

## MUCH STREET WORK IS RECOMMENDED

Nine Streets Selected for Work That Will Cost City \$73,430 for Bitulithic or \$37,717 for Macadam With Tar Binder—Police Protection for Suburbs is Discussed.

The city executive board at its regular meeting last night passed resolutions recommending to the board of aldermen the paving of stretches of nine streets of the city, the aggregate cost of which work to the city is estimated by the city engineer at \$73,430 if the bitulithic pavement is used, and \$37,717 if the tar binder is used with macadam. This does not take into account the cost of the street to the owners of the property bordering on the streets to be improved.

The streets selected as needing paving were worse than others and unanimously agreed upon by the board, are as follows: East Trade from Brevard to McDowell street; Kingston avenue from Elizabeth street to East Seventh street; East Seventh street extension from Kingston avenue to Pecan avenue; West Trade street from Mint to Cedar; North Poplar from Trade to Tenth; East Third from Tryon to College; West Seventh from Tryon to Church; North Church from Seventh to Sixth street, and South boulevard.

The board passed a resolution asking the aldermen to order the lay-

ing of a cement walk on East Fifth street from the fire department to College and on the west side of College from Fifth to Trade. The city's share of this will be \$275, this being one-half of the expense. It was also recommended that the aldermen order a cement sidewalk laid on the south side of West Fourth street from Church to Poplar, the city's cost to be \$145.

The board purchased for \$1,800 a Kelly steam roller, with the purpose of using it chiefly in the suburbs in the laying of street paving.

The executive board discussed at some length the matter of police protection for the suburbs of the city. It was remarked that the county has licensed a number of near-bear joints just beyond the city limits at North Charlotte and other places probably and it was thought that the county commissioners should assume for the county a part of the cost of police protection for these districts and others where the city limits and consequently the ordinary police jurisdiction does not extend over a whole settlement. It is probable that the matter will be taken up with the county officials in the near future.

## Explosion of Gasoline And Unruly Blaze Threaten The Queen City Hotel

As Mr. Jake Shuman was working over the office books of his son, Mr. C. F. Shuman, at the slate and tin shops at the corner of College and Fifth streets this morning, he struck a match, lighted his pipe and dashed the burning splinter aside. In a second there was a loud explosion and an immediate blaze. Mr. Shuman dashed from the building with his clothes on fire, screaming "fire." Help was quickly secured.

The match had gone too near a 5-gallon gasoline can, the top of which had been unscrewed, and the explosion followed. In less than two minutes flames were leaping from every window of the lower floor of the Queen City Hotel and the fire department was hurrying to the scene. In

less than 15 minutes the fire alarm was rung out, but it is safe to state that in so short a time a fiercer and more dangerous fire has not occurred in Charlotte in years.

The fire department did admirable work against odds not realized until after the blaze had been snuffed, for the electric wires had fallen and man after man dashed into a 250-volt transmission line only to be knocked back. "What is that tickling me?" yelled Chief Orr, while fighting in the fiercest section of the fire. No one answered, and it was afterwards that he discovered the tickling machine still operating.

Damages of \$500 or more were done, but the place can be entirely renovated within a short time.

## "FROG" REEDER GETS IN BAD AGAIN

Little Pickaninnee Released by Judge Long from Road Sentence by Recorder is Caught in the Act of Robbing Fruit Stand, but Gets Away.

Louis Reeder, the 6-year-old waif sent to jail several months ago for pilfering the home of Mr. J. A. Yarbrough, on North Tryon street, was released by Judge Long two days ago. The little negro was thought to be too young to realize the significance of a road sentence, so he was allowed to go out free. Last night "Frog" was caught stealing fruit from the dago who operates a stand on South Tryon street, opposite "the Academy of Music. Officer Owens was standing across the street and saw the little negro with three others sneak up while the dago's back was turned and load their pockets with the choicest fruits. When the policeman charged the negroes fled. They vanished into the night and were completely swallowed up. Frog rushed down the Charlotte Steam Laundry alley and has not been seen. He wore a gay and festive Pohnatan costume, with feathers and shells, and Frog was in his glory.

The policeman lost him but later Recorder Smith passed him on the street, and knowing the young crim-

inal, who so frankly tells the court the truth when brought before it, spoke, "Good evening, Frog," said the recorder.

It was all that was necessary and Frog again bolted for the dark. "I thought the little devil must have been into some mischief, from the way he ran when recognized," said Recorder Smith this morning, when advised that Frog had not been located.

