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**STANDARD OIL OWNS CHINA**

By Financing Revolution Settling up Sun and Gains Oil Concessions.

Shanghai, China, Jan. 30.—That the direct result of the uprising in China, should the revolutionary forces win, will be possession by the Standard Oil Company of all the oil resources of the nation was the assertion of high officials familiar with the situation. The Rockefeller interests, it was said, are financing the revolution through agents now on the ground. Whether President Sun has actually signed the concession is not known, but it is authoritatively asserted that if he has not he will shortly do so.

By securing this concession the American financiers have checkmated their European rivals. Representatives of the British and German oil syndicates have had preliminary surveys made and within the last few days authorized their representatives to secure concessions to develop the oil industry in various sections of the empire. The Standard beat them to it, however, and Sun promised that if he succeeded in overthrowing the Manchu dynasty it would have the right of monopoly of the oil industry. The Standard's agent had been in touch with Sun, it is said, long before he left America with the object of financing a successful revolution and so getting possession of the greatest undeveloped territory in the world.

**Zanfretta and Mansfield, in the Crazy Messenger, a clean refined comedy act, at The Athens, today, matinee and night.**

**Brown-Williams.**

Mr. A. L. Brown, the efficient young baggage master at the union passenger station, and Miss Eva M. Williams, one of Vanceboro's most charming young ladies, were united in the holy bonds of matrimony at the home of Mrs. Joel Kinsey on George St., at 8 o'clock yesterday morning. Rev. J. N. H. Sammerell performing the ceremony.

After a visit in several northern cities Mr. and Mrs. Brown will return to New Bern, where they will make their future home.

**Annual Business Meeting of Centenary Baracca Class.**

There will be a business meeting of Centenary Baracca Class in its class room on Friday evening at 7:30, for the election of officers and such other business as may come up. All members are earnestly requested to be present.

**D. E. HENDERSON, Pres.**

**TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY**

Take **LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine** Tablets. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. **E. W. GROVE'S** signature is on each box. 25c.

**Ap. Appeal to Cotton Growers.**

Commissioner of Agriculture, W. A. Graham, President H. Q. Alexander, of the North Carolina Farmers' Union, and President J. M. Mitchell, of the North Carolina Farmers' Alliance, have joined in an appeal to all cotton growers in this State to meet at the court houses in their respective counties on February the 17th and organize for the curtailment of the crop next year, because the present crop exceeds the requirement of the commerce of the world, entailing a consequent loss to the growers through lack of demand. The proposed curtailment is a pledge by farmers that they will plant an acre of food product for every acre of cotton planted next season.

**FARM FOR SALE**

I offer for sale my 100 acre farm one-half mile from city limits, 1,200 feet fronting on Pembroke road. For particulars apply or write to J. H. A. Boom, 164 Broad street, New Bern, N. C.

The new Democratic Steel and Iron Tariff Revision bill passed the House by a large majority and now goes to the Senate.

County Teachers Association Meeting Postponed.

The meeting of the County Teachers which was to have been held last Saturday has been postponed until next Saturday in February.

The program arranged for January meeting will be followed at February meeting.

**F. M. BRIDGEMAN**  
Sup. Public Instruction Division at Raleigh

**FARMER'S INSTITUTE YESTERDAY**

Conducted at Court House in This City by Mr. Franklin Sherman, State Entomologist.

Under the direction of the State Department of Agriculture Mr. Franklin Sherman, State Entomologist, yesterday conducted a Farmer's Institute at the court house in this city. Although only a small crowd, about 25 farmers, were present, much interest was shown in the proceedings, and there is no less doubt but that those who attended came away greatly benefited by what they had seen and heard.

Mr. Sherman fully explained a number of methods of farming and how the best results could be obtained. He fully explained the action of fertilizers upon different varieties of soil, and when and how it should be used. His remarks on the raising and care of the stock were also very interesting and instructive.

**W. H. BROWN, E. L. WATSON**  
and **W. J. BROWN, of the New Bern**

**ARE THEY GAMBLING MACHINES?**

Attorney General Bickett Says Chewing Gum Slot Machines Are Not Gambling Devices.

Several days ago the police of this city confiscated two slot machines which they claimed were gambling devices. Monday a representative of the company owning these machines attempted to take out a license to operate a similar machine in Raleigh and the Sheriff refused, at first to issue the license. However, the Attorney General said that they were not gambling devices and the license was issued. The following news item in regard to the matter was taken from yesterday's News & Observer and shows just how the situation stands:

"The question whether certain slot machines to be put up in different business houses in this city are gambling devices and prohibitory by State law has been the source of much correspondence between Sheriff Sears and State Treasurer Lacy; also was the cause of the refusal of the Sheriff to issue license until advised to do so by his attorney.

