

NOTES OF THE CELEBRATION

The people who made any money on Thursday... The rain hit the out-of-door lunch counter...

A friend of The Observer, from out of town wrote the paper as follows on President's Day: "Enclosed find check for \$5 to remit my subscription to The Observer for 1909-1910. Professional duties kept me from celebrating with you to-day but I am with you in heart and take off my hat and say in the language of Hon. J. M. Leach, 'Hoorah for Old North Carolina, God bless her!'"

The city police force is being heartily commended on all sides for the splendid efficiency displayed in handling the enormous crowds here Thursday. That the day was passed without serious accident to a single person is marvelous and is due in large measure to the fine offices of the policemen.

Those who assisted in receiving at the formal reception given at the Selwyn Thursday evening in honor of the President were Mesdames John Van Landingham, State Regent, Daughters of the American Revolution, J. E. Reilly, president of the State Federation of Woman's Clubs, Mrs. I. W. Faison, chairman of the State division, United Daughters of the Confederacy, and Mrs. Stonehill Jackson and Mrs. Rufus Barringer, life presidents. Of the local chapters, Mrs. P. C. Brunson represented Mecklenburg Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution; Mrs. C. C. Hook, Liberty Hall Chapter; Miss Hazelle Thomas, Thomas Polk Chapter and Mrs. J. Orr, Charlotte Chapter. Mrs. Ralph Van Landingham represented the Colonial Dames and Mrs. R. B. Wilson, the Children of the Confederacy.

Thursday's Washington Herald carried a cut of several points of interest in Charlotte in connection with the news story of the celebration and in one corner appeared a picture of Mr. S. S. McNinch and beneath it the inscription "Hon. S. S. McNinch, Mayor of Charlotte."

Yesterday Mr. McNinch forwarded the following message to The Herald by wire: Charlotte, N. C.

The Herald, Washington, D. C. In your issue of the 20th you have a copy of my photograph with the statement that I am mayor of our city.

This is plainly an oversight of the printer. Hon. T. W. Hawkins now enjoy that distinguished privilege. I was on two occasions so honored without contest, but am now enjoying the special blessing of private citizenship.

It is generally conceded that the celebration has put the climax on a series of nation-wide advertisements which have come to this city within the past few years and which have so materially assisted in making known the city to the ends of the United States. Charlotte has become recognized more than ever now as one of the foremost cities of the South and the coming of the President here during the celebration not only went a long way in adding emphasis to the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence, but gave the city that advertisement which only a visit from the nation's Chief Executive can give any city. The Charlotte headline appeared in all of the big daily papers of America and there is no way in the world of estimating to what extent his visit here will aid in the advertisement of the Queen City of the Carolinas.

It is said that 2,000 Charlotte people were accorded the privilege of shaking hands with the President during the two receptions he held while in the city Thursday. Probably 500 of these were committeemen and their wives, who were given the privilege shortly after the arrival of the Chief Executive, a special hour having been set apart for this purpose. The remainder of the total estimated number was given the opportunity at the public reception held at the Selwyn Thursday night. The President stood in the center of the large parlor of the Selwyn during these receptions and his side was by his side. When each person came down the line to grasp his hand, the aide would ask his name and repeat it to President Taft. No delay was allowed, the visitor passing immediately on after having been greeted by the distinguished visitor.

Among the 20,000 visitors here for the celebration, all were not solely concerned with the President, the weather and other things that commanded and held attention as was demonstrated late in the afternoon by Miss Daisy B. Ingram and Mr. T. J. Ballard, of Anson county, who were married shortly before 6 o'clock in the parlors of the Central Hotel, in the presence of many strangers.

All day long the young couple had been hunting for a quiet home in which their marriage vows could be taken, but being unable to have their wedding as they wished, in the absence of anything better, the Central was chosen. The ceremony was none the less impressive by reason of the presence of many strangers. It was while the people were congregating in the hotels of the city, after President Taft made his address in the auditorium, and the parlor was full of talkative and happy visitors. The word was passed around that a wedding was about to take place, and the guests immediately became quiet and

attentive. Immediately after the ceremony the couple left the parlor of the hotel as quietly as they had entered and the hotel guests resumed their chatter.

