

30,000 TAKE COMMUNION SERVICE IN FIFTY-THREE MINUTES

It Required One Hundred Elders and One Thousand Deacons to Administer Eucharist During the Centennial Convention at Pittsburg, Says Rev. Mr. Hope.

FIFTY THOUSAND DELEGATES

Rev. Robert V. Hope, pastor of the Christian Church, returned home last Friday afternoon from Pittsburg, Pa., where he went as a delegate to the great International Convention of the Disciples of Christ. The occasion was the one hundredth anniversary. The convention convened on the 11th and adjourned sine die October 19.

A News representative in talking to Mr. Hope of his trip learned much of interest in reference to the work of this great body of Christians.

Mr. Hope said there were between 25,000 and 50,000 delegates present, coming from all parts of the civilized world.

There were speakers from all countries. Some of the addresses were thrilling, interesting and delivered in such a manner as to attract.

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Deposited Postmaster and Rep. Grant Are Exchanging Compliments.

Asheville, N. C., Oct. 21.—The recent removal of Mrs. Julia Reed from the Billmore postoffice has culminated in sensational charges and counter-charges with Congressman Grant of this district figuring prominently.

Mr. Grant in a signed statement given to the Citizen tonight says he filed the charges which led to the removal and declares in substance that Mrs. Reed tried to bribe him to secure the office for herself.

A few days ago Mrs. Reed came to me at my home and tried to exact from me a promise of support which she failed to get. A few days later she came again and tried to bribe me in the presence of my wife and daughter, saying that if I would have her reappointed when her commission expired she would pay me more money than either of the other applicants, and that I might see them and see what they would pay first.

Mrs. Reed said tonight that she would make no statement until she had seen Congressman Grant's charges. She declared, however, that she did not attempt to bribe Mr. Grant but merely offered to contribute her share to the Republican campaign fund and to take stock in the newspaper at Greensboro. She alleged that he told her she would have "to come across for the campaign fund on all the other office holders had done." Congressman Grant emphatically denies this.

Mr. Lutz sent a boycott card not mean a word.

porting this boat, states Mr. Hope, will aggregate at least \$7,000. Another interesting occasion of the convention was that of the Home Missionary Society, which raised \$150,000 last year. The Church Extension, under the leadership of Mr. George Munday, of Kansas City, has made rapid growth. They now have \$750,000 on hand as a permanent fund. During the 21 years this society has been in existence this amount of money has been turned over twice, and those in charge of the work have only lost \$563 through bad loans. This is indeed a remarkable record. The Benevolent Society takes care of the blind, the aged, the decrepit, the fallen, the outcast. They have just erected and completed a \$100,000 building at St. Louis. Fifteen institutions are now under their control in the United States. The Christian Endeavor Society of the Christian Church occupies second place in the world. This organization had great meetings at three different places in Pittsburg, all being attended by great crowds.

The climax, said Mr. Hope, was reached Sunday when the Lord's Supper was commemorated. It is estimated that 30,000 people took the communion. It required 100 elders and 1,000 deacons to administer the sacrament; all of which was accomplished in 53 minutes. The crowd was so vast it had to be done through and by signals. The communion service took place in Forbe's field, where the world's series of baseball was played between Pittsburg and Detroit. At this service \$2,652 was raised, which goes to the support of old ministers. This was one of the greatest religious gatherings in the history of the world. Among those attending the convention and who have returned with Mr. Hope, were Rev. Warren Davis, Rev. C. E. Lee, Rev. W. O. Winfield, Rev. D. W. Davis, J. D. Elliott, Jr., L. D. Elliott, Jr., and J. W. Burgess.

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OPENING SERVICE THIS EVENING

Rev. H. B. Searight Will Be the Speaker Tonight—All Cordially Invited.

The preparatory services to the union meeting, which starts next Sunday in the Methodist Church, begins this evening at 7:30 o'clock. These services of preparation will be in charge of the different pastors of the respective churches. Tonight Rev. H. B. Searight, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, will speak "The Divine Side of a Revival." All the singers composing the different choirs of the city and all others willing to assist are urged to be present and sit with the choir.

