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THIRTY-FIRST YEAR

## VISITORS OF NOTE TO ATTEND NEW BERN'S MUNICIPAL DINNER

**Senator Simmons, Congressman Small, Daniels and Others.**

**CONGRESSMAN FAISON MAY ALSO BE AMONG GUESTS**

**Several Secretaries of Chambers of Commerce Coming.**

Senator F. M. Simmons will deliver the principal address at the first annual municipal dinner of the Chamber of Commerce which will be held at the Gaston Hotel on the evening of Friday, January 3. J. Leon Williams, Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, several days ago wrote inviting him to be present and deliver this address and yesterday the following reply was received:

Washington, D. C.  
December 6, 1912.

Mr. J. Leon Williams,  
New Bern, N. C.

Dear Mr. Williams:

Your highly esteemed letter received. It will give me pleasure to attend the dinner of the Chamber of Commerce at the Gaston Hotel on Friday night, January 3rd, 1913, and to make the speech referred to in your letter, unless Congress should re-convene before that time, and I do not think it will.

Thanking you for the invitation, and with best wishes, I am,  
Very truly yours,  
F. M. Simmons.

Invitations were also extended to Congressmen Joo. M. Faison and John H. Small and Josephus Daniels, editor of the Raleigh News and Observer, to be present and make addresses and the following replies were received:

Washington, D. C.  
Dec., 5, 1912.

Mr. J. Leon Williams  
Sec. Chamber of Commerce,  
New Bern, N. C.

Dear Mr. Williams:

Yours to hand inviting me to your Chamber of Commerce annual dinner on Jan. 3rd, 1913. Many thanks for the same and I would be glad to come but have some engagements at that time which I am afraid will interfere with my coming. Should I be able to arrange them I will be glad to come and will let you know later.

With best wishes and trusting you a prosperous year and much success.  
Most truly yours,  
Jno. M. Faison.

Washington, D. C.  
December, 6th 1912.

Mr. J. Leon Williams, Sec'y.,  
New Bern, N. C.

Dear Mr. Williams:

Your letter of the 2nd inst. was forwarded to me here. I have been so busy with my official duties and also trying to attend the sessions of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress that I could not reply earlier. I would indeed be glad to attend the dinner on Friday night, January 3rd, but there is just this element of doubt. This is the short session of Congress and it is possible that the Christmas

### PROGRAM AT THE ATHENS TOMORROW.

New vaudeville—Kamplin and Bell. "The Southern Song Birds"—headlined over big circuits for the past twenty weeks. They are hummers right.

Pictures as follows: "Judgement of the Sea"—A powerful and impressive nautical drama. "A Railroad Lockinvar"—One of Kalem's exciting love dramas. "The Striped Bathing Suit"—A splendid comedy. "Submarine Fauna"—An interesting study of some of the plants and animals inhabiting the bottom of the sea.

Next Friday night, Dec. 13th is "Amateur Night". Three prizes will be given away as follows: 1st prize \$5.00 in gold. Second prize, \$2.50 in gold. 3rd prize, a week admission ticket to the Athens. Let us have your name and nature of your act as early as possible. Matinee daily at 3:45. Show at night starts at 7:30.

### FAVOR THE MONUMENT

**Historians Think De Graffenried Worthy of Such Honor.**

Editor Journal:—It has been suggested to me that the recent discussion of the propriety of putting the name "De Graffenried" on the proposed monument to the founders of New Bern calls for some explanation from those of us who have encouraged the school boys in this undertaking.

Two years ago—just after the Bicentennial celebration—several school boys called at my office, stated their purpose to raise money for the erection of a monument to De Graffenried, and asked me to act as their treasurer. I thought it a laudable undertaking, and readily consented.

They brought to me \$4.50 and this I have been holding for them about two years.

A short time ago Edgar Walbau who was the leader in the movement two years ago, came to me and told me that he had not given the matter up but intended to begin again and thoroughly canvass the city for subscriptions.

