

The Fire Didn't Touch Us

Our wagons are calling for laundry as usual today. Both our phones are in good working order and everything will go on schedule time. It was reported that our plant was destroyed, and for a few hours Sunday morning it was feared that our entire building would go, but thanks to our efficient fire department, we are uninjured and ready for business---right now.

MOUNTAIN CITY LAUNDRY

PHONES 426 AND 427

MEETINGS ARRANGED AT METHODIST CHURCHES

Mass Meeting Next Week at Central and Haywood Street Churches.

Arrangements have just been completed for holding mass meeting at the Central Methodist and Haywood street Methodist churches next Wednesday night for the purpose of stimulating greater interest in the educational and missionary work of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. The meetings will be under the auspices of the Methodist churches of the city and it is expected that the congregations of the North Asheville, Bethel, Biltmore and West Asheville Methodist churches will attend and hear the splendid addresses which are promised for the meetings.

The speakers for the meetings will be: Rev. Dr. W. W. Pinson, general missionary secretary; and Rev. Dr. E. H. Rawlings, educational secretary, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. These men are among the leading workers of the Southern Methodist Church and no doubt will be heard by very large numbers of people. Dr. Pinson has just returned from a visit to Japan, Korea and China, while he has been visiting the missions established by the church in these countries. Dr. Rawlings has charge of the educational work of the Southern Church and has had broad experience as a worker in the field.

At a meeting held in the study of Rev. Dr. J. C. Rowe, pastor of Central Methodist church, yesterday afternoon, plans were perfected for the entertainment of the visitors while in the city. It was announced that a dinner will be given at Central Methodist church Tuesday night at 6:30 o'clock, to which will be invited the boards of stewards of the Methodist churches in the city, the pastors and a few friends. The dinner will be informal and the purpose is to give the visitors a chance to meet as many of the church workers as possible.

The meetings Wednesday night will start at 7:30 o'clock and Dr. Pinson will be in charge of and make the principal address at the Central church, while Dr. Rawlings will speak at the same time at the Haywood Street church. The Layman's Missionary movement will be the principal topic of the address, it is stated.

Feathers. The feathers with which birds are covered combine the highest degree of warmth with the least weight.

DOG THAT BIT LITTLE GIRL HAD HYDROPHOBIA

Floyd Baldwin Takes Small Daughter to Raleigh For Treatment.

Information has been received from Raleigh that the head of the dog which bit the four years old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Baldwin of the Inanda section Wednesday morning had been examined and it was found that the dog had hydrophobia at the time the child was attacked. It is stated that Mr. Floyd will leave this afternoon for Raleigh with the little girl, to have her treated at the Pastour Institute. Last Wednesday morning, while the little girl was in a store near her home, having been sent there to make a purchase, she was attacked by a dog, which bit her on the left arm and about the head before any one could interfere and get the animal off her. The dog ran out of the store and several men pursued with sticks, guns and rocks, overtaking and killing the animal a short distance from the store. The head was sent to Raleigh for examination and news came that the animal was suffering from hydrophobia at the time.

MRS. AUGUSTUS SHEPARD

Mother of Augustus D. Shepard, Jr., Dies at Gibsonville Very Suddenly.

News has been received in the city of the sudden death of Mrs. Augustus D. Shepard of New York, mother of Augustus D. Shepard, Jr., whose wife was formerly Miss Marie Rees of Asheville. The rather recent death of Mrs. Shepard's father followed a few days ago by his mother's sudden death from heart failure. Mrs. Shepard was visiting her daughter, Mrs. Osborn W. Bright, at her hunting preserve near Gibsonville, N. C., when the end came.

Wild Canaries. Wild canaries were not yellow originally. They were either green or gray in color.

NEW HAVEN INQUIRY TO BE CONTINUED

Norris' Resolution In Modified Form Is Passed By The Senate.

Washington, Feb. 9.—Senator Norris' resolution directing the interstate commerce commission to continue its investigation of New Haven railroad affairs has been passed by the senate in a modified form.

The modification left to the discretion of the commission the matter of whether its previous investigation had developed all the information it desired. "These inquiries were included in the resolution." "What became of the funds of the New Haven invested in various enterprises and corporations mentioned in the recent report of the commission." "Whether persons authorizing investment of the funds and the persons receiving the benefit are liable to punishment under existing laws." "Whether under existing law these funds can be recovered on behalf of the stockholders of said company."

"What legislation, if any, is necessary to prevent the recurrence of similar transactions." That investigation should be made of the manner in which Speyer and company, New York bankers, floated Paris railroad securities in Paris during the New Haven debate. He said he had been informed that by paying Paris bankers commissions as high as 7 1/2 per cent, Speyer and company induced the French people to buy the securities a few months before the railroad went into bankruptcy.

"The result was that American credit was given a greater blow in France than it had ever received before," declared Senator Lodge.

Senator Kenyon characterized the published exposures of New Haven affairs as a tale of the "infamy of a gang of plunderers."

Basket ball tonight, 8:30. Y. M. C. A. vs. Tusculum college. Reserved seats 25c.

A QUEER STORY TOLD OF TRADE FOR LIQUOR

Witness Says He Got a Pint as "Boat"—Defendant Is Not Guilty.

