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LAY CORNERSTONE FOR "Y" BUILDING

Impressive Rites For Exercises Held At Fayetteville By Masons

Fayetteville, May 1.—With the impressive rites and ancient customs of Freemasonry, the cornerstone of the building to be erected in this city by the Young Men's Christian Association was laid this afternoon before an assembled throng of people at the conclusion of the ceremonies attended by a rarely eloquent address from the Right Rev. Thomas C. Darst of Wilmington, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern North Carolina.

The cornerstone was laid, with the usual Masonic ceremonies, the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, James H. Webb, of Hillsboro, worshipful grand master of the Grand Lodge, was in charge of the Masonic ceremonies. Other officers of the Grand Lodge taking part in the ceremonies were: Grand Secretary W. W. Willson, of Raleigh; grand treasurer, B. R. Lacy, of Raleigh; senior grand warden, J. L. Grand Everett, of Rockingham; and grand tiler, W. D. Terry, of Raleigh. J. T. Bynum, of Hope Mills, acted as deputy grand master and H. C. Blackwell, of Fayetteville as junior warden. The remaining offices were filled by members of local lodges, appointed by the Grand Master.

Palestine commandery, Knights Templar, formed the escort of the Grand Lodge.

John R. Toler, chairman of the directors of the Y. M. C. A., presided over the ceremonies, which were presided by a band concert by the Thirtieth field artillery band from Camp Bragg which also played the musical numbers during the exercises. "Bring Forth the Royal Diadem" and "The Beautiful Land" were sung by a male quartette, while the assemblage sang "America," at the beginning of the program and concluded the exercises with the singing of "How Firm a Foundation."

Bishop Darst's address, though brief, was filled with timely thoughts. He stressed the importance of such an institution as the Y. M. C. A., in "these peculiar times" in which so many ugly forces are striving to undermine our law and religion and pull down the fair fabric of our civilization. In a strong peroration he appealed to his hearers to adopt as their standard in this fight the cross carried in the crusades "To reclaim an empty tomb" by the ancient forerunners of the Knights Templar who stood before him.

MONEY MARKET EASE CONTINUES

No Material Change in Conditions. With Rates Holding Generally Steady

Money on call loaned early this week as high as 4 per cent, but while this rate was prevailing for new loans renewals were being made on a 3 1/2 per cent basis. Later in the week, the lower figure became the rate for both classes of loans. Time money was quoted at 4 1/4 per cent, with scarcely any loans negotiated at that level beyond the three months' maturity. While borrowers were willing to pay that rate for periods up to six months lenders were not anxious to furnish accommodation beyond the shorter maturities. The business was mostly in small lots, there being few inquiries for any very sizable amounts. Commercial paper was quoted at 4 1/4 to 4 1/2 per cent, these rates covering the very choicest names, and one quarter of a point higher on the outside figure, being exacted where the collateral consisted of names less well known. The country banks were in the market to the greatest extent, although the local institutions were occasional buyers of the prime paper. No change was made in the local Reserve Bank rediscount rate this week, and intimations were received from Washington that Federal Reserve Board officials do not at present look for further adjustment of rediscount rates. The Government withdrew \$10,500,000 from the local depositaries on Tuesday, and supplemented this amount with a further withdrawal of \$3,400,000 on Thursday. The Bank of Denmark reduced its discount rate this week from 5 1/2 to 5 per cent.—Dunn's Review, April 29th.

HOUSE VOTES MONEY TO AID IN ROAD BUILDING

Washington, May 1.—By a vote of 239 to 31 the House today passed the Dunn bill authorizing and appropriation of \$55,000,000 for road building for the year beginning July 1 next, and \$75,000,000 for the year thereafter.

MUCH OF FERTILIZER BILL CAN BE SAVED

Of State's \$27,000,000 For Fertilizer Bill, \$13,000,000 Being Spent For Nitrogen

(By John Paul Lucas)

Raleigh, April 30.—North Carolina will use this year probably 900,000 tons of fertilizer at a cost of approximately \$27,000,000.

That total is nearly three times the value of last year's sweet potato crop in North Carolina; nearly four times the value of the peanut crop; more than one-third the value of the tobacco crop; more than four times the value of the wheat crop; two-thirds the value of the entire corn crop; nearly twice the value of the hay crop; and more than 40 per cent of the value of the cotton crop.