The facts of the case are that a Mr. Decker, who is in charge of the machines tried to take out license for the operation of them in this county. Sheriff Sears refused him license until an investigation could be made. He investigated and inspected the slot machine and is of the opinion that it was a gambling device. However an appeal was made to Treasurer Lacy, it being construed in a part of the Revenue and Machinery Act that he shall decide all questions, and he in turn asked advice from Attorney General Bickett.

Attorney General Bickett rendered an opinion to the effect that upon facts stated by Mr. Decker this machine is not a gambling device and it is the duty of the Sheriff to issue license to parties operating slot machines of this character.

However, Sheriff Sears' attorney is sure that his machine is a gambling device and thinks that the Attorney General has erred in his opinion because the true facts have not been given him. The Sheriff's attorney advised him, however, to issue license until a further investigation can be made."

**\$2500 FOR AN EYE**

To lose an eye is a terrible blow. However, when you get \$2500 in cash it makes the misfortune come easier. A Charlotte man took out a \$5000 accident policy in the Maryland Casualty Co. of Baltimore, on June 17th, 1911, and just two months thereafter had an eye put out in an automobile accident, for which he received \$1500, being half the principal sum. Every business man should carry this protection. Doesn't cost much, and protects against every known accident with double indemnity while traveling. I carry this policy on my own life and recommend it as being the very best on the market for the money. Don't wait until you get your legs or arms cut off, your eyes put out, your back or neck broken, or your head knocked off, for if you do the guy's up and we can't help you.

**W. G. BOYD, Agent.**

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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, groin 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 Druggist, Price 50c. Williams' Mfg. Co., Prop., Cleveland, O.

**How About That Missing Stock?**

Says the Charlotte News: "Details are being completed for the coming to Charlotte of a Norfolk Southern railway. The road is entered and when final arrangements are made between the company and parties who own property through which the road will pass, the matter will rest until actual work of construction commences."

It is safe to say that if the Norfolk Southern railway reaches Charlotte there will be one long drawn out war from the travelling public in that section if they are compelled to ride in coaches similar to those on the line from Benslet to Goldsboro.

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**ECONOMY CAUCUS SPLITS.**

Supp Democratic Vote Balks Action of Leaders. Personal Encounter Prevented.

Washington, Jan. 31.—The Democratic caucus which met to decide upon the proposition of spending \$16,000,000 for public buildings broke up abruptly with the House organization split in twain. When it became evident that the leaders controlled enough votes to defeat the proposed raid on the treasury and to pass a resolution against the construction of any buildings, Representative Burnett of Alabama put an amendment on the resolution against the appropriation for any battleships this year. The resolution with the battleship amendment was reroiled through the caucus by a vote of 98 to 68. The amendment was passed by a viva voce vote and before the members realized what had happened a roll was called on the resolution which passed.

Disorder reigned on the floor of the House. Members from every section declared they would not be bound by a caucus that interfered with the system for national defence without giving representatives time to debate the question. Representative Hobson and Heflin almost came to blows after the Chairman had abruptly ordered Hobson to take his seat while he was attempting to appeal to the House. Hobson announced that he would not be bound by the caucus. Heflin immediately challenged his right to vote on the grounds that he had no right to assert his independence of the caucus decision. The fight was averted when Hobson told the members that he was bound in honor to work for the two battleships programme. The general dissatisfaction over the finding of the caucus led Representative Underwood to consent to a new caucus to consider the battleship question separately. It is understood that Representative Burnett had no idea that the battleship amendment would be passed when he offered it. He hoped that it might induce the members to agree to the \$16,000,000 appropriation for public buildings.

**Moving Pictures and Vaudeville, afternoon and night, at The Athens.**

Hon. John G. Woolley to Address Mass Meeting February 11.

Hon. John G. Woolley, probable the leading temperance advocate in America and one time a candidate for the presidency on the prohibition ticket, will appear in New Bern, Sunday, February 11th, addressing a mass meeting of all the congregations at Centenary Methodist Church. An attractive musical program is being arranged for the event which promises to be one of the most interesting and helpful meetings ever held in the city. The speaker is a distinguished lawyer, who has yielded much of his time in late years to the cause of temperance, speaking in behalf of the issue in practically every State in America. Under the direction of the North Carolina Anti-Saloon League, he will spend fifteen days in this State in the interest of the cause and ministers and leaders in the prohibition movement count themselves fortunate in being able to secure his services.

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