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Public School Teachers Held An Eventful Meeting

Session Held In This City Yesterday Was Last Of The Present Term

Several Papers Were Read

Plans Made For The Approaching County Commencement

Although the weather was inclement and there were numerous counter attractions, forty-four teachers in the public schools of Craven county assembled in Griffin auditorium yesterday morning to attend the last meeting for the present term of the Craven county Teachers Association.

The meeting was especially interesting on account of the fact that the work done by the various teachers during the past few weeks and the work which they intend doing during the remainder of the term, was discussed and many valuable ideas and suggestions were secured therefrom.

An interesting paper during the meeting a number of interesting papers were read by the teachers and among these was one prepared by Miss Johnnie Rankin of North Harlow. The subject discussed in this was "The Teacher's Influence In The Community." In addition to being filled with vital facts, the paper was an absorbingly interesting one and proved of real worth to those present.

After several interesting talks pertaining to the work in the various schools had been made by the teachers, S. M. Brinson, Superintendent of the public schools of the county, brought up the matter of the commencement of all schools of the county, which is to be held in New Bern on April 21.

This commencement will be one of the greatest events of its kind ever held in Eastern North Carolina. A similar commencement was held at Raleigh last Friday and more than three thousand school children participated in it. The Craven county commencement will be equally as eventful.

For months the pupils of the various schools have been preparing for the event and there is every reason to believe that it will be a complete success. Hon. J. Y. Joyner, State Superintendent of Public Instruction will be on hand to make the principal address of the occasion and there will be a number of other prominent educators present. The program which is now being prepared, consists of athletic events, debates, etc., and will be an interesting one.

At the conclusion of the meeting the teachers were invited down to Fradham's Broad street drug store where they were the guests of B. B. Hurst, county treasurer. This treat was greatly enjoyed by all.

FIFTEEN CONVICTS ARE PARDONED BY BLEASE

Columbia, S. C., April 4.—Upon recommendation of the pardon board in January to Governor Blease, fifteen men on county chain gangs throughout the State were granted freedom by the governor last night.

Approximately one hundred petitions for clemency are being considered by the pardon board, now in session here. The State's prisoners now number but 243, of which 205 are men and 38 women.

SUPFRAGETTES EXPLODE BOMBS

Glasgow, Scotland, April 4.—Three bombs were exploded by suffragettes today in an attempt to blow up the main church in this city. The explosion, however, did only slight damage.

SEVERAL CANDIDATES TO BE BAPTIZED TONIGHT

ORDINANCE OF BAPTISM AT THE TABERNACLE CHURCH.

There are to be several candidates baptized at the Tabernacle Baptist Church tonight. The ordinance will take place just before the sermon. The Tabernacle choir will render a musical program beginning promptly at 7:30 and the baptismal service will take place during the song service. The people who gave their names for membership in the Tabernacle during the Twin Revival at the First Baptist Church will be received in the congregation tomorrow morning and every member of the church is urged to be present. Mr. J. S. Miller the Sunday School superintendent is anxious for a large school at 9:45 and everybody is invited to this service.

Rev. J. B. Phillips will preach at 11 a. m., and 7:30 p. m., the morning sermon will be for Christians while the sermon at night will be Evangelistic. Strangers in the city will find a warm welcome awaiting them. The public at large is cordially invited to each service of the day.

AN AMERICAN CITIZEN TO BE SEEN SOON

TO BE PRESENTED ON APRIL 14 BY THE PAINT AND POWDER CLUB

The Paint and Powder Club will give the attractive play "An American Citizen," on Tuesday, April 14th. The proceeds will go to the Daughters of the Confederacy, an organization that stands for so much in our community.

The list of actors and actresses as given below are the best of our local talent and their taking part insure success. The play is bright and interesting. Scenes laid in New York at the present day.

The following is the list of characters:

Mr. A. T. Willis, Berford Cruger; J. C. Bagg, Peter Barbury; J. J. Tolson, Jr., Edgerton Brown; F. M. Hahn Sir Humphrey Burns; Geo. Green Jr., Willie Burn; R. H. Smith, Otto Strobel; Clarence Crapon, Lucas; T. C. Daniels, Sirrius; Mrs. Isaac Cohen, Carola Chapin; Mrs. Herbert Willis, Lady Burn; Miss L. Greenbaum, Georgia Chapin; Miss Lily M. Willis, Annette; Miss Amelia Hahn, Mercury; Mrs. D. S. Colgdon, Beatrice Carey.

Let's one and all turn out to see these brilliant actors and actresses and while enjoying ourselves we will feel we are helping the "Daughters" in their noble work.

