

Y. M. C. A. CAMPAIGN IS READY TO START OFF WITH A BANG

Large and Enthusiastic Meeting Monday Night of Executive Committee, Colonels and Team Captains.

BISHOP PENICK TO SPEAK TONIGHT

Subscriptions Received So Far Indicative of Favorable Light in Which Y. M. C. A. Is Regarded Here.

The meeting last night of the Executive Committee, the Colonels and Team Captains was 100 per cent. in attendance, 100 per cent. in enthusiasm and 100 per cent. in perfection of organization.

Bishop E. A. Pennick will be the principal speaker among those who have heard him say that he is one of the most inspiring and convincing speakers.

Monday night the first Mother and Son banquet was held at the local Y. The meeting was addressed by Mrs. S. A. Wolf on "Our Sons," and was responded to by Geo. Batts on "Our Mothers."

"WHERE DO I GO FROM HERE?" ASKED BY MANY

Federal Information Service to Direct Inquirers.

Washington, May 14. (Capital News Service)—Seekers after information in Washington have often traveled from office to office, bureau to bureau, department to department, to find the right man in the right place to inform them.

GOVERNMENT TO PROTECT ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

Greenville, S. C., May 14.—The United States will oppose the trial of four federal prohibition enforcement officers in the state courts on a charge of assault and battery.

NO MILEAGE BOOKS FOR THE PRESENT

Boston, May 15.—The Interstate Commerce Commission today appealed the recent ruling by the Federal District court restraining inauguration of interchangeable mileage books at 20 per cent. reduction in price on 50 cent. railroads.

DAMAGE OF MILLIONS BY FLOODS AT HOT SPRINGS MONDAY

City Trying to Extricate Itself From Debris and Ruin Left by Flood, Fire and Wind Monday Night.

NO LIVES LOST IT IS THOUGHT

Splendid Marquette Hotel Is a Pile of Ruins.—City Is Without Street Car, Electric or Gas Service.

Hot Springs, May 15.—(By the Associated Press)—Hot Springs at noon today was endeavoring to extricate itself from debris and ruin left by flood, fire and wind which last night wrecked the business district of the city with damage to property which is expected to run into the millions.

Several persons are reported to have been killed but thus far reports of fatalities have not been verified.

While the monetary loss is roughly figured in the millions, no accurate estimate is available at this hour.

The Marquette Hotel is a pile of charred bricks and stones, representing a loss in excess of \$150,000.

The city is without street car, electric or gas service. All utility plants, including the telegraph office were flooded and put out of commission.

MARQUETTE HOTEL BURIED THIS MORNING—NO LOSS OF LIFE

Muskogee, Okla., May 15 (By the Associated Press).—Up to four o'clock this morning there had been no confirmation of reports from loss of life at Hot Springs, Ark.

Memphis, Tenn., May 15.—A telegram received from the Western Union manager at Hot Springs at 10:50 this morning said so far as is known no lives had been lost, but that the Marquette Hotel and a number of nearby buildings had been destroyed.

FLOOD SWEEPS DOWN ON HOT SPRINGS

Memphis, May 15. (By the Associated Press).—Hot Springs, Ark., famous resort and city of many disasters, was stricken last night by a flood which swept down the sides of the three mountains which form a triangle about the city, and by fire which broke out in the wreckage.

PERFECT PLANS TO BUILD ROAD

Best Route Will Be Chosen and Actual Work Will Be Started as Early as Possible.

Raleigh, May 14.—Engaging a group of engineers, the "lost provinces" railroad commission set to work in earnest today to select the best route for the new road which it proposes to build with the \$10,000,000 bond issue authorized by the last general assembly.

With all members of the commission present except O. Max Gardner, a thorough survey of a half-dozen routes through the northwestern counties was agreed upon.

Colonel Benham Cameron was selected as chairman of the commission, and C. D. Bradham as secretary.

\$50,000 has been provided by the general assembly for the survey and other undertakings preliminary to the inauguration of plans for actual construction work.

Three routes were recommended by the original commission that investigated the feasibility of the undertaking.

