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PARCEL POST NOW IN FULL EFFECT

Liberal Use of It Made in New Bern on First Day of Operation.

REGULAR STAMPS NOT USABLE

Some Misunderstanding as to This Point and Some Packages Had to Be Remailed.

If the amount of business done on the first day in which the new law was in effect is prophetic of a continuance of the same, New Bern will be one of the leading cities in the State in the amount sent under the new parcel post regulations.

Early yesterday morning the clerks at the local office began taking the packages from the mail chutes. There was every variety of package from one resembling a pound of candy to one which might have been a small shed.

Although the [illegible] of the regulations, [illegible] of the new law [illegible] weeks, [illegible] here were not [illegible] mail, not having on them the proper stamps which have created in the vicinity of matter. This condition not only prevailed at the postoffice but a number of packages were taken to the train bearing the regular postage stamps used on first and second class mail. These were also refused.

Patrons of the local office are requested to bear in mind the fact that unless the parcel post stamps are placed on packages they will not go through the mails at the new rate. Any information desired may be obtained from the clerks at the postoffice.

Persons who expect to make much use of the parcel post are advised by postoffice officials to send a money order for 75 cents to the Chief Clerk, Post Office Department, Washington, D. C., and ask for the guide and map to the system. The guide gives all postoffices with their rate numbers and the map shows each one of them and the eight postal zones, indicating the distances on which the parcels post rates are based. In doing this the rate [illegible] to [illegible] some accuracy.

For the benefit of readers who may have overlooked previously even the information as to the size and weight of packages that may be sent by parcel post, the Journal will repeat that parcels, under the regulations, must not exceed eleven pounds in weight or seventy two inches in length and girth combined. Distinctive stamps must be used and of these there are twelve denominations, from one cent to one dollar.

PROPOSED A. C. L. LINK

Committee Ready To Go Before Officials of the Road.

The committee of members of the Chamber of Commerce chosen several weeks ago to go before the officials of the Atlantic Coast Line Railway Company at Wilmington and lay before them the information relative to the amount of shipping going out of and coming in to New Bern each year so that the company could give its decision in the matter of entering this city from the north, will leave for that place at an early date, probably next week. All information is now in hand and the committee is only awaiting a letter from the officials stating they are in readiness to meet them.

PROGRAM AT THE ATHENS TODAY.

New vaudeville. The St. Julian's, a feature comedy novelty dancing act, featuring the "head to head dance"—a novelty of novelities—different from any act ever seen in this town before.

Picture program. "A Tragedy at the Court of Milan"—This is a tragedy based upon a happening in Italian history in which a young and beautiful widow marries the faithless Duke of Milan. To save a friendly chevalier, the dutchess makes a false confession, but her sacrifice fails in its purpose and after the fellow has paid the death penalty, the returning executioners find that she shock has caused her death also. "The Family Next Door" A Lubin comedy drama—a real funny one. "How Bobby Joined the Circus"—An Edison comedy. Usual prices. Show starts at 7:30, and at 9 o'clock. Matinee daily at 3:45.

WOMEN TO MEET

First Convention Next Week of Democratic League.

Washington, Jan. 1.—The women of the National Democracy will foregather at Washington Jan. 7, 8 and 9, the occasion being the first National Convention of the Democratic Woman's League. Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, wife of the President-elect, and Mrs. Thomas R. Marshall, wife of the Vice-President-elect, are honorary members of the league, which was organized at Washington last June and later incorporated under the laws of New York.

During the progress of the convention a practical and comprehensive course of study in the principles and Governmental procedure as upheld by the Democracy, prepared under the direction of President-elect Wilson, will be announced, and means taken to promulgate the study among the women of the nation.

The convention will also give special attention to the needs and requirements of local municipal and State organizations with a view to frowning the concentrated endeavors put in by the Democracy in the various elections of the past few [illegible]

The [illegible] will be [illegible] of the convention [illegible] the direction of establishing [illegible] council, made up of twenty men prominent in the councils of the Democratic party, will be taken up. The proposed advisory council will work in conjunction with the Executive Board in formulating the permanent establishment of the league, in conducting educational and campaign work and in devising means for the financial maintenance of the organization.

SAYS ARMY HAS IMPROVED.

Gen. Wood Praises Abolition of Bureau System.

Washington, Jan. 1.—Major Gen. Leonard Wood, who was Colonel of the regiment in which Col. Theodore Roosevelt was Lieutenant-Colonel, in the Spanish-American war, declares that there has been great improvement in the army since the war.

