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WOMAN SUFFRAGE IN THIS STATE FAST GROWING

Review Of the Work Done During Past Year

LOCAL LADY PRESIDENT

Much Progress Was Made And Many New Members Were Enrolled

(By Miss Myrtle L. Bunn.)

The year 1913 showed wonderful results in the woman's suffrage cause in the State of North Carolina. When the various suffrage clubs of the District of Columbia, and the congressional committee of the National Suffrage Association, of which Miss Alice Paul and Miss Lucy Burns were then chairman and vice-chairman, planned the \$10,000.00 parade of March 3d every effort was made to discover a suffrage organization to carry the State banner in the parade, but no such organization could be found. The State was represented in the parade, however, by a few enthusiastic North Carolinians, who, inspired by the developments of that parade, at once started to work with the idea that never again should anything of so much importance to the suffrage question take place without their State at least being mentioned as among those present.

Suffrage literature was sent from the Congressional Union Headquarters in Washington to hundreds of addresses in various sections of the State and many letters were received and answered. Only 40 signatures were secured to present to North Carolina members of Congress on April 7, 1913, whereas a hopeful increase to 150 signatures for presentation to the senators from North Carolina were secured on July 31, 1913.

Upon request of North Carolina suffragists living in Washington, the president of the Committee on constitutional amendments for the State extended an invitation to suffrage speakers to appear before the committee at the session held in Morehead City in June, 1913. Miss Lucy Burns, then vice-chairman of the congressional committee of the National Union Suffrage Association, therefore made a plea for woman suffrage before the committee and was probably the first woman to officially make a suffrage speech in the State.

In September, Mrs. E. St. Clair Thompson organized the first club in Bakersville, Mitchell county, with a membership of 12. A few weeks later the North Carolina Equal Suffrage League was organized in Charlotte with the following officers:

President—Mrs. Archibald Henderson, of Chapel Hill.

First Vice-President—Mrs. Hossfeldt, Moiganton.

Third Vice-President—Miss Edna Maslin, Winston-Salem.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. George Green, New Bern.

Corresponding Secretary—Miss Suzanne Bynum, Charlotte.

Treasurer—Miss Mary Palmer, Charlotte.

This league started with a membership of 175, including several young and enthusiastic lawyers and business men, and was represented in the 45th annual convention of the National Woman Suffrage Association, which met in Washington in December, by two delegates—Mrs. E. St. Clair Thompson and Miss Myrtle L. Bunn. This was the first time the State of North Carolina had requested representation in such convention.

A Charlotte branch of the league was organized in November, with Mrs. Wm. A. Reynolds as president, and its committee is now establishing its headquarters.

In November, Mrs. Eugene Reilly represented the State of North Carolina at a conference of woman suffragists from the Southern States, held in New Orleans.

A copy of the charter of the North Carolina Equal Suffrage League, on file in Washington, is such an admirable document that the North Carolina residents of the district exhibit it with a pride that says plainly: "This is the way North Carolinians

NEW BERN PAYS HOMAGE TO TWO GREAT GENERALS

Anniversaries Of Lee and Jackson Are Observed

S. M. BRINSON SPEAKS

Pays Glowing Tribute To the Greatest Generals Of the Civil War

Commemorating the anniversaries of two of the most brilliant Southern generals, New Bern yesterday paid fitting tribute to Lee and Jackson. The exercises were held in the Griffin auditorium and were well attended and proved thoroughly enjoyable to all who were present.

The exercises were opened with a song, "Ho, for Carolina," in which the entire assemblage participated. Following this, Rev. E. H. McWhorter, pastor of Centenary Methodist church, led in prayer. The principal event of the occasion was the address by Hon. S. M. Brinson, superintendent of the public schools of Craven county. Mr. Brinson, in his usual brilliant and fluent manner, paid a glowing tribute to the two great men who have answered the last roll call and crossed over the river, and, during the time he was speaking, the large audience was so engrossed in his remarks that quietness reigned so supreme that one could have almost heard a pin drop on the floor.

