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LAYMEN'S CONVENTION COMMITTEE HAS LARGELY ATTENDED MEETING

Good Headway Being Made On the Arrangements For Big February Meet

VIGOROUS DEPUTATION WORK

Whirlwind Canvass To Interest the Men of New Bern Will Be Made Wednesday.

A largely attended and enthusiastic meeting of the Convention Committee of the Laymen's Movement Convention to be held here Thursday and Friday, February 6 and 7, was held last night at the committee headquarters in the Elks' Temple. Practically every member of the committee was present. At the conclusion of the meeting Executive Secretary Padgett of the State committee, who is here directing the arrangements for the February convention, expressed himself as greatly pleased with the way in which the committee turned out and accepted the various duties assigned them.

One of the most active of the committees is the Deputation Committee.

The following report was made by William Dunn, Jr., chairman:

"Your Deputation Committee begs leave to report as follows:

"On Sunday last deputations went out to the nearby towns as follows: Dr. H. M. Bonner and Mr. J. Leon Williams went to Morehead City for a meeting on Sunday afternoon and to Beaufort for Sunday night.

"Mr. W. F. Aberly and Dr. Z. V. Parker to Jacksonville, and William Dunn, Jr., to Vanceboro.

"All report fair attendance and much interest manifested in the convention.

"The following appointments have been made for the future. Mr. S. M. Brinson and another for Dover Thursday night; Mr. J. Leon Williams and Dr. Bonner for Washington on Sunday; Mr. T. A. Green and Dr. Parker for Pollockville on Sunday; Mr. S. M. Brinson and William Dunn, Jr., for Goldboro on Sunday; Mr. M. W. Fodrie and another for Bridgeton Sunday night; Mr. W. F. Aberly and another for Bayboro Sunday morning and Oriental at night.

"Mr. H. B. Craven and another for LaGrange on Sunday night.

"We would like some aid on next Sunday from others that have not been out."

In addition to Mr. Dunn's written report, Mr. Aberly and Dr. Parker made a verbal report about their reception at Jacksonville. Both said that considerable interest was shown and that they were given assurances that an effort would be made to get a good-sized delegation to attend the convention from that town. The meeting held at the Methodist church and although there had been some misunderstanding about the place of meeting the attendance was encouraging.

In speaking afterwards about the visit of himself and J. Leon Williams to Morehead City and Beaufort Dr. Bonner said that they had a very enthusiastic meeting Sunday afternoon at Morehead City and that a good-sized delegation for the convention could undoubtedly be counted on from there. The meeting at Beaufort Sunday night was also well attended and encouraging interest was shown.

Whirlwind Canvass

The committee decided on a whirlwind canvass Wednesday afternoon to visit the men of New Bern, lay before them the benefits to be derived from attending the convention and get them to agree to attend, paying one dollar each towards defraying the expenses of the convention and the supper. The committee will meet at three o'clock at the committee headquarters in the Elks' Temple.

PROGRAM AT THE ATHENS TO-DAY

Logan & Klunker, singing, talking and eccentric dancing appear again tonight.

PICTURES

"The Sheriff Proteem." A thrilling story of the mountain moonshiners.
"The Tenacious Loyer." One of Pathe's latest and best comedies.
"Terrible Teddy." A breezy comedy abounding in rip-roaring, funny escapades and proving that "Teddy Moose" is all that he is cracked up to be. You will thoroughly enjoy this picture.
Matinee every day at 3:45. First show at night starts 7:30, second at 9:00 o'clock. Observe the hours and you will always get a comfortable seat.

Temple and will make a thorough canvass, reporting two hours later at the headquarters. A careful record will be made of parites who cannot be seen Wednesday afternoon and they will be seen later. The several committees were empowered to add others if found desirable to do so.

The matter of a place in which to hold the convention supper came up and T. A. Green and W. F. Aberly were appointed a committee to try to secure a place. Stanley Hill seemed to appeal to the most of the committee as the most suitable place, but Secretary Padgett thought it hardly large enough for the four or five hundred delegates whom he expects to attend the convention. The new building of S. B. Parker Craven street was also mentioned.

The following committee on music for the convention was appointed:

W. F. Aberly, J. W. Watson, Herbert Willis, W. B. Smith, John Jones,

Lapsley, H. J. Sawyer and M. W. Fodrie. Male choruses will furnish the music for the convention.

Arrangements For Ministers

It was decided to send a registration card without cost to every minister in the territory covered by the convention, which embraces a territory within a radius of fifty miles with Goldsboro and possibly one or two other places beyond that distance. It is very possible also that the most of the visiting ministers on arrival will be entertained at private homes free of cost.

