

Social and Personal

Invitations have been issued by Mrs. Hugh Montgomery, of 1894 South Boulevard, for a "society party" to be given Tuesday afternoon, April 16, in honor of Mrs. Kate S. Martin, of New Castle, Ind., and Mrs. E. C. Kinsey, of Atlanta, Ga., who will be her guests.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Fronberger will return to-night from a visit to friends at Gastonia and Bessemer City. They will make their home for the present with Mrs. Fronberger's mother, at 408 North Tryon street.

Mrs. R. L. Poston, of Statesville, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. J. R. Davidson, on East Sixth street, returned home last night. Mr. Poston spent yesterday in the city and returned with her.

Mrs. A. R. Sherman, who has been under treatment here for throat trouble, returned last night to her home in North Wilkesboro.

Mrs. H. Beeler Moore and Mrs. Jane M. Norman, of Gastonia, spent yesterday in Charlotte, stopping at the Selwyn.

Mrs. J. E. Kerr, of Lenoirville, was a guest of the Selwyn yesterday.

Mrs. E. G. Graydon, of Greenwood, S. C., spent yesterday with her brother, Mr. D. A. Tompkins.

Miss Adelaide Porter, of Biltmore, who has been visiting her sister, Miss Margaret Porter, in New York City, arrived in Charlotte last evening and will spend some time here with her mother, Mrs. C. L. Porter, who is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Moseley. Miss Margaret Porter, who is now engaged as a soloist in one of the largest churches of the metropolis, accompanied her, and will spend a week in Charlotte with her mother.

Mrs. L. A. Brown, of Concord, is visiting her sister, Mrs. R. S. Busbee, at the Central.

Miss Della Wilson, of Lemley's township, is visiting her cousin, Mrs. W. J. Hodges, in Jacksonville, Fla.

PERSONAL

The Movement of a Number of People, Visitors and Others.

Mr. W. W. Glenn, of Gastonia, was a guest of the Buford yesterday.

Mr. J. R. Robinson, of Greensboro, spent yesterday in the city.

Mr. H. G. Scarborough, of Wilmington, registered at the Buford last night.

Mr. C. N. Alexander, formerly of this city, now of Tampa, Fla., is here on a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Alexander, at their home on North Caldwell street.

Mr. O. M. Boyd, of Gastonia, was at the Selwyn yesterday.

Mr. Herbert Dresser, a book-keeper, of Philadelphia, has moved here to live. His parents will come a little later.

Mr. S. G. Finley, of Spartanburg, S. C., was at the Selwyn yesterday.

Dr. R. V. Brawley, of Salisbury, was in the city yesterday on his way to Mooreville to visit relatives.

Messrs. Eugene Cannon and W. A. Caldwell, of Concord, were Charlotte visitors yesterday.

Mr. Hamilton Frazier, treasurer of The American Hotel Company, left last night for Brunswick, Ga., to spend several days at the Hotel Orlinorpe.

Mr. R. W. Adams, of Richburg, S. C., spent yesterday in the city with his father, Rev. Dr. J. Q. Adams, in Dilworth.

Prof. Martin H. Holt, of Oak Ridge, spent a few hours in the city yesterday morning.

BRIEFS

A Few Minor Happenings in and About the City.

The schools at Fidler's and Glasgow's in Lemley's township, have closed.

Ice cream will be served by the Sunday school of St. Paul's church Tuesday evening in the church parlors from 4 to 6 p. m. to the junior classes.

Col. Will A. Peters, who has been ill at St. Peter's Hospital for some time, is improving and will doubtless be seen on the square some time next week.

Mr. S. Wittkowsky delivered an address at the Hoskins and Chadwick mills last night on "The Art of Saving Money." There were many citizens present to hear him.

Sand which got into the gearing of the machine put the Wonderland show out of commission last night at 10 o'clock. The management wishes it stated that the tickets sold last night will be honored this week.

A Smoker at League Headquarters Last Night.

The atmosphere of the headquarters of the Business Men's Municipal League, 217 South Tryon street, was redolent with fragrant tobacco smoke and surcharged with congeniality and pleasant social relaxation last night. The occasion was the smoker tendered the citizens of Charlotte by the league. Seven hundred or more people, it was stated, dropped into the hall during the night for a cigar and a chat with friends. Not a drop of liquor was allowed in the hall nor was any served in the vicinity. "We promised the public a clean article," declared one of the leaguers, "and we propose to deliver the goods." The entire affair was thoroughly enjoyed. The organization will give another smoker Saturday night. Refreshments will be served and buttons distributed. The league is winning votes.

Funeral of Mrs. Adelaide Dalton.