WELL KNOWN SYRIAN MERCHANT IS DEAD

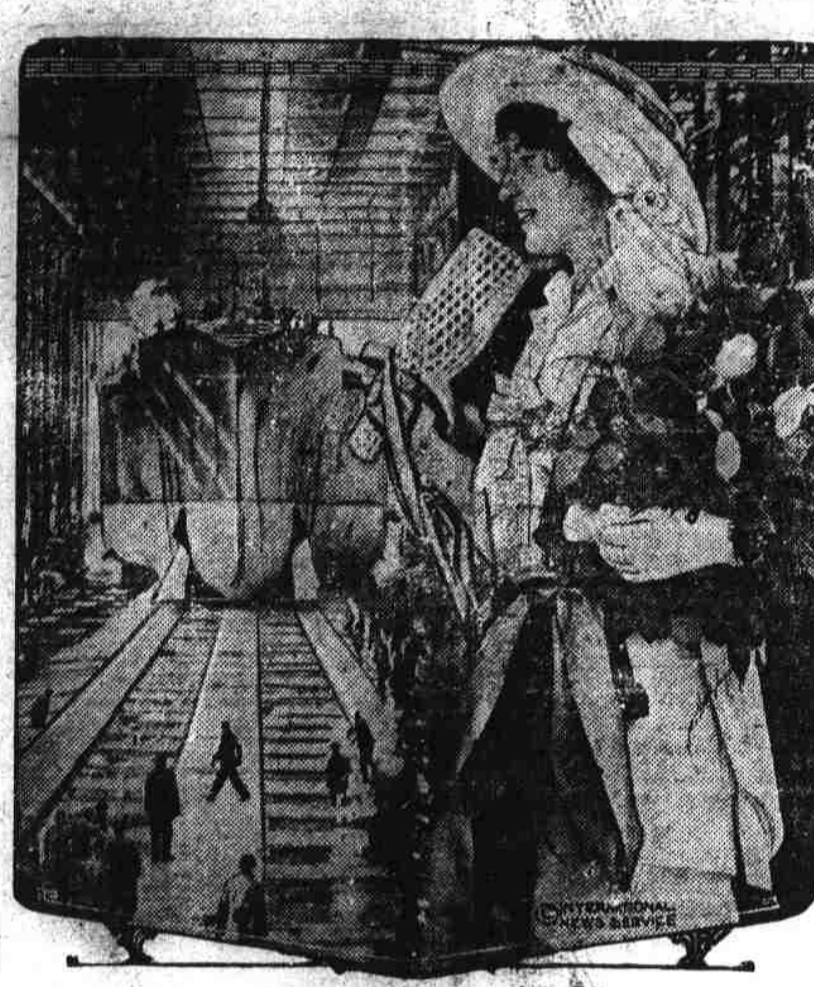
JOSEPH ELLIS PASSED AWAY IN THIS CITY YESTERDAY MORNING

Joseph Ellis, member of the firm of C. Ellis & Brothers, and who was one of the best known Syrians in New Bern, died in this city yesterday morning during an operation for appendicitis.

Mr. Ellis has been a sufferer from chronic stomach trouble for some years and yesterday his condition became so serious that it was decided that an operation was absolutely necessary. However, but little hope was held out for his recovery even if this had proven successful.

The deceased has been a resident of New Bern for 25 years and is survived by his wife, two brothers, Charles and Joseph, and two sisters. The funeral will be conducted from the Catholic church this afternoon at 4:30 o'clock and the interment will be made in Cedar Grove cemetery.

LAUNCHING OF DREADNAUGHT OKLAHOMA



Uncle Sam's latest giant fighting ship was launched at the yard of the New York Shipbuilding company at Camden, N. J., March 23. Miss Lorena J. Cruce, daughter of the governor of Oklahoma, is shown in the picture just before she sent the dreadnaught down the ways by smashing a bottle of champagne across the bow.

HON. CHAS. R. THOMAS IS TO BEGIN CANVASS

Expects To Visit Every County In The Third District—He And His Friends Pleas With District Primary

Hon. Charles R. Thomas, one of the candidates for Congress from this District, has addressed the following letter to the Democratic voters of Craven county:

On April 2nd, the Democratic Executive Committee of the Third Congressional District ordered a District Primary to settle the nomination of the Democratic candidate for Congress in this District.

"The action of the Committee sustains, in all respects, my contention that the nomination for Congress is a District matter, and that it should be settled in a District primary. This primary gives the opportunity to every Democrat independent of any Convention to go to the polls upon the day fixed by the District Committee and cast his ballot for his choice for the Democratic nomination for representation in Congress. This is what I have been contending for all the time and what the people want, and it means a full, fair and free expression of the will of the people."

