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Philadelphia Capitalists Before the Aldermen—New City Father Elected—Other Items.

The board of aldermen met Monday night in the grand jury room at the courthouse, and held an interesting session. Several matters of importance were attended to, among them being the hearing of representatives of Philadelphia capitalists who want a gas franchise. Mr. Sidney Kinney, of Philadelphia, made the proposition for the company, asking for a perpetual franchise. It was referred to a committee composed of Aldermen Lamb, McCrary and Hedrick, who will meet with the representatives of the company some time soon to go over the details.

The next matter taken up was the petition of a number of citizens for aid in building a sidewalk to Park place, the new suburb opened up the last summer and spring by the Park Land Company. Alderman McCrary, for the street committee, reported that he favored the plan and the laying of a sidewalk to this part of the city and on motion of Alderman Hedrick it was ordered that his recommendation be carried out, provided that the Park Land Company look after the necessary grading.

The ordinance proposed at the last meeting of the board, prohibiting the raising of hogs within boundaries was called up and it provoked a lively discussion. Aldermen McCrary and Young opposed it and others favored it. It will be remembered that the matter was left open until the meeting Monday night in order to hear petitions against it and it was expected that there would be a large crowd in attendance. There were, however, only a few there who opposed, among them being Sergeant John Hodges, who interrupted Alderman Hedrick, who was saying that but few within the proposed boundaries opposed the ordinance, with the very positive statement that "I am against it," with accent on the "I."

After much discussion, Alderman Harbin developed into a Moses and led the befuddled law-makers out of the wilderness with the suggestion that the board adopt a sanitary hog pen and require everybody within the corporate limits to use it. This met with instant favor and Alderman Young offered a resolution, providing for a sanitary hog pen and naming Mr. Harbin as the architect and Alderman Lamb as first assistant architect, to plan the pen.

It was also ordered that Aldermen Harbin and Lamb design a sanitary closet for adoption by the board and this will come up at the next meeting. The present unsanitary and dangerous closets and hog pens in Lexington must go and the aldermen determined that the coming of spring will find conditions better in Lexington than ever before. The committee on health will draft the necessary ordinances for presentation to the board at the next meeting.

A petition for a light at the intersection of Push and Third streets was granted and Superintendent Couch ordered to install the light.

The matter of the overhead crossing near the Wrennham, on the Cotton Grove road, came up again. A letter from the Corporation Commission was read which stated that the city should pay for the approaches to the much needed bridge and the Southern should pay for the bridge and such parts of the approaches as should be on the right of way. This is probably the most dangerous crossing on the Southern system, the danger being quadrupled by the double track several years ago, and the aldermen believe that the city should be forced to bear no part of it.

On motion of Alderman Hedrick it was ordered that a letter be written to the Corporation Commission and to the Southern, giving notice that the crossing had been adjudged a nuisance and a menace to life and that unless immediate steps are taken to build the bridge the aldermen would require the building of gates and the placing of a flagman at the dangerous crossing for the protection of life and limb.

Another ordinance of importance went on the books by a unanimous vote. It prohibits loitering around the Southern Railway station, loud and boisterous talk and cursing, and the penalty is \$5 for the first offense and \$10 for the second. It was also ordered that the city tax collector be authorized to keep back of the curb line north of the station, under a license penalty.

The officers were instructed to carry the ordinance out to the letter and it will result in the stopping of the business of loitering around the station, watching the trains pass. No one will be allowed on the grounds who is not there on business.

The unlicensed dogs law came up for a thoroughgoing and it was changed, taxing bull dogs and females of all breeds, 15 each and other dogs \$1. The city tax collector was ordered to secure tags and proceed to collect the tax. Untaxed and untagged dogs will be killed.

By request of the Davidson County Fair officials, the aldermen gave assurance that no carnivals, tent shows, traveling shows, or other undesirable exhibitions would be allowed here during Fair week, November 8, 9 and 10.

THE PREACHERS' CRUSADE.

