

THROGS CROWD GRIFFIN HALL TO HEAR JUDGE WALTER CLARK

Chief Justice Talks on The "Legal Status of Women in North Carolina" Says That Present Status Is An Evolution Over Past Has Been Attained by The Slow, Gradual Uplift of Humanity

The chief feature of yesterday's session of the eleventh annual meeting of the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs, which is in session here this week, was the address at Griffin hall last night, by Judge Walter Clark, Chief Justice of the North Carolina Supreme Court.

The large auditorium was crowded to its utmost capacity, not only with the members of the Federation but citizens of New Bern in general and intense enthusiasm was manifested in the proceedings of the evening.

Judge Clark is a gifted speaker and he held his audience spellbound from the moment he arose until he resumed his seat amidst tumultuous applause. His subject "The Legal Status of Women in North Carolina, Past, Present and Prospective", was very appropriate for the occasion and was handled in his usual masterful and eloquent manner.

The speaker reviewed the past, in a graphic manner, told of the evolution to the present existing conditions of the women of the State and painted a rosy picture of the future.

Following Judge Clark's address there was a very interesting discussion on the "Legal Status of Women in North Carolina" led by Miss May Hendren and in which a number of the members of the Federation participated.

Morning Session.

In the Elks' Temple yesterday morning at ten o'clock the morning session of the Federation was opened by Rev. J. N. H. Summerell. Mrs. Cotten introduced to the Federation, Mrs. Marshall Williams, of Faison, President of the North Carolina Division of the Daughters of the Confederacy.

Mrs. William in her usual sweet and charming manner, spoke a few words of greeting to the Federation.

After roll call and minutes, the splendid report of Mrs. D. Y. Cooper was listened to with interest. A general discussion of the State Federation Endowment followed and it was voted to have the President Mrs. Cotten's and Mrs. D. Y. Cooper's names added to the board of trustees of the North Carolina Endowment.

The Educational report by Mrs. W. L. Stover, of Wilmington, was listened to with deep interest. Mr. Stover suggested that the Educational Loan Fund for needy girls be known as the "Sallie Southall Cotten Fund", in honor of the beloved retiring president who was the first woman to federate the club and the first to give the plan of endowment, and who has made herself known throughout the State for her zeal and interest in every problem involving the advancement in our State of the cause of education.

Mrs. Cotten was overcome by the high honor paid her and in thanking the Federation said, "Ladies the best way I can show my appreciation of this honor is by working to increase the fund."

Mrs. D. Y. Cooper of Henderson, on behalf of Mrs. Cotten, pledged five hundred dollars. Mrs. Cotten said: "Nothing has ever repaid me like my motherhood."

Through a wave of enthusiasm, which swept over the Federation gifts amounting to more than nine hundred dollars were pledged.

Miss Edith Royster, of Raleigh, read the joint report of the committee on Legal Status of Women in North Carolina and on legislation. A rising vote of thanks was given Miss Royster for her efficient work.

Her report was mainly an account of the strenuous work in behalf of the bill making women eligible to positions on school boards, passed by

the last Legislature. Altogether it was a splendid report. Luncheon.

The business meeting adjourned at one o'clock to attend a beautiful luncheon at the parish house, which was given by the New Bern Woman's Club, under the able chairmanship of Mrs. Walter Duffy, with Mrs. B. E. Moore, as sub-chairman.

The parish house had been attractively decorated for the occasion. The long leaf pine trees, artistically hung with the grey moss, were placed around the entire side wall of the hall, the windows were festooned with the long leaf pine and moss and the recesses banked with pine, transforming the hall into a forest of the long leaf pine which inspired the poet to our loved toast: "Heres to the land of the long leaf pine,

The summer land where the sun doth shine,

Where the weak grow strong and the strong grow great,

Here's to down home, the Old North State."

At the rear of the hall was draped purple and green bunting, the club colors.

The long tables were decorated with artistically arranged baskets and vases of roses and other blossoms, and the napkins were decorated with the purple violet, the club flower.

During the tempting three course luncheon the orchestra discoursed beautiful music which added greatly to the enjoyment of the occasion.

Afternoon Session.

At the afternoon session reports of State chairman and club presidents were given, the latter being limited to three minutes. Also the reports of the San Francisco Biennial were given, the business side by Mrs. Al Fairbrother in an interesting report, the social side by Mrs. E. C. Duncan, who gave a delightful account and the general impressions by Mrs. W. A. Hutt, in a most pleasing and interesting manner.

Evening Session.

The Federation exercises at Griffin Memorial Hall opened with music by the Italian Orchestra.

Miss Royster, of Raleigh chairman of the committee on "Legal Status of Women in North Carolina" in a few well chosen words introduced Miss Weil, of Goldsboro, secretary of the committee who gave the history of the bill, just passed by the Legislature. Miss Royster in introducing His Honor Judge Walter Clark, Chief Justice of Supreme Court of North Carolina said "It is indeed a great honor you have given me to introduce to you the greatest friend to woman, our counselor, Judge Clark, captivated the audience by his thoughtful and eloquent speech on "The Legal Status of Women in North Carolina." He said impart.

