

MAGICAL EFFECT

Sunday School Workers Enthused by Name of Roosevelt.

WONDERFUL SCENES ENACTED

President and Mrs. Taft, Roosevelt, King George, Bryan and Mexico's Executive Made Life Members.

(By The Associated Press.) Washington, May 21.—President Taft, Mrs. Taft, Colonel Roosevelt, King George of England, President Diaz of Mexico and William Jennings Bryan were made life members of the World's Sunday School association in the convention here today amid scenes of great enthusiasm.

A delegate from Canada started the nomination. "I nominate William Howard Taft for life membership and Canada pledges \$100 towards it," he shouted. A roar of approval went up. The remaining \$900 was subscribed in a flash. Mrs. Taft's name was then proposed and her \$1,000 initiation fee promptly made up.

A delegate from South Carolina proposed King George and there was a race to subscribe, and Toronto only managed to get in tenth place with its \$100, so quick were the responses.

"I want to put in nomination a matchless man of the people," he cried. "One who has done much for their uplift and is continuing to do so. I want to nominate William Jennings Bryan, of Nebraska."

The applause had not died down before a voice shouted: "Nabraska minister the first \$100." The remaining \$900 were pledged in jiffy. The nomination of persons of less public renown continued until \$65,000 had been pledged for mission work.

PERU AND ECUADOR ACCEPT SUGGESTION OF SECY. KNOX

(By The Associated Press.) Washington, May 21.—The success of Secretary Knox's plan of mediation in the boundary dispute between Peru and Ecuador is assured. The Ecuadorian minister today called at the state department and informed Secretary Knox that his government accepted with thanks the offer of mediation by the United States. Brazil and Argentina in the settlement of the matters in dispute between his country and Peru.

MORAVIANS WILL CONDUCT AN EDUCATIONAL CAMPAIGN

(Special to Daily News.) Winston-Salem, May 21.—Rev. Augustus B. Roming, of St. Thomas, West Indies, arrived in city this morning and is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Pugh, on Blevy's street. Mr. Roming is a minister and provincial official of the Moravian church in the Eastern West Indies province; being a member of the governing board of the province, and the provincial treasurer, he comes to Winston-Salem to aid in an educational campaign in the interest of missions to be conducted during June and July in the various congregations of the Moravian church.

Circus Tent Burned

(By The Associated Press.) Schenectady, N. Y., May 21.—Barnum and Bailey's "big top," the main tent of the circus, caught fire here this afternoon from a cigar stump and burned like an overturned hot air balloon. Fifteen thousand people who filled the seats to overflowing fled out like school children at drill.

PRESBYTERIANS AGREE UPON REORGANIZATION

Changes Are Grouped Under Three Heads and Are Designed to Put Church Work on a Business Basis—Negro Question Debated.

(By The Associated Press.) Lewisburg, W. Va., May 21.—After two days of argument the general assembly of the Southern Presbyterian church today agreed upon a thorough reorganization of the church work, designed to put it on a business basis. The recommendation of the special committee on coordination was adopted with slight amendment.

The great changes are grouped under three heads: These are the consolidation of executive committees, or boards, which carry on the work of the church; the conversion of the standing committee of the church on systematic benevolence into a permanent committee with enlarged powers and a new system of gathering funds for assembly work.

Hereafter, the executive committee will be those of foreign missions, home missions, ministerial education and relief, and publication and Sabbath schools. By this arrangement the executive committees on colored work and on schools and colleges were dissolved and put under home missions and ministerial education and relief respectively. In addition, the orphanage home at Fredericksburg, Va., was placed under the control of the committee on ministerial education and relief.

In regard to collections, the church are urged to adopt the so-called budget system. Until that is done the churches will take up only eight collections a year for assembly work instead of 19.

At the last the debate was only upon reconsideration of the action of the assembly yesterday in striking out of the special report of the committee the clause placing the general evangelistic work under the home mission committee instead of leaving it under an independent committee.

The adoption of the report was due largely to the commanding influence of Dr. Bachman, moderator of the assembly and chairman of the special committee. Until called forth by the assembly he remained in the background during the debate.

"Consolidation is in the air," said he at last, when he arose, "and we want to do the Lord's work in a businesslike manner." Early in the day much opposition was manifested in placing colored work under the home mission committee. Opposition was dispelled largely by Dr. James G. Snodgrass, secretary of the assembly, who said it was in line with placing of colored work exclusively in the hands of white men. "I often brag of the good work of my colored evangelists," said he, "and I always have a prayer to God in my heart that I am telling the truth."

SEQUEL IS LAW SUIT

Wilmington Man Sued for Alleged Damaging Political Statement.

