

CORNERSTONE LAID.
Inaugural Ceremonies Attend Re-opening of Erection of Spartanburg's New Federal Building.
Correspondence of The Observer.
Spartanburg, S. C., Feb. 22.—At high noon to-day the cornerstone of the postoffice building, which the government is erecting in the central corner of North Church and Walnut streets, was laid with impressive and interesting ceremonies by the Masonic lodges of the county. There were hundreds present when the handsome stones were lowered into position, with a programme of prayer, music and addresses. The school children of the city contributed, in no small degree, to the success of the occasion and Superintendent Frank Evans is being heartily congratulated for this part, which he planned.
Acting Grand Master Smith conducted the Masonic features of the programme assisted by the members of the order.
The orator of the day was President Henry N. Snyder, of Wofford College, who chose for his subject a very happy and appropriate one, "The Cornerstone of the Republic."
His speech rang with patriotism from beginning to end and that his words found an echo in the hearts and minds of his audience was manifested by the close attention on the part of the vast assemblage which filled every available foot for several hundred feet around the stand. The children of the city schools, prior to the opening of the ceremonies of the day, dressed in costumes depicting the various well-known characters of Mother Goose's rhymes, formed in line and, headed by that patron saint of the school, the mounted on their skates, swiftly glided through the principal streets of the city and finally brought up at the building.
The day is reckoned as an eventful one in the history of the city, as it marked the presentation of the first Federal structure to the community. It was through the work of Representative Johnson that the building was made possible and the due public credit was given him by one of the speakers.

THE DEATH RECORD.
Mrs. H. F. Grant, of Asheville.
Special to The Observer.
Asheville, Feb. 23.—News was received here to-day of the death at Macon, Ga., this morning of Mrs. H. F. Grant, of Asheville. Mrs. Grant survived her husband just five days. Owing to the illness of Mrs. Grant, the surviving children could not leave the Georgia city to bring the remains of their father home. The remains of both Mr. and Mrs. Grant will be brought to Asheville to-morrow and the double funeral service conducted from the First Presbyterian church.
Thomas Caudle, of Forsyth.
Correspondence of The Observer.
Winston-Salem, Feb. 22.—Mr. Charles Marshall, rural free delivery carrier of Walnut Cove, was here to-day and reported that Mr. Thomas Caudle died at Walnut Cove yesterday with black measles. His sister died Tuesday with the same disease and his daughter is not expected to live. Mr. Caudle's wife brought here this morning where they will be interred. Deceased was the wife of Mr. A. F. Eshelman, of the Union Furniture Co., of this place, and was a good woman, she leaves, besides a husband, several children, and this was her second trip to the sanitarium.
H. H. Kincaid, of Burke.
Special to The Observer.
Morganton, Feb. 23.—Mr. H. H. Kincaid, whose serious illness was mentioned in The Observer, died at his home near Table Rock yesterday and will be buried to-day at Mountain Grove church. Mr. Kincaid was a Christian gentleman and was one of the most prominent citizens of Burke county. He was born and reared here and always lived in Burke. He is survived by a widow, one son, Mr. P. S. Kincaid, and four daughters, Mrs. Mildred Parks, Mrs. Harris, Miss Emma Kincaid and Mrs. Francis Kincaid. He had been a member of the Masonic lodge for many years.

THE WEATHER.
Forecast for Saturday and Sunday: Fair, warmer Saturday; Sunday fair, colder in western portion; light to fresh south winds.
Charlotte, N. C., 8 p. m., Feb. 23.—Sunrise 7:00; sunset 6:15 (Standard time).
LOCAL WEATHER REPORT.
Highest temperature 65
Lowest temperature 42
Mean temperature 54
Excess for the day 10
Accumulated deficiency for month . . . 29
Precipitation to-day (inches) 0.00
Total precipitation for month 1.58
Accumulated deficiency for month . . . 2.13
Prevailing wind direction East

