

URGES THE STATE TO ADVANCE IN EDUCATION

Dr. Alphonso Smith Begs Teachers to See Fight for Children Is Continued.

GROUPS ELECT OFFICERS

The Greensboro Daily News Bureau, 308 Mercantile National Bank Bldg., Raleigh, Nov. 25.—Dr. Alphonso Smith summoned the spirits of Archibald Murphy, Calvin H. Wiley, Charles D. McIver, Charles B. Aycock and Edward K. Graham tonight in the final address to the teachers' assembly and asked them to see whether North Carolina has gone too far in the expenditure of money on popular education. The former North Carolinian could find nothing in the past to encourage any pessimist of the present to believe that any backward step would be agreeable. Murphy was the father of system in state education, if not of the nation; Wiley ran the schools during the war between the states and neither soldiers at the front nor mothers at home would stand for closing the doors a day. These people saw real adversity. There is relatively none now, he said.

McIver, Aycock and Graham defused light in their own way. McIver educated the family by teaching the mother. Aycock made support of education the test of patriotism; Graham carried the university to the people when they would not come to it. But the state which has invited people must provide places for them, he said. And the state can not listen to retrograde elements.

Dr. Smith verily believed that North Carolina is the richest state in the union; it seemed to have gained gold as he left it. He never did anything to enrich it, he said, but was not conscious that he and Superintendent Scates, of the Naval Academy, had done anything to impoverish it. The wealth of the state does not match well the low standing of the commonwealth in literacy. The elders are rich; the children have not been taken with the parents.

He gave great glory to Superintendent Brooks and his work in the direction of the county as unit of administration.

Before Dr. Smith spoke, Dean Arnold addressed the assembly on the birthright of the child.

She found three key words in the American magna charta, "these inalienable rights," life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. The child, deprived of the great fields, the open air, the chance to pursue happiness and to enjoy the abundant life, she declared, does not receive what the founders of the nation meant. For the child to whom she has dedicated all her years, she made her whole speech.

Groups reporting their final sessions announced these elections: City Superintendents: E. J. Coltrane, of Roanoke Rapids, president; R. W. Carver, of Hickory, vice-president; and Roy Taylor, of Franklinton, secretary. Primary teachers: Miss Annie Workman, of Roanoke Rapids, president; Miss Mary Graham, of Chatham, vice-president; and Miss Rosa Abbott, of Greensboro, secretary-treasurer. Association of high schools and principals: G. B. Phillips, of Greensboro, president; Miss Beulah Holton, of Stoneville, vice-president; and Miss Mary Powell, of Chapel Hill, secretary. Farm life department: W. D. Barbee, of Seaboard, president; P. A. Penland, of Barnardsville, vice-president; and R. A. Olney, of West Raleigh, secretary.

FOUR BIBLE CLASS ENJOYS A FINE THANKSGIVING SUPPER

The Four Bible class of the West End Methodist Protestant church gave a turkey supper in the basement of the church Thanksgiving evening to about 50 members of the class. With them was Dr. R. M. Andrews, president of the Methodist Protestant conference, who made a very interesting address during the course of the supper. Several members of the class and their teacher, L. M. Pount, and Rev. W. M. Harrison the pastor of the church, also made short talks. While the class was gathered together the regular monthly business was held and arrangements for a contest for the increasing of the membership were formed. After the business had been finished the class entered into the playing of various games and contests.

Longest-Ross Wedding.

The following announcement has just been made in this city: "Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Longest announce the marriage of their daughter, Sarah Mae, to Harold Lacey Ross on Friday, November 18, 1921, Central Methodist church, Spartanburg, S. C."

State's Answer to Southern Ready to Be Filed On Dec. 1

It Is Denied That Assessment Against Railroad Is Discriminatory. Alleged That Decrease of Valuation of Real Estate Not Prejudicial to Railroads—Trial to Be in January.

