

TAFT THE CENTRAL FIGURE

COULDN'T HOT SPRINGS STAGE. In the midst of this famous resort there is nothing else of interest just now, but the scene will shift shortly when the Republican National Convention opens in the city.

Hot Springs, Va., Aug. 12.—Had my time here spent in a dark room since I was here a few weeks since, I would have needed no adviser upon my midnight arrival to tell me that the Republican nominee for President, Mr. Woodrow H. Taft, is still the central figure in this community, for stretched from rail to ceiling in the North gallery overlooking the large lobby, are three life-sized oil portraits of Mr. Taft and Mr. Sherman.

A UNIQUE RACE. The present race appeals to me as being unique. The contestants are about equally popular; the friends of each being hard admirers of the other. Hard words are seldom heard and outside of the circle of active politicians, those who seem to have the most concern as to whether their particular candidate shall be successful are the ones who have put up money on the outcome.

WAREHOUSE TO COST \$8,000. Enthusiastic gathering of farmers yesterday at which plans were definitely fixed upon. The most enthusiastic meeting of the Mecklenburg branch of the Farmers' Union ever held was that yesterday in the morning and afternoon when a large crowd of members gathered to talk over the prospects of securing a warehouse in this city.

POST-WHEELER RECEPTION. Mr. and Mrs. Post Wheeler of the American embassy at Tokio, have arranged the programme for a reception to the guests and the affair is expected to be of brilliant, though simple nature.

THE SWIFT ENLARGEMENT. Details from Manufacturers' Record—Soap Factory and Fertilizer Plant Contemplated in Near Future. The following from The Manufacturers' Record, relative to the prospective addition to the large and modern refinery of Swift & Company, in North Charlotte, is of interest.

THE DIVERSIONS. Bidding, tennis, golf, etc., being the only mode of amusement, and other ways to divert himself some time, and not least among these is to sit on the club house lawn during the morning and afternoon programmes and listen to the chatter of the men in the many groups for the benefit of all who will hear.

THE SPORT OF ROLLER SKATING

Business Authorities Declare It is Beneficial From Both Physical and Moral Standpoints. Roller skating in Charlotte, as indeed almost everywhere else, has a prime hold on the affections and preferences of the younger people especially, and at times becomes a craze equal to that for baseball.

A prominent Louisville divine says: "Roller skating is just the thing wanted by our young people, especially the girls. It affords just the exercise they require for their physical development—gentle but active. It is my opinion that no conception has entered the mind of mortal in this century so important to the health of the girl as this skating invention."

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Second—Preaching by Rev. Dr. W. H. Marquess at 11 and 8:15; subject of the morning sermon, "The Kingdom of God is at Hand"; subject of the evening sermon, "A Rich Man's Son"; the hour for the Sunday school has been changed to 4 o'clock in the afternoon; mid-week prayer service Wednesday evening at 8:15; Dr. Marquess will address the Baracca class during the Sunday school hour.

Third—Rev. Dr. J. F. Jones, pastor, preaching at 11:15 and 8:15; Sunday school at 10; public cordially invited to all services.

Fourth—Rev. Dr. A. R. Shaw, pastor, preaching at 11 and 8:15; Rev. Augustus Sample, of Hendersonville, Sunday school at 3:30; prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8:15.

Fifth—Rev. Dr. E. G. Carson, pastor, preaching at 11 and 8:15; subject of the morning sermon, "The Measure of Jesus"; subject of the evening sermon, "The Measure of Jesus"; the hour for the Sunday school has been changed to 4 o'clock in the afternoon; mid-week prayer service Wednesday evening at 8:30.

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IN THE CITY CHURCHES

METHODIST. Belmont Park—Rev. W. R. Hales, pastor, preaching at 11 and 7:45; the pastor; Sunday school at 9:45; men's prayer meeting at 7:45; mid-week prayer service Wednesday evening at 7:45; cordial welcome to all.

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NEW SKIN REMEDY

CREATES BIG STIR; DRUG STORES CROWDED WITH SUPPLIERS. For several weeks past Jordan's and other leading drug stores in this city have been crowded with persons desiring a supply of postum, the new cure for eczema.

Sampson County Commissioners on Trial For Malfeasance. Special to The Observer. Clinton, Aug. 15.—About 4 o'clock to-day rest in the indictment of the old Republican county commissioners, whereupon Judge Lyon adjourned court until Monday.

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"Then your folks are not well, my pretty maid?" "They are all well but mother, sir," she said.

"I'm a good young doctor, my pretty maid." "We never use a doctor, sir," she said.

"Then for what are you going, my pretty maid?" "For Mrs. Joe Person's Remedy," she said.

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Sale of the Property of the Odell Manufacturing Co. AT CONCORD, N. C. Wednesday, Sept. 16, 1908.

By virtue of a decree of the United States Circuit Court for the Western District of North Carolina, entered at Greensboro, on the 5th day of August, 1908, in a certain suit in equity entitled The Continental Cotton and Chemical Company et al. as plaintiffs, versus Odell Manufacturing Company, as defendants, I will, on Wednesday, the 16th day of September, 1908, at the hour of noon, in front of the office of the Odell Manufacturing Company, in the Town of Concord, N. C., offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash all of the property and assets of the Odell Manufacturing Company, consisting of its real estate, manufacturing establishment, including all machinery, etc., raw cotton on hand, manufactured goods, its bills and accounts receivable, its investments in other corporations, its franchises and all of its other property of every kind and character.