At the conclusion of Mr. Brinson's address the pupils of 7A Grade rendered a memorial song and this was followed by a penny offering. The presentation of the crosses of honor to Confederate Veterans came next. Mrs. J. T. Hollister had this part of program in charge and crosses were presented to Captain Piner, F. M. Augustine, A. H. White, of Jones county, and J. F. Meade of Maysville.

The presenting of these crosses is always an impressive occasion. To the younger generation this is more marked. As the gray and hoary old Veterans answer to their names as the roll is called and march to the front to have pinned on their coats that small piece of copper which denotes that they were in that great conflict between the States in which the South battled for the right, yet lost, but in so doing proved to the world that the men and women of Dixie were willing to fight until the last drop of blood had been shed, there comes a great feeling of admiration for these old heroes and one feels like rising and giving three cheers in their honor.

The exercises yesterday were under the auspices of the Daughters of the Confederacy, the Sons of Veterans, assisted by the pupils of the public schools. The event was a success in every detail and those who attended were more than glad that they were present.

MARINE NEWS.

The gas freight boat Ruth C. Watson left yesterday for Baird's Creek with a cargo of general merchandise.

The gas freight boat Roslyn of Washington, arrived in port yesterday.

The two masted schooners Bertie, Ruth, Ivy and Janie arrived in port yesterday from Core Sound with a cargo of oysters.

do things when they once wake up." For the suffrage tide has certainly reached the State and no one can say how far and how fast it may rise.

It is fortunate that one of our North Carolina representatives, the Hon. Edward Pau, serves on the committee on rules, for it is this committee that suffragists are besieging in an effort to obtain a woman suffrage committee in the house. Mr. Pau will probably have his own troubles when the members of the North Carolina suffrage league realize that he is in a position to render them much service. Although he has not declared himself for suffrage, Mr. Pau concedes that the question has become a national question, and that he believes that women are now entitled to their own committee in the House of Representatives.

EXPRESS OFFICE ROBBERS WERE SENT TO COURT

Violated United States Interstate Commerce Act

SENT BACK TO JAIL

Could Not Give Bond For Appearance Before Judge Connor

A criminal action in which the United States Government was the plaintiff, and which was the first case of its kind ever taken up in Craven county, took place yesterday afternoon when William Midgette and George Hyman, colored, were arraigned before United States Commissioner Charles B. Hill on a charge of violating the United States Interstate Commerce Act.

It will be remembered by Journal readers that the two men before Commissioner Hill broke into the whiskey office of the Southern Express Company several days ago and stole therefrom sixteen packages of whiskey. The men placed their booty in a small wagon and succeeded in getting away without being seen by anyone.

On the following day Policeman A. L. Bryan was put to work on the case and within the course of a few hours had the culprits under arrest and in jail. It was the intention of the local authorities to turn the case over to the State, but the theft was a clear violation of a Federal law and they were turned over to the latter. When arraigned for a hearing yesterday afternoon Midgette and Hyman entered a plea of guilty and were bound over to the next term of Federal Court under a bond of two hundred and fifty dollars each. In default of bail in this amount they were re-committed to jail to await the next term of court.

The United States Interstate Commerce act has been in effect only a few months, and this is the first violation in this section, in which the offenders have been apprehended. A few weeks ago there was a similar case at Pollocksville in which two white men broke into the express office and stole a quantity of whiskey. At that time Commissioner Hill was not positive that the stolen goods were "in transit" after they had been delivered at the office of destination and took the matter up with United States attorney Francis D. Winston. Mr. Winston notified Commissioner Hill that such an act was a violation of this law and that anyone breaking into an express office or depot should be tried by the Federal Court. There is a heavy penalty attached to the offense.

The Princess Girls Company

Appeared before very large audiences at the Athens last night. The continued applause they received is an evidence that the act was well and favorably received. If you are looking for good, clean comedy and enjoy a hearty laugh come tonight, you will not be disappointed. Our picture program today is a good one, leading off with "Broncho Billy's Secret."