"The bureau system in the days of the war with Spain," said he, "was bad. Many changes have taken place since, however, which I believe would make impossible a repetition of the incidents of 1898 in case of another war. The bureau system was unquestionably very bad, due largely to the detail of officers to serve as staff officers for life. Now we have a general staff, which has been chiefly responsible for the improvements in our military organization in the last few years."

OIL PROFITS ARE BIGGER THAN EVER

Dissolution of Trust Appears to Have Helped The Business Substantially.

PAST YEAR MOST PROSPEROUS

Very Substantial Advances In Stocks Recorded During Past Week.

New York, Jan. 1.—That the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey and the thirty-nine corporations that forty years ago were its subsidiaries have made in the past year from 50 to 100 per cent. more than the old Standard Oil Company of New Jersey—the Oil Trust—ever made in its most prosperous years is the impression that prevails on Wall street.

There have been most sensational advances in Oil stocks in the last week. Standard Oil of New York has shown an increase of 100 points, and the New Jersey company has advanced 30 points.

There are reports on the curb that the New Jersey company, which has been paying dividends at the rate of 20 per cent intends to declare a big cash dividend in February. Also there will be a rich "melon" cutting for holders of the New York company's stock.

These sensational advances and rich dividends have followed the dissolution of the parent company by order of the United States Supreme Court on May 15, 1911. The subsidiary companies and the parent comsany have quarters at No. 26 Broadway in the Standard Oil Building.

During the year the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey has colletced almost $100,000,000 from the subsidiary corporations in settlement of indebtedness incurred prior to the dissolution of the trust.

The Vacuum Oil Company, which cut a big "melon" last spring, has returned close to $10,500,000 to the New Jersey corporation; the Standard Oil Company of California has paid $15,000,000; to California has paid $15,000,000; Prairie Oil and Gas, from $8,000,000 to $10,000,000; Standard Oil Company of Ohio, $10,000,000; South Pennsylvania Oil Company, $10,000,000; the New York Company, the Solar Refining Comapny all large amounts, and Swan & Finch, $250,000.

The "melon" to be cut for the stockholders of the New York Company will be the division of some of its huge surplus.

While these dividends were piling up, the price of oil products has advanced in some instances 100 per cent. Then, too, the subsidiary corporations have uncovered hidden assets and have shifted real estate holdings, converting them into cash, which will go to the stockholders, so as to keep the already top-heavy surplus from becoming more so.

COUNTRY WARRING ON TUBERCULOSIS

Nineteen Millions Spent In 1912 In Fight Against Great White Plague.

LARGE INCREASE OVER 1911

New York Again Leads Pennsylvania Second and Massachussetts Third.

New York, Jan. 1.—Nearly $19,000,000 was spent in the anti-tuberculosis campaign in the United States during the year 1912 according to the fourth annual statistical statement of expenditures in this movement issued by the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis today.

These annual statements are based largely on reports received from anti-tuberculosis societies throughout the country. The figures are compared with annual reports are not available.

The expenditures [illegible] year [illegible] $1,000,000 [illegible] $19,000,000 [illegible] $1,500,000 greater than the total for the year 1911. Another significant feature pointed out by the National Association, is the expenditure of public money. During the year 1912, 65 per cent of the $18,500,000 spent in tuberculosis work came from either federal, state, county or municipal funds. This figure is considered by the anti-tuberculosis workers as a particularly significant fact as it indicates the dawning of responsibility for the provision of tuberculosis hospitals and other institutions upon the municipality, county and State.

New York State again leads the country in its anti-tuberculosis expenditures, Pennsylvania comes next and Massachusetts and Colorado [illegible] third and fourth places respectively.

RED MEN TO FEAST.

Tonight at 8 o'clock the local lodge of the Improved Order of Red Men will have a big banquet at the wigwam over the New Bern Gas Company's office. There will also be a public installation of officers. Every Red Man is requested to be present and bring his wife or friends with him.

BECOMES BANK TELLER.

O. W. Lane of Edenton has arrived in the city and has accepted the position of teller at the New Bern Banking and Trust Company. Mr. Lane has ben employed by the Bank of Edenton as assistant cashier and teller for several years and has an enviable reputation both personally and as a capable bank man.

BURN MORTGAGE ON TABERNACLE

Instrument Consigned to Big Bonfire Built Last Night For Purpose.

IMPRESSIVE EXERCISES HELD

Under Leadership of Rev. J. B. Phillips Indebtedness of the Church is Wiped Out.

