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Rev. Davis Heard by Large Crowds.
Rev. E. L. Davis, secretary of the Anti-Saloon League of the State, was heard with pleasure at the Christian, Front Street Methodist and Baptist Churches of the town Sunday. A big crowd was present at each place to hear this distinguished speaker. He speaks with much enthusiasm and is pushing forth with every effort the prohibition cause. He says that it is hoped to have State wide prohibition in every State in the Nation by 1920. A move is now on in the legislature to have a law passed prohibiting the shipping of intoxicating beverages into the State. Mr. Davis urges that many citizens write the representatives and senators urging the passage of this law.

Ezzell-Dunn.

The following article is clipped from the Charlotte Observer and will be of interest to many folks in this city, as Mr. Ezzell is well remembered in the town:

Miss Stella Dunn and Mr. Peter S. Ezzell were quietly married last night at 9:00 o'clock at the home of the bride's parents in Mount Holly. Only a few relatives and very intimate friends were present. Although no formal announcement had been made of the marriage, it was not unexpected by their friends. The young people had been acquainted for two years and a half and it was currently known that they were to plight their troth at some time in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. Ezzell will arrive in the city tomorrow to live at their home, 509 E. Tenth Street.

The bride is an attractive young woman of high worth, who has many warm friends. Mr. Ezzell is a son of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Ezzell, of this city, his father being foreman of The Observer composing room. The groom is a young man of sturdy qualities, straightforward character and manners and industry. He is the swiftest operator on The Observer's force and the general standard of his work is much above the average. He is popular among his associates and enjoys the best wishes of all.

Sweptonville-Hawfields.

Sweptonville and Hawfields crossed bats on the former's grounds Feb. 4. The game was called at 3 o'clock. This was one of the best games that has been pulled off on this ground for a long time. Hawfields seemed to take the game in the seventh, the home boys by good rally in the ninth bunched three hits in succession which resulted in 2 to 1 in favor of Sweptonville.

This game was played in 40 minutes. There were only three errors credited in the game: Hawfields one and Sweptonville two. Hits: Hawfields 3, Sweptonville 4. Strike-outs: Hawfields 8, Sweptonville 8.

"Bought and Paid For."

"Bought and Paid For" and "Little Women" are two of New York's greatest successes. Manager William A. Brady enjoys the proud distinction of being the producer of these two wonderfully successful plays. Both of these offerings have enjoyed successful runs at the Brady Playhouse, New York, and are among the bookings at the Piedmont Theatre during the coming season.

The regular "Bought and Paid For" Matinee cast is to visit this city with the complete production of the Piedmont Theatre, Feb. 12.

High School Debaters Selected.

The Burlington High School's representatives in the annual triangular debate against those of Jamestown and Graham, on March 2nd, have been chosen. They are Sam Bason, David Curtis, Graham Faucett and Rufus Wilson. These four were selected from a number of contestants in a preliminary debate held some days ago.

The query for the triangular debate is "Resolved that the Constitution of North Carolina should be so amended as to allow the initiative and referendum for state wide legislation." Burlington, Graham and Jamestown will each have two teams in the field, one defending the negative and the other the affirmative of this query. Burlington's negative team which is David Curtis and Sam Bason, will go to Graham, its affirmative team, Graham Faucett and Rufus Wilson, will debate on "the home grounds" against Jamestown.

The triangular debate is also a part of the more recently organized and highly inclusive system of high school debaters throughout North Carolina, the most successful teams being given a trip to Chapel Hill, where they compete for final honors in the form of a trophy cup. This feature is under the direction of the University of North Carolina. It is necessary for a school to win both of its debates before it is entitled to be considered in connection with the later contests. The preliminary debates at Chapel Hill will be held Thursday evening, April 2 and Friday morning, April 3rd.

The final debate will be held on the evening of April 3rd. One hundred and fifty-nine schools have already entered the Debating Union.

New Building an Assured Fact.

