

TO ORGANIZE SECRETARIES.

Secretaries of All Commercial Organizations in North and South Carolina Asked to Meet in Charlotte Tuesday, February 25th, at Selwyn Hotel—Objects of the Organization Outlined—Expected to Accomplish Much Good For Individuals and Communities.

Definite action looking to the formation of a permanent organization of all the secretaries of the boards of trade and other commercial organizations in North and South Carolina has been taken and a meeting of these gentlemen has been called to be held in Charlotte on Tuesday, the 25th of this month. This action was decided on at a conference between Messrs. C. W. Hornum, of the Columbia chamber of commerce; John Wood, of the Greenville board of trade, and W. T. Corwith, of the Greater Charlotte Club. The meeting will be held at the Selwyn Hotel.

A call has been sent out to each secretary of all the bodies concerned asking his presence on this occasion. If he can conveniently be on hand, it is pointed out that his presence will not make it binding upon them to join unless they choose to do so, after investigating the purposes of the organization and getting a glimpse of its probable workings. The benefits to be derived from membership in an association of secretaries are stated as follows:

A better understanding of the scope and possibilities of a secretary's work through a more intimate acquaintance with the methods of others of his profession. The exchange of ideas and experiences relating to problems common to all, such as how, when and where to advertise; how to increase and interest membership in the home organization; matters of policy, etc., etc., closely affecting the efficiency and usefulness of each member of the association. The prompt dissemination by each member of information and experience he may have from time to time with regard to the selection of responsible advertising and other agents, and all other matters, the knowledge of which may be of value and benefit to other members. The establishment of closer relations among the members of the profession and the breaking down of the unfortunate spirit of jealousy and unfriendly and hurtful rivalry sometimes existing. In short, the encouragement of co-operation and harmony among the secretaries and the maintenance of the profession upon a high and dignified plane.

OPERAS IN ENGLISH.

Extracts of Classic and Modern Operas to Be Sung in English; by Metropolitan Grand Concert Company.

The following statement has been made by the manager of the Metropolitan Grand Concert Company: "No apology is offered for the fact that our program of operas to be given almost without exception in English, for we hold that the songs of Italy, France and Germany lose none of their beauty when correctly translated into the language of Shakespeare and Milton and of Byron and Tennyson. It is quite true that up to the present time it has always been considered as a sort of sacrifice to render in concert English versions of the text of the classic operas of Mozart, Meyerbeer, Verdi and the other masters, and even now most of the vocal instructors insist that their pupils study the different languages so that they may give the original version of the foreign masterpieces; still, one must say that the efforts to sing translations of the lyrics, correct in meaning, rhyme and rhythm are very laudable. It is a well-known fact that the English speaking nations are quite self-conscious, very proud of their nationality and language, and that they, as a consequence of this, generally overlook the fact that tongues alien to their own are spoken somewhere in the universe. Americans and Englishmen, as a rule, are not given to the study of foreign languages, and therefore, when they happen to hear the operas and recitals and hear the artists go into raptures in alien tongues, they experience a sensation bordering on "ennui." Of course, there are certain languages that are better suited to a musical setting than others, and on account of its scanty vocalization the English is not so well adapted for music; still the musical education of the general public is not such that they may enjoy songs without knowing what they mean, and, therefore, the text of which they cannot understand. Therefore one might say that the manager of the Metropolitan Grand Concert Company did well when he decided to have the excerpts from the Italian and German operas which are to be rendered on February the 12th and 13th sung in English, and, no doubt, the Charlotte public will appreciate this novelty.

Season Tickets For Musical Performance.

Season tickets for the performances to be given at the Auditorium in this city February 12 and 13th by the Metropolitan Grand Concert Company are now on sale at Jordan's. They were advertised to be sold there on the 2d and 4th of this month and a good many people called for them, but the printer had not completed the work. There will be three performances, to which the admission will be \$1 each. A season ticket covering the three costs \$2.

Small Fire Early Yesterday Morning.