Yesterday was a Red Letter Day in the annals of the Tabernacle Baptist church of this city. When the present house of worship was sometrusted it was necessary for the constructed to borrow a large amount of money to complete the work and a mortgage on the property was given. For several years the members have been working earnestly to pay off the debt but there was always some drawback and up to a month ago nothing of consequence had been done toward taking up the paper.

When Rev. J. B. Phillips the pastor of the church came to New Bern he made this the chief aim in the campaign. The campaign came to a successful ends and the amount was finally secured and the church was free from debt.

REV. J. B. PHILLIPS.

Last evening a special service of thanks was held and the mortgage was consigned to a bonfire which had been built on the churchlot. Every member who could possibly do so and a number of the members of other churches were present. Mr. Phillips made an earnest talk in which he reviewed the struggle of the church for the past few years and the final victory in paying off every debt. Short talks were made by Mr. S. J. Phelps, Miss Mamie Warrington, J. S. Miller and Mr. Lee.

A special musical program had been arranged for the occasion and after the conclusion of the service in the church the choir and the congregation marched out on the yard where the large bonfire was merrily blazing. After the singing of a hymn the mortgage was consigned to the flames. Following this Rev. Phillips made a beautiful prayer thanking the Almighty for His kindness and invoking His blessing upon the assembly.

NEW BERN BOYS DO WELL

Three From Here "Distinguished" In Studies at Bingham.

Bingham School, Mebane, N. C., Jan. 1.—The first half session was a most successful one in that it proved to be a wonderfully helpful as well as interesting and pleasant term to all concerned. The cadets showed remarkable improvement both mentally and physically, and, together with the teachers, are one and all looking forward with pleasure to the Spring Term which opens on January 7th, when after a happy Christmas, they will again join their friends in the profitable and enjoyable exercises of the institution. Those distinguished in studies during the Fall Term are as follows:—

William F. Blades, Edwin Bowling, T. Lesley Cobb, Thomas Cochran, Thomas Cowie, Jonathan Gibson, Asa Gossett, John Gose, Randolph Graves, I. W. Gray, Frank Harris, Leonard Hayes, Mack Herndon, Allen Ives, Stuart Johnston, W. G. Lang, Leland, McConnell, Charlie McCutchen, Wilbur McFarland, Mason Mebane, William Morgan, Landon Phillips, Knott Proctor, William Scarborough, George Slover, Merton Summerville, Herbert Thornton, George Wheeler, Preston and Robert Gray.

Of these, three—Messrs. Blades, Ives and Slover—are from New Bern.

TICKETSG GOING FAST

Brisk Demand For the Pasteboard Admitting to Banquet.

Tickets for the first annual banquet of the New Bern Chamber of Commerce to be given at the Gaston Hotel tomorrow night are now on sale at Edward Clark's cigar store and they are rapidly being disposed of. As soon as the capacity of the dining room is reached the sale of tickets will stop and those who intend attending the event should purchase their tickets without delay.

All arrangements for the banquet have been completed and only the arrival of the day and guests is awaited. J. Leon Williams, Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, assisted by several of the members, has worked diligently to make this event a success and that such will be the case there is not the least doubt. The following menu has been prepared for the occasion:

A La Rose

Celery, Pickles, Olives

North Carolina Hams and Jellies

Italian Potatoes

Roast Young Turkey, Cranberry Sauce

Oysters

Cocktail

Candied Yams, Baked Potatoes

Waldorf Salad

Cucumber Pickles

Vanilla Ice Cream

Assorted Cake

American Cheese

Cafe Noir

Cigars

Among the visitors who will be present and make shoert addresses will be Representatives John M. Faison and John H. Small. Josephus Daniels, editor Raleigh News and Observer; D. T. Edwards, editor Kinston Free Press; D. J. Whichard, editor Greenville Reflector; C. C. Hook, president Greater Charlotte Club; Leake Carraway, secretary Greater Charlotte Club; LeRoy Hodges, secretary Chamber of Commerce, Winston-Salem; Albert L. Cox, president Clamber of Commerce, Raleigh; Charles A. Flynr, secretary Chamber of Commerce, Washington, Fred I. Sutton, secretary Chamber of Commerce, Kinston, Charles I. Abernathy, secretary Chamber of Commerce, Beaufort; G. D. Canfield, president Chamber of Commerce, Morehead City; M. L. Willis, secretary Chamber of Commerce, Morehead City, H. L. Branch, secretary Chamber of Commerce, Wilmington, Maj. H. W. Stickle, Corps of Engineers, U. S. A., in charge of Wilmington district for the improvement of rivers and harbors.