The answer of A. D. Watts, et al, commissioner of internal revenue of the state of North Carolina, to the complaint of the Southern Railway company, plaintiffs in an action instituted in Federal court to secure a reduced rate of taxation on the property of the railway in North Carolina, which will be filed in the office of L. L. Blaylock, clerk of Federal court, December 1, has been completed by the attorneys for the state, James S. Manning, attorney general, Frank Nash, assistant attorney general, W. P. Bynum, George H. Brown, Locke Craig, Thomas D. Warren and Sidney S. Alderman.

The railroad company will be given about 20 days to file affidavits in reply to the answer of the state and attorneys for the state will be given an additional 15 days to file affidavits in rebuttal to those offered by the railroad. Thus it is believed that the case should be tried about the middle of January. While the answer concerns only the case of the Southern railway practically the same answer will be filed to the complaints filed by other railroads in the state.

No Discrimination.
An absolute denial is made in the answer that the tax assessment on the property owned by the railroad is excessive and discriminatory. The allegation of the plaintiff that while the valuation of real estate has been lowered railroad properties have not shared in this lowering is met with the statement that while real estate values were increased approximately threefold by the revaluation act railroad properties were increased to only twice their original valuation. It is also alleged that while the state admits real estate values have been decreased by county boards of assessors these values have not been lessened to such an extent that the valuation of railway properties is discriminatory.

The allegation of the Southern that the valuation of its property in North Carolina is only \$5,904,488 is denied. The state alleges that the valuation assessed by the commissioner of \$96,296,557 is correct. It is also alleged that the plaintiff in its report to interstate commerce commission at a time when it was trying to secure higher freight and passenger rates admitted its taxable property to be more than the amount named in the complaint. This declaration by the plaintiff, according to the allegations of the defendant, was made that the amount of its property in North Carolina should appear large enough that the commission would grant rates in accordance with the investment.

Rail Rates Increased.
In regard to the allegation that the decrease of the taxable values of real estate has been discriminatory the railroad property discriminatory the answer states that while the chief agricultural products of the state decreased in value in the latter part of 1920 and in 1921 more than 80 per cent the freight rates of the plaintiff and of other railroads were increased 25 per cent and their passenger rates were increased 20 per cent. Notwithstanding this, the valuation of the plaintiff's property for taxation in North Carolina was made by the state tax commissioner for 1920 and as reviewed and reduced by the commissioner of revenue for 1921 was by no means so great a proportionate increase over the assessment for 1919 as were the corresponding assessments of real property in general throughout the state over the assessment thereof for 1919. To support this contention there is filed with the answer a table giving the assessments and corresponding reductions by counties. The allegation is also made that the railroads profited to a great extent by the reductions made by county assessment boards in that property of the railroads lying off the right of way reduced by county boards along with all other real property in those counties in which reductions were made and that these reductions were allowed by the state board of equalization when the county boards reported to the state board these allowances.

Have Chance for Relief.
It is further averred that the interstate commerce commission has fixed the rates for the plaintiff and other railroads on the basis practically of their investment account figures, which for the plaintiff show values of property in North Carolina to be \$111,308,323, and that if the plaintiff and other railroads do not earn returns commensurate therewith, they can apply to the interstate commerce commission for further advances of rates. Farmers and other owners of real property have no such forum in which they may seek a remedy to relieve them not only

MURDERED WAS A WORLD WAR VETERAN

Henry Farris' Alleged Victim Identified As Thomas P. Almond.

DANVILLE HAS TWO FIRES

(Special to Daily News.)
Danville, Va., Nov. 25.—Full identification was given today to Thomas A. Almond, whose name yesterday was erroneously given as Ogburne, and who was shot and killed, it is alleged, by Henry Farris near the Carolina line in Henry county a few days ago. A mis-remembering of the name over the telephone, now cleared up, reveals Almond as a former resident of this city who enlisted with the local infantry company at the outbreak of war and was killed with distinction in battle. Almond was assassinated and shot through the leg in a subsequent engagement being invalided home before the termination of hostilities. At the time of his death he was living with his mother, Mrs. William Almond, at Lynchburg.