A western drama of heart interest, featuring G. M. Anderson, the greatest cowboy player ever known.

"Movin' Pitchers."

A Selig picture showing the imitative faculty of a child. This picture is intensely amusing and interesting.

"Pathe Weekly."

Showing current events all over the world with Mutt and Jeff in the comic role.

Matinee daily at 3:45, two shows at night, first starts at 7:30, second about 9:15. The Big House, the Big Show, and no advance in prices.

L. R. Broom passed through the city last night enroute from Aurora to Kingston returning home.

B. D. Jones left last night for Goldsboro for a stay of a few days.

Mrs. Mattie E. Moore, a well known club woman of New Bern who, at the last meeting of the recently organized Anti-Tuberculosis Society was unanimously elected Corresponding Secretary of the organization. Mrs. Moore has probably done more to give the clubs of New Bern publicity than other any member. She is a frequent contributor to the Journal and her articles are always full of interest.



ONE LIFE LOST IN WRECK SUNDAY NIGHT

Southern Passenger Train Strikes Spreading Rails—Engineer Scalded And His Death Expected—Occurred Near Charlotte.

Charlotte, Jan. 19.—Southern passenger train No. 15 on the A. T. & O. road was wrecked within 300 yards of the station at Davidson last night at 8:30 o'clock and Fireman Avery H. Wilson of Charlotte, was killed and Engineer Jonah E. Curlee, also of Charlotte, was so fearfully scalded that doubt is entertained of his recovery.

The accident occurred in a deep cut just north of the depot and was caused, it is supposed, by a spreading rail. The train, en route south, was running about 40 minutes late and was slowing up for the stop the station blow having been sounded and also the blow for the crossing. Suddenly there was a shock and a jar, the engine leaving the rails and whirling at right angles to the track where it fell over on its side. The tender followed suit and the combination baggage coach was twisted at an angle of about 45 degrees. The two rear coaches, where all the passengers were seated, did not leave the rails at all and the people aboard hardly knew what had happened until they went out to investigate. Several were heard to remark that the shock was only a very slight one comparatively speaking and that they had thought the train had simply stopped rather suddenly because of the fear of overrunning the station. Captain Claude Morrison, the conductor in charge, who was looking after his passengers when the sudden stop was

made, rushed to the front. The first object seen by him was Engineer Curlee crawling away from his cab, which was enveloped in a cloud of hissing steam. Nothing could be seen or heard of the fireman.

Within a minute a great crowd of people had gathered and the wounded man was quickly carried to the office of Dr. J. M. McConnell where medical attention was given him. Dr. McConnell was assisted by Drs. W. H. Wooten, E. Q. Houston and several helpers. On investigation it was found that Engineer Curlee was not badly bruised but that his burns were most serious. No exact determination of the extent of his injuries could be made last night and it will possibly be several days before anything definite can be learned. Fireman Wilson, in addition to being fearfully scalded, was caught beneath the engine and also badly mangled. It is presumed that his death occurred within a very few minutes after the engine turned turtle. His body was not extricated from the wreckage for a half hour. Mr. Curlee has a wife and family who reside at No. 401 North Pine street. Mr. Wilson is survived by his widow and two children. He came to Charlotte from Mocksville where he has many relatives. He had been railroading for some time. Mr. Curlee had been an engineer on the A. T. & O. for some 12 or 14 years.

MRS. GEORGE GREEN HAS ORGANIZED NEW UNION

CHRISTIAN WOMEN OF MANSION HAVE BANDED TOGETHER.

Manson, N. C., Jan. 19.—A Woman's Christian Temperance Union was organized at Manson several days ago by Mrs. George Green, State Lecturer from New Bern; quite a number were present and all enjoyed the meeting. Fourteen joined, including five honorary members. The 146 Psalm was read, which is the psalm that was selected sometime ago by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union to be read at their meetings.

