

Charlotte Banks Annual Meeting

According to Usual Custom Stockholders of National Banks of City Met Today to Elect Officers and Directors.

It is the custom of the National Banks of the city to hold their annual meeting the second Tuesday in January. This being the date the following banks held meetings:

First National, Commercial National, Merchants National, Farmers National, Charlotte National, Union National and American Trust Company. The result of the meetings follows:

Merchants and Farmers. The annual meeting of the stockholders was held at 11 o'clock, Mr. W. C. McAden was chairman of the meeting and Mr. W. C. Wilkinson, secretary.

The officers elected were as follows: President—Geo. E. Wilson, vice-president—J. B. Ross, secretary—W. C. Wilkinson, assistant cashier—Harvey W. Moore.

W. H. Bell, W. L. Bruns, W. F. Dowd, J. M. Harwood, J. P. Hackney, Vinton H. H. Meaden, W. G. McLaughlin, C. McNeely, D. E. Rhine, Jno. C. S. M. Robinson, J. H. Wear, W. C. Wilkinson.

Change in the officers was made by Mr. Moore who is teller, assistant cashier and teller.

American Trust Company. The stockholders assembled at 3 o'clock at their annual meeting. The officers in the list of officers will be withdrawing, owing to pressure of business of Mr. T. S. Franklin, one of the two vice-presidents, also a director. The officers and directors, with the exception—and the election of one to fill Mr. Franklin's place—

President—George Stephens. Vice-presidents—W. S. Lee, and Secretary and treasurer—W. H. Keesler.

Union National. The stockholders met in the directors room at 11 o'clock. Officers elected were as follows:

President—T. W. Wade. Vice President—F. D. Alexander. Cashier—H. M. Victor. Teller and Bookkeeper—D. P. Tillett. Bookkeeper—A. G. Trotter, Jr. Runner—E. L. Grler.

Directors—F. D. Alexander, Peter S. Gilchrist, W. B. Rodman, E. A. Smith, A. H. Washburn, T. W. Wade.

Charlotte National. The stockholders' meeting was held at 11 o'clock. The officers and directors for the ensuing year are:

President—J. H. Little. Vice-presidents—J. M. Scott and F. Robinson. Cashier—W. H. Twitty. Teller—Carey W. Butt and W. B. McClintock.

Directors—W. H. Bell, John G. Brice, W. J. Chambers, J. M. Davis, H. H. Hagood, B. D. Heath, O. P. Heath, H. O. Link, J. H. Little, W. M. Long, W. O. Nisbett, C. M. Peterson, H. N. Pharr, J. F. Robinson, Jno. M. Scott, W. H. Twitty, C. Valner, W. A. Watson, J. W. Zimmerman.

First National. The annual meetings of stockholders of this bank was held at eleven o'clock.

President, H. M. McAden, president; G. W. Bryan, vice president, and the directors: Frank Gilreath, J. S. Myers, C. A. Williams, Chas. A. Bland, Geo. W. Graham, Messrs. T. H. Gaither, J. C. Burroughs, and other stockholders. Mr. Thos. H. Gaither was appointed chairman, George W. Bryan, secretary.

Committee appointed to report number of shares of stock represented by proxy 1377, personally 1045, total 2422.

Cashier's report read and accepted, president's report read and accepted. Board of directors nominated and elected: Frank Gilreath, J. S. Myers, Chas. A. Williams, Chas. A. Bland, George W. Graham, Geo. W. Bryan, Curtis Bynum, J. H. McAden, H. M. McAden.

Thos. H. Gaither, Chairman. The annual meeting of the directors was called to order by H. M. McAden, president. Mr. Frank Gilreath was made chairman and Mr. Chas. A. Williams secretary.

The officers elected were: President—H. M. McAden. Vice President—G. W. Bryan. Cashier—J. F. Orr. Teller—Baxter Rosa.

Commercial National. The stockholders of the Commercial National Bank held their annual meeting at 12 o'clock. Reports showing the year 1910 to have been one of the most successful in the bank's history. Dividend of 10 per cent, amounting to \$50,000, were paid and a large amount added to surplus.

R. A. Dunn announced his desire to give up the presidency on account of pressure of private business. The stockholders expressed regret at Mr. Dunn's decision and extended a unanimous vote of appreciation of his service during the five years of his tenure as president. He was elected first vice-president, and he will make an active part in the management of the bank.

