

THE FREE WILL BAPTIST.

AYDEN, N. C. WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19, 1907.

SHORT NEWS ITEMS

In Town and Through the Surrounding Country:

Miss Lizzie Blount has recently gone to Griffon on a short visit.

Mrs. E. G. Cox and Mrs. W. J. Boyd spent last Monday in Greenville.

Miss Hattie Armstrong spent last Saturday night and Sunday visiting at the home of Mr. Fate Cox.

Rev. B. E. Stanfield preached an able sermon on Sunday morning at the M. E. church, from II Tim. 2:15.

Messrs Levi Pearce, John Pearce and Herbert Ellis went to Greenville Monday morning and returned on the noon train.

Mrs. Chas. Skinner of Greenville, visited her son Dr. L. C. Skinner on Monday last, returning on the 4 o'clock train.

Gates have been ordered for the different avenues leading out of our town. Soon we will be befiling under the stock law management.

Mr. Walter Martin, assistant to our agent at the A. C. L. depot, went up the road to his home Sunday and returned Sunday night.

Mrs. Georgia Baker has recently moved her business stand from near the Witherington store to the office formerly occupied by Mr. W. E. Hooks.

Sorry to hear that Eld. P. T. Lucas continues ill at his home near Lucama, N. C. We hope we will soon receive the news that he is much better.

Dr. M. T. Frizzell, who has recently graduated in medicine and passed the examination of the State Board, will hang out his first shingle in Ayden.

Mrs. M. E. Stocks and little daughter, spent last Saturday night and Sunday in the country, visiting her brother Mr. W. H. Harrington.

Don't delay sending in your orders for Sunday School literature. The Junior quarterlies are completed and the Seniors nearly so. On with the orders.

Mr. John Pearce has returned from Seven Springs and reports that he is much improved in health. He says the effects of the water are almost miraculous.

We attended our meeting at Greenville on Sunday at morning and at night. Had a fair attendance. Interest in our work is growing in this progressive town.

Miss Sallie Rieves left on Sunday morning for her home near Pactolus. Miss Sallie has made many warm friends during her stay in Ayden, who regret to see her leave.

DEAD.—News has reached our town that Jesse Saults, father of our townsman, Dr. M. M. Saults, died at his home in Black Creek, N. C., on the 17th and he will be buried Tuesday the 18th. Our sympathy is extended.

Eld. L. St. Claire of Edison Ga., Providence permitting will visit in Pamlico county in August and conduct several meetings. He will perhaps visit many churches in the state, and we trust his coming will prove a great blessing to the church and to himself.

We are anxious that orders for Sunday School literature for the 3rd quarter, should be sent in promptly. Think we will be ready to send the work out by the first of this week. All orders received fully booked and will receive the most considerate attention.

Mrs. Rebecca McLawhorn, mother of Franklin and John McLawhorn of near Senftenon died on Sunday the 16th and was buried on Monday. She was also mother of Mrs. Shion Rouse of near Ingo. Burial services were held by Eld. M. A. Woodard. Surely a good woman has passed away.

More than pleased to hear that Mr. Hudson son of J. A. Hudson of near Black Jack church is now a full fledged doctor and is ready to hang out his shingle according to the statute, having passed a rigid examination before the state board. We predict that he will be one of the first physicians of the land.

Mr. W. A. Hobbister, wife and son recently of Portsmouth, Ohio, arrived here on last Friday's noon train. They tell of a wonderful cold spring in the West. People have just laid aside their overcoats. They are well pleased with our South land and especially with the town of Ayden, and we cheerfully welcome them into our midst for the second time.

We have before us the University Record published at Chapel Hill. It shows for the university 81 trustees, 58 professors and instructors and 13 assistants. The students are divided as follows: 72 Seniors, 80 Juniors and 121 Sophomores, and 185 freshmen. There were 112 in the law department, 115 in the medicine department, 30 in the department of pharmacy. There were 731 students all told. Twelve states are represented with 680 from N. C. The university is prospering and is an honor to the old North State. Long may its usefulness continue and may it be heartily supported by our people.

Pathetic Incident Connected With Reunion. Richmond, Va., June 6.—One of the most pathetic and touching incidents of the reunion, and one that appeared to make a deep impression on the minds and hearts of the bystanders, occurred on the morning of the unveiling of the Davis monument.

An old gray-haired Confederate, worn with the weight and care of many years, after asking permission of the guard at the gate to allow him to enter the little plot of green which surrounds the statue of the South's greatest chief, General Robert E. Lee, knelt down upon Virginia's sod, and with beautiful simplicity, unselfish and totally unconscious of those around him, lifted up his soul in prayer.

