

SOCIAL HAPPENINGS

Personal Mention, News of the Societies, Meetings, Etc.

Byerly-Newman. Yesterday afternoon at 5 o'clock in the Oakland Heights Presbyterian church, which was tastefully decorated and all aglow with the brilliance of the setting sun, Miss Della M. Byerly and Samuel R. Newman were happily wedded in the presence of the 400 pupils and teachers of the Normal and Home Industrial schools, and many other guests from Asheville and out of town.

Immediately after the ceremony the special guests congratulated Mr. and Mrs. Newman in the parlors of the Home Industrial school, and an elegant supper was served. The wedding cake afforded much amusement, the ring being found by Miss Field of the Farm school.

Entries Close Tomorrow Night. The Western North Carolina Fair association wishes again to call attention to the fact that the time limit is drawing to a close for the application of articles competing for prizes.

Musical Club. The Saturday Musical club will be entertained at its regular monthly meeting tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock at the home of Mrs. J. W. Burdick on Pearson Drive.

A Birthday Party. A number of the little friends of Clarence and William Wyatt attended a party which they gave at the home of their parents in West End yesterday afternoon.

occupy this winter. The house was prettily decorated in varicolored dahlias. A delightful Dutch supper was served to the guests.

The Asheville School of Musical Art has secured Miss Kate Morton Laxton of Morganton as a teacher of piano.

Mrs. William H. Griffin of New York and Miss Cora Lee Drummond will entertain informally with a bridge party this afternoon at Miss Drummond's bungalow, Pine Lodge, on Magnolia street.

This announcement will prove of interest to many people in and around Asheville, as Captain Bulwinkle is a prominent lawyer and politician of Gastonia and is well known here among a wide circle of friends.

There will be a special called meeting of the American Woman's league tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock in the Battery Park ballroom.

Bonbright Given returned to Aiken, S. C., yesterday after a visit to friends and relatives here.

Mrs. De Saussure and daughter, Miss Mary De Saussure, have returned to their home in Charleston after a visit to Mrs. M. E. Carter on French Broad avenue.

Mrs. Philip C. Cocks has gone to Richmond to be present at the bedside of her aunt, Mrs. Hannah Davidson, who is quite ill there.

Bennett Randolph has returned from a visit in Atlanta.

J. A. and M. S. Tate are in Asheville today from Greensboro.

Miss Susie Stewart has returned from a visit to friends in Columbia.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Jenkins have returned from a several weeks' trip to New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce R. Payne and son of Nashville are in the city for a short visit.

Mrs. J. W. McCoy was in the city yesterday from Franklin.

C. E. Harrison is here from Charlotte on business.

Misses Lena Berry and Lois Tomes are spending a short while in the city from Wilmington.

Miss Wilkie has returned from a vacation trip to Cincinnati, Cleveland and other Ohio cities and from this date the Allenstand Cottage industries at the Adelaide, 33 Haywood street, will be open all day long.

Miss Mary Hawkins of Yale, Henderson county, is visiting Mrs. W. R. McGuire on Flint street.

Tobacco Plant Filing Delayed. New York, Oct. 6.—Minor changes in the proposed plan for the reorganization of the American Tobacco company probably will delay the filing of the plan in federal court until tomorrow and possibly until Monday.

FIRE PREVENTION DAY, OCTOBER 9

Anniversary of Chicago Fire Set Aside by Insurance Commissioner.

LOOK OVER PREMISES REMOVE COMBUSTIBLES

Property Owners Urged to Keep Roofs and Gutters Clear of Leaves, Etc.

Now that winter is coming on it is of course the part of wisdom to take more precaution in the matter of preventing fires than is necessary in the summer time.

Fire Chief Wood went on to say that with the falling of leaves, which is now beginning, the property owners, for their own protection, should see that the gutters and valleys of the roofs are kept clear of leaves as this is one direct cause of roof fires which are particularly disastrous where there are shingle roofs.

Mr. Wood spoke highly of the work that is being done by Insurance Commissioner Young and praised the efficiency with which he is carrying on the department.

Monday, October 9, has been designated by Commissioner Young as "Fire Prevention Day" and an effort is being made to have it observed all over the state.

The fire waste in this country, says Commissioner Young, is enormous, over \$250,000,000 each year. It is inexcusable and criminal, for the bulk of it is preventable.

At the request of the convention of fire marshals of America and the national convention of insurance commissioners, Fire Prevention day is being named and observed in a large number of states by proclamations of governors and otherwise, and October 9 is designated, the day of the great Chicago fire.

The loss by fire in North Carolina is practically \$3,000,000 annually, over \$300 per hour, and more than one-half is not covered by insurance.

It is certain that the citizens of North Carolina should join heartily in the observance of this day in a campaign for the stopping of this enormous and unnecessary waste.

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likely to cause a fire is removed. Let them examine their chimneys, flues, pipes and furnaces, and see that they are safe for the winter fires.

"Fires are not only destructive to our property but a menace to the lives of our people. Fires have caused the death of seventeen persons during the present year in North Carolina, to say nothing of the loss in property.

"Let our school committees and teachers examine our school buildings as to safety from fires and ways of escape in case of fires. Let the boards and superintendents of state institutions, hospitals and orphan homes, and other like institutions, as well as owners of our hotels, factories and theaters carefully inspect the buildings under their charge, and see that all conditions likely to start fires are removed and that proper escapes are provided in case of fires for the inmates entrusted to their care.

"Under our state building law quarterly inspections are required in the fire district and annual inspections in our cities and towns, and I especially urge all chiefs of fire departments and building inspectors charged with this duty, as well as all officials, property owners, and insurance agents especially interested in the prevention of fires, to make good use of this day, not only to improve fire conditions, but to educate our people to a proper care in fire prevention."

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