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SUPERIOR COURT HAS ADJOURNED

Large Number Of Cases Disposed Of At Two Weeks Term.

GOULDING AWARDED DAMAGES

Sued F. P. Rowe For Two Thousand Dollars Received One Penny.

Craven county Superior Court which was convened in this city on November 17 for a two weeks session for the disposal of civil cases only, came to a close yesterday, the docket having been exhausted, and Judge Harry W. Wheelbee, of Greenville, who presided, returned home last evening.

Among the cases disposed of this week was that of Dulin and Martin vs. Gaskill and May. In this case the plaintiffs, who were represented by R. A. Nunn, was awarded damages in the sum of \$61.80. The defendants were represented by Moore and Dunn.

Another case of interest was that in which John Goulding was suing F. P. Rowe for damages in the sum of \$2,000 for personal injuries. This suit grew out of the arrest of Goulding by Policeman Rowe several years ago and the plaintiff claimed that he was roughly handled when it was not necessary. In returning a verdict the jury decided in the plaintiff's favor and awarded him damages in the sum of one penny.

The most interesting case disposed of yesterday was that in which Allen Brothers, owners and operators of a tinning establishment, were suing T. G. Hyman, M. D. W. Stevenson, C. D. Bradham, S. W. Smallwood, J. S. Claypoole, W. L. Hand and S. H. Eaton, trustees of the Presbyterian church, for damages for work which they did on the church property. The jury found in favor of the plaintiff and awarded them \$24.89.

In the case of A. M. Williams, Admr. vs. Norfolk Southern Railway Company, the plaintiff was awarded damages to the amount of \$1,200.

Two divorce cases were disposed of: Gibson vs. Gibson and Powell vs. Powell. In both cases the decree was granted.

TO OBSERVE NORTH CAROLINA DAY

PUBLIC SCHOOLS SET ASIDE DECEMBER 19 FOR PURPOSE.

North Carolina Day in the public schools will be December 19 this year, and it will be celebrated as a "Rural Life and Knapp Memorial Day."

Superintendent Joyner of the department of public instruction has the following to say in the course of his introduction to the program, which is now in the hands of the printers:

"The South is an agricultural section. In agricultural development its people have scarcely touched the margin of its wonderful possibilities. Perhaps no Southern State is richer or more varied in agricultural resources, has greater need for agricultural development, or more to gain therefrom, than North Carolina. No other man has, perhaps, done so much for the improvement of agriculture and the uplift of rural life in the South and in North Carolina as did Dr. Seaman A. Knapp, the founder of the demonstration work and the boys' and girls' clubs, the great apostle and teacher of more profitable farming and more comfortable living on the farm.

"I have deemed it proper and profitable to turn aside this year from the usual historical program for North Carolina Day, dealing with the past, and celebrating the day as a Rural Life and Knapp Memorial Day, dealing with the living present.

"This day will prove a 'North Carolina Day' of the most valuable sort, if teachers will use the excellent material and suggestions contained in this bulletin and in the Peabody College Bulletin, 'Knapp Agricultural Day,' copies of which have been sent by the college to all county superintendents for distribution to teachers for stimulating interest in country life and country things, and

P. B. GOODWIN



Preston B. Goodwin, the newly appointed minister to Venezuela, has been a newspaper man all his life and has never before held public office. He is a native of Princeton, Ky.

CRAIG REPRIEVES TWO PRISONERS

WALTER SHELTON AND R. W. COBB WILL NOT BE ELECTROCUTED ON DATES SET

Walter Shelton and R. W. Cobb are two State's prisoners whose Thanksgiving will mean more than it does to any of the thousands of State convicts, for Shelton will not die November 28 and Cobb has been spared beyond December 12.

Governor Craig yesterday reprieved both men who are white and occupy cells on death row at the penitentiary. The Supreme Court reviewed both cases recently and found no error in the trials and the date set by the lower court for both Shelton and Cobb remained. Recently J. L. Cobb, father of the Halifax murderer, came here and asked for clemency for his boy. Governor Craig did not make up his mind until yesterday.

Walter Shelton killed his wife in Reidsville last spring and newspaper reports say he nonchalantly announced that he had done as he had meant to do and was ready to go to the electric chair. He shot her three times with a pistol, and she died almost instantly. Cobb killed Thomas Shaw, a Halifax merchant and is charged with having robbed him. Cobb is a very young man, about twenty-four. He is unmarried.

The conviction of Cobb was upon circumstantial evidence, but Shelton's case was clearer. It has been alleged that he was hardly responsible for the fury that ended in murder. The cases of both men are of large local interest in Halifax and Robeson counties.

Governor Craig grants the reprieve to allow attorneys to present formal petition signed by great numbers of influential people. He has not set a date for the executions nor has he indicated whether he will commute the sentences to life imprisonment, but both men will be allowed to live until the new year. —News and Observer.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS TO MEET

There will be a meeting of the New Bern Chapter No. 46 Royal Arch Masons tonight at 8 o'clock. Every member is requested to be present as matters of importance are to be discussed.