On next Sunday Rev. Dr. Black, the evangelist, will arrive and preach his first sermon of the meeting Sunday evening. Mr. Black will be accompanied by his choir leader, who will have charge of the singing during the service. All are cordially invited to attend the opening service at the Methodist Church this evening.

Great preparations are being made for this coming union meeting on the part of the pastors and the members.

Returned to Ocracoke. Mrs. Z. G. Howard, of Ocracoke, left this morning for Norfolk. Mrs. Howard has spent several months in the city with her little grandson, Enoch Howard, who has been under treatment at the Washington Hospital, and who left for his home in Ocracoke on Saturday, comparatively well.

Added Another to List. Master Marvin Hodges, son of Mr. Thad Hodges, Old Ford, was here Saturday. This bright young man honored the News office with a call. He was the first in the county to win the handsome dinner set offered by this paper to the one securing the most subscribers. He added another subscriber to the News list Saturday.

ROBBED DRUG STORE JAMES BOYS FASHION

Taps Register for Cash

Norfolk Drug Store Robbed in True Western Fashion by Well Dressed Young Man—Clerk Had to Hand Over Cash.

Norfolk, Va., Oct. 25.—In true Western fashion of days gone by, a well dressed young white man, apparently about 22 years of age, walked into the pharmacy of William A. McClenahan, at Bank and Freemason streets last night about 10:30 o'clock, showed a big gun into the face of J. A. Schreckhiss, the clerk on duty at the time, took from him \$10 and then tapped the cash register for its contents, securing in all about \$30. The robber used a black silk handkerchief as a mask while he was committing the deed.

Mr. Schreckhiss had just sent out to secure change for \$20. This was handed over to him and he was at the prescription desk counting the money over when the stranger entered the place. In a flash the clerk was covered with a pistol and told to hand over the money which he had in his hands. He obeyed. The robber then proceeded to remove all of the money from the cash register.

Harry Winston, a negro porter, was also on duty at the drug store last night, but he had just stepped out when the robbery occurred. No customers were in the place at the time. After securing the money the robber left the place quietly.

Clerk Schreckhiss immediately notified the police station and Detective Stevens from the Central station was detailed on the case. The officer made a close investigation of the premises and is now working on a clue. The scene of the holdup is rather isolated, so to speak, the streets being dark in that immediate vicinity.

Detective Powers is also at work on the case. The police think they will make an arrest shortly.

Superior Court Now in Session

The October term of Beaufort county Superior court convened this morning for a term of one week, with His Honor, Judge G. W. Ward, of Elizabeth City, presiding, and Solicitor H. S. Ward, of this city, prosecuting the State docket. The docket contains 71 cases for trial. Among the indictments are those for failure to list poll tax, larceny, retailing, assault with deadly weapon, and other petty offenses.

Judge Ward's charge to the grand jury was clear and convincing. It was delivered in a masterly manner. Those who heard the charge of His Honor pronounce it one of the best delivered here in years.

Immediately after the charge the work of the court commenced, as Judge Ward is a rapid dispatcher of business.

MARRIAGE LICENSES. Twelve marriage licenses issued last week. Five white and seven colored. Samuel C. Pegram and Ada Mayo, city; G. E. Fortescue and Dolene Riggs, Currituck county; George Styron and Minerva Gaskill, Portsmouth, white; Stephen James and Melissa Young, Henry Carter and Lizzie Davis, Haywood Moore and Sibley Graham, John H. Rowe and Annie Gorham, of Beaufort county, and John Smith and Hattie Peed, of Chowan county; Jethro Griffin and Aretha Stanley, of Pamlico; W. T. Hamilton and Hattie B. Tripp, of Aurora, colored.

Address and Solo Much Enjoyed

Quite a number heard Mr. Stephen C. Bregaw yesterday afternoon at the Chamber of Commerce rooms address the Young Men's Christian League on "Justice." It is needless to state that the speaker handled his theme with ability and attractiveness. Mr. Bregaw always interests. His addresses are well prepared and he delivers them in a manner pleasing. Those who were present are high in their commendation. The vocal solo enjoyed. These weekly services conducted by the young men of the city are increasing in interest and doing much good to the community.