Ministers Start Movement to Improve Moral Tone of Community. What They Said.

It will hardly be denied that Lexington has as fine a set of preachers as can be found anywhere. They are men of intellect and of a fine course, deeply interested in the welfare of the town and absolutely fearless. Sunday morning they sounded a note of warning that will not go unheeded, for it fell on ears that heard and sank deep into hearts that are deeply interested in the moral good of the community.

It was announced last week, that every minister in the city would preach on local conditions Sunday morning, laying special stress on the violations of the prohibition law and Sabbath breaking, and the program was duly carried out. Owing to the fact that he had a special service on at his church Sunday morning, Rev. W. T. Thompson, Jr., postponed his sermon until Sunday night and at the First Methodist church, Dr. T. F. Marr supplied for Rev. A. L. Stanford, who was at Linwood. Mr. Stanford will preach on the same subject later.

AT THE FIRST REFORMED.

At the First Reformed church, Dr. J. C. Leonard took his text Proverbs 1:23—"When the righteous are in authority the people rejoice; but when the wicked bearth rule, the people mourn." Dr. Leonard explained this to mean that when good men give tone to society and conduct the affairs of government on principles of morality, there is general happiness, prosperity abounds for all and voices ring cheerfully. When the ungodly are in the ascendancy, violence, injustice, complaint and lamentation prevail.

He said that in order to remedy the evils from which we suffer religion must be carried into politics. Some people hoot at the idea of any connection between the two, but if there is to be peace and happiness in the land, the sphere of religion and the sphere of politics must overlap. The old idea that there can be nothing in common between politics and the Christian religion must be done away with and a new order of things ushered in.

"There are enough Christian people in Lexington," Dr. Leonard declared, "to give the community a healthy moral tone," and he went on to show that the churches of Lexington have a combined membership of 1900. There are 300 children in the Sunday schools of Lexington and there are 500 Christians in Lexington who hold church membership elsewhere. This is in the white churches and it means that the Christians of Lexington have a good working majority, in fact almost an overwhelming majority. Of those who are not members of churches, Dr. Leonard said that many could be counted on the side of morality and among the good people would be found many devout Christians, interested in the welfare of the town. With these added to the white church members it can be readily seen that, with every man standing true to his colors, the forces of evil would be greatly outnumbered in Lexington. Dr. Leonard brought out these facts to show that there are enough good people in Lexington to control its destinies and he made it wonderfully plain to those who heard him.

He followed this up with a fearless attack on conditions as they now exist, declaring that while Lexington is cleaner than a great many towns, its moral tone is below par. In some respects the town is wide open. Liquor can be bought in many places and in any quantities. The officers of the law are anxious to remedy these conditions, but they can not do it without the aid of the good men and women. It is a sad fact that there are church members in sympathy with the liquor sellers and who would not raise their hand to stop the practice. In passing he paid his respects to this brand of Christian in no uncertain terms.

"It is time that decent white men quit going on the bonds of these blind tigers in order to keep them out of jail," declared the preacher. "A few days ago a worthless black tiger who had been caught and bound over to court was released on a justified bond of \$200 and he went up and down the streets of Lexington saying boastfully: 'This is what my white folks did for me.'"

He ended his remarkable sermon with a plea for Sabbath observance, the closing of drug stores and restaurants on Sunday and for the continuation of the children of the town.

AT THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

At the First Baptist church Rev. J. T. Jenkins preached an equally interesting sermon from the same text, dealing with practically the same subjects and treating them along the same lines. He divided his sermon into two different branches, taking up first the violations of the prohibition law and following this with a scorching condemnation of the Sabbath-breaking that is going on in Lexington every Sunday.

THOMASVILLE'S BIG DAY.

Seven Thousand Five Hundred People Were on the Streets—Some of Prize Winners.