"As soon as the rules and dates of the primary are fixed, I shall begin an active personal canvass of the district. I am not concerned about particular rules or the date."

Success in the race is to the active, the vigilant and the choice of the people."

An early date, or a particular form of ballot, would be no greater disadvantage to me than to the other candidates.

In my announcement as a candidate for Congress this year, I asked for a District Primary. I appeared personally before the Executive Committee at Goldsboro and asked for such a Primary. In this request I was joined by petition and actively by Congressman Faason, Mr. Hood, Mr. Koonce and B. G. Credle. No other candidates joined in this petition or appeared before the Committee.

The friends of the Primary secured the primary, and the statements made in the New Bern Sun, thinking to give the impression that other candidates favored the primary, are plainly contradicted by the facts. "Actions speak louder than words." The matter of the Congressional nomination will now be settled by the vote of all the Democrats of the entire District, and in ordering this primary the committee acted in accordance with wisdom and public sentiment. It is needless to say that I and my friends are delighted with the action of the Committee and I shall begin the canvass promptly as soon as the date and rules are fixed, expecting to see the people in every county before the day of the primary vote.

Charles R. Thomas

BOILER SHIPPED

To Be Placed In Local Light Plant.

Notice has been received by Superintendent Hodges of the Water and Light Department of the city of New Bern, that part of the combined boiler and generator to be installed in the plant has been shipped.

It will be some time in the latter part of August or the first of September, before the work of installing this boiler will be completed.

New Bern has the best street lights of any town in the state and when this powerful boiler is put in operation this city will be one of the best lighted in the State.

The cost of this outfit is only six thousand dollars f. o. b., Amherst Mass., instead of sixteen thousand as has been reported.

WEALTHY MAN KILLED

Richmonder Struck By An Automobile

Richmond Va., April 4.—Henry Holzgreffe, a wealthy retired contractor was instantly killed this afternoon at 4 o'clock when he was run down by an automobile driven by J. H. Morris proprietor of the painting firm of J. H. Morris & Co., of Monroe street.

The accident occurred on west Floyd avenue and the body was dragged fifty two feet before the car was stopped. Mr. Morris explained to the police that when he saw he had struck a man he became so unnerved that he could not bring the car to a standstill. Morris attempted to resuscitate the victim and when he saw the man was dead he summoned the city ambulance.

Morris appeared before Judge D. C. Richardson and gave bail in the sum of \$2,000.

Miss Mae Moore left last evening for Baltimore where she will undergo a slight operation.

THE COUNTY PRIMARY IS TO BE HELD ON 12TH OF MAY

Craven County Democratic Executive Committee So Decided At Meeting Held In New Bern Yesterday—Precinct Meetings To Take Place On May 16th.

Pursuant to a call issued by S. H. Lane, chairman, the Craven County Democratic Executive Committee met yesterday at the Court House in this city for the purpose of issuing a call for the precinct meeting or primary for the election of delegates to the county convention and to set the date for holding the county primary for the nomination of Democratic candidates for member of the Legislature and the county officers.

After the meeting was called to order it was found that the following members were present:

Hon. S. H. Lane, chairman, R. A. Nunn secretary, and the following committeemen:

Maple Cypress, E. F. Adams; Vanceboro, Z. M. Carowan; Truitts, F. S. Ernul; Taylor's Store, E. C. Taylor; Lee's Farm, T. E. Haywood; 1st Ward, Thurman, J. D. Williams; 2nd Ward, R. A. Nunn; 3rd Ward, J. C. Thomas, Jr.; 4th Ward, F. W. Shriner; Bern Precinct, R. J. Disoway; Tisdals, W. H. Bray; Fort Barnwell, L. S. Harper; Cove City, U. W. Daugherty; (by proxy A. E. Wadsworth); Jasper, A. E. Wadsworth; Beech Grove, J. B. French; Eruls, G. A. Whitford, (by proxy J. C. Thomas, Jr.)

The following Resolution was offered by R. A. Nunn and was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That precinct meetings be held in all precincts of the county, on Saturday, the 16th day of May, 1914, at the usual polling places in such precincts at the hour of 8 o'clock p. m., in the city of New Bern and at the hour of 10 o'clock, a. m., in Tisdale precinct, and at the hour of 4 o'clock p. m., in Fort Barnwell precinct and at the hour of 3 o'clock p. m., in other precincts outside of said city; for the purpose of selecting delegates to the County Convention to be held at the Court House in the City of New Bern at 12 o'clock noon, on the 23rd, day of May, 1914; and for the purpose of electing in each precinct Executive Committee to consist of five active Democrats.

