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ANOTHER HANDSOME CHURCH HOME NOW ASSURED FOR CITY

Members of St. James Lutheran Church Voted Sunday to Erect Church Building Here.

$100,000 TO BE SPENT FOR PLANT

Members of Building Committee Which Plans to Engage Architect—Start Work Soon.

Handsome new church and Sunday school building will be erected in the future by the congregation of the Lutheran Church, at the corner of South Union and Corbin streets, as decided upon by the members of the church at a congregational meeting held at the chief service on Sunday morning. At the meeting, the committee which had been three weeks ago, made its report, showing that the pledges they had received to the present make a total well within sight of the goal of $100,000 which had been set, and the committee recommended that a building committee be named, and that actual work be undertaken.

By a dissenting vote the congregation adopted the report of the committee, and elected its building committee composed of A. L. Brown, Fred R. Shepherd, R. L. Barnhour, C. A. Cook and Gilbert Ritchie, together with the pastor, the Rev. A. Thomas, as an advisory member.

It understood from members of the building committee that an architect be procured without delay, and their intention to have actual building work underway with as little delay as possible. Plans will be drawn and all the preliminary details completed with the least amount of delay, so that early spring should see the progress being made with the building.

At this time it is impossible to secure even an idea as to the appearance, or cost of the building. However, the idea in the minds of those who have given much thought to the matter is to have a church and Sunday school building which will form one unit when completed, the church proper seating capacity of 500 to 600, the Sunday School part of the building would contain necessary facilities for the work of the different grades in the graded system, with assembly rooms for the departments and a large auditorium.

The exterior appearance of the building will be determined by the materials of which it will be constructed have not yet been decided upon. The architecture most favored, however, is the pure Gothic, being the style used by most churches having a liturgical form of worship.

The action of the congregational meeting was hailed as a cause of genuine rejoicing by all sides. The matter of a new church has been under consideration for several years past, since the church structure, which was erected forty years ago has for a number of years been too small for the congregation, whose membership is now nearing the 500 mark. The sorest need, however, has been for adequate Sunday school facilities, and in the erection of this department of the church work will be adequately provided for.

Point College Gets Grade of "A".

High Point, Feb. 5.—Upon report from a conference with the board of education at Raleigh, Dr. R. M. Andrews announced that High Point college had won a permanent "A" grade from the board. Last year a temporary "A" rating was conferred on the Methodist Protestant school with a promise of a permanent rating on certain conditions.

It is the more important concerned that the college should have an income of $25,000 and 8,000 volumes in the library. Last year Dr. Highsmith was sent by the board to inspect the institutions, and it was announced that Dr. Andrews and Dr. E. Lindley, registrar, visited the school.

Rail Service From Japan To Europe.

(International News Service.)

Tokio, Feb. 7.—Direct passenger and freight railway traffic between Japan and Western Europe will be established May 15, according to previous reports. This will be made possible by the inauguration of through service between Fusan, in Korea, and Manchuli, in Manchuria. A special weekly express train will be operated between Fusan and Vladivostok, Dairen and Harbin.

It is planned to extend the direct service to the English Channel eventually to establish the Trans-Siberian International Sleeping Car Company in Siberia for the management of dinning and sleeping cars.

Mail Carriers Get Welcome News.

Raleigh, Feb. 5.—Good news for one hundred rural mail carriers in North Carolina was announced by T. V. Howell, of Peachland, president of the North Carolina rural carriers association. Pay checks will be mailed them in time to reach them promptly on the first of the month of each month.

KELLOGG PROPOSAL EXPECTED TO GET BRITISH APPROVAL

British Cabinet Will Meet During Day to Discuss Further Present Crisis in China.

FOREIGNERS MUST HAVE PROTECTION

This Is Provided in Proposal Submitted to the Chinese Factions by the American Secretary.