The old board of directors was elected, viz: R. M. Miller, Jr.; P. M. Brown, D. E. Rhine, R. L. Gibson, C. W. Johnston, E. C. Holt, William E. Holt, A. J. Hagood, L. W. Sanders, Stuart W. Cramer, J. W. Cannon, Jr.; S. B. Tanner, D. H. Anderson, R. C. Carson, W. S. Alexander, Willis Brown, J. A. Durham, T. H. Haughton, P. D. Lethco, W. R. Burwell, J. M. Jamison, R. A. Dunn, A. G. Brenizer.

Society

The directors in turn elected the following officers: President—A. G. Brenizer. First vice-president—R. A. Dunn. Second vice-president—W. E. Holt. Cashier—A. T. Summey.

Miss Lula and Alice Rankin, who have been visiting Miss Kelly, will leave tomorrow for Jackson place where they will make their home.

MRS. LAMBETH'S GUEST. Mrs. F. K. Tomlinson, of Fayetteville arrived in the city yesterday for a short visit to Mrs. Harvey Lambeth.

MR. WHITE HERE. Mr. William White, one of the most prominent young men of Graham, is a visitor in the city. Mr. White is prominently connected in the city. He is a nephew of Capt. S. E. White, of Lancaster S. C.

Mooreville was well represented at the Merry Widow. Among those present were: Messrs. C. F. McChoir, Eugene Johnson, Martin Broom, and C. C. Kirby. Mr. Kirby is postmaster at Mooreville.

Mrs. J. C. Springs, Jr. will leave in the morning for Greensboro.

Mr. and Mrs. F. R. McNinch are home from Greensboro.

WHITE OAK. There will be a meeting of White Oak Camp No. 2, W. O. W., in the Superior Court room, county court house, tomorrow evening, January 11th, at 8 o'clock.

Immediately following the meeting, a banquet will be given at the Central hotel. Tickets will be issued at meeting for the banquet. Mr. W. R. Matthews, is council commander. Mr. E. L. Keesler, clerk.

MR. PALMER HERE. Mr. and Mrs. Harris Mallinckrodt have had a guest for several days whom they delighted to honor: Mr. Arthur W. Palmer, of Baltimore, father of Mrs. Mallinckrodt.

Mr. Palmer is a prominent broker of Baltimore, and his family amongst the most influential in the city. His visit here was a pleasure to the host of friends of Mr. and Mrs. Mallinckrodt—and they are as the sands of the sea. Mr. Palmer will leave this evening on his return to Baltimore.

Brotherhood of St. Mark's Church. At the monthly meeting of the Men's Society of St. Mark's Lutheran church tomorrow night an interesting program will be carried out. The theme of discussion will be: "Things Needed to Promote the Welfare of the City of Charlotte."

The sub-topics and speakers are as follows: (1) To Improve Its City Government—Messrs. C. Valner and Avery Rhine. (2) To Provide an Adequate Water Supply—Messrs. A. R. Willmann and E. J. Atwood. (3) To Promote its health—Drs. T. F. Costner and E. C. Boyette. (4) To Raise Its Moral Standard—Messrs. E. C. Frank and R. L. Pattison. (5) To Provide Amusement and Recreation—Messrs. W. D. Rock and E. O. McElharae. (6) To Enhance its Beauty and Attractiveness—Messrs. F. E. Still and Paul Valner.

An invitation to this meeting is extended not only to members of the organization but to all men of the city who are interested in the discussion of the topic.

Miss Hattie Freeman Dead. Miss Hattie Freeman died last night at 9 o'clock at the home of her mother, Mrs. Virginia Freeman, in Belmont, at the corner of Siegel and George streets. She had been in poor health for five or six months and her death was not entirely unexpected.

She is survived by her mother and one brother and sister. She was a devout and consistent member of East Avenue A. R. P. church.

The funeral services will be conducted from the home tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock, by Rev. Dr. J. G. Kennedy, pastor of East Avenue church. The interment will take place at Mulberry Presbyterian church in Paw Creek, where Miss Freeman was formerly a member.

The following young friends of deceased will act as honorary pall bearers: Misses Belle Stillwell, Eva Kennel, Alma Irwin, Kate Pyron, Hazel Hackett, Pattie Alexander.

The interment will be at Mulberry church.

Reading 10-night. Tonight at 8:20 o'clock at the Y. M. C. A. Mr. Norman Schlichter will give a reading on "The Child Poems of Stevenson, Ipheld and Rivey," under the auspices of the association's educational committee.