Ladies of the Federation:—I appreciate the high compliment of being asked to address you on this occasion. When Edmund Burke, the great English orator of the House of Commons, came to address the student body at the University of Edinburgh, he faltered hesitated, and stood speechless. You may imagine, therefore, the embarrassment of a mere man in being asked to appear before this audience.

You are congratulated that your sessions are held in this hospitable and beautiful city, the Athens of North Carolina. But for the discrimination against our towns, by the railroads systems in this State to the extent of millions of dollars annually, New Bern would now doubtless have 50 to 75 thousand inhabitants. Whatever may be said against Woman's Suffrage, it is certain that if the women of our State had a share in its government they would not have tamely submitted as the men have done, to this oppression, with the resultant dwarfing of our towns and business interests and the injury to our farmers.

"What I shall say to you will be necessarily dry and uninteresting, for you have asked a lawyer to talk to you about law, and they are always prosy—to other people. They make it lively for one another.

The present status of women, imperfect and in many respects still unjust, is an evolution. It has been attained by the slow, gradual uplift of humanity, which having raised the

HONOR HEROES OF THE CONFEDERACY

Daughters of The Confederacy Have Completed Program Of Exercises.

CHARLES R. THOMAS SPEAKER

Following Exercises at Opera House Will Come March To Cemetery

The local chapter of Daughters of the Confederacy will observe Confederate Memorial Day tomorrow in their customary throughgoing style. Former Congressman Charles R. Thomas has been secured to deliver the address.

The exercises will begin promptly at 4 o'clock in the afternoon in the Masonic Opera House and at their conclusion there will be the usual march to the cemetery for the decorations of the graves of the sleeping heroes of the Confederacy.

The full program for the afternoon will be as follows:

Prayer Chaplain, Rev. J. B. Hurley. Hymn—"I would Not Live Alway"

Introduction of Speaker...By Chief Marshal, Mr. Lemuel Wood.

Address...By Hon Charles R. Thomas. Hymn—"Nearer My God to The"

Presentation of Crosses of Honor. Rules read by Mr. S. M. Brinson. Poem—"Veteran's Crosses of Honor Crosses presented by President of Chapter.

Chorus—"Tenting To-night"

Order Of March to Cemetery

Marshal, Mr. Lemuel Wood, Assistant Marshals New Bern Camp of Veterans, Sons of Veterans, Naval Reserves, Speaker and Chaplain, Choir, Daughters of Confederacy, Children of Confederacy, School Children, Citizens.

Program at Cemetery.

Choir—"Guard Around the Tomb." Song and placing flowers on mound by children.

Benediction by Chaplain.

Taps

Music at Graves—"Thy Will be Done"

Decoration of Graves.

P. L. Land of Columbus, Ga., who is connected with the Wade Manufacturing Company of Charlotte, was in the city yesterday conferring with C. D. Bradham, owner and proprietor of the drug store bearing his name, relative to a quantity of new fixtures which he is planning to install at an early date.



MRS. S. L. DILL, JR.

Retiring President Of the Woman's Club of New Bern.

Index to New Advertisements

People's Bank—For the amount of salary.

Citizens' Savings Bank and Trust Co.—High cost of living.

New Bern Banking & Trust Co.—The value of saving.

Norfolk Live Stock Company—Auction sale of 500 horses and 100 mules.

Unusual business opportunity.

National Bank of New Bern—The old bank, the strong bank, the liberal bank.

Burrus & Co.—Beasley combination cultivator.

Burrus & Co.—Special announcement extraordinary.

PROMINENT CLUB WOMAN



MRS. ROBERT R. COTTEN, OF BRUCE, NORTH CAROLINA.

Retiring President of The North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs

THROAT CUT FROM ONE EAR TO OTHER

Claud Gibbs Colored Lying at Point of Death As Result Of Wound.

HIS ASSAILANT MAKES ESCAPE

The Inevitable Woman In The Case Was The Cause Of The Affair.

As a culmination of a feeling of jealousy which has existed between the two men, for sometime, Claude Gibbs, colored, had his throat cut from ear to ear yesterday afternoon by Henry Spencer, also colored, and is lying at the point of death while the local police are making every effort to capture his assailant.

The affair took place at the home of Lavinia Jefferson, No. 7 Green street, shortly after 2:30 o'clock. According to the statement of the Jefferson woman, Gibbs was asleep on a couch in her home when Spencer came in. Seeing the sleeping man, Spencer drew a knife or some other sharp instrument from his pocket and slashed the other's throat.

Immediately after this Spencer ran from the house and although seen several times after this, the police failed to locate him and it is believed that he walked through the country to some of the nearby towns and boarded a freight train.

Gibbs' condition is critical and the attending physician has but little hope for his recovery. The weapon narrowly missed the jugular vein and the wound is a horrible one.

The authorities in all the nearby towns have been asked to keep a watch for the fugitive and the police hope to have him behind the bars within a day or two.

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE ALDERMEN TONIGHT.

Tonight the present Board of Aldermen will hold a special meeting for the purposes of inducting the newly elected Board into office. The Mayor and Chief of Police and other city officers will also be inducted into office tonight and the city employees for the ensuing term will be elected.