London, Feb. 7.—(AP)—Today's cabinet session, called to consider the Chinese crisis, was expected to approve the proposal of the American secretary of State to the warring Chinese factions "that the international settlement at Shanghai be excluded from the area of armed conflict, so that American citizens and other foreigners may receive adequate protection."

It was stated in Downing Street that the British government heartily supports the American view, as in coordination with the British policy, which is to insure the safety of the foreigners in Shanghai.

The Kellogg proposal raised a number of questions in the cabinet, one of which is whether foreign military support would be needed to back up the declaration of a neutralized Shanghai.

There is strong opinion in Great Britain that the chief threat to Shanghai would be from the rabble of a defeated Chinese army, or looting by a victorious army, and that something more than a proclamation of neutrality is needed to deal with such danger. It is emphasized, however, that the British government fully sympathizes with the principle of the American suggestion.

The cabinet also was expected to act today on the all-important question of whether the British military and naval expedition now on the way to the Far East will be deflected from Shanghai as requested by Eugene Chen, foreign minister of the nationalists, or Cantonese government.

DRINK PUTS YOUNG MAN IN AN AWFUL CONDITION

Calvin B. Smith, 20, of Charlotte, Revered Deaf, Dumb, Blind and Paralyzed.

Charlotte, Dec. 5.—Calvin B. Smith, 20, of Charlotte, tonight was deaf, dumb, blind and paralyzed as a result, his parents said, of taking a drink of what he thought was corn liquor.

His physician, Dr. George C. Wingate, said the youth probably would recover. He declared he had been called on a number of such cases recently and that every one of the patients recovered.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Smith, his parents, said their son had been out of work for months and that he had been trying to obtain a position. All of yesterday was spent in attempting to get a job, they declared, but he was unsuccessful.

"I guess he was so blue he thought he ought to have a drink," the mother said.

Some fiends were met late that afternoon, it was explained, and the young man was given some liquor.

Early last night the father found his son at a filling station and they walked home together, it was stated. Mr. Smith said his son then was not very drunk but when the youth reached home and began to undress he "went raving crazy."

According to the father he begged to be allowed to kill himself, saying he was dying anyhow and that he might as well be out of his misery.

He grew blind gradually, the father explained, and then came deafness and loss of speech and finally paralysis.

BUILDING AND LOAN ASSO. HAD BIG YEAR

Annual Statement of Cabarrus County Building Loan and Saving Association Shows Profitable Year.

The Cabarrus County Building Loan and Saving Association, with offices in the Concord National Bank, had a profitable year, as shown by the annual report submitted by G. H. Hendrix, assistant secretary and treasurer.

Assets of the company at the end of the year totalled $1,436,897.37, the report shows and during the year there were 7,246 shares sold. The total at the beginning of the year was 25,217 and 5,636 shares were cancelled or withdrawn during the year, leaving the total at the end of the year 26,827.

During the year loans were made for the purchase of 183 new homes, totalling $260,400. Six other loans totalling $10,450 were also made during the year.

The report shows further that there were 2,021 white and 302 colored shareholders in the company during the year.

The company matures its series twice each year, maturing in 328 weeks. The maturing dates are April and October.

Killed in Accident.

Greensboro, N. C., Feb. 7.—(AP)—Sam Crowder, of White Oak mill village, a suburb of Greensboro, received injuries from which he died an hour later and W. R. Pickard was badly injured when their car went through the railing of an overhead bridge in this city early this morning.

DAUGHERTY AND HIS FRIEND MILLER ARE AGAIN BEFORE JURY

For Second Time They Go on Trial Charged With Conspiracy Against the Government.

MISTRIAL RESULT OF FIRST TRIAL

Time of Alleged Offense Was in 1921, When Both Defendants Held Government Jobs.

New York, Feb. 7.—(AP)—Harry M. Daugherty, and Thomas W. Miller, today go on trial for the second time, charged with conspiracy to deprive the nation of their unbiased services as government officials.

The first trial which began September 7 and lasted 1 day more than a month, ended in disagreement.