Mr. Joseph A. Isley has fully developed the idea of erecting a new building on his lot on Front and Worth streets. The building will front on Front street and will be next to the beautiful four-story building of The First National Bank. The architect is now busy drawing plans for this new building, which will be erected as soon as plans can be arranged. The building will be a large four-story, 90x100 feet. In addition to the four stories a basement will also be arranged for the storing of goods. The first and second floors will be arranged for the selling of merchandise, while the third and fourth will be cut into offices. As soon as the architect has finished the design for the building, any one desiring to make a rental contract can do so by seeing the proprietor of the building. The building will be erected out of beautiful white Hy-texaface brick and will be equipped with every modern convenience. When finished it will be one of the nicest buildings of the town. Samples of the brick to be used have already been received and were examined by the writer of this article. Mr. Isley is a hustler, never idle, but continually on the alert to be doing something which will benefit his town. He is to be congratulated upon the wonderful success he has already achieved.

Tree Insured for \$30,000.

The most valuable fruit tree in the world has had built around it a fence 30 feet high to keep out miscreants and has been insured against wind and fire with Lloyd's of London, for \$30,000.

The tree is a six-year old alligator pear and is on a Whittier ranch owned by H. A. Woodworth. Last year the tree made its owner \$3,206, and he didn't give it as much attention as the ordinary man gives to an old speckled hen.

Fifteen hundred dollars of the money came from the sale of pears at \$6 a dozen, and the remainder—in other words, the big end of the purse—came from the sale of bud-wood. Buds sold so rapidly last year at 10 cents apiece that Mr. Woodworth raised his price to 22 cents in order to avoid having to ruin the tree to satisfy bud-wood hunters.—Los Angeles Examiner.

Father Shot Son.

Tarboro, Feb. 7.—Becoming enraged at his 20-year-old son, Luther, W. E. Whitehurst, of Conetoe, today emptied the contents of a shotgun into the boy's body, with serious if not fatal results.

The quarrel was the result, it is alleged of abuse heaped upon the boy and his mother, which was resented by the son. The father is under arrest.

Valentine's Day.

St. Valentine's Day is Saturday, Feb. 14. Already the windows of the stores are beginning to reflect something of the spirit of the day. In this connection, the following is from the pen of Edwin L. Sabin, in Lippincott's:

"It seems a long, long time ago when we sent out valentines. Those were pleasant little missives. I refer not to the caricatures, by which the romance of the day was much impaired, but to the lacy, heart-to-arrow, poetic kind, some of which cost as much as ten cents.

"The feverish distribution of these did no harm; on the contrary, it must have worked good. The sentiments expressed were at least read, even if not always believed, sometimes not understood. Few of us but can recall excerpts, which we recast with a certain wistful zest that decries age! We appreciate them now more than we did then.

"Why not really revive Saint Valentine's day? We need it. We need more of the sentiment that is cheap; not cheap sentiment. We need this authority to pause in our hurly-burly out pursuit of the tangible and the material, and to give ourselves over to one general indulgence in the romance and chivalry.

"All the world loves a lover. The fact can never die. And although Saint Valentine's Day is but a masquerade and a mummery, wherein we play at a Court of Love, its 12 hours of pretty pretence distill dew upon the most sordid heart.

"We in America have few gentle observances; we do much for practical gain and much out of patriotism; but we devote ourselves—we as a people—to the purely fanatical and ethereal custom doomed, perhaps, by natural progress. However, may we not have back upon our National calendar good Saint Valentine's Day, in all its innocence of eternal vows to sweeten the workaday heart? Though it come as a fad, let it come."

Dr. Gray at Oakdale February 17.

Liberty, Feb. 9.—Dr. Dan T. Gray, Chief of the Department of Animal Industry of the North Carolina Experiment Station, will attend the Dairy School at Oakdale School in Patterson Township on Tuesday, February 17. He will accompany Messrs Reed and Combs, State Dairymen, and assist them in holding the school on that day. He will address those attending on the subject of "Pig Raising," especially in connection with Dairying. Dr. Gray seldom gets the opportunity or the time to go into the country on such occasions, and we feel especially favored to have him with us. We are anxious to have a large number of farmers, young and old, from other sections of the county attend our school on that day.

