

Charlotte Men to Road Congress

Mayor Bland Sends Invitation to Road Congress to Meet in Charlotte Next Year—First Congress Convened in Richmond Monday.

Charlotte is to be well represented in the American Association for Highway Improvement which is to meet in Richmond on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of the coming week.

Mr. Kuester left for Richmond last night and carried with him a written invitation from Mayor Bland to the association to meet in Charlotte next year.

This is the first annual meeting of this organization that has in view the improvement of roads all over the United States and the Charlotteans go by special invitation as representing a county that has a national reputation for good roads.

The good road agitation was begun in Charlotte in 1885 and this was the first county in the state that took the matter up in an organized way.

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Dear Sir:—On behalf of the directors of the American Association for Highway Improvements I have the honor to extend to you an invitation to be present and participate in the first annual road congress of the association and its affiliated organizations at Richmond, Va., November 20-23, 1911.

I have the honor to further request that you name three official delegates to represent the city of Charlotte.

I would especially call your attention to the fact that practical papers and informal discussions by the foremost highway engineers and road builders of the country will be one of the important features of the road congress.

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It will also give Charlotte a new opening in to the coal fields of Virginia which though is not as direct as that to the eastern part of the state will be better than any that it has now.

This means more to Raleigh than to any other section of the state since Raleigh is geographically the center of the system with the new additions.

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The construction of its roads are carried on in a systematic and scientific manner, and every stage of road-building from beginning to completion can be seen by the delegates.

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Very respectfully, L. W. PAGE, President.

P. S.—Please send name of the president of your board of trade or chamber of commerce.

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RAILROAD DEVELOPMENT IS MUCH FOR THIS SECTION

The purchase of the Raleigh & Southport and Durham & Southern railroads by the Norfolk & Southern railroad as announced yesterday is one of the most important steps that has been taken in the railroad world of North Carolina in years.

The Durham and Charlotte road which has a mileage of 50 miles running from Colon to Troy was purchased by the Norfolk & Southern. The Raleigh & Southport was purchased by the same company from John A. Mills and his allied interests.

Those two lines will be branch lines of a trunk line that is proposed from Southport, to Wilmington, to Fayetteville along the Ashboro and Aberdeen to Troy, to Ashboro along the Southern to High Point and across the country a distance to Winston, through Yandkin county, crossing the Southern at Elkin and over the mountains to Marion, Va.

The Charlotte line will be only a branch of this main line but even that is not at present assured. The Norfolk & Southern is planning to stop their line at Concord but it is an assured fact that the people of Charlotte will not let it rest there, only 21 miles from here.

The line will come into Concord probably by way of Whitney and New London leaving the proposed main line at Troy.

A charter was granted to some of the leading citizens along the proposed route from Raleigh to Concord by the last legislature under the name of the Raleigh, Charlotte & Southport Railroad. This charter was purchased some time ago by Mr. E. C. Duncan and associates. It has now developed that his associates were the Norfolk & Southern railroad company.

These deals have been quietly going on for the past three years and the announcement yesterday means that the Norfolk & Southern have things just where they want them.

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Dr. Southwick In "Twelfth Night"

Literary Charlotte Pleasurably Anticipating Visit From Celebrated Lecturer on Shakespeare Subjects.

Shakespeare's delightful "Twelfth Night" has been selected for the recital of Dr. Henry Lawrence Southwick, of Boston, the distinguished head of Boston College of Oratory and the country's leading Shakespearean lecturer, when he appears at the Presbyterian college auditorium, Tuesday night.

The recital will begin at 8 o'clock and Dr. Southwick will not only give "Twelfth Night" but two or three other short selections for which special requests have been made.

Literary Charlotte is anticipating with keen interest the coming of the widely known scholar and lecturer and a well filled auditorium is in prospect.

The admission will be 50 cents for adults and 25 cents for children.

Miss Anna Chestnut Wallace, head of the School of Expression at the Presbyterian college, is a former student of Dr. Southwick and has heard him in "Twelfth Night."

Speaking of Dr. Southwick and the subject selected for his recital here, Miss Wallace yesterday said: "As one of the great artists of Shakespeare, President Southwick has underneath his work that dramatic force and live spark which gives real life to every sentence and every character which he portrays."

He stands alone in his presentation of Shakespeare, being one of the few artists who renders some of them and in which he touches with a hand of such mysterious power that he reaches the very depths of human soul, the wild storms in the life of nations and monarchs, bringing you into the atmosphere of death itself, the horrors of sins and its self destruction.

