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BAPTISTS AT MORRISVILLE

State Fair Management Roasted.

The Association Well Attended—Progress of Work Gratifying—To Meet Next Year at Lee's Chapel.

We give the following extracts from the News and Observer's report of the Baptist Association held at Morrisville last week:

A large crowd of Baptists, representing the churches composing the Raleigh Association were in session at Morrisville last week.

The Association is composed of fifty-four churches and embraces most of the Baptist churches in Wake and Johnston, with one in Nash and two in Harnett counties.

The session began on Thursday morning with a good delegation from nearly every church in the body. Mr. J. M. Broughton was re-elected Moderator, Mr. J. C. Birdsong Clerk, and Mr. T. W. Blake Treasurer.

Rev. A. A. Butler, pastor of Fayetteville Street Baptist church, of Raleigh, preached the introductory sermon.

Thursday afternoon was occupied in reading the letters from the churches and enrolling the delegates. The reports showed among other encouraging features that many of the church houses had been improved, several new houses built and nearly \$1,000 contributed to State Missions with all other objects well cared for.

Thursday night Rev. J. W. Nobles, of Selma, preached to a large congregation.

Friday morning, after devotional exercises, conducted by Rev. Worley Creech, was occupied with considering the report of the executive board and hearing short addresses from those of the ministers who had occupied mission points in the association, to-wit: Rev. J. W. Nobles, Rev. D. McLeod, Rev. C. E. Gower, Rev. A. A. Pippin, and Rev. Worley Creech. These were followed by Mr. N. B. Broughton, Chairman of the board, in an address in behalf of the continuance of the work.

At the close of the address the churches pledged more liberally than ever for the support of Associational Missions.

Mr. J. S. Allen reported on Relief of Old Ministers and raised a good collection.

In the afternoon Rev. O. L. Stringfield with his usual earnestness and power, spoke in behalf of the cause of education and for the century movement to raise one hundred thousand dollars for the same.

At night Rev. W. D. Hubbard, of the Tabernacle church, Raleigh, preached a very strong sermon.

Saturday morning the Association opened with religious services, conducted by Rev. C. V. Brooks, of Holly Springs, after which Rev. T. Neil Johnson, State Sunday School Secretary, addressed the body on behalf of a more thorough study of the scriptures and a stronger type of Christian life.

Following this address came the report on Periodicals and several short talks were made in behalf of the Biblical Recorder and for other periodicals.

Rev. A. A. Butler made the report on Temperance and delivered a very stirring address on the subject. He was followed by several of the members who made pointed remarks, and the State Fair managers came in for very severe criticism for permitting what were termed the "disgraceful, indecent and vulgar side shows that appeared on the Midway." The body, by a rising vote, declared its opposition to their conduct and declared that they would not again patronize the fair until it was made clean.

In the afternoon the report on the Baptist Orphanage was considered. Mr. Stephen Averitt of the orphanage, and others made remarks and liberal pledges were made for its support.

Mr. R. N. Simms made a very able and instructive address on

the growth and progress of the Baptist denomination and a strong appeal for the payment of the debt on the Baptist Female University. At the conclusion of this address a resolution was adopted authorizing the Executive Board to apportion to the churches such amount as might be thought wise to undertake to raise. Pledges for the support of ministerial students at college were also taken.

The subject of Home Missions was next considered and Rev. C. E. Gower delivered a strong appeal in its behalf.

The association agreed to meet next year with Lee's Chapel church in Nash county, near the Wake and Johnston line, on Thursday before the first Sunday in November, Rev. W. D. Hubbard to preach the introductory sermon.

Sunday morning at 10 o'clock Mr. J. M. Broughton spoke on the Sunday school work. At 11 o'clock Mr. J. W. Bailey, editor of the Biblical Recorder, spoke on "What the Baptists of North Carolina have to be thankful for," being an address on the century educational movement.

National Capital Notes.

Mr. Isador Raynor, chief counsel for Schley, closed his argument before the court of inquiry Wednesday, making a most masterly effort. At its conclusion he and Admiral Schley were warmly congratulated by Admirals Dewey, Ramsay and Benham.

The Navy Department has received cablegrams announcing the arrival of Rear-Admiral Remy aboard his flagship, the Brooklyn, at Yokohama, Japan, and that of Rear-Admiral Kempff aboard his flagship, the Kentucky, at Woosung, China.