Mr. Bray moved that the primary for the selection of nominees for county offices be held on the 12th day of May, 1914. The motion was seconded.

Mr. Wadsworth moved that the motion be amended so as to fix the 16th day of May for holding such primary. The amendment was voted on and the result was 5 yeas and 10 noes. So the amendment was lost.

The original motion was then unanimously adopted.

Mr. Thomas moved the polls be opened in all precincts in the City of New Bern at 6 o'clock, a. m., and closed at 7 o'clock p. m., and in all precincts outside of said city opened at 7 o'clock a. m., and closed at 6 o'clock p. m. The motion was adopted.

Mr. Thomas moved that all candidates for county offices be required to pay to the chairman of the County Executive Committee the sum of ten dollars on or before 12 o'clock, midnight, of the first day of May, 1914. The motion was adopted.

Upon motion the managers of the primary election to be held on the 12th day of May, 1914, were appointed, and the meeting adjourned.

WILLIAM SHEPARD BRYAN DIES AT BALTIMORE

EX-ATTORNEY GENERAL SUGGESTED TO COMPLICATION OF AILMENTS

A telegram received in this city yesterday from Baltimore, Md., announced the death in that city of William Sheppard Bryan.

The deceased was an Ex-Attorney General of the State of Maryland, was a nephew of Judge Henry R. Bryan and a cousin of Col. James A. Bryan of this city.

He was a prominent man in that State and was well and favorably known in this city. The funeral will be held in Baltimore this afternoon and the remains will be interred in that city.

Miss Mabel Bartling left last night for Philadelphia to be at the bedside of her aunt who is seriously ill in that city.

LOCAL DEBATERS MAKE AN EXCELLENT SHOWING

FAILED TO GET THE PRIZE BUT WON MUCH PRAISE

While the New Bern boys who participated in the North Carolina debate held at Chapel Hill Friday night did not win the prize they acquitted themselves creditably and showed conclusively that New Bern has just as good material among its young men for any event mentioned as there is at any place in the State.

Charles Hollister Jr., and Robert Tucker for the affirmative and George Green, Jr., and Charles Wooten for the negative represented New Bern and they did it well, making New Bern one of the sixteen teams who participated in the second round of debates after the other teams had dropped out.

The Winston-Salem team won the prize and press reports of the event say that the effort put forth by the team from that place was indeed creditable. In the preliminary debates, the New Bern teams were victorious over Elizabeth City and Washington.

T. DOE STREET HAS A BAD FALL

T. D. Street had a narrow escape yesterday afternoon, when his motorcycle slipped from under him while crossing the Norfolk Southern track on Hancock Street near the Union Passenger Station.

The young man was going down the street and in an effort to cross the track diagonally, the front wheel slipped throwing him to the pavement.

DETECTIVE BURNS SAYS HE KNOWS MURDERER

INFORMS THE AUTHORITIES THAT LEO FRANK IS NOT THE SLAYER

Chicago, April 4.—"I know who the murderer of Mary Phagan is," said Wm. J. Burns, the detective, today, on his return from a trip to Kansas City. "I can't say at this time whether it is Leo M. Frank or someone else; but I know his identity and can prove that he committed the murder."

Frank was superintendent of the National Pencil Company's factory in Atlanta, Ga., and is under sentence to die on April 17 for the murder of the girl.

The detective was employed several weeks ago by friends of the convicted man to investigate the Phagan mystery. He declined to say upon what grounds he based his conclusions, but said they would be set forth in a report which he would make soon to the attorneys in the case.

Hearing on an extraordinary motion for a new trial is set for April 16, the day before that set for the hanging of Frank. The motion automatically stays the execution.

Frank's Council Silent

Atlanta, Ga., April 4.—Neither counsel for Leo Frank nor attorneys connected with his prosecution for the murder of Mary Phagan offered any comment today on the declaration of Wm. J. Burns in Chicago that he knew who killed the little factory girl and could prove the murderer's guilt. Before he left Atlanta ten days ago Burns said he was "close upon the trail of Mary Phagan's slayer."

Attorneys and others connected with the case also expressed ignorance as to what feature of the investigation took the detective to Kansas City, Chicago, New York and other cities visited by him since his departure from Atlanta. Prior to his departure Burns spent two weeks here in minutes investigation of the case. A large corps of assistants now at work here.

Burns has already announced that when his investigation is ended he will submit his report simultaneously to attorneys for Frank and the State.