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THIRTY-FIRST YEAR

## ARRANGING TO HOLD BANQUET

### Chamber of Commerce Will Have Big Feed Some Time Early In January.

#### VISITORS FROM OTHER CITIES

##### George B. Pendleton Resigns as Treasurer and J. S. Claypool Elected.

At a meeting last night of the board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce, Mr. George B. Pendleton tendered his resignation as treasurer. Mr. Pendleton stated that he was to leave the city in a short while and would be unable to attend to the duties longer. The directors accepted his resignation and expressed to him their appreciation of his excellent work since becoming treasurer. J. S. Claypool was elected to fill the vacancy caused by Mr. Pendleton's resignation.

Secretary J. Leon Williams asked permission of the directors to have an annual Chamber of Commerce dinner to be held each year during the first week in January at the Gaston Hotel. Mr. Williams stated that it was customary in other cities to have these annual gatherings and that they were looked forward to with much pleasure.

He said that he intended inviting the secretaries of the various chambers of commerce in the State and also other prominent citizens, and that they would come prepared to make short talks on the conditions existing in their home towns and also make suggestions for the improvement and enlargement of the various chambers of commerce. After discussing the matter the directors gave Mr. Williams permission to hold the dinner and left all arrangements in his hands.

The first of these annual gatherings will be held some time in January, the exact date to be announced later, at the Gaston Hotel. Tickets will be sold at one dollar each and every member of the Chamber of Commerce will be allowed to bring his friends along with him. Mr. Williams is very enthusiastic over this event and will spare no effort to make it a complete success.

#### IMPROVEMENTS AT GHENT

##### Drainage Pipe Being Placed—Electric Light Poles

As an addition to the number of other improvements recently made in Ghent, a force of men are now placing large pipes on the east end of Rhem avenue for drainage purposes. Formerly a wide ditch ran between the end of the avenue and End street. This was crossed by a small wooden bridge. The ditch is now being filled in and the water being drained off through pipes.

Electric light poles have been placed on both sides of the avenue and as soon as the wire, which has been ordered, arrives, electricians will begin to install the electric lights. Instead of using arc lights on this avenue, every other pole will support an arc. It has been found that this will give much more light at about the same cost and has a much more attractive appearance.

It is understood that the owners of the property intend paving this avenue later on, probably with Tarvia.

So far none of the States have presented the name of a woman for the Cabinet, as suggested by the California suffragettes.

#### PROGRAM AT THE ATHENS TODAY.

Miss Pauline Josef, novelty singing soubrette with four changes of wardrobe, and "Uncle Josh," Ruben comedian and trick fiddler, will appear again tonight. These are both splendid acts and were roundly applauded last night. Picture program as follows:

"The Adventure of the Button"—A clever comedy drama by the S. & A. Co. "Bachelor Button" and "Diana's Legacy" are two roaring comedies by the Vitagraph Co. featuring John Bunny.

"Ten Days with a U. S. Battle Ship"—A film depicting the routine of sailor life. Remember on Thursday 28th (Thanksgiving) we will show "The Siege of Petersburg." There are two thousand feet of film, and it is the greatest war picture ever made. You don't have to go beyond the city limits Thanksgiving to spend a pleasant time—Come straight to the Athens where we will give you an hour and a half show for 10c, and your child the same show for a nickel. Can you beat it?

Matinee starts at 3:45 o'clock. Show at night starts at 7:30 o'clock.

#### NO LICENSE, ARRESTED

##### Joe Buck, Colored, Held For Preliminary Hearing Nov. 30.

Late Saturday night U. S. Deputy Marshal Samuel Lilly placed under arrest near Vanceboro a colored man named Joe Buck. Several months ago a warrant was issued against Buck by the government charging him with retailing spirituous liquors without a government license. In some way he learned of this and has since that time succeeded in eluding arrest until Sunday night.

Buck was brought to this city yesterday and taken before United States Commissioner C. B. Hill for a preliminary hearing. Owing to the fact that one or more of the government's witnesses were absent the case was continued until Nov. 30th and the bond fixed at one hundred and fifty dollars. Failing to secure this amount he was committed to the county jail to await the next term of Federal court.

#### Open New Hotel Thursday.

Hotel James, the latest addition to New Bern's list of hosteries, will be thrown open to the public next Thursday, Thanksgiving Day. J. W. Stewart, the owner of the building, and T. C. Jones, who will have charge of the hotel, are now engaged in getting everything in readiness for the opening. The hotel will be operated upon the American plan and it is the intention of the management to give their guests the best possible service. A special menu has been arranged for the Thanksgiving Day dinner and will be published in the Journal Thursday morning.