This young man has shown a most commendable zeal and deserves cordial sympathy and encouragement. He has now turned in a considerable amount in cash and has a good subscription list of five or six hundred dollars.

Those of us who originally encouraged the boys were moderately informed upon the early history of New Bern and felt that no propriety would be offended by the erection of the monument to "De Graffenried and the founders of New Bern."

In order to secure the opinion of men regarded by all as most competent to advise in matters connected with the history of our state I addressed two letters—one to Mr. R. D. W. Connor, Secy. of The State Historical Society, and the other to Capt. S. A. Ashe, author of the best history of our State yet written.

These two men have in their possession more data concerning North Carolina history than any other men in the State and their sound judgment in these matters will be conceded by the people generally, I believe.

I append hereto the answers to my letters of inquiry as to the propriety of placing the name of De Graffenried on the monument.

S. M. Brinson.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 4, 1912.

My Dear Mr. Brinson:

I have yours of the 30th and am glad to learn of the movement you mention as I am always glad to see a purpose to familiarize posterity with historical events and perpetuate the memory of interesting incidents that awaken local patriotism.

It seems to me very appropriate to have a monument to the memory of "DeGraffenried and the Founders of New Bern."

Very sincerely,  
S. A. Ashe.

Office of the N. C. Historical Commission.

Raleigh, N. C. Dec. 2, 1912.

Dear Mr. Brinson:

I am delighted to hear of the movement on foot in Craven county to erect a monument to "DeGraffenried and the Founders of New Bern," and if I can contribute in any way to its success I shall be glad to do it. I think De Graffenried's name by all means should be associated with the monument.

It was he who conceived the idea, even if someone else may have carried it into execution.

Very truly yours,  
R. D. W. Connor.

LARGE WHOLESALE BUSINESS.

The increased trade which has been evidenced in New Bern during the past few days and which was previously commented on, is not confined by any means to the retail men. Local wholesalers are doing as much or more business just at this time than ever before. The retailers in nearly every town within a radius of twenty-five miles of New Bern purchase their stocks of goods from local wholesalers and every day large shipments are made from this city both by the water and rail route.

### TO HOLD BAZAAR.

The Ladies Aid Society of the First Baptist church will hold their annual bazaar at the New Bern Gas Company's office next Friday, December 13. Every member who is engaged in making fancy work for this sale will please have it in the hands of Mrs. W. L. Lewis, No. 42 Broad street, by Wednesday, December 11.

## ARREST ABSCONDER IN BUENOS AYRES

**W. S. Paylor, Fugitive For Months, Finally Caught in South America.**

### EMBEZZLEMENT IS CHARGE

**Was City Treasurer of Danville, Va., and Made Way With Much City Money.**

Danville, Va., Dec. 7.—That William S. Paylor has been arrested in Buenos Ayres was made known in a message at the State Department last night from American Minister Garrett, at Buenos Ayres, who stated that Paylor was apprehended there early on Thursday morning.

A fugitive from justice for nearly five months, with a \$600 reward offered for his arrest, Paylor, the absconder former city treasurer, was indicted by a grand jury at the September term of the Corporation Court for embezzling \$9,600.

The State Department has been asked by Governor Mann to have Paylor extradited, and he will be brought back here to stand trial for his crime.

The news of the fugitive's capture does not come as a surprise to the people of his home town, for within the past few weeks many have been the rumors of his being located in the South American city.

It was on Saturday night, November 24, that the first inkling of activity in the Paylor matter became known, Governor Mann wired Commonwealth's Attorney, Hamlin here for a copy of the indictment under seal, against Paylor and also a copy of the warrant for his arrest. This step having been taken by the Richmond authorities, it was generally supposed that requisition papers were being prepared.