There were three persons received in the Methodist Church Sunday morning by certificate.

THE DELAWARE CLAIMED TO BE GREATEST SHIP

Exceeds Trial Speed

The First American Vessel of the Dreadnaught Type—A Number of Endurance Tests—Sister Ship Soon Ready for Trial.

Rockland, Maine, Oct. 23.—The battleship Delaware, the first American fighting ship of the dreadnaught type, made a splendid showing on her screw standardization runs over the measured mile course in Penobscot Bay today, exceeding her speed requirements by nearly a knot. While her contracts call for a speed of 21 knots an hour, the Delaware today attained a maximum speed of 21.98 knots and a mean of 21.44.

In order to attain this speed the Delaware's engines were forced to develop 30,000 horse power, the highest ever made by a first-class battleship.

The route of the Delaware which was built by the Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock Company, of Newport News, Va., began yesterday and were concluded today. Yesterday's tests included a dozen runs at slow speed but today the engineers crowded the ship to her limit. Three runs were made at 19 knots, three at 20.50 knots and five at the maximum of 21.98 knots. Later the Delaware put to sea again at 2 p. m., and began a four hours' endurance run, starting off Moneghan Island. This run will be followed by fuel consumption tests in which both coal and oil will be mixed. Then will come the 24 hour endurance runs at 19 and 12 knots respectively.

A sistership, the North Dakota, will have a trial over this same course 10 days hence and there will be much interest in comparing the work of the two ships. The North Dakota was built by the Fall River Shipbuilding Company, of Quincy, Mass., and is equipped with turbine engines.

It is expected that both the Delaware and North Dakota will meet requirements and that within six months' time they will take their places at the head of the nation's line of sea fighters. Each is 4,000 tons in excess of the Michigan, the most powerful of the American fleet today.

INFANTS BAPTIZED

The infants of Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Carter and Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Cooke were baptized Sunday afternoon at the M. E. Church by the pastor, Rev. M. T. Plyler. The ceremony took place just prior to the meeting of the Sunday school.

MAN FALLS FROM TRAIN

Charles Finch, of Thomasville, Meets Tragic Death at Greensboro.

Greensboro, N. C., Oct. 23.—In some unaccountable way, Charles Finch, a student of Guilford College, fell from the platform of the Winston train near the outskirts of the city this afternoon and sustained injuries from which he died at 4 o'clock at St. Leo's hospital.

The young man is said to have been attempting to go from one car to another and slipped on the platform and fell, his head striking against a freight car on the sidetrack. He was 15 years old, and a son of Ex-Sheriff T. J. Finch, of Randolph county, but has been a resident of Thomasville for the past few years. It was the young man's first year at Guilford College and he is said to have been exceedingly popular among his schoolmates.

The father of the young man arrived here tonight and the remains will be carried to Thomasville for interment at Greensboro.

RECENT STATE FAIR CLAIMED A BIG SUCCESS

Improvements Made

The Capital City's Yearly Event One of the Best in the State's History—Colored Fair is to Be Held This Week.

Raleigh, N. C., Oct. 23.—There never was as great satisfaction with a fair here as with the one held last week. It was a success in every way and this success means a great deal for Raleigh and for the State. In all probability at the first meeting of the executive committee the question of erecting new buildings and of utilizing all the space within the grounds will be taken up. The State poultry farm occupies 14 acres of the grounds, having done this many years; first when it was the experimental farm of the A. & M. College, under the auspices of the State Department of Agriculture. It is found that there is much unused space in the grounds, which only needs improvement to make it all available. A large area is required for the teams of the country visitors who come to the fair by thousands now. The vehicles and stock from the country tell the story of prosperity as plainly as do the people themselves, for this is the farmers' year.

Colored Fair. Next week the thirty-first annual colored fair will be held, and the executive committee has made an address to the negroes of the State, urging them to join in the effort to dignify labor and elevate the laborer. The address says the white people of the State have been always generous with their sympathy and their money. This year's orators will be Mr. Ashley Horne, of Clayton, and Secretary Joseph E. Pogue, of the North Carolina Agricultural Society. Among the negroes there has been formed a State farmers' cooperative and educational union, and this is to hold its first annual session at the fair grounds next Thursday. H. R. Goodson is its chairman and John P. Arrington its secretary.