Of the \$27,000,000 which North Carolina will spend this year for fertilizer, something like \$13,500,000 will be for nitrogen. This element, the most costly ingredient of fertilizer, may be produced at home instead of being purchased if farmers will but diversify their crops and produce legumes, such as clover, vetch, cow peas, velvet beans, soy beans and others.

On a farm which produces feed for its livestock, particularly where a considerable number of cattle are kept, the production of ample legumes is so altogether logical that it can hardly be avoided, and of course, the legumes are returned to the soil in the form of manure. On farms where sufficient livestock are not kept to consume the quality of legumes which should be grown in order to provide the nitrogen required for fertilizer, clover, velvet beans, cow peas or other legumes should be grown under purely for the benefit to be derived from the fertilizer elements and manure.

It is rather difficult for a short-sighted farmer to make up his mind to turn under a good growth of clover or any other legume. If he could see one, two, three or four years ahead it would not be so hard. Land of comparatively low fertility frequently has its productivity doubled through the turning under of one legume crop.

The farmers who are moving ahead satisfactorily are those who not only study means of making money, but means of saving money, and a farmer who can, in the course of a few years, cut his fertilizer expenditures practically in half through the use of legumes is certainly saving money. He simply banks it in the soil where it can be drawn out through larger crop yields during the succeeding years. This is a big step in "Living at Home" and in winning economic independence.

At the end of this year North Carolina will have used more than 5,000,000 tons of fertilizer during the past seven years at a cost of \$150,000,000. Unquestionably it pays to use fertilizer, and North Carolina farmers have gotten good results from the fertilizers they have used, but it does not pay to expend ten, twelve or fifteen million dollars a year for nitrogen which the farmer can himself draw from the air above his head through the growth of legumes.

DR. E. C. BRANSON TO LECTURE IN DUNN

The University Professor Will Address the People of Dunn May 9th

The Woman's Club and the Daughters of the Confederacy have arranged to bring to Dunn Dr. E. C. Branson of the University of North Carolina, who will deliver a lecture on that beloved Southerner, Robert Edward Lee.

The extension bureau of our state University send out each year, a number of lecturers and it is through this bureau that Dr. Branson has been booked. Dr. Branson is a member of the faculty of the University, he is a brilliant man and a noted lecturer, and since his lectures on the life of a man whose memory is dear to every Southerner, the people of Dunn have a treat in store for them.

The date of this event is May 9, and it will be held in the opera house. It is very fitting that this lecture should precede that day, May 10, when all hearts and minds are turned to those who fought for Lee and the Confederacy. There will be no admission charge to hear Dr. Branson, so every man and woman, boy and girl in Dunn will have an opportunity to hear a fine lecture. We feel sure a large audience will be in attendance.

NOTES GIVEN FOR STOCK HELD VOID

Wake Jury Holds Power Company Used Fraud; \$300,000 in Litigation

News and Observer

A jury in Wake county Superior court yesterday rendered a verdict declaring four notes given by S. B. Holloman, of Holly Springs, in exchange for stock of the Cumberland Railway and Power Company null and void and non-collectable by the Union Trust Company of Raleigh, which secured them under a trust agreement from the Harnett County Trust Company of Lillington.

The four notes amount to \$10,000, at the total held by the Union Trust Company and whose status will be settled by the ruling of the Supreme court in the Holloman case is \$68,000.

The Cumberland Railway and Power Company was placed in the hands of a receiver, in December, 1920, and its affairs have since been wound up with no return to stockholders or bondholders. Notes given for stock of the company by citizens of Harnett, Wake, Franklin and Johnston counties which are now involved in litigation aggregate approximately \$300,000, of which about \$100,000 is in Wake county.

The Union Trust Company notes and those involved in about seventy-five suits pending in Harnett county were turned over to the Harnett County Trust Company or one of the other two banks of which N. T. Patterson, who committed suicide some months after the failure of the power company, was president.

It is alleged by the makers of the notes that Patterson was a co-conspirator with H. L. Jones, of Norfolk, Va., president of the power company, who was killed in an automobile accident during 1921, in the fraudulent scheme of selling stock, but some of the notes are held by banks which received them as collateral for other paper.

In the Holloman case, the North Carolina "Blue Sky" law was set up as a bar to the collection of the notes and the maker also alleged lack of consideration to himself and to the subsequent holders of the notes.

Judge W. A. Devin, however, eliminated the question of the "Blue Sky" law in his charge to the jury and the issues submitted involved solely the question of fraud on the part of the power company and the good faith of the Harnett County Trust Company.