Lord Pauncefoot, the British Ambassador, called upon Secretary Hay, Monday to announce formally to the Secretary his return from a vacation in England lasting all summer and his readiness to undertake at once the conclusion of the Hay-Pauncefoot treaty.

The main report of the naval board, headed by Rear-Admiral Taylor, which has prepared plans for the proposed new naval station at Olongapo, P. I., shows that the station will cost this government \$19,359,500, exclusive of the defensive works, signal station, water supply, coaling station, magazines, hospital, encampment grounds, and a native village, under the control of the military authorities, which it is proposed to provide for the workmen who will be employed regularly at the Olongapo dock yard.

A delegation from the Porto Rican Chamber of Commerce, headed by Antonio Balarquida, called upon the President this week and submitted some data in favor of a duty of 5 cents per pound on coffee from countries other than Porto Rico. They claim that such a protective duty is necessary to build up the coffee industry of the island. The delegation has been touring the United States for the purpose of investigating the industrial conditions here. They were accompanied by Maj. George W. Fishback, of Boston.

At the Schley Court of Inquiry Monday Admiral Schley and Capt. C. D. Sigsbee, who commanded the St. Paul during the war with Spain, were recalled to make corrections in their testimony. Admiral Schley did not make any material additions to his previous statements on the witness stand, but devoted himself mainly to clearing up ambiguous points in his evidence. An effort was made to introduce two new witnesses in Admiral Schley's behalf. Both were newspaper correspondents who were on duty in Cuba during the war with Spain. The court decided that their evidence would not be admissible. All the testimony being in, argument was begun on behalf of the government by Mr. E. P. Hanna, assistant to Judge Advocate Lemly.

STATE NEWS.

Short Items of Interest Clipped and Culled From Our State Exchanges.

Three divorces were granted in Wake Superior Court Monday.

The handsome residence of Judge Council at Boone was burned Sunday.

Nine alleged counterfeiters are in jail at Raleigh to be tried at the December term of Federal Court.

The depot buildings of the Southern Railway at Gibbonsville, were burned Thursday morning.

The Rocky Mount Spokesman says that the Methodist Protestants will build a \$3,500 church in that place.

The census of 1900 gave Elizabeth City a population of 6,678. The publishers of the new directory put the population at 8,400.

Red Springs Record: Robert Moore killed 29 squirrels and 5 ducks at 34 shots, missing only three times; killed the five ducks at three shots, averaging a squirrel or duck at every shot.

The Wilson Times says that Mr. T. J. Hadley has given \$10 for a rural library in Gardner's township. The idea is growing and is commending itself to men of public spirit everywhere.

Mack Harris, a 14-year old mulatto boy, was run over by a train at Hamlet Tuesday night, while stealing a ride. He fell under the wheels and both legs were mangled, causing his death Tuesday night.

Newton Enterprise: The town is full of mountain wagons this week, loaded with cabbage, apples and chestnuts. We learn that the apple and cabbage crops in the mountains are very small, but that the chestnut crop is the best for several years.

Chapel Hill News: We learn that a young white man, not many miles away from Chapel Hill, fell in love with a colored lady and went to Hillsboro the other day to purchase license to marry her. The Register of Deeds refused him license on account of the girl he was to wed being a negro. The young man determined not to be outdone, swore that he was a negro, got license, and will be married this week. The young man's parents pass for respectable white people.

At Fayetteville, at 10:15 Saturday morning, Louis Council, a negro, convicted of committing rape on a young white woman, Mrs. James West, in Cumberland county, was hanged. On the scaffold Council was asked if he was guilty. He replied: "Before God and man, I am innocent," and the priest, taking the cross from Council's hand, declared him innocent. When the trap was sprung the rope broke and the negro's body fell to the floor. Another rope was secured and the prisoner coolly walked on the scaffold and again the trap was sprung. In a few minutes he was dead. The woman he assaulted always declared he was the man.

At Wilson Saturday Mr. Geo. Gay, until the day before clerk in the saloon of Mr. W. A. Aycock, shot and killed his employer. There had been trouble between them over the accounts of the cash register, and because of this Gay was discharged. He entered the saloon about noon. Mr. Aycock was on his knees getting some money from his safe for contractor Killen, who was standing near. Gay said: "You have treated me like a damned scoundrel" and fired, instantly killing Aycock. Gay then turned the pistol on himself and fired, the ball striking in the left breast but made only a flesh wound. A coroner's jury was quickly empaneled, and the verdict charged Gay with murder. Gay was taken to jail where his wound was dressed. The deceased is a son of Jesse Aycock, of Wayne county. The feeling among his friends is said to be very intense against Gay.

