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PRESIDENT W. W. FINLEY DEAD.

Mr. Finley Was Elected President of the Southern Upon Death of President Spencer 6 Years Ago.

Washington, Nov. 25.—William W. Finley, president of the Southern railway and a leading figure in movements for the development of the south, died here today as a result of a stroke of apoplexy which he suffered a few hours before. He did not regain consciousness after he was stricken.

Mr. Finley's family, friends and associates were wholly unprepared for his sudden death. Scarcely past the prime of life, he was vigorous and energetic and seemingly in the best of health until a moment before he was stricken by the stroke. He passed yesterday evening quietly and peacefully in the best physical and mental condition. When he awoke this morning he was stricken by a stroke of apoplexy which he suffered a few hours before. He did not regain consciousness after he was stricken.

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Norman Hackett Entertains at the Home Dr. J. W. Page.

The beautiful residence of Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Page was thrown open Thursday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock for the lecture of Norman Hackett, on the life of O. Henry. The lecture was given under the auspices of the Tuesday Afternoon Club, and the Round Dozen Club, the Embroidery Club and the Graded School Teachers were invited. While the affair was primarily in honor of the famous actor who did honor to the memory of Carolina's gifted son, yet a social turn was given it that proved very delightful. The president of the club, Mrs. W. R. Sellars, received the guests and introduced them to Mr. Hackett. The folding doors were thrown open, and the hall, parlor and dining room thrown into one large room so that all were in close proximity to the speaker. Decorations of potted plants were used everywhere.

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Whitsett News Notes.

The Athenian Society has fixed December 18, as the date for their senior debate. The Dialectic Society will have the evening of December 19. Much interest is being taken in these two events.

Dr. Long preached a strong sermon at the Reformed Church Sunday, after which the Lord's Supper was administered to a large congregation.

Miss Margaret Whitsett and brother, O. M. Whitsett, of Route No. 4, Greensboro, were here over Sunday. The lecture Sunday evening was attended by a large audience. The topic was Dreams and Visions, with special application to the growth and development of the United States. It was in connection with the Thanksgiving program of the Y. M. C. A., which had discussed Gifts and Giver at the morning meeting.

The new Presbyterian Manse is going up rapidly. The roof will be put on this week, and the work rushed to completion, as the pastor hopes to move into his new home by the Christmas holidays.

Mr. H. R. Carmon and family spent Sunday here with friends.

Many applications are being received for rooms for the Spring Term and the outlook is now that numbers of new students will enter at that time. The present term is splendidly attended and the work of the school was never more prosperous.

After an absence for some months in South Carolina and elsewhere, Miss Ava Clapp is again at home.

Mr. Levi D. May and Miss Carrie B. Straughn were married Sunday afternoon at the parsonage here by Rev. Robert E. Redding. They will live in Gibsonville.

There will be service at the Springwood Presbyterian Church at 11:00 o'clock, Sunday and at the Reformed Church at 3:00 o'clock.

Coburn's Greater Minstrels—The International Four.

For several seasons Manager Coburn, of the Coburn Greater Minstrels has been encouraging, and organizing one feature in the big fun show, which is greatly appreciated by all lovers of male chorus, vocal and harmony numbers. His quartettes of soloists in the vaudeville numbers of the program have been first class, up to the minute and enjoyable. His is almost the only minstrel company carrying the quartette set of old, in the present days of modern minstrelsy. Unfortunately indeed is the chap who does not appreciate and enjoy the music of a first class, old time, male quartette. There is not a performance in the season that the question is not asked by numberless patrons, "Have you got a good quartette?" Manager Coburn believes in giving his patrons a new show every season—but also what they want and ask for in certain features of the performance. The International Four this season are superior to any male quartette he has ever carried, the voices blending splendidly—each singer a soloist, dancer, yodler, and musician. Don't forget the date, next Friday, November 28, at the Piedmont. Seats now on sale at Presb. ch.

Sale of Christmas Gifts.

The Philathea Class of the First Baptist Church invites you to attend their sale of fancy articles suitable for Christmas gifts, cake and dressed chicken for your Sunday dinner will be for sale also. This sale will be held on Friday and Saturday, November 28th and 29th, at C. B. Ellis' store.

Tobacco Prizes.

Highest Price—W. Louis Browning, 192 pounds at 62 cents—wall paper for one room by C. V. Sellars.
Highest Average—W. Louis Browning, 38.28. One barrel apples by Guernsey Wright.
Biggest Load—King & Day, 1928 pounds. 25 pairs hosiery by Daisy Hosiery Mills.
One bunch of bananas with each prize.

Saxapahaw Items.

