

TRAFFIC MANAGER FOR ASSOCIATION

Western Carolina Lumber and Timber Association Closes Contract With Beaman.

The lumbermen of western North Carolina who compose the Western Carolina Lumber and Timber association yesterday closed a contract with Mr. R. Beaman, a freight expert, whereby he is to become secretary and traffic manager of the association.

The lumber and timber business of the section is probably the most extensive of any industry of western North Carolina, the volume of the business running into the millions annually, and those interested in the industry believe that the securing of a rate expert will mean the saving of many hundreds of dollars each year for the members of the association.

The new traffic manager will begin his services on January 15. He will audit all freight bills for the members of the association and where there are discrepancies he will file and collect claims from the carriers. This auditing has been done heretofore in various cities, each concern being forced to considerable expense on this account.

Mr. Beaman is a well known freight expert and has had a wide range of experience in this work. He began his career with the Southern Railway company. He was later employed by a local bureau in Memphis and then went to Washington city, where he has since operated such a bureau. He is known to the lumbermen of this section on account of his work in collecting data for the fights of the association before the Interstate Commerce commission, and similar data for the fight at Raleigh for lower intrastate rates.

The new traffic manager will remove his family here from Washington at once, preparatory to taking up his work in the section.

A Legacy of the Distant Past.
"Did you ever notice," asked the experienced restaurateur, "that when one man is giving a dinner to another the waiter upon opening a bottle of wine generally pours a little into the glass of the host and then proceeds to fill the other man's glass to the top? If you asked the waiter why he did that he probably would be unable to tell you, but as a matter of fact it is a survival of feudal days, when life was held somewhat more lightly than today. It is intended to give the host an opportunity of taking the first taste of the wine in order to assure his guest that it is not poisoned."—New York Tribune.

FIREMEN MISTAKEN IN ANSWERING AN ALARM

Trucks and Wagon Went to Center Street When Fire Was on Circle St.

Mistaking a telephone message received at the fire department last night, the men made a run to Center street, in North Asheville, when the fire was on Circle street in east end. It was stated at the department that someone telephoned in that a house was burning and it was understood by the firemen taking the message that it was on Center street. Both of the big motor trucks and the hook and ladder wagon were taken to Center street and the men returned thinking that it was a false alarm, only to find that the patrol wagon drawing the light hood and ladder wagon had gone to Circle street, where the house was burning.

Tom Elrod, colored, rushed to the station soon after the big motors had left and said that his house was burning and that he had telephoned for the firemen. It was realized then that a mistake had been made by the man receiving the message. Very little damage was done to the house and the blaze was extinguished by the chemicals.

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Big Crop.

In the current issue of Farm and Fireside appears the following account of the interesting work being done by the Girls' Canning clubs of the southern states, working under the auspices of the United States department of agriculture:

"There is a lesson in the interesting work of the Girls' Canning clubs of the southern states, working under the auspices of the United States department of agriculture.

"About 25,000 girls have been enrolled in these clubs, each cultivating a tenth of an acre of vegetables and canning the product. Tomatoes constitute the staple crop, but beans, corn and other fruits and vegetables were handled by some of the girls.

"Bessie Starkey, a Virginia girl, obtained 528 pounds of tomatoes from her tenth of an acre and made the best record. Many of the girls have made records of more than \$100 in profit from these little patches.

"Here is a hint for those women and girls who want pin money or seek to add to the family income. Here is a powerful suggestion to country schools. An acre of land adjacent to the school house will furnish room for 10 girls, on which to make money and demonstrate the principles of both domestic economy and agriculture—and there is no reason why the boys should not compete.

"Fifteen girls will visit Washington to receive the congratulations of the officials of the U. S. D. A. about the time this is published. They will have fine trips and plenty of fun. It will be a great thing for them as prize-winners from their several states. But the important thing about the matter is that each of the 25,000 will be entitled to the credit of having taught the world a lesson. That lesson is one of self-help, and the intensive and profitable use of our common heritage—the land."

TRIFLES.
Think naught a trifle, though it small appear;
Small sands the mountain, moments make the year. —Young.

RESULTS OF SOCIAL CENTER IDEA GOOD

Report of Arthur Perry Indicates that Movement is Here to Stay.

Washington, Jan. 6.—That the social-center idea has come to stay is indicated in a report just compiled by Clarence Arthur Perry of the Russell Sage foundation, New York city. Mr. Perry shows that in places where the movement has already started the rate of growth is much higher than the rate at which it spreads in new localities. In other words the actual results of the social center are more effective in getting public support than the words of its most enthusiastic champions.