Prof. H. B. Craven was appointed a committee of one to secure the services of the High School orchestra to play at the supper.

SPRING ON THE WAY

That spring is fast approaching is evidenced by the fact that a great many of the trees are putting forth their buds and come few flowers are beginning to show their green foliage. Most noticeable of any of the budding trees is a Japanese magnolia located front of William Sultan's residence on Pollock street. Not only has the tree put forth its leaves but it is in full bloom and its appearance is very unusual and attractive.

There was a light fall of snow in this city last evening between seven and eight o'clock. Following this the rain began to fall and so cold was it that a thin coating of ice was formed in many of the points most exposed.

Dr. T. L. Casserly of Washington, N. C., has arrived in the city and will be associated with Dr. J. F. Foley, veterinarian.

Wardie Gaskins left yesterday for Wilmington, Del., where he will enter the Goldie Business College.

L. A. Skinner of Charleston, W. Va., and C. W. Sutton of Suffolk, Va., have arrived in the city and are to become connected with the New Bern Steam Laundry. The former gentleman, who is a brother of the proprietor, will become foreman of the laundry while the latter will be the solicitor.

COMEDY DRAMA TO BE REPEATED

"A FISHERMAN'S LUCK" TO BE SEEN AGAIN—THURSDAY NIGHT, THE DATE

Of course every drama has a villain for the audience to get mad with and hiss at, but the comedy-drama, "A Fisherman's Luck" has two, Old Squire Hammond, an old miser who attempts the life of Uncle Davy, and his son, James Hammond, who is truly the son of his father. He will make you very mad and when you give vent to your feelings and hiss, it is only a compliment to his ability. Then there is poor Uncle Davie who will bring a laugh and make you feel as if you have never had a sorrow, to see the happy life he is living after having so much hard luck and sorrow in his past life, but he says, "It's something you have got to get use to." Opera House Thursday night, January 30, 50c. Elks' Piano fund and Dramatic Club. Presented by the Paint and Powder Club of this city.

Free advice is the dearest to follow.

ATLANTICS HOLD ANNUAL BANQUET

FIRE CHIEF THOMAS DAVIS AND OTHERS RESPOND TO TOASTS

Last evening from 8 until 11 o'clock the Atlantic Steam Fire Engine Company held their annual banquet. In addition to the members of the company who were present there were representatives from the other fire companies, newspaper men and also a number of visitors. During the evening speeches were made by T. D. Davis, Thomas Lassiter, Joseph Nelson, A. H. Bangert, Carlyle Harter, H. H. Tooker, Roy Tucker and Thomas Carraway. Chief of the Fire Department Thomas Davis asked the support of the company and their co-operation in every way. By a rising vote the members of the company exhibited the loyal spirit which they have always shown in the past assuring the new chief that he could depend on them at all times. Following the speeches a palatable luncheon was served.

RETURNS FROM BOTTLERS' CONVENTION

C. A. Seifert, owner and manager of the Coca Cola Bottling Works of this city, has returned from Atlanta, Ga. where on last Thursday and Friday he attended a meeting of the National Association of Coca Cola Bottlers.

More than three hundred bottlers of Coca Cola were present at this annual meeting and in the estimation of Mr. Seifert it was one of the most successful ever held. Every year the bottlers get together and discuss and formulate plans for the advancement of their business. The meetings end with a social session and banquet and this is always a very elaborate affair.

Dr. E. T. Carter, pastor of the First Baptist Church, is conducting a revival this week at Bridgeton, preaching at the Disciples church. Services are held nightly at 7:30 o'clock and the public are cordially invited to attend.

TO GIVE CONCERT ON FRIDAY NIGHT

DELIGHTFUL EVENT PROMISED FOR THAT NIGHT AT THE PARISH HOUSE

The public is asked to bear in mind the concert to be given Friday night at 8:30 o'clock at Christ Church parish house. Among those who will sing or otherwise aid in entertaining the audience are Mrs. Mamie Benton, Mrs. Garrison Farrow, Mr. and Mrs. Hervey of New York, Miss Miller of Baltimore, Mrs. John Aberly, C. T. Humphrey and Mr. Lapsley. Tickets are on sale at Clark's and Waters also by the ladies. The price of admission will be 25 cents. A large attendance is hoped for.

NEW SHOE STORE OPENS TOMORROW

"SELZ ROYAL BLUE" ESTABLISHMENT BEGINS BUSINESS TO-MORROW

Brooks & Company's "Selz Royal Blue" shoe store will throw its doors open to the public tomorrow. It is located in the new Mitchell building on Middle street. While this store is not as large as the one which Mr. Mitchell built for his own business it is amply large for the purposes of Brooks & Company and is very attractive in arrangements, everything—store, stock and fixtures, being brand new. Long panel mirrors and specially constructed display cases are among the attractive features of the internal arrangements. The stock is complete and well displayed and together with the elegant furnishings will be sure to make a favorable impression on all visitors to the store.