The reading will begin promptly at 8:30 o'clock and will take place at Hanna hall.

Championship Series. This coming Saturday night a week in place of the regular basket ball game, in the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium, an all-round athletic championship series will be started. The first series of events will be started this night, and the remaining series will be held at stated periods during the rest of the season.

—Cotton receipts today, 20 bales at 14 1/2; last year 15 at 15 1/2.

Miss Watkins To be Missionary

Endorsed by the Mission Board at Kashing, China—Member of the Second Presbyterian Church, this City, to be Responsible for Her Support. The meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Second Presbyterian church yesterday afternoon was particularly interesting. The society had the pleasure and profit of having the pastor of the church, Dr. McGeachy, present. Dr. McGeachy made a short talk to the society encouraging it along the lines of endeavor toward which its energies are being bent. Another thing to make the meeting memorable was announcement of the fact that Miss Mildred Watkins, who has been in Kashing, China, for about a year studying to become a missionary, has been endorsed by the board of missions and will become a regular missionary, and that a gentleman member of the Second church will be responsible for her support.

Miss Watkins went to China about a year ago with the object in view of becoming a missionary. She took the position of governess in the family of Rev. Mr. Hunter, teaching his children for eight hours a day, and devoting the rest of her time to studying the language. The mission station at Kashing has found that she mastered the language well and has endorsed her as a missionary. She will make formal application for appointment to the Board of Foreign Missions at Nashville, Tenn.

Miss Watkins was for years teacher of Bible at the Presbyterian College, in this city. She is acknowledged to be one of the ablest instructors in Bible ever known in this community. She is a remarkable woman intellectually and spiritually. The desire of her heart had been to be a missionary. After the death of her mother she left for the mission field.

Rev. Dr. Howerton Preached Sunday. For the first time this season the S. R. O. sign was displayed at the Academy of Music last night when "The Merry Widow" was presented at that place. From the number of times the show has played here in the past few years and the enormous crowds that attend each performance it seems that this beautiful operetta, with its glorious melodies and fantastic dances will never cease to be a drawing card. The audience was as completely charmed with the waltz, "The Cavalier," and other familiar selections as they were the first time they heard them, and from the applause, it sounded as though a first night performance was in progress.

For years the public has been wondering how another operetta could be produced and the writer keep from following the set style of the others who have produced light operettas in the past. When "The Merry Widow" was written by Franz Lehár, it set three countries wild by its originality and liberality of construction and from the first night it has been in constant demand.

The company presenting the piece here last night was the best ever seen in the local theatre and to a great degree this was accounted for by the fact that each detail was acted and executed with as much care as was paid to the more important events. The chorus this season was better looking, better drilled and the most perfect dancers ever seen in a company playing "one nighters." They would have given some of the regulars a run for their money even on regular runs. The ensemble numbers were particularly attractive for the whole company worked well together and at the end of each act there were repeated calls for a representation of the closing number. The prettiest of the dancing numbers was the opening of the third act when Miss Myrtle Vail led the dance of the girls from Maxims. Handling herself prettily and leading her chorus in faultless style, her work was artistically perfect.

After playing here one year and then skipping one season Mr. George Damerel returned as "Prince Danilo," his own part in the last evening. As soon as he appeared on the scene in that never-to-be-forgotten drunken entrance he was recognized and in an instant there was an ovation given him by the house. Afterwards he said, "I have been playing this part for some years now and you can't imagine how that reception pleased me. Why, right at first I experienced that care-free feeling of the first night and went into the work with a feeling in my heart that I have not had in a long long time. I love to work to and with, these southern audiences anyhow because they are so warm-hearted in their applause and make a fellow feel like doing his best."

Mr. Damerel was never in better form in his life and along with the rest of the cast he outdid his past performances. Never before on this stage was there seen such a display of dramatic technique combined with natural ability. Not a move was made that was unnecessary and nothing was omitted that would have made more attractive the piece. He was better than ever, which is "going some" for he was awfully good at first.

All of the advance notices heralded the coming of Miss Gertrude Hutcheson in the part of "Sonia," but when the audience looked at the program it was seen that Miss Gertrude Hutcheson was to play the "Widow." The change was acceptable, for no matter how good Miss Hutcheson might have been she could not have played "Sonia" better than did Miss Bryan. Her work was one of the outstanding features of the operetta and from the first, her natural beauty and grace claimed the attention of her audience while her dramatic ability, temperamental personality and wonderfully penetrating voice held them fascinated. Miss Bryan looks like Maude Adams and is blessed with an abundance of personal magnetism that, when added to her natural grace and charm, made possible the great success she has been in the part. Her performance last night was all the more wonderful for the fact that she has only been playing "Sonia" for two weeks, as Miss Hutcheson left the company just that long ago.