The funeral of Mrs. Adelaide Hutchinson Dalton was conducted yesterday at 12 o'clock. It was conducted from the residence of Mr. D. Parks Hutchinson, Rev. Martin D. Hardin conducting the service. Among the large congregation of relatives and friends who assembled at the residence and at the cemetery to pay the last tribute of respect to the deceased were a number living in other towns. The floral offerings were many and beautiful.

Y. W. C. A. News.

The regular vesper service of the Young Women's Christian Association will be held at the association rooms this afternoon at 5 o'clock.

Miss Margaret Greaver, of Elizabeth College, will speak using as her subject "The Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem." Miss Greaver is an earnest, pleasing speaker and many will be out to hear her. There will be special music.

FOUND AT LAST!

The perfect Vanilla-Blue Ribbon. The one that always wins when compared to others. It is a true, superior extract of full strength.

NEGRO VILLA POLICEMAN

Will Torrence, colored, charged with two charges of Peonage From Edna's Store, knocked Officer Jim Johnson Down Steps—Latter Springs to His Feet and Conquers Him—A Lively Tussle Under the Roof of the Jail.

The consuming desire of Will Torrence, a black buck negro, to adorn his person with a pair of Easter pants is responsible for the fact that he now lies sullen in a prison cell in the city Tombs, charged with larceny and resisting an officer. To-day charged in a mere formality, for the goods were found on his person and the second offense was committed in the very prison itself, when his desk Officer Jim Johnson a terrible blow across the bridge of his nose, telling him to get on the earth. He learned that that faithful officer is game when the latter laped to his feet and cracked him one with his billy, a blow which was barely averted by the negro throwing up his arms.

When Will Torrence entered the store of the Edna establishment last night and walked back to the clothing department, Mr. Ed Edfrd remarked to an employee: "We'd better keep an eye on that negro." The Saturday night before, the same negro had been in the building and on that night a pair of pants had disappeared mysteriously and no amount of search had ever located them. Suspicion settled itself in the minds of the clerks on the man who figures prominently in this story, though he could hardly be called its hero. So Will Torrence, unknown to himself, was under rigid surveillance last night. And so the employees of the store say, when he placed a pair of pants belonging to a \$10 suit beneath his overcoat and essayed to leave, heavy hands were laid upon him and in a moment he found himself secure in the clutches of the law. Officer Johnson marched him to the police station.

The trip was made down College street and up Fifth. A passageway opening on this street goes through one division of the fire stalls and opens into the police station, whose floor is four or five feet lower. Officer Johnson opened the door between the two compartments and started down the steps. Then it was that Torrence in an unexpected moment dealt the officer a blow in the face, which sent him headlong to the foot of the steps. Blinded and stunned as he must have been by the force of the blow, the officer was on his feet in an instant and his club whirled in the air, and the surprised negro, throwing up an arm, caught the force of Mr. Johnson's strength. He gave up at once and was ushered unceremoniously to his apartments, which he will occupy until tomorrow morning.

THE LATEST THEORY.

Mose Gaffney, Tonsorial Artist, Says Foot Spell is Caused by the Devil's Being Loose.

Mose Gaffney, the big negro who officiates as tonsorial artist at the Thad Tate barber shop, was practicing his subtle arts upon a recumbent customer. All the smooth-tongued eloquence at his command he summoned to his assistance in the task of convincing a gentleman from Missouri of the unspeakable joys and the indescribable beauties of that modern thing known as a shampoo. "You see, boss," argued Mose, in an Uncle Remus tone of "gittin' gittin' powerful nowadays. This is the hottest weather people ever saw for March and it's goin' to git worse all the time. You know de cause? Why, the devil done turned loose here in Charlotte. That's why hit's so hot. The last time he was heard of he was down North Tryon street, but he's comin' up toward the square and den look out."

Mose meant no disrespect to the ground hog, or the Gulf stream, or the sunspots. He was merely adapting his theory to conform to the very newest conditions. He was putting two and two together for himself and that proves his claim to the title of philosopher.

ANOTHER STEELE CREEK FIRE.

Flames Destroy the Biggest Barn in the Township—Owned by Mrs. M. A. Kendrick—Of Incendiary Origin.

Another barn, this time the biggest one in Steele Creek township, was burned to the ground early yesterday morning. The fire was discovered about 1 o'clock. It had then gained such headway that it could not be put out. The building and almost all of its contents was consumed. The loss will approximate \$2,000. The insurance amounted to \$450. The barn was the property of Mrs. M. A. Kendrick, the widow of the late Mr. John Fox Kendrick. It was used by Mr. J. E. Smith, the tenant of the farm. There is little doubt but that the fire was of incendiary origin. It was found blazing at a time when one or about except those who are seeking mischief. The place where the fire started would tend to show that it was not caused by rats and matches. All the Steele Creek citizens who spent yesterday in the city expressed themselves on the subject in no unequivocal terms. This is the fourth barn which has been destroyed in the same neighborhood within the past few months. The other three were those of Mrs. Agnes Knox, Mrs. J. Brown Orler and Mr. W. B. Choate.