The time of the alleged offense was in 1921, during the administration of President Harding, when Daugherty was Attorney General and Miller alien property custodian.

United States Attorney Emory R. Buckner and his assistants will attempt to convince a jury that Miller, with the approval of Daugherty, awarded $7,000,000 of impounded assets of the American Metals Company to Richard Merton, a wealthy German citizen, in return for a bribe of $391,000 in Liberty Bonds, and $50,000 in cash. Merton has said that he acted as a representative of the Societe Suisse Pur Valeurs de Metaux, of Switzerland. The chief witness for the government in the 1st trial, Merton is here again for the second.

MAN'S NECK BROKEN AS CAR TURNS OVER

Radius Rod Breaks With Fatal Result For George Pruett on Road Near Shelby.

Shelby, Feb. 5.—George Pruett, who lived near Three County Corners, at the edge of Cleveland, Burke and Lincoln, was almost instantly killed about 10:30 this morning when the radius rod of his car broke and it turned turtle. Pruett's neck was broken, his skull crushed and an arm fractured. He lived about five minutes after the wreck. A brother and a nephew were riding with him, both received slight injuries.

The car, it is said, caught on fire when it turned over, but the blaze was extinguished before either of the three were burned. Pruett, who was about 40, was en route to Shelby.

With Our Advertisers.

The Yorke & Wadsworth Co. always give you prompt, efficient and courteous tire service.

A new furniture store will open in the county building February 17th. Watch for advertisements.

Exquisite examples of new models for springtime frocks of silks at J. C. Penney Co.'s $14.75.

Phone No. 30 or drop in at 9-11 S. Union street and see Yorke & Wadsworth Co. about your hardware.

Three specials at the Bell & Harris Furniture Co—colonial four-poster beds, genuine empress Wilton rugs, and center tables. See ad.

In order to clean up the rest of their winter goods the Parks-Belk Co. will continue their sale prices, as they want to make room for the new spring goods.

Kannapolis Child Hurt When Struck By Auto.

Kannapolis, Feb. 5.—Ruby Ballard, five year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Ballard of North Main street, sustained ugly lacerations about the head as the result of stepping into the path of a automobile on Main street here last night.

The scorpion will commit suicide when threatened with burning.

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In War and Politics

CHANG, TSO LIN

WU PEI FU

ANGUS McLEAN

EDWIN T. MEREDITH

General Chang Tso Lin and Wu Pei Fu were reported to be joining to attack Feng Yuh Siang, the Christian general, opening the way for an attack of their forces on the Cantonese troops. His forces will support Edwin T. Meredith, of Iowa, or Governor Angus McLean, of North Carolina, should William G. McAdoo not seek the Democratic Presidential nomination, some observers thought.

PLANT FOOD CROPS FIRST.

Recently Hon. Don C. Seitz, associate editor of the Outlook, delivered an address before the publishers of North Carolina. His advice to Editors was as follows:

"Go home and instill this idea into the minds of the farmers: Plant the crops that will first feed themselves and their stock, and then feed the rest of us. In that way every dollar they make will be profit."

STEVENS IS CLEARED OF FORGERY CHARGE

Verdict Against Warsaw Man Set Aside—Case Against Son, H. L., Jr., Nol Prossed.

Kenansville, Feb. 5.—The motion setting aside the verdict in the case of H. L. Stevens, Sr., convicted of forgery in connection with issuance of $100,000 of town of Warsaw notes, granted by Judge W. A. Devin, gave the defendant a clear name today.

Judge Devin said in his order that he was moved to take such action by the fact that there was not evidence that Stevens had received personal gain. Lack of criminal intent and attempts of Stevens to repair the wrong to the extent of his ability, the court said and defendants' undertaking to relieve the town from all liability of the notes, were additional reasons for allowing the motion to set aside the verdict.