Messrs Reed and Combs will conduct the regular program for the day, the program for February being a demonstration of Milk Skimming with the Cream Separator, Milk Testing for Butterfat, Cheam Testing, etc.

Every farmer interested in Dairying or not, will find interest and profit in attending.

Mr. Bailey is Bitter.

Chicago, Feb. 7.—"The country has emerged from the boss rule only to enter on a conflict of demagoguery and socialism," said former United States Senator Joseph Bailey, tonight at the annual banquet of the Michigan Society of Chicago. "The boss is better than the demagogue," he continued, "because it is easier to get rid of him."

"The two men who are most prominent at present in our politics," said Mr. Bailey, "are the two who have denounced the bosses most unsparingly and they are the two men above all who have acted the boss to the limit. One of them at the head of the party not now in power, imposes his will on his associates with an impetuosity which finds no parallel in our history. The head of the party to which I belong controls the senate and the house of representatives today, as if they were subordinate branches of the government."

Not Always The Same.

Like causes don't always produce the same effect. Give to a pig when it grunts, the Democrats when they run for office and you'll have a fine pig and a busted country.

An Invitation.

Delighted Young Lady (to young man she had been dancing with)—Oh, I could dance to heaven with you! Young Man—Can you reverse?

County School News.

The fourth regular meeting of the Alamance Teachers' Association was held in the Court House, Saturday, February 7th. Despite the rain a number of teachers were present.

The date of the County Commencement at the last Teachers' Meeting was publicly announced at the last Teachers' Meeting. As heretofore, it will be held the last Saturday in April, which is April 25th. Several new features will be added this year and many former ones will be enlarged. The Girl's Tomato Clubs will have the largest representation present at any commencement yet held. A number of girls from the different schools are making with their fingers the dresses they expect to wear to the commencement. Several industrial projects will be exhibited and handsome prizes will be announced soon for those schools bringing the handsomest floats to the commencement.

The Row, Peterson Company has offered two pins to the two seventh grade graduates showing the greatest proficiency in English Grammar and Composition. The first prize is a solid gold pin, and the second prize is a solid silver pin. These will be awarded at the County Commencement.

The Friendship High School will give a play, "The Deacon," at Sweptonville Saturday evening, February 28th. This play promises to be quite a success and it is hoped that a large audience will greet the High School on its first tour.

The Sampahaw School has organized a Country Life Club with the following officers: President, Mr. Hardy Stockard; vice president, Mr. S. E. Woody; secretary, Mr. W. R. Freshwater. This is the seventh local Country Life Club in the county. This club had a Box Party some days ago and made \$23.

Mr. J. G. Clark, of the Center School, was in Graham last Monday and purchased for his school a globe, two maps and two teachers' chairs.

The County Life Club of Alamance will offer to the schools of the county this year the following prizes for the material improvement made in the school buildings, grounds and the general equipment:

- 1st prize, \$50 cash.
- 2nd prize, \$25 cash.
- 3rd prize, \$25 cash.
- 4th prize, quartered oak table, given by White Furniture Co., of Mebane.
- 5th prize, Teachers' Chair, given by Green-McClure Co., Graham.
- 6th prize, Teachers' chair, given by Mebane Chair Factory.
- 7th prize, Wall Clock, given by Mr. Z. T. Hadley, of Graham.
- 8th prize, Water Tank, given by Holt & May Hardware Co., of Burlington.
- 9th prize, Water Tank, given by M. B. Smith Furniture Co., of Burlington.

A cash prize of \$10.00 will be given to the negro school making the greatest material improvement.

It is hoped that every school in the county will strive for first prize. It will not take very much work, or time, or money to clean off the playground, or to sow grass and plant flowers. Why not have a beautiful school-house? It costs very little to build a wood house and out-buildings and these add much to the comfort of the country school.

