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LOCAL Y. M. C. A. TEAM
TO PLAY GREENSBORO
Game Will Be at Statesville
February 23—To Decide
the State Title.

It now seems very likely that the Y. M. C. A. basketball team will play the team of the Greensboro Y. M. C. A. to decide the state championship. Several references have been made to the meeting of the two teams by different state papers and in the different articles, the date has been mentioned as February 23. This date is the one that was proposed by the manager of the local pastimers and although he has received no official notice that the Greensboro team has accepted the suggested date, all probabilities point to that time for the final settlement of the controversy over the title.

Greensboro will undoubtedly be the strongest team that the locals will play this season. The record of this team stands out pre-eminently in the eastern and central part of the state as it has defeated practically all the college quintets of the state by substantial margins and the other clubs have not furnished enough opposition to it to make the individual members exert themselves. Asheville has had a very successful season and has defeated several strong college teams and a number of state teams who considered themselves championship calibre. The team is composed of young material, but is one that can stand the pace. The first squad numbers nine players, all of whom are about on a par so that the team is never weakened by the withdrawal of any individual. Just what the youngsters will do in the proposed contest with the more seasoned team of Greensboro remains to be seen. The down state team has four men who have played together for the past three years and in this itself is a big point in their favor.

Two officials have already been suggested to the local management for the affair. They are Sebring, physical director of the Winston-Salem Y. M. C. A. and Fred coach of the Statesville Athletic club basketball team. Both are said to be very com-

petent and to have good control of the players over whom they are officiating, and it is quite likely that one of the two will be chosen for the championship bout.

PHYSICIAN AND NEGRO ON BURGLARY CHARGE
Montgomery, Ala., Feb. 9.—Dr. George Robert Norman, a physician of Brookwood, and Kelly Adams, a negro janitor at the state capital have been arrested on a charge of burglary, following an investigation of alleged fraudulent methods of disbursing medical licenses. It was alleged by Dr. W. H. Saunders, state health officer, that the physician and the negro had made a practice of substituting medical examinations.

ANNUAL MEETING OF GOOD ROADS ASSOCIATION
Sixteenth Annual Meeting for Election of Officers to Be Held Wednesday.

The sixteenth annual meeting of the Good Roads association of Asheville and Buncombe county will be held Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the council chamber at the city hall.

The election of officers and directors for the ensuing year and the reports of the various committees of the organization, together with discussion of plans for the work to be carried out by the association during this year, will be features of this meeting, and all members are urged to be present.

It is expected that the reports of the committees on the work done by the association during the past year will be of great interest, as many movements looking to the betterment of road conditions in Buncombe county have been inaugurated by the association during 1914. The plans for the work to be done this year will be outlined and will include even more activities than for the past year, it is said.

E. C. Chambers is the president of the association; Dr. Chase P. Ambler is vice president and B. M. Jones is secretary and treasurer.

JUDGE J. L. WEBB SIGNS A CONSENT JUDGMENT
A. G. Betts Withdraws Application for Receiver for Laurel River Logging Co.

Judge James L. Webb has recently signed a consent judgment in the case of Anson G. Betts against the Laurel River Logging company, the terms of which are that Mr. Bettes withdraws his application for the appointment of a receiver for the company and he also withdraws his request for a restraining order which he asked to prohibit the company from selling certain property mentioned in the application.

The signing of the consent judgment puts the case back where it was before the actions were instituted before Judge Webb several weeks ago and ends the present litigation.

Mr. Bettes is a stockholder in the company and the filing of his application asking that he be allowed to show cause why a receiver should be named for the company caused a great deal of comment among lumber men in western North Carolina, who watched the proceedings with interest.

The Laurel River Logging company is one of the largest of its kind in the state and its holdings in Madison and other counties run into the thousands of dollars. Vast sums of money have been spent by the company in Madison county in improving the condition of and enlarging its plant. The action of the court in the matter of appointing a receiver for the company will be awaited with general interest by lumbermen in all sections of the country.