The order explained that H. L. Stevens, Sr., and son, Harry Stevens, Jr., former American legion state commander, turned over all their property to the receiver of the bank of Warsaw, where the bogus notes were deposited. This action was to insure depositors against loss of about $60,000.

Upon recommendation of the court, Solicitor James A. Powers took a nol pros in the case against the younger Stevens. The court order also said that there was no criminal intent on the part of this defendant.

Cases against former Mayor R. L. best, of Warsaw, and his son, Joseph Best, charged with alleged forgery in connection with the spurious notes remains to be disposed of.

PORTUGESE REBELS GIVE UP FOLLOWING DEFEAT

All Have Surrendered Following Revolution Started Last Thursday.

Lisbon, Portugal, Feb. 7.—(AP)—Unconditional surrender of the forces which began a revolutionary movement against President Carmona at Oporto last Thursday, was announced by the government today.

The surrender took place at 7 o'clock Sunday night after an intensive bombardment of Oporto by government troops. A column of loyal troops started in pursuit of several rebel leaders, who fled.

To Discuss Church's Attitude Toward Social Amusements

Hickory, Feb. 5.—The Lutheran Ministerial association of Catawba county will meet at Lenior-Rhyne college on February 7. The principal discussion will be the church's attitude toward social amusements, such as card parties and the modern dance. This will be led by Rev. H. M. Snyder, D. D., and Rev. R. M. Carpenter. Other ministers having a part on the program will be Dr. P. E. Monroe and Rev. P. J. Bame.

OPPOSITES MINGLE IN OFFICE OF DRY CHIEF

All Sorts of People Call to See General Andrews.

Washington, Feb. 7.—(AP)—Washington's most cosmopolitan congregation is believed to be the daily gathering in the outer office of Assistant Secretary Andrews, chief of prohibition enforcement.

Drys, wets, preachers, brewers, diplomats, politicians, Congressmen, lawyers, reformers and law enforcers are among the number who meet there as they seek to complain to or consult with the dry chief.

And the stream of callers appears to have no end so long as the word is out that General Andrews is in town. Moreover, the General strives to parcel out his time so as to see as many as possible.

As a result he must do his regular work at unusual hours to avoid interruption and many a night the lights burn late in the dry chief's office as he dictates his correspondence and works out the multitudinous problems of prohibition enforcement.

General Andrews says he finds most of his callers intent upon strengthening enforcement, but it is not uncommon for one visitor to complain against the severity of certain regulations and the next one to express alarm that the administration is too lax in the same particular.

THE COTTON MARKET

Opened Barely Steady at Decline of 4 to 10 Points Under Realizing and Hedge Selling.

New York, Feb. 7.—(AP)—The cotton market opened barely steady today at a decline of 4 to 10 points under realizing by recent buyers together with some southern hedging and local selling for a reaction.

Liverpool cables failed to meet fully the local advance of Saturday, while the decline here was probably influenced to some extent by a feeling that last week's advance had weakened the technical position. Except for realizing, however, there did not appear to be much pressure against the market, and prices held within a few points of the initial figures during the first hour.

Private cables reported London and Manchester liquidation at Liverpool, with trade calling less active, but a well sustained demand for cotton cloth in Manchester and that producers were engaged for several months.

Cotton futures opened barely steady. March 13.75; May 13.98; July 14.17; Oct. 14.40; Dec. 14.60.

Seventeen Hundred Fowls Suffocated.

Asheville, Feb. 6.—More than 1,700 chickens, housed in the warehouse of Max Rosen, 84 Lexington avenue, were killed by asphyxiation by smoke from a fire in the building Friday night. Little damage was done to the building.

According to Mr. Rosen, the fire, which started when a damaged flue fell, caused enough smoke and heat to cause the death of all the fowls on the second floor and part of those on the first.

Two Children Killed.

Pittsburg Kansas, Feb. 7.—(AP)—Two children were killed and their mother, Mrs. E. L. Mayberry, was seriously injured by an explosion which partly wrecked the Mayberry home after midnight. Police believe that a dynamite bomb was hurled into the frame structure.