All work done between September 1, 1913, and April 20th, 1914, may be reported by schools contesting for the prizes. These reports must be sworn to be correct and must be in the hands of the county superintendent not later than April 23rd. These reports should be carefully kept. No equipment provided for with county funds will be counted in the contest; but all permanent improvements, or supplies, and all work donated to the school will be counted. Let every man, woman and child in Alamance County do something for the schools during the next two months. The only people who fail are those who do not try.

The Baraca and Philathen Classes of the Baptist church will have a business meeting at 7:30 o'clock Friday night, February 13th, at the Church. At 8:00 o'clock a joint social will be held to which the other organized classes are invited. The admission will be a valentine.

What's the Use?

"Are you an optimist?"
"No. What's the use of worrying yourself to death trying to find something to be cheerful for?"—Washington Post.

SOCIETY NEWS.

Mrs. A. D. Pate charmingly entertained at her home on Fisher street Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 to 6:00 o'clock in honor of her visitors, Misses Lelia Williamson, of McIver, and Frances Williamson, of Danville. The house was decorated in potted and flowering plants. Progressives Book was played at six tables. Refreshments consisting of salads, ices and coffee and mints were served. The guests were: Mesdames W. E. Sharpe, O. F. Crowson, D. E. Sellers, W. F. Dailey, J. W. Lasley, J. S. Frost, W. S. Rives, J. H. Holt, P. E. Morrow and C. A. Smith and Misses Nettie and Byrdie Dailey, Lolla Lasley, Ada Belle Isley, Ella and Florine Robertson, Mary and Margaret Freeman, Bettie Vann Ward and Bessie Holt.

Mrs. James N. Williamson, Jr., gave an elaborate reception at her lovely home on Park Avenue Wednesday evening from 8:30 to 12 o'clock in honor of Mrs. Spencer, of Martinsville, Va., to the Burlington Bridge Club. The hall, parlor, sitting room and dining room were decorated in pink and green, palms and ferns and carnations ad sweet peas being used in profusion. Progressive bridge was played at six tables. Punch was served in the hall by Mrs. Eugene Holt. The guests were shown to the dining room, which was beautiful in pink and green, the color scheme being carried out in the lights, flowers and mints and ices. Refreshments were served in three courses. The guests were: Messrs and Mesdames: J. H. Holt, F. L. Williamson, L. Banks Williamson, of Glencoe; Lynn B. Williamson, of Graham; Eugene Holt, Erwin A. Holt, L. S. Holt, Jr., and Gee Gant of Altamahaw; Messrs. Jeffreys, of Richmond, and Bob and Will Holt and Misses Jessamine and Corinna Gant and Minnie Williamson and Mrs. Spencer.

Mrs. Joseph A. Isley entertained the Round Dozen Club at her home on Davis street Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Rook was played at four tables, and embroidery bags were also called into play. Refreshments consisting of fruit salad, ices and mints were served. Besides the club members there were present Mrs. C. L. Isley and Misses Lelia and Frances Williamson.

At The Episcopal Church.

A week's revival services are being conducted at the Church of the Holy Comforter. The services began Sunday February 8th, and will continue to Sunday night, February 15th. The services are being conducted by Rev. John R. Matthews, Missioner, and Rev. John Benner Gibble, rector. The following subjects will be discussed on the following nights:

- Wednesday, Feb. 11, at 8 o'clock: "One Thing I Know" or Experience above Theory.
- Thursday, Feb. 12, at 8 o'clock: "Elijah and Elisha."
- Friday, Feb. 13, at 8 o'clock: "Rejection of Saul."
- Sunday, Feb. 15, 11 a. m.: "Friendship of Jesus."
- Sunday Afternoon, at 3 o'clock: "Man Only—'Good Samaritan'."
- Sunday Evening, 7:30 o'clock: "Despondency of Elijah."

"Bought and Paid For."