Failure of the power company involved the Harnett County Trust Co., to such an extent that it was threatened with insolvency. Owners of certificates of deposit, originally given in exchange for the notes surrendered them to the bank, which turned over the notes to the Union Trust Company of Raleigh for collection.

The notes are held in trust for the following former owners of the certificates of deposit issued by the Harnett County Trust Company; R. J. Whitley, Merchants National Bank, Dillon Supply Co., E. S. Pool, Bank of Warsaw, Bank of Duplin, Planters' Bank and Trust Co., National Surety Co., Ben Paul Snyder and E. F. Young, receiver.

In addition to the notes held of S. B. Holloman, the makers of the other notes are: J. Walter Stewart, J. J. White, J. T. Wilson, A. H. Shearn, R. V. Murray, W. F. Mitchener, J. T. Matthews and J. L. Johnson. Mr. Johnson's paper, which amounts to \$13,000, is in the form of certificates of deposit on a South Carolina Bank.

LILLINGTON SCHOOL TO CLOSE THIS WEEK

Lillington, May 1.—Lillington High and Farm-Life school is closing one of its most successful sessions. With Saturday's declamation contests the grammar grades close their exercises, and Sunday morning at 10:30 Rev. Albert N. Johnson, pastor of the First Baptist church of Dunn, preached the baccalaureate sermon to the graduating class. There are fourteen girls and boys who will receive diplomas this year. Three diplomas admit to any State college or the university without preliminary examination. Tonight the senior class delivered their farewells and the graduating exercises will take place Tuesday morning, at which time Dr. D. D. Carroll, of the University of North Carolina will deliver the literary address. Following this address the diplomas will be presented. The school talent, aided by local entertainers, will render the farce comedy, "Nothing But the Truth," Tuesday evening. These plays are always largely attended, having won distinction upon their splendid merit. This will bring the school session to a close.

JOHN W. KEOH OF COLUMBIA HAS LEASED THE KILLIGREY

Mr. John W. Keoh and associates of Columbia, S. C., have leased the Killigrey Hotel for a period of ten years. Mr. Keoh and his secretary, Mr. Rawlings, were here several days this week going over the proposition and will return May 1st to begin operation.

In speaking of acquiring the Killigrey, Mr. Keoh stated that he will begin immediately to place the hotel before the public in a way that will bring patronage from points at which Lillington is not well known. He is a business man of wide experience and is capable of conducting the new hotel on a high plane.

Mr. Keoh is principal owner of the People Manufacturing Co., with headquarters in Columbia.—Harnett County News.

THOUSANDS STILL WITHOUT HOMES IN FLOOD ZONES

Relief Organizations Continue Work To Prevent Hunger

FOOD BIGGEST NEED IN STRICKEN AREA

Immense Lake of More Than Fourteen Hundred Square Miles Now Exists On Once Fertile Lands In Southern Louisiana; Supplies Nearly Exhausted.

New Orleans, La., May 1.—Relief organizations were continuing to work to prevent hunger, exposure and disease among the tens of thousands of homeless in the stricken "food zones of Louisiana and Mississippi. Particular efforts were directed to the area in central, eastern Louisiana where a lake of more than 1,400 square miles now exists on fertile farm lands and thriving commercial towns as a result of the breaking of the levee of the Mississippi river near Ferriday, La.

Harrisonburg, La., on the west of the river but yet in the flood zone, continues to present the most serious problem. Food is the biggest need of the thousands of refugees who fled to that town or were brought there by their rescuers.

Supplies nearly exhausted. Stocks of local merchants have become exhausted. Food was reported to be so scarce that it had to be brought in by boat from neighboring communities which it is hoped will last until a boat with food will reach New Orleans last Saturday night. In addition to those in need at that town, it was reported today that boats laden with 1,000 more refugees were en route there.

Old men and women and children upon their arrival at Harrisonburg already showed the signs of undernourishment as the thousands of refugees had been into their homes for many days. They de-

There is a serious shortage of shelter at Harrisonburg, only fifty tents are available and many are sleeping on the ground in the open. There is also a lack of medical supplies.

The distress among the flood sufferers has been aggravated by the refusal of many inhabitants of the lowlands to abandon their homes until the water forced them out.

River Continues to Spread. In southern Louisiana where the river is continuing to spread through a crevasse in St. Bernard parish, refugees are being brought to the outskirts of New Orleans where better shelter, medical attention and food can be given them. Relief camps established in the flood zone have in many instances been abandoned as the result of the spreading of the waters.

