

# FARMER'S INSTITUTES TO BE HELD IN BUNCOMBE

One at Democrat Aug. 12 and one at Swannanoa Farm Aug. 18.

Farmers institutes to be held under the auspices of the state department of agriculture in co-operation with the farmers institute committee of Buncombe county, are announced for Democrat on Thursday, August 12, and at the Swannanoa test farm on Monday, August 18. The morning sessions will be open at 10 o'clock, and the afternoon sessions at 1:30. There will be discussions on farm operations, crops, live stock, marketing and kindred subjects.

A woman's institute will also be held in connection with the two institutes announced above, at the same times and places. Discussions for them will pertain to household economics, home conveniences, health in the home, the education of children and other topics of interest to mothers and home-makers. Those attending the institutes are asked to bring lunch and spend the day. At the afternoon session at each place there will be a question box and round table discussion, and it is suggested that those who attend bring paper and pencil so that valuable points may be quoted for future reference.

In connection with the woman's institute at each place there will be exhibits of home baked bread and prepared school lunches. The former exhibits must be made by girls under 18 years of age. The preparation and exhibition of school lunches is open only to women over 18 years of age. To the winner in the first exhibit there will be awarded a year's subscription to "The Woman's Magazine." To the one exhibiting the best prepared school lunch there will be given a year's subscription to "American Motherhood."

# FLORIDA COLONY WILL SETTLE IN W. N. CAR.

It Is Not Known as Yet What Place Committee Will Recommend.

Col. Sanford H. Cohen, manager of the Greater Western North Carolina association, has received a communication from the committee of the Summer Homes Colony company of St. Petersburg, Fla., to the effect that the committee will recommend to the company that the colony be established somewhere in western North Carolina. There will be a meeting of the directors of the company at an early date, and the report will be considered and acted upon at this time. It is generally understood that the report of the committee will be accepted, and this section is thus practically assured of one of the most important colonies that was ever contemplated in the section.

A committee of three men, of which President Avery, a prominent banker of St. Petersburg, was chair-

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man, was in the section for about a week a short time ago, and every point in the seven counties that make up the Greater Western North Carolina association that had anything to offer was visited. The men were much impressed with what they saw, but gave no inkling as to what offer appeared to them most attractive. This point, however, will doubtless be recommended in the report to the directors.

# NO ONE HAS TENDERED AUTOMOBILE FOR TOUR

Motor Club To Ask Gov. Craig to Put Convicts on Asheville-Knoxville Road.

The Asheville Motor club is sadly in need of an automobile to make the tour of inspection over the Central highway. The matter of securing one was discussed at a special meeting last night, but the prospects of one being offered by a public spirited citizen seem to be very gloomy. Governor Locke Craig, Mr. Joseph Hyde Pratt and H. B. Varner will be members of the inspecting party, and in a letter to the club Dr. Pratt asked that provision be made for a machine. No one has yet tendered the use of one.

A number of other matters were before the club at this meeting. Dr. M. H. Fletcher reported that 50 convicts will be put to work on the Hickory Nut gap road within the next week, and work will be carried on between Rutherfordton and the Henderson county line. Dr. Fletcher and Dr. Pratt will make a tour of the road, probably tomorrow.

An invitation was read from George W. Stevens of Charlotte inviting the members of the club to make a run to the Kanuga Lake club, and this run will be arranged for one day next month. The day will be spent there. A committee, composed of F. A. Mears, C. L. Sluder and C. Sawyer was appointed to appear before the county commissioners and ask that the loose stones on the Macdand road of the county be removed, and the ap-

# HEALTH WORK BEFORE WEST A. COMMISSION

Resolution Passed Favoring Employment of All Time Health Officer.

At a meeting of the sanitary commission of West Asheville recently it has decided to enter actively on health work in that growing suburb of Asheville. Chairman N. A. Reynolds of the board of county commissioners and ex-officio chairman of the sanitary commission, was present and presided over the meeting. It was evident that Mr. Reynolds will take an active and intelligent stand for progressive health measures, not only in West Asheville but throughout the county. County Health Officer Dr. D. S. Sevier was present and made an interesting and instructive talk.