"The greatest day in the history of Thomasville," is the almost unanimous verdict of the seventy-five hundred people who attended the fourth annual celebration of Everybody's Day there last Saturday. Everything worked together to make this far surpass all the former celebrations; in the first place the weather was almost ideal though the temperature mounted a little too high towards the middle of the afternoon; the great crowd seemed to be in true holiday mood and there was little trouble with the rougher element; the amusements, too, were more interesting than ever before and the whole occasion was thoroughly enjoyed from start to finish.

People from the surrounding country began to come in early in the morning, some of them starting at daylight and driving as far as fifteen miles to be in time for the parade at nine o'clock. This was the most notable feature of the day's events, as practically every prominent business house in town was represented by a float, some of which were remarkable in the ingenuity and artistic taste displayed in their construction.

The parade was divided into three sections, automobiles, wagons and buggies, and a first and second prize was offered to each. Mrs. J. F. Hayden's pink-and-white car won the first automobile prize and Mr. F. S. Lambeth's black-and-gold one the second. The Jewel Cotton Mill won the first wagon prize and the Crutchfield Hardware Co. the second. The First National Bank took the first prize for buggies and the People's Mercantile Co. the second. These awards were not made without considerable trouble to the judges, however, for there were several notable floats besides these. Messrs. B. Black & Son had a particularly fine one as did Mr. J. C. Green; several others were favorably commented on by the crowd.

Immediately after the parade a riding tournament was held at the ball park. Mr. M. B. Hite coming off with the palm bringing down eight out of nine rings, which the contestants tried to catch with a lance on the back of a galloping horse. After Mr. Arthur Clark had won the potato race which was the next event, there was a let-up until two o'clock which many of the crowd employed to go down to the Burgin building where the ladies of the Civic League served an excellent dinner to all comers at fifty cents a head. The proceeds of their lunch party will be used for the betterment of the town in various ways.

At two o'clock in the afternoon what proved to be one of the most interesting events of the day was pulled off; this was the mule race. The course was laid out along East Main street from the section house close to the Cramer factory to Mr. J. W. Lambeth's and both sides of the street were thronged with a mob which many citizens approached frenziedly, as the contestants whirled past the finish line. Mr. Valentine Crofts was first, on his red mule Bob, which animal is about the size of a large jack-rabbit and runs like one. The mule race was the most exciting thing that occurred during the day for another reason, and that was the number of accidents that marred it; at the very start one of the would-be racers was thrown from his mount into a fence and at the finish Mr. Andrew Everhart, in watching the winner cross the line failed to see the approach of Mr. John Loftin who was unable to check his headlong course until he had crashed into Mr. Everhart. The mule turned a complete summersault, according to the testimony of bystanders, but marvelous to say, neither man, nor the mule was seriously injured, although the break was knocked out of Mr. Everhart and Mr. Loftin's face was pretty badly skinned.

The much-advertised string band contest proved to be almost a fizzle, as only one band appeared to contest for the prize; that, however, was a good one. It had been organized by Mr. W. C. Harris and rode in his "hot dog" parade; they played for the prize about four o'clock in the afternoon.

The events of the day were closed by a great fireworks display in the early evening. This was held on the town common opposite the Peoples' Mercantile Company's store; this is one of the highest points in town, and the display could be plainly seen from almost anywhere in the city.

It is generally admitted that the agricultural fair and of the celebration far surpassed anything ever seen in this section; the poultry exhibit in particular, excited the admiration of all who saw it; the corn exhibit, was excellent as was the livestock show, particularly the horses. The fair was held on the vacant lot adjoining the Crutchfield Hardware Company's store. The cake and pastry show had a separate exhibit, being spread out to view in the new armory, immediately over the Civic League's restaurant.

Thomasville did herself proud in her treatment of her visitors; everything that could be done for their comfort and pleasure was done; the streets of the business section had been thoroughly sprinkled the night before, and the Superintendent of Water Works, Mr. Mallard, saw to it that a plentiful supply of ice was kept on hand at every hydrant during the day. Nevertheless his so-called "ice-cream" did a land-o'-leaves business; one drug store alone sold 1200 cones before six o'clock.

