

THANKSGIVING DAY PASSES QUIETLY

Day Observed by Closing of Business
Houses and Services in
Churches.

RACES ARE CALLED OFF

Snowfall Makes the Day Very In-
clement and Mars Its
Enjoyment.

Thanksgiving Day in New Bern passed off very quietly. The occasion was generally observed by the closing of many of the manufacturing plants, stores and other business houses and by services at the various churches.

Arrangements had been made to have horse racing and motor cycle racing at the Fair Grounds yesterday afternoon but at an early hour yesterday morning snow began to fall and for several hours the downfall of the fleecy flakes continued.

The fall was at least an inch deep but owing to the fact that the ground was warm it thawed within a short while after it struck the earth. This, however, left the thoroughfares in very bad condition for pedestrians and also horses and during the early part of the day traffic was light. After seeing that it would be impossible to use the track, the promoters of the races were compelled to postpone them until some later date.

Numbers of sportsmen had made arrangements to spend the day in the woods in search of game. Many of these were greatly disappointed while a few braved the elements and ventured forth regardless of the snow and mud.

As usual the poor and needy were not forgotten. Numbers of well filled baskets were distributed during the day both by benevolent organizations and citizens and many hearts were made glad.

RELICS FROM LOST MINER.

Chicago, Cal., Nov. 28.—In 1863 William Eastman, a placer miner of Trinity county, was drowned in the Trinity river and no trace of his body was ever found. Yesterday, nearly 50 years after Eastman's death, a dredger brought up several gold nuggets which Eastman is known to have had in his pocket, a gold piece identified as his and several silver coins, two of which were 12 1/2-cent pieces, common in those days. Two dimes were dated 1827 and two quarters bore nearly the same dates. No trace of the skeleton has been found.

GIVE OYSTER ROAST

Drs. F. S. Duffy and J. F. Foley Give
Their Friends Good Time.

Last evening from 8 to 10 o'clock Dr. F. S. Duffy and Dr. J. F. Foley entertained a number of their friends at an oyster roast in the laboratory of the F. S. Duffy Medicine Company on East Front street.

The bivalves were roasted over an open pit in the rear of the building and were served in the laboratory where a large table had been spread for the occasion. In addition to the oysters there were the usual relishes and those prating of the hospitality of the two hosts thoroughly enjoyed the occasion.

Among those present were: W. D. Barrington, T. J. Roberts, R. C. Wood, S. H. Coward, A. J. Williams, Alex Justice, J. R. Ball, R. B. Nixon, Fernie Gaskill, J. C. Brown, H. R. Bryan, Jr., C. C. Stewart, B. B. Hurst, J. K. Land, Dr. E. C. Armstrong, Capt. Pinner, T. G. Hyman.

The Governor of Texas marched at the head of a procession of 18,000 turkeys, still some governors have done worse.

PROGRAM AT THE ATHENS TODAY.

Ralston and Son, one of the best comedy acts we've ever had, will appear again tonight. Our patrons thoroughly enjoyed the act last night. Pictures today:

"The Red Barrier"—Mr. Chas. L. Gaskill a former New Bernian is author of this Vitagraph production, which describes a woman who married in haste and repented in leisure—her husband fought a duel with her old sweetheart. He is killed, and his haunting presence stands a barrier between their love. A picture full of heart interest.

"The Usurer's Grip"—A film that tells a story too good to be missed by any body, by the Edison Co.

"Saved by Telephone"—One of Kalem's latest and best dramas. Matinee daily at 3:45. Show at night starts at 7:30 o'clock.

BLACKMAIL TO SELL BOOKS

Government Expects A Number
of Extra Indictments Soon.

New York, Nov. 28.—Other arrests are expected on the 11 indictments returned by the Federal grand jury against members of the Kellar-Farmer Company, otherwise known as the Anglo-American Authors' Association, who were charged with conspiracy in mulcting rich men and women out of \$5,000,000 on fraudulent 'rare editions'.

James J. Farmer, head of the concern; Glenn Farmer, his son; Col-William J. Hartley, of the New York Athletic Club, and Samuel H. Scott were released under bonds.