The fire department was summoned yesterday morning about 2 o'clock to put out a small blaze in Mr. F. O. Hawley, Jr.'s residence on Elizabeth avenue. The blaze caught probably from some coals which slipped out of the grate in the sitting room on the floor. Chief Orr put out the fire with his 2-gallon extinguisher attached to his buggy. The damage did not amount to more than \$5.

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DEATH OF MR. WILSON.

Prominent Young Man Falls Victim to Pulmonary Trouble After a Lingering Illness For Two Years or More—Funeral Services This Afternoon at 3 O'clock.

After an illness from tuberculosis that has lasted more than two years, Mr. William Marshall Wilson, Jr., died yesterday morning at 8:38 o'clock at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Wilson, on West Morehead street. The funeral services will be held this afternoon at 3 o'clock at the residence, Rev. W. M. Kincaid being the officiating minister. The following named will act as pallbearers: Messrs. Frank F. Jones, Joseph Garibaldi, Thomas Edwards, Robert Moody, William Ward, Robert Simpson, Julian Gillespie and Robert Hayes.

Mr. Wilson was the second son of Mr. and Mrs. William Marshall Wilson and was born November 14th, 1881. An older brother, Mr. Charles Wilson, preceded him to the grave several years ago. Besides his parents, two sisters survive, and these are Madames A. S. Thompson, of Beaumont, Texas, and J. L. Brown, of Gaffney, S. C., who arrived yesterday. Mrs. Thompson has been at the bedside of her brother for several weeks, giving him constant and unvarying attention. Mr. Wilson was seized with lung trouble more than two years ago and in October, 1905, he went with his mother to Texas in the hope that the atmosphere there might be of benefit to his condition. He stayed in the West only a few months at a time. Coming back to Charlotte, he was seized last October with an acute congestion and since then has been rapidly sinking. Those who kept vigil at his bedside were not ignorant of the fact that he was making battle against overpowering odds when the old strength of manhood occasionally showed itself. The young man was extremely popular here and in other places where he was known at all. He was a member of the local lodge of Elks and in that fraternity he was exceedingly well known and popular. Several weeks ago he was received upon profession of faith into the membership of the First Presbyterian church and many who have talked with him of late recognized the fact that the graces of godliness were firmly implanted within him. Those who will sorrow to-day over his brief career are beyond number, for Mr. Wilson made an acquaintance a friend.

AT CLEVELAND SPRINGS.

Fine Hotel to Be Built There by Shelby Capitalists—A Sanatorium May Follow.

A hotel and a sanatorium, two separate and distinct institutions, are contemplated by Mr. A. C. Miller and his associates who have an option on the well-known Cleveland Springs property, east of Shelby. Mr. Clyde R. Hoey, of the Shelby bar, who spent yesterday in the city on legal business, stated to an observer man that a stock company is now being organized for the purpose of purchasing the property and making the proposed improvements. Charlotte people will be immediately interested owing to the popularity of Cleveland Springs as a resort. It is the idea of those who are interested in the scheme to build a hotel first, probably on the site of the old wooden structure, which was burned last September, and then erect a sanatorium a quarter of a mile away. The Observer was slightly in error yesterday in suggesting that the hotel and sanatorium would be one or rather that the sanatorium feature would be given the most important place. The hotel will likely be built this spring if the plans of Mr. Miller and his associates do not miscarry. The Cleveland Springs property embraces several hundred acres of fine land adjoining the group of famous springs and is situated just a short distance from Shelby. No more desirable site for a splendid resort hotel could be found in the State. For the past hundred years it has been known all over the South for the medicinal qualities of its water. The hotel contemplated by those interested in the projected company is a modern, up-to-date structure, possessing all the conveniences of a first-class place and such as will give satisfaction to all comers. It will likely be kept open in winter as well as summer. The sanatorium will probably follow when the hotel is under way.

Lon Hall to Be Taken to Augusta This Morning.

Lonnie Hall, the white man with a past and a future, neither of an especially desirable sort, will be taken to Augusta, Ga., this morning by Mr. G. D. Buchanan, orderly sergeant of police. He will answer to the charge of knocking down a man and relieving him of a goodly sum of money. He is wanted also at other places, notably at Columbia, S. C., for assaulting an officer. Hall is quite a notorious character, it seems. He is originally from this section and has relatives here.

