

NEW DORMITORY DEDICATED.

Interesting Exercises in Connection With the Formal Opening of the Cornell Phillips Spencer Building—Noted North Carolinians Deliver Addresses.

Greenboro, Dec. 14.—The exercises attendant upon the formal opening of the Cornell Phillips Spencer building of the State Normal and Industrial College for women, planned by the president, faculty and students of the institution were interesting, elevating and inspiring.

The assembly hall was filled to its utmost capacity by friends of the institution from the city, from other points of the State, the students, faculty, members of the board of directors, and representatives of the State government.

Seated on the stage were noted: Messrs. Connor of Northampton, Gray of Raleigh; Gattis of Hillsboro; Parks of Henderson; Baily of Mocksville; Lacy of Raleigh; Ex-Superintendent Mebane, of Catawba; State Superintendent Joyner; State Treasurer Lacy; Rev. Dr. Egbert Smith and Senator A. M. Scales, of Greensboro, President Winston, of the State Agricultural and Mechanical College; President Venable, of the State University; President Lucy Robinson, of the Greensboro Female College; President Charles D. Melver of the State Normal and Industrial College, and others.

GLEE CLUB'S SECOND TOUR.

Coach Stockdale Signed for Next Season—Question for Debate Before Glee Club—Embroidery—Enjoyable Social Event.

Trinity College, Dec. 15.—The Trinity College Glee Club will leave Monday afternoon for the second tour of the season. On this trip it will give concerts at Oxford, Henderson, Littleton and Warrenton the evenings of the 19th, 20th, 21st and 22nd, respectively.

The college term being up at that time the 20 members of the club will go direct home from Warrenton. The members of the club, in both vocal and instrumental parts, have been training steadily almost ever since the opening of the term and they now give an excellent concert.

At Craven Memorial Hall Saturday night the annual inter-society debate will take place. Two speakers being selected from each of the Columbian and Hesperian literary societies. Much interest is always taken in this event and this year is no exception to the rule.

A. M. E. CONFERENCE.

Historic Colored Organization Holding Its Annual Session at Chester—A Report of the Proceedings—Correspondence of The Observer.

Chester, S. C., Dec. 14.—One of the oldest and most historic Christian organizations among the colored people in the State of South Carolina is the South Carolina Conference of the A. M. E. Zion connection now in session in Chester, which was organized 39 years ago in the court house with nine members by Bishop Joseph J. Clinton.

The conference was called to order Wednesday, Dec. 14th, at 12 o'clock by Bishop T. H. Lomax, D. D., of Charlotte, N. C. The presiding elders of the district, three in number, assisted the bishop in conducting the devotional exercises. The exposition of the Scripture lessons by the bishop was very instructive, forceful and intensely practical.

The following question has been selected for the annual debate between Trinity College and Emory College, which will be held during the Easter holidays at Craven Memorial Hall: Resolved, That it should be the policy of the United States to confine itself to the ownership and government of territory included in North America and adjacent islands.



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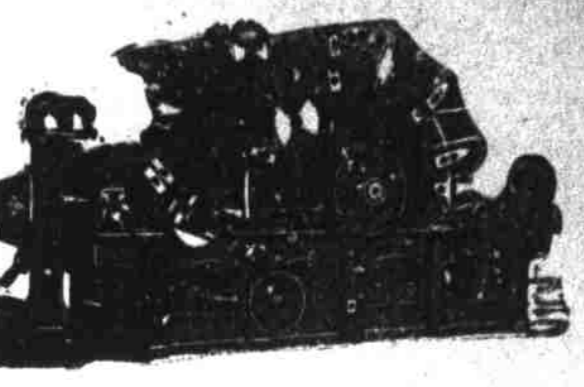
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REV. DR. BOYD PROTESTS.

He Disclaims the Speech Accredited to Him by Chicago Papers—His Presence in Advancing Separate Presbyteries.

To the Editor of The Observer: I am really afraid that if I don't send you a line, my old friends in North Carolina will think "that another good man has gone wrong" as you say in a recent editorial criticizing myself.

I advocated separate Presbyteries for the negroes. I did it because I want to see a national Presbyterian Church and not a sectional church. I want to remove all obstacles to a union of all families Presbyterians. I want to see the church of which I am a member invade the South with such triumph that the whole Southern church shall be captured.

WORK ON UNION DEPOT.

Durham's New Station Nearing Completion—Well-Known Business Man Critically Inspects Work.

Durham, Dec. 14.—The contractors in charge of getting the union depot ready for occupancy are rushing the work with the idea of getting into the building by the first of next month.

Mr. E. C. Thompson, well known business man, who has been ill several days, was reported late this afternoon as being in a dying condition. He is suffering from an old trouble of ulcerations of the stomach and intestines and added to this is an attack of inflammation of the lungs which he cannot recover from.

A RICH VEIN OF COAL.

A Good Strike Reported Near Winston-Salem—New Board of Trade Completes Its Organization.

Winston-Salem, Dec. 14.—The Southern Anthracite Company, of West Virginia, which has been investigating the lands near Walnut Cove, are reporting a valuable coal mine, struck an eight-foot vein this morning about one-half mile from the Walnut Cove station.

At the monthly meeting of the Forsyth Medical Society yesterday afternoon the committee appointed for the purpose reported having prepared an ordinance for the restriction of tuberculosis, which they presented to the board of health. The ordinance was enacted by the board.

KILLED BY HIS OWN TRAIN.

Conductor W. H. Jones Run Over and Fatally Crushed by an Atlantic & North Carolina Log Train.

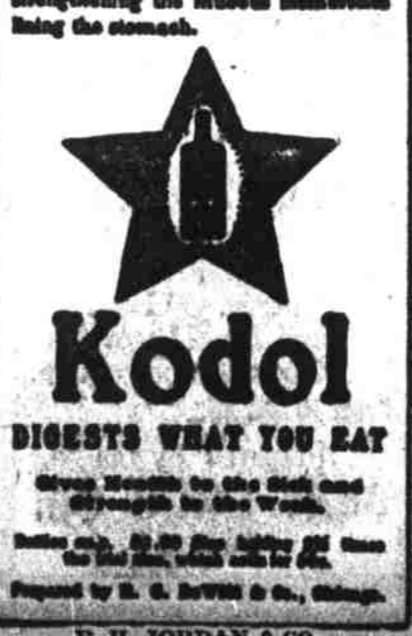
Newbern, Dec. 13.—Will H. Jones, conductor of a log train on the Atlantic & North Carolina Railway, was killed by his train while near Thurman today. He was on the ground and was in the act of throwing a block of wood when a log slipped on the frosty ground and fell across the track, the wheel of the car passing over his body.

Death of Dr. S. W. Shell.

Special to The Observer. Lenoir, Dec. 15.—Dr. S. W. Shell died this morning about 6 o'clock of congestion of the lungs. He had been out late and was in a dying condition when found this morning. A physician was summoned at once, but the disease had already taken too strong a hold. He leaves a son, married daughter and a mother, Mrs. M. A. Sims, of Charlotte.

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