On motion of S. D. Hall, seconded by J. D. Penland, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted: "Resolved, That we most earnestly request and urge the board of county commissioners and the school board of Buncombe county to provide for the salary of the county health officer, recently elected by the county board of health.

"Resolved, That Prof. W. H. Hipps, county superintendent of schools, be requested, and is hereby requested, to call a meeting of all the school committees of Buncombe county to be held in the city of Asheville at the earliest convenient date, to discuss the "whole time county health officer," and that Dr. D. E. Sevier be requested to address this meeting on the needs and work of the whole time health officer."

# FORMAL OPENING Of Candy Kitchen Takes Place Tomorrow Night at 8:30 O'clock.

Theobald & Brandt, proprietors of the Club Cafe and Candy Kitchen, announce that they will give a formal opening on tomorrow night from 8:30 to 11 o'clock, at which time there will be music by one of the best orchestras in the city and refreshments will be served to all who attend. A cordial invitation is extended to the public. With the exception of a few finishing touches the work of remodeling the Candy Kitchen has about been completed, and it is one of the finest cafes and confectioneries to be found in the state.

# Memorial ordered spread on the minutes of The Buncombe county Medical Society, July 21st, 1913.

Dr. Frank Tryon Meriwether. Dr. Frank Tryon Meriwether, one of the State's most prominent and successful surgeons, died June 12th at the beautiful home which bears his name and which stands as a monument to his skill and success. Perhaps never has the death of an Asheville citizen caused as much and as universal regret as the passing of Dr. Meriwether whose labors in behalf of suffering mankind, whose big heart and kindly disposition and infectious optimism had won for him the admiration of the people of Asheville both in and out of his profession. Truly was it said of him that "He was not a little man, but a great, broad tolerant spirit into whose soul the iron never entered. Nor was the dollar his god. Those who knew him best and were familiar with the inner details of his life, knew that no poverty stricken patient ever appealed to Dr. Meriwether in vain. The poor always received from him that skillful attention that saved the lives of the rich."

Dr. Meriwether was born in Louisville, Ky., and graduated at the University with high honor. After graduating he came to Asheville in 1888. Later he served five years as assistant surgeon in the United States Army. After his return to Asheville he soon won for himself and enviable reputation as a surgeon and was connected with the Clarence Barker Hospital and the Asheville Hospital. Five years ago he founded the Meriwether Hospital, the capacity of which soon had to be doubled in order to accommodate the many who came to him from North, South East and West to take advantage of his unusual surgical skill. This institution, which is one of the most modern and most complete private surgical hospitals in the land, will stand a fitting monument to his life and to the character of his work.

He was a student from first to last, and he made it a practice to go to some one of the medical centers every year to do post graduate work or to familiarize himself with the methods of other leading surgeons. He possessed one of the most valuable medical libraries in the South and was familiar with it.

Dr. Meriwether was a member of the local and State Medical Societies and of many National Associations. He was one of the founders of the American Gynecological Society and one of the directors of that organization.

He was a distinguished Mason, having been Past Master of Mt. Herman Lodge; Past High Priest of the Asheville Chapter; Past Commander Cyrene Commandary Knights Templar; Member of Oasis Temple, Mystic Shrine; Past Venerable Master, Lodge of Perfection; and Deputy of the Sovereign Grand Inspector General of the Valley of Asheville, Scottish Rite Masonry. He was also a member of the Eastern Star. The fact that he was one of the few men in the state upon whom the 32nd Scottish Rite Degree has been conferred is in itself a sufficient eulogy of his life and character.

In addition to these honors as a Mason, he was also a member of the Knights of Pythias; the I. O. O. F.; the B. F. O. Elks and the Jr. O. E. A. M. As a companion he was a man; as a friend the truest of the true; as a surgeon most skillful, yet conservative; as a kind and sympathetic as a woman, yet bold and courageous when the exigencies of his profession called for a display of these qualities.

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# POLICE COURT

Jim Clark, Colored, Ordered Sent to Insane Ward—Six Other Cases Tried.

