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ONE CAUSE OF FEWER RAILROAD ACCIDENTS

The Birmingham Age Herald quotes President Markham of the Illinois Central Railroad, in referring to the decrease in railroad accidents notwithstanding the increase in passenger travel as compared with 1911, as saying:

"We believe that the public will agree with us that the handling of the heavier business with a smaller percentage of fatalities is a barometer of railroad efficiency."

It is interesting in this same connection to note that President Stone of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers in a recent letter to the Manufacturers Record which will shortly be published, says that prohibition has reduced drunkenness 75 per cent. It is obvious that this reduction in drunkenness has already had a profound influence on the decrease in the number of accidents.

The president of the Gulf States Steel Co., Birmingham, Ala., writes that accidents around their plants have been reduced at least 75 per cent due to prohibition.

Within a few weeks the Manufacturers Record will publish in pamphlet form the views of hundreds of manufacturers and others on Prohibition as an economic issue, as well as viewed from the moral standpoint. The results which have been given to us as showing decreased accidents, increased efficiency, better condition of women and children, and lessened drunkenness in and around manufacturing establishments, will prove one of the most unanswerable arguments ever put forth in behalf of Prohibition if viewed simply from the standpoint of economics and of the saving of life. Entirely without regard to whether a man may approve or disapprove of the Prohibition Amendment and the Volstead Act, he must if honest hearted be willing to study the facts already accomplished as shown by the testimony of many of the leading employers of the country. Their testimony is overwhelmingly in favor of Prohibition.

The Prohibition pamphlet, which will shortly be issued by this paper, should be widely distributed throughout the country. It will prove invaluable to men who are honestly seeking to know the truth. No man who loves his fellowman more than he loves the gratification of his own selfish appetite, no man who seeks to see the advancement of women and children and see them better fed and better clothed and happier than they were under the rule of the liquor traffic of the country, can be otherwise than profoundly moved by the facts which will be given.

The statements of Judge Gary, President Stone and hundreds of others who take the same view, and who hit straight out from the shoulder in favor of the value of Prohibition in an economic sense, as well as from the moral standpoint, will profoundly

R. F. D. 1, Vass, N. C.

Dear Pilot:—

I see you say set another hen. We have over three hundred biddies on hand. Must we set another hen or not?

Yours Respectfully,
Mrs. W. P. DAVIS.

REV. J. A. CALIGAN TO HOLD MEETING AT PINEHURST

The Pinehurst Presbyterian church recently extended an invitation to Rev. J. A. Caligan, of McColl, S. C., to hold a meeting at Pinehurst during the month of June. Rev. Caligan has accepted and conferred with Rev. W. L. Wilson and J. Bruce Cameron at the recent meeting of the Fayetteville Presbytery at Red Springs, at which time definite plans for the meeting were formulated.

Rev. Caligan will come to Pinehurst on Saturday, June 10, and start his meeting on the Sunday following, continuing through Sunday, June 17.

The many friends of Rev. Caligan in Moore and adjacent counties will hail this news with delight, and the Pinehurst church is making preparations to care for the large crowds which will gather to hear him.

Until about one year ago, Rev. Caligan was pastor of a group of churches in Harnett and Lee counties. He accepted a call from McColl, S. C., where he is at present located. He needs no introduction to the people of this community, having spent several years in Moore county. His fame as an evangelist is known throughout the Carolinas and the Pinehurst church is to be congratulated upon securing him for their meeting.

While conferring with Rev. Caligan, the officers of the Pinehurst church learned that he was booked to hold a revival at Culdee church in September. Quite a coincidence—that two communities in the same county should be seeking the services of the same evangelist! It shows something of the high regard in which Mr. Caligan is held, and the Pinehurst church expects the crowd from Culdee to be on hand in June, for when Rev. Caligan comes to Culdee in September we expect to be right there waiting for him.

The following excerpt from one of Rev. Caligan's letters expresses the keen anticipation with which all are looking forward to his visits; in writing to a friend, he states: "I am looking forward to the meetings with a great deal of pleasure, and I trust we may have the presence and blessing of Him whose bounty never fails, and whose grace is sufficient."

affect not only this country but the world.