#### N. S. CHANGES AT RALEIGH.

Saturday at Raleigh employees of the Norfolk Southern Railroad completed the installation of the switch connecting the Raleigh and Southport with the Norfolk Southern. This gives the Norfolk Southern a direct line from Norfolk to Fayetteville and also from New Bern to Fayetteville. The Raleigh and Southport shops will be consolidated with the regular Raleigh shops of the Norfolk Southern at Glenwood.

#### MR. PARKER AND MISS GASKILL MARRIED.

A marriage of interest to their many friends all over this section occurred at the Methodist parsonage last evening at 9 o'clock when Miss Mamie Bell Gaskill, the attractive and accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fernie Gaskill, became the bride of David McKinnin Parker, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Parker, Rev. J. B. Hurley, pastor of Centenary Methodist church, performing the ceremony in the presence of a few relatives and friends. Mr. and Mrs. Parker left on the midnight train for Norfolk from which place they will go to Richmond and other cities for a visit, returning to New Bern on January 1.

#### "FEATURE DAY" EACH WEEK.

Lovick and Taylor, managers of the Athens theatre announce that they intend making one day in each week a "feature day", that is, they expect to have either some big special release of pictures which will consist of two or three reels to one subject, prize contests or amateur performances. These will be given at an additional cost to the management but there will be no change in the price of admission. The attraction for this week will be a splendid reproduction in photoplay of "The Siege of Petersburg," two big reels. This is one of the greatest war pictures ever produced. Friday has been set aside for the "big day" this week.

#### A CORRECTION.

In the list of prizes awarded to the amateur performers at the Athens theatre Friday night and appearing in the Journal Saturday morning the article should have stated that the first prize of five dollars was awarded to Miss Carrie d. Master, Joe B. McDaniel instead of Corrie and John McDaniel.

#### GRADED SCHOOL EVENTS.

There will be a recital in the Auditorium Friday night, December 20th. Quite an interesting program is being prepared.

The Piano and Violin Club will meet Tuesday afternoon December 31st at four o'clock.

#### LARGE LETTUCE SHIPMENT.

One of the largest shipments of lettuce ever made from this city was sent north last evening by Hackburn and Willett. It consisted of four hundred and fifty baskets. The quality of the lettuce was excellent and the shippers expect to receive a good price for it. Another shipment will be made by them this morning, this one being about fifty or sixty baskets.

## FISHERIES MEET AWAKES INTEREST

### Large Attendance is Looked For at Annual Convention in Washington.

#### WILL CONSIDER LEGISLATION

##### Recommendations to the Next General Assembly To Be Adopted.

Much interest is being manifested locally in the annual convention of the North Carolina Fisheries Association which will be held at Washington, N. C., on Wednesday, December 4. One of the principal features of this convention will be recommendations to the General Assembly of 1913 regarding fish legislation and the enactment and establishment of a statewide Fish Commission.

George N. Ives, of this city, is president of the Association and he is urging every interested person in Craven and adjoining counties to attend the convention. Especially does he desire that the fishermen attend. He says it is a matter of vital importance to them and they should be on hand and lend whatever aid possible and also to express their views.

The first session will begin at 10:45 o'clock, immediately after the arrival of the trains from New Bern and the South. At the close of the convention the delegates will be entertained, and every one will be made to feel at home. Those who care to stay over in the town for a day or two may do so at a very low rate, the hotels there having made ample arrangements to accommodate the visitors.

#### MISS MARKS ENTERTAINS.

Friday afternoon, at her home on Pollock street, Miss Harriette Marks delightfully entertained the Wednesday Afternoon Bridge Club and a few other friends. The rooms were attractive with cut flowers and palms.

After an interesting afternoon of auction bridge, delicious refreshments were served.

Those enjoying Miss Marks' hospitality were: Mrs. William Dunn, Sr., Mrs. William Hand, Mrs. F. Howard Sawyer, Mrs. David Congdon, Mrs. Henry Bryan, Jr., Mrs. J. Guion Dunn, Mrs. Charles Pettit, Mrs. Harry Marks, Mrs. Thomas Warren, Mrs. Raymond Pollock, Misses Mary Hughes and Sara Congdon.

#### HELP THE MONUMENT FUND.

The De Graffenried Colony Monument Fund has now grown to a sum in the neighborhood of seven hundred dollars. Much of this is cash subscriptions while the remainder of the amount is in the form of pledges. Mr. Edgar Walnau who is soliciting contributions to this fund finds it quite a task to visit every citizen of New Bern. In order to aid him in his work the Journal will receive contributions, either cash or pledges. These will be turned over to the treasurer and you will be given credit for same in the columns of the paper. With seven hundred already contributed there will be only a few hundred more to secure and every one is urged to do their part in securing this amount.