Two consulting engineers were invited to assist the commission and field forces, but in the absence of letters of acceptance their names were not given out.

No New Prison Inquiry In This County Expected at the Present

It is very probable that another investigation of prison conditions in this county will not be made, though J. F. Dayvault, chairman of the board of county commissioners, is expecting daily a letter from Attorney General Manning asking that he cooperate with the solicitor of this district in investigating conditions in the camps.

Mr. Long also stated in the letter that he would visit the camps of this county when he comes back to Concord for the next term of Superior Court, and as he did not intimate that he would be here sooner, Mr. Dayvault believes that the solicitor plans to accept the report made by the commissioners last Saturday as a final and satisfactory one for this county.

In the report the commissioners declared they could find no evidence of prisoners being cruelly treated.

The commissioners in preparing their report visited the chain gang camps and gave every prisoner an opportunity to make complaint at the time a complaint is made.

LIST OF SPEAKERS IS ANNOUNCED BY TRINITY

Dr. McFayden, Letchworth, Eng. Will Deliver Baccalaureate Address.

Durham, May 14.—Trinity college officials today announced speakers who will be heard at the annual commencement exercises June 3-6.

Those in charge of details for the commencement expect that the attendance at the exercises this year will exceed by thousands any previous commencement.

Approximately fifty witnesses, it was reported, have been summoned by Representative N. L. Broughton, of Wake, who brought the allegations against Dr. McBrayer.

NEW \$1,000,000 COMPANY FOR COUNTY CHARTERED

Cannon-Robert Interests, Inc., Granted Charter by Secretary of State.

Raleigh, May 15.—Capitalized at \$1,000,000, and having as its incorporators M. L. Concord, John M. Robinson, Charlotte, and L. W. Robert, Jr., Atlanta, Ga., the Cannon-Robert Interests, Inc., was granted a charter today by Secretary of State W. N. Everett.

Mr. Cannon is out of the city today and definite plans for the Cannon-Robert company could not be learned.

SAYS WOMAN REALLY IS MRS. CLARA PHILLIPS

So Says Jesse Carson, Who is Posed as the Woman's Husband.

Tegucigalpa, Honduras, May 15.—Jesse Carson, who posed as the husband of the woman held by the Honduran authorities as Clara Phillips, the California hammer murderer, told newspaper men today that the woman in reality is Mrs. Phillips.

ENGLISHMAN HAD BOUGHT ANIMAL AND HAD HIDE STUFFED

Paris, May 15.—The bay mare Napoleon is supposed to have ridden in the Battle of Waterloo has just been discovered among the odds and ends of the Louvre Museum.

THE COTTON MARKET

Showed Renewed Firmness at Beginning, First Prices Being 11 to 42 Points Net Higher.

New York, May 15.—The cotton market showed renewed firmness at the beginning today, first prices being 11 to 42 points net higher on overnight buying orders.

Swarms of Locusts Found in Asheville. Asheville, May 14.—Great swarms of the Cicada, known as the 17-year locust, were discovered in Asheville today.

GUILFORD COUNTY CONVICTS OPENLY DEFY THE GUARDS

Superintendent of the Central Camp and of the Road Gang Tender Resignations.—Situation Serious.

PRISONERS WILL BE GIVEN LASH

Prisoners Take Advantage of Agitation Over Prison Reform to Shirk Their Work, It Is Reported.

Greensboro, May 15.—Guilford county commissioners were marking time today pending completion of investigation by County Attorney John N. Wilson into Guilford's convict camps, where, according to the county commissioners, prisoners are shirking their work and in some instances openly disobeying and cursing the guards.

Both men reported to the commissioner that prisoners had taken advantage of the agitation over prison reform in this State during recent weeks and are shirking their work, many instances of flagrant disrespect toward the guards being reported.

Pending the report from the county attorney, Giles Foushee, commissioner in charge of the convicts, announced today that the lash will be applied as a last resort to maintain discipline but only according to law.

NO MORE CONVICT WHIPPINGS IN FLORIDA

Bill to Ban Punishment Has Passed Both Houses of the Legislature.