A dinner was given in the Masonic hall on last Saturday evening for the benefit of the new church which proved quite a success.

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Holt and Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Guthrie went to High Point Sunday in an automobile and attended the M. P. Conference which is in session there.

Miss Leona Phillips visited relatives in Swepsonville Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. J. F. Wittingham, of Swepsonville visited at home Sunday.

Misses Beulah Phillips, Jennie Davis and Sylvia Davis visited in Burlington Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Murray visited in Haw River Saturday and Sunday.

Misses Ethel and Bonner Williamson, Mr. George T. Wilson and James E. Williamson attended church in Burlington Sunday.

Misses Minnie Clark and Lelia Lloyd, of Swepsonville visited relatives here Sunday.

The painters have been at work inside the new church and we hope to have it ready for service by the first of December.

Mr. Will Isley and Mr. Marks, of Haw River, visited at Mr. T. C. Murray's Sunday.

Dr. Freeman, of Burlington, was a pleasant visitor in the village Monday.

Mrs. Sam Stafford, who has recently undergone an operation at St. Leo's Hospital, Greensboro, is still critically ill, we are sorry to note, but we hope for her a speedy recovery, and that she can soon be back among us.

Mrs. John Albright, an aged lady near this place, is seriously ill, and very little hope is entertained for her recovery.

Mrs. George Williamson, who has recently undergone an operation at Stokes hospital in Salisbury, is still getting along nicely and will be at home in a short time.

Oakdale Dots.

We have been having some nice weather. The farmers are getting along nicely with their work.

Mr. F. L. Spoon has been very ill with lumbago, but we are glad to know he is improving some.

Mr. William Eullis, of Indiana, is visiting relatives here.

Miss Glatie Murray visited at Mr. J. F. Bristow's Sunday.

Oakdale school opened November 10, the teachers are Miss Anne Moser and Miss Lalah Stallings.

Mrs. S. A. Alexander and daughter, Miss Virgie, visited Mr. F. L. Spoon's Sunday.

Mr. Floyd Spoon called to see his best girl Sunday evening. "Look out for the wedding bells."

Sylvan High School is going to play a game of ball with Liberty Thanksgiving.

Friendship school is going to have an entertainment Christmas, the public is invited to attend.

Mr. John Soot is very low with rheumatism. We hope he will soon recover.

Mr. S. A. Alexander and others of Mt. Pleasant, are attending the Annual Conference at High Point.

School News.

The schools last heard from that have given entertainments for the benefit of the schools are Central and Swepsonville. Central, although a small school raised \$22 at one entertainment. Swepsonville had an informal party Saturday evening and made \$32 for school supplies.

Shoffner School, Cobles Township, has recently begun painting the school house.

Glenhope, Mahan and Woodlawn schools have each made application for a supplementary library.

Woodlawn has added a set of maps to the school equipment and Glenhope has bought a new globe.

Hammer Memorial and Mahan schools have secured floor oil within the last week.

On next Saturday at 11:00 o'clock the Boys' Corn Club of the County will meet in Graham for the awarding of the Corn Club prizes. The program will be as follows:

1. Parade of all members on horse back (or mule back), each member to carry a large corn-stalk staff.
2. Arrangement of corn on exhibition. Each member to bring 6 ears for exhibition.
3. Our experience, Club Members.
4. Corn judged for seed.
5. Short address by Mr. E. C. Turner.
6. Short address by Mr. A. K. Robertson.
7. Awarding of prizes.

SPENCER YOUNG LADY CHOSE THE TAR HEEL.

Principal Street of the Town Scene of Impassioned Courtship for Hand of Miss Tucker.

Spencer, Nov. 22.—With tragic declarations of love, pathetic appeals of devotion and the vow that "thy people shall be my people, and what is mine shall be thine, and thine, mine," pretty Miss Maud Tucker, of Spencer, on Thursday became the blushing bride of C. R. Cates, a well-known young man of this place, whom she chose in preference to Earl Farris, of Indianapolis, while the two men stood side by side in one of the principal streets of Spencer. Each vied with the other for the heart and hand of youngwhommemi—22W. . . hand of the young woman, each pressing his claim for a place at her side. While in this attitude and facing the two suitors, Miss Tucker took her place by the side of the Spencer man and the three walked to the parsonage of the Spencer Baptist church, where the marriage ceremony was performed by Rev. J. L. Vipperman. Mr. Farris came to the state Thursday morning for the purpose of marrying Miss Tucker. He was surprised to find his claim for a bride strongly contested by Mr. Cates, who has been for months an admirer of the bride.

When the guests had gone the bridal party sat down in the breakfast room and the bride cut the wedding cake with the sword of Dr. Cary T. Grayson, U. S. N., the President's physician and companion.