At the Odeon Next Week.

The pictures at the Odeon next week will be the best ever seen in the city. The list includes "The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes," "The Frolic of Satan," "The Haunted House," and "The Kentucky Fand." The Odeon and the Star are both growing in popularity every day—a popularity which is well deserved, as the pictures are clear, the subjects the best and the management liberal.

BLACKBURN AT GREENSBORO.

Was Unwell and Declined to See All Visitors—L. E. Davis Will Begin Serving Sentence May 1.

Special to The Observer. Greensboro, March 22.—Former Congressman E. Spencer Blackburn, after an absence of four months from the State, arrived here on an evening train from Washington and is at the McAdoo Hotel. Upon his arrival he went immediately to his room and declined to see all visitors. He said he was very unwell and told the clerk he did not care to be disturbed. His last visit to the State was made memorable by the rumormongering of an action for slander by Governor Glenn on account of charges alleged to have been made by Blackburn and given to the public by Private Secretary Perkins. It has been said that Blackburn will locate here for the practice of law, but this is extremely doubtful. In fact, it would be hard to say what the Congressman may do.

Judge Boyd has allowed L. E. Davis, who was sentenced to a year in the Atlanta penitentiary for violating the internal revenue laws, to give bond, and he will not begin the serving of his sentence until after May 1. Judge Boyd at first declined to allow this, but said that Davis must begin his sentence right away. Strong effort is being made to have the prison sentence suspended entirely. Davis needed guilty and therefore cannot appeal.

MARRIAGE INVITATIONS

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HUNTING A SOAP FACTORY.

Len Albright, a Four-Year-Old Tot, Runs Away and Makes His Grand Stand Play at the Square, Where He is Captured by a Police Officer—Candy Tempts Him.

Those who stood on the square at noon, yesterday, may have seen a tiny boy in gingham dress and palmetto hat, cross from Jordan's to Burwell & Dunn's corner, and back again. The young man was unattended, save by a plenty of nerve and self assurance and a don't-give-a-rap air. Among those who saw the little rooster thread his way about the buggies, street cars and automobiles was Police Officer Christenbury. The eye of the patrolman fell upon the child as he was on the hill-way back to Jordan's store and fearing that the little fellow might bet Mr. Christenbury accosted and interrogated him.

"Young man are you lost?" asked the officer, as a curious crowd circled around.

The lad in the palmetto hat answered not, but pulled his large, clear grey knowing eyes from one person to another and looked disgusted.

"What is your name, little wanderer?" asked the officer.

No response. "Honey, do you want to go back home?"

"Nope," as short as a little tongue could make it.

"Where do you live?"

The boy took another look at the party assembled.

"Old man, would you like to have a piece of good candy?" asked one of the crowd.

"Yep," with life in his little voice.

"Well, tell me your sweet name, urged the stranger in a confidential tone, "and I'll give it to you."

"Lin All Right."

"Ah," said some one, "that is Judd Albright's boy, and he had started out to tear up a soap factory."

Mr. W. N. Mullen was there in his buggy. He took the lad and Officer Christenbury carried them to the Albright home on Fifth street, between the Railroad and Brevard.

Len had slipped away, crossed the railroad, gone up Fifth to College, out to Trade and up to Tryon, where he was seeing the sights when interrupted, questioned, tempted and captured.

DR. C. A. SMITH MAY GO NORTH.

Interesting Rumor Current That He May Be Elected Head of the Department of English at Cornell University.

There is a rumor current in Charlotte that Dr. C. Alphonso Smith, of the faculty of the University of North Carolina, may be elected head of the department of English in Cornell University. A visitor in the city, who is one of the faculty of that institution, stated yesterday that Dr. Smith's name has been mentioned repeatedly in that connection and that the likelihood of his election is strong. Cornell is one of the largest of the great Northern universities and is located in Ithica, N. Y. Dr. Smith is the active head of the department of English at the University of North Carolina. He is a North Carolinian and a graduate of Wake Forest. Furman University is the Baptist denominational college of South Carolina and Wake Forest is the Baptist denominational college of North Carolina. It is a striking coincidence that two brothers should be at the head of both.

Governor Glenn This Afternoon.