A tobacco stemmery at La Grange, was burned Tuesday night, including about 100,000 pounds of tobacco. The loss foots up about \$10,000, partly covered by insurance.

While a crowd of negroes were playing poker in the woods near Goldsboro, Saturday night, death entered and claimed Charlie Bennett. The negroes were much excited and stopped playing cards.

Assistant State Librarian Marshal De Lancey Haywood, will soon publish a life of Governor William Tryon, and a history of his administration in the province of North Carolina, 1765-1771.

Raleigh Cor. Messenger: The sheriff of this county is a farmer, an observant one. He says that he finds that more mowing machines have been sold here this year than in the ten years previous. The buyers are using them largely to cut grass for persons in their neighborhood. In this way he says the hay crop will be a very large one here.

Salisbury Sun: It may be gratifying to the Daughters of the Confederacy of North Carolina to know that in the subscriptions and amounts paid in for the Jefferson Davis monument, that North Carolina stands second in the list of States, the amount being nearly \$1,600. The full amount held by the treasurer of the Davis monument fund is \$3,700.

PRESIDENT'S PROCLAMATION.

November 28th Set Apart as a Day for Thanksgiving.

President Roosevelt Saturday issued his proclamation fixing Thursday, November 28, as a day of national Thanksgiving. It follows:

"A PROCLAMATION.

"The season is nigh when, according to the time-hallowed custom of our people, the President appoints a day as the especial occasion for praise and thanksgiving to God.

"This Thanksgiving finds the people still bowed with sorrow for the death of a great and good President. We mourn President McKinley because we so love and honored him; and the manner of his death should awaken in the breasts of our people a keen anxiety for the country, and at the same time a resolute purpose not to be driven by any calamity from the path of strong, orderly, popular liberty which as a nation we have thus far so eily trod.

"Yet in spite of this great disaster, it is nevertheless true that no people on earth have such abundant cause for Thanksgiving as we have. We have prospered in things material and have been able to work for our own uplifting in things intellectual and spiritual. Let us remember that, as much has been given us, much will be expected of us; and that true homage comes from the heart as well as from the lips and shows itself in deeds. We can best show our thankfulness to the Almighty by the way in which on this earth and at this time each of us does his duty to his fellow-men.

"Now, therefore, I, Theodore Roosevelt, President of the United States, do hereby designate as a day of general thanksgiving, Thursday, the 28th of this present November, and do recommend that throughout the land the people cease from their wonted occupations, and at their several homes and places of worship reverently thank the Giver of all good for the countless blessings of our national life.

"In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

"Done at the city of Washington this 2nd day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and one and of the independence of the United States the one hundred and twenty-sixth.

"THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

"By the President:

"JOHN HAY,
"Secretary of State."

GENERAL NEWS.

A Partial List of the Week's Happenings Throughout the Country.

One day last week, in Portland, Me., a marriage license was taken out by Josiah H. Tilton, aged 86, to wed Caroline Griswold, aged 82.

The Consolidated Liquid Air Company has been chartered by the State of New York, with a capital of \$1,000,000. Marion Butler is one of the incorporators.

Fire Monday night destroyed two large adjoining grain elevators owned by the Botsford Elevator Company at Port Huron, Mich., entailing a loss of \$300,000.

A negro was burned at the stake in Perry county, Miss., Saturday night for criminal assault on Mrs. Fortenberry, the wife of a prominent citizen. The negro confessed his crime.

Four men were arrested in New Orleans Saturday, charged with being confidence men. Monday the police received information to the effect that the men are the Wagner, Mont., train robbers.

The President has appointed John W. Riddle, of Minnesota, to be Secretary of the United States embassy at St. Petersburg. Mr. Riddle was formerly secretary of the United States legation at Constantinople.

A fog such as Great Britain had not experienced for years enveloped London and half of the United Kingdom Monday, blocking shipping, deranging railways and throwing business in London, Birmingham and other provincial cities into confusion.

President Roosevelt has accepted the invitation of the South Carolina Inter-State and West Indian Exposition to attend the exposition on Wednesday, February 12th, Lincoln's birthday, and preparations will be made to celebrate the event with the most imposing ceremonies.

Monday afternoon a man named Lanscombe entered the Kennington branch of the London and Southwestern Bank at London, and shot the cashier dead. He then called upon the clerks to deliver the contents of the till. A clerk grappled with the robber, who, finding that escape was impossible, shot himself. Another clerk was wounded in the struggle.

