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TOWN OF LA GRANGE IS AGAIN VISITED BY DESTRUCTIVE FIRE

Good-Sized Portion of Business Section Burned Yesterday Afternoon

FIRE ORIGINATED IN COLORED RESTAURANT

Damage Estimated at From Fifty to Sixty Thousand Dollars

(By Long Distance Telephone.)
Fields, May 2.—Fire which originated in a restaurant located in the business part of town completely destroyed a section of that part of La Grange this afternoon and caused damage which is estimated at between fifty and sixty thousand dollars.

The fire originated in a small building in the middle of one of the main business blocks and which was occupied by a restaurant. When first discovered the blaze could have been extinguished and the disastrous fire which followed might have been averted. However, there was some delay and before the fire company arrived on the scene, this building was in a mass of flames. From the building occupied by the restaurant the flames sprang to an adjacent structure which was used as a barber shop and this was soon laid in waste. From this building the blaze swept into R. J. Creech's general merchandise store, destroying that and the following also: Newbern Jewelry store, A. W. Kennedy's grocery store, Walter Wilson's grocery store, three colored restaurants, J. P. Joyner's blacksmith shop, the Norfolk Southern passenger station and ticket office, Milton Hardy's grocery store. Across the street considerable damage was done to the building of the Rouse Banking Company, Barwick's grocery store and Wooten & Kinsey's furniture store.

The progress of the flames was rapid owing to the fact that a high wind was blowing at the time and the merchants had but little time to get any of the goods from their places of business. However, they succeeded in getting out some of the goods and these were placed just across the street, presumably at a point where the flames could not reach them, but sparks and burning embers were flying in every direction and within a short time the fire had spread to these and much of the goods which had been taken from the burned buildings were also destroyed.

The eastbound train in charge of Conductor William Hinnant and Engineer Jack Neal arrived at LaGrange before the fire had gained good headway and the train crew at once began to save the Norfolk Southern Railway Company's property. Fifteen box cars were pulled out of danger and the contents of the passenger depot were taken on the train together with much of the freight in the warehouse and carried to Falling Creek. The passenger station owned by the Norfolk Southern Railway Company was burned to the ground. Several times the freight warehouse ignited from the flying embers but each time the blaze was extinguished.

There was a scarcity of water and the small fire company assisted by the citizens and the train crew secured much of the water from the tender of the locomotive attached to the eastbound train. This was used in fighting the fire near the depot and which could be reached with the short lengths of hose.

The Harper Hotel is located adjacent to the buildings destroyed by fire and it was thought several times that this would be destroyed but fireproof shutters have recently been placed on this building and they saved it from destruction. The telephone exchange was located in this building but all the wires were burned down and tonight the town

ISSUED UNDER DIFFICULTIES.

Accident to Monotype Causes Trouble in Journal Office.

This issue of the Journal was issued under difficulties owing to the breaking down last night of the monotype machine which is used in setting the type for the paper. Only one machine is used in "setting up" the Journal and when this gets out of commission things take on a serious aspect.

Owen G. Dunn, editor and proprietor of The Sun, kindly offered the use of one of his Linotype machines and with the assistance of I. W. Medlin, an expert Linotype operator, the material for the paper was put in type. The management of the Journal wishes to thank Mr. Dunn and Mr. Medlin for their timely assistance.

The Journal's Monotype machine will be repaired and in commission by Monday and until then we crave the indulgence of the patrons of the paper.

DELIVER LIQUOR AT BACK DOOR

MANAGER TAYLOR TO RELIEVE CONGESTION AT FRONT OF OFFICE.

Manager Taylor of the Southern Express Company announces that as soon as the repairs to the company's local offices have been made, the same having been made necessary by the recent fire, arrangements will be made to stop the delivery of liquor and the sale of liquor money orders at the front of the building and to transact all this business at the rear.

When this arrangement goes into effect, persons desiring to purchase liquor money orders or to procure liquor shipped to them will go down the alley to the rear entrance and get waited on there.