PHOTOGRAPH OF PRESENT AND EX-PRESIDENTS MADE.

A photograph of Mrs. R. R. Cotten, President of the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs, was taken yesterday as she stood on the platform presiding over the session. On the platform with her were Mrs. E. P. Tingley, of Charlotte and Miss M. L. Gibson of Wilmington, ex-presidents, and Miss Royster of Raleigh.

MAY ESTABLISH HATCHERY HERE

Government Considering Locating Such A Place In Or Near New Bern.

NEAREST IS AT EDENTON

Would Be Of Great Benefit To This Section In Numerous Ways.

There is every probability that at an early date the government will establish a fish hatchery in or near New Bern.

During the past few years a great part of the fish hatched at the government hatchery located at Edenton has been brought to New Bern and vicinity. During the past two weeks nearly a million white shad "fry" have been brought from that place and "planted" in the waters in this section.

W. H. Ramseur of Beaufort, who is connected with the hatchery at Edenton was among the visitors in the city Thursday and he gave out the information that it is understood by the men at the Edenton station that a new hatchery will be placed in this vicinity.

Each year millions of fish are placed in the waters of Neuse, Trent and New rivers and as conditions exist at present, it is necessary to transport these fish quite a distance before they can be "planted. With a hatchery in or near New Bern this condition would be remedied.

No, Cordelia, we don't blame you for the opinion you have of a man who has occasion to consult a beauty doctor.

PROGRAM AT THE ATHENS TODAY.

VAUDEVILLE

Misses Flo & Wayne

A novelty sister act. Singing and dancing. An act that will please you.

PICTURES

"Plot and Counter Plot"

An exceedingly interesting detective story.

"Will Willie Win?"

A real good comedy by Lubin.

"Army Target Practice"

This is a faithful picture of the army target practice at one of the government drill institutions. The targets are raised and lowered automatically and show the marvelous skill of American marksmen.

"Teaching Hicksville to Sing"

An excruciatingly funny Comedy by Essany Co.

Matinee daily at 3:45. 2 shows at night. 1st starts at 8 o'clock. 2d about 9:15 or immediately after first is over. You can always get a desirable seat by observing the hours.

TARIFF BILL IS PASSED BY HOUSE VOTE 231 TO 139

AMID GREAT DEMONSTRATION MEASURE IS OVERWHELMINGLY CARRIED.

(Special to the Journal)

Washington, D. C., May 8.—Amid a great demonstration by the Democrats of the House of Representatives and the throngs of onlookers in the galleries the House this afternoon evening at 6:15 o'clock passed the bill revising the tariff downward by the vote of 231 to 139.

The bill passed practically as it came from the Ways and Means Committee with free wool, free sugar in three years, income tax, free meat, free flour and sweeping reductions in livestock and manufactured articles.

Champions of the bill predict that within two months the bill will have been approved by the Senate and signed by the President making it the law of the land.

The Senate Finance Committee has been considering the bill informally for a month. Senator Simmons of North Carolina, chairman, divided his committee into three sections and these sub-committees have been studying the various schedules and sections of the measure so as to be able to report to the full committee with recommendations as soon as possible.

MENTALLY DERANGED COLORED MAN PLACED IN JAIL.

Church Cobb, colored, of Dover, was brought to this city yesterday and placed in the Craven county jail. Cobb is mentally deranged and he will be held here until arrangements can be made to get him in the insane asylum at Goldsboro. About two years ago he was in a mill accident and was badly injured and since that time he has shown numerous evidences of lunacy.

IMPORTANT CASE TAKEN UP SOON

CASE OF INTEREST HERE TO BE DISPOSED OF IN RALEIGH MAY 26.

On Monday May 26, the wholesale liquor firm of F. Westheimer Sons & Company of Cincinnati, will appear before the Federal Court at Raleigh and show why forty-three barrels of whiskey now being held in this city by the government should not be condemned.

This whiskey was shipped to New Bern several months ago by this firm and was consigned to one J. H. Smith, George Seals, colored, who at the last term of Federal Court in this city was sentenced to the Federal prison at Atlanta, Ga., for a term of eighteen months, was proven to be the man who had taken similar shipments of whiskey from the depot.

When Seals was placed under arrest the revenue officers confiscated this whiskey and removed it from the Norfolk Southern depot. It is understood that the firm who shipped the whiskey here will make every effort to regain possession of it and will be represented by a long array of legal talent. If the government proves that the shippers knew that the whiskey was being sent to a man who was ordering it under an assumed name they will condemn and confiscate the entire shipment. This is the first case of this particular kind to occur in North Carolina and the final result is being awaited with considerable interest.

NOTICE TO AUTOMOBILE OWNERS.

All those owning automobiles and willing to use them for the pleasure and convenience of the visiting club ladies are requested to have their cars at the Elks' Temple corner this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock and assist in conveying the members of the Federation to the wharf of the Revenue Cutter Panlico.

MRS. CHARLES R. THOMAS, Chairman Committee on Entertainment.

[Continued on Page Five]