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HOW THEY DID IT FORTY YEARS AGO

Baseball Was An Absorbing Sport, This Article Shows.

NEW BERN VS. RALEIGH

Excitement in Game of 1874 Keen, Same as 'Tis in 1912.

Great have been the changes in New Bern and Eastern North Carolina since '74 but in nothing, perhaps, is greater difference noticeable than in the newspapers and their ways of reporting the news. In the New Bern Journal of Commerce, as well as the Daily Times of October, 1894, appear accounts of the great ball game played at the Raleigh State Fair by New Bern boys, some of whom are now living, and a Raleigh nine.

Dr. John D. Clark a well known dentist of this city, kindly gave the Journal this glimpse of baseball reporting of the long ago. This was before baseball language had been invented and ball games were reported in English, instead of a special jargon. "Rooters" were evidently just getting into the game. No mention is made of the umpire having been hit by a Pepsi-Cola bottle. Altogether, the game was decidedly different from that of today, but it was some ball! Local "fans" may become young again by reading this from the New Bern Journal of Commerce of October 17, 1874:

"The match game of base ball between the Athletics, of Raleigh, and Elm City, of New Bern, came off on the grounds of the State Fair, in the vicinity of Raleigh, last Thursday, in the presence of thousands assembled from all parts of this and adjoining States, to witness the many interesting incidents occurring on the occasion of the State Fair. And though at the same time the game was being played, several very important, as well as exciting, races were being performed on the course near by, yet an almost intense interest was manifested in the contest between these two rival clubs for the championship of the State; people were seen running hither and thither amid the greatest excitement, anxiously inquiring how the game stood, and at the close of each inning as one club retired to the field and the other one came in to the bat, the interest became so intensified, that the spectators became almost wild with excitement, and the pressure of the crowd, as they impetuously gathered around the scorer's stand, became so great as to render it almost impossible to accurately score the games. Almost everybody present who had a sufficient knowledge of the game, kept a score of their own, and so anxious were they of the result, that they frequently interrupted the scorers in their duties, by their inquiries respecting the progress of the game. We think it is the popular sentiment, and the great interest manifested is an indubitable proof of it, that the game was one of the most attractive and principal features of the Fair. Judges, lawyers, clergymen, merchants, mechanics, tradesmen and men of every profession or occupation seemed alike interested in the game, and especially the result. Then what a tumult of excitement ensued, immediately subsequent to the close of the game, as the spectators irresistibly thronged about the scorer's stand impatiently awaiting the announcement of the contest; then everybody became almost frenzied with enthusiasm, and amid repeated and tremendous applause of the assembly, the "Elm City's" were declared the victors and the champions of the State. The young ladies from New Bern (God bless them!) who were present to witness the game, and though less in numbers were none the less beautiful or attractive than the more numerous delegations from other sections, seemed to be perfectly delighted with the result, and were so fully enthused by the success of the New Bern nine, that they rushed almost frantically to meet them as they returned from the grounds to the grand stand, greeting them with the radiance of their smiles of approbation, and congratulating them with their cheering words and winning manners.

Having dwelt sufficiently on the circumstances attendant thereon and effects resulting therefrom, we will now revert to the game itself. The play, both in and out-field was exceedingly fine, batting was much better. The game was called at 25 minutes past 12 o'clock with the Athletics at the bat. Mr. Ryan, a member of the Federal artillery stationed at Raleigh, acted as umpire, and by his impartial decisions reflected great credit upon himself and those who selected him to officiate in that capacity. The two captains, Flanner, of the Elm City's and Coly, of the Athletics, did efficient service, demonstrating that they understood their duties and meant to perform them. J. March of the Elm City.

CAR-LINE PEOPLE FORGING AHEAD

Nothing Slow About New Bern Ghent Street Railway Co.

PROMOTERS O. K. TOO

Walls of Car Barn Are Almost Up—Roof On in a Week.

There is nothing slow about the New Ghent street railway company, or the men behind it despite the remarks sometimes heard from those who do not realize the immense amount of detail and hard work before a street railway system can be installed and running.

Both crossings have been put in place across the Coast Line tracks, this week. This was a big job in itself.

The Riverside extension has been laid as far as Pine street. Out in Ghent, the walls of the building for the car barn and power plant are almost up. This is a beautiful little building, on the square that is to be used as a Park, and to make it still more attractive, the walls will be covered with English ivy, just as soon as it will grow. The roof will be on the power plant within a week. On the floor will be a switch and three tracks.

Cars will be running over the entire system by the time the power plant has been finished and the machinery installed. A report that a car had been seen on the new line was looked into, and found to be true. The car, however, was a high hand car, propelled by a railroad or traction mule, that seemed to be entirely automatic. This car was used solely for hauling rails.