The grand jury's inquiries resulted from the \$42,977 verdict won 10 days ago by Mrs. Emma Bird, of Salt Lake City, against John V. Coggey, receiver for the Kellar-Farmer Company, and the members of that firm.

Chief Postoffice Inspector Dickson was authority for the statement that the men got \$47,000 from Mrs. Bird for alleged rare and deluxe editions of books that were of little real value. Other alleged victims were:

Mrs. James A. Patten, wife of the Chicago wheat plunger, \$55,000.

Henry C. Livingston, Saratoga Springs, \$209,000.

Alexander Sellers, Philadelphia, \$100,000.

Clinton S. Martin, New York cheese merchant, \$85,000.

Mrs. Pauline E. Durant, Boston, \$24,000.

Jesse Watson, New York, \$66,000.

An edition of Theodore Roosevelt's books was alleged to be one of the specialties put out by the concern, and one of the charges made by the Government against several of the defendants is that blackmail was sometimes resorted to in the sale of fake editions de luxe.

TWO LIVE ON \$12 A WEEK?

"Comfortably," Says Girl Getting
License.

Baltimore, Nov. 28.—"My intended husband is too busy working and that is the reason I am getting the marriage license," said Miss Ruth E. Sykes, eighteen, as she applied for a license to marry Eugene F. Wolf.

Miss Sykes said she believed a couple could live comfortably on \$12 a week if the wife was saving. Her statement was endorsed by a bride of three months, who appeared to be of about the same age.

"THIS IS AWFUL"

Five Hundred More Women Than
Men In One Ward.

Chicago, Nov. 28.—Mrs. Lillian Davidson, a widow, and manager of the Woman's Exchange of Evanston, has planned an apartment house devoted exclusively to bachelors and maids. One wing of the building is to be reserved for men and the other for women. In the parlors the guests are to be afforded every inducement to meet socially and give cupid a chance.

"This charming town is full of race suicide and surplus women," said Mrs. Davidson. "There are five hundred women more than men in the first ward, and only one woman in eight over eighteen is married. This is awful."

TAKEN TO ASYLUM.

James Blango, the colored man brought to this city several days ago and placed in the county jail until an examination of his sanity could be made, has been declared insane and was last night taken to the colored insane asylum at Goldsboro. Rouncy Willoughby, a colored woman whose home is at North Harlowe is now in jail awaiting an examination as to her sanity.

BOTTLED UP

New Bern Cut Off From the Out-
side World Yesterday.

As far as being able to communicate with the outside world last night was concerned New Bern was bottled up. The snow which fell during the early morning was evidently much greater at other points than in this city.

The wires of the Postal Telegraph Company, the Western Union Telegraph Company and the Home Telephone and Telegraph Company were down at various points and messages did not get through until late yesterday afternoon. At six o'clock the telegraph companies closed their doors and the employees took a rest until this morning. This left only the telephone company whose lines were down at several points between this city and Goldsboro.

WANT THE TAFT ORDER REVOKED

Democrats Want a Chance For Ap-
pointment to Fourth Class
Postoffices.

ASK WILSON TO INTERVENE

President Elect Will be Urged
To Upset Action of Presi-
dent Taft.

With the election of a Democrat to the Presidency, hopes were awakened in the minds of a great many people that the countless positions in the postal service that had been filled by Republicans so long would become open to other people.

Very little special training is required in attending to the duties of these offices (those most thought of in this connection are fourth class postoffices) and in every village and hamlet the feeling prevailed that without hurting the service there could be a change in the offices and the remuneration that they yield be placed in new hands just as a matter of fair play.

But a short while before the election President Taft signed an order placing all fourth class offices under the civil service, which means that the occupants cannot be removed except for cause. President-elect Wilson, when he goes into office, can revoke the order of the present chief executive and strong pressure will undoubtedly be brought to bear on him to get him to do so.

He will also face a sentiment of some considerable strength in favor of letting things be, the argument for this course being that he cannot afford to interfere with the movement for civil service reform which was launched by the last Democratic President, Grover Cleveland, and which many think is the best thing for [the public] service.