Judge James H. Merrimon and Harkins and Van Winkle represented Mr. Bettes at the hearing and Merrick and Barnard represented the directors of the defendant company, while Martin, Rollins and Wright represented the holders of preferred stock.

RELIEF COMMISSION TO BUY SHIP'S CARGO

London, Feb. 9.—The indications are that the American commission for the relief of the Belgians will be successful in their efforts to purchase the American steamer *Wilhelmina* and her cargo of food which she is carrying from New York to Hamburg.

AEROPLANE DISABLED.

Paris, Feb. 8.—A Havas dispatch from Dunkirk says that a German aeroplane, which flew over Dunkirk yesterday, was brought down by cannon.

TWO PEOPLE HURT AT DURHAM FIRE SUNDAY

Durham, Feb. 8.—Fire destroyed four small buildings and one two-story dwelling on Irvin avenue on Sunday morning at 4 o'clock. Two men, Victor Allen and Lee Jordan, in the dwelling, were badly burned. It is not thought that either will die. The damage is estimated at about \$25,000.

POPE'S PEACE PRAYER IS HEARD BY BELGIANS

Amsterdam, Feb. 9.—The churches at Antwerp, Brussels and Malines were crowded Sunday for the reading of Pope Benedict's prayer for peace. Cardinal Mercier assisted in the service at Malines. There was no attempt by the German military authorities anywhere to interfere. Many German soldiers, who are Roman Catholics, were present.

MAY HAVE BEEN BURIED ALIVE, IT IS SUGGESTED

Yonkers, N. Y., Feb. 9.—To the story that eight aged inmates of the German Odd Fellows home had been put to death because they required so much attention, has been added the suggestion that two other inmates may have been buried alive while under the influence of anesthetics. It is believed that at least two bodies will be exhumed.

Financial

New York, Feb. 8.—Cotton was quiet enough during the early trading, and the local market opened steady at one point low to two high, the prices holding around Saturday night's close.

NEW YORK COTTON.

March	8.60
April	8.55
July	8.65
October	9.21
December	9.44

CHICAGO LIVESTOCK.
Chicago, Feb. 8.—Hogs, dull; receipts 42,000. Bulk of sales 6.75@9.99; pigs 5.40@6.40.
Cattle, steady; Receipts 15,000. Native steers 5.60@9.10; calves 8.00@12.00.
Sheep, strong; Receipts 12,000. Sheep 6.10@6.90; lambs 7.50@8.50.

NEW YORK STOCKS.
New York, Feb. 8.—The foreign situation caused some irregularity on the stock market during the early trading. The prices showed various changes, the feature being Bethlehem Steel, which rose two points to a new high record. The railroad issues were inclined toward a lower level, but soon recovered. Southern Pacific moving up a point.

CHICAGO GRAIN.
Chicago, Feb. 8.—Wheat took an upturn today influenced by Liverpool cables telling of the fear as to shortage of supply in Great Britain and France. After opening 1/2 off to 1/4 up quotations recorded material all around advances.

CARRANZA TROOPS ARE NOW HOLDING MONTEREY

Laredo, Tex., Feb. 9.—The constitutionalist consulate has announced that the Carranza troops had recaptured Monterey. No details of the reported capture were available, however. Telegraph communication with Monterey has been cut.

GATLING NAMED.
Washington, Feb. 9.—Dr. Arthur M. Gatling has been selected by President Wilson as the postmaster at Raleigh. The president's decision ends a spirited and lengthy contest which has aroused a great deal of interest in the south. Strong efforts were made in behalf of Mrs. Charles B. Aycock, widow of Governor Aycock, for the place.

THE WHOLE BODY NEEDS PURE BLOOD
The bones, the muscles, and all the organs of the body depend for their strength and tone and healthy action on pure blood.
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LA FOLLETTE OFFERS PEACE RESOLUTIONS

Washington, Feb. 9.—A conference representing neutral nations which would discuss the means of bringing about a world peace was proposed in a resolution offered by Senator La Follette. The resolution would direct the president to convey to all neutral nations the desirability of a conference to bring about the cessation of hostilities in Europe; to extend offers of mediation to warring nations, to consider rules for the general limitation of armaments; rules for the prohibition of exports of munitions of war; to create a federation of neutral nations to provide neutral ocean trade routes; to consider the rights of neutral commerce and all other matters which may further the idea of permanent peace.