Tallahassee, Fla., May 15.—Final passage of a bill to ban corporal punishment of convicts in this state was effected today when the senate by a vote of 15 to 13 refused to reconsider its action of yesterday in banning its whip.

SELL BRICK MAKING MACHINERY TO SPAIN

Spaniard Brings Spanish Dirt to Statesville, May 14.—Francisco Padros, of Barcelona, Spain, left last week for New York City for conducting some experiments with brick-making machinery at the plant of J. C. Steele & Sons.

TO PROTEST AGAINST THE ATTACKS ON SUGAR TRADE

Secret Meeting Held This Morning on Floors of New York Exchange.

New York, May 15.—Plans for a mass meeting to protest against continued attacks on the sugar trade by government officials were understood to have been discussed at a secret meeting held this morning on the floor of the New York Coffee and Sugar Exchange.

BOND STILL IN JAIL

Charged with Killing with His Automobile Five-Year Old Child of State Capital.

Raleigh, May 15.—H. W. Bond, young printer, who was arrested early today charged with running over with an automobile and killing John McKee Horton, 5-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Z. V. Horton, here last night was still in jail this afternoon having been unable to furnish \$1,000 bond.

NAPOLION'S MARE FOUND

Englishman Had Bought Animal and Had Hide Stuffed.

Paris, May 15.—The bay mare Napoleon is supposed to have ridden in the Battle of Waterloo has just been discovered among the odds and ends of the Louvre Museum.

ENCAMPMENT WEEK FOR WOODMEN OF THE WORLD

Salisbury, May 14.—The week beginning July 13 will be encampment week for 1,200 members of the Uniform rank, Woodmen of the World, of the sixth district, including North and South Carolina and Virginia, and Salisbury has been chosen as the site for the camp.

The sun's rays are used to generate the power in a miniature engine recently demonstrated successfully in New York. A parabola copper mirror focused the rays on a test-tube full of water, making sufficient steam to work the engine.

COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BEING FORMED

Each of Eleven Townships in Rockingham County Taking Part in the Chamber Organization.

Whereas, under the good road program started in Rockingham county eight years ago and carried on continuously ever since, with about two more years' work ahead, the completion of which will place Rockingham county near the top of good road counties in North Carolina, and possibly in the entire South, making a total of 60 miles of hard surfaced roads completed, under construction, or ordered, and 350 miles of good sand clay or top soil roads, making all parts of the county conveniently and safely accessible twelve months in the year, and

Whereas, the program of the county board of education has been in keeping with the good roads movement in building many fine and modern school buildings for the education of the children of this county, citizens of the state can look forward with confidence to the time when every child in Rockingham county will have first class school facilities within easy reach, and that the policy of the county of educating every child will and must be carried out, and

Whereas, Rockingham county has made wonderful strides in recent years, both in agriculture and manufacturing, and many new enterprises are locating in various towns in the county, and that hundreds of opportunities are open for those who would locate here an endless number of natural advantages abound, good roads, good schools and good Churches, stand ready to welcome them, therefore be it

Resolved by the Board of Commissioners of Rockingham county that this board respectively invite the business men in particular, and citizens in general, and urges them to form a County Chamber of Commerce, or some similar organization, for the purpose of making known the advantages and opportunities that Rockingham county has to offer; and for the purpose of accomplishing this end, a committee composed of two men from each township in the county be named by this board, and then named they get together and organize a county-wide chamber of commerce.

Resolved, that the power to contract any bills or issue any securities upon the county is withheld from said committee and their successors, until the first obtain definite authorization from this board.

ODD FELLOWS MEET IN GOLDSBORO TODAY

Sessions Are Being Held in the Odd Fellows Orphan Home.

Goldboro, May 15.—The North Carolina Grand Lodge of Independent Order of Odd Fellows, convened here at 3:30 this afternoon. Sessions are being held in the auditorium of the Jacob Memorial Building, at the Odd Fellows Orphan home.

FIRPO AND WILLARD TO BOX

New York, May 15.—Luis Firpo, of the Argentine, and Jess Willard, former world's heavyweight champion, today signed articles to box for Tex Rickard in a match to be held in the vicinity of New York not later than July 7. The winner of the contest will be matched against Jack Dempsey for the world's title.