PREDICTS HUGE CROP OF COTTON

J. E. Latham Calculates It Will Reach 14 1-2 Million Bales

WEATHER FAVORABLE

Since July Twelfth It Has Been Almost Perfect. Price Falls.

J. E. Latham's cotton letter, which has just been received, predicts another bumper crop of cotton, fourteen and a half millions bales being his estimate.

As to the price he says that "considering the laws of chance and the record of averages it looks like those who believe in lower prices have the greater advantages to support their arguments."

The last cotton letter issued by Mr. Latham was dated July 12. At that time, the current letter says, "December futures were around 12 1-2 cents but the advance did not terminate until 13 1-4 was passed. About this period timely and needed rains began to fall in Texas and since that date the weather not only in Texas but throughout the cotton belt has been nearly perfect. The result has been a decline of two cents per pound and the rallies are rather feeble, reflecting a complete reversal of sentiment."

On the question of price, the letter, after referring to the outlook for a large crop, continues:

"What is the value of such a crop and also should the early receipts what say the first half of the crop fetch?"

"Many people are talking ten cents and lower and very few people expect any material advance in the new future."

"I share these views to some extent but cotton is getting down pretty low and trade conditions throughout the world are excellent and the price of silver has further advanced."

"The news from the cotton fields in foreign countries is very favorable and it looks safe to anticipate a material increase in yield of foreign growths over last year."

PRIED DESK OPEN, GOT OFF WITH \$25

A roller top desk in the office of the Western Union Telegraph Company was pried open Friday night and twenty five dollars taken from one of its drawers. Entrance to the office was gained by forcing open the back door.

FUNERAL NOTICE

The funeral of Orlando Green will take place from St. Cyprian's church this afternoon at four o'clock.

The name of Pollock Street has been changed to Bates Street.

WILSON'S BROTHER SEEKS NO OFFICE

Expects to go Back to His Newspaper Work After Campaign

NOT AFRAID OF WORK

Inveterate Smoker and Forgets to go For His Lunch.

New York, August 23—The fact that he is a brother of the Democratic candidate for President has not made any difference with Joseph R. Wilson. Mr. Wilson, who is the city editor of the Nashville Banner, has joined the Publicity Department under the direction of Josephus Daniels.

Mr. Wilson is aveteran newspaper worker and long hours at National Headquarters in New York have had no terrors for him.

To the hundreds of callers at National Headquarters he is more or less a point of curiosity, but he is entirely unconscious of the interest he creates, as he bends over his desk preparing copy in behalf of his brother.

"Of course I am doubly interested in the success of the Democratic ticket," explained Mr. Wilson. "But the fact that my brother is a candidate for the Presidency did not change my views or attitude. The only thing that I grow impatient over is that everyone seems to think that I will have a political job after Wilson and Marshall are elected."

"This is not my idea at all. I expect to return to my newspaper duties and I will be entirely satisfied if in a small way I help bring about the success of the Democratic ticket."

Mr. Wilson is an inveterate smoker and his one bad habit is that he forgets to go to lunch. One of the office boys in the National Headquarters has been delegated to remind him every five minutes between twelve and one o'clock that it is time to eat. Mr. Wilson's invariable answer is, "In a minute," and he is again lost in the stuff of preparing copy. But in failing to go to lunch Mr. Wilson is only following the habit of practically all the workers in the Democratic National Headquarters.

"We are too much interested," is the usual reply of department chiefs or important assistants, when the question of eating comes up.

NEW REAL ESTATE COMPANY FORMED

As further evidence of the confidence that is felt in the future of Eastern Carolina, the Southern Realty Company has been organized to handle real estate in this section. The incorporators are Messrs. T. D. Warren and W. B. Blades of New Bern and Sylvanus Barker of Trenton. The authorized capital is \$100,000 and the company can begin business when as much as five hundred dollars is paid in. The offices of the company will be located in New Bern. Directors and officers will be elected at an early date.

FIRST OPEN COTTON

Mr. B. B. Scott of Rhem's exhibited to the Journal yesterday the first open cotton that the reporter had seen this season. Mr. Scott says that he has several hundred pounds open and that the crop is opening generally very fast. He expects a bale to the acre.

CRAIG LAUNCHES STATE CAMPAIGN

Laurinburg, N. C., August 24.—One of the largest crowds that ever assembled in the Court House here, yesterday heard Hon. Locke Craig make the opening speech of the campaign for this year in North Carolina.

People from all sections of the county and from adjoining counties thronged the town during the middle of the day.

Mr. Craig and Congressman R. N. Page, together with a number of their friends were entertained at dinner by Judge Walter H. Neal at his home on Church street.

At 3 o'clock the hour for the speaking, all available space in the Court House was taken and a large crowd remained on the outside.

Mr. Craig spoke for nearly two hours and despite the crowd and warm weather, he held the attention of his audience during the entire time.

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