Almond was a brother of Grover Almond, another world war veteran who, according to his brother, is serving penal servitude for life in a French prison upon conviction of having shot and killed a German lieutenant with whose custody he was charged. Thomas Almond before leaving France went to see his brother in prison and it was he who told the story of his brother's conviction upon his arrival home. Decidedly married a young woman of this city who lived here during his period of servitude.

No further clue has been found to the whereabouts of Henry Farris, who is also known here and who is wanted for the killing of Almond and the wounding at the same time of Samuel Shelton.

Hobson Goldstein, aged 17, a resident of Spray, sustained a fractured leg and S. L. Martin escaped without injury when the locomotive of south-bound train No. 187 at 5 o'clock this morning was standing at the station and the car at the Linn street crossing. The car was virtually demolished, Goldstein being found to have a broken leg near the ankle but no other injury. He was taken to the general hospital. The train was standing at the station and the locomotive had been detached to pick up a baggage car. The engine passed the street crossing to reach a switch and Martin, who was driving the engine, was unable to stop. The car crossed the track before the engine reversed. In this he failed and the engine which was running slowly struck the automobile, tearing off the wheels and bending in the side.

The funeral of A. M. Southall was conducted this morning from Epiphany church in the presence of a large congregation by Rev. Malcolm S. Taylor, rector, assisted by Rev. J. Cleveland Wail, D. D. A report and address of the state lodge of Odd Fellows attended the service. Ramah lodge of Masons and Bethesda lodge of Odd Fellows were also represented in the service. Burial was made in Green Hill cemetery.

Miss Daisy Lea, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George A. Lea, was married yesterday to Dr. J. Hugh Bailey, of this city, the ceremony being quietly performed at the residence of Dr. Bailey. The bride's father who was accidentally wounded while hunting on Wednesday, is steadily improving.

Three fire fighting apparatus were called at 5 o'clock this morning to the Dudley block where fire was discovered in Lee Ligon's pool room by the night watchman at the Masonic temple. The fire had broken out in a room used for a billiard parlor through the first floor when it was detected. The damage was slight owing to prompt work by the fire department.

Firemen from North Danville were called last night to the corporate limits where a fire was discovered in a deserted building on Reservoir hill. Neighbors said that the fire was preceded by an explosion. At 11 o'clock the fire was extinguished. The cause of the fire was traced to a 25-pound keg of gunpowder had been found under the house. Luther Bonnelly, a 17-year-old boy who admitted hiding the gunpowder at the house, was not arrested but the police are making a more searching inquiry into the whole affair. The boy says that he found the keg of powder hidden in the side of a house in any ulterior motive in placing it under the crane house.

Mrs. A. A. Brown, probably the oldest woman in Danville, died from the effects of a stroke at the General hospital early today. While her precise age is not known, it is said that she was well over 90 years. She lived near the city and for years had been a protegee of Mrs. F. N. Burton of this city. Her husband died many years ago and her relatives and little is known of her early life. Some of the oldest members of the First Presbyterian church, however, say that she was a rather awkward woman and possibly creating a misunderstanding between the vatican and the Irish Catholics. The attitude taken by the English press toward de Valera's reply would seem to strengthen this theory.

There is reason to believe that in vatican circles it is now greatly regretted that the pope omitted to send a message at the same time to deValera, which would have prevented a misunderstanding from arising.

INVESTIGATE RAID MADE BY PROHIBITION AGENTS
Washington, Nov. 25.—Prohibition Commissioner Haynes late today requested E. B. Henson, special prohibition agent at Savannah, for a full report of the raid conducted Tuesday upon a home in that city.

The reason for the prohibition commissioner was brought today to a protest received by President Harding and Senators Watson and Harris, of Georgia, from Mayor Stewart, of Savannah, declaring the raid was conducted without justification and apparently without warrant.

Action by Commissioner Haynes in the matter, officials said, will await the report of Mr. Henson. Should this report indicate a need for investigation, prohibition officials said the matter would be lifted to the bottom and action taken if warranted.

Fire on Roof.
A small blaze on the roof of the residence of R. A. Moore, 401 West Spycamore street, was extinguished last night about 5:30 o'clock by chemicals. No damage was done.