## EXPECT TO GET CHEAPER EGGS

### Cities Believe Parcels Post Will Cause Reduction in Food Cost.

#### POULTRYMEN SELL DIRECT

##### Regulations Worked Out Under Which Dressed Fowls and Meats Can Be Carried.

Washington, Nov. 25.—The Parcels Post Commission after months of study and investigation, have worked out regulations by which eggs, meats and dressed fowls can be safely carried through the mails from the farm to the city consumer under the Lewis' "Farm Products" provision of the Parcels Post law, which becomes effective January 1.

Manufacturers have submitted to the commission a scheme for light weight corrugated paper boxes in which these articles can be packed for transportation without fear of damage. The egg crate is made of strong corrugated pasteboard. It consists of square partitions for each egg, and the scheme is one which the postal experts declare will enable the poultrymen in the country to ship eggs to any part of the United States. Boxes have also been made for meats and dressed fowls.

The scheme is one which it is said will go a long way toward breaking down the high price of eggs in the cities. The poultrymen on the farm, it is pointed out, can advertise in city newspapers for customers of about a dozen eggs once or twice a week, delivery by parcels post. At the present time the price of eggs in the cities is nearly three times greater than it is in the country. The same scheme regarding dressed fowls can be worked, by which the city consumer can have delivered at his door a dressed chicken at a little over half what it costs retail in the cities. The city butcher, on the other hand, with the meat crate that has been provided for him, can send to the urban resident or a nearby farmer every morning a roast or steak. With the establishment of these facilities the postal experts declare it now remains with the city merchants and the poultryman and trucker in the country to extend their trade through the medium of the parcels post.

The Parcels Post Commission has also worked out the insurance regulation, by which valuable packages sent by city merchants to their urban trade can be indemnified in case of loss. This means that the insurance provision of the law will be put into operation when the parcels post is inaugurated in January. The collection delivery system has not yet been perfected, but the experts expect to originate a scheme for returning the money collected on delivery of packages without much bookkeeping on the part of the Government. Some of the experts believe that the parcels post collection delivery business will eventually bring fractional currency. If this is done, they contend, the problem to return money will not be hard to solve.

Steps were taken today by Postmaster General Hitchcock to ascertain just to what extent city and town merchants intend to use the parcels post. Each postmaster, has been sent circulars

#### ARRANGE FOR PAVING

##### End of Broad Street Being Graded For Bitulithic.

A force of laborers yesterday began the work of grading down the end of Broad street preparatory to the placing of the bitulithic paving material which was ordered put down by the Board of Aldermen at a meeting held a few weeks ago. This material will be secured as soon as possible and the work of placing it will begin without delay.

Rapid progress is being made on the paving of Neuse road. The paving has been placed for a distance of about three fourths of a mile. The paving material is brought here in big tanks cars. There are placed on a track near the water works on account of the fact that the contents of the car must be heated with steam before it can be taken out. Large tank wagons are used in hauling the material from that point to the place at which the work is going on.

In mixing the material before it is placed on the road sand is used. This helps in the hardening process and makes a much more durable road.

#### KINDNESS WON HER \$150,000

##### Crippled Girl Gave Fruit And Flowers to Rich Man.

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Nov. 25.—Because she gave fruit and flowers to Gerald Thurston, a Chicago piano manufacturer, who died nearly four years ago, when she was a girl of six years, Marion L. Covert, daughter of a Poughkeepsie butcher, has received word that she is to get \$150,000 of the piano man's fortune.

Miss Covert, who is a cripple, says she has not decided what she will do with the money, except perhaps to get married, "settle down and be happy ever after."

Miss Covert was a child when she first met Thurston, at Marlborough, N. Y., which is the heart of the fruit growing part of Ulster county. She was at the home of her grandmother, Gershon Thorne, who owned a big farm a few miles back from the river.

Mr. Thurston was boarding on a neighboring farm. Picking flowers one day, the little girl met him in the highway. They became friends and through out the season she carried fruits and flowers to the piano manufacturer.

Every summer Mr. Thurston returned to board on the farm and the girl also went to stop at her grandfather's home.

When Mr. Thurston returned to Chicago they exchanged letters weekly. Mr. Thurston died in May, 1909, leaving \$150,000 to Miss Covert, then a young woman. He left \$10 to a brother, who contested the will, but without success. Miss Covert said that there is to be a final settlement of the estate in Brooklyn next Saturday. In addition to the \$150,000, a house in New York goes to the young woman.

