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INTERMEDIATE OF SECTIONS.

The Richmond Times-Dispatch and the Charlotte Observer are lamenting the fact that Virginians and North Carolinians are leaving their States in large numbers to find other fields of activity and endeavor, instead of remaining at home to build up their own States.

We have never lamented the fluid movement of population in this country, on the contrary, we look upon it as a blessing. There is perfect agreement here. Our regrets were almost entirely concerned with developments in Southern history which placed pressure upon many to depart regardless of impulse or lure.

It was our opinion then and is our opinion now that the South possesses attractions which should bring desirable settlers in large numbers from other parts of the country. The balance of population movement should be in this section's favor and is unmistakably turning this way.

Of course the South needs to make its advantages known. The Western boomers are far ahead of us there. Our people should not imitate their tricky devices—as where they represent opportunities now to be what opportunities were in years before the desirable West had been thoroughly staked off, settled and held at high prices.

The appointment of Dr. C. Alphonso Smith, of the University of North Carolina, to be Roosevelt professor of American history and institutions at the University of Berlin during the year 1910-11 is an honor and an opportunity for service most worthily bestowed.

FIRING ON THE WEATHER BUREAU.

It was to be expected that the recent misprediction of the Weather Bureau for March 4 would start muck-rakers into activity, and such has in fact proved the case. Emerson Hough, who has shown himself capable of better things, is raking the muck now.

Mr. Hough does not deign to produce anything to support his opinion that the Weather Bureau is extravagant. Against his statement is the fact that Congress voluntarily increased the current appropriations by \$122,000 over the amount asked for by the chief of the bureau, and last year more than \$2,000 of the amount appropriated was returned to the Treasury.

Mr. Hough, alleging that this government maintains the largest and most expensive Weather Bureau in the world, charges also that it is the most inefficient. Yet the leading governments of the world have sent their foremost meteorologists here for training.

In weather observations there is still, of course, a good deal of empiricism mingled with science, but the service rendered is undoubtedly enormous. We in the Piedmont North Carolina, where nature's moods are amiable and whimsical, can hardly realize what the Weather Bureau does for coast and lake navigation and for the dwellers along occasionally flooded rivers like the Ohio.

The Weather Bureau will easily survive Mr. Hough's attack. Why don't the muck-rakers, just for a change, try raking each other?

SOUTH CAROLINA NOT MISLED.

We are informed by The Columbia Record that an advertiser in its columns recently offered, with interesting results, a prize for the best answers to a series of questions. One question asked from what State each President was elected, and a number of the replies stated that Andrew Jackson was elected from North Carolina.

We are delighted to learn from unimpeachable testimony that the people of South Carolina have splendidly resisted miseducation on this subject. To be sure, some of our Columbia contemporary's readers could regard North Carolina more than our rigid insistence upon historical accuracy will let us claim, but their error is really slight.

Governor Kitchin and the Council of State are heartily to be commended for pardoning William H. Martin, who, while a clerk in the State Treasurer's office during Republican-Populist fusion days, embezzled considerable sums of money. The man had almost served out a ten-year penitentiary term, bodily infirmities weighed upon him, in the years gone by he was a good soldier in the Union army and a well-conducted citizen.

We are glad that the Gaston county commissioners decided to make some contribution toward the cost of the Meckenburg-Gaston bridge over the Catawba at Rozelle's ferry. The bridge would have been built had they decided otherwise, but it would not have embodied so much neighborly sentiment.

Are the Martians really good fellows who would improve upon closer acquaintance? We recall that in "The War of the Worlds" H. G. Wells' novel based upon scientific data as far as possible, they try to conquer this planet and all but succeed.

Recognizing as a fact that school children receive less thorough instruction in spelling than they once did, The Roanoke Times gives its explanation. "The old system of education," we read, "taught few things, but they were taught thoroughly, and if the modern ideas about teaching have relegated spelling as being of secondary importance, a great mistake has been made."

The Raleigh dispatch (to The Evening Chronicle of Saturday last) which represented Associate Justice Eppson as disapproving President Taft's course in the eastern judgeship matter turns out to have arisen from some misapprehension. Judge Brown has never expressed himself upon the President's action or inaction, and it follows that a brief paragraph comment by The Observer upon his supposed expressions had misinformation and nothing else as basis.

With 459 votes in yesterday's municipal election, to 1,456 Democratic, the Republicans of Charlotte can at least boast that they surpassed their Raleigh brethren's efforts very considerably.

PRESBYTERY MEETS.

Rev. George H. Atkinson is Allowed to Accept Call to Porter Church for a Portion of His Time—Belmont Church Name changed to Pegram Street Church.