(Special to Daily News.) Wilmington, May 21.—In the last rally held by the citizens' organization during the recent campaign, C. C. Covington, one of Wilmington's prominent citizens, in the course of a speech relative to local affairs, made the charge that Hugh Wallace, a well known citizen, had made certain remarks about the election being fixed so that any work the citizens' organization might do would be fruitless, and he (Covington) declared that he wanted to brand Hugh Wallace as a self-confessed thief.

As a sequel, suit was instituted by Wallace today, and although the complaint has not been filed, it is understood that he will ask for not less than \$10,000 damages.

REIDSVILLE TO HAVE ANNUAL MEETING OF W. E. M. SOCIETY

(Special to Daily News.) Reidsville, May 21.—The annual meeting of the state Woman's Foreign Missionary society of the Methodist church will meet in Reidsville June 2-6. Mrs. D. R. Allen is receiving the names of delegates and will provide entertainment in the various homes here for them.

CHARTERS GRANTED

(Special to Daily News.) Raleigh, May 21.—Charters are issued for the Vicky Candy company, Charlotte, capital \$25,000, by S. Jones Phillips and others, and for the Candler Department store company, Murphy, capital \$16,000, by George W. Candler and others.

CAUSED A ROW

Disposition of Prize Money Brought on Wordy Battle.

BOTH FACTIONS SATISFIED

High Pointers Were Arrayed Against Greensboroites and a Bogfall Was the Result.

The Guilford county highway commission, which is now taking its last breath of life, has had many knotty problems to solve, petty neighborhood rows to arbitrate and more roads to build than the funds would allow, but it remained for the last conference to bring about the biggest row since the commission began its work, and a peculiar incident about the row was that its origin was due to the excellent work of this very commission.

In the other matters of dispute the members of the commission have displayed diplomacy that would have done credit to an American representative in foreign countries—and like the row, necessarily the greatest diplomacy in the history of the commission was displayed yesterday.

The trouble all started over the disposition of the \$1,000 prize money received by Guilford county last fall, when the judges in the Atlanta-New York automobile tour unanimously decided that Guilford county had the best roads in the south and along with the honor sent a check for \$1,000. The question of spending the money to advantage has caused considerable discussion, though a few weeks ago the highway commission recommended the building of a memorial bridge across the stream on the old Mills place, now the Cobb estate, which is halfway between High Point and Greensboro.

Unexpected trouble arose when construction was interviewed, it developing that it would require \$1,400 to erect the bridge contemplated across the stream on the Cobb property. The project, therefore, was abandoned by the highway commission and upon petition of citizens of High Point a recommendation was made to the board of county commissioners to the effect that the bridge be built across a stream on the Smith property, about two miles east of High Point and on the Greensboro-High Point highway. This recommendation met with the hearty approval of High Point citizens, but when the board of county commissioners got to it, unexpected opposition arose on the part of Greensboro people.

The Greensboro Side. "The bridge is a memorial to Guilford county roads and should be put not only where it will be the most good, but where it will make the best show, and the substance of the argument of those opposing the erection of the bridge just outside the corporate limits of High Point. On the strength of this opposition the county commissioners again referred the matter to the highway commission.

With matters standing like this the highway commission held a special meeting in the courthouse yesterday afternoon, when representatives from High Point and Greensboro presented their respective claims.

The Contention. When the board met there was a good representation from both cities and from pre-lobby talk it was evident that considerable feeling was going to be developed. D. D. Brown, of Greensboro, with a talk in favor of the Mills site. It is a memorial, said Mr. Brown, to Guilford county and to place it half way between Greensboro and High Point it will be more accessible and also serve more people. He explained that the difference of \$400 in the two bridges would be made up by private contribution should the board decide upon the Mills property. He thought it would be a great mistake to place the bridge in one corner of the county, as advocated by the High Point people.

Following Mr. Brown's High Point representative, E. D. Steele, was recognized by the chair. Mr. Steele said his people had been assured that they would get the bridge on the Smith property and that such action as the Greensboro people advocated, if taken by the commission, would be snap judgment against the people of High Point. You, referring to Mr. Brown, would have us believe that High Point is not a part of Guilford county. Following this statement ex-Sheriff J. F. Jordan took a hand in the proceedings, saying: "That is just the point we make—you High Point people have a movement on foot to form a separate county and if we put our prize money in a bridge where you propose it shall go then you will have our money in your new county."

R. C. Bebeau spoke in favor of the Mills site, especially, so he said, because Dr. W. G. Bebeau had just told him last week that he was going to move the county seat to High Point. Mr. Bebeau, as did all the other gentlemen assured the High Point advocates that there was no objection to the bridge at the Smith property if one was needed, though they stood steadfast in their determination to have the memorial bridge an environment to Greensboro as another person then you will have our money in your new county."