SMASHES RECORD FOR WINNING MOUNTS.
Hot Springs, Ark., Feb. 23.—Jockey Herman Radtke, by winning four races to-day, smashed the world's record for winning mounts during a week, his record for one week being 12 winning mounts.
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VAIN EFFORT TO THWART CUPID
Durham Father Places Guard Over Girl, but She Makes Good Her Escape and Joins Her Lover.
Correspondence of The Observer.
Durham, Feb. 22.—Mr. Walter P. Barbee, who lives in the eastern part of the city, had quite a chase to prevent his daughter eloping with a Mr. Whittington, but as usual in such cases, Cupid outwitted the old folks and the couple has skipped out. Last night Mr. Whittington and a friend applied for license to marry and were held as to the age of Miss Nettie Barbee, the young bride-elect. He told them they would have to get a written permit. They went away and returned with a note saying that the girl was of legal age and ready to be married. Mr. Barbee found this to be a forgery. He again refused. After that Mr. Barbee went in search of his daughter, found her and carried her back home. Last night a guard was placed on duty to see that the young lady did not leave her room. About the time the guard was relieved this morning Miss Barbee escaped and has evidently joined her intended and they have skipped to some other town. Mr. Barbee has today a number of notices to various counties in an effort to prevent the marriage.

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HIS EMPLOYER A NEGRO.
Norwegian Tailor Comes From New York to High Point to Find That He Had Been Employed by a Negro—Luckily He Found Another Job.
Special to The Observer.
High Point, Feb. 23.—To read an advertisement in a New York paper an expert tailor was wanted at High Point, to answer the same and accept \$25 per week and find out how to arrive here and meet his would-be employer face to face and find out that he was of African descent, was too much for a Norwegian, by birth, who came here yesterday. The tailor called upon The Enterprise and told of his disappointment and humiliation. He was as mad as a full-blooded fishman when insulted, repeating that what a fool he was not to think about asking if the advertiser was white or black, but as there are very few negro tailors the gentleman from New York said that any one would naturally suppose that the advertiser was white and that the firm here should have been more explicit. But all's well that ends well, and the gentleman from New York got a good job after all for Mr. David Jones, the well-known tailor of Danville, was in town and, hearing of the presence of the tailor from New York, contracted with the gentleman and carried him to Danville last evening.

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COAST LINE SHOPS.
Contract Let for Their Erection at Waycross, Ga.—To Cost \$100,000.
Special to The Observer.
Wilmington, Feb. 23.—It is announced from Atlantic Coast Line headquarters that the contract for the mammoth shops to be built at Waycross, Georgia, has been awarded. Seventeen bids submitted. The contract is given to the Pennsylvania Bridge Company, of Beaver Falls. It is stipulated that the work must be completed by January 1, 1907. While the officials refuse to state the contract price, it is known that the shops will cost not less than \$100,000.

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Escaped From Deaf and Dumb School.
Special to The Observer.
Albemarle, Feb. 23.—Information reached here to-day that the official named Walton Furr, a deaf and dumb boy, about 17 years old, who was sent to the school for the Deaf and Dumb at Morganton about a month ago, made his escape from there last Monday. His mother, who is a very old widow, is greatly distressed about him. He is about 5 feet high, has fair skin, blue eyes and red hair. His mother is Mrs. Nancy Furr, Bloomington, N. C. She will appreciate any information pertaining to him.

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Anniversary Exercises at Wofford.
Correspondence of The Observer.
Spartanburg, S. C., Feb. 22.—This evening in the auditorium of Wofford College the anniversary exercises were held, speeches being delivered by two representatives, one from each literary society. The speakers were: J. R. Lyles, of the Preston Society, who spoke on "A Typical American," while the other speaker, S. W. Puckett, representative of the Calhoun Society, portrayed the death of the despot in "The Last Breath of Despotism." After the regular exercises a reception was held in the society halls.

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