HENRY FORD'S EDITOR TO SPEAK AT BUIES CREEK ACADEMY

The commencement program of Buie's Creek Academy is completed with the announcement that Hon. W. J. Cameron, editor of the Dearborn Independent, Dearborn, Mich., will deliver the literary address on Thursday, May 18th. Other announcements of special interest are that Dr. Paul Bagby of Wake Forest College will preach the baccalaureate sermon on Sunday, May 14th, and that Dr. Alston Ellis of Raleigh will deliver the Alumni address, Thursday p. m., May 18th.

This unusually attractive array of speakers, together with the special Alumni announcements, is expected to draw a great crowd of old students and friends of the institution from all sections. Arrangements are being made to provide for five hundred Alumni expected at the Alumni luncheon and ball game. Several changes in the program this year will be of interest to the Alumni and friends in all parts of the state. Beginning with the exercises by the primary grades on Saturday, May 13th, followed by sermon on Sunday. The program for the remainder of the week is as follows:

Wednesday, May 17th.

2:30 p. m.—Contest for declaimer's medal.

4:00 p. m.—Senior class exercises.

8:00 p. m.—Sappho and Astro literary societies contest.

Thursday, May 18th.

10:30 a. m.—Contest for orator's medal.

Noon—Address to graduating class by Mr. Cameron.

1:30 p. m.—Alumni luncheon and address.

4:00 p. m.—Baseball game between Seniors and Alumni.

8:00 p. m.—Annual play.

COUNTY AGENT TAKES FURLOUGH

I wish to express my deep appreciation to my friends for the many kindnesses shown me during my recent illness and it is with deepest regret that I am forced to take a leave of absence for several weeks on account of my health. I hope to return to the County just as soon as possible and continue the work.

M. W. WALL.

THE "OLD PLANK ROAD" SOON SOLID CONCRETE

The furniture metropolis of the South is looking forward to the gateway which will soon be opened toward the Twin City. The new paved boulevard, almost straight for nearly 20 miles, will be completed by mid-summer. The trailers are seen going out behind the big trucks every morning. The trailers are loaded with road material such as cement, stone and sand. These loads are placed in a siding of small trackage out at the end of the concrete and by a derrick device, the load which is in compartments on the trailers are lifted out and placed on little cars which carry the material on the track to the point where the base is being laid.

A force of hands receives the material and it is poured into mixers and spread on the road.

It is an interesting historic fact in road building that lends itself to local tradition and history that the new concrete road runs almost directly on the road bed of the old Plank Road chartered as the Fayetteville and Western in 1848. This old road was in turn laid on the trace of the old Indian trail which was traveled by Indians two hundred years ago and later, by the old pioneer, Daniel Boone in a trip he made to Wilmington in the seventeen sixties. This historic fact is noted by Dr. Archibald Henderson in the North Carolina Booklet, Vol. XX.

S. L. Davis, who is the head of the High Point good roads organization, and who is also of the Southern Chair Co., tells about building a road over the same roadbed 20 years ago at a total cost of \$20,000. Some of this road is still seen and the material is still good. Two tablets will be unveiled May first on the trace of this old plank road commemorative of historic road building.

CYPRESS CREEK NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Stewart spent Sunday afternoon with their uncle, Mr. Andrew Stewart.

Misses Olera McCraney and Louine McFadyen spent Sunday evening with Miss Cornelia Cameron.

Mr. John Autrey, who has been very ill for some time is improving.

Messrs. Leslie Gilliam and D. H. Clark, of Olivia, were the guests of Misses Bertie and Emliy Cameron, Sunday.

Miss Naomi Peel, of Cameron, visited her sister, Mrs. Cicero Counsel, the first of the week.

We are glad to report that Mr. D. A. Cameron is still improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Johnson motored to the home of Mr. Geo. Stewart on Cameron route 1, last Sunday.

Mr. J. P. Blue and family were visitors at the home of Mr. Cameron Johnson on Sunday.

Misses Bertie and Emily Cameron visited friends at Lillington last Tuesday and Wednesday.

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