

TWIN CITY'S FIRE LOSSES

LESS THAN \$25,000 FOR YEAR
Property Loss in Winston by Fire
During Year Ending May 1 Very Small—Salem Maintains Remarkable Fire Record—Fourth Fair Association to Admit Horses to Its Attraction—Junior Order Will Appeal From Decision of National Law Committee in Orphanage Matter—Death of Mrs. F. D. Biles—News Notes of Forsyth's Capital. Special to The Observer.

Winston-Salem, May 11.—According to the records kept by the Winston fire department, the total loss by fire in Winston during the year ending May 1, 1906, was something less than \$25,000. The fire which caused the most loss was the fire in Schouler's department store, October 13. The damage was caused mostly by smoke, the flames never having spread from the basement, where the fire originated. The fire department records placed the damage done at \$14,000. The records show that the Winston fire department was called out to help catch a burglar on April 30 last. The records, however, fail to state what the department accomplished on this occasion. The town of Salem has kept up its remarkable record for small loss by fire, a record which has been discussed in all parts of the country. During the year, however, there was one fire in Salem which caused considerable damage, this being the fire in the F. & H. Fries Woolen Mill. While the other fire alarms turned in from that town during the period, none of them entailed a loss worth mentioning.

HORSE SHOW TO BE ADDED
At the meeting of the officers and members of the Forsyth Fair Association last night it was decided to hold a big horse show in connection with the annual fair next October and to make this one of the leading attractions. It was also agreed to have racing only two afternoons during the fair. Much enthusiasm was manifested at the meeting and committees were named to arrange for the fair and horse show. Mr. J. M. Mott, of Durham, who bought the W. L. Hill stock of goods, has decided to conduct a mercantile business in this city. He has rented the Hill store at the corner of Liberty and Third streets. Mr. Mott spent yesterday in the city leaving last evening for Durham. He will return here in a few days and arrange to open for business. W. M. Biles, pastor of the M. E. church at Kernersville, will be pained to learn of the grief that has come to him by the death of his mother, Mrs. F. D. Biles, which occurred at her home in Forsythville Tuesday afternoon. All of her children, three sons, were at her bedside when she died. Her son, Mr. Trux Biles, arrived from Indian Territory a few minutes before her mother's death and was recognized by her as she was in the grasp of death. The husband preceded her to the grave a number of years ago.

WILL APPEAL FROM DECISION
It is said that the State executive board of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics will appeal to the national judiciary from the decision rendered by the national law committee to the effect that the set of the North Carolina Council to levy a special tax on the property of the order for the establishment of an orphanage home was unconstitutional. This action will be in the nature of a friendly suit, the sole purpose being to secure a final decision in the matter.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union held a most interesting meeting yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. S. A. Ogburn. Christian citizenship was most intelligently and ably handled by Miss Elizabeth Marsh in a fine paper. Other articles on the subject were read by the ladies present. Julius Hinsdale, ending a machine man, had his thumb badly mashed at the Barbee paper box factory yesterday. It was later amputated at the hospital.

TO SPEND A MILLION
The new ice plant being built near the old one in Salem by the Fries Manufacturing & Power Co., will be completed next week. Its capacity will be 20 tons a day. Two car loads of machinery for it have arrived. An engineer from New York is expected here in a day or two to put the plant in operation.

FACTS ABOUT THE DOUBLE TRACKING OPERATIONS ON SOUTHERN TRACKING GREENSBORO AND SPENCER.
By January 1, 1906, the Southern railway will have a double track between Greensboro and Spencer. In addition to the work already done, thirty-one miles will be finished. The cost of the double track between the two cities will be expended for labor alone who will employ 1,000 men to 1,500 men. At present 1,000 are at work. In this section five hundred thousand dollars will be expended for labor alone and this large amount of money will doubtless find its way into the business channels of the towns along the route.