The musical program will be in charge of the New Bern High School Orchestra.

TO INVESTIGATE CABELL'S OFFICE

Charges Commissioner Is Ready To Srettle a $1,200,000 Claim for $100,000.

HOUSE COMMITTEE GETS BUSY

Number of Compromises In Liquor Cases Will Also Be Looked Into.

Washington, Jan. 1.—The House Committee on Expenditures in the Treasury Department is going to investigate the office of the Commissioner of Internal Renvenue as soon as the holidays are over.

Chairman W. E. Cox of Indiana wants to find out why Commissioner Royal E. Cabell has recommended that the Government settle a claim of $1,200,000 against W. J. Moxley and P. J. Armour and other oleomargarine makers of Chicago for $100,000.

Incidentally a number of compromises in liquor cases involving thousands of dollars will be looked into.

About two years ago some one developed an oil with a butter color. Oleomargarine manufacturers in Chicago bought it to give natural color to their products without having to pay the ten cent tax on colored oleomargarine. The oil was tested for the locomargarine makers and Mr. Cabell would neither give his permission for the use of the oil nor condemn its use. About a year later the Bureau of Chemistry tested the oil and found that it contained sulphur.

Moxley and others were checked up by the Government and found to owe $1,200,000 back taxes on oleomaragine in which the oil was used as coloring matter. It is this claim that Mr. Cabell agrees to settle for $100,000.

RAILROADS MUST SERVE THE PUBLIC

Two Should Work Together For Mutual Advantage, Says Supt. Ackers.

NEW OFFCIAL IS IN CHARGE

In the Service For Thirty-Five Years He Knows Every Phase of Railroading.

C. W. Ackers, who succeeds Virgil Walker as superintendent of the Southern division of the Norfolk Southern Railroad, states that he has always held to and been guided by the belief that the railway companies are the servants of the public and that the two should work together for mutual advantage. In conversation with a Journal reporter he said that he hoped the people of New Bern would cooperate with him in his work. He pledged himself to do his part in giving the city a meeting with railroad service.

Mr. Ackers said that although he [illegible] in this city he was [illegible] and [illegible] to be [illegible] Mr. Walker [illegible] Mr. Ackers, who assumed his new duties yesterday, is a man who knows every detail of railroad work. Thirty five years ago he began working as an apprentice in a railway company's shop. He attended strictly to his work and was soon promoted to a position on the road as brakeman. For fifteen years he worked in the capacity of brakeman and fireman and at the end of this time was placed in charge of an engine.

For twenty years he handled the throttle of a locomotive. Sixteen years of this time was spent in handling passenger trains, a position in which only responsible men are placed. Later he was made foreman of engines of the Seaboard Air Line Railway Company headquarters at Portsmouth, Va. There he spent a year as train master for the Seaboard. Leaving this company he became connected with the North and Western Railway Company as was made Assistant Train Master. Two months ago he went with the Norfolk Southern Railway Company and was made General Inspector that company's lines, being from this here which Mr. Walker handed in resignation.

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ORGANIZE CORN CLUB

Members Will Have Chance To Win Valuable Prizes.

Tuesday morning Dr. J. F. Talbington of Athens, Ga., who is to have charge of the Craven County Farm Life School, Dr. Roberson of the State Department of Agriculture and S. M. Brinson, County Superintendent of Public Schools, met in the latter's office in this city and organized the Craven County Boys' Corn Club.

There are a number of these clubs in different sections to the State and through their influence the sons of farmers are induced to make every effort toward growing large crops of corn. In addition of the State and National prizes which will be offered a number of other valuable prizes which will be given by the local merchants.

There has been much interest manifested by the boys of this county in these clubs and that that the new one will soon have a large number of members there is little doubt. Information relative to joining this club can be secured from S. M. Brinson.

IMPORTANT MEETING OF TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION.

On January 11 there will be a meeting of the Craven county Teachers' Association at Griffin Auditorium. It will be one of the most important meetings of the present term and every teacher in the county is urged to be present. There will be two sessions: one in the morning and the other in the afternoon and refreshments will be served the teachers during the recess. There will be a number of interesting addresses made by the teachers and others who will be present.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

New Bern Banking and Trust Co.—Self protection.

Railroad Lunch Room—

New Bern Furniture Co.—Thanks to patrons.

A. T. Willis Co.—Koiter cravats.