The proprietors promise an interesting occasion tomorrow and the public are cordially invited to attend. Every visitor will be presented with an attractive souvenir.

WATERWAYS TO BE HIS THEME

Field Secretary of National Rivers and Harbors Congress to Speak

BE AT COURT HOUSE TO-NIGHT

Says New Bern Well Located To Derive Benefit From Inland Waterway.

Capt. Wilson I. Davenny, Field Secretary of the National Harbors and Rivers Congress, will speak in the court house at 8 o'clock this evening on "Our National Waterways." Captain Davenny is commended to the citizens of New Bern by Congressman John H. Small of the Rivers and Harbors Committee of the House at Washington. He addressed the business men of Elizabeth City and Edenton on Thursday and Friday nights of last week and will continue down the coast from New Bern on his present trip as far as Savannah.

"The feeling that the railroads of the State are exacting excessive tolls upon traffic," said Captain Davenny, "has focused the attention of the citizens of North Carolina upon the subject of transportation. The cities situated upon navigable water courses are alive to the advantages they enjoy, and should be deeply interested in every movement which has for its object the widening of streams, and the deepening of channels. Few communities along the Atlantic seaboard are more favorably situated to reap real benefits from the development of the Inland Waterway, projected between Boston and Beaufort Inlet, than New Bern. Her present prosperity is wedded to the present waterway improvements and a deeper channel both north and south, will materially increase the advantage, she now enjoys."

"I am glad," said Captain Davenny, to come to the home of Senator Simmons who has contributed in such a substantial way to the pioneer advancement of the intra-coastal project, as the successful promoter in Congress of the Adams Creek Canal, and the creation of a deeper and better water route in the first link in the ambitious plan that is to link the inland water courses into a comprehensive and useful system."

CITY PEOPLE INVITED

At the Farmers' Institute to be held tomorrow at Beech Grove school house there will be a barbecue and general all round farmers' rally.

W. H. Bray, chairman of institutes for Craven county, says that city people as well as those from the country are invited and, in fact, urged to attend. An institute was conducted yesterday at Pollockville. Tomorrow is Beech Groves' date, other dates and places being: Bayboro, Jan. 30; Newport, Jan. 31; Vanceboro, Feb. 1; Dover, Feb. 4; Richlands, Feb. 5; Trenton, Feb. 6.

THE NEUSE RISING

(Special to the Journal)
Raleigh, Jan. 27—Neuse river is rising and an overflow of about three feet is expected at Smithfield by Wednesday

DIVIDES HONORS WITH NEW BERN

DECATUR, ILL. POSTOFFICE ALSO RECEIVES PACKAGE OF SKUNK HIDES

No longer does the local postoffice hold the distinction, if such it might be termed, of being the only office in the country through which a package containing skunk hides has passed via parcel post. Away out in Decatur, Ill., a similar package arrived in the postoffice and soon the office had been vacated and the package remained alone. The following dispatch to the New York American from that place tells the tale of woe:

"Somebody threw a wrench into the smoothly running parcel post machinery at the Decatur postoffice to-day. It was a package of fresh skunk hides killed by a trapper on a rural route. "Because fresh breezes were blowing in the country the rural route carrier was able to bring the parcel to Decatur, but as soon as he carried it into the building the clerks went out by another door. The parcel will be returned to the sender."

NOT AFFECTED BY PARCEL POST

More Business at Local Express Office Than In First Three Weeks of 1912

NO CUT RATES SEEM IN SIGHT

Express People Not a Bit Worried Over Introduction of New Postal Wrinkle.

According to a statement made yesterday by Z. V. Taylor, manager of the local office of the Southern Express Company, the new parcel post law has not in the least affected the business of this office.

Mr. Taylor says that his records show that during the past three weeks there has been a greater number of packages sent from and received in the local office than there was during the same period in 1912. When asked if he thought the Southern Express Company would cut their rates, he replied that he had received no information from headquarters in regard to any such proposed action and that he did not believe that such would be done.

"At times," said Mr. Taylor, "it is almost impossible for us to handle the amount of business with which we are favored. Especially is this true when there are unusually large shipments of fish and also on numerous occasions during the trucking season." Continuing, he said: "If the company lowers its rates it will cause congestion in the handling of shipments which will cause great loss to both the company and the shipper. The parcel post law is not hurting us because it has created a new class of business and a class we could not afford to handle."

