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INVENTORY OF STATE FOREST

Talk of Municipal Ownership Water and Gas. Plea for Par-don.

Raleigh, N. C. Feb. 23.—State Geologist Joseph Hyde Pratt reports to the State Board of Geological survey that the work of inventorying the North Carolina forests from the Tennessee line eastward has progressed as far as Rowan and Guilford counties and that the entire Piedmont section will be completed during the coming summer. The board determined to push the promotion of the western section of the Central highway and the Blue Ridge highway as calculated to be especially beneficial to the state. The state geologist was directed to prepare and issue as early as possible a complete public road map of the state, showing the improved highways, those in process of improvement under systematic approved methods and those improvements projected. The board determined to give the greatest possible encouragement to the furtherance of the movement for draining swamp and soggy lands in all parts of the state. There are now fifty-six draining districts under way either fully organized and with the drainage work in operation or fully a source of immediate operation.

There is much talk of the necessity of the city taking over the water plant and operating it as a municipal property. The same is true of the gas plant unless there is some effective way of cutting the charges from present high scales. Now gas for cooking, heating and lighting all cost \$2 per 1,000 feet with a 25 per cent. reduction for payment of bills before the 10th of the month. It is estimated that the volume of gas used here fully warrants a price of \$1 per 1,000 feet instead of the present net cost of \$1.50.

Coroner Seapark committed F. W. Goss, of Durham, to Wake jail in default of \$1,000 bond as an important witness in the investigation of the death of the three young men from Benson in the Wilson apartments here three weeks ago. Officers found that Goss was studying to leave for Buffalo, N. Y., to fix automobiles and demand bond for appearance at later hearings which he was unable to give. The jury will re-sume its sessions next Monday to complete the inquest. There are no new developments as to foul play.

There is an amendment for the charter of the Hilderbrand-Crater Company, Greensboro that changes the name to the Greensboro News Company. This is the company that publishes the Greensboro Daily News and in which W. A. Hilderbrand and E. B. J. Jiffries are the principal stockholders. The charter shows that they own 149 shares each, and that there is only one other share outstanding, that being held by Mr. McKnight, of Greensboro.

W. W. Bartley, of North Wilkesboro made a plea with Governor Ketchin for a pardon or commutation of sentence for D. O. Absher, a young white man of Wilkes county, who is serving a seven-year sentence for manslaughter, in that he killed a man named Brown in 1904. After the killing and before he was sentenced Absher was married to a worthy young woman, and there are two children. The plea is that there has already been sufficient punishment, he having served since 1910. The trial judge and others recommend that the Governor extend executive clemency.

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The March Wide World Magazine.

Full of adventure and interesting facts regarding foreign countries and peoples, the March Wide World Magazine upholds its reputation as being one of the most unique monthlies published. A thrilling description is given of "The Eruption of the Volcano Taal in the Philippine Islands" by one of the victims who was left a cripple for life. Mr. H. J. Shephard writes of his experience in exploring the Dead Sea, and "Down the Fraser River on a Raft" is the story of a wild four-hundred-and-seventy mile voyage on a rapid-strewn river—a ride that no man has attempted since the pioneer days, and which will in all probability never be attempted again. How the Tiponec Indians of Mexico hunt Jaguars with sticks is a description of what is perhaps the most curious method ever adopted for securing wild animals. Many other articles and stories—all profusely illustrated with actual photographs—are to be found in this issue of the Wide World Magazine.

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PROGRAM HAS BEEN ARRANGED

For the Convention of North Carolina Association of Elks to be Held Here Next Month.

The North Carolina Association of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will hold its convention at New Bern, North Carolina, March 13th, 14th and 15th. Every arrangement has been made to give the boys a big time and every Elk in the State is extended a cordial invitation to be the guest of New Bern Lodge No. 764 on this occasion.

The occasion will be the 10th anniversary of the New Bern Lodge and the event will be celebrated in a manner that will live long in the memory of those who attend. No stone shall be left unturned to make this the greatest event in the history of North Carolina Elksdom. The active co-operation of each individual member is needed in order to insure the success of this reunion. Every Elk in the State of North Carolina who can possibly do so, is asked to grace the occasion with his presence.

The program will be as follows: Wednesday evening, March 13th at 8 p. m., opening session by the association. Address of welcome by Mayor C. J. McCarthy, and Exalted Ruler William Dunn, Jr., of the New Bern Lodge. Responses by District Deputy Witherspoon, President Branham of the State Association, and Exalted Rulers of visiting Lodges. Ex-Lieut Gov Francis D. Winston has been invited to be the orator of the evening. Luncheon will follow.

Thursday morning, March 14th at 10 a. m., business meeting of the State Association. Thursday evening, March 14th at 3 p. m., parade in which all Elk Lodges are invited to participate. A silver loving cup will be awarded to the Lodge having the largest number in line and making the best showing. This cup is to be known as the New Bern 10th Anniversary Cup and is to be held by the Lodge winning it for the period of one year, and it becomes the property of the Lodge winning it three consecutive times.