Rev. Jeremiah J. Crowley has entered suit in the Superior Court at Chicago for \$50,000 against the Rev. Francis J. Barry, chancellor of the Catholic arch-diocese of Chicago. The suit is the outgrowth of Father Crowley's recent excommunication and expulsion from the church following charges which he made against Father Muldoon, then about to be consecrated as a bishop.

Two machinists working in the Southern Railway shops at Columbia, S. C.,—Walter Binder and William Seaver—were shot in their house some time after midnight Sunday night by a party of men. Seaver was killed instantly and Binder desperately wounded. According to the antemortem statement of Binder, the attacking men were former strikers, who were bent upon killing the "scabs." Harry Jones and Arthur McCraney have been arrested. More arrests will follow.

The Governor's Proclamation.

Tuesday Governor Aycock issued the following Thanksgiving proclamation:

State of North Carolina.

Executive Department.

God reigns at all times and everywhere. He is our comfort in every hour of sorrow and our strength in every day of weakness. In this year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and one, startled by the death of its President at the hands of an assassin, He has given us strength to continue our form of government without friction or danger, and has thereby made it incumbent upon us to turn towards Him in hours of trial, and those who turn to Him always find strength. It is needful, therefore, and proper

that we should set aside at least one day in the year in which to express our gratitude to Him for past favors and invoke His aid for the future.

I, Charles B. Aycock, Governor of the State of North Carolina, therefore issue this my proclamation, setting apart Thursday, November 28th inst., as a day of Thanksgiving and Prayer, upon which day I urge all people to meet in their respective places of worship and there thank God for the manifold mercies which He has shown to us individually and as a people, and to ask for His protection and guidance in the future. I earnestly recommend that on this day all our people shall give as God has prospered unto those who are needy, particularly the widows and orphans.

Done at our city of Raleigh, this 5th day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and one, and the one hundred and twenty-sixth year of our American Independence.

CHARLES B. AYCOCK.
By the Governor:
P. M. PEARSALL,
Private Secretary.

WORK OF LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE.

Wireless Telegraphy is Wanted for the Establishment.

The annual report of the United States Lighthouse Board shows that at the end of the fiscal year there were under the control of the lighthouse establishment the following aids to navigation:

Lighthouses and beacon lights, 1,306; light vessels in position, 45; light vessels for relief, 8; electric-lighted buoys in position, 11; gas-lighted buoys in position, 91; fog signals operated by steam, caloric or oil engines, 179; fog signals operated by clockwork, 222; post lights, 1,827; day or unlighted beacons, 752; whistling buoys in position, 77; bell buoys in position, 122; other buoys in position, including pile buoys and stakes in Fifth district and buoys in Alaskan waters, 4,780.

In the construction, care and maintenance of these aids of navigation there were employed: Steam tenders, 34; steam launches, 11; sailing tenders, 2; lightkeepers, 1,420; other employes, including crews of lightships and tenders, 1,428; laborers in charge of post lights, 1,574.

The board asks for an appropriation of \$90,000 to reconstruct a buoyage system and man the lighthouses of Porto Rico, and \$25,000 for the maintenance of the Hawaiian system. The board also asks for other appropriations as follows:

Supplies for lighthouses, \$502,886; improvements at lighthouses, \$760,000; salaries of lightkeepers, fuel, rent, etc., \$883,000; expenses of light vessels, \$525,000; expenses of fog signals, \$190,000; lighting of rivers, \$330,000. Authority to construct five new light vessels and several new light tenders also is asked.

The report says that while the board does not propose either to gather or disseminate marine news, it is desirous, in the interests of commerce and navigation as well as of economy, to be put in early and quick communication with its outlying light vessels and lighthouses, and it is for this purpose alone that it asks an appropriation to enable it to install a wireless system of telegraphy between such points in the lighthouse establishment as shall seem to be most necessary.—Washington Dispatch.

Short \$200,000.

Up to this time last year there had been paid out in Raleigh \$290,000 for cotton sold on the streets. Up to this time this year there has been paid out in Raleigh \$90,000 for cotton sold on the streets. Raleigh is therefore short \$200,000 from the cotton sales. This means of course, a lack of money in circulation among the farmers, merchants and all others, and tells the story of the severe loss that is involved in the very short cotton crop.—Raleigh News and Observer.