An adjourned meeting of Mecklenburg Presbytery was held yesterday morning in the parlors of the First Presbyterian church, the meeting being called at 11 o'clock.

The Porter church, of Stanley county, presented a call for one-fifth of Rev. George H. Atkinson's time, at a salary of \$150 a year. Mr. Atkinson, a former pastor of the Albemarle Presbyterian church and can easily take care of the Porter church. The call was placed in Mr. Atkinson's hands and accepted by him. The committee appointed Rev. H. M. Parker to preside over and to preach the installation sermon and to propound the constitutional questions.

The name of the Belmont church, this city, was changed to the Pegram Presbyterian church.

Messrs. W. C. Jamison, Lock White and John C. Boyde, were taken under the care of the Presbytery as candidates for the ministry.

The Severville church, which has now a regular pastor for some time, was placed under the care of Rev. W. E. West, who will preach there until the fall meeting. It was decided that the fall meeting of the Presbytery be held at Law Creek church on September 6, at which time the annual of that church will be celebrated.

The meeting was adjourned to meet at the First church at 11 o'clock on Tuesday, June 8, when the remaining business will be transacted.

Miss M-Hae to Give Recital. Miss Myrtle McHae, of the Presbyterian College Conservatory of Music, will give a graduating piano recital tomorrow night at the college at 8:30 o'clock. The following programme will be rendered:

Chopin, Op. 10, No. 2. Mendelssohn, Capriccio Brillante, Op. 22. Chopin, Op. 10, No. 1. Liszt, Op. 11, No. 1. Schumann, Op. 10, No. 5. Liszt, Op. 11, No. 1. Liszt, Op. 11, No. 2. Liszt, Op. 11, No. 3. Liszt, Op. 11, No. 4. Liszt, Op. 11, No. 5. Liszt, Op. 11, No. 6. Liszt, Op. 11, No. 7. Liszt, Op. 11, No. 8. Liszt, Op. 11, No. 9. Liszt, Op. 11, No. 10. Liszt, Op. 11, No. 11. Liszt, Op. 11, No. 12. Liszt, Op. 11, No. 13. Liszt, Op. 11, No. 14. Liszt, Op. 11, No. 15. Liszt, Op. 11, No. 16. Liszt, Op. 11, No. 17. Liszt, Op. 11, No. 18. Liszt, Op. 11, No. 19. Liszt, Op. 11, No. 20. Liszt, Op. 11, No. 21. Liszt, Op. 11, No. 22. Liszt, Op. 11, No. 23. Liszt, Op. 11, No. 24. Liszt, Op. 11, No. 25. Liszt, Op. 11, No. 26. Liszt, Op. 11, No. 27. Liszt, Op. 11, No. 28. Liszt, Op. 11, No. 29. Liszt, Op. 11, No. 30.

To Raise Money For Rescue Home in Raleigh. Captain Francis M. Winchester, of the American Salvation Army, is in the city to-day in working to raise a large sum of money for women and girls in Raleigh. The outfit State will be included in the field it covers. It is to be in charge of Mrs. Winchester. The sum of \$500 has already been raised by subscription.

A fine of \$25 and costs for carrying a Weapon. A fine of \$25 and costs was imposed by Recorder D. B. Smith yesterday on Richard Carleton, colored, for carrying a concealed weapon. This case was appealed from Squire Hilton's court, being the first case in the history of the world ever appealed to the local recorder's court. The negro, accidentally, it was claimed, shot another in the back of the head, making a hole through the head. The charge of shooting was thrown out in the lower court. The recorder said the offense was serious. The negro was given choice of a fine or 60 days on the roads. His employer paid the fine.

Athletic Sports End at Presbyterian. The athletic sports of the Presbyterian College culminated yesterday morning when Miss Margaret Barringer carried off the honor from the tennis tournament. Messrs. Stone & Barringer gave an incentive to the game by offering a racket to the best player. This was presented to Miss Barringer.

It was difficult to decide who was the best baseball player and finally a drawing took place yesterday. Miss Ruth Hayes, of Steele Creek, won out and over three other good players, so Miss Hayes has the baseball given by Stone & Barringer. She will be remembered as the young lady who won the most points on Field Day.

New Commandery at Monroe. At a special meeting convoked of Charlotte Commandery, Knights Templar, held in the asylum last night, dismissions were granted to a number of knights living at Monroe for the purpose of forming a new commandery there and it was voted that a recommendation be made to the Grand Commandery to issue dispensation for the formation. Sir Knights W. C. Wells and H. F. Brantley, of Monroe, appeared in behalf of the new commandery.

Advertisement for Keely's Cure, featuring a testimonial from a woman who says '2 years ago I was cured of the kidneys by Keely's medicine'.

MISS FOIL'S RECITAL.