Mr. Taylor states that this will be done in order to relieve the congestion at the front of the office.

has no communication with the outside world.

The last disastrous fire occurred just across the street from the one which took place this afternoon. On that site several new brick buildings, including the bank have been erected. In these structures, so fierce was the heat from the burning buildings, the big plate glass windows were cracked and several times it was thought that in spite of all that could be done the fire would extend to that side of the street but fortunately this did not occur.

Sparks and burning embers were carried over the entire town by the high wind and many persons living in the vicinity of the blaze moved their effects out of their homes, expecting that the entire town would be destroyed and according to the statement of an eye witness, pandemonium reigned supreme for more than two hours.

At the Norfolk Southern Railway Company's depot the agent and the crew of the eastbound train, which remained there for more than an hour, succeeded in removing the greater part of the furnishings, fixtures, etc., and but few of the tickets, records or books were lost. This is the third time that this company has been a victim of fire during the past two months, the depot at Dover being destroyed a few weeks ago and a freight warehouse at Goldsboro being a prey to flames a few days later.

The damage is covered by some insurance, just how much is not known, but the actual loss will in all probability be more than twenty-five thousand dollars.

SCHOOL CHILDREN PARADE THE CITY

More Than Eight Hundred Pupils Participate In Spectacular Pageant.

MARCHERS CARRIED BANNERS.

Object Was to Show Voters What Pupils Think of Proposed Bond Issue.

The parade given yesterday afternoon by the pupils of the New Bern Public Schools was one of the most spectacular events of its kind ever witnessed in New Bern. More than eight hundred pupils of the school participated in this pageant and several thousand people viewed the procession.

For several days the pupils of the school and the teachers have been preparing for this event and as the time grew near for the big event the mere exuberant grew the enthusiasm of those who were to participate in the event. The chief object of the parade was to show the voters of the city who will on next Tuesday vote on the proposed bond election for the improvement and enlargement of the schools just how many pupils were in the school and also what these pupils think of this proposed bond issue.

A large number of children had prepared banners to be used in the parade on which were inscribed appropriate inscriptions relative to the bond issue. It is doubtful if there has ever in the city of New Bern been seen so many banners in one procession and that they attracted attention there is not the least doubt. Among the many other inscriptions on the various banners were the following:

"Give us a building and we will do the rest."
"Give me elbow room."
"What can a child do without an education."
"You anti-bondists get our goat."
"We want what we want when we want it."
"Give me a desk to sit on."
"The heaviest tax—ignorance."
"The best investment—education."
"The savages pay no taxes—are you a savage?"

These and numerous other inscriptions were seen and each and every one was right to the point. The parade formed on the school campus and from there the line of march extended to George street. Down George street to Pollock went the marchers and at the corner of Middle a turn was made and the procession wound down to South Front and from there to Craven and up that street to Graves. From Graves the marchers went again to Middle and came down to Broad where they turned to the left and went to Hancock and from there back to the school campus.

All along the line of march were interested spectators and the participants in the parade received frequent applause from the adherents of the proposed bond issue. That the pupils enjoyed their part in the parade there is not the least doubt and the showing they made was indeed a creditable one and one which will not soon be forgotten.

WASHINGTON MAN DIED THURSDAY NIGHT.

News was received in this city yesterday morning of the death on the previous night at his home in Washington of J. W. Brabble. Mr. Brabble, who was one of Washington's most estimable citizens, was well known in this city.

Index to New Advertisements

Burrus & Co.—Labor saving Cole planters and distributors.
Sam Lipman—Our guiding ambition.
National Bank of New Bern—There is not a farmer in this section who should not have a bank account.
New Bern Banking & Trust Co.—Permanent service.
J. M. Mitchell & Co.—Fancy Jacquard foulards.

REFUSES TO TALK ABOUT MARRIAGE

But Miss Margaret Wilson Talks Freely About School Houses As Social Centers.

ENTHUSIASTIC OVER PLANS.

Has Some Pronounced Ideas As To the Things School Children Should be Taught.