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W. L. Send Ten Delegates. Winston-Salem, May 21.—North Carolina will send ten delegates to the national T. P. A. convention, which convenes at Chattanooga June 13. At the state convention held in this city ten days ago nine delegates were elected and announcement was made that if the membership in North Carolina was increased to 700 before the national convention the state association would be entitled to another delegate. The list has been increased to 700 and E. J. Clineard, of this city, has been named as the tenth delegate.

PEGRAM BOUND OVER ON ARSON CHARGE

J. R. Pegram, charged with arson, was given a preliminary hearing at Stokesdale yesterday before Justice of the Peace Charles Case and after hearing the evidence the court held him in a bond of \$500 for the action of the grand jury.

LOOKS LIKE SOMEBODY IS HIDING IN THE WOODPILE

Can it Be That Frequent Recurrence of Old Bond Question Has Any Significance in the Light Of Recent Political Events.

(Special to Daily News.) Raleigh, May 21.—Governor Kitchin and other state officers received today clippings from a number of northern financial journals giving a statement signed by John G. Carlisle and two other members of a New York syndicate, concerning an effort to force the collection of North Carolina repudiated special tax bonds. The statement is an open letter to the New York stock exchange, insisting that North Carolina's forthcoming \$3,430,000 bond issue should not be listed on the exchange, and that bond buyers should have nothing to do with them. The statement purports to review the history and status of the repudiated special tax bonds, representing that they were issued by the state government in 1869 and duly listed on the New York exchange and that a later political change put a hostile party in control of the legislature and brought about repudiation.

Efforts to collect the bonds are reviewed and the statement is made that at least two states are seriously considering the question of suing North Carolina for blocks of these bonds that have come into their possession.

State officers do not believe this attempt to bear the impending refunding bond issue will have any serious effect and assert that the outlook is very bright for the bonds to be floated in spite of the unprecedentedly flooded condition of the general bond market at this time.

PEACE INSTITUTE BEGINS COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

(Special to Daily News.) Raleigh, May 21.—There took place this afternoon the first feature of the commencement exercises of Peace institute in the ceremony for the presentation of splendid oil paintings of the Burwells, father and son, who were the founders and first presidents of this noted Presbyterian college for women. The presentation was by Chief Justice Walter Clark and was in the presence of a splendid audience of friends and patrons of the school. The paintings were accepted by President Henry Jerome Stockard. The portrait of the older Burwell is the gift of the Peace Alumnae association, and that of the younger Burwell by the family. Sunday there will be the baccalaureate sermon by Dr. B. W. Melan, Monday there will be the class day exercises and art exhibit, and on Tuesday evening the annual concert, followed Wednesday morning by the graduating exercises, when diplomas will be awarded to 15 graduates.

"AS YOU LIKE IT" GIVEN ON SALEM COLLEGE GROUNDS

(Special to Daily News.) Winston-Salem, May 21.—A play entitled "As You Like It" was given on Salem Female college pleasure grounds tonight by the department of expression, assisted by the Salem orchestra, and under the direction of Professor Shirley, head of the music department. The exercises were in connection with the annual commencement of this famous educational institution. The entertainment made one of the greatest hits of any yet given under the auspices of the college. It attracted a large audience, which frequently manifested its appreciation.

Tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock the baccalaureate sermon will be preached by Rev. J. Kier Frasier, of Charleston, S. C., in Memorial hall. The music will be particularly fine and under the direction of Professor Muzzy. The great Hallelujah Chorus from the "Messiah" will be rendered, with the assistance of the Salem orchestra. When this was first given in London the king was so impressed with its majestic grandeur he arose and the great assemblage remained standing till the close. Ever since then it has been the custom for audiences to rise during the singing of this splendid chorus. Miss Broughman, a member of the faculty, will also sing "Gloria" by Buzzi Peccia.

Monday at 10 a. m. the class day exercises on the campus promise to be of unusual beauty. At 3.30 the alumnae meeting will take place in the chapel, followed by informal reception to Mrs. Stonewall Jackson.

COMMENCEMENT AT A. & M. COLLEGE BEGINS TODAY

The commencement exercises at the Agricultural and Mechanical college began today at 3 p. m. with the baccalaureate sermon by Bishop Copen, of the African Methodist Episcopal church. The anniversary exercises of the Young Men's Christian association will be held tonight at 8 p. m. The principal feature of the evening is an address by the Rev. J. W. Watkins, pastor of the Providence Baptist church of this city. On Monday night at 8 p. m. the Agricultural Literary society will have its anniversary exercises. Prof. A. J. Melan, director of the agricultural department of the Kentucky Normal and Industrial Institute will address the society.

After Experimental Farm.

(Special to Daily News.) Reidsville, May 21.—Messrs James V. Price, chairman, Tatum, Lantieri and Howard Stiles were appointed a committee by the board of county commissioners to communicate with Mr. Burgess with reference to establishment of an experimental farm on the county home place. It is understood that the committee has accomplished what they wished for.