Chief Marshal Honored. Chief Marshal Hector McGeachy, of Fayetteville, who looked after his duty so well during the State Fair and who led the grand ball at the Capitol Club, was presented with a watch by the assistant marshals, some forty of whom were present. When the auditorium here is finished it will be used for these great balls, as no assembly room in the city is sufficiently large for them.

The street railway company will double-track its line to the fair ground, two sections of this being single-tracked. The company found that it could not handle the business under present conditions. The company will also make other improvements.

SECRETARY MATHEWS' PLANS

Washington, D. C., Oct. 23.—"It is possible to use to commercial profit any navigable streams in the South thirty (30) inches deep. It is possible to carry 4,000 tons of freight on six feet draught."

There are the words of Mr. John L. Mathews, Secretary of the Mississippi Valley Transportation Company of St. Louis, when accepting the invitation to address the Southern Commercial Congress in Washington, December 6 and 7. Mr. Mathews will come to the congress with models, drawings, diagrams and pictures to show to the wide-awake business men of the South "The Commercial Possibilities of Shallow Streams." When it is remembered that out of the 26,410 miles of navigable streams in the United States (according to the National Conservation Commission) there are over 23,000 miles either within the South or benefitting the South, the commercial importance of these streams should be immediately considered in practical ways, by heavy shippers, everywhere through the South, but particularly in towns and cities immediately in touch with navigable streams.

The Southern Commercial Congress will meet in Washington, at the Willard, December 6 and 7, and those in attendance will then adjourn to take part in the National Rivers and Harbors Congress which meets at the same place December 8, 9 and 10. The Congress of the United States begins its long session December 6.

business men will be in Washington for "Congress Week."

Indicted for Retailing. John Kelly, a white man, was indicted this morning before Mayor Sterling charged with retailing. He was bound over to this term of the Superior court in the sum of \$50.

THE CAUSE OF NEW DISEASE IS TO BE STUDIED

Pellagra Investigation

An Investigation Will Shortly be Made by Officers of the Public Health and Marine Hospital Service and Army.

Washington, Oct. 23.—An investigation of pellagra which has developed most rapidly in the South recently will shortly be made by officers of the public health and marine hospital service and of the army. Captains Joseph F. Siler and Henry J. Nichols of the medical corps of the army have already been selected for this work. A meeting of the investigating commission will take place at Columbia, S. C., November 3.

The Secretary of the Treasury in his last annual report, invited attention to the probable public importance of pellagra and recommended unremitting study of every phase of the problem of the disease.

General Wyman of the public health and marine hospital service some time ago announced that pellagra had become a menace to the health of Italy for more than a hundred years. It was first reported in this country from Alabama in 1907, and the health authorities now estimate the number of cases in the United States at over 5,000. The surgeon general reported that there was a universal and profound conviction that the disease was in some way related to the consumption of musty corn and that on account of the great severity and high mortality of pellagra and because of its expected relationship to corn it was rapidly becoming a matter of national health and economic importance.

MR. WHICHARD WAS ASSAULTED

One Hutchings Writes Threatening Letter and Then Attacks the Editor.

The Greenville Reflector of Saturday, October 23, says: "While on his way to the office a little before 9 o'clock this morning, D. J. Whichard, editor of the Reflector, was assaulted in a most cowardly manner, by J. R. Hutchings.

The editor has just passed the passage way in front of King's stables when Hutchings stepped out of this passage way behind him, calling his name, which caused him to look around, and as he did so Hutchings struck Whichard a blow just below the temple and caught him around the arms and body to overpower him. In the scuffle that followed and while Hutchings was striking Whichard with one hand and holding him with the other, Whichard with much difficulty got out his pistol and fired two shots, but his arm was so entangled that he could take no aim and the shots missed his assailant. Hutchings then wrenched the pistol out of Whichard's hand, pushed him through the glass window in front of the stable and pinning him to the window sill struck him over the head with the pistol.