New York, May 2.—Miss Margaret Wilson, eldest daughter of the President, explained before taking the train for Washington what she had learned about the social centre movement in this city.

"It will really be useless to ask about my views on marriage and society," she said. "Since I have been in New York I have been besieged by newspaper writers who have wanted to know if I thought early marriages were a success, what income was sufficient to marry on and how much a woman's wardrobe should cost her. At present I am not interested in marriage."

"There are just three things that interest me this morning," continued Miss Wilson with a faculty for singling out the essential issues worthy of her father. "They are all related. I have just been talking to a friend of Governor Sulzer, who says the Governor is going to stomp the schoolhouses in the State in his fight for the passage of the Primary Bill. That is splendid! It is right that the schoolhouses should be used as meeting places. In fact, it is this use of the schoolhouses as a centre for the community that underlies the principle of all social centre work. When the school drops its dry pedagogy and its isolation from all the practical interests of life it may be of more service to the city."

"This use of the schoolhouse for political meetings, which Mr. Sulzer proposes, will be more of a step toward the realization of the ideals of the social centre movement than anything that has yet been accomplished."

"The second matter," continued Miss Wilson, "is the attitude toward the investigation which has been carried on by Professor Hanus. Opinions voiced at a dinner to Mr. Hanus last night showed there is a very prevalent misunderstanding about Mr. Hanus' criticism of the schools of this city. Anyone might think the schools of other cities had attained the highest ideal of perfection, and that the New York schools alone were deficient. All schools need a general regeneration, which will come from the working out of the social idea."

"At present school children are taught subjects which are not of the slightest practical use to them, and they are taught in a manner that does not develop them. Knowledge is poured into them, but they are not taught to produce anything. All their real interests are outside of school, simply because the school doesn't connect itself with anything useful or recreative. The school is the logical center for the social life of the community."

Miss Wilson paused.
"What is the third matter in which you are interested?" asked the reporter.
"In catching my train," laughed the President's daughter.

UNVEILING EXERCISES SUNDAY NOT SATURDAY.

The unveiling exercises by the Bridgeton camp of the Woodmen of the World will be held on Sunday, May 18, and not on Saturday as was stated in the Bridgeton correspondence a few days ago. "We regard the unveiling of monuments to our departed comrades as one of our most sacred duties, perfectly in keeping with the highest conception of the right way of observing the Sabbath, and such exercises are invariably held on Sunday," said a leading member of the Bridgeton camp yesterday.

The government will hardly go so far as not to join California in its World's fair project.

MASS MEETING AT COURT HOUSE WAS WELL ATTENDED

LIKES PEPSI-COLA.

Cuban Citizen Wants to Bottle Delicious Beverage.

Goods placed on the market by New Bern manufacturers are known not only in this country but all over the world. Frequently lumber manufactured in local mills is shipped to European ports and occasionally to other countries.

However, New Bern lumber is not the only thing that is gaining a world-wide reputation. Yesterday the Pepsi-Cola Company received a letter from a citizen of Cuba in which the writer stated that he had sampled this delicious beverage and had found it thoroughly satisfactory in every way and wanted to begin bottling it in that country.

One of the chief reasons that the wares of local manufacturers are so widely known is that the makers believe in advertising and letting the public know what they have to sell. The New Bern manufacturers and merchants believe in advertising and consequently there is no dull season with them and they at all times have a demand for their goods.

FEDERAL COURT COMES TO CLOSE

ONE WEEK TERM CONCLUDED TUESDAY AND COURT OFFICERS RETURN HOME.

After having been in session since Tuesday the term of Federal Court for this district which was convened here on that day with Judge H. G. Connor of Wilson presiding, came to a close yesterday afternoon and Judge Connor and the other visiting court officers left yesterday afternoon for their respective homes.

This term was originally intended to be a two weeks' term, one week to be devoted to the criminal cases and the second week to be consumed in the hearing of the civil actions but owing to the fact that it is necessary for Judge Connor to be in Richmond, Va., next Monday morning, the term was shortened to one week.