A love for these, for opening the eyes of country boys and girls to the beauty and the wonderful possibilities thereof, and for checking the exodus from the country to the town.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY PRESIDENT IS DEAD

Col. William Wilson Finley Succumbs To Apoplexy And Hemorrhage—His Demise A Personal Loss To Thousands

Raleigh, Nov. 25.—Col. William Wilson Finley, president of the Southern Railway Company, died suddenly this afternoon at 3 o'clock in Washington, D. C., of paralysis. This announcement was received over the Southern railway wire in Col. A. B. Andrews' office immediately after the occurrence. A few minutes later the Associated Press flashed the news to this city. Death occurred at his home.

Colonel Finley was stricken with apoplexy and hemorrhage of the brain while he was attempting to leave his home for his office. Before medical attention could be summoned he was dead. Although stricken before noon, word of his death did not reach Southern Railway headquarters for several hours.

Colonel Finley was born at Pass Christian, Miss., Sept. 2, 1853. From 1873 to 1883 he served in positions from vice-president's stenographer to assistant general freight agent with the New Orleans, Jackson and Great Northern, and Chicago, St. Louis, and New Orleans Railroads. From 1883 to 1885 he was assistant general freight agent of the Texas & Pacific Railway, and moved up the railroad ladder until October 1, 1895, he became third vice-president of the Southern Railway.

Colonel Finley resigned in 1896 and he went with the Great Northern Railway, in 1896 returning to the Southern as second vice-president. He became President in December, 1906, succeeding the late Samuel Spencer, killed in a railroad wreck.

Born in the south, President Finley did more than any one man to develop this country. It was largely through his broad, liberal policies that the Southern Railway took the stand it did in the South. To Colonel Finley the credit is given largely for the great concessions in freight rate reductions made for North Carolina. A man of unusual force and foresight, a scholar really, President Finley could see in the future with the eyes of a seer and the Southern under his direction overlooked no details in the development of this section.

His death will come almost as a personal loss to thousands in the South. His writings and speeches were heard in every community.

NEW YORK BANKERS FAVOR RESERVE BANKS

Would Put A Crimp In Stock Exchange Says Senator Owen—Explains Security In The Currency Bill

Washington, Nov. 25.—Under the present system the bank reserves of the country are concentrated largely in New York, where they are loaned in speculative accounts on the New York Stock Exchange, Senator Owen asserted today in opening the debate on the administrative currency bill in the Senate. He declared that the administration bill as reported by the Democrats of the banking committee would remedy this condition.

Senator Owen reviewed the details of the bill and urged that by the creation of a market for discounted commercial paper and by mobilizing the reserves in public utility regional banks, the measure would remove the great dangers of the present financial system.

Declaring that at present New York bankers, who hold a large percentage of the country's reserves, are forced to place those reserves in small loans on the Stock Exchange, the Senator said:

"We are advised by representative New York bankers that the great banks there would be glad to have the system improved by the establishment of Federal reserve banks strong enough to furnish money on demand against good commercial bills and thus enable the New York banks to withdraw their funds from the Stock Exchange—which has become the most gigantic gambling establishment in the service of legitimate industry and commerce. This will be one of the greatest benefits of the pending measure, that is, it will withdraw from the gambling enterprises on the Stock Exchange the bank reserves of the country, and enable such reserves to be used for the commerce of the nation."

In detail Senator Owen explained the security which would be behind the new currency which, under the bill would be issued against commercial paper. Besides this paper, he pointed out, the notes would be secured by the liability of the member bank discounting the paper, the liability of its stockholders, the liability of the reserve bank issuing the notes and its stockholders, a thirty-three and one-third per cent. gold reserve and the guarantee of the United States.

"There has never been issued a note with such safeguards surrounding it by any banking system of the world," he said.

Senator Owen urged speedy action on the bill, declaring that banks and business men throughout the country were "holding back" to discover just what form the legislation would take. He said that the difference between the two divisions of the Senate committee should be adjusted and as chairman, expressed his willingness to accept some of the proposals made by the anti-administration faction.

Senator Owen vigorously attacked the central bank currency plan, particularly the so-called "Aldrich plan" recommended by the national monetary commission. He reviewed various congressional investigations of financial conditions and declared that the money trust inquiry showed that "a few men" brought on the panic of 1907 "to enrich themselves at the expense of the nation and to administer a political rebuke to the administration then in power."

For the convenience of all those interested, the hour for the holding of Police Court has been changed from 11 o'clock in the forenoon until 3 in the afternoon. This change goes into effect today.

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JOS. W. FOLK



Joseph W. Folk, former governor of Missouri, has just been appointed solicitor of the department of state by President Wilson. He succeeds Reuben Clark, of Utah, who resigned some time ago.