Thursday evening, March 14th at 8 p. m. there will be a meeting of the New Bern Lodge at which there will be a class initiation of about twenty candidates. Senator F. M. Simmons will be the orator of the evening. Luncheon will follow.

Friday morning, March 15th at 8 a. m. the association will leave New Bern on the U. S. S. Elfreda, U. S. T. B. Foote, and the house boat Comfort for a trip down the Neuse river through the new canal recently constructed by the Government. There will be an oyster roast on the banks of the canal.

The Grand Exalted Ruler and other Grand Lodge officers have been invited and there is every reason to believe that a number of them will be in attendance.

3:45 p. m. and 7:30 p. m. entertainments at The Athens.

Bold Robbery Yesterday.

Yesterday morning Alberta Winfield, colored, entered Mrs. B. A. Irving's millinery establishment on Pollock St., and stated to the lady in charge that she wished to purchase a hat. During the time that the woman was looking over the display of headwear the clerk had occasion to step to the rear of the store, leaving behind her a hand bag containing considerable cash. Upon her return the prospective customer stated that she did not like any of the styles shown her but would return in a few days and again look over the stock. After her departure the young lady discovered that her hand bag was not in the place she had left it and upon examining the contents found that two \$5.00 notes were missing. The facts in the case were given to the police with the results that the thief was located and made to return the money to its rightful owner.

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Cruel to Eat Live Oysters.

Mobile, Ala., Feb. 23.—Because an oyster cannot let out a wall, cannot even wiggle when impaled on a fork and garnished with lemon juice, salt and pepper, John Craft, President of the state oyster commission, has announced that he will appeal to the humanity to prevent the eating of live oysters.

Mr. Craft himself is fond of oysters, but says he never eats them alive.

Call us up and let us serve you oysters fresh.

KNOWINGLY AND WILFULLY SWINDLERS

Is Commerce Commission Charge Against Express Companies. Will Prosecute Them.

Washington, Feb. 23.—Charging that they have knowingly and wilfully swindled many thousands of shippers by the collection of double rates the Interstate Commerce Commission today instructed Federal district attorneys throughout the country to institute sweeping criminal prosecutions against practically every express company in the United States. Documentary evidence substantiating the charges have been put in the hands of these officials. It is alleged by the commission that at the present time nine express companies against which prosecutions will be brought have in treasuries no less than \$81,957,893, a large proportion of which they obtained through swindles intentionally perpetrated upon the public. It is the request of the commission that special grand juries be called to hear this evidence and that indictments be returned without delay against the guilty officials of the various companies. Separate prosecutions will be brought against the Adams, American, National, Globe, Great Northern, Southern, United States and Wells Fargo companies. The proceedings will be instituted at New York, Chicago, San Francisco and other cities where the violations have occurred. It is not the intention of the Interstate Commerce Commission to make a raid on the express companies, and bankrupt them, which it could do with the evidence in hand. Some of the most flagrant violations have been selected and the courts will be asked to impose fines heavy enough to teach them a salutary lesson. A number of counts will be brought against each company. The penalty provided under the Elkins law for charging a greater or less rate than that published is a fine of not less than \$1,000, nor greater than \$20,000 for each offense. The law also provides for the imprisonment of offending officials for a term not exceeding two years, or both fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the court. No fewer than ten thousand letters protesting against overcharges and double charges by the express companies are in the possession of the Interstate Commerce Commission. Two thousand formal complaints have been made. Of the gigantic sum in the treasuries of the companies, a large proportion of which according to the commission, was illegally wrested from the public, the American Express companies holds \$33,635,603; the Adams, \$24,133,486; the United States \$10,737,518; Wells Fargo, \$7,936,377; the Southern, \$3,902,853; the Northern, \$999,551; the Globe, \$386,856; the Western, \$84,787, and the National, \$3,350.

No conclusive does the commission believe its evidence to be that it has not even waited until the completion of its investigation before beginning criminal actions.

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C. T. HANCOCK.

The March American Magazine

The March American Magazine contains the first authentic report published in this country of certain highly important discoveries in a London laboratory as to the relative strength, both mental and physical, of the younger children of a family as compared with the older children. After examining thousands of cases the evidence seems to be that the first two children in a family are not, in the majority of cases as strong mentally and physically as those that come later. The point for American readers of course is that economic pressure, which increases the cost of living, reduces the size of families and weakens the mental and physical strength of a nation.

There are many other important articles in the March American. For example, Stewart Edward White's story of a lion hunt; Julian Levitt's investigation of American prisons, in which he reveals the practice of unheard-of brutality; Ida M. Tarbell's paper on "The Business of Being a Woman"; La Follette's Autobiography, and Hugh S. Fullerton's amusing, and yet interesting, article on "Baling."

Splendid fiction is furnished by Edna Ferber, James Oppenheim, G. S. Raymond, Edith Ronald Mirrielees and H. G. Wells.

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