In regard to the agitation of the matter now going on, the Washington correspondent of the Raleigh News and Observer sends that paper the following:

The executive order of President Taft, issued October 15, placing 36,000 fourth class postmasters, most of them Republicans appointed in his administration, under the operation of the civil service law, is being much discussed by the Southern congressmen who arrive in Washington from day to day.

Growing out of numerous appeals that have reached these congressmen from their constituencies, a sentiment favoring the suspension of this order for a period after Wilson's inauguration has gained some ground.

A prominent southern congressman declared today that the president's order "placing as it does this army of Republicans—to the express exclusion of Democrats—permanently in office, without examination and without regard to merit or efficiency, will make honest civil service a farce, and will prove the greatest setback to its extension and progress within a generation."

It is recalled in this connection that a short time before the close of Cleveland's administration the president issued an order placing railway mail clerks under the operation of the civil service law, and that within a week after his inauguration President Harrison suspended this order until the end of the following day by which the Republicans had largely displaced Democrats in the service.

Those congressmen who have harkened to the complaints that have reached them from their districts suggest that the way is open for Governor Wilson to suspend this last executive order and by so doing make it possible for Democrats to secure at least a fair representation in the postal service. Those who have been most impressed by the demands of Democrats for a share of the postal work declare that Taft's action in issuing this order on the eve of election when the result was not in doubt amounted to nothing more than the pre-emption of 36,000 offices to Republicans for life, and that it was in direct violation of the spirit of the civil service laws.

Some congressmen, however, believe that the order relieves them of much unpleasant and perhaps embarrassing responsibility in the disposition of patronage. They say further that the suspension of the order soon after President-elect Wilson's inauguration would give the administration a "black eye," in that it might have the appearance of denoting a willingness to disturb the civil service.

As soon as the North Carolina delegation arrives a meeting will be called to pass upon the matter if asking Mr. Wilson to revoke the Taft order. Representative Doughton is of the opinion that unless the postoffice order is revoked the Democrats will be defeated four years hence. His people, he says, are up in arms over the Taft order.

WANTS BALL TEAM TO PRACTICE HERE

Baseball Fan Believes This City
Offers Exceptionally Good
Facilities.

WOULD BE GOOD ADVERTISING

It Would Also Be Well Paying
Proposition From Pecuni-
Standpoint.

A special dispatch sent out from Baltimore states that Manager Jack Dunn of the Baltimore Orioles will leave that city Sunday for Wilson and Fayetteville to select a place for the Orioles to train next spring. A lover of baseball and an enthusiastic rooter for New Bern said yesterday:

New Bern now has a place which would be ideal for the annual practice of one of these professional teams. This is the Fair grounds. Inside the race track is sufficient space to make two or three baseball diamonds and they could be arranged at a nominal cost. The climate here cannot be excelled and it is believed that if an effort was made one of these big league teams could be induced to come here for their spring practice.

"If such was done it would mean much for New Bern in many ways. Not only would it be a big advertisement for the city but would be a paying proposition financially. New Bern now has ample hotel facilities for taking care of all visitors and this matter of getting one of the big professional baseball teams to come here for spring practice should be investigated by the business organizations."

NEED HOTEL INSPECTION

Complaints Made About Insanitary
Hotels and Restaurants.

Raleigh, Nov. 28.—(Special)—That many of our hotels and restaurants are not keeping pace with the spirit of the times is shown by the following complaints just received by the State Board of Health:

"Gentlemen:—I am railway mail clerk. My run is between W— and W—. Two boys have charge of one of the restaurants at which I eat. * * * After I had eaten my breakfast I found one of the boys had taken all the knives, forks and spoons outside and was cleaning them in the gutter of the street in front of the restaurant. Nobody knows who had spit in the gutter or what cats, dogs, cows or other animals had left deposits therein." * * *

Here is another example of what is going on some place:

"Yesterday I went to the — restaurant. After eating my meal, I decided I would have a piece of pie. I asked for a second fork with which to eat the pie. The waiter looked at me and my already used fork in quizzing astonishment, and finally gave me another fork from a pile of knives and forks on the counter. He then took the dirtiest towel or rag I ever saw, black with grease and dirt, and giving off foul odors, and wiped the knife and fork I had already used and replaced them on the pile. * * * I make this statement in the interest of good health." * * *

Unfortunately, the State Board of Health is powerless to do anything in such cases. There are no laws in this State regulating sanitary conditions in hotels, restaurants or lodging houses. There should be. It does seem that for the sake of the traveling public some action should be taken. Even the railroads are abolishing the common drinking cup, and certainly the doom of such things as common drinking cups, roller towels, and unventilated, unlighted toilets should be sounded by the coming Legislature.

Noah Lee of Arapahoe, captain of the power boat Fanny Brevard, has been served with a warrant charging him with doing business in the city of New Bern without a license. The case will come up before Mayor McCarthy Monday afternoon.

S. M. Brinson returned yesterday morning from Greensboro where he attended a meeting of the County Superintendents of Public Instruction. The meeting was well attended and much business of importance was transacted during the two days' session.

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D. A. R. RUCUS PREDICTED

Use of Confederate Flag in Deco-
rations Cause of Trouble.

Washington, Nov. 28.—As a result of the order given by Mrs. Matthew Scott, president general of the Daughters of the American Revolution, placing the Confederate flag on an equal footing with the Stars and Stripes in decorating Continental hall for the formal opening of the recent annual convention of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, a controversy is promised in the annual meeting of the Daughters of the American Revolution next April, when Mrs. Scott will be asked to explain her action to the convention.

A faction of the Daughters of the American Revolution, led by Mrs. Mary Lockwood of Washington, took vigorous exception to the order given by Mrs. Scott placing the Confederate flag in Continental hall. Although the Confederate flags were permitted to remain in the hall, alongside the Stars and Stripes and the President's flag, the feeling engendered by the action of Mrs. Scott is such that at the annual convention of the Daughters of the American Revolution an effort will be made to obtain the adoption of a resolution prohibiting the placing of any flag on an equal footing with the Stars and Stripes in decorating Continental hall, no matter what the occasion.

STANDPATISM DOOMED

"Observer" Draws This Conclusion
From Election Returns.

Editor Journal:

The latest returns give the popular vote as follows: Wilson, 6,156,748; Roosevelt, 3,928,140; Taft, 3,376,422; Debs, Chafin and Reimer about 1,000,000, making a grand total of a little over 14,000,000 votes. Wilson's vote is 42 per cent of the whole, or 1,247,814 less than Roosevelt and Taft combined, and 236,434 less than Bryan's vote in 1908. The latter fact seems to indicate that Bryan is by far the strongest man in his party.

In New Jersey Wilson got 178,289; Roosevelt, 145,410; Taft, 88,835; other parties 20,100; giving Wilson but 41 per cent of the vote in his own State.

The lessons of the election seem to be that stand-patism is doomed, that the Progressives are in the saddle, though not yet united under one party name or organization, that old party ties are weakening, and that a party must have something more than a name and a tradition to hold the support of its intelligent followers.

A FEW ARE RESPONDING.

J. Leon Williams, Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, has received a number of replies from inquiries which he sent out a few days ago relative to the amount of shipping and receiving of freight done in this city each year. As soon as this information can be secured on a fairly comprehensive scale and compiled it will be turned over to the officials of the Atlantic Coast Line Railway Company for their consideration. Mr. Williams urges every person who received one of them inquiries to answer it without delay if they have not already done so.

AUCTION BRIDGE CLUB

Mrs. Owen Guion the Hostess To
This Organization.

The Auction Bridge Club was charmingly entertained Wednesday afternoon, by Mrs. Owen Guion, at her home on Broad street. Exquisite roses ferns and palms attractively decorated Mrs. Guion's lovely home. There were four tables of bridge and the place cards were in unique Japanese design. Delicious refreshments were served during the afternoon.