The Winston-Salem fair last week attracted big crowds. According to the statements of the fair officials, the attendance was larger than ever before.

LINEXAN ELECTROCTED.

Fred Ritchie Meets Instant Death—2300 Volta Passed Through Body For Ten Minutes.

Thursday afternoon at about thirty o'clock, Fred Ritchie, a linexan in the employ of the Southern Power Company, met instant death at the top of a thirty-foot pole. For ten minutes 2300 volts of electricity passed through his body, while his fellow laborers were hurrying to have the current cut off at the power house. Those who saw him fall back and saw the deadly flash, ran as fast as they could to the nearest telephone and called up the power house, but it was all of ten minutes before the current was stopped.

Ritchie was working at the top of a pole back of the Wrennham Cotton Mill, almost in front of Pickett's store. He, with others, had been engaged for several days in making changes in the line around the two mills in the southern end of the city and when the terrible accident occurred Ritchie was strapped to the pole, hanging as what the power men call "making a serve." He was splicing a cable and in wrapping one piece of the wire around the other to make the connection, he threw the wire over on a near-by wire, striking a place on it that was not insulated, and a deadly "short circuit" was the result. His arm fell across this un-insulated wire and the young man taken down, it was found that the arm was buried to the bone.

Drs. Vestal and Clodfelter were summoned and they did all that was in their power to revive the young man, working over him for several hours. Ritchie was a native of Stanly county, coming from near Richfield. His father was notified and came here Friday for the body, which was prepared for burial by Mr. J. W. McCrary, undertaker. The Southern Power Company paid all of the expenses incident to the burial, including railroad fares for those who came here from Richfield to accompany the body home.

As to the manner in which the short circuit occurred which sent the young man to his death, there are several accounts. One has it that the young man, in turning around, carelessly took hold of the live wire, instead of allowing the wire he was splicing to touch it. A damage suit is expected, which will, of course, bring out every phase of the question and bring to light the different stories.

INDIAN NARROWLY ESCAPES LYING.

Ross French, 21 years old, a Cherokee Indian living on the Birdtown reservation, Swain county, was safely locked in the county jail at Asheville Sunday night, charged with the murder of Ethel Shuler, the 14-year-old daughter of a Birdtown farmer, after having attempted to criminally assault her. His arrival was effected after an exciting escape from a mob of one hundred men bent on lynching the prisoner.

The body of the dead girl was found Friday in the woods near the town with her throat cut and no trace of her assailant was found until Sunday morning, when Deputy Sheriff Beck of Swain county arrested French at a point 7 miles from Sylva. The arrest was made on the strength of blood-stained finger prints on the Indian's hat.

The news of French's capture spread quickly to the neighboring towns and a mob of one hundred men followed the deputy sheriff to Waynesville, where French was lodged in jail. As the mob continued to grow the sheriff called the military and the crowd was dispersed. Beck then took his prisoner through the back door of the jail to a waiting automobile. At Clyde 20 miles from Waynesville, the deputy sheriff boarded an Asheville-bound train, arriving at 6:30 Sunday night.

Sunday night the Indian made a partial confession, but would not give full details of the crime. Telephone messages from Waynesville stated that threats of lynching were being freely made there.

When captured French claimed that the blood stains on his hat were those of an owl which he had shot in the woods. Sunday night he stated that the girl made a desperate fight and that she had bit him in the head with a rock. He said he did not intend to harm her but had asked her to accompany him into the woods. He denies any effort at criminal assault.

Child Smothered to Death.

Little Leo Bertie Moore, 4 years and 8 months of age, and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Moore of the vicinity 2 miles south of Albemarle, suffered a sad death on Friday afternoon of last week.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED.

First Methodist Church Says Many Nice Things About Retiring Pastor, Rev. A. L. Stanford.