NEW LINE OF DEFENSE
Indicted for Blockading, Young Henderson Moonshiner Claims That He Knows Nothing of Making Whiskey—Stumbled on Hill Still Started to Going for Fun. Correspondence of The Observer.
Asheville, May 10.—An entirely new defense was sprung in United States District Court yesterday afternoon by an attorney for a man from Henderson county charged with blockading. The alleged blockader, a young, slim, good looking fellow, probably not more than 17 years of age, went on the stand in his own behalf. He testified that he knew nothing about making liquor; that he had never seen liquor made; that while wandering around in the woods he stumbled on a deserted distillery and started the distilling when a revenue officer happened on the scene. After the young fellow had left the stand the attorney stated that while the man for the defense testified that he didn't think the client should be punished; that his client didn't know anything about making liquor; that his client started the distillery out of a spirit of curiosity and with no intent to violate the law and that these facts should appeal to the court. Judge Boyd declared that a man poking around in the woods, finding an illicit distillery and starting the thing, didn't appeal to him. Revenue Officer McCoy was called on by Judge Boyd to answer a few questions and the officer answered, stated the young blockader's fate. Mr. McCoy said that the distillery was a small affair, but that the beer was good and that had the operations continued good liquor would have been made. That was apparently all Judge Boyd wanted to know. "The prisoner is ordered to the custody of an officer," was the manner in which his honor disposed of the case.

A MOUNTAIN OF GOLD
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\$100,000 IN BONDS

High Point Will Ask Legislature for Election on Proposition to Issue This Amount to Aid in Building Road to Wadesboro—Personal and News Notes. Special to The Observer.
High Point, May 11.—The names of the voters of High Point are being gotten to a petition to show the sentiment in favor of a bond issue for \$100,000 for the proposed road from here to Wadesboro, where connection will be made with the Seaboard Air Line. The committee reports that, so far, the sentiment of the voters is unanimous for the proposition. The election cannot be held until after the Legislature meets and grants the city a right to vote on the bonds, but the work on the railroad will not be delayed, as the \$100,000 is not asked until connection is made with the Seaboard, which will be at least two years yet. The line from here to Thomasville will be completed first and from Thomasville on to Denton the road has already been laid, which will give about 25 miles of road into a big lumber section and prospects for the future. A few months after the road is started, from Denton it is less than five miles to Whitney and the rapids and from there to Wadesboro, a distance of only about 40 miles. A branch line will be run from Denton to Whitney and the main line will go straight from Denton to Wadesboro. Mr. Dee Allen, who is representing the Philadelphia syndicate, says there is no doubt but that the road will be built and that his company is getting things in shape as fast as possible to prosecute the work. The city committee is of the same impression and are much elated over the new road.

The double-tracking of the Southern has reached the city on the north in the meantime, the grading is being done in sections between High Point and Spencer and I am informed that the company expects to be operating both lines by fall between High Point and Spencer.

Miss Estella Cable and Mr. Chester G. White were united in marriage last night at the home of the bride's cousin in the eastern part of the city. Rev. D. E. Bowers, of the First Reformed church, was the officiating minister. A teacher's institute is being organized at High Point has an ideal climate, finest school buildings in the State, and a spacious auditorium and affords unequalled advantages for an institute here during the summer months. Mrs. George A. Matton, accompanied by her sister, Miss Connie Foushee, of Pittsboro, left yesterday for Chattanooga, Tenn., to attend the annual convention of the Y. W. C. A. of Charlotte, which was here yesterday advertising the big 20th of May celebration in that city this month. High Point will send a large delegation to the Queen City on the 20th. Mr. W. H. Idol, one of the largest raisers of fruit for shipment in this community, was in town yesterday morning to see the fair. No damage had resulted in his locality from the recent cold weather.

BANKERS AT GREENVILLE

South Carolina Association Convenes in Annual Session With Large Attendance. Special to The Observer.
Greenville, S. C., May 11.—The sixth annual convention of the South Carolina Bankers' Association met here to-day, with more than 200 representatives and other interested visitors in attendance. The convention has grown to such large proportions that it has become a serious question about South Carolina cities being able to care for it, and it is known for a fact that a resolution will be introduced at the present session looking to the holding of future conventions in the larger cities of other States. Richmond, Va., already has in a bid for the meeting next year. Mayor G. H. Mahon, of Greenville, delivered the address of welcome on behalf of the city and W. E. Beattie extended the greeting for the local bankers. Response was made by E. W. Robertson, of Columbia. President W. J. Montgomery, of Marion, delivered the annual address. George M. Coffin, of New York, delivered an able address on "The South, Its Duty and Destiny." The business of the morning session was transacted with routine and without special interest. The visitors were entertained on a trolley ride this afternoon, and at an informal reception at the San Souci Country Club, which was one of the most pleasant features of the session. The convention banquet was given to-night and covers were laid for 200. It was a brilliant affair and a number of fine toasts were made. Among the honored guests was Governor Heyward, who made a toast on "Raising for Governor," which was a happy and original conception, brim full of fun and shrewd wit.