How much cannot be said about the rest of the cast for they all had good voices and each one went after their part with an earnestness of purpose and ability that told of ambition to succeed and a desire to do their part well. Among the best of the supporting cast were Mr. Harry Bures, as the Moravian Ambassador, Miss Isabelle Arzels as his wife, Miss Arzels a beautiful woman and her ability as an actress is supplemented with a fine voice. F. V. Shackelford, as "Camille de Jolite," a lover, and Arthur Wooley, as "Nish," a messenger. Mr. Wooley and never failed to get a laugh when he sang.

"The Merry Widow" was greater this year than it has ever been before and that it will continue to be a favorite was shown by the packed house that saw it last night, most of them having seen it before. Here's to a successful season for it and the members of its company.

"Buster Brown." With a brand new scenic equipment, new songs and jokes "Buster Brown" furnishes good whole-some amusement, and entertains the young and old, the weak and strong. "Buster Brown" is better than a tonic, breezy, refreshing, invigorating, musically melodious, and having a swing and dash that has made it deservedly popular and attractive. It will be seen at the Academy of Music tomorrow afternoon and night, headed by such incomparable stars as Master Harold, as "Buster," Al Grady, as "Tige," Madeline Clark, as "Mory Jane," Chas. Odell and Connie Mac creating the new roles of "Seth Sowders" and "Miranda Stebbins."

The show is destined to add laurels to its crown and win more favor than ever. "Buster Brown" is typically American, and for all round entertainment is unexcelled.

"The Nigger." The scenes of "The Nigger," Edward Sheldon's race problem play, which will be presented at the Academy of Music Saturday matinee and night are typically southern in motif. And yet the drama is said to be neither conventional nor sectional. The story is described as intensely human, with a broad application that appeals to all who enjoy intensity and realism on the stage. The underlying plot, as to do with a young ambitious and aristocratic southern governor, who in the midst of his political triumph, discovers that he has black blood in his veins. In the south that means social ostracism, and the effect of such a discovery on a man who has always lived as a white man, and occupied high station in life as a white man, can readily be imagined. "The Nigger" is said to make an irresistible appeal to the emotions. It is the most discussed play of the year, and was originally produced at the famous New Theatre in New York.

CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT CURES COUGHS AND COLDS

Thought She'd Never Get Up

But Lady in Chriesman, Who Went to Bed With This Idea, Has Changed Her Mind. Chriesman, Tex.—In a letter from this place, Lillie Gibson says: "About three years ago, I was just entering womanhood and was sick in bed for nearly nine months. I took medicines from four doctors, but it didn't help me. Sometimes I would ache all over, and I would have such a headache, I had to go to bed. I was in a bad fix, and that is all there is to it. I thought I would try Cardui. Now I am cured of all my troubles, and I shall praise Cardui as long as I live. My sister said I never would get well, but now I am perfectly well, and I am thankful for what the medicine did for me."

Cardui is made from strictly vegetable ingredients. It acts gently on the womanly organs, stimulating them to do their proper work, relieving pain and restoring health.

Are you weak, tired, worn-out? Do you suffer from any of the pains peculiar to weak women? Cardui has a record of more than fifty years in relieving just such troubles.

Will you try it? N. B.—Write to: Ladies' Advisory Dept., Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn., for Special Instructions, and 64-page book, "Home Treatment for Women," sent in plain wrapper, on request.

—Mr. Ab. Harrill asks that it be stated that he was not the Harrill who bought a lot from Mr. M. M. Carter, on the Providence road.

AMUSEMENTS

EDITED BY BRUCE Q. NABERS. Mr. George Damerel—Welcomed. For the first time this season the S. R. O. sign was displayed at the Academy of Music last night when "The Merry Widow" was presented at that place.

From the number of times the show has played here in the past few years and the enormous crowds that attend each performance it seems that this beautiful operetta, with its glorious melodies and fantastic dances will never cease to be a drawing card.

The audience was as completely charmed with the waltz, "The Cavalier," and other familiar selections as they were the first time they heard them, and from the applause, it sounded as though a first night performance was in progress.