"North Carolina's Need of Christian Young Men" is the subject of Governor R. B. Glenn's address at the First Baptist Sunday School this afternoon at 3 o'clock. The exercises promise to be unusually interesting. The Richardson Orchestra will play and the Ariel quartette will sing. The programme in detail follows: Singing and devotional service. Responsive reading. Recitation by little Alice Fielding. Responsive reading. Prayer. Solo by Mr. George Newcombe. Selection by orchestra. Lesson study. Song by Ariel quartette. Address by Governor Glenn. Benediction.

New General Superintendent of the Southern Here.

Mr. H. E. Hutchison, who will take Mr. G. R. Loyall's place as general superintendent of the Charlotte division of the Southern, was in the city yesterday. He came to look over the lay of the land. He will leave to-day but will return to take up his new work on the 1st of April. Mr. Loyall goes back to Knoxville, his first love. Mr. Hutchison comes here from Memphis, Tenn., where he has seen much service in the employ of the Southern. He will be succeeded there by Mr. J. A. Heather, now division superintendent of the Greenville division. The Greenville and Charlotte divisions will be combined and Mr. B. G. Falls, division superintendent of the Charlotte division, will have charge of the combined territory. Mr. Falls' headquarters may be moved to Greenville.

Mr. H. Cy Long Declines; Mr. F. D. Lethco Accepts.

The Observer had a few words with Mr. H. Cy Long, who is in New York, over the long distance phone last night. Mr. Long called upon The Observer office to ask that announcement be made of the fact that he had declined to be a candidate for alderman in Ward 8. The reason he gave for refusing the proffered honor is that he simply did not have the time to spare. For such work. He desired that expression be made of his appreciation for the honor. Mr. Frank D. Lethco yesterday accepted the nomination. A meeting will likely be held this week at which time a second man will be chosen.

Will Sell the Reo.

Mr. George L. Lyon, State agent for the Reo automobile, has been in the city several days. He has made a contract with Messrs. Ham & Ross to handle the Reo here again. Messrs. Ham & Ross are progressive business men.

THREE IN POLICE COURT.

Recorder Shaunonhouse Holds Ambrose Henderson For Court on Charge of Looting Burning Building—Another Negro Bound Over as a Witness and Another Acquitted.

Three negroes, two boys and a man, were the sole occupants of the prisoners' dock in the recorder's court yesterday morning. Abe Henderson and Ambrose Justice were charged with looting the home of Mr. J. E. Crayton Friday afternoon while the flames held sway. Mr. Jas. A. Bell appeared for Justice while the smaller of the two. Henderson's statements were so widely at variance one with another that he was held under a \$200 bond, while the other boy was bound over as a witness against him.

The third of the trio was Vaughan Houston, who was charged with cursing a Greek, John Papademas. It is supposed that he thought the Greek wouldn't know the difference and in this he was partly right. No evidence sufficiently direct for conviction could be secured against him and he was allowed to go with the admonishment that he should sin no more, supposing that he had been sinning.

Congregational Meeting This Morning.

Immediately after the service at the First Presbyterian church this morning a congregational meeting will be called. The object of this meeting is to hear the report of the special committee appointed some time ago to select a pastor to succeed Rev. Dr. J. R. Howerton. Mr. R. A. Dunn will submit the report, which is the recommendation that Rev. Dr. W. W. Kincaid be called. The calling of this special meeting this morning is nothing more than a form, the action being a ratification of the committee's report.

Another Mass Meeting in Dilworth.

Mr. B. S. Davis, who is executive chairman for ward 8 of the Business Men's Municipal League, announces that a mass meeting of all citizens and voters will be held in Dilworth Hall in Dilworth next Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. Two citizens of Dilworth will be selected at this meeting to represent that precinct on the city executive committee. It is earnestly desired that all voters be present as matters of vital import to Dilworth will be discussed. Nominations on the aldermanic and school commissioners' ticket are expected to be on hand.

Mrs. LeRoy Springs is Ill.

Mrs. LeRoy Springs, of Lancaster, S. C., is ill at a hospital in Baltimore. Her condition has not improved any. Mr. and Mrs. John M. Scott left here last night to be with her.

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W. J. [Handwritten notes and signatures]

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Our Annual Spring and Summer Millinery Opening. TUESDAY 26th WEDNESDAY 27th THURSDAY 28th. Carolina's Most Important Show of Fine Millinery. After weeks of diligent search and work we have assembled for this most important event decidedly the most exquisite Millinery ever gathered for one display. Paris and New York contributions, together with the dozens of swell models designed by our own efficient force, form an array of Millinery for dress that makes this popular department fairly sparkle with newness. The ever popular "Ready-to-Wear Hat" forms an important feature to this display. Choice models, designed expressly for us by such makers as Barnard, Rixon, Gage, Burginsser, Knox, Castle, Hummel, McKee and Phipps. Opening Days Next Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday. You are cordially invited to attend. Belk Brothers WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

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