The deep pathos that prevailed the scene of one of Lee's battle scarred veterans kneeling and praying was more than these gathered around the enclosure could stand, and many burst into sobs.

Unfortunately, the name of the veteran could not be learned.—Wilson Times.

Mr. Wright on Reclaiming Swamp Lands. Raleigh, N. C., June 6.—At the morning session of the Board of Agriculture a very interesting talk was made by Mr. Wright, of the irrigation and drainage department of the National Department of Agriculture. His talk was in regard to reclaiming the swamp lands in Eastern North Carolina and the other States on the south Atlantic coast. In this State alone there are hundreds of thousands of acres of land that are now practically worthless, but if drained would be very rich.

There have been a few instances in this State where parties have banded together and drained certain portions, and the reclaimed land brings the finest kind of crops. Mr. Wright pointed out the great possibilities that will result from the draining of those swamp lands.

Mr. Gerald McCarthy, State botanist and biologist, submitted his report yesterday morning, which was accepted and ordered on file. No other reports were received. The board will not adjourn before Friday, as there are several matters yet to be considered.—Exchange.

Will Remove the Body. (Snow Hill Laconic). Last week a farmer near Sharpsburg, on Antietam Creek, in Maryland, while plowing in his field, plowed up human bones. Upon further investigation the skeleton of a man was unearthed and with it a sword bearing the inscription "Arch W. Speight, Co. A. 3rd N. C. Reg., C. S. A." This find on the battle field known as Sharpsburg, or Antietam, where Lee and McClellan fought one of the great battles of the Civil War, September 17th, 1862.

Lieutenant Arch W. Speight, a son of Abner Speight, of Speight's Bridge township, this county, was killed in this battle and buried upon the battlefield, receiving a soldier's burial, being rolled in a blanket with his sword and thrown in a hole. He was a member of Company A, 3rd N. C. Regiment, which holds its reunion here every 30th of April. We understand it at some of his relatives are taking of having his remains removed to some cemetery. His request when he left for the war, if slain on the battle field, was that his remains be allowed to remain where first interred.

Class of 1857 Had Its Reunion at Chapel Hill. (Raleigh Times). Rev. J. H. Tillaghsast of Columbia, S. C., passed through the city this afternoon en route home from Chapel Hill, where he attended a reunion of the class of 1857. There were present at the reunion Col. Thomas S. Keuan, Raleigh; Prof. R. Bingham, Asheville; Hon. B. F. Grady, Samp Mill Johnson Dr. Graham, Charlotte; Maj. John W. Graham, Hillsboro; Mr. N. B. Whitefield, Kinston; Mr. Harrel and Rev. J. H. Tillaghsast. The boys had a most pleasant time. One hundred and twenty men matriculated at the University with these gentlemen, and of the number sixty nine graduated. It was the largest class in the history of the University, and among its members are names that have helped in making history.

State Normal. We have before us the catalogue of the Normal and Industrial college, of Greensboro, N. C. The total enrollment for the year, including students in the Training School, was 845. The Faculty will be increased for the coming year, and additional dormitory accommodations will be provided in time for the opening of the fall term, September 15th, 1907. Tuition is free to students who take the pledge to become teachers in North Carolina for at least two years after leaving the College. Board is furnished at actual cost, but, owing to limited accommodations, not all free tuition students can secure board in the college dormitories. Therefore all free-tuition applications should be in the hands of the President before July 15th, so that (in case the large number of applicants from any county should make it necessary) a competitive examination may be arranged for. One half of the available dormitory space is reserved for tuition-paying students. Applications from those who do not take the pledge to teach but intend to pay tuition, are filed and dormitory reservations made as the applications are received.

Address, J. I. Foust, President, Greensboro, N. C. Stand Pat on Temperance. Kenly, N. C., June 14.—Our Town Commissioners have again shown the people that they are not weak-kneed, and they believe in the majority's wishes being carried out.

Mr. J. A. Farmer, of Wilson, representing a Slop-brewer or Canned-beverage manufacturer, appeared before our new board, pleading with them that they might rescind a former law made by the old board, which forbids the sale of such drinks as his manufacturer makes.

After a liberal hearing and discussion, the board retired and rendered a unanimous vote in favor of the present law.

During Mr. Farmer's argument he was asked to name one thing in which the town would be benefited by granting his request, and he acknowledged that he could not do so. He says that he never had such a bluff as Kenly gave him.—Exchange.