For years the public has been wondering how another operetta could be produced and the writer keep from following the set style of the others who have produced light operettas in the past.

When "The Merry Widow" was written by Franz Lehár, it set three countries wild by its originality and liberality of construction and from the first night it has been in constant demand.

The company presenting the piece here last night was the best ever seen in the local theatre and to a great degree this was accounted for by the fact that each detail was acted and executed with as much care as was paid to the more important events.

The chorus this season was better looking, better drilled and the most perfect dancers ever seen in a company playing "one nighters."

They would have given some of the regulars a run for their money even on regular runs. The ensemble numbers were particularly attractive for the whole company worked well together and at the end of each act there were repeated calls for a representation of the closing number.

The prettiest of the dancing numbers was the opening of the third act when Miss Myrtle Vail led the dance of the girls from Maxims.

Handling herself prettily and leading her chorus in faultless style, her work was artistically perfect.

After playing here one year and then skipping one season Mr. George Damerel returned as "Prince Danilo," his own part in the last evening.

As soon as he appeared on the scene in that never-to-be-forgotten drunken entrance he was recognized and in an instant there was an ovation given him by the house.

Afterwards he said, "I have been playing this part for some years now and you can't imagine how that reception pleased me. Why, right at first I experienced that care-free feeling of the first night and went into the work with a feeling in my heart that I have not had in a long long time.

I love to work to and with, these southern audiences anyhow because they are so warm-hearted in their applause and make a fellow feel like doing his best."

Mr. Damerel was never in better form in his life and along with the rest of the cast he outdid his past performances. Never before on this stage was there seen such a display of dramatic technique combined with natural ability.

Not a move was made that was unnecessary and nothing was omitted that would have made more attractive the piece. He was better than ever, which is "going some" for he was awfully good at first.

All of the advance notices heralded the coming of Miss Gertrude Hutcheson in the part of "Sonia," but when the audience looked at the program it was seen that Miss Gertrude Hutcheson was to play the "Widow."

The change was acceptable, for no matter how good Miss Hutcheson might have been she could not have played "Sonia" better than did Miss Bryan. Her work was one of the outstanding features of the operetta and from the first, her natural beauty and grace claimed the attention of her audience while her dramatic ability, temperamental personality and wonderfully penetrating voice held them fascinated.

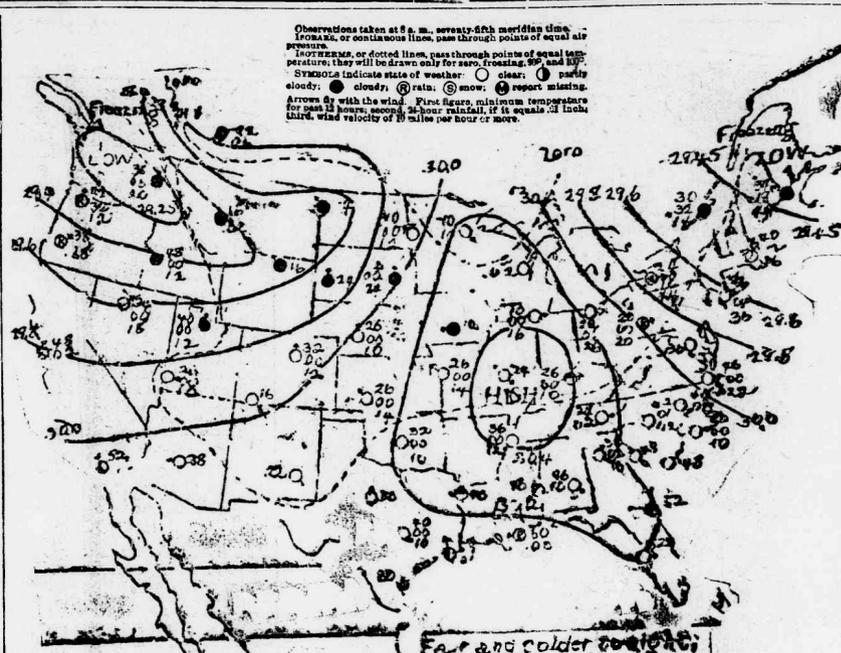
Miss Bryan looks like Maude Adams and is blessed with an abundance of personal magnetism that, when added to her natural grace and charm, made possible the great success she has been in the part.

Her performance last night was all the more wonderful for the fact that she has only been playing "Sonia" for two weeks, as Miss Hutcheson left the company just that long ago.