They Have a Loitering Law in Augusta.

"In Augusta we do not have to arraign defendants on warrants of vagrancy," said an officer of that town last night. "We have in the city a loitering ordinance and the prisoners are arraigned under this in the police court and are given 90 days without fail. If a man loiters idly on the streets and refuses to work when it is offered to him, he is found guilty under this law. It is a great aid in making vagrancy a thing non-existent."

Relative to Mr. Moore's Race.

The foremost farmers of the county and plenty of business men from the city are much in favor of calling a general assembly of all the friends of Mr. C. C. Moore, to give him official endorsement for the office of Commissioner of Agriculture of North Carolina. Since the first mention of this plan in The Observer a few days ago, it has been extensively agitated. A meeting will likely be called in a few days.

Basketball Saturday Night.

Saturday night is the time for a game of basketball which has already aroused keen interest among the participants and the adherents of the rival teams. The Tar Heels and the Southerners it is who will mix indifferently in the contest for basketball honors. The game will be a close one and the honors will go to those who fight hardest and best.

Mr. Moore at Mooreville.

Mr. C. C. Moore will have to-day for Mooreville and Statesville, where he will address the farmers of Iredell county, to-morrow and Saturday. He will be accompanied by President E. D. Smith, of the South Carolina division of the Southern Cotton Association who is also booked for speeches at these two places.

CONSULTING ABOUT CASE.

Messrs. Ryburn and Hoey, of Shelby, Here Yesterday in Consultation With Clarkson & Duis Relative to Suit Against the C's Company to Be Brought by Mr. G. B. Cabanis and the Parents of Miss Kendall.

Messrs. Clyde Hoey and R. L. Ryburn, attorneys, of Shelby, spent yesterday in the city in conference with the law firm of Clarkson & Duis in regard to the suit which these attorneys will institute against the Charlotte Electric, Light and Power Company, in behalf of Mr. G. B. Cabanis and the parents of Miss Kendall, of Shelby, who was killed by a street car two months ago. The result of the conference of these gentlemen could not be learned from them, no statement being given out by any of them as to what suit would be demanded or when the trial would likely be held.

It was learned, however, that a compromise is being attempted between the defendant company and the father of Miss Kendall and it was chiefly to discuss this phase of the case that the Shelby attorneys spent yesterday here. Whether the compromise will be effected could not be ascertained, but from the very meagre information which the attorneys divulged, the indications point to the fact that a civil suit will be necessary to reach a settlement. The details of the tragic death of Miss Kendall and the serious injury of Mrs. Cabanis are remembered by readers of the papers.

LEFT ARM BROKEN.

Mrs. Fred White Suffers Painful Accident—Left Arm Broken Near Wrist.

Mrs. Fred H. White had the misfortune late yesterday afternoon to slip on the sidewalk in front of Purcell's store on North Tryon street and break her left arm near the wrist. Mrs. White had just been to see the show at the Academy and was on her way down North Tryon street. In front of Purcell's she slipped on the wet sidewalk and fell heavily to the ground, her left arm falling between her body and the cement walk. Several bystanders who were near rushed to her assistance immediately after the accident and she was assisted to her rooms in the Selwyn Hotel, where medical aid was summoned. The broken member was set and last night Mrs. White was resting as comfortable as might be expected. Her many friends will sympathize with her in her misfortune.

Boston Team to Play in Charlotte. Charlotte baseball fans are interested in the promised game of baseball between the Boston National League team and some other local aggregation or between two teams made up of its own men. It is considered that a contest of one nature or the other is an absolute certainty, as the party has arranged to stop over here about April 2d. This is but a stop on the club's annual Southern trip to regions where earlier practice is possible.

The Bursting of a Radiator Pipe.

The bursting of a radiator pipe in the business offices of the Charlotte Steam Laundry yesterday afternoon caused quite a commotion at that place for a time. A number of young ladies who were engaged in the office at the time barely escaped the uncontrollable steam as it escaped from the pipe. Fortunately for them, all were far enough away to be saved from injury, but it nevertheless occasioned considerable fright. This is the second time this has occurred in this office.

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