"Of course I am very happy," said Miss Covert, "but I'm going to be very careful of my money, because it is so easy to lose in these days. But I guess I'll go to New York and live after the estate is settled. I have always lived in the country and have not seen as much of the world as I would like. Yes, I have received proposals of marriage, but I don't want to believe that it was on account of the money."

that contain a number of questions which, when answered, will give the department detailed information as to any particular city, town or locality, showing the average number of fourth-class parcels now mailed; the number that will probably be mailed when the parcels post law becomes effective, together with the average weight of the parcels and their average size; what proportion of the entire number will be mailed in large quantities at frequent intervals or in regular daily mailings; what percentage of the parcels will be insured, registered, made up of perishable or fragile articles, and whether when the "C. O. D." feature is placed in operation any considerable portion of the parcels will be sent by that method.

With this information available Postmaster General Hitchcock believes that it will be possible for him to begin the parcels post service on January 1 with the necessary equipment, and thus establish a nation-wide service of large proportions with the least possible friction. It is his desire to give to the patrons of the postal service at the outset all of the privileges and advantages contemplated by the law establishing the parcels post system.

Between Clark and Underwood it is not likely that Bryan will discuss the policy of the next House.

## PROVIDING FOR EX-PRESIDENTS

### Senator Burleson Joins Carnegie In Trying to Make Their Future Safe.

#### WANTS THEM AS LAWMAKERS

##### Give Them Privileges of Floor, No Vote and a Salary of \$17,500.

Washington, Nov. 25.—As a result of the discussion aroused by Andrew Carnegie's offer to pension ex-presidents and their widows, a movement is already on foot to avoid the need of the pension for retired Presidents by making them permanent "Representatives-at-Large," with seats in the House.

Representative Albert S. Burleson, of Texas, who has been prominently mentioned for Secretary of Agriculture in the Wilson Cabinet, is behind the scheme, and he has already drafted a provision which he will try to induce the Committee on Appropriations to insert in the Legislative, Executive and Judicial Appropriations bill. His proposed provision is as follows:

"Hereafter every ex-president of the United States shall, during his life, be held and regarded as a Representative-at-Large of the people of the United States and shall be entitled to the privilege of the floor of the House of Representatives, with all the rights of members of the House of Representatives, save that of voting, and shall receive for his services an annual salary of \$17,500 provided that no obligation to serve on committees of the House shall be imposed upon such representative."

Mr. Burleson said that such members as he had met seemed to approve his plan. A subcommittee of the Committee on Appropriations, of which Mr. Burleson is a member, is already at work on the general bill, and Mr. Burleson hopes to have the subcommittee first, and then the full committee accept his text or something like it as a part of the original measure that will be reported to the House. If the provision meets general approval Mr. Burleson will seek to protect it against a point of order new legislation by securing from the Committee on Rules a special resolution permitting it to stand on its merits.

To give the proposed "representatives-at-large" votes in the House would, of course, require a constitutional amendment but such an amendment, in Mr. Burleson's opinion, will be unnecessary for his plan. The Constitution provides that "the House of Representatives shall be composed of members chosen every second year by the people of the several States." But that section has not been construed as preventing the seating of territorial delegates and the resident commissioner from Porto Rico and the Philippines.

Under Mr. Burleson's plan ex-presidents, except for the larger salary, would be in the position of territorial delegates who can speak in their own right, but cannot vote. Should it be adopted Colonel Roosevelt could address the House whenever he secured recognition, and he and President Taft would face each other after March 4. Their presence in the lower chamber, in Burleson's belief, would add to the prestige of the House.

The feeling is that Congress will probably take some action in answer to Carnegie's offer, which has been regarded seriously here as chiefly as a challenge to Congress. His proposal has been almost universally condemned, but many Congressmen have expressed the opinion that something should be done to provide for ex-presidents. Mr. Burleson's provision will probably be the center of a warm discussion from which some form of pension legislation for ex-presidents may emerge.

#### OYSTERS PLENTIFUL.

Oysters were plentiful on the local market yesterday. There were several boat loads in port and the scene around the market dock was one of activity all during the day. The oysters being brought in on these boats are of a fair quality and find a ready sale.

#### NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

New Bern Banking and Trust Co.—Efficient banking.

Burrus & Co.—Chattanooga Plows. John I. Smith—The foot is the most particular part of the horse.

J. M. Mitchell & Co.—Velvet finish dress corduroy.

H. C. Armstrong—Thanksgiving snouts.

New Bern Fish Co.—Best oyster on the market.

## RACING FAIR GROUNDS THANKSGIVING

3:00 Trot and Pace  
Free for all Trot and Pace  
Running Race, Free for all  
Motorcycle Race.

Admission 50c  
Grand Stand Free.