Friedens Lutheran Pastorate.
Services at the churches comprising Friedens pastorate, Rev. G. W. McCannahan, pastor, will be held Sunday as follows:
Friedens, Sunday school, 10 a. m. Peace, Sunday school, 10 a. m. Preaching, 11 a. m. Sharon, Sunday school, 10 a. m.

The Woman's Missionary society of Sharon church will give an interesting program Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock. A thank offering will be taken at this time. The public is invited to attend all services.

To the Members of Our 1921 Christmas Savings Club

This is the final week of the 1921 club and we especially urge all members to see that their payments are made up promptly. If for any reason you may have fallen behind, come in and pay up your back weeks in order that we may send you a full check at Christmas. We want every member of the club to receive the full amount of his or her particular class.

If You Have Changed Your Address, Don't Forget To Notify Us

Any members who may have made a change in address are also urged to notify us. This will assure your receiving your check promptly.

The New 1922 Christmas Saving Club Will Open Dec. 15

We want it to be the largest and best club of all. If you haven't been a member in the past, resolve now to adopt this systematic system of saving, or making your nickels and dimes take care of the heavy burden of extra Christmas expense.

Savings Department
The Greensboro Bank & Trust Co.
J. W. Fry, Pres.; J. S. Cox, Vice-Pres.; W. E. Allen, Vice-Pres. and Treas.; R. D. Douglas, Vice-Pres. and Trust Officer; W. M. Ridenhour, Sec'y and Asst. Treas.; R. I. Moore, Asst. Treas.

SUGGESTED THAT POPE SEND MESSAGE TO KING

Lord Beaverbrook, a Presbyterian Minister's Son, Responsible for Telegram Ancestry Irish Peace.

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Rome, Nov. 25.—The pope's famous telegram to King George anent the Anglo-Irish conference that brought the reply from deValera that caused such a storm in London was sent at the suggestion of Lord Beaverbrook, whose father is a Canadian Presbyterian minister, your correspondent learns from a British source.

This is confirmed by Italy which obtained the same information evidently from vatican circles and which adds the detail that Lord Beaverbrook's proposal was transmitted to the Irish to accept the English propositions.

Another version in Rome is that the British sought by an exchange of telegrams to alienate the Irish from the vatican.

The pope's message, requiring, as it did, a reply from the king, gave him an opportunity to refer to the Irish as "my people" which was certain to arouse their wrath, placing the pope in a rather awkward position and possibly creating a misunderstanding between the vatican and the Irish Catholics. The attitude taken by the English press toward de Valera's reply would seem to strengthen this theory.

BEGIN TO REDUCE YANK FORCES ON THE RHINE

Eighty-Two German Wives of Soldiers Leave With Force of 11 Officers and 600 Men.

Coblenz, Nov. 25.—(By Associated Press.)—Reduction in the American expeditionary force along the Rhine began today when 11 officers and 600 enlisted men left here on a special train for Antwerp to return tomorrow for home on the transport Cantigny. They are due to reach Hoboken about December 7.

In addition to the soldiers there were thirty nurses, 15 female service men and 82 wives of soldiers who were married in Germany. The wives of 46 of the men, eight of whom carried babies, traveled in two army hospital cars which sailed service in France. The German service men, as wives of soldiers were furnished transportation home by special act of Congress, came mostly from Paris.

A great crowd witnessed the departure of the soldiers, who are traveling as overseas casual detachment number 38. Most of the men come from the 4th and 50th infantry regiments. Their enlistments expire within a few months.

CELEBRANTS OF HOLIDAY TRIED IN POLICE COURT

Several Fines for Disorderly Conduct. Several Charged With Plain Drunkenness.

Several defendants who celebrated Thanksgiving in a manner contrary to police regulations were haled into municipal court yesterday morning. Disorderly conduct or drunk and disorderly were the charges against these men.

Will Carr was fined \$5 while a fine of \$15 was imposed on Sebe Jones for disorderly conduct. For being both drunk and disorderly Matthew Wharton was relieved of \$25 and Mike Scoury was fined \$5. Several men charged with plain drunkenness were each fined \$5.