In central and western Mississippi renewed efforts were going forward to rescue the marooned in the Yazoo basin, where a stretch of land covering 1,700 square miles is today a mighty lake. Relief bodies are being axed to capacity to provide for the refugees who continue to pour in at the isolated high spots and larger towns. Food, shelter, clothing and medical supplies must be supplied for 17,000 of these in that devastated area, it is estimated.

With the crest still to come in the lower and central reaches of the river, scores of towns and villages in Arkansas, Mississippi and Louisiana are covered with water to a depth in some instances of 20 feet while many larger communities have encircled themselves in hastily constructed embankments which they hope will hold the water out, in the meantime being isolated from the world with the exception of communication by boats.

BERNARD M. CONE IS A VICE PRESIDENT

J. H. Webb, of Hillsboro, President Cotton Manufacturers' Association

Winston-Salem, April 30.—Election of officers, an interesting and practical address, delivered by George Coggin, supervisor of industrial education in North Carolina, following which a resolution was adopted endorsing the work in strong terms and authorizing a committee of the association to co-operate in every way possible in increasing its scope and usefulness; address by Attorney W. M. Hendrix, of this city, on the present status of the child labor law; adoption of resolutions expressing the association's appreciation of the several feature addresses delivered during the summer session and adoption of memorial resolutions on the death of J. O. White, a prominent cotton mill manufacturer of Gastonia. The above featured the closing session Saturday morning of the North Carolina Cotton Manufacturers' association. Adjournment was taken at noon.

J. H. Webb, of Hillsboro, was elected president for the ensuing year and Bernard M. Cone, of Greensboro; E. C. Dwell, of Charlotte; S. F. Patterson, of Grand Rapids, vice-presidents. The personnel of the executive committee will be announced later; also the place for the next meeting.

FARM LEADERS IN FAVOR OF HOBBS

Farmers' Candidates in Third District Cots Endorsements

Clinton, April 30.—The candidacy of S. H. Hobbs, Sampson county farmer, for Congress from the Third district, is attracting the attention of National and State leaders in farm organization work. Thomas C. Atkinson, Washington representative of the National Frange, expresses his interest in the candidacy in the following letter to Mr. Hobbs:

"I am in receipt of your letter of April 26th and am much interested to know that you are in the field for nomination as Congressman and succeed Congressman Brinson, and sincerely trust that the voters in your district may give you a majority. I am sure from my knowledge of your activities as a representative of the Farmers' Union in Washington when such important legislation was under consideration, especially the Federal Land Bank law, that if you are successful in securing the nomination and election, the farmers will have another good friend in Congress."

T. B. Farkner, chief of the North Carolina division of markets and rural organization, has also written Mr. Hobbs endorsing his platform. Mr. Farkner writes:

"I have before me a copy of the Goldboro News announcing the candidacy of Mr. S. H. Hobbs for Congressman for the Third district. Mr. Hobbs' platform on 'vital principles' and his desire to come to the rescue of the agricultural interests of the country, coupled with his activities as chairman of the legislative committee of the National Farmers' Union during the years 1914 to 1916, and his opportunities to hold conferences with President Wilson and Secretary McAdoo concerning the increase of the proposed Federal Treasury loan from \$50,000,000 to \$200,000,000, which request was considered by them, and the promise made to make the increase if the banks des-

he district.

"Mr. Hobbs being a farmer and having come in direct contact with the full force of the financial depression which so effectively swept away the profits from all farm crops, naturally feels the need of easier access to the bills of the Federal Land banks and would use his best efforts to have the laws governing them so amended as to make it easier to secure loans on good security on both long term and short term papers. Legislation touching our financial system that offers promise of relief will be welcomed by our people. Financial relief is the one thing now uppermost in their minds and the man who can come to their aid in this respect will be welcomed. There has been a growing feeling for some time that there should be a larger representation of representative farmers in our legislative bodies in Washington. Mr. Hobbs' entry into the race gives the voters of the district an opportunity to express themselves along this line, and may by the votes whether they are in sympathy with the idea of increasing their farmer representation in Congress or not."

Hamilton, Ont., April 30.—Burst of rumors that members of the Ku Klux Klan had pledged themselves to kidnap him and take him back to North Carolina, N. C., to face charges of murder and inciting riot, has caused Matthew Bullock, American negro, to seek refuge on another continent, his friends declared here.