How much cannot be said about the rest of the cast for they all had good voices and each one went after their part with an earnestness of purpose and ability that told of ambition to succeed and a desire to do their part well.

Among the best of the supporting cast were Mr. Harry Bures, as the Moravian Ambassador, Miss Isabelle Arzels as his wife, Miss Arzels a beautiful woman and her ability as an actress is supplemented with a fine voice.

F. V. Shackelford, as "Camille de Jolite," a lover, and Arthur Wooley, as "Nish," a messenger. Mr. Wooley and never failed to get a laugh when he sang.



Observations taken at 8 a. m., seventy-fifth meridian time. For rain, or other conditions, see through points of equal temperature, they will be drawn only for zero, freezing, 50, and 100. Symbols indicate state of weather: ☉ clear; ☁ partly cloudy; ☁ cloudy; ☁ rain; ☁ snow; ☁ report missing. Arrows by the wind. First figure, minimum temperature for past 24 hours; second, 24-hour rainfall, if it equals .01 inch; third, wind velocity in miles per hour or more.

THE WEATHER.

U. S. Dept. of Agriculture, Weather Bureau, Willis L. Moore, Chief. Tuesday, Jan. 10. For Charlotte and vicinity—Fair tonight and Wednesday, rising temperature. For North Carolina—Fair tonight and Wednesday, rising temperature.

Weather All Over the South. By Associated Press. Washington, D. C., Jan. 10.—Forecast: North and South Carolina:—Fair tonight and Wednesday, with rising temperature; moderate east to southeast winds.

Georgia:—Local rains tonight or Wednesday, except fair in east portion tonight; warmer; moderate northeast to east winds.

Alabama:—Local rains tonight or Wednesday, warmer tonight; moderate east to southeast winds.

Mississippi:—Local rains tonight and Wednesday, warmer tonight, colder Wednesday in north portion; moderate east to southeast winds.

New Orleans, Jan. 10.—Forecast: Louisiana:—Tonight and Wednesday unsettled, local rain tonight or Wednesday, colder Wednesday in North-west portion; light to moderate east to south winds on the coast.

Arkansas:—Tonight and Wednesday unsettled, rain tonight or Wednesday, colder tonight in northwest portion; colder Wednesday.

Oklahoma:—Tonight and Wednesday unsettled, rain or snow tonight or Wednesday, colder with a cold wave; temperature will be about 20 degrees Wednesday.

East Texas:—Tonight and Wednesday unsettled, rain tonight or Wednesday, colder in the interior south-west; light to moderate south winds on the coast.

West Texas:—Tonight and Wednesday unsettled, rain in south and rain or snow in north portion tonight or Wednesday, colder in north portion tonight, colder Wednesday, cold wave in north portion with temperature 10 degrees Wednesday.

any picture in our store will be sold at 1-3 off of the regular price. Many at half price. Big Line to Select From. Must reduce stock before taking inventory.

Constipation

"For over nine years I suffered with chronic constipation and during this time I had to take an injection of warm water once every 24 hours before I could have an action on my bowels. Happily I tried Cascarella, and today I am a well man. During the nine years before I used Cascarella I suffered untold misery with internal piles. Thanks to you, I am free from all that this morning. You can use this in behalf of suffering humanity." B. F. Fisher, Roanoke, Ill.

Pleasant, Palatable, Potent, Taste Good. Do Good. Never Slacken Walker on Grippe, Ho, Cc, Sc. Never sold in bulk. The genuine tablet stamped C.C.C. Guaranteed to cure or your money back. 25c

Robinson's Book Store

CLOTHES HAMPERS

Do you want a good first-class Clothes Hamper? If so call and see our stock. Have also a nice assortment of Fancy Hampers and Infants' baskets.

We have also just received a large lot of Cash Boxes of all sizes, the very thing to keep your papers, letters, etc., in, where you can carry the key.

An elegant line of Cake Boxes, Flour Bins, Food Choppers and other Pantry and Kitchen Necessities and utilities.

Weddington Hardware Co.

INCORPORATED 29 East Trade Street

Only One "AROMO QUININE," that is Laxative Bromo Quinine

Cures a Cold in One Day, Grip in 2 Days

ACADEMY

Free for Ladies Only Tuesday Afternoon, Jan. 17. At 3.00 O'Clock. A SCIENTIFIC LECTURE ON BEAUTY CULTURE AND FACIAL BLEMISHES

CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT

CURES COUGHS AND COLDS