Rev. A. L. Stanford, who, for four years has been the pastor of the First Methodist church of this city, will be transferred elsewhere next month when conference meets again, and it goes without saying that he will be greatly missed here. He has worked wonders in his church and Sunday school and leaves his field in much better shape than he found it and he numbers his friends here by the hundreds, both in and out of the church. He is very popular with the people of other denominations.

At the last quarterly meeting of the First Methodist church held Monday night, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, by the laws of our church our beloved pastor, Rev. A. L. Stanford, will have to be sent to another field of labor at the approaching annual conference, and

Whereas, by the faithful manner in which he has discharged his duties as our pastor, he has greatly endeared himself to the whole congregation, therefore be it,

Resolved, That the thanks of the congregation are due and are hereby tendered him for his faithful and conscientious work among us for the past four years. By his earnest and evangelical method of presenting the great truths of the scriptures, our lives have been enriched and our purposes intensified. By his faithful pastoral work he has greatly increased attendance of divine worship, and by his persistent efforts and ability as an organizer he has more than doubled the attendance and influence of our Sunday school and has made of it a potent factor for good that is felt in this community even beyond the pale of Methodism.

Resolved further that the prayers of this congregation go with Brother Stanford to his new work with the hope that the same effective and permanent work may be wrought there.

W. J. MCCRARY, W. J. VESTAL, G. L. HACKNEY.

As to Dr. T. F. Marr, who, for the past year has been the presiding elder of this district, the following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, the laws of our church will not permit a Presiding Elder to remain on one district more than four consecutive years, our beloved Dr. T. F. Marr, will have to leave us this year, therefore be it,

Resolved, That it is with the deepest regret we give him up, the more so that because of a change made in the boundaries of the district this charge has only had him one year. By his faithful administration of affairs and by the lofty and inspiring ideals he has placed before us, as well as by the extremely practical gospel he has preached, we have been helped and edified and stimulated to greater activity.

Resolved further that the best wishes and prayers of this conference go with Dr. Marr to whatever field he may be sent.

J. W. MCCRARY, W. J. VESTAL, G. L. HACKNEY.

Dr. Grandison's Lecture.

The Rev. Dr. Charles N. Grandison lectured in the courthouse Monday night on "What's the Matter With Sambo." The Reverend Doctor is as black as the ace of spades himself, and he lectured to an audience composed mainly of colored people, but his address might have been heard with profit as well as pleasure by nine-tenths of the members of both races. As he said in the beginning it was in the nature of a family talk; in this lecture he wished to do for the black man what the satirists and comic dramatists have done for the white—make some of his failings utterly ridiculous that perhaps he may be laughed out of them.

GLIDDEN TOURISTS COMING.

Seventy-Eight Cars in the Big Tour—Will Pass Through Lexington Thursday Morning.

Seventy-eight cars of many makes and patterns, assembled from almost every state along the Atlantic seaboard and as far west as Indiana, will point their noses south next Saturday, and steam out of New City, in a winding file for Jacksonville, 1,454 miles away, in the Glidden Tour of 1911. October 26, twelve days later, is the day set for the finish. During the trip the motors will take the dust of nine states, top the Blue Ridge and follow close to the trail of the storm center during the days of the civil war.

The national highway, whose path they will keep to the land of flowers winds through New Jersey, cuts an arc in southeastern Pennsylvania to Gettysburg and runs in a broad line through Maryland to the Shenandoah valley of Virginia. Through the broad, rich valley it leads past sandstone and marble monuments telling of the days of Stonewall Jackson and Sheridan. In this rolling country, the trail skirts amid scenes of a score of battles, to the broad acres of North Carolina tobacco plantations, South Carolina, and the cotton fields of Georgia. The tourist will cross the Empire State of the south from north to south, chugging through Atlanta on their way. Forty miles, or thereabouts, across the Florida line the journey will end at Jacksonville. Probably no long stretch of road in America, say the officials, can offer greater diversity of scenery and climate and better roadway in its entirety.