The criminal docket was concluded yesterday morning by the disposal of a few minor matters and during the remainder of the day a few civil and admiralty actions were disposed of. Three men were sentenced to serve terms in the Federal prison at Atlanta, Ga., during the week and these left yesterday afternoon in the custody of an officer for this prison. Five men were sentenced to terms in the Craven county jail and these began their terms yesterday.

COVE CITY MAN BROUGHT HERE FOR TREATMENT.

T. R. Lane, whose home is at Cove City, was brought to New Bern yesterday afternoon and placed in Stewart's sanatorium for treatment. Mr. Lane is suffering with a complication of diseases and has been ill for some time. His condition is serious and grave fears are entertained for his recovery.

FROG LEGS IS COMMON DIET.

Washington, May 2.—Frog's legs may become as ordinary a dish as bacon and eggs if the United States Bureau of Fisheries succeeds in propagating the scheme with which it has just started to experiment.

At the bureau's hatchery at Edenton near the western Albemarle Sound, North Carolina, efforts are being made this spring for the first time to discover how frogs may be propagated rapidly. There is much territory in North Carolina, Virginia and Maryland, as well as in some other States, where, in the opinion of fish experts, frogs should thrive and become so plentiful in the course of a few years that they would become articles of common diet.

Fully One Thousand Men Women and Children Hear the Speakers

PROMINENT CITIZENS FAVOR ISSUING \$20,000 IN BONDS

Col. J. A. Bryan Favors School Improvements But not Bond Issue

Fully one thousand men, women and children attended the mass meeting held at the court house last night in the interest of the proposed bond issue for the enlargement and improvement of the public schools of the city.

Never before has there been such a spirit of enthusiasm manifested in any one project as was manifested at last night's meeting in this proposed election and time and again the vast auditorium rang with the cheers of the hundreds of spectators who were intently taking in every word uttered by the speakers.

The meeting was presided over by T. A. Green, president of the Board of Trustees of the New Bern Graded Schools. Mr. Green stated the object of the meeting and made a short talk in favor of the bond issue and also telling of the needs of the schools.

Following Mr. Green's interesting and instructive talks were made by R. A. Nunn, A. D. Ward, L. I. Moore, T. G. Hyman, C. D. Bradham, Rev. B. F. Haske, Wm. Dunn, Jr., Mrs. Charles L. Stevens, Rev. J. B. Hurley, Rev. J. N. H. Sumner, H. Marcus DEL. Rev. H. A. Merfield, Dr. Leinster Duffy, J. B. Blades and S. M. Brisson.

Each of these ladies and gentlemen told of the present inefficient facilities of the school and urged the voters to cast their ballot in favor of the bonds and improving the schools.

Col. James A. Bryan made a talk in which he said that he was in favor of improving the schools and giving the children of New Bern a better opportunity of getting an education but that he was not in favor of a bond issue and would be willing to be one of twenty-five to give fifteen thousand dollars to be used in improving and enlarging the schools. Several other gentlemen also agreed to give as much as Colonel Bryan for this cause.

The meeting consumed more than two hours but there was not a dull minute during the entire time.

Judge H. G. Connor left last evening for his home at Wilson after presiding over a term of Federal Court in this city.

PROGRAM AT THE ATHENS TODAY.

We have a big two reel Vitagraph feature picture today entitled "The Vengeance of Barand" or two Portraits.

This splendid production shows the vengeance which Barand incurred for another, comes his own end the weapon which he sharpened with jealousy and hatred and placed in his daughter's hand, is turned against him, and he reaps merited punishment.

"Pathe Weekly."

This is a recent release and shows many interesting moving pictures of events all over the world, including the founding of the Steamship Alcazar from Trinidad near Beaufort, VAUDEVILLE.

Wanché Aldrich & Co.

Introducing several character impersonations, intermingled with original songs, clever dancing and witty repartee. A very amusing act.

Matinee daily at 3:45. Two shows at night. First starts at 8 o'clock; second at 9:15. Observe the hours and you will not have to wait for a desirable seat.