A unique deal for a pint of whiskey was pulled off by Jeter Pritchard and Lige Johnson Thursday afternoon at least so testified Pritchard Saturday in Police court, at the trial of Johnson charged with retailing whiskey to Jritchard. Johnson was found not guilty.

Pritchard went on the stand and testified that he met Johnson Thursday afternoon, asked him for whiskey and not having the money to pay for it, suggested that they trade shoes. The trade was finally made, according to Pritchard, who said that he gave Johnson his shoes and twenty-five cents in money, for Johnson's shoes and a pint of liquor. This most unusual trade was alleged to have been pulled off at the home of "Blind" Frank Guthrie. Pritchard says that he got the worse end of the trade as the whiskey was bad and the shoes were not half so good as his. Johnson went on the stand and testified that he did trade shoes with Pritchard but no whiskey was mentioned, nor did he sell any. He says that Pritchard's father came to his house Friday morning and demanded that Johnson turn over the shoes and fifty cents in money to him for the use of them or his son would turn him up for retailing. It was brought out in evidence that Johnson had never been arrested before for any offense and the court held that he was not guilty.

ITALIAN SONG-BIRDS OF THE SAN CARLO GRAND OPERA COMPANY

SUIT INSTITUTED FOR \$66,723.34

Donald Campbell Brings One Of Biggest Civil Actions In County's History.

What is believed by several of the court officials to be the largest, or at least one of the largest, suits ever filed in Buncombe county, was filed in the clerk's office Saturday by Donald Campbell against the Gloucester Lumber company, of Rosman, Transylvania county, in which he brings suit on four actions, for amounts totaling \$66,723.34.

It is set forth in the complaint, which covers several typewritten pages, that the plaintiff entered into a contract on or about June 20, last, with the defendant company, for the lease of their plant and equipment that upon delivery of the plant to the plaintiff he executed to defendant company a bond for \$20,000, with himself as the principal surety and the Illinois Surety company also as surety. The plaintiff further contends that he complied with all the conditions required of him and on or about July 15, last, he was given possession of the plant and that with a large force of men entered into execution of the contract and continued to perform the terms of the contract with success and profit to himself and the defendant company; that he would have continued to operate it had it not been for the "constant interruptions, interruptions, breaches of contract and losses, and other wrongful and unlawful acts of the defendant company, its agents and employees." The complaint goes on to say that the plaintiff continued to operate the plant and carry out the contracts until he was forced out of the possession of the property and his own personal property taken possession of by the defendant company.

HOTEL MEN ENJOYED BANQUET AT LANGREN

Regular Meeting Held Last Night And Excellent Speeches Followed.

The Asheville Hotel Men's association met recently at the Langren hotel in the regular business session of the association. After the business had been disposed of the members were given an informal banquet by Manager J. Bayless Rector, which was served in the Florida room of the hotel. P. H. Branch of Marzo Terrace was elected secretary and treasurer to succeed W. S. Kenney, formerly manager of the Grove Park Inn.

Mr. Rector acted as toastmaster at the banquet and several very interesting talks were made by members. Talks were made by J. L. Alexander of the Pattery Park hotel, P. H. Branch, H. C. Allen and N. Buckner. The members accepted an invitation extended by Manager Alexander of the Battery Park hotel to be his guests next Tuesday night.

GOOD ROADS MEETING TUESDAY AFTERNOON

The fifteenth annual meeting of the Asheville and Buncombe County Good Roads association will be held in the council chamber of City hall next Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The selection of nine directors will be announced at that meeting. Officers will be selected for the coming year and reports will be heard of the work that has been done during the past year. A big attendance is anticipated.

WEST ASHEVILLE BOND ELECTION NEXT TUESDAY

The first city election, since the town has had a government, will be held in West Asheville next Tuesday, February 10, at which time the citizens will vote on the question of issuing bonds to the amount of \$50,000 for the purpose of installing a water and sewer system for the town.

An order was recently passed by the board of aldermen of West Asheville, calling for the election to be held on next Tuesday and since then several mass meetings have been held by the citizens that they might discuss the question. Much interest has been aroused over the question of issuing the bonds and the matter has been so generally discussed that it is believed that there will be a heavy vote. Both sides are expecting a full vote to be cast, as the registration has been very heavy.

BOARD OF FOOD AND DRUG INSPECTION ABOLISHED

Washington, Feb. 9.—The board of food and drug inspection in the department of agriculture, which often was the center of attack by Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, former chief chemist, has been abolished by Secretary Wilson.

Rev. A. S. Baker, stationed on the west coast of Hawaii, recently wrote that on the Sunday before his writing he preached at 9 o'clock, to thirty Hawaiians, at 11 to 45 Portuguese and Japanese, and at 2:30 to twenty-five Chinese.

W. Vance Brown, E. C. Chambers, Tench C. Cox, Dr. M. H. Fletcher, Dr. E. B. Glenn, D. L. Jackson, B. M. Jones, H. W. Plummer, Thomas W. Raoul, W. F. Randolph, J. E. Rankin, Dr. C. V. Reynolds, F. Stikeleather, W. B. Valentine and Dr. J. Wohlfarth.

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