The work is getting on a more solid basis. Seventy-one cities had, during the winter of 1912-13, paid workers for some form of social-center activity, as opposed to 44 the previous season, and the amount expended in the maintenance of school centers has grown from \$129,535 in 1912 to \$224,575 in the past year. There are 1927 paid workers reported. This, with the volunteer workers, brings the number of persons engaged in social-center direction considerably above the 3000 mark.

That the general social and recreational possibilities of the "wider-use-of-the-school-plan" movement are making a constantly greater appeal may be seen from the fact that in 981 schoolhouses there were public entertainments and lectures; in 496 school buildings there were open meetings of adults to discuss local problems; athletics or folk dancing in 474 schools; and social dancing in 190.

A notable development of "wider use" in 1912-13 was for election and other civic purposes. Balloting during elections took place in 529 schoolhouses; 259 buildings were used for registering voters; and political rallies to the number of 481 took place in school edifices.

Mr. Perry reports great difficulty in obtaining exact statistics of social-center activities. Little uniformity of agreement exists as to what constitutes a social center. Even the name itself is not constant—the institution is variously reported as "recreation center," "civic center," "social and recreation center," "evening center," "community center," etc. Some cities have social center activities going on six nights a week; while others open their school buildings once or twice a month.

We should, however, look beyond the mere figures in judging social centers, says Mr. Perry. "Centers of individual growth and refinement, of civism and social integration—that is what these places are, and no system of numerals can ever be devised that will convey an adequate notion of the vitalizing influences which radiate from them."

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- \$25 Sets of Furs for \$10.75
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THE WEATHER

	TEMPERATURE	
	Lowest	Highest
last night	yesterday	today
Asheville	28	30
Atlanta	28	38
Augusta	29	48
Charlotte	34	50
Charlotte	29	46
Jacksonville	26	32
Knoxville	22	36
New York	16	34
Raleigh	26	44
Savannah	32	50
Tampa	42	60
Washington	30	44
Wilmington	38	50

Forecast until 8 p. m. Wednesday for Asheville and vicinity: Generally fair tonight and Wednesday; slightly warmer Wednesday.

For North Carolina: Generally fair tonight and Wednesday; slightly warmer Wednesday; moderate north-

west to north winds, becoming variable.

Normal for this date: Temperature 35 degrees. Precipitation .15 inch.

General Conditions (Past 24 Hours).
Rains have continued in the north Pacific states in connection with a disturbance which overlies the northwest. Rain or snow has again occurred in the middle Atlantic states. The pressure is high over the southern half of the country from the Rocky Mountains to the Atlantic coast and as a result the weather is generally fair in that portion of the country. Temperature changes have been slight in all sections of the country. The following heavy rainfall has been reported: Seattle, 1.08 inches. Generally fair weather may be expected in this vicinity tonight and Wednesday with slightly warmer Wednesday.