Which Will Win. The state board of education has fixed the dates for its visit for various points, eight in number, which are competing for the eastern training school for teachers. These dates being as follows: Rocky Mount and Tarboro, June 20; Greenville, 21; Washington, 22; and Edenton and Elizabeth City 24. New Bern 25; Kinston 26. It seems to be the opinion that the big fight will be between Washington and Greenville. Some of the Washington delegation were seen at Beaufort Saturday and they say they are in the fight. Elizabeth City seems to have dropped out of it, thinking Greenville already a winner, but Washington is in it to stay and its committee says its offer is a great one.—Oils.

H. B. Varner, President. We are pleased to see the announcement that H. B. Varner, editor of the Lexington Dispatch and Commissioner of Labor and Printing has been elected President of the National Editorial Association of the United States. It shows what energy, good judgment and fine manners will do for a man. Mr. Varner has a magnetic about him that makes him a host of strong friends wherever he goes. He wages a warfare for what is right and faithfully stands by his guns. He is held in the highest esteem by his brethren on the press in N. C., over which he presided for several terms, and we feel sure that all will rejoice that he has been elevated to the highest seat among the editors of the nation.

Liquor Crowd Can Not Longer Dictate in North Carolina. Last week, while Mr. R. D. W. Corner of the State Department of Education was speaking in Davidson county, he was interrupted and insulted in unprintable language by a big liquor distiller who was fighting the proposed local tax there. It is to be hoped that this man will get a good dose of punishment from the courts for his action. The liquor crowd may be able to run some folks and dictate in some communities, but the State of North Carolina must protect free speech and show such men that this sort of conduct will not be tolerated.—Exchange.

Mass Meeting. The Annual Mass Meeting of the Sunday Schools in the Western Conference, will be held at Pleasant Hill church, Wayne Co., on Thursday, Aug. 8th. We printed the program last week following the receipts but omitted time and place. Which we intended to publish again this week with the above, but our limited space forbids it. Hope all will thoroughly understand it.

Receipts table with columns for Name, Amount, and Total. Includes J. C. Matthews, P. F. Smith, R. G. Hatcher, Z Taylor, W J Cowing, etc.

Progress. Hotel Caswell, Mr. J. A. McDaniel's new hotelery which will open its doors to the public within a few days is to have skilled white girl waitresses, several of whom have already arrived.—Kinston Free Press.

Persons desiring to go the Western Union Meeting to be held at Level Grove church in Wake county, write to Eld. A. B. Utley, Holly Springs, N. C., or Eld. S. W. Jones Apex, N. C. These brethren will meet those coming by rail at either place. Be sure to write to the brethren in ample time.

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Meetings. Eld. Thomas B. Peden, D. D., the Lord willing, will attend the dedication at Exton, Ohio, June 16th at 10:30 a. m. Sermon by Eld. H. Bell Upton D. D., Nanton of Evangelist. Other ministers will be present.

Prattville, June 23rd, 10:30 a. m. Perhaps dedication: Vinton Q. M. Ilko, June 29th and 30th Gallia Q. M. Ewington, July 6th and 7th. West Virginia Q. M. Leland Run, July 13th and 14th Jackson, Q. M. Leland, July 20th and 21st. Portsmouth, Aug. 3 and 4th Ohio Free Will Baptist State Convention Lodi Aug. 7th.

Ministers and Laymen's Conference, Lodi, Aug. 8th, Ohio River Yearly Lodi, Aug. 9th, 10th, and 11th. Additions to program of Ministers' and Laymen's Conference of the O. R. Y. M. Eld. W. L. Carrier, The Covenant, Eld. J. A. Blalock, Conservation, L. L. Han M. Mann, Training the Young Eld. F. W. Chase, The Value of Perseverance.

Ga., Fla. and Ala. Convention. Editor of THE BAPTIST.—Please announce through your paper that the Ga., Fla. and Ala. convention will convene at place and time as announced by E. L. St. Claire, with the correction that delegates will be met at Columbia and Pansey Ala., on Thursday p. m. instead of Saturday p. m. The delegates elected to represent the Midway Association are as follows: E. H. Burton, G. P. Hilton and T. G. Harvey. Jas. CHRISTLER, Clerk.

Notice. The Jackson, Ohio, Q. M. will hold its Summer Session with Berea church, Saturday July 27th at 9 a. m. None can be delegates who are not in harmony with the Ohio River Y. M. that will meet in Lodi, Aug. 9th, and the Triennial General Conference that will meet in Nashville, Tenn. Oct. 2nd, 1907. THOMAS B. PEDEN, Founder.

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