

FOR MAKING SPURIOUS COIN

MRS. SMOOT'S FATHER ARRESTED

Henry E. Thomas Arrested in Wilkes County on Charge of Counterfeiting and in Default of Bond is Committed to Jail to Await Trial—Greensboro's Delegates to General Conference of Methodist Church at Birmingham—Colored A. & M. College Commencement—News Notes of the Gate City.

Special to The Observer.

Greensboro, April 22.—Rev. Dr. G. H. Detwiler, pastor of West Market street M. E. church; Rev. Dr. S. B. Turrentine, presiding elder of the Greensboro district; Rev. H. M. Blair, editor of The North Carolina Christian Advocate, and Mr. C. H. Ireland, were elected at the last Western North Carolina M. E. Conference as delegates to the General Conference of the Methodist Church, South, which will meet Monday for Birmingham, Ala., to be present at the opening of that conference May 2.

The session will last probably one month. The General Conference meets every four years and at the approaching session two or three bishops are to be elected.

Congressman E. Spencer Blackburn and family, who have been spending two or three weeks here on account of the Congressman's trial in Federal Court, returned yesterday afternoon to Washington.

Misses Elizabeth and Annie Sparger left this afternoon for Alken to attend the marriage of Miss Myrtle Chatham and Mr. E. M. Mottlinger, which place next Thursday. The contracting parties are well known and popular young people and their wedding will be an important social event in Elkin.

Greensboro Council No. 296 United Commercial Travelers held an enthusiastic meeting and elected Miss Annie Sparger to represent that council as sponsor on "Traveling Men's Day" at the May 20th celebration in Charlotte.

ALLEGED COUNTERFEITER ARRESTED

Secret Service Agent Henry E. Thomas visited Wilkes county last week and arrested J. M. Pruitt at his home at Trap Hill on the charge of making counterfeit money. The prisoner was escorted to Wilkesboro and given a hearing before a United States commissioner, who bound him over to the next term of Federal Court in Greensboro in a \$1000 bond, in default of which he was committed to jail in Wilkesboro. Pruitt is the father of Mrs. Alice Smoot, who was convicted with her husband at the recent term of Federal Court here and sentenced to terms in the penitentiary for counterfeiting.

COLORED A. & M. COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT

The annual commencement exercises of the colored A. & M. College of this city, opened yesterday afternoon with the baccalaureate sermon preached in the college chapel by Rev. Robert E. Jones, editor of The Southwestern Advocate, New Orleans. Dr. Jones is well known here, where he was born and received his education in the graded school and Bennett College. The chapel was packed and many were unable to gain admission. Dr. Jones' text was taken from the second chapter of Philippians, 5, 6, 7 and 8th verses, his theme being, "Leadership." The discourse was most thoughtful and practical and is considered one of the ablest ever delivered at a commencement.

Beautiful women can have the best things in the world, for there is none so inhuman as to refuse anything to a pretty woman. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea makes beautiful women, 25 cents. R. H. Jordan & Co.

ment of the institution. Just before the close of the service President J. B. Dudley called attention to the awful disaster which had befallen the people of San Francisco and asked for contributions, which were cheerfully made to the amount of \$18.67.

To-night the anniversary exercises of the Y. M. C. A. of the college occurred, the Rev. B. B. Hill, of Reidsville, delivering the address before a large and interested audience.

THE BENEFIT CONCERT.

It Yielded \$181.50 and Proved Quite a Success—The Programme an Interesting One.

The door receipts at the concert given at the Academy last night for the benefit of the San Francisco sufferers amounted to \$181.50. To this amount, Dr. H. M. Wilder added his check for \$20. The money was turned over to the Woman's Club.

The concert in itself was delightful. The programme was excellently arranged and as well carried out. Performances opened with an overture, "Olympia," by the Keesler Concert Band, which received a hearty encore. "Violens," Ellen Wright, was sweetly sung by Miss Clara Nathan. The Ariel Quartette, composed of Messrs. Overcash, Butt, Parks and Graham, was enthusiastically received in its song, "When the Blue Waves Rise and Fall." The quartette gave another number, led by Mr. J. H. H. Parks, which was among the best of the evening.

Miss Margaret Thurmond, a delightful singer, was at her best in "Visions," Mr. Louis Baker's number. "The Palms," played on the cornet, was enjoyable. Miss Celeste Wilder sang "Singard," in French, and was roundly applauded. She responded to the encore and sang "Swanee River," making a distinct hit with it.

The Keesler Concert Band played in public for the first time this season, and gave evidence of the fact that it is a strong organization. It is ably led by Prof. R. L. Keesler, who organized it.

The concert was given under the direction of Mr. Don A. Richardson. Mr. Richardson accompanied the song numbers on his violin, and Mr. Karl von Lawrenz on the piano. The use of the Academy was donated, and Manager Marx Nathan had his house staff in service to look after the comfort of the audience.

Roof of New Foundry Catches Fire.

The roof of the new Charlotte Pipe & Foundry building, in Dilworth, caught fire twice yesterday afternoon while the blast was in operation. The roof had just been coated with a preparation of tar and quickly ignited when the sparks fell from the cupola. The blaze was discovered at once and extinguished without difficulty. No damage was done.