"The play chosen for his recital here is the sparkling comedy "Twelfth Night." In this play of brilliant movement, color, jest, love and romance, Mr. Southwick rises to his great and full power as a humorist. With his own heart running over with love for and understanding of humanity and his quick sense of the ridiculous, he handles with great skill and humor the jokes, the lovers and other characters. One can never forget the merry picture of the idle, rollicking and irrepressible Sir Toby Belch and the delineation of Malvolio, his vanity and his much practiced smile.

The love of Sebastian and Viola, brother and sister and of Antonio, the friend are beautiful and interesting."

Mr. Oscar Furguson, a resident of Morning Star township, was yesterday tried before Squire S. H. Hilton and bound over to the superior court under a \$50 bond for assaulting with a rock his neighbor and brother-in-law, Mr. R. L. Newell.

The defendant, Furguson brought a rock into play in the progress of the scrap and hurled it at the plaintiff.

EARTHQUAKE (?) SHOCK LAST NIGHT

Last night at the office there was a couple of calls to know if there had been an earthquake in the vicinity. The calls were from the 100 block on South Caldwell street and the callers expressed some alarm as they said that the window panes in their homes were shaking and their whole houses had been slightly jarred.

There was no noise attending and the ladies were rather alarmed. The houses that are said to have been jarred are Nos. 8 and 12 South Lenoir street.

The disturbance seems to have been felt by none of the neighbors and nothing else in the way of an earth disturbance has developed since the quiver about 9 o'clock.

C. L. CALBERT FINED \$25 FOR ASSAULT.

Yesterday afternoon Alice Martin and C. L. Calbert, a young white girl and boy, were tried before Squire S. H. Hilton on the charge of assault on "Dovey" Taylor, also a young white boy. The alleged assault occurred Thursday night in the Calvine Mill settlement on East Eleventh street. Calbert was fined \$25 and the girl, Alice Martin, was acquitted. The attorneys were Messrs. F. Marion Redd for the state and J. E. Little for the defendants.

PICTURE OF VETERANS REPEATED.

The moving pictures of the Confederate veterans at their last reunion were shown yesterday at the Theatre No. 2 and were a decided success and the management have decided to run them again on Monday. The pictures were shown for the benefit of the veterans.

A Real Difficulty.

"A funny incident occurred on a German railway train whereon I was a passenger," says an American who spends a bit of his time abroad. "A certain stout Teuton had been assigned to a seat in the coach that obliged him to ride backward through the Black Forest. At the first stopping place he asked the postmaster, pursuant to German regulations, to give him another seat, saying it made him ill to ride backward."

"Ask the man opposite to change with you," said the postmaster, gruffly. "But there is nobody opposite me," protested the German, so I cannot ask him."—Harper's Magazine.

HAVE RETURNED TO KANSAS.

Col. and Mrs. Black, father of Mrs. H. H. Hilton, who have made their home in Charlotte for the past two years, have returned to their former home in Kansas. Col. Black has been in precarious health for some time and he has for some time contemplated going back to his old home. Both Colonel and Mrs. Black have made many friends during their stay here.

Farmers to Hear U. S. Gov. Expert

Meeting to Be Held Friday Nov. 24, at Selwyn Hotel to Hear Expert Advice on Pine Beetle Problem.

The committee which was appointed some time ago to look into the matter of having an expert to speak to the farmers of the county on the matter of the pine beetles that are ruining the trees all over the country have made all arrangements for the speaker to discuss the matter before a large audience of Mecklenburg farmers on next Friday, the 24 of November in the assembly room of the Selwyn hotel.

The committee has arranged to have a government expert here who has made a study of the pest for some time and is prepared to tell the farmers what to do for the infested trees.

In Sharon township there is one pine forest of 10 acres in which every tree has been killed by the beetle and they are appearing all over the country. In all parts of the county trees may be found that are dying and in almost every case the cause may be found in the presence of the beetle.

They have a way of spreading rapidly going from one tree to another until the whole forest or grove is killed.

A series of articles has been sent out by the United States department of agriculture and the third of this series is published below:

How to Locate Trees Infested by the Southern Pine Beetle.

According to the Bureau of Entomology, U. S. department of agriculture, the location of trees that are infested by the southern pine beetle is the first and one of the most important things to do before definite plans are made for the active work of cutting the trees.