In Police court this morning Jim Clark, colored, was ordered to be sent to the criminal ward of the state hospital for insane at Raleigh. Several days ago Clark was arrested for the larceny of some goods from the store of W. A. Davis on South Main street, and since then he has been held pending an investigation by the city physician.

Dr. L. B. McBrayer testified this morning that the man is insane and that it is dangerous for him to be at liberty, and upon conclusion of this testimony Clark was ordered to be sent to Raleigh.

Six other cases were tried this morning and the record shows the following: Earl Hall, charged with interfering with a funeral procession, continued until tomorrow. Lizzie Proctor, colored, charged with assault, failed to answer and a capias was issued for her. Curtis Branks failed to appear on a charge of cruelty to animals, and a capias was issued for him. Fred Wolfe was fined the costs in a case of running an automobile without a state license. J. D. Parker was taxed \$5 and the costs for speeding. Sigmon Blomberg was fined \$5 and the costs for assaulting a small boy.

Pope Receives Americans. By Associated Press. Rome, July 23.—A group of 64 Canadian and American pilgrims were received in private audience today by the pope. They were conducted by the Right Rev. Michael F. Fallon, bishop of London, Ontario, who presented Peters pence amounting to \$2000.

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# FIFTY OR MORE DIED IN BLAZE

(Continued from page 1) moment later all dropped to their death.

Only the efficiency of the Binghamton fire department prevented the spread of the flames to business blocks lining Water street between Court and Henry streets. In the building occupied by the McKallor Drug company was a large amount of highly explosive chemicals. Steel doors and shutters prevented the fire from reaching this building.

Volunteer firemen employed in the shops along the line of the Erie railroad, who were in the city for their annual tournament, aided the local firemen. In holiday clothes they assisted in running lines of hose to the tops of buildings that were threatened. A band concert scheduled for last night was abandoned.

Statement of President. Reed B. Freeman, president of the Binghamton Clothing company, estimates that there were 120 employees in the building when the fire started. Eighty per cent of the girls employed were Americans.

"It's not the money loss nor the business that overcomes me," he said today, "but it is the thought of those girls, some of whom have been with us for years.

"They perished because they believed the alarm was for a fire drill, several of which had been held recently. They disliked those drills which forced them to appear in the streets in their rough working clothes. Many of them were proud-spirited and didn't like this. The drills were a bother.

"So when the alarm sounded, most of them took their time—some to don their coats; others to get their purses and other belongings.

"But for this fact I believe nearly all would have been saved. In the last fire drill we had the entire building emptied in 20 seconds."

According to the officials of the Binghamton Clothing company all the fire laws had been observed. It is the theory of President Freeman that a lighted cigarette thrown into a heap of rubbish shortly after the lunch hour was the cause of the disaster.

Chief Hogg, as he left the ruins today to rest a few hours sleep, declared that in his opinion the fire escape was adequate.

Withered from Heat. "They simply withered from the heat when they got to it," he said. The building was a four-story brick structure 44 feet wide by 120 feet long and was built 18 years ago as a cigar factory. The fire escape was at the rear. There were two stairways from the top floor. The offices and stock room were located on the first floor, but most of the operatives were working on the third and fourth floors.

The fire started in the center of the first floor near the stairway. The doors and windows were open at the time, creating a draft for the flames. A fund for the survivors has been started.

# A. A. THORNTON.

Former Resident of Atlanta, Socially Prominent, Died This Morning, Aged 30 Years.

Alfred Austell Thornton, a wealthy Atlanta club man, who had lived in Asheville for several months, died this morning about 2 o'clock at his home on the Swannanoa, after a long illness. He was 30 years of age. Mr. Thornton had been in bad health for many months, and during the past several weeks had made two trips to New York to take the Frigidarium treatment.

Mr. Thornton was one of the social leaders of Atlanta and was prominent socially here, where his entries took many prizes in the horse shows. He was the son of Mrs. A. A. Thornton, sr., and a few years ago was married to Miss Venable, daughter of one of the leading Atlanta families by whom he is survived. There are also two small sons.

Several months ago Mr. Thornton purchased the farm of Governor Craig and he had just completed thereon a very fine home.

The remains will be taken to Atlanta tonight for interment.