### DEFENDS DE GRAFFENRIED.

**Throw Mantle of Charity over His Faults, Says "Fair Play".**

Editor Journal:—

I see they keep on after my old friend, DeGraffenried. It is admitted he founded our beautiful city. Is it quite fair to accept the result of his bravery, enterprise and success and then abuse him. What is the trouble? They say, so I am informed, that he was not exactly straight in his business dealings. We have a population in New Bern of 9,963. Suppose every man and his family in our city who for any reason, honest or dishonest, had not been at all times exactly straight in his dealings—had to leave the city. I wonder what our population then would be.

Of course, the Baron should have paid his debts, but who can tell the situation that existed more than two hundred years ago? This brave pioneer had to fight both Indians and mosquitoes, the latter the worse from what the doctors say, also other troublesome things. Then, after all, what proof have we that he was irregular in this respect? Then, if he was, must the name be dishonored and statues torn down of such men as Clay and Webster, Goldsmith and Byron, many others who have been among the world's greatest geniuses?

They also, tell us that he was a "cussing" man. What about George Washington, our first and W. H. Taft, our present president, and the many between them? He should not have been thus naughty, but if the Indians and the mosquitoes both got after him at the same time, what was he going to do?

Now, was the foundation of our city worth the effort? Certainly so. No city in the state has been more potent in making our section, indeed the whole State what it is, than ours. At one time the seat of government, and at all times the seat of culture and refinement. At one time the largest city in the State, and I predict that such again will be her distinction. Already a beautiful city, but susceptible of being one of the most beautiful spots on earth and one of the most healthful.

Suppose for instance all the water front, from railroad bridge across Trent river to the railroad bridge across the Neuse was cleared away and made into a park. Could anything be more beautiful? This can be done. Suppose all the mosquitoes were destroyed. There would be then no malaria. This can be done. So we have a beautiful, progressive city, with the greatest possibilities, founded by De Graffenried, and I think it is as little as we can do to throw the mantle

## MULE RUNS AWAY BOY IS KILLED

**Eight Year Old Son of C. B. Knox Loses Life in Accident Near Askin.**

### IS THROWN FROM THE WAGON

**Mr. Knox and a Second Child Have Narrow Escapes.**

An accident which resulted in the death of one person and the injury of two others occurred near Askin yesterday afternoon when a mule owned and driven by C. B. Knox, who lives about five miles from that place, ran away, overturning the wagon in which Mr. Knox and his two children were seated, precipitating the trio to the ground and almost instantly killing Charley, the eight year old son of the owner of the team and more or less injuring the father and the other child.

Yesterday morning Mr. Knox and his two children drove to Askin a load of feed. This was secured and after getting their dinner the party started on the return trip to their home. Near Askin it was necessary for them to cross over a small bridge.

At this point the mule became frightened, overturned the wagon and made a dash down the road. The occupants were thrown to the ground but in some way Mr. Knox managed to retain his grasp on the reins and soon brought the animal to a stop. Returning to the point at which the wagon had been overturned he found that one of the children was dead and the other badly bruised.

It is supposed that in falling from the wagon the victim of the accident was struck on the head by one of the mule's hoofs and that his skull was crushed in this manner. Mr. Knox is one of the best known farmers in this section and the accident has cast a gloom over the entire community.

### TEACHERS HOLD MEETING.

**President Wright of Training School Speaks.**

The first meeting of the present term of the Craven County Teachers' Association was held yesterday at Griffin Auditorium. The feature of the meeting was an address by Prof. Robert H. Wright, president of the East Carolina Teacher Training School at Greenville on "The Duty of a Teacher to a Pupil and the Duty of a Pupil to a Teacher". Prof. Wright is a speaker of no little ability and his talk proved of great interest to the teachers who were present.

Short but instructive talks were also made by J. B. Paul of Cove City and John Humphrey of Clarks and a very interesting paper on "Idleness" was read by Miss Rae Marsh of Fort Barnwell. Following the reading of this paper the election of officers for the ensuing year was held. The following officers were elected:

President—W. G. Gaston of Dover.  
Vice-President—J. B. Paul of Cove City.

Secretary—Miss Ola Long of Havelock.