DANIELS TO HAVE CLOTHES MADE

SECRETARY OF NAVY WILL MANUFACTURE COTTON WEARING APPAREL.

Washington, Nov. 25. Secretary Daniels is preparing to begin the manufacture of cotton clothing for the navy in the Charleston, S. C., navy yard. There are unused buildings in the plant available for the working force and it has been found that there is plenty of labor and raw material in the neighborhood. Only a trifling expenditure would be required, it is said, to provide the necessary machinery.

Secretary Daniels has made a thorough investigation into the economic conditions surrounding the manufacture of uniforms in the government plants at New York and Philadelphia and into the cost of raw material and labor in those cities as compared to Charleston. It has been found necessary to enlarge the output of the factories as a result of the steady growth of the navy and marine corps and the naval militia, and the secretary desired to utilize the buildings already available in Charleston.

SHOOTING MATCH THANKSGIVING DAY.

Owing to the fact that many of the local sportsmen have only one day off, it has been decided that the big shooting match at Ghent Park will begin at 10 o'clock promptly in the morning on Thanksgiving Day, thereby giving those who are inclined to test the skill as a marksman, to kill "two birds with one stone" in a day's time. You can attend the shooting match in the morning and witness the football game and listen to the band concert in the afternoon.

The ladies especially are invited to come out and take a shot at the target.

ELECTRIC WORKERS GO ON STRIKE IN NEW YORK.

(Special via Radio, U. S. S. Pamlico.) Schenectady, N. Y., Nov. 25.—About seven out of the seventeen thousand employees of the General Electric Company went on a strike because the company refused to reinstate a man and a woman in their former positions.

The Aid Society of the First Baptist Church will hold their annual Bazaar Friday, December 5, in the store of Mr. Johnson, the Blind Newsdealer.

Very few women have time to look like their portraits.

FEDERALS AND REBELS BATTLE

Engage In A Deadly Conflict In The Vicinity Of Juarez.

VILLA HOLDING FEDERALS

Americans Are In Readiness—Arms Ordered To The Front.

El Paso, Tex., Nov. 25.—A general federal attack front, right and left flank, directed toward Juarez practically simultaneously this afternoon by Generals Salazar, Rojas, Caraveo and Lands, drove in General Francisco Villa's skirmish line and developed separate engagements below Blanche, on the west, at Tierra Blanca, on the front, and along the border opposite Belen and Visterra, Tex., to the east.

The frontal attack on the constitutionalists under General Villa began at 6:30, about 25 miles south of Juarez, according to an American chauffeur who reached Juarez at 6 o'clock this evening from Tierra Blanca. The artillery on both sides was engaged.

A report that the federals were attempting a flank movement from the west reached Juarez about the hour the frontal attack was reported. Later reports stated that General Villa's western flank, under command of general Rodriguez and Colonel Talamantes, had engaged the federals at 5 o'clock.

These reports came from American employees of the Mexican Northwestern railroad who reached Juarez tonight from below Blanche. The reports stated that the federals were first repulsed in an attempt to break through the rebel lines, but returned with reinforcements and a desperate battle was on when the Americans left.

Simultaneously with the report of attack on the west came a report that the skirmish line of the constitutionalists on the east side of Belen, Texas, was being driven in and the federals were advancing on Juarez. The remainder of the rebel force at Juarez was rushing to the region opposite Visterra and Belen while additional infantry reinforcements were hurried to Rancho Flores to help check the flank movement from the west.

On the American side all troops at Fort Bliss were ready for immediate action and Troop C, Thirteenth cavalry, and a machine gun platoon were ordered to El Paso to reinforce the border patrol.

Reports tonight from all sides declared that all the engagements were general. Word was received from General Villa that he was holding the federals back at the front and ordered ammunition and provisions rushed to Tierra Blanca.

Auxiliary hospitals are being fitted up in Juarez tonight, a large quantity of medical stores being exported from here.

Before the development of the federals' assaults General Villa reported that the federals withdrew ten miles from their position at Samalayuca early this morning, reoccupied the position at 3 o'clock and immediately began an advance on the rebel position seven miles north.

ANOTHER AVIATOR KILLED.

(Special via Radio, U. S. S. Pamlico.) Paris, Nov. 25.—Aviator Perryon, holder of the record for high flights, was killed today when he fell one hundred feet. He was trying out a new monoplane.

A woman expects to get her reward in heaven, but a man wants his share on earth.

The man who follows is inclinations never gets very far from the bottom of the ladder.

A SOLID CAR LOAD OF TURKEYS ARRIVES.

L. T. Gillette, of Maysville, is in the city today with a solid car load of turkeys which he will ship to Goldsboro, Kinston, Washington, Morehead City. A large number of the fowls will be disposed of on the local market.

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY GALLONS OF OYSTERS SHIPPED.

George N. Ives & Son yesterday shipped to one of the State Institutions at Raleigh, one hundred and fifty gallons of oysters which will be consumed by the inmates on Thanksgiving Day.