STORMY SESSIONS EXPECTED IN STATE SENATE THIS WEEK

If Special Order Bills Get to the Floor on Tuesday or Wednesday on Schedule Time.

AUTO LICENSE CHANGE TUESDAY

Bill to Give Judges an Increase in Annual Salary of $1,500 Expected to Come Up Wednesday.

(By International News Service)

Raleigh, Feb. 7.—Stormy sessions are in store for the senate Tuesday and Wednesday, if special order bills get to the floor on schedule time.

Tuesday the senate will again tackle the most controversial item now on its calendar—the automobile license registration bill. The bill would change the registration date from June 30th to January 1st.

The bill will be considered Tuesday with an amendment by Senator Royall, of Wayne, which would add 25 cents to the cost of the license plate for the six months period, which would be necessary in making the change of dates from June 30th to December 31st.

The proponents of the bill have accepted the Royall amendment. The extra 25 cents will be paid on the half-year license plates which would be issued next June, but would not apply to license plates issued after January 1, 1928.

Still another amendment is expected to be presented when the registration bill comes up in its newest form Tuesday. This amendment is expected to clarify the point as to whether or not the extra revenue will go to the State highway commission.

Proponents of the uncertain piece of legislation maintain that the passage of the bill would greatly benefit the agricultural sections of the state. They pointed out that the farmers would be in better financial shape to pay the license in the winter months than along about July.

According to Senator Horton, of Caswell, one of the staunch friends of the bill, the state's planters, as a whole, want the bill to pass. He pointed out also that North Carolina is one of the few remaining states that has not changed the date of registration to the first of the year.

Opponents of the bill contend that the change would bring about an unnecessary expense on the state. The opposition is lead by Senator Hargett, of Jones.

Senator Hines' bill for the relief of former State Treasurer Worth of the amount of $12,000 also will come up for consideration on a special order Tuesday. Another of Senator Hines' bills, which provides for the installation of fire escapes in office buildings, has been deferred until Tuesday or Wednesday.

The Blount bill requiring the teaching of the Constitution in North Carolina schools is scheduled to come up at Wednesday's session. The judges compensation bill, providing for a $1,500 annual increase in salary to superior court judges, is slated to enliven Wednesday's session also.

Authority to create an extensive State park, forest and game refuge system from lands already owned by the State will be sought of the general assembly soon by the department of conservation and development.

Plans toward this aim were divulged here today by Maj. Wade H. Phillips, director of the department of conservation and development. According to Major Phillips, the department would be authorized, under the proposed plan, to make a survey of lands owned by the State with a view of ascertaining their suitability for these purposes.

The proposed legislation would authorize the department to recommend to Governor McLean such areas as are suitable for State parks, forests and game preserves. The governor would, under the bill, be authorized to set aside the areas for conservation purposes by proclamation.

It was declared that there are thousands of inactive cut-over lands in North Carolina owned by the State dhich might be made productive by reforestation and conversion into State parks, forests or game refuges.

The "biggest" court game of the season will be played at Raleigh.

The Wake Forest-Carolina clash, regarded as the decisive game in the State collegiate championship, will be played here on February 15th instead of Wake Forest, it was announced.

The announcement was made by J. W. Bunn, representing the Raleigh alumni of Wake Forest, after conferring with college athletic officials.

E-Governor Charles S. Whitman, of New York, president of the American Bar Association, has accepted an invitation to speak at the annual convention of the North Carolina Bar Association at Pinehurst on May 6th, it was announced here today.

Bridge Worker is Awarded Total Damages of $22,825.

Charlotte, Feb. 5.—Judgment for $22,825 was awarded E. R. L. Taylor, steel brideman, against the J. A. Jones Construction company and J. H. Markham in Superior court here today.

Taylor was injured when struck by a steel beam while working on the Wilde rbuilding, it was alleged.