Then there was a merry dinner, an affectionate good-bye and the couple whirled away in a White House automobile on their honeymoon. Their destination was kept secret, but in a few days they will go to Europe and return early in January to Williams-town, Mass., where Mr. Sayre will be assistant to President Garfield, of Williams College.

WEDDING DAY EVENTS.—The wedding day events moved with smooth precision. Promptly at 4:30 o'clock all guests were assembled in the East room, members of the cabinet and justices of the United States Supreme Court, the diplomatic corps, residents in their uniforms being gathered in the South half of the room.

In the other half, North of the green carpeted aisle marked by white satin bands, were the close friends and relatives, in all about 300 persons in their elaborate afternoon toilettes of blue, violet, pink and green and with many in black velvet, the ladies gave the picture a brilliant lustre of fashion.

First Mrs. Wilson descended the main staircase, escorted by Col. W. W. Harris, chief aide to the President. She was followed by Joseph R. Wilson, brother of the President, and his wife, and Miss Helen Woodrow Bones, a cousin of the President, escorted by Dr. Cary T. Grayson, Commander Needham Jones, U. S. N., escorted Mrs. Sayre, mother of the groom. They took their places on the left of the dais, where the bridal party stood.

The Rev. Dr. Sylvester W. Beach, of Princeton, N. J., attired in a collegiate gown, with a master's hood of white silk, entered next with the Rev. John Nevin Sayre, a brother of the groom. The latter's white surplice of the Episcopal form, was in marked contrast to the dark vestment of his colleague. There was a moment and soon the Marine Band spread through the White House the strains of the bridal chorus from Lohengrin, and the groom, accompanied by Dr. Wilfred T. Grenfell, his best man, walked slowly to the altar.

The ushers led the bridal procession in two—Charles Evans Hughes, Jr., and Dr. Gilbert Horrax, then Dr. Dewitt Scovill Clark and Benjamin Burton. The bridesmaids, the first two gowned in deepest pink and the others in pink of a lighter shade, followed in slow step.

Miss Eleanor Wilson, the youngest of the President's daughters, and Miss Mary White were followed by Miss Adelaide Mitchell Scott and Miss Marjorie Brown. All wore piquant little bonnets with upstanding frills of silver lace. Miss Margaret Wilson, the eldest daughter, and maid of honor, wore the palest pink. All carried pink roses. Every eye was turned toward the procession as the bride, leaning on the arm of her father came with measured steps down the aisle and stepped upon the oral altar. The

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North Carolina Thanksgiving Proclamation.

By Governor Locke Craig.

"After the harvest is the day of Thanksgiving. Toil has been rewarded in manifold abundance; the nation triumphs in progress and power. An altruistic awakening has quickened the conscience of our time; it has commanded the men in high places to nobler conceptions of public duty, and inspired the people with the hope and determination for advancement.

"Therefore, I, Locke Craig, Governor of the State of North Carolina, in obedience to the custom established by our fathers, and in accordance with the Proclamation of the President of the United States, do proclaim Thursday, the 27th day of November, a holiday.

"I call upon all the people to do no work upon this day; to make this a day of rest and rejoicing, and, in reality, a day of Thanksgiving.

"I earnestly hope that the day will be fully observed by the farmers, merchants, mechanics, manufacturers and by the men, women and children in all ranks and occupations.

"I call upon the people to assemble in their places of worship that they may in reverence express to the Almighty their gratitude and faith, that human sympathies may be enlarged and the bonds of brotherhood acknowledged and strengthened.

"Let us remember the poor and the unfortunate, and realize that it is more blessed to give than to receive.

"We are the heirs of a precious heritage, and let us hope and strive that in this commonwealth righteousness may be exalted, and that to all men may come a full measure of justice, which is grander than benevolence, more august than charity.

"Done in our City of Raleigh (Seal) on this 12th day of November, in the year of our Lord, one thousand five hundred and thirteen, and in the one hundred and thirty-eighth year of our American Independence.

LOCKE CRAIG, Governor.

"By the Governor: Jno. P. Kerr, Private Secretary.

Resolutions of Respect.

Whereas, Death hath removed from among us our friend and sister, Elizabeth Sutton, who had been a faithful member of our society for many years, Therefore:

Resolves: That in the death of Sister Sutton, Bethlehem Ladies Aid Society has lost a true and valued member, and the home has lost a kind mother and a good neighbor;

Resolved: That these resolutions be spread upon the records of our society and be given to The Christian Sun, Burlington News and The State Dispatch for publication, and that a copy be sent to the bereaved family.