The reception given by Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Tillett at their lovely home on North Tryon street Wednesday evening in honor of Governor and Mrs. William Walton Kitchin, was one of the most delightful affairs ever given in Charlotte. Unfortunately, the coming of the President the day following so overwhelmingly eclipsed it in the public eye that but little has been said of it. Had there been nothing overshadowing immediately following this reception would have been the talk of the city for weeks.

A rather curious coincidence happened at this reception which is worth noting. Present were Governor Kitchin, Mayor T. W. Hawkins and Col. A. L. Smith, all standing together. Governor Kitchin as the guest of the evening, Mr. Hawkins as mayor of the city and Colonel Smith in the capacity of "announcer."

"Where are you from?" asked Governor Kitchin of Mayor Hawkins. "Halifax county," was the ready reply. This induced Governor Kitchin to remark that Halifax county was also his native county.

Colonel Smith here interjected with the statement that he also first saw the light in Halifax. The three forthwith drank to one another's health in some charming punch which had been provided.

SPECIAL OFFICER MILLER OUT. F. T. Purse Fined \$20 and Costs in Two Counties—When Asked to Leave Hotel Cuts Special Officer.

The cases yesterday morning in the recorder's court against F. T. Purse, for drunk and disorderly conduct and for an assault on Officer John Miller, of the Central Hotel, attracted much attention. Purse was under suspicion by the management of the Central Hotel, and being notified by one of the guests of the building, Friday afternoon, that he was causing trouble on the third floor, Mr. S. A. Peckham, manager, sent Officer Miller to room No. 99 to have him removed. On knocking at the door, Purse opened it, and before Officer Miller could speak knocked him in the head. Assistance was called and the officer finally placed him under arrest, taking him to the police station. Purse, it may be stated, had not been assigned a room in the hotel, and during the early part of the day had been requested to leave the building.

A fine of \$20 and the costs in both cases was imposed.

Mecklenburg Puzzle Contest Decided. The prize winners in the Mecklenburg Declaration Puzzle contest were drawn last night with the following result: Mr. P. C. Whitlock, first prize; Miss Cecelia Henry, R. E. L. Waxhaw, second; Miss Carrie Kendall, Shelby, third; and Mr. J. R. Henderson, Lowell, fourth. There were 943 answers of which approximately eight-ninths were correct. In order that the award might be altogether fair, all the correct answers were put in a bag and Mr. Harry Dixon, of the firm of Garibaldi, Bruns & Dixon, was asked to select the four prize winners. This he did with the foregoing result.

Great Smoke But No Fire. The fire department was called out yesterday at 1:30 o'clock, in answer to a call from box No. 23. From one of the flues in the home of Dr. C. A. Bland, on South McDowell street, smoke was pouring, and the house so completely filled that it was thought to be a fire. The source of the trouble was a congested flue and all was quickly remedied.

Of Course It Didn't. Nevertheless and notwithstanding the heavy downpour at Charlotte Thursday did not even dampen faith in the Declaration.

[For The Observer. UNCLE BILL.

He is not a jungle roamer, and he breaks no bucking bronco. But a suave and kindly man is Uncle Bill. It is seldom that you find him chasing bears or lions ferce. And he never climbed up San Juan's blazing hill. When he takes his constitutional, or goes a little bit. Or on horseback trots a level mile or two. You will never find a Big Stick lying easy in his hand. And his voice is like unto the turtle's coo.

When the steak is burned and bitter, or as raw as when it died, You will hardly find him shooting at the cook; But he smiles upon him sweetly, as he leads him gently hence. And he spans him with the Roosevelt Message Book.

And, when things are working cranky, you don't hear him half a mile. Telling all the World that he is Bold and Bad; He just laughs like it was pleasant, but he thinks a mighty think. And you'd better not be he who made him mad.

For he gets there all the same, does our gentle Uncle Bill. And the things he says are more than apt to go; For his statements carry weightiness, in meanings more than one. And you'll lose—if you are slating him as slow. —H. H. BRIMLEY.

THE CENTRAL'S DINNER TO-DAY. Another Elegant Menu Prepared For Sunday Guests.