George H. Broadhurst cast aside all stage conventions when he wrote "Bought and Paid For," which will appear at the Piedmont on Thursday, February 12th, coming from William A. Brady's Playhouse, New York, where it has been the dramatic sensation of present day theatricals. The story is one that grips and holds the pulsation of the heart, as we see it from the rise to the fall of the curtain. The incidents and happenings are such that every husband and wife will draw a lesson from it. Mr. Broadhurst has imbued into his story a new vein of comedy that is really delightful and is bound to leave a lasting impression upon the mind of every auditor. The cast and production come here under the personal direction of William A. Brady, who has spared no expense in sending to this city the complete Playhouse production and a very strong cast.

You occasionally find a man who realizes that he can't sing, but you never saw one that didn't think he had a keen sense of humor.—New Orleans Picayune.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BANQUET.

The Annual Banquet at The Piedmont Hotel, Friday Night a Great Success.

The annual banquet of the Chamber of Commerce was pulled off Friday evening at the Piedmont Hotel at eight o'clock. The occasion which is celebrated each year has grown to be very elaborate, and on this occasion was attended by sixty or more. The spread which was served in five courses was especially enjoyer. To the delight of those present, Mr. J. H. Vernon served as toastmaster of the occasion. Music was furnished by Wilson's Orchestra. Immediately after supper Mr. W. A. Erwin, of Durham, one of the State's most prominent business men and manufacturers, was introduced. Mr. Erwin was a former citizen of this town and has a number of relatives here. His speech for the occasion was summed up in telling about the Past, the Present and predicting the Future, of our town. He gave many interesting facts which were greatly appreciated by his hearers.

The tables were decorated with carnations. The other speaker of the evening was E. S. W. Dameron, of this city. Mr. Dameron has been kind enough to put his speech in writing and we are publishing it for the benefit of those who could not be present. Mr. Dameron is a very entertaining orator and his addresses are always listened to with pleasure.

SOME RECENT ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

Address before the Annual Banquet of Burlington Chamber of Commerce Friday, February 6th, 1914, by E. S. W. Dameron:

Gentlemen:

In every city there are two great forces which inspire and shape its activities and determine its growth and destiny—the individual and social. Each of these forces must be recognized and emphasized in the building of every City. Every citizen has both an individual and a social duty to perform. His individual duties would confine him to his own personal business and cause him to forget his social relations and that he is his brother's keeper; his social relations would remind him that no man can live to himself or die to himself, and that the interest of the individual is inseparably linked with the interest of society. These are two fundamental laws of human society and human progress and one is as absolute as the other.

Often in the pursuit of our personal and individual tasks we are inclined to neglect and ignore the forces that make for social uplift and community progress, and so we have found in the City of Burlington many who cannot appreciate the value and worth of the Chamber of Commerce to our City. In fact but few of us realize how great are the benefits conferred by this organization, either in the way of promoting industrial progress or in the cultivation of community spirit. Is the Chamber of Commerce worth while? What has it done during the past year to justify the small outlay of capital that has been made by the unselfish citizens of this community? Let the record of its achievements answer these questions forever.

Take first the Municipal Advertisement in front of the railroad passenger station. The Chamber of Commerce has secured a contract with the Piedmont Railway & Electric Co., by which this Company has agreed to furnish free lights for this board for a term of fifty years. If we calculate the expenses of these lights according to the usual charges and then calculate properly the interest, we find that the saving to the City on this score alone with amount to at least \$23,000. Again, I ask you to remember that the Chamber of Commerce has recently established the cluster light on the Corner of Front and Main streets at a cost of \$48.00 and the Piedmont Railway & Electric Co., has agreed to furnish free lights for this beautiful beacon of commerce and industry for a term of fifty years, which at the least calculation means a saving to the city of \$36,000. This Chamber of Commerce has also secured a permanent arrangement with the same company for the installation of as many other cluster lights, of like character as may be desired, at a cost of only \$55.00 a year, and should ten such lights be erected, as has been proposed, the saving to the city would be \$550.00 a year.

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