## WERE FINED \$15 EACH FOR "SKIN"

Harvey Caldwell, colored, "peached" on Milas King and Giles White, who were playing skin with him and aided in the finding by the court of a verdict of "guilty." By the chicanery Harvey came clear and the others were fined \$15 and the costs each. The cases were tried this morning before Recorder Smith.

Pearl Shuford, colored, was sentenced to 30 days in jail for drunkenness. John Hoskins was fined \$5 and the costs for a similar offense. J. Johnson forfeited a \$10 appearance bond for drunkenness and a capias issued for him.

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## Ayer's Cherry Pectoral Doctors

### NEW CLUB HOME TO BE OPENED TO-DAY

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at the door of their dressing room on the second floor, which fronts on Poplar street toward the northeast. The gentleman's dressing room is on the same floor on the northwestern part of the building. The handsomest feature of the second floor is the large assembly hall, into which one ascends from the first floor by a broad staircase. The room is beautifully finished, the walls being buff mottled and the ceiling ivory. The room is so arranged that with the ingenious folding doors it can be accommodated in size to any party that occupies it.

In the southeastern corner of the second floor is a suite of rooms planned especially for prominent guests of the club. The suite includes the large corner room with bath and an adjoining room for the secretary or other companion of the person who occupies it. There is easy access to the reception room and the porches. Another of the loveliest rooms on this floor is the ladies' parlor, which is at the southwest corner of the building. With its five large windows, handsome mantel, walls finished in green, green carpeted floors and furniture of green panne velvet it is one of the beauty spots of the building.

One of the noteworthy features of the building is handsomely finished and elegantly furnished rooms for its members, these rooms, 24 in number, renting from \$20 to \$50 a month. These rooms occupy the third and fourth floors, the third floor being entirely taken up with these apartments.

On the fourth floor besides the apartments for members, are the main dining room, private dining room and kitchen. The dining room is unusually attractive and picturesque. It has five stately columns, the treatment of these columns adding much to the effect. The ceiling is in buff, and the walls are finished in copper effect, mottled with green, blue and red. There are tables for two, four and six and the service is la carte.

In the basement of the building are the shower baths, barber shop, motor room, and a very tempting feature of the club, the rathskeller, which is cosy and comfortable, appropriately furnished and with an abundance of light.

The new building is elegantly furnished and equipped throughout with telephones, baths and everything that the modern club man needs or desires.

#### The Club Organization.

The Southern Manufacturers' Club was organized in December, 1904, and since the date of its organization has been an important factor in the life of the city of Charlotte and of the piedmont section of the Carolinas. The special purposes in the organization of the club was "to increase intercourse between Southern manufacturers and business men with each other and the people with whom they are in commercial relation; to assist in promoting Southern industrial development and to the extension of trade relations of manufacturers of the entire United States; and for the social benefit of its members and to provide for such members a pleasant place of common resort for entertainment."

The club was organized with the following named officers: President, H. S. Chadwick; vice president, J. L. Chambers; secretary, C. C. Adams. Those who have served as president since in the order in which they come are: Messrs. Vinton Liddell, D. E. Allen, D. A. Tompkins, J. S. Cothran, T. S. Franklin, D. A. Tompkins, R. M. Miller, Jr., and C. B. Bryant, who is present incumbent.

Besides President Bryant, who has been secretary and treasurer of the American Cotton Manufacturers' Association since the organization was formed and is a prominent cotton man, the officers of the club are: Vice president, H. M. Victor, banker and manufacturer; secretary, Col. A. L. Smith, manufacturer; treasurer, C. E. Frick. The committee that had in hand the plans, contracts and the building and furnishing of the new club home was as follows: C. B. Bryant, chairman; W. S. Lee, Jr., manager of the Southern Power Company; S. W. Cramer, mill contractor and machinery agent; John M. Scott, banker and wholesaler; E. W. Thompson, Southern Cotton Oil Company; T. C. Guthrie, attorney.

The club includes in its personnel practically every manufacturer of prominence not only in Charlotte, but of the piedmont section of the Carolinas, with quite a number from further South and from Northern cities; bankers, merchants, professional men and quite a number of representatives of large Northern textile machinery and other concerns that have business interests in the South. The influence of such an organization may easily be imagined. It is hardly probable that any organization in the South has exerted a more valuable influence, or has done more to build up in every way the several branches of the textile industry in the South.

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