Records kept at the local postoffice show that more than eight hundred packages have been received here via the parcel post route and more than a thousand have been sent out since January 1, 1913.

Richmond has 1,400 cases of measles, but something is always breaking out in that town.

STOLE TWO SUITS FROM HIS FRIEND

ADMITTEDLY, THIS WAS A QUEER WAY OF SHOWING HIS FRIENDLINESS

William Johnson, colored, was yesterday given a hearing before Justice of the Peace W. R. Barrington on a warrant charging him with the larceny of two suits of clothes from one of his friends. The magistrate found probable cause and bound the defendant over to the next term of Superior Court under a bond of two hundred dollars in default of which he was committed to the county jail. Johnson was arrested at Plymouth several days ago upon request of the local authorities and was brought to the city and placed in the county jail to await a preliminary hearing.

NOT UNDER BAN AT PALM BEACH

"TURKEY TROT" FREELY INDULGED IN BY FASHIONABLES AT RESORT.

Palm Beach, Fla., Jan. 25—The stamp of approval has been placed upon "turkey trotting" at Palm Beach.

While the orchestra was playing on the Colonnade in the Poinciana Gardens Thursday night Mr. and Mrs. Littleton Fox, of New York, and the guests they brought with them in their private car earlier in the day started "trotting" in the moonlight in front of the main entrance and danced and sang for an hour.

After the concert they went to the cabaret show in the palm room, where the tables were partly cleared away for more of the "turkey trot," which was danced until after midnight by a company including many persons prominent in society.

Miss Helen Gould spent only \$1,000 on her trousseau, but she will not have to call on either papa or the husband when she wants a spring outfit.

AGITATE STATE WIDE STOCK LAW

This One of the Live Questions Being Considered by the General Assembly

MATTER BEING DEBATED HERE

Strong Article Written In Behalf of Such a Law by Mt. Olive Citizen.

A live question before the General Assembly and one which is of great importance all over the State is that of the proposed Statewide stock law. Keen interest is felt here and there are many New Bern people who believe that such a law would be of great benefit to the State. One of those anxious to see the Legislature pass such a law hands us for publication the following written to the Raleigh News and Observer by H. G. Williamson of Mt. Olive.

"To the Editor: This letter is intended especially for every member of the General Assembly now in session, each one of whom I trust will read it carefully.

"It is my candid opinion that a Statewide Stock Law for North Carolina would benefit the people at large more than any law you can enact for our State designed to benefit all the people of North Carolina.

"I know by experience, where the stock law has been in operation for a good many years the farmers have more stock to sell and they have better stock. The stock law eliminates poor, scrubby stock, and also eliminates the usual strife and trouble occasioned by poor fences and mischievous stock getting into neighbors' fields and causing strife and often lawsuits over some old mischievous cow or hog.

"As a matter of common justice, is it right for the man who pays out money for a farm to have to put a fence around it to keep out other neighbors' stock?"

"No; I say it is not right. Every man who owns stock of any kind should be responsible for his own stock and should not be allowed to let them run at large, and a State wide stock law would reduce the fence tax at least 50 per cent.

"About two-thirds of our State now has a stock law. A great many counties in the State bought and paid for thousands of yards of wire fences. All this could be moved and used at the most definite points on the outside borders of the State and we could avoid using any fence at all on the borders of the coast and along large rivers. By doing this the cost will be very small and in two years our fence tax would be reduced fully one-half, and gates, all over the country, would be at an end. Hundreds of our small towns, under the present system, are compelled to have a fence around them like unto a hog pen.

"Now gentlemen of the General Assembly, if you will pass this law you will have enacted one of the most needed measures in our State, and you will receive praise from the mountains to the sea at the hands of 90 per cent of the people of North Carolina.

"I trust every editor who may see this article will copy the same in his paper and help to pass along the good work.

"In addition to the above, don't forget the dog law to protect the lives of the people from so many worthless curs going mad and causing so much trouble cost and pains in our land.

"Besides a good dog law would add a million dollars in tax to our Treasury or else would curtail a number of worthless dogs."

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

Mrs. B. Allen—Coat Suits and Coats to close out.
Burrus & Co.—Farmers' Institutes, National Bank of New Bern—We have the facilities to serve you acceptably.

New Bern Banking and Trust Co.—The right start.
Sam Lipman—Come, look before you buy.

M. E. Whitehurst & Co.—Parcel Post scales.
J. J. Baxter—Winter goods sale.
Standard Shoe Company—Have dry feet always.

H. C. Armstrong—Granulated Sugar \$1.2c. per pound.

The regular weekly meeting of Athenas Lodge, No. 8, Knights of Pythias, will be held tonight at eight o'clock. A full attendance of the members is desired.