

LOCAL MERCHANTS TO CLOSE STORES FOR JULY FOURTH

President of Concord Merchants Association Says Board Approves Observance of the Day.

Although no Independence Day celebration has been arranged locally, business houses and firms of Concord will probably suspend business July 4th and the people here will join with Kannapolis in its mammoth celebration.

Ernest Robinson, president of the Concord Merchants Association, announced this morning that the board of directors, in session Wednesday, approved and agreed to request members of this organization to close business on the birthday anniversary of American Independence.

CENTER GROVE

Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Hurlöcker and family have moved in their new home at Centerview near Kannapolis. Mrs. D. B. Castor and Mrs. J. L. Eddleman have returned from Wilmington and give a grand report from the convention.

PERSONAL

Dr. and Mrs. H. C. Herring, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Correll and E. F. Correll are spending today at Blowing Rock. Miss Catharine Goodman was among those from Concord who attended the inter-fraternity dance in Charlotte Wednesday night.

Cline-Mauldin.

Coming as a surprise to the many friends of the contracting parties, is the announcement of the marriage of Miss Thelma Mauldin and Jesse Cline, which took place in York, S. C., on Tuesday, June 21.

LAD IS PAINFULLY HURT AS HE FALLS FROM FREIGHT CAR

Lonnie Demarcus, 17, Kannapolis Youth, escapes Serious Injury Narrowly on Wednesday Afternoon.

While attempting to quit a freight train on which he was "beating," a ride, Lonnie Demarcus, 17, of 977 North Sixth street, Kannapolis, was painfully though not seriously hurt about 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. The lad was hurt in an unusual manner and strangely escaped fatal injury.

The lad suffered severe cuts about the head and face and other parts of the body when he attempted to leave a freight train which was shifting about the yards at Kannapolis. The train was leaving for Landis and Demarcus started to get off. His feet became entangled some way in the boxcar ladder, and he pitched backward being held only by his feet. His head was dragged along the side of the roadbed a short distance before his feet became free and he fell to the ground in a semi-conscious condition.

CORNER-STONE OF NEW CHURCH LAID HERE YESTERDAY

Contents of Corner-Stone of the Old Church on Depot Street Is Removed Early Wednesday Afternoon.

At a brief and very impressive service the cornerstone of the new First Presbyterian Church was formally laid yesterday afternoon with approximately 100 officers and members of the church present.

MOTIVE OF ROBBERY OF GRAVE BAFFLING TO ROWAN OFFICERS

Many Theories Advanced But None Held Credible.—Grave Was Robbed on Tuesday Night.

Dozens of theories have been presented and withdrawn as incredible by authorities and others seeking to ascertain the motive of ghouls who opened the grave of Mrs. Annie Benfield in Greenlawn cemetery, near China Grove in Rowan county, some time Tuesday night.

NEW FIRST CHURCH OF PRESBYTERIANS DESCRIBED BY COBB

Dr. J. C. Rowan Reads Paper at Laying of Corner-Stone Which Pays Tribute to Church and Builders.

The new First Presbyterian Church on North Union street was described, and the men and women of the church who were responsible for it being built, were paid a tribute here yesterday afternoon in a paper prepared by Noel C. Cobb, of the editorial staff of The Daily Tribune and Concord Times.

The paper was read by Dr. J. C. Rowan, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, at the laying of the cornerstone at a service conducted at 6 o'clock.

EDUCATIONAL BOARD AND COMMITTEEMEN TO MEET SATURDAY

Dr. Henry Highsmith, State High School Inspector, To Visit Schools of Cabarrus County.

A joint meeting of the county board of education and the high school committeemen of the various high schools of the county will be held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

TEAM OF KENDALL MILL IS HERE TO PLAY LOCAL TEAM

Lefty Morris Will Probably Pitch For Weavers in the Game This Afternoon at Gibson Mill Park.

Lefty Morris, former hurler of the Richmond club of the Virginia league, will probably be the choice of Manager Lindy Lawley to pitch for Concord against the Kendall Mills team of Paw Creek this afternoon at Gibson Park.

COURT WILL FINISH WORK DURING DAY

Early This Afternoon Jury Was Out on Case of Cabarrus Motor Company vs. White and Blackwelder.

The work of the special term of Cabarrus Superior court will be completed during the afternoon, two of the cases on the docket having been continued by consent at the morning session of the court.

One Industry Which the Dry Law Has Benefitted.

Prohibition has brought prosperity to at least one legitimate industry—the cultivation of wine-grapes in California—and changed the California wine-grape grower from an ardent wet to an equally ardent dry, points out George K. Shafer in an article in this week's Liberty.

CONCORD ASKS PLACE ON P. AND N.

Vigorous Fight to Attain Objective—Show Economic Importance.

The City of Concord wants to see the Piedmont and Northern Railway's lines extended to Winston-Salem but particularly wants that extension to run through Concord, which now is not on the proposed route, and a vigorous fight to attain that objective is being conducted within the more extensive struggle now in progress here under the direction of Examiner Davis, of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

MRS. KELLER DIES AT N. KANNAPOLIS; FUNERAL IS TODAY

Death Closes Eyes of Beloved Kannapolis Woman.—Had Been Ill For Lengthy Period.

Mrs. Rebecca Keller, 74, died Wednesday at the home of her daughter, North Walnut street, North Kannapolis, after an illness of long duration.

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