DRUMMERS AT COLUMBIA

PALEMONTO KNIGHTS OF GRIP.
South Carolina T. P. A. Holding Annual Session at the State Capital With 250 Delegates Present—Committee Appointed and Resolutions Adopted—Major Patrick J. Drew, Slayer of Charlie Ruff and James Satterwhite, Captured at Chapin—All Negroes. Observer Bureau.
Columbia, S. C., May 10.
The traveling men of the State are here in number. They are having a State convention. It is the largest gathering of traveling men that has ever been held in South Carolina. The association now numbers 350 members and the purpose is to increase this membership to at least 1,000 during the current year. To-day was devoted to the work of organization and pleasure. During the morning the association mapped out the order of business. In the afternoon the delegates attended the Columbia Post and at night everyone is to make merry at the banquet which is to be held at Craven Hall. Major Patrick J. Drew called the meeting to order and presented Mayor Gibbs, who pleasantly greeted the traveling men to the city and assured them of their hearty welcome. Major Drew turned the convention over to the State president, Mr. J. E. Gentry, who responded to the welcome and briefly outlined the good work which the association has been doing during the past year and the hopes which are entertained for the future.

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ALLEGED MURDERER CAPTURED

Arthur Wright, the negro slayer of two other negroes, Charlie Ruff and James Satterwhite, whom he slew last Saturday night, was captured this morning at Chapin, a small station on the C. N. & L. road a few miles from this city. It is now in the Columbia jail awaiting trial for the double murder. The capture was made by H. F. and C. F. Koon, who knew the negro and had been on the lookout for him. They found him walking leisurely along the public road. He did not deny his identity and did not resist arrest. He does not deny the killing, but will not say what his motive was. It is necessary to say that he will plead self-defense. Arthur G. Lewis, Southern passenger agent for the Baltimore & Ohio with headquarters at Norfolk, here to-day on account of the State T. P. A. gathering to arrange for business down this way for the Sunday special his road will operate Sunday morning. Lane Washington, who has been through to Buffalo. The B. & O. will take up the Southern delegations arriving at Washington for a straight shot to the national city of the national organization of the T. P. A.

TRAPPERS TORTURE

People who have not seen can form no idea of the suffering trappers cause by their ruthless destruction of game. Nothing escapes them, even the squirrels are sacrificed to bait traps for marten and fisher, and not only the squirrels, but all kinds of birds, whether game or song birds, in trapping mink, otter, beaver and a few other fur-bearing animals, the trap is nearly always set near the water, where the animal when caught can drown itself, thus ending its sufferings. But with bear, marten and fisher it is different. The bear must drag a heavy log out until it catches in some root or bush. There he must wait until the trapper comes to kill him, and this in some cases not for days. The bones of the leg are almost invariably broken by the trap, and the leg swells to incredible size. One trapper who shot a fifteen pound muskrat, merely to try a new rifle. The birds were nesting; he had no use for them, and not one did he ever bring to camp. Three years ago a little Columbia, an old trapper camped near our bear hunting party. He shot everything he could find, even little ducks and martlets. A goat he killed fell over the cliff and, as it was harder to recover it than to shoot another he shot another. He was trapping beaver out of season, and boasted of having caught one that was about to become a mother. He has seen the spot where a bear, fast in a trap, had been caught for more than a week in a thicket through which it was impossible to drag the trap and log. I once knew an old French trapper who shot only three muskrats and six in one winter for bear bait for the spring catch. I asked how he killed so many. He said that he was in "big think" in the spring so as to bring the bears around. All of the animals he had slaughtered for a spring "stink" were shot with a revolver, for they were snow bound and could not escape. He told me that he dropped five elk in one pile. This frightful destruction by trappers has exterminated the game.

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