The pledge we sign in joining the Union is as follows: "I hereby solemnly promise, God helping me, to abstain from all distilled, fermented and malt liquors including wine, beer and cider, and to employ all proper means to discourage the use of and traffic in the same." Our badge is a knot of white ribbon, standing for purity and total abstinence. Every intelligent mind knows that total abstinence is the only safeguard against the terrible evil of drinking too much

So treacherous is this poison that it steals on a person unawares and takes possession of the body both physically and mentally, ruining the lives of some of our best men and causing miserable homes and aching and breaking hearts. We are trusting God to stop the sale of it in our fair land.

There are only ten prohibition States, now what we want is National Constitutional Prohibition. Why does not every one see that it is the curse of our country and take steps to stop it? Just think of a train being put on the road that is called by some, "the jug train" it is far too easy to get as it now stands. Of course a man ought to have will power enough not to drink but if they are weak, then it is our duty to work to get it out of their reach, as we would keep poison from a child and we believe, God helping us, that we can stop it, for we are glad and thankful that we have reached a period in our history when men are beginning to awake to the fact that they must be pure and clean in their lives as their mothers, wives and daughters. Surely the night of ignorance and error is far spent; the morning light is breaking. Yea the day is almost at hand.

H. H. Hodges returned last night from La Grange.

THE PEPSI COLA BOTTLERS ARE IN THE CITY

Annual Convention Will Begin This Morning

MANY ARE ATTENDING

Oyster Roast Has Been Planned For The Last Day.

The annual convention of the Pepsi Cola Bottlers begins in this city today and ever since Sunday morning the boys who handle the drink that has made New Bern famous, have been coming in on every train and about one hundred and fifty are on hand to participate in the opening ceremonies.

The convention, which is held each year, will take place at the home office of the company on the corner of Johnson and Middle street. During the past week C. D. Bradham, the genial president of the company and the originator of the beverage, has been engaged in making preparation for his guests and the visitors will find everything around the plant in tip-top shape.

Today, tomorrow and Thursday the convention will be in progress. The entire first two days will be devoted to the business meetings as will a part of the third and last day. A large number of the visitors are down on the program which has been arranged for the occasion, and some very helpful suggestions are in store for all. The main object of these conventions is a get together meeting at which various improvements made by different bottlers may be explained by them and which can be put into effect by their fellow bottlers.

Thursday, the last day of the convention, will be a big day for the bottler boys. Mr. Bradham is noted for his thoughtfulness of his guests and he has planned a rare treat for the visitors. That afternoon they will be taken aboard a boat and taken to a point several miles down Neuse river. There they will be initiated into the mysteries and delights of a real old-fashioned oyster roast, right on the edge of the water from which the delicious bivalves have been taken and near enough to the majestic Atlantic ocean to get the odor of the salt spray into their nostrils. Many of the bottlers have never attended an oyster roast while others have participated in similar events as the guest of Mr. Bradham. However, some original wrinkles have been planned for the approaching event and it is being looked forward to with much anticipation.

CONDITIONS BETTER.

No Longer Is Queen Street Congested.

Since the completion of the long siding constructed by the Atlantic Coast Line Company near the city's water and light plant, there has been a marked change in the former congested condition of that company's track on Queen street. When the freight train comes in each afternoon the locomotive carries the empty cars from the yard out to the siding and then takes the loaded cars down to the warehouse and yards to be unloaded. This is a decided improvement and is appreciated by the public.

INCREASE CAPITAL STOCK.

Local Wholesale Firm Growing Rapidly.

At a meeting of the stockholders of the Armstrong Grocery held a few days ago it was decided to increase the capital stock of the company from \$50,000 to \$125,000.

This firm was organized in March, 1907, and its growth since that time has been very satisfactory to all concerned. H. W. Armstrong is the manager and secretary-treasurer of the company and their place of business is located in the Wolfenden building on South Front street.

H. M. Hill, of the Hill Tailoring Co., returned last night from New York City where he purchased his spring stock.