Bullock evaded extradition to North Carolina on two occasions, and then the vague rumors of Ku Klux interest in his case reached him. The Rev. J. D. Howell, who led the campaigns for funds to fight the negro's extradition, said these rumors had worried Bullock a great deal. He added he had received word from Bullock of his safe arrival at the haven of refuge. Howell refused to reveal Bullock's place of refuge. Funds for his journey, it was reported, were supplied from the defense chest to which thousands of members of his race and many white people contributed.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT SUNDAY AFTERNOON

Ford Car Turned Over Causing Serious Injury To Several

James Adley of Dunn, and Noah Kelly of Duke are at the point of death, John B. Bryant, also of Duke is seriously injured and Ammy Naylor, and Buddie Johnson of Dunn and Tom Kelly of Duke are slightly bruised as a result of an automobile accident late Sunday afternoon at the Beaver Dam bridge, two miles west of Duke. The car in which they were riding was completely demolished and wonder is expressed that all were not instantly killed.

The young men were out riding for the afternoon. They had been up the road to Linden and were returning home. Ammy Naylor was at the wheel of the Ford car and was running at a rapid speed around the curve which approaches the bridge. His companions had asked him frequently to slow down, but, apparently, he regarded their wishes only slightly. Just as he hit the bridge the car turned turtle. It went over twice before it stopped and all the occupants were either thrown out or caught under the wreck. Several of the boys were knocked unconscious. They were picked up immediately and carried to Duke where first aid was rendered.

James Adley, one of Dunn's most popular young men, is not expected to live. The condition of Noah Kelly is reported slightly better, and John B. Bryant continues to suffer a great deal. The other boys are out and about normal again.

The wreck is a most deplorable affair and the many friends of the injured boys deeply sympathize with them.

DEMOCRATS TO LEAD SAYS MR. WILSON

Sees Turning Point in World Affairs and Says It Falls to Democrats To Take Initiative

Washington, April 30.—Former President Woodrow Wilson declared in a letter read tonight at a dinner tendered to Chairman Cordell Hull, of the Democratic national committee, that "this is undoubtedly a critical turning point in the affairs of mankind, and it clearly falls to the Democrats of the United States to lead the way to the light."

The letter was read unexpectedly by Mrs. Emily Newell Blair, of Washington, and was received with cheers. It was written under date of April 15, and was in reply to a letter from Mrs. Blair in behalf of the women committee members inviting both Mr. and Mrs. Wilson to attend tonight's dinner.

Addresses were given at the dinner by Senator Thomas J. Walsh, of Montana, and Senator Jones, of New Mexico, and Chairman Hull.

The letter from the former President follows: "I need not assure you and the ladies hearts will be with you all at the dinner on Saturday evening, but untrappily my body is still so lame that I cannot venture to promise to be present and crave your indulgence of my selfishness in keeping Mrs. Wilson at home also with me."

"I need not assure and the ladies associated with you of my deep interest in what they are undertaking and my earnest hope and belief that they will succeed. This is undoubtedly a critical turning point in the affairs of mankind, and it clearly falls to the Democrats of the United States to lead the way to the light. Women such as these who are to gather at the dinner on Saturday evening are sure to contribute to this great purpose the invaluable stimulation of their enthusiasm and devotion."

BULLOCK REPORTED TO BE IN STRANGE CLIME

Negro Who Evaded Extradition To N. C. Said To Have Fled From E. K. K.

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LOSING EXERCISES SHADY GROVE SCHOOL

The closing exercises of Newton Grove High school will take place Saturday, May 6th, beginning at 10 o'clock in the morning and closing with the evening program. The following program will be rendered: 10:00 A. M.—Music—Special. Devotional Exercises—J. J. Langston. Music—Quartette. Welcome—W. C. Bryan. Address—Hon. R. A. Grady. Music—Special. Dinner. Music—Special. Invocation—Rev. J. J. Langston. Presentation of Diplomas—D. H. Lasky. Lecture—Rev. J. J. Langston. Evening 8:00 P. M.—Faculty play. The subject of the morning address: Brotherhood and Internationalism. Afternoon lecture: The Educated Man. His Place.

BILL EXTENDING FINANCE CORPORATION IS PASSED

Washington, May 1.—The bill extending for one year from July 1, the powers of the War Finance Corporation was passed today by the Senate by an unanimous vote and without a roll call.

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