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'GO-TO-CHURCH' CAMPAIGN HERE

Asheville Ministers' Association Decides to Inaugurate A Movement to Increase Church Attendance.

PLAN HOUSE TO HOUSE CANVAS OF THE CITY

Committee Named to Direct Movement, Which Is Becoming General Over The Entire Country.

At one of the most largely attended meetings of the Asheville Ministers' association in the association's history, it was decided by those present yesterday to institute a "go-to-church" campaign in Asheville. There were only two members of the association absent from this meeting, which was held at 10 o'clock in the Y. M. C. A. building. Rev. Dr. Calvin B. Waller, president of the association, presented a report on what has been accomplished in several cities of the east by such campaigns. Among other instances of the good accomplished, Dr. Waller referred to the fact that such a campaign has been conducted in Brooklyn recently and as a result over 100,000 people were brought out to the churches of that city yesterday.

The discussion as to putting on such a campaign here was enthusiastic and it was decided that a "go-to-church" movement in Asheville should be prolific of excellent results. The movement will include Biltmore and West Asheville. The following were then named as a committee to arrange the details of the campaign: Rev. Dr. C. B. Waller, chairman, Rev. P. H. Mears, Rev. W. E. Poovey, Rev. Wyatt Brown, Rev. C. W. Bates and Rev. Lewis Collins. The latter will act as secretary.

This committee will hold a meeting at the Y. M. C. A. building next Monday at noon, when tentative plans for the campaign will be presented for consideration. The ministers of West Asheville and Biltmore will be asked to be present at this meeting or have their local organizations represented.

On the following Monday, two weeks from today, there will be a meeting of all the ministers of the city and suburbs at the association building. A banquet will be served at this time and the meeting will be thrown open to a general discussion of the plans.

In connection with the campaign cards will be distributed on behalf of all the churches and Sunday schools of the community, these cards bearing the following invitation:

"We come today with a cordial invitation to you from every Sunday school and church in this community. If you attend the services of the church and Sunday school of your choice regularly, all extend greetings; if you do not, all join in a most earnest request that you do so. We want to assure you a hearty welcome."

The general plan of the campaign will be to first divide the city into districts and have "visitors" assigned to each of these districts. Every house in the city and community will be visited and a record compiled as to the number of individuals in the family; their church membership or preference; whether or not the individual members of the family attend church and Sunday school; and other like information.

At the same time an urgent invitation will be extended to the members of the family, boarders and servants to attend some church or Sunday school in the city. No denomination will be advocated. It will simply be a united effort of the churches of the city and their pastors to arouse a more lively interest in church work and thereby get the people of Asheville and the surrounding community to attend services regularly at one of the houses of worship in the vicinity.

There will doubtless be a "follow-up" campaign by all the individual ministers.

SWANNANOVA MEETING IS SET FOR SATURDAY

There will be a meeting of the Buncombe county Farmers' Union next Saturday at Swannanoa, at which time demonstrations will be made for the benefit of the farmers present in stump pulling, sub-soiling, and operating a one way sully plow. A lecture will be given by a representative from the department of agriculture on fertilizing and its uses.

According to County Demonstrator E. D. Weaver the farmers in all sections of the county are taking great interest in the Farmers' Union and he predicts a large attendance at the meeting next Saturday. Matters of interest to all farmers, whether members of the union or not, will come up and all are urged to be present. The meeting will be held at the state experiment farm at Swannanoa and the fact that a state representative will be present will doubtless cause a large number of the farmers to attend to hear his lecture.

MAJESTIC MANAGEMENT SAYS: "BEST SHOW-YET"

"The Sunny Side of Broadway," a tabloid musical comedy that is guaranteed by the management of the Majestic theater to be the biggest and best attraction yet secured for this popular amusement house, was presented for the first time at the Majestic yesterday. This production will remain here for the first three days of this week and record breaking crowds are expected to attend, since the big feature of the show is Max Bloom and his horse.

In former years this was one of the most popular musical comedies on the road, being replete with good music, dancing and comedy of the best variety. In tabloid form, it is stated, all the best features have been retained, chief among which is Max and his horse. His famous song "The Panama Plant" is still retained. There will be new dancing features and one of the best tabloid shows yet seen here, assured.

GIRL FOUND BEATEN AND UNCONSCIOUS; 3 MEN BEING SOUGHT

New York, Feb. 3.—Ethel Commons, a girl of 18, was found wounded and unconscious in her home yesterday her face covered by an ether soaked towel. Jewelry and money were missing. The police are searching for three men supposed to have beaten and robbed her.

The young woman's landlady explained that the girl had come here from Pittsburgh recently and was known also as Daisy Belmont and Mrs. DeLaquir. At the hospital it was said she would die.

SENATE ASKS INJURY INTO REBATE CHARGES

Washington, Feb. 3.—The senate has "requested" the interstate commerce commission to investigate charges that rebates have been received from the railroads by the United States Steel corporation in a resolution offered by Senator Norris. The resolution displaced that offered by Senator Lane and an amendment by the interstate commerce committee. The Lane resolution had precipitated a bitter debate in which David Lamar was named as its author.

JANUARY IMPORTATIONS OF PRECIOUS STONES FELL OFF

New York, Feb. 3.—January importations of precious stones of all classes fell off \$2,120,853 compared with the same month last year, according to figures made public by William B. Treadwell, the government's gem examiner at this port. Mr. Treadwell said the reduced importations were directly traceable to the heavy stocking last year in anticipation of the raising of duties.