Those present were: Mrs. Stephen Bragaw, of Washington, Mrs. Margaret Nelson, Mrs. Francis Stringer Duffy, Mrs. Robert DuVal Jones, Mrs. Charles Thomas, Mrs. Charles Pettit, Mrs. Cecil Gabbett, Mrs. Charles Emmert, Mrs. Thomas Williams, Mrs. Charles Duffy, Mrs. Thomas Hyman, Misses Janet Hollister, Margaret Bryan, Sadie Hollister and Mary Oliver.

VIOLATED GAME LAWS.

Two young white men who gave their names as Newell and McLawhorn and whose homes are in Carteret county, were before Justice of the Peace S. R. Street yesterday to answer a warrant sworn out by George B. Waters Game Warden for this county, charging them with shooting quail out of season. They pleaded guilty to the charge and were fined five dollars each and taxed with the costs of the cases. The offense occurred several days ago near Maple Cypress.

RED CROSS SEALS BY THE MILLION

Go On Sale Today in Almost Every
Large City and Nearly
Every State.

THEY COST ONE CENT EACH

Every One Sold a Bullet in Fight
Against Dread Disease,
Tuberculosis.

Beginning to-day over 80,000,000 Red Cross Christmas seals will be placed on sale in almost every large city and nearly every State of the United States, the proceeds to go for the benefit of the anti-tuberculosis movement in the community where the seals are sold. This announcement was made from headquarters of The National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis which is directing the sale from its New York office.

So carefully has the sale been organized throughout the country that with the exception of the States of Florida, Oklahoma, Nevada and Idaho, Red Cross seals will be on sale in almost every city, town, village and hamlet in the United States and even in Hawaii, Porto Rico and the Canal Zone.

The seals will be sold from drug stores, department stores and other kinds of stores and shops, from post offices, railway stations, booths on the street, hotel lobbies and in numerous other places. The number of agents handling the sale in this way aggregates over 25,000, while the actual number of individuals engaged in the sale, almost entirely volunteers, will reach well over 100,000. Society leaders in almost every large city of the country, notably in Pittsburg, Brooklyn, Cleveland, Chicago, Cincinnati, San Francisco and elsewhere are taking a leading part in this campaign.

The American Red Cross has already printed for the work over 85,000,000 seals and probably the edition will number 100,000,000 before the end of the campaign. Fully 10,000,000 pieces of advertising literature have already been sent out, and several million more are being distributed from local and State agencies throughout the country. It is planned to make the campaign this year the largest that has ever been held. If the anticipations of the anti-tuberculosis workers are realized, no less than \$400,000 will be obtained from the sale of Red Cross seals. Practically all of the money remains in the State or city where the seals are sold, only a very small percentage of it is going to pay for the cost of printing and distributing the seals and for the expense of running the campaign.

The National Association announces that in case any person cannot obtain seals in the community where they live, they can secure them by writing to Red Cross Seal Headquarters, 715 Union Trust Building, Washington, D. C. Red Cross seals cost one cent each and every seal sold is a bullet in fight against tuberculosis.

FUEL DEALERS RUSHED.

Local coal and wood dealers did a land office business yesterday. As usual there were a large number of people unprepared for the inclement weather which prevailed during the day and the delivery wagons were kept in service from early morning until late in the afternoon. The price of wood and coal is about the only thing which has not increased during the past month or two and the dealers have a steady demand.

ISSUES WARNING.

Insurance Commissioner James R. Young has sent to the sheriffs, constables and police officers of this county a circular calling attention to certain parts of the insurance laws of the State of North Carolina designed to protect the people against insurance and investment companies not properly licensed and therefore not responsible for the fulfillment of their contracts. This is a part of the campaign instituted by the department to give full publicity to the acts of the legislature covering these points and helping farmers and other business men to differentiate between companies and irresponsible agencies. These circulars will be at the disposal of the public at all times.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

A. Castet—After the turkey hash.
A. T. Willis Co.—Get the egg.
New Bern Banking and Trust Co.
The law of health.
J. T. H. Moore—Valuable city property for sale at auction.