In addition to the massive trophy for which the contestants will strive, the Chamber of Commerce and citizens of Anderson, S. C., have donated a handsome silver punch bowl to be awarded to the individual owner whose car ends the tour with the least number of penalties. The Glidden trophy goes to the team of three cars finishing with the best team score, but any owner of an automobile has an opportunity to enter his car in the contest for the Anderson cup. Six or more non-contesting cars will take the road with the contestants. Three of these represent three wheeled vehicles. There will be two official cars and a press car, while the baggage and supplies of the tourists will be carried by motor trucks.

Randolph County Fair.

It is held that the Randolph County Fair and Home Coming Week, to be held at Asheboro October 31st to November 4th is to be the biggest thing that has struck Randolph county in its history. By a meeting of business men and others interested held last week it was decided to hire an aviator to give an exhibition flight every day of the fair. Mr. Charles J. Strobel, who is now flying at the Appalachian Exposition at Knoxville, Tenn., applied for the job, offering to bring the machine he is now using at Knoxville and make the flights for \$800. His offer was accepted on the spot and the money subscribed then and there.

Work on the fair grounds, which include the lot of the old Asheboro Furniture Co., and adjacent territory to the extent of about five acres, has begun. The work will be rushed to early completion and the floor space for exhibition purposes, something like one and a half acres, will be gotten in readiness in the shortest time possible.

Two especially interesting features of the week will be Educational Day, Wednesday, November 1st, and Ladies' Day, the date of which has not been settled definitely. Programs for both these occasions will be announced later.

After a painful illness extending over six weeks, Hon. Thomas W. Blount died Wednesday at Roper, in the 56th year of his age. Mr. Blount was one of the most prominent men in eastern North Carolina, being president of the banks of Roper and Crewell, chairman of the board of commissioners of Washington county and member of other charitable brotherhoods, a leading member and lay reader in St. Luke's Protestant Episcopal church of Roper. Mr. Blount served his county as a representative in the general assembly with signal ability for three terms.

For a companion only one animal—the mule, which will follow a horse, but never another mule! In passing he took a shot at the Woodcock doctor and the old-time shouting, ranting, negro preacher. The responsibility for many of these failings Dr. Grandison lays on the mistaken desire of the average negro for social equality—mistaken, for in the opinion of the speaker, social equality is not only impossible, but undesirable for the negro. But there is a republic of letters where the negro is as well-composed as any man, and the color line is never drawn for all the world knows that any man, white or black, who reaches that high level is worthy of all honor. Some have raised the question, can the negro get there? and the speaker closed with a stirring tribute to the great men of his race showing that some of them at least, have already got there.

From a white man the lecture would have been a scathing indictment of the weakness of the negro race. But the tact of the speaker made it perfectly plain that his sole idea was to cut away the undesirable parts that the negro's really good qualities might have a chance to develop.

Dr. Grandison is a former president of Bennett College, and a man of considerable scholarly attainments. Such speeches as that of Monday night are helping along the true solution of the race problem; the plea is that there are a few of them delivered, and so many a negro will be saved.

IN AND ABOUT LEXINGTON.

Personal Mention—Movements of the People—Small Items of Interest.

Mr. E. E. Raper went to Mocksville Monday on business.

Dr. R. L. Reynolds spent Sunday at his home at Chatham, Va.

Mr. Dermot Shemwell went to Winston-Salem Wednesday on business.

Mr. J. F. Spruill, attorney at law, is in Mocksville today on legal business.

Mrs. A. L. Couch and baby, went to Guilford College Monday to spend a few days.

Capt. Charles M. Thompson left Monday night for Richmond, Va., to attend the Virginia State Fair.

Misses Pearl Hege and Edith Greer, visited Miss Julia Wilson in Winston-Salem Wednesday and Thursday of last week.

Mr. W. Lee Harbin returned Friday night from Sumter, S. C., where he went to look after a big contract he has under way there.