MENACING LETTER WRAPS DYNAMITE

Finding of "Black Hand" Epistle by W. B. Starnes Mystifies Officers.

The finding of a stick of dynamite around which was wrapped a three page letter, signed "Blackhand," in which money and valuables were demanded on penalty of death by W. B. Starnes, manager of the Imperial Insurance company, who lives in West Asheville, on the porch of his home Saturday night has the sheriff's office puzzled as to whether Mr. Starnes was threatened by criminals or is the victim of a hoax. The dynamite was hurled against his door with violence, but there was no other attempt to do him harm. Officers are investigating the mystery.

Mr. Starnes, who lives on Beacham curve, West Asheville, says that Saturday night about 8:30 o'clock while the family was at prayer, he was attracted by something striking the front door of his house but, thinking that perhaps some boy had thrown a rock against the door, he paid no attention to it until after the prayer was over. He then went out to the front door but failed to find anyone. Looking down on the porch he saw what he thought was a bundle of groceries. He picked it up and carried it into the house, when he discovered, to his great astonishment, that it was a piece of dynamite, around which was wrapped a letter. The dynamite had been broken on one end, evidently from the blow against the door.

He, with his wife, examined the package and read the letter, the substance of which was that he would have to take what money he had, with other valuables, to the house of Rev. M. M. Wamboldt, which is unoccupied, and place them on the gate post. The letter went on to say that if he failed to do this in the next thirty minutes his house and all the family would be blown up. The letter was written on ordinary tablet paper, with pen and ink, and was three pages in length, signed by "Blackhand" and bearing a skull and cross bones.

Three of Mr. Starnes' children were in bed asleep, he says and he and his wife held a consultation as to what best to do. Finally Mr. Starnes went to a neighbor, Mr. Jones, who lives nearby, and sent him to the Starnes home to stay; while Mr. Starnes went on to another neighbor's house and telephoned to the officers. Deputy Sheriff E. M. Mitchell went to the scene at once, but after a thorough investigation failed to find anything. Yesterday morning the officers went back and discovered tracks near the house, which were measured, but so far that is the only possible clue the officers have.

Mr. Starnes brought his family to Asheville after the officers had come to the house and they did not return until Sunday afternoon, staying there that night. He can throw no light whatever on the affair as he says if he has an enemy in the world he does not know it. He says that the only possible reason he can give for the attempt is the fact that he is manager of the insurance company and the parties must have thought he had large sums of money in his possession.

BUNCOMBE CIVIL COURT CONVENED HERE TODAY

Superior court for the trial of civil cases, with Judge M. H. Justice presiding, convened here yesterday for a term of one week. Beginning next Monday, another term of three weeks will start. A large number of cases are on the docket for trial and it is believed by court officials that a large number of the cases can be disposed of at these two terms.

After hearing a few minor motions, the court at once took up the case of several citizens of Weaverville against the present city officials, in which they are asking that the city officials be restrained from issuing water bonds in the sum of \$27,000. The case has attracted considerable attention and it is thought that several days will be consumed in the hearing.

HAMMER NOT INTERESTED IN ANOTHER POSITION

Candidate For Appointment Rejects Suggestion of the Attorney General.

Gazette-News Bureau, Wyatt Building, Washington, Feb. 3.

W. C. Hammer, who came here Sunday at the request of Senator Overman, stated positively that he would not accept any position other than that of district attorney. Mr. Overman told Mr. Hammer that the attorney-general had suggested that Hammer be offered another place, but Hammer wants to be district attorney. He says if he is not good enough for this place he is not good enough for any federal appointment.

Senator Overman called at the department of justice yesterday and told Attorney-General McReynolds that he wanted the Hammer case settled at once. McReynolds replied that he would do so as soon as he could see President Wilson. He did not, however, indicate when he would take the matter up with Mr. Wilson.

JUDGE THOS. VENTRESS IS BURNED TO DEATH

Father of Mrs. Ralph Arbogast Loses Life in Attalla, Alabama, Fire.

Gazette-News Bureau, Wyatt Building, Washington, Feb. 3.

A dispatch received yesterday from Gadsden, Ala., tells of the accidental death, by burning, of Judge Thomas Ventress, a prominent Alabama politician, at Attalla, Ala., early yesterday. The fire destroyed two buildings at Attalla. Details of the death of Judge Ventress have not yet been learned.

Judge Ventress, who was 55 years of age, was the father of Mrs. Ralph Arbogast of this city, formerly Miss Mary Elgin Ventress, whose wedding occurred here last June. Judge Ventress was here for the wedding. Mrs. Ventress is a visitor in the city now. She and Mrs. Arbogast will leave tonight for Attalla.

A tiny electric furnace and microscope for the examination of metals and rocks at high temperatures has been perfected by a scientist at Washington.

PRINCESS AND GALAX

TODAY

PRINCESS "A GENTLEMAN OF FASHION" Vitagraph Comedy-Drama, Featuring John Bunny and Flora Finch	GALAX Special Feature "ZUMA THE GIPSY" In Two Parts Kleine Drama
"EDIBLE FISH OF MEDITERRANEAN" Educational Pathelplay	"A PILL BOX OUPID" Lubin Farce-Comedy
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Coming Features

"The Third Degree"

Chas. Klein's Great Drama produced at the Hudson Theater, New York City.

"The Lion and the Mouse"

By the Author of "The Third Degree."

"Through the Clouds"

Photoplay Made 3000 Feet in the Air, Produced at Hendon, England.