

A GREAT CONVENTION.

Mr. G. C. Huntington Declares the Students' Volunteer Convention, Which Met in Nashville, Tenn., Last Week, to Have Been a Great Meeting.

Mr. G. C. Huntington, Inter-State Y. M. C. A. secretary for the Carolinas, returned to the city Monday night, after having attended the great Student Volunteer Convention, which met in Nashville, Tenn., last week.

"The convention was a decided success, in every respect. Not only was the attendance unusually large, and the accommodations first class, but every department of the work showed up handsomely, and all the delegates expressed themselves as highly pleased with the meeting.

"When it was proposed to hold the convention in Charlotte, the object was to get on the ground that the attendance would show a decrease as compared with Toronto, Canada; that Nashville could not entertain so large a gathering, and last but by no means least, that the money for carrying on the work during the next four years could not be secured.

"The arrangements for handling the crowds were admirable, and the programme of the convention, under the master hand of Mr. John L. Mott, the chairman of the Student Volunteer Movement, was carried out in a manner which called forth frequent commendation.

"The list of speakers included many of the most prominent men of this and other lands. Messrs. Robert E. Spear, of New York; John L. Mott, of Chicago; Thoburn, of India; Bishop W. F. McDowell, of Chicago, Ill.; Hon. S. B. F. Macfarland, of Washington, D. C.; Rev. James I. Vance, D. D., of New York; J. J. Campbell White, of Allegheny, Pa.; Rev. Donald Frazier, of Livingstonia, Africa, and others equally well known.

"Among the notable present were right Hon. Sir Henry Dunaud, ambassador of Great Britain to the United States; Hon. John W. Foster, formerly United States minister to China; Miss Ellen M. Stone, of Boston, Mass.; and Rev. George Robson, of Edinburgh.

"North Carolina was represented by about seventy-five persons. The Charlotte party consisted of Rev. C. T. Willingham, Rev. Dr. and Mrs. R. C. Holland, Miss Mildred Watkins, the Misses Harris, Harwood and Haynes, of the Presbyterian College; Miss Charlie McLean, Miss Carrie L. Booker, Messrs. D. L. Probert and G. C. Huntington.

"ONE MILLION INVESTED. Much Money Changes Hands in Charlotte Real Estate—Who Owns the Town? It is estimated that more than a million dollars has been invested in Charlotte real estate in the past three months. The day session passed but that some new deal in Charlotte dirt is reported.

"HARNES PLANT TO MOVE. Reported That the Shaw Harness Factory is to be Moved Back to Its Old Stand. The Shaw Harness Company operates one of the largest harness manufacturing plants in this section of the State. Some time ago, a new charter was secured, and the capacity of the plant materially increased.

AN ENERGETIC TIGER.

Falls by His Own Discretion—Sent to the Roads for 30 Days for Drunkenness and is Bound Over in Three Cases—A Running Mate Gets 90 Days.

The star performer in the city police court yesterday morning was N. T. Kornup, a young white man who, it appeared from the evidence, had been a most energetic blind tiger. The prisoner had been arrested the previous afternoon by Sergeant Pitts and Patrolman Christensen, who found two jugs and three bottles in his possession, this being his new supply of more than two gallons.

He is a shy, blond young man and would probably have eluded the officers much longer if he had not fallen by the wayside himself. It was while he was enjoying a large dose of the cook's medicine that he was arrested. The recorder sent Kornup to jail for 30 days for being drunk and bound him over in three cases for selling whiskey.

Will Connor, a running mate of Kornup, was charged with drunkenness. Connor is still quite a youth, but he is old in police circles. His sentence yesterday morning was 20 days on the roads. Cleve Donaldson, another favorite of the police, who had been arrested with the above named defendants, was arraigned, but the case against him was continued until this morning.

MR. BIGHAM CANNOT ACCEPT. Mecklenburg Cotton Growers' Association to Name Another Organizer. Mr. J. N. Bigham, who was elected county organizer, last Saturday, of the Mecklenburg Cotton Growers' Association, by the executive committee of that organization, cannot serve. He has given his reasons and stated his position in the following card:

"I wish herein to thank the executive committee of the Mecklenburg Branch of the Cotton Growers' Association for its implied confidence in tendering me the important office of county organizer for Mecklenburg county. In its executive session Saturday evening, and to say that it is with unfeigned regret that existing circumstances prevent me from assuming the important duties of that office.

DR. EDWIN M. POTEAT TO SPEAK. Distinguished President of Furman University to Speak to Young Men at the Academy Sunday Afternoon. Dr. Edwin Poteat, president of Furman University, Greenville, S. C., will deliver the address in the Academy of Music, Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock, under the auspices of the Young Men's Christian Association.