Tate Holden paid \$10 and C. D. Smith, H. A. Smith and P. D. Clements each paid the costs for speeding. Troy Thomas was fined \$10 and R. H. Harlow was taxed with the costs for traffic violations.

GREENSBORO CANDY CO. IS NOW A CORPORATION

Authorized Capital Stock \$100,000. But May Begin Business When \$500 Is Subscribed.

A certificate of incorporation was filed Friday with Clerk of Court Mason W. Grant incorporating the Greensboro Candy company. The total authorized capital stock of the corporation is \$100,000, divided into 2,000 shares of the par value of \$50 each. However, the business may begin when \$500 of the capital stock, composed of six shares, has been subscribed.

The incorporators are M. C. Barbee, C. E. Wood and R. J. Carr, all of Greensboro. The principal headquarters of the concern are in Greensboro. The objects of the corporation are to carry on a general wholesale business in candy, chewing gum, confections, matches, smokers' supplies, etc.

A. & T. JUNIORS WIN FROM SENIORS IN CLASS DEBATE

The annual inter-class debate between the junior and senior classes of the A. & T. college held last night in the college auditorium was won by the juniors by a unanimous decision. The question was: "Resolved, That Capital Punishment Should Be Abolished." A large audience heard the debate. For the juniors were J. B. Hicks, J. E. Brown and C. T. Whitten, the affirmative side. The negative was handled by R. W. Lesuer, D. L. Terrell and R. C. W. Fortune.

Prof. R. C. Johnson, debating coach of the college, has arranged a series of inter-collegiate debates with the institutions of Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina and as far south as Georgia. These debates will take place in the near future, it was said.

GUILFORD COLLEGE CLUB TO BE ORGANIZED HERE

All Greensboro Alumni of Quaker Institution Invited To Banquet At Women's Club December 1.

A Greensboro Guilford college club will be formed here next Thursday evening, December 1, at a dinner to be given at the Women's club building at 7:30. A sumptuous banquet is to be served, and all old students and alumni of Guilford who reside in Greensboro are expected to attend. Those having in charge arrangements for the affair state that it is difficult to see each other personally, and should any be overlooked they are asked to secure tickets from David J. White. It is expected that fully 150 will answer the summons.

It is to be purely a social affair, outside of the routine of effecting an organization. This is stressed in order that all may understand that it is not to be a ruse for money-raising. A fine program is promised. Dr. Dudley Carr, of Chapel Hill, and Dr. Raymond Bliford, president of Guilford, are listed among speakers of the evening, and it is stated that this meeting will also probably be honored with the presence of Dr. Edward Perkins.

COMMUNITY FAIR TO BE HELD AT POMONA TODAY

Number of Exhibits Will be on Display and an Interesting Program Has Been Arranged.

Pomona's second annual community fair will be held today, beginning at noon, and the exhibits will be on display until 10 o'clock tonight. In addition to the numerous articles which will be on display, addresses will be made by J. B. Latham and G. C. Cox.

The big event of the afternoon will be the baby contest. Babies entered in the contest will be weighed and measured by Mrs. Dorothy Hayden, county health nurse. The best baby under six months of age will receive a cash prize of \$5 and a like amount will be given for the nearest perfect baby of less than one year of age.

Stunt and clown contests will be held during the afternoon and displays of merchandise will be placed in booths by a number of merchants.

A minstrel will be staged at 7 o'clock in the evening and the day will be closed with a songfest.

Receipts \$7,500 Job.
(Special to Daily News.)
Charlotte, Nov. 25.—T. T. Allison today reaccepted the executive secretaryship of the local chamber of commerce at the same salary, \$7,500 a year.

JUST KIDS—What's the Use of Livin'?



FROM FORCE OF HABIT THE TEACHER MARKED BUCK'S REPORT CARD "50" FOR CONDUCT AND THEN SCRATCHED IT OUT AND GAVE HIM "100" FOR THE PAST MONTH. WHEN HIS MOTHER NOTICED THE FIGURES HAD BEEN TAMPED WITH SHE LICKED HIM ON GENERAL PRINCIPLES

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