"The editor had received a threatening letter from Hutchings the day before, and in anticipation of being attacked had armed himself. When Hutchings was arrested immediately after the assault the officer found a pistol on him also."

Another Account. Greenville, N. C., Oct. 23.—A difficulty occurred this morning about 9 o'clock between Mr. D. J. Whichard and Capt. J. R. Hutchings, a prominent warehouseman of this city. Mr. Whichard had written an editorial reflecting upon the truthfulness of Capt. Hutchings. Mr. Whichard failed to allow Capt. Hutchings a hearing in his paper. This morning they met in front of King's stables. Capt. Hutchings asked Mr. Whichard if he did not think that he was due him an apology. Without replying, Mr. Whichard drew his gun, but before any damage could be done Capt. Hutchings grabbed the gun by the barrel after the firing of two shots, both going wild. Capt. Hutchings took away the gun and knocked Mr. Whichard through the window and proceeded to give him a severe drubbing until outsiders interfered, when peace was declared.

Mrs. Cherry Improving. Mrs. M. Cherry, who has been critically ill for the past week is now convalescent. At one time her recovery was doubtful. This will be

LATHAM NEARLY BLOWN TO SEA IN MONOPLANE

A Sensational Flight

Spectators Caze in Silent Terror as Machine is Buffeted and Tossed by Wind—Hundreds of Miles an Hour.

Blackpool, England, Oct. 23.—Hubert Latham, the French aviator, today made the most remarkable and sensational aeroplane flight thus far witnessed in England. Ignoring the remonstrances of friends, Latham insisted upon bringing his monoplane out in a wind averaging twenty-eight miles an hour and narrowly escaped disaster at the start, for a strong gust tore the machine from the hands of those holding it and heeled it over.

The intrepid young aviator, however, coolly righted it and, making a fresh start, was soon struggling with the gale. His course lay along the machine would be driven out to sea. The wind increased its velocity by ten miles an hour, but, buffeting gamely against it, the monoplane fought its way inland. Then, with the wind at its back, its pace appalled the spectators. For a few moments it was estimated its speed was eighty miles an hour. It was flying at a height of eighty feet.

When Latham reached his starting point on his turn the immense crowd shouted to him, "Come down! Come down!" But he paid no heed to the cries, and in the face of the gale he was soon half way around the course again.

When he again caught the force of the wind it drove him at a speed of 100 miles an hour. At times the machine tilted almost to a perpendicular and Latham was seen struggling strenuously with the jerks. At other moments it flew sideways against the wind. Gradually Latham fought his way back to the starting point a second time and then he gracefully descended amid a scene of wild enthusiasm. The spectators, who during the flight had been terrified by his peril, now cheered frantically, while the band played the "Marseillaise."

Latham alone of the multitude was calm as he lighted the inevitable cigarette. To those who congratulated him he said: "I was glad to be able to get up, as I failed the other day."

Despite the phenomenal speed on account of the wind Latham had expected to win the prize for the slowest circuit. Henry Farman was awarded the first prize, \$2,000, for the fastest three circuits of the course, which he made at an average speed of 36.95 miles an hour. Latham had made only two circuits.

NOT TO RESIGN SAYS MR. WARD

Proposes to Hold Office of Solicitor to the End of His Term.

In consequence of an article recently given publicity in the Elizabeth City Independent to the effect that Solicitor H. S. Ward contemplated tendering his resignation as solicitor, to the Governor, the Daily News representative inquired of Mr. Ward this morning whether or not the report was true. Mr. Ward unhesitatingly replied: "There is no foundation for the statement. I propose to serve the people of this judicial district to the end of my term to the best of my ability."

ACCEPTS POSITION. Mr. W. C. Dudley has accepted a position at Bogart's drug store, Market street.

- New Advertisements in Today's News
J. K. Hoyt—Comfort and Blanket
Wenther
Jas. B. Clark Co.—Fall and Winter Underwear
Hessley, Etc.
W. J. Rhodes—Roasted Coffee
S. H. Fowler & Son—Rhinoceros
Gem Tobacco—Mottos, Pictures and Ornaments
J. L. K. Quinn, Florist, Raleigh
Gibson's Irish Liniment