Mr. Pogram, of the Central Hotel, is continuing to serve special Sunday dinners, and his elegant menus are proving most satisfactory and attractive. Following is a special "lay out" prepared for to-day and is sure to be as pleasing as any heretofore served:

DINNER. Consomme a la Royal. Chicken Supreme. Radishes. Green Olives. Broiled Trout. Maitre D'Hotel Potatoes. Potatoes Puforated. Boiled Leg of Mutton. Caper Sauce. Sweet Bread Larded. Aux Petit Poles. Devilled Crabs on Tartare. Roast Prime Ribs of Beef a l'Anglaise that the young 'cove' with Dressing. Whole Boiled and Mashed Potatoes. Steamed Rice. Fried Egg Plant. Asparagus Tips on Toast. Lima Beans. Pineapple Salad. Candied Yams. Corn Bread. Pineapple Salad. Buttermilk. Lemon Custard Pie and Bird's Nest Pie. Fruit Ice Cream. Assorted Cake. Long Island Wafers. Cream Cheese. Tea. Coffee.

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MARRIAGES.

Chapman-Ford, at Hickory. Special to The Observer.

Rutherfordton, May 22.—The elegant and hospitable home of Dr. and Mrs. F. T. Ford, of Hickory, was the scene of a beautiful wedding Wednesday, when Dr. G. M. Chapman, of Rutherford county, led to the altar Miss Annie B. Ford. The beautiful bride was attired in a lovely creation of white. The only attendants were Miss Birdie Ford, a sister of the bride, and Mr. Robert M. Twitty, of Rutherfordton. The house had been beautifully decorated for the occasion. The solemn and fitting ceremony was performed before an improvised altar, by Rev. E. C. Morrison. Quite a company of relatives and friends were present to witness the happy event.

The bride is a lovely and accomplished young woman and counts her friends by scores. The groom is one of Rutherford's most successful physicians and is extremely popular in his chosen profession.

THE DEATH RECORD. Infant Son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Wilkins, of Gastonia.

Special to The Observer. GASTON, S. C., May 22.—Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Wilkins have the sympathy of the whole community in the death of their little son, Robert, which occurred last night at 12 o'clock. The little fellow was only about sixteen months old, but he had lived long enough to entwine himself around the hearts of his parents to such an extent as to make their loss almost too great for them to bear.

The funeral services will be at Oakland Cemetery this afternoon, conducted by Rev. Dr. A. M. Sims, of the First Baptist church.

Like Most Other Party Platforms. Asheville Gazette-News.

Is the declaration of the Chicago platform, respecting the tariff, to be looked upon merely as a promise to the ear, to be broken to the hope, as is the wont of party platforms? Papers, whose representatives in Washington are in position to be advised, seem inclined to the opinion that there is to be little revision downward, as the platform seemed to promise, a promise supplemented by that of the candidate who stood thereon, and given in words that could have but one meaning. But already such men as Senator Lodge have been heard to claim that the Chicago platform did not necessarily mean a revision of schedules downward.

Perhaps Some of Both. Greensboro Record.

The world is growing better. Harry Skinner is out in endorsement of Taft's appointment of Judge Conner. With Mr. Holton this makes two prominent Republicans who have patriotism—or is it good, hard sense?

There is danger of a spring cold developing into bronchitis, pneumonia or consumption. To avoid serious results take Foley's Honey and Tar as it will cure your cough and expel the cold from your system. You cannot afford to take chances on your cold undermining your health. Refuse substitutes, R. H. Jordan & Co. and Green's Pharmacy.

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Bids Wanted. We now have the plans and specifications for the First Baptist Church of this place, and are ready to receive bids for construction of the same, which must be by 3 o'clock p. m., Monday, June 14th.

Any one wishing to bid can get any information desired by calling on or writing the following parties: REV. C. M. ROCK, Pastor. J. S. FORSTER, Chairman Building Com. H. W. HORTON, Secretary Building Com. North Wilkesboro, N. C., May 20, 1909.

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THANKS ARE RETURNED. Committee of the 26th of May Celebration Expresses Thanks to the Press of the Two States For Liberal Co-Operation.

Numbers of people have commented upon the able manner in which the Twentieth of May celebration has been advertised. The wide advertising of the celebration has been made possible by the press of North and South Carolina, who have contributed in a very large degree towards making the celebration known in all parts of the two States.

The committee which has had in charge the advertising for the celebration feels very grateful to the press of North and South Carolina for their cordial support and co-operation in spreading the information with regard to the events which would take place during this great celebration and this committee desires to extend their sincere thanks to the press of both States for their courtesy in connection with this event, which was not strictly a Charlotte affair but one of State-wide interest and importance—made so by the coming of the President of the United States.

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