No divorces are granted in South Carolina.

ANOTHER PROPOSAL TO AMEND STATE'S CONSTITUTION NOW

State Library

Will Be Fourth Proposal to Be Submitted to Legislature—Affects the School Term in the State.

THREE OTHERS NOW WITH THE SOLONS

One Would Call Constitutional Convention, Another Would Create More Judicial Districts.

Raleigh, Feb. 7.—(AP)—So far, there are three proposals to amend the constitution of North Carolina before the General Assembly, and the school people especially the North Carolina Education Association today scheduled to ask the Legislature to add another proposal for a change. This is the eight months' school term proposed amendment.

The proposals now before the Legislature are:

1. The calling of a constitutional convention.

2. The creation of additional districts with a Superior Court Judge, without a solicitor.

3. Limiting local tax rates to $2.50 per hundred, and the segregation of intangible property for taxation.

Officers of the Teachers Association today announced that they will ask the Legislature to call an election on the eight months' school term amendment, although this was not recommended by a majority of the Educational Commission.

The teachers' association has the backing of five members of the Commission, and in addition to this the association claims that the recommendations of the majority are not supported by statements which they themselves make about educational conditions in the state, and are not backed by the facts they found in their printed report.

The more important of the amendments proposed and already dropped into the legislative hoppers is the taxation limitation resolution.

Should this proposed amendment to the constitution be adopted it would revolutionize taxation system and taxation methods in virtually every city, county and school district of the state, because in only a few instances are the tax rate as low as this proposed amendment would make mandatory.

The amendment proposed by Senator Kenneth Royal, of Goldsboro, would not only limit the total tax on property that state, city, county and districts could levy, to $2.50 on the hundred, but specifies the maximum amounts beyond which no local unit of government could go.

Session Half Over.

Raleigh, Feb. 7.—(AP)—The sixth week of meeting of the state legislature was on hand today with returninng of the asseblymen for the second half of the sixty-day biennial session to last to the middle of March.

Committee hearings, bill introduction, lay behind. Floor debate and consideration of major measures was in the offing.

Up to tonight's reconvening following Saturday's recess, 453 bills had been introduced in the house, 337 in the senate since convening of the legislature January 5th. About 200 local bills had been finally passed.

Last week the senate passed 68 bills, the house 67, a total of 135, virtually all local measures. The house had 90 bills introduced, the senate 46, a total of 136.

While the calendar was being cleaned on local measures, the big statewide ones were accumulating for principal consideration.

H. N. Wheeler, chief lecturer of the United States Forest Service, was asked to give an illustrated lecture at tonight's session of the assembly. He has spoken throughout the country and has been in the state four weeks on speaking tours.

TWIN CITY SENTINEL PURCHASED BY JOURNAL

Owen Moore Becomes Owner of All the Dailies in Winston-Salem.

Winston-Salem, Feb. 7.—(AP)—The Twin-City Sentinel announced this afternoon that its stock has been sold to the Winston-Salem Journal, Owen Moon, president, by the Winston-Salem Salem Sentinel, Inc., Frank E. Gannett, president. The terms require that the Sentinel shall be continued as a separate entity, not as a consolidation, although the Journal and the Sentinel will be published under one ownership and the same plant. The Evening Star, published by the Journal, will be discontinued after today's issue.

The Sentinel was purchased last August from Rufus A. Shore, and Henry R. Dwire, by a company headed by Mr. Gannett, publisher of seven newspapers in New York State. W. M. Clmens was vice president and editor, and Warren M. Ingalls of Elmira, N. Y., was secretary-treasurer, and business manager.

Rudner Trial Starts Today.

Canton, O., Feb. 7.—(AP)—The second murder trial growing out of the slaying last July on Don R. Mellett, Canton publisher and vice crusader, started in the county court here today with Ben Rudner, Massillon hardware merchant, one of the three indicted, as the defendant. The first trial, last December, resulted in the conviction of Patrick Eugene McDermott, and his sentence to the penitentiary for life.