MRS. J. M. SMITH, MARTHA MORTON, LYDIA APPLE, J. W. HOLT, Committee

Description of The White House Wedding.

Washington, Nov. 25.—Francis B. Sayre and Miss Jessie Woodrow Wilson, second daughter of the president, were joined in marriage late today at the White House before a company of distinguished officials of the United States government, members of the diplomatic corps, close friends and relatives.

It was a scene of rare brilliancy, touched, through the ten minutes of ceremony, with a grave solemnity as the President of the United States stood by his wife, their faces a study in deep emotion, as they gave in marriage the first of their children. It was an intensely human sight as the meaningful words of the service were spoken before an altar of palms, ferns and white lilies.

With a pretty double ring service the couple were united and the assemblage spoke the Lord's Prayer in monotone. When the Marine Band struck up the wedding march of Mendelssohn from that moment the White House was transformed into a scene of gay animation and joyfulness.

A reception for the guests by the President, Mrs. Wilson and the wedded couple followed. The East room was cleared of its carpets and the young folks danced well into the evening, brilliant uniforms and elaborate gowns gliding gracefully over the glistening floor.

When the guests had gone the bridal party sat down in the breakfast room and the bride cut the wedding cake with the sword of Dr. Cary T. Grayson, U. S. N., the President's physician and companion.

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PRES. T. M. EMERSON DEAD.

President Emerson of Coast Line Stricken in Georgia, Died in Wilmington.

Wilmington, Nov. 25.—Following an attack of acute indigestion suffered Sunday night at Dupont, Ga., while on a trip of inspection of the system with the board of directors, Thomas Martin Emerson, since November 21, 1905, president of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company, died tonight at 11 o'clock at his home in this city.

Mr. Emerson was brought home from Waycross, Ga., on a special train, arriving early today and was attended by his family physician, an improvement having been noted in his condition until toward midnight, when an attack of angina pectoris caused his death, while surrounded by his family physicians and members of his family.

He rose to the presidency of one of the south's greatest railroad systems from the very ranks, by successive steps, first as clerk in the freight offices, later as chief clerk in the general freight and passenger office, then general freight agent, and until July, 1902, general traffic manager, being accounted at that time one of the best trafficked men in the entire country. He later became third vice-president of the system in charge of traffic, and in November, 1905, was elected president to succeed the late R. G. Erwin, of Savannah, Ga. He was of the constructive type of railway presidents and encouraged the development of the country through which the system passed as the surest and safest policy of the road. He was prominent socially, a Mason of high degree and took an active interest in the life of the community in which he lived. Born March 29, 1851, in Preble county, Ohio, he was in the 63d year of his age. He first entered the railway service as a clerk in the freight office at Hagerstown, Ohio, and in Marion, Ind., becoming later chief freight and ticket agent at Fort Wayne for the Muncie & Cincinnati Railroad. He was later general traveling passenger agent of the Detroit & Indianapolis Through Line. He came south in January, 1875, and was first clerk in the general freight office of the Charlotte, Columbia & Augusta railroad in Columbia, S. C. Five years later he became chief clerk in the general freight and passenger department of the Atlantic Coast Line in Wilmington, advancing successively to assistant general freight agent, remaining continuously in the service of the Atlantic Coast Line, except for a year spent as assistant general freight and passenger agent of the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway. In 1882 he became general freight and passenger agent of the Atlantic Coast Line at Wilmington, advancing to the presidency by successive steps.

"Fifty thousand dollars? That is a lot of money. But it's not enough. I can't think of a sum large enough to induce me to leave Connie Mack, the man who made me."

That was the answer Eddie Collins, king of second basemen, made to an offer of \$50,000 for three years' labor in the Federal League. Abe L. Einstein, a Philadelphia, who represents the outlaw baseball organization, made the proposition to the Athletics' star.

The contract which was presented to Collins called for a yearly salary of \$15,000, or \$45,000 for the trio of seasons. To guarantee the payment of this princely stipend, the \$45,000 was to be placed in any bank designated by Collins, where it would draw interest. At the same time, an arrangement was to be made by which he could write semi-monthly checks for \$1,250 during the playing season. When the three years had ended, it was pointed out to Eddie that the interest would increase the amount to more than \$50,000.

Killed in Auto Wreck. Hollidaysburg, Pa., Nov. 26.—Three women were killed and another woman and a man probably fatally injured near here today when a freight train on the Pennsylvania railroad struck an automobile in which the party was riding.

Spain Will Not Sell Warship. Madrid, Nov. 26.—The Spanish cabinet at a meeting this afternoon discussed the Mexican situation and, it is reported, decided to send a warship to Mexican waters.