Winston High School Exercises

(Special to Daily News.) Winston-Salem, May 21.—The commencement exercises of the Winston High school will start tomorrow night with the annual sermon to the graduating class at Central Presbyterian church, at 7 o'clock. Dr. Neal L. Anderson, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, will be the speaker. The class day exercises will be held at the high school next Friday morning, and the graduating exercises and the final address will be held Friday night.

ENDS ITS LABORS

Methodist Conference Concludes Work and Adjourns.

MUCH CONFUSION LAST DAY

Question of Changing Wording of the Creed Aroused Delegates to High Pitch of Excitement.

Asheville, May 21.—The sixteenth quadrennial session of the general conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, came to a close tonight. The closing exercises were conducted by Bishop A. W. Wilson, who, as senior bishop, expressed the belief that in his opinion safe, sane and conservative measures had been adopted, and that it was his opinion that the church would in the next four years go forward in peace and bounds. The closing prayer was made by Rev. J. N. Fraser, of Alabama.

The majority of delegates will leave here Monday morning for their homes. Asheville, May 21.—The general conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in adopting a resolution which would permit boards of trust of schools and colleges, if they found it advisable, to go outside of the church to find means to fill not more than 25 per cent. of the board of trust, is thought to mean that in all probability the much-discussed "Vanderbilt University affair" will be settled. This makes legal the election of William K. Vanderbilt and two other gentlemen, whose selection some time ago as trustees of Vanderbilt university caused a storm of protest from some of those who believed that only members of the Methodist church should hold such positions. The power of electing trustees in the future is to allow the board of trust of Vanderbilt university to nominate and have board of education of the church to concur.

The conference also adopted a new method of settling appeals of preachers from the findings of the annual conference trial committee. Hereafter instead of an appeal waiting until the next session of the general conference, a committee on appeal has been created, which committee is to meet each year or oftener, and to determine these matters. A resolution was introduced by Dr. John O. Wilton, of the Rev. M. J. Cooper thanking the presiding and his board such generous gifts to Trinity college, Greensboro Female college and Lenoir-Burke college in North Carolina and assuring them that the gifts would be properly used for educational purposes. This was adopted. A resolution was adopted that the bishops, pastors and chosen leaders make special efforts to widen the field of the church during the next year until the whole world be consumed in flames with zeal for religion.

The afternoon session of the general conference was opened by Bishop H. C. Morrison. It has just been learned that Bishop Collins Denny has been elected secretary of the college of bishops. The discussion on the question of an assessment for an endowment fund for worn-out preachers was again taken up, and by vote of the conference lost. A resolution was passed asking that a committee be appointed by the college of bishops consisting of one bishop, two preachers and two laymen to consider a plan for increased activities of the laymen for larger representation in the annual conferences. The papers were presented with a purpose for efficient services. A count was taken to see if a quorum was present and 160 members were present, constituting a quorum. The committee of missions recommended that the general board of missions appoint a committee on evangelism to operate under the home department of that board to provide for the evangelistic movements throughout the church. When delegates followed this recommendation and after a long consideration of the question the conference voted in favor of the measure.

By far the most confusion since the conference opened was created by the discussion as to whether the conference strike out the words "The Holy Catholic Church" in the creed and substitute the words "church of God." Points of order, amendments, question of personal privilege and substitutes flew through the air thick and fast, and at times it was almost impossible to state just where the conference was. Rev. J. W. Potts finally made the point of order that the question had not been properly put before the conference, the point was sustained and the afternoon session adjourned without the question being settled.

The night session opened with Bishop A. W. Wilson in the chair. The salary of the secretary of the board of education was raised to \$1,000. The report of the committee on statement of faith was read. It showed that 100,000 Methodists showed that their work lacked on account of another church desiring to cooperate in the effort.

The report of the committee on church extension was adopted, which leaves the question of moving the headquarters of the conference with the board which is to meet at the next conference. The last measure adopted by the conference before adjourning sine die was the adoption of a report that a committee of five be appointed to cooperate with the national committee on uniform divorce laws.

The minutes of the night session were read and approved and the closing services of the conference were conducted by Bishop A. W. Wilson.

South Henderson Deceased

Henderson, N. C., May 20.—The north branch of the South, N. H. & C. and South Henderson crossed this afternoon for their first game this season. The N. H. & C. winning by the score of 13 to 0. Decker for N. H. & C. pitched a good game, allowing only two runs, while Feltz and Beer had three hits on field and short, together with two runs. N. H. & C. knocked a three-run home run in the eighth. This team will have a game with a high-spirited team from the east.

Victims of Flood

(By The Associated Press.) New York, May 21.—Henry M. Duffield, U. S. A. of Michigan was elected commander-in-chief of the Naval Military Order of the Spanish American War at the sessions of the national commandery here today.