T. R. TAYLOR, Observer.

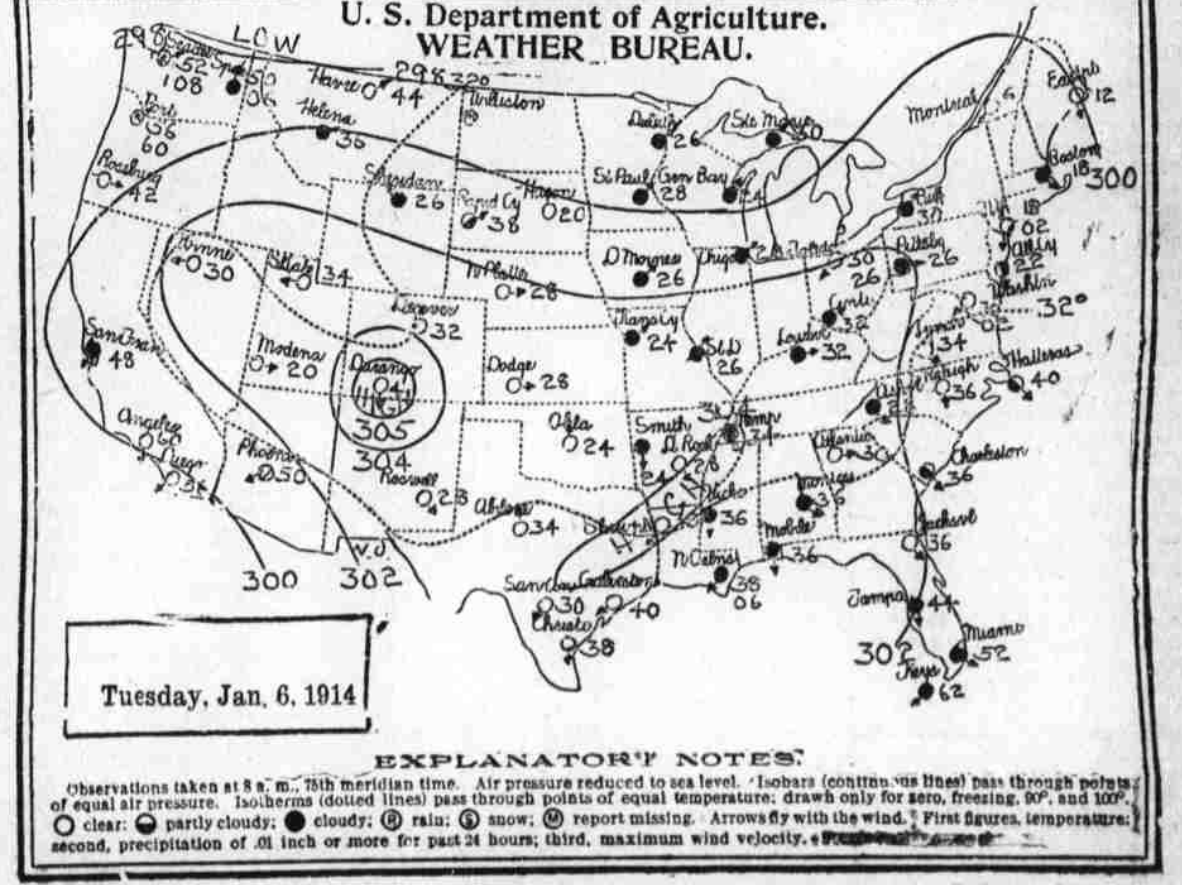
After having been away from New York two years, Mr. Dikran G. Kelekian, dealer in Greek, Roman, Egyptian, and Persian antiquities, whose galleries are in Paris, Cairo, and New York, has returned with a collection of objects of art that are almost as old as civilization itself. They are now on exhibition in the Kelekian gallery, 709 Fifth avenue.

One of the most interesting objects is a portrait of a queen of the Ptolemaic period, dating about 100 B. C., found in a tomb at Memphis by excavators working under Mr. Flanders Petree, the English Egyptologist. It is quite different from the older Egyptian paintings and is done in the Greek manner, with encaustic or wax, applied with warm water, a method invented by Polygnotus. The work, which is on a panel, looks almost as fresh now as when it was painted. In style it is not altogether unlike some of the modern work.

Another object of interest is the sculptured head of a king excavated on the island of Cyprus, belonging to the archaic Greek period—about 400 B. C. The monarch is bearded and his brow is crowned with laurel. Mr. Kelekian also brought a beautifully modeled black basalt figure of Isis, dating about 600 B. C., and a large blue pottery scarab, having the luster of turquoise. This dates about 1,500 B. C.

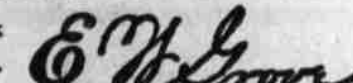
Mr. Kelekian said the Germans were now buying more Persian and Egyptian art than any other collectors, taking the place of the Russians, who were big buyers of classical antiquities.—N. Y. Herald.

MANY PAPERS SERVED IN INVESTIGATION OF FRAUD
Boston, Jan. 6.—A score of police officers were busy today serving summons and on seven hundred citizens to appear before the grand jury as witnesses in the investigation of alleged fraud and irregularities in the filing of nomination papers for the city election. It is expected that the grand jury will take up the cases next Monday.



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You Really Can't Blame Mutt at That By "Bud" Fisher

JEFF, A COUPLE OF DAYS AGO I PROMISED TO SUGAR OFF HITTING YOU ON NEW YEAR'S. WELL NEW YEAR'S IS PAST AND IT STILL GOES. YOU RESOLVED NOT TO HIT THIS WHOLE YEAR.

ON THE LEVEL, DO YOU MEAN THAT NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS YOU WON'T HIT ME?

THAT'S EXACTLY MY NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION

AND YOU RESOLVED NOT TO SOAK ME FOR A WHOLE YEAR.

THAT'S IT! AND I'M THE GUY WITH THE WILL POWER TO KEEP MY RESOLUTIONS TOO

WELL THEN I CAN SPEAK RIGHT OUT REASSURINGLY: YOU'RE A BIG STIFF, YOU'RE A COWARD AND A BULLY AND—

AND A DISGRACE TO THE HUMAN RACE. NEXT TIME YOU ORDER ME TO DO SOMETHING I'LL SAY 'POO' 'POO' AND YOU CAN'T DO A THING ABOUT IT. THAT FOR YOU!

THE RESOLUTION IS OFF