JAPAN PAYS GREAT HOMAGE AT BURIAL OF LATE EMPEROR

Great Pomp and Ceremony Marked Funeral Rites as Million Stood With Bowed Heads.

PEOPLE THOUGHT EMPEROR DIETY

Although He Was Ruler Only Short Time, People of Japan Gave Unusual Homage to Him.

Tokio, Japan, Feb. 7.—(AP)—Yoshihito, 123rd Emperor of Japan, tonight was accorded the most pretentious funeral in the Orient, approximately 1,000,000 bowey sad-eyed subjects viewing the gorgeous cortege which marked the passing of a personage regarded as a lineal descendant of the mythical Sun Goddess.

Although the late ruler actually was the real emperor for only a brief time owing to an illness which affected him from the time of his youth, the Japanese revered him as a deity, his death causing a real nation-wide mourning which foreigners seldom understand. Consequently tonight's procession toward the tomb excited unusual emotion among a usuall stoical people.

As the magnificent catafalque slowly wended its way over the four mile route from the Imperial palace to the Shinjuku Gardens, half-suppressed sobs of men, women and children were heard. All Imperial funerals are held in the night time, because the Imperial Spirit must go from darkness into darkness.

Approximately 9,000 persons participated in the procession, which began to line up shortly before 5 o'clock this afternoon. The forward end of the procession and the catafalque began to move promptly at 6 o'clock, whereupon artillery throughout Japan fired 101 guns, and the battleships 48 guns.

The route of the procession was lighted with 10-foot wooden lanterns on pedestals, and containing electric lights, and also by great braziers atop huge bamboo piles resembling burning pine fagots. Every effort was made to preserve the age-old traditions, and even the quaint customs of those who participated in processions a thousand years ago were reproduced.

No women participated in the procession, princesses and women of the nobility witnessing the ceremony at Shinjuku Gardens and at Awakawa, the burial ground.

In addition to court musicians and reed music, several naval and military bands interspersed the procession, playing soft funeral dirges.

A feature of the procession was the huge catafalque drawn by four almost black oxen, sanctified by due ceremony.

ASHEVILLE NURSE IS REPORTED KIDNAPPED

Police Seek Automobile Salesman From Whose Car Woman Leaps and is Injured.

Asheville, Feb. 6.—Miss Julia Hogan, student nurse, is in a local hspital in a critical condition, and members of the police department are searching for Forrest Beam, automobile salesman, as a result of a leap from Beams car in which Miss Hogan's injuries are alleged to have been received.

According to a statement issued by the hospital authorities, Miss Hogan had started diagonally across the street to church accompanied by young Beam when they approached his car standing at the curbing with the engine running. It was then, according to the statement, that Beam seized the young woman and forcibly placed here in the car, at the same time jumping in beside her and starting for the western part of the city.

The nurse screams attracted attention as the car sped out Haywood road, and by the time it reached the end of the car line she became so frantic that she leaped from the flying machine, striking her head to the pavement and badly bruising her knees.

Friends of Beam denied this statement, saying that the young woman became hysterical and leaped from the machine when she found that he had been drinking. Beam abandoned the car and caught a taxi back to the city after the accident, it was learned.

Hottest February Day in Pas 37 Years.

Charlotte, Feb. 6.—Today was the hottest February day on record in the files of the Weather Bureau in Charlotte. The mercury climbed to 79 degrees at 3:30 p. m.

The previous record for February heat was held by the 1890. On February 25 of that year the thermometer climbed to 78.6. Never, in the ensuing 37 years was there any February temperature as high as that until today.

Other records toppled today with the continued heat. With the first six days of the month registering unusual temperatures, the daily excess has averaged 18 degrees.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Partly cloudy and colder tonight, Tuesday increasing cloudiness, colder in the east portion, probably followed by rain in the west portion. Moderate north and northeast winds.