Treasurer—Miss Betha Bell of Spring Hope.

Although the weather was very inclement the attendance was very good, in fact unusually so and much enthusiasm was manifested in the proceedings.

### TO BRAZIL TO LIVE.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Barr will leave here Tuesday afternoon for New York. There they will take steamer for Brazil where Mr. Barr will take a position with the Brazil Lumber Company. Mr. and Mrs. Barr have been living here about two and a half years, Mr. Barr holding a position with the John L. Roper Lumber Company. They leave New Bern with genuine regret and they have many friends here who are equally as sorry to see them go.

The Sample Shoe Store is presenting its patrons with one of the most attractive souvenir calendars seen in the city this season. The picture on the calendar is of a very pretty woman and the general get-up of the calendar is very pleasing.

of charity over his real and imaginary faults and erect a monument to his memory which will be a credit to the city and to its people who are enjoying the fruits of his daring and enterprise. "Fair Play".

## PREPARE DINNER FOR WORTHY POOR

**Salvation Army Will Provide Its Usual Christmas Cheer For Deserving.**

### AID OF PUBLIC IS REQUESTED

**Capt. Satterfield Will Canvass All Residences in the City For Assistance.**

Capt. J. M. Satterfield, who is in charge of the local branch of the Salvation Army is preparing to give a free Christmas dinner to the poor of this city. The Salvation Army at this season of the year gives in the United States alone three hundred thousand dinners to the poor. Capt. Satterfield believes that New Bern wants to do its part in this great national effort.

He has begun already to work to this end and next Tuesday will begin to canvass the residences for assistance. He will investigate beforehand personally every family that may be considered for a Christmas dinner and in this way no one except the worthy ones will be helped.

The dinners will be delivered in large baskets which will hold enough for any large family. Any one desiring to help can call phone No. 446 or address checks to Box 83. Make all checks payable to the Salvation Army.

### BIG SALE GOING ON.

The big removal sale at the store of J. M. Mitchell & Co is still going on. Mr. Mitchell announces that it is his intention to open his new store on Middle street with an entirely new stock and for that reason will close out at a great reduction the stock at his present stand. Further particulars of the sale are contained in a half page advertisement which will be found on page 2.

### NO ACTION TAKEN

**Farmers' Union Not Enthusiastic Over Bond Issue For Roads.**

The Craven county Farmers' Union held a meeting at the court house yesterday for the purpose of passing a resolution asking for a bond issue to be used in bettering and putting in fairly improved condition the leading roads of the county.

After the meeting had been called to order several short talks were made by the members and as a whole they were not in favor of the proposed bond issues. Jas. A. Bryan and C. D. Bradham of this city also made short talks on the subject and opposed the movement for a bond issue.

After considerable discussion the Union decided not to take any action on the matter just at this time. This movement for the issuance of good roads bonds was started by the Erul local of the Farmers' Union and a committee was appointed by that local to be known as the Erul Good Roads Committee to agitate it.

D. P. Whitford, president of the county Union, stated after the close of the meeting that it was not probable the matter would again be brought up until some more definite action had been taken by the committees who have the working up of interest in the proposed bond issue in charge.

### TIMELY INFORMATION.

Persons who send Christmas gifts by mail are requested to see that they are properly wrapped and addressed and that a sufficient amount of postage is affixed to the package. Last year thirty-seven thousand packages intended for Christmas gifts were undelivered in the United States on account of improper addresses and not enough postage. Eight thousand valuable articles were found loose in mail bags. These had not been properly wrapped. The sender is also requested to put his or her address on the package so that it can be returned if the addressee cannot be located.

### NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

S. Coplon & Son—Christmas wearables at a saving.  
J. M. Mitchell & Co.—Great removal sale on.  
New Bern Banking and Trust Co.—The treasurer.  
S. K. Eaton—Christmas is ahead of you.  
Burrus & Co.—Stalk cutters, etc.  
B. & S. Employment Agency—Laborers and mechanics supplied.