Mr. Reinhardt's Suggestion.

Mr. J. F. Reinhardt, of Lincoln county, was in the city yesterday on his way to New Orleans. He made an original suggestion concerning the California catastrophe. To an Observer man he said: "Just tell the Tar Heels who are there to come back to the Old North State where the land is poor but firm of foundation."

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LIVE TOPICS ABOUT TOWN.

Dilworth Municipal Council Meets To-Night.

The Dilworth municipal council meets to-night at 8 o'clock in the Dilworth drug store. The object of the meeting is to discuss fire protection, street sprinkling, and kindred topics. All members of the council are urged to be present.

To be Here a Month.

Mr. W. A. Miller, representing Comstock & Company, of New York, dealer in fine canned goods, is in the city. He will be here a month or longer calling on the trade with Mr. C. O. Keuter. The Comstock concern is well-known in this section.

That's a queer story that comes from the Dismal Swamp, about the lizards and snakes leaving," said an observant man yesterday "and I can't quite understand it. It is all folderol about the muck boiling up and there being danger of an upheaval of mud and slime water, but the animal outbreak must be true.

"I am very much concerned about the snakes and lizards. But I have a theory of my own about that trek of the varmints. The State has gone dry and there is little, if any, hope of it going wet soon, and the snakes and the lizards no longer have reason to fear to creep and crawl lest some unfortunate, over-loaded man see them and have a case of the Jimnies. Why should a snake or a lizard be afraid to creep and skulk around Charlotte or Greensboro? This is the age of sobriety, when governors do hold revivals and pray loud and long at the tail end of meetings. All creeping, crawling cattle can come to the light without the fear of molestation. A snake-seeing gentleman is as rare here now as a four-leaf clover and as unpopular and considered as dangerous as a mad dog.

"Everybody is on the water wagon. No one need fear this move of Dismal Swamp snakes; it means much to them, and little to us. For centuries those poor creatures have dwelt in that slimy region but will now come out and live like other animals."

"I lost out on the California deal," said Col. Burke Asbury yesterday. "The aldermen increased the sum from \$100 to \$500 and they will not trust me with that much. I had already secured passage on a gravel train. But it is all right. I will get to go to the Dismal Swamp, and that being near Norfolk suits me better."

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- 1 warp splitting machines to Philadelphia.
- 3 yarn bundling machines for Pawtucket, R. I. (This is a machine to make 5 and 10-pound bundles for the retail trade.)
- 5 waste cleaning systems (the system comprises a waste cleaning machine for notes, sweeps and other waste without removing any fibre. There is another machine to extract buckles, pieces of tea, stone, pieces of leather, broken bobbins, ring travelers and other foreign matter. It extracts most threads also. Then comes a suction fan and collector. We build the machines and install the system.)
- 1 Sand and boll screen for cotton seed oil mill in Peru.
- 2 lard presses and one filter press to Brazil.
- 2 lard presses to Philadelphia.
- Lot of shafting, pulleys and hangers to Waterbury, Conn.
- (This shipment was to a large company which has for a long time been using Fairmont Machine Works' stuff, of Philadelphia, and as we bought the entire Fairmont outfit, we now get the business.)
- 5 spoolers for mills in Gaston county.
- 12 reels to mills in Cabarrus county.
- 4 reels to a mill in Georgia.
- 2 reels to Lincoln county.
- Pulleys, hangers and shafting galore to lots of mills.
- Handled two big engine breakdowns, and, by working our shop night and day, saved the mills a lot of time.
- We are rewinding lots of burnt armatures for factory generators and for street car motors.
- We have lately made and shipped 200—30 harness dobbies and the purchasers are delighted with them.
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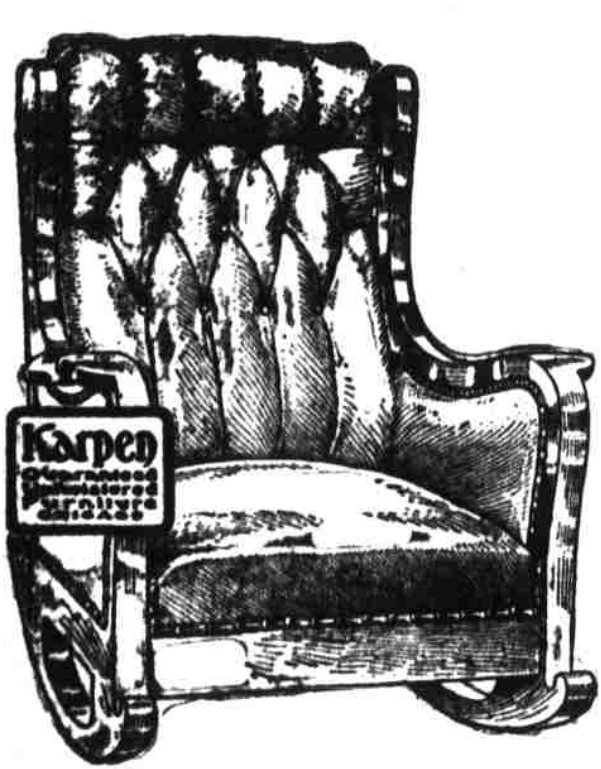
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