Miss Gertha Stone, of Thomasville, spent several days of last week in the city visiting her aunt, Mrs. J. A. Lindsay, in Park Place.

Mr. C. E. Godwin, clerk of court, announced Monday that he had received the resignation of Mr. A. M. Hiatt, of Thomasville township, as justice of the peace.

Rev. J. T. Ratledge, of the upper Davidson circuit of the M. E. church, and Mr. Z. V. Johnson, of Winston-Salem, were in the city Monday, the guests of Rev. A. L. Stanford.

Rev. V. Y. Boozer, of the Lutheran church, is in Columbia, S. C., this week attending the opening of the new theological seminary of the Southern Lutheran Church which has just been completed.

Miss Florence Berrie, of Atlanta, Ga., visited her sister, Miss Berrie, of the Postal Cable and Telegraph Company, this week, leaving yesterday morning for Washington, D. C., where she will make her home in the future.

Mr. Charles Thomason, of the National Bank, who is suffering with typhoid fever, has been moved to the home of Dr. M. T. Fritts, near Lexington. Mr. Thomason's friends will be glad to learn that he is doing nicely.

Mrs. J. H. Deaderick, of Clarksville, Tenn., and daughter, are here visiting Mrs. Deaderick's son, Mr. J. F. Deaderick, cashier of the Commercial & Savings Bank. Mrs. Deaderick and daughters are on their way to New York City.

The many friends of Mrs. J. F. Hedrick will be glad to know that she is on the road to health again and hopes to be able to leave the hospital soon. She is now in St. Leo's Hospital at Greensboro, where she underwent a very serious operation several weeks ago.

The many friends of Mrs. J. A. Tussey will be glad to know that she is recovering from the operation which she underwent at the Junior Order Hospital in High Point six weeks ago. She has been very low since the operation, but she is out of danger now and was carried to her home Friday.

Messrs. F. Ham Leonard, W. C. Wilson, F. C. Robbins, H. B. Varner, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. McCrary, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Lindsay, Gen. Z. V. Walden, Capt. Wade H. Phillips, Mr. Wood Dorsett and Wood, Jr., Harvey Johnson, and about forty or fifty others attended the big celebration at Thomasville Saturday.

The friends of Mr. Charles Oscar Sink will regret to learn that he has suffered a severe nervous breakdown and is unable to keep up his work at the New England Conservatory of Music, at Boston, Mass. He is now taking treatment under some of the leading physicians of Boston and hopes to be able to resume his studies at an early date.

Of interest to the many friends of Mr. Baxter Young in Lexington and elsewhere will be the announcement that he has resigned his position as manager of the Davidson Hardware Company and accepted a position with the E. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, of Winston-Salem, as traveling salesman. His territory will be around Asheville and he left Sunday night to take up his work. "Bax" can sell anything that is salable, from groceries to real estate and he ought to have no trouble in selling tobacco.

The statement was given out Friday that Mrs. Lucy O'Brien, an aged woman who resides in Goldsboro, has entered suit against the town of Mt. Olive for the sum of \$50,000. Mrs. O'Brien alleges that she received permanent injuries several months ago from a fall, caused by stumbling over a stump near the edge of the sidewalk, in the southern end of the town. Mrs. O'Brien was engaged in making baskets for the Mount Olive Manufacturing Company.

Passenger train No. 35, of the Southern railway, crashed into a double wagon loaded with negroes at the intersection of South Tryon street and Park avenue, at Charlotte, Thursday morning, injuring six negroes and mauling the horse and mule so severely that the former had to be shot. Willie Reid, the driver, a negro, was severely injured, which it is feared may result fatally. All of the injured were placed in the Good Samaritan hospital.

Baxter McKay returned Friday from Bargar, Fender county. He went down to Bargar Monday for a short hunting trip but found the woods so full of rabbits that he was unable to get any. He had to leave the woods and return home, where he found that his horse, mule and cow had been stolen by a party of thieves.

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