Talented Pianist and Teacher Gives Graduating Recital at Presbyterian College in a Delightful Entertainment—A Difficult Programme of Well Contrasted Selections Skillfully Rendered—Professor Anderson Takes Part. Miss Helen Foil, whose reputation as a pianist and teacher is so well established in Charlotte, has been finishing a course on the organ under Professor Anderson, of the Presbyterian College. Miss Foil gave her graduating recital in the college auditorium last evening.

Those who assembled to hear her play anticipated great pleasure and realized fully their anticipations. All were conscious of the fact that Miss Foil had added another accomplishment to what she has already attained. Miss Foil will take another trip abroad for study.

The stage decorations for the recital of the palms, ferns and stulix. Miss Foil was faintly gowned in white and received an abundance of beautiful roses and other flowers and great applause.

The programme opened with the rendering of a difficult Chromatic Fantasia and Fugue, a composition of Louis Thiele. Miss Foil's playing was characterized by ease and accuracy, the effect on the audience being very pleasing.

Miss Foil was fortunate in being assisted in her recital by Prof. Henry Anderson. His rich and cultivated baritone voice added immensely to the enjoyment of the evening. Dio Paganini's "Gounod's Faust" was his first selection—interpreted cleverly and sung delightfully.

Miss Foil was heard again in a Concert Overture, C Minor, Holms. She brought out the beauties of the selection without any difficulty, pedaling and managing organ stops gracefully and very easily.

"I am a Friar of Orders Grey," "Cullene Rhu," "Hills," were two well contrasted selections sung by Professor Anderson in captivating style, bringing out rich tones of voice.

"Meditation," "d'Evry," and "Le Cygne," Saint Saens, made the melodies of the great, big organ come out fully under the skillful playing of Miss Foil.

The audience greeted the appearance of Professor Anderson with hearty applause. He sang Prologue (Il Barbiere di Siviglia). It was so sweet at times and then it was dramatic. With pleasing stage presence and a good baritone voice the wonder is that Professor Anderson is not on the concert stage. So gifted as a vocalist the wonder is that Professor Anderson is not professionally a vocal teacher. The Presbyterian College and the Charlotte public are satisfied to have matters as they are and avail themselves of Professor Anderson's piano and organ accomplishments.

Miss Foil's closing number was Widors' "Toccata" (from Sixth Symphony), a tremendously difficult and intricate composition, requiring very careful technique, delicate fingering, as well as great strength in fingers, arms and wrists.

Miss Foil excelled herself in this number, which was considered by a number of music lovers in the audience the best of all her selections.

MRS. GILMORE WEDS.

Former Wife of Paul Gilmore, the Well-Known Actor, Becomes Wife of New York Hotel Owner. Charlotte people who know Mrs. Mary Alice Goodwin, who was the former wife of Paul Gilmore, the actor, and who was divorced from him, will be interested in the account of her marriage, conveyed in a dispatch dated Sunday from East Liverpool, O.

Mary Alice Goodwin, former wife of Paul Gilmore, the actor, and Arthur Thomas Hardy, owner of the Hotel Willard, West Seventy-sixth street, New York, were married here to-day.

The Rev. Arthur B. Mink, of the First Methodist Episcopal church, officiated. Mr. Hardy was accompanied to this city by his father, a business man of New York.

Mrs. Hardy after her separation from Mr. Gilmore made her home here owing to the recent death of a brother the wedding was attended only by relatives and immediate friends of the family. Mr. and Mrs. Hardy left for the East at once.

Advertisement for The Little-Long Co. Department Stores, Charlotte, N.C.

Large advertisement for The Little-Long Co. Department Stores, Charlotte, N.C. featuring 'The Cut Glass Sale will continue through to-day. Many of the best pieces still remain for to-day's selling. We had a great rush in this department yesterday and sold a great quantity, but the lot to-day in many instances are just as good as at the beginning of the sale. Many mail orders are coming in from other towns. If you didn't come yesterday, come to-day. If you don't need cut glass yourself, what about that friend that's trying to get married. There'll soon be a wedding present to give, and the opportunity to buy is now. \$2.95 for any piece.'

Advertisement for The Little-Long Co. Department Stores, Charlotte, N.C. featuring 'LIVED 152 YEARS. Wm. Parr—England's oldest man—married the third time at 120, worked in the fields till 132 and lived 29 years longer. People should be worked at 80, James Wright, of Spurluck, Ky., shows how to remain young. "I feel just like a 16-year-old boy," he writes, "after taking six bottles of Electric Bitters. For thirty years kidney trouble made life a burden, but the first bottle of this wonderful medicine convinced me I had found the greatest cure on earth." There's goodness to weak, sickly run-down or old people. Try them. See at all druggists.'