DEATH OF MRS. J. L. PARKS. Dies at Advanced Age of 86 Years—An Esteemed Citizen—Funeral Today. Mr. John L. Parks, aged 86 years, died at his home in Hopewell township yesterday morning at 3 o'clock. For several months, he had been confined to his bed and his death was not unexpected. The deceased is survived by the children, Mrs. H. M. Edmonson, of Gastonia, Mr. W. B. Parks, and Mrs. R. M. Allison, both of Hopewell.

A RECORD MEETING IN MAY. Programme Committee Arranging for Convention of Cotton Manufacturers' Association. The committee appointed to arrange the programme for the annual convention of the American Cotton Manufacturers' Association, which meets in Asheville in May, is busily engaged. The indications are that this meeting will surpass any previous one. A record attendance is expected and the arrangements are being made for the accommodation of one of the largest gatherings that has ever assembled in Asheville.

DISTINGUISHED GUESTS COMING. Much Interest is Manifested in Coming Banquet of Greater Charlotte Club. The banquet of the Greater Charlotte Club, which is to be given the evening of the 16th, promises to be of even greater interest than the initial one in January. In addition to the presence of both Governors D. C. Heywood, of South Carolina, and H. B. Glenn, of North Carolina, four of the distinguished officials of the Seaboard and Southern roads will be in attendance.

FED MESSER STILL LIVES.

He is 114 Years Old and is Still Interested in Life—Takes an Automobile Ride. Mr. Julius Brown, formerly of this county but now of Haywood, was here several days ago to visit his mother in Steele Creek. Among other good things he brought the welcome news of the continued good health of the Observer's friend, Col. Fed Messer, who was born in Lincoln or Catawba county, in the year 1792.

Uncle Fed has many friends here who wish him well. Mr. Brown said some fellows in Waynesville had taken Uncle Fed to ride in an automobile. The old man is gradually being introduced to the things of this busy-day world. Some time ago a certain citizen of Waynesville gave Uncle Fed a plate of ice cream and he ate it, liked it, and asked: "Honey, what kind of sass is this you give me?" He is coming along.

La Marguerite, the Female Shop. Mrs. G. C. Ramsey returned yesterday from New York, where she had been in the interest of her shop, La Marguerite, a place which she and Miss Minnie Gouger are opening at 211 North Tryon street. La Marguerite will make a specialty of pattern hats, gowns and fine corsets, and will also supply other things indispensable to the well-dressed woman. La Marguerite is to be a female establishment. Pretty goods are arriving daily and the proprietresses are getting them in shape.

TORTURE BY SAVAGES. "Speaking of the torture to which some of the savage tribes in the Philippines subject their captives, reminds me of the intense suffering I endured for three months from inflammation of the kidneys," says W. M. Sherman, of Cushing. "Nothing brought me relief until I tried Electric Bitters, three bottles of which completely cured me." Cures liver and bile, dyspepsia, blood disorders and malaria, and restores the weak and nervous to robust health. Guaranteed by E. H. Jordan & Co., druggists. Price 50c.

A NEW COTTON EXCHANGE.

The Merchants and Farmers Exchange and Bureau of Information—Office Over Charlotte Drug Store. The old office of M. C. Heath & Company, over the Charlotte Drug Store, at the corner of Trade and College streets, has been secured by Messrs. C. P. Bell, P. G. Fonville and J. H. Emery, for the location of their cotton exchange and bureau of information. The charter has been secured for "The Farmers and Merchants' Exchange and Bureau of Information." The authorized capital of the new enterprise is given at \$50,000, of which \$5,000 has been paid in. The quarters have already been occupied and operations began yesterday.

The Daughters of Isabella. A chapter of the Daughters of Isabella is being organized in the city. For the past several days, a canvas has been in progress and already 20 old names have been secured. The organization will be perfected shortly. The Daughters of Isabella is a Catholic order and is one of the largest and most influential of its kind in the country.

Committee Meets To-Morrow. The executive committee, which has charge of the arrangements for the 20th of May celebration, has been called to meet in the city hall to-morrow night at 8 o'clock. Business of the most urgent necessity is to be considered, and all members of the committee are requested to be present.

A SPECIAL BOOK SALE.

From now until Monday we will sell any book in our NORTH WINDOW for 85 CENTS. These are all dollar and a half books; no cheap editions. You will find among them some of Anthony Hope, Ella Wheeler Wilcox, King's, Francis Hobson Burnette, and lots of others.

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A WALKING ADVERTISEMENT For five or six years I suffered from enlarged glands of my neck, which troubled me greatly, especially when I was exposed to cold, damp air. Whenever I took any cold the glands of my neck would swell and enlarge in lumps from under my ear to the collar bone. This affected my general health, and my system became run down from it, as I remained in this condition for five years. After trying other things without benefit, I went on Mrs. Joe Person's Remedy and one dozen bottles cured me and restored me to perfect health. This was five years ago, and I am now a walking advertisement of Mrs. Joe Person's Remedy. MRS. MAGGIE WICKER Sanford N. C. February 14, 1906.

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