Some of the essential things to remember are as follows:

a. The southern pine beetle attacks the upper and middle portions of the trunks of healthy trees.

b. A freshly attacked tree may show pitch tubes on the trunk, reddish boring dust around the base, or there may be no external evidence of attack until the leaves begin to fade.

c. By the time the tops have faded and the bark on the middle and upper trunk is dead the broods of the beetles are in an advanced stage of development, yet at the same time the bark on the lower third of the trunk may be living and show no evidence of attack, or may be attacked by other kinds of insects which are not responsible for the death of trees.

d. As soon as the bark begins to die or any part of the trunk, it is attacked by numerous other insects, including the adults of the "sawyers" borers which do not attack healthy trees.

e. By the time the tops have changed from pale green to greenish brown, the broods of the southern pine beetle are nearly all developed to the stage when they enter the outer bark to transform to the adults.

f. By the time the tops have changed to a reddish hue, the broods have developed and are emerging or have emerged.

g. During the warm months the broods will develop and emerge from a tree within about 30 to 40 days after it is attacked.

h. Trees attacked in November will usually carry the broods over winter. The foliage of some trees will fade and reach the reddish stage before spring; other trees attacked in December or later may not fade until the warm days of February, March, or April.

i. Therefore, in estimating the character and extent of the infestation within any given area, or in locating infested trees and marking them for utilization or treatment one has only to consider those with fading of greenish brown foliage or the first stage of the yellowish red tops.

j. In other words the dead trees with bare and falling foliage or those with dead tops do not contain the broods of the southern pine beetle, therefore do not have to be cut.

The next article will give the essential details of the methods of controlling the pest.

THINGS WE SHOULD ENCOURAGE FARMERS TO DO.

- 1.—Restore fertility to worn out lands. (We send plans on application.)
2.—Clean up and straighten out fields and have clean fence rows and good fences.
3.—Paint and whitewash all buildings and outbuildings, also give tools and machinery a coat of paint.
4.—Encourage every farmer to have a wood, iron, or cement cistern for family use, and where practicable, a system of home water works. It does not cost much and adds greatly to comfort and convenience.
5.—Insist on every farmer producing on his farm all food required for people and teams that work farms. (Garden both winter and summer, fruits, nuts, etc.)
6.—Every farmer (owner or tenant) should have pasture for milk cows and work stock, also pastures for several pigs.
7.—Each farm should have some good poultry, and all necessary conveniences for caring for it.
8.—Urge the importance of better and stronger teams. Show advantage of raising one or more colts every year.
9.—Show the advantage and necessity for better implements to save time and labor.
10.—Impress on the farmer the advantages of deeper plowing, more thorough cultivation and the necessity of cover crops, also the plowing under of green crops to restore worn soils.

PAST ASSISTANT SURGEON RIGGS DEAD

Norfolk, Va., Nov. 18.—Past Assistant Surgeon Ramsens Riggs, attached to the battleship Ohio, died suddenly on board that ship in Hampton Roads today of acute indigestion. Riggs is an active of South Carolina and was appointed in 1893.

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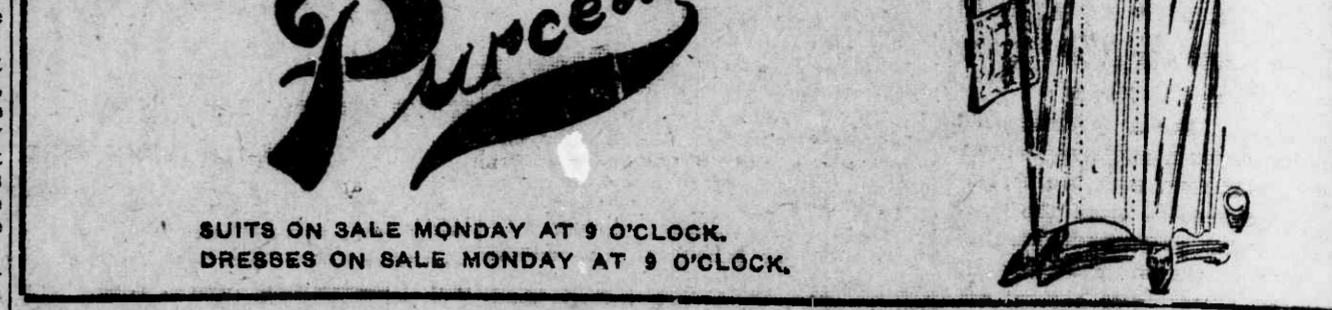
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We closed out a manufacturer's entire surplus lot, and the majority of these go in this sale—also few of our regular stock, broken lots, are added. They are beautifully tailored suits from high-class materials: Serges, Tweeds, Mixtures—the newest cloths of the season; beautifully lined, mostly with Skinner Satin.

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