRES. VICE PRES. CASHIER

Beautifully Hand-decorated \$10 Dinner Sets

FREE

Given to our Customers Absolutely FREE

The clock shown on this circular stands in a conspicuous part of our store and will be allowed to run down and stop at stated intervals.

OUR LIBERAL OFFER IS AS FOLLOWS:

With each cash purchase of a certain amount you make at our store we will give you a card on which the time of day is stamped. Bring cards to our store on the date and time specified thereon, and a complete dinner set will be given to the person present holding the card on which is stamped the nearest correct time the clock stops at.

It is necessary for all ticket holders to be in our store at the time when the face of the clock is uncovered.

We want you to secure one of these handsome dinner sets so as to advertise our business and to show in a substantial way that we appreciate your trade. We are not making any money on them—we don't expect to—we make this offer simply to please our old customers and to make new customers. This is a splendid opportunity for you to secure a handsome set of dishes absolutely free.

If your ticket does not secure a set for you the first time the clock is uncovered, save your ticket as you may win on it the next, or the second, third, fourth, fifth, or sixth time. Your ticket is good while we are giving Dinner Sets Free on this plan.

J. J. BAXTER

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Department Store



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OUR GOODS ARE ALL NEW, FRESH

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Sam Lippman.

62 Middle Street

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A Happy New Year To All

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