SEVERAL INCHES OF SNOW AT BOONE

Lenoir, May 11.—Several inches of snow fell in Boone Tuesday morning according to B. B. Dougherty who was here yesterday. Snow also fell at Blowing Rock and in some places on the west side of the ridge it had drifted several inches deep.

BANDITS WILL KILL OFFICERS UNLESS DEMANDS ARE MET

Foreign Diplomatic Representatives in China Must Guarantee That Government Will Meet Terms.

ULTIMATUM IS GIVEN BY BANDITS

Bandits Say Word of Chinese Officials Means Nothing to Them.—Must Have Guarantee of Foreign Diplomats

Shanghai, May 15 (By the Associated Press).—Unless the foreign diplomatic representatives in China guarantee by tonight that the Chinese government will carry out the terms fixed by the Chinese bandits in the Shanghai hills, the foreigners held captive will all be killed, Father Wm. Leffers, an aged priest who conferred with the bandit chieftain Sunday, reported to the American consul at Lencheng today.

Father Leffers described the chieftain, called Wang, as "a young man, clean, well dressed, wearing eye-glasses." The priest persuaded Wang to extend one day the limit of his ultimatum which had been fixed at two days from Sunday. Wang told him that the pledges of Chinese officials meant nothing to the bandits, and hence the word of the foreign diplomats must be given.

Commander Wang drafted his terms—which did not demand money, but required that the Peking government restore all the bandits to the status of regular soldiers with the pledge that they would suffer no reprisals—and Father Leffers arriving in Lencheng, after innumerable hardships, presented Wang's letter to the American consul today.

DEMAND THAT RAILWAYS BE GUARDED

Washington, May 15.—A demand that the Chinese government take immediate steps to guard the principal government railways, especially the Tientsin-Pukow, and the Peking-Hankow lines, has been made by the diplomatic corps in Peking.

A commission of foreign military officers has been created to protect life and property. The commission will investigate measures taken by the Peking government to protect the Chinese railways from a recurrence of outrages similar to that at Lencheng.

WITH OUR ADVERTISERS

The new Studebaker bus line between Concord and Charlotte makes three trips each way a day. See schedule in this paper.

The Concord Music Studio is now open in the Dixie building, under Mr. Alan D. Peabody as teacher of voice, and Mary B. Flowers on the violin. Telephone 791.

Bell & Harris have many new bed room suites, splendidly designed—just added.

All the latest Victor song hits at the Bell & Harris Music Department. Keep out of the mud. Use granite screenings for walks and drives. See A. B. Pomms' ad.

There is beauty, comfort and service in Windsor Hockers, at H. B. Wilkinson's.

C. H. Barrier & Co. want your produce. See the prices they will pay for chickens, eggs, butter, etc., in their ad. in this paper.

Granite screenings for walks and driveways sold by A. B. Pomms. You will always get quick service by calling on the Central Filling Station.

All kinds of school supplies are kept by Cline's Pharmacy. Keep out the sun, rain and heat—get an awning from the Concord Furniture Co.

Several Inches of Snow at Boone. Lenoir, May 11.—Several inches of snow fell in Boone Tuesday morning according to B. B. Dougherty who was here yesterday.

When faith in God goes, man, the thinker, loses his greatest thought. When faith in God goes, man, the worker, loses his greatest motive.

When faith in God goes, man, the lover, loses his fairest vision. When faith in God goes, man, the sufferer, loses his surest refuge.

When faith in God goes, man, the mortal, loses his only hope. Selected.

It's as much a question of what you do with your money as how you get it. Better be sane than sorry.

Y. M. C. A. CAMPAIGN JABS. Some people have the Piggy Wiggy idea of service, "Just help yourself." What would happen if a community should give the same thought to the development of the character of its boys and girls that it does to the development of its commerce? Save a man and you save a digit, save a boy and you save a multiplication table. Be more than a dnd, be a chum to the lad. A man is known as much by his giving as by the company he keeps.