QUARANTINE IN UNION STOCKYARDS IS RAISED

Chicago, Feb. 8.—The Union stockyards, under partial federal quarantine since January 29 because of a threatened outbreak of foot and mouth disease, were re-opened today for interstate shipments. No cattle can remain, however, for more than 48 hours.

VALUABLE SECURITIES RETURNED TO PARIS

Geneva, Feb. 9.—The second consignment of bonds, stocks and scrip, which was sent here for safe keeping just before the German invasion of France, has been returned to Paris under a strong guard. The shipment was valued at \$500,000,000.

BANKER PLEADS GUILTY TO MISUSE OF MAILS

Memphis, Feb. 9.—In the United States district court yesterday C. H. Raine, president Merchants' bank when it closed its doors February 9, pleaded guilty to a charge of misusing mails. Raine and Claude Anderson, cashier, were charged jointly in indictments on seven counts of using the mails to defraud and with conspiracy to obtain money under false pretense. Counsel for Raine asked for a continuance of the case.

G. B. BANKS DIED AT HIS HOME HERE TODAY

G. B. Banks, age 51 years, died at his home, 430 Pearson yesterday morning. The deceased had been suffering for the past nine days from pneumonia, to which he finally succumbed. The deceased is survived by a wife and seven children, all of whom reside in this vicinity. Interment will take place at 2 o'clock this afternoon at the West Asheville cemetery.

Austrian Troops Violate The Roumanian Frontier

Paris, Feb. 9.—Austrian troops have violated the Roumanian frontier near Kurn Severin, says a dispatch from Nish to the Journal. The Austrians are reported to have fired on the Roumanian frontier guards, who approached the pass. Furious fighting followed, it is stated. The Roumanians were reinforced, and after a sharp struggle, the Austrian troops are reported to have been driven back to their lines, with many wounded.

The capture of Kurn Severin, the dispatch says, would have meant for the Austrians complete command of Kladovo, the only place on the Serbian border, on the Danube, permitting communication with Roumania. The incident occurred several days ago, and has not been followed up by either side.

French and German War Statements Given Out

Paris, Feb. 9.—The French war office gave out the following statement concerning the progress of the war, in Paris yesterday:

"From the sea to the Oise: Artillery duels yesterday of considerable violence occurred in the vicinity of Guinechy west of La Bassée.

"Southwest of Carency we were successful in a surprise attack on a German trench which had been blown up by one of our mines, the defenders of which were either killed or taken prisoners.

"On the Aisne front and in Champagne yesterday there was intermittent bombardment. The accuracy of our artillery was evidenced in several places.

West of Hill 191, north of Massiges, our batteries checked an attempted attack of the enemy.

"In the Argonne a German attack in the direction of Fontaine Madam was repulsed. At Bagatelle a violent infantry engagement was started by the enemy yesterday morning. According to the latest reports all our positions have been maintained.

"On the remainder of the line there is nothing to report."

Berlin Report.
Berlin, Feb. 8.—"Fighting for our position north of the canal, southwest of La Bassée continues," says the official communication of the German army staff headquarters yesterday. The state ment adds:

"Part of the short trench which was taken by the enemy, has been recaptured.

"In the Argonne we have wrested from the enemy part of a fortified position. Otherwise there have been no changes in this region.

"On the East Prussian front, and southeast of the plain of the Lusa and in Poland on the right bank of the Vistula have gained a few unimportant successes.

SUPERIOR COURT FOR CIVIL CASES CONVENES

Superior court for the trial of civil cases convened yesterday for a term of three weeks, with Judge James L. Webb of Shelby presiding. This term follows the term of three weeks which ended last Saturday, during which several of the most important cases on the civil docket in this county were heard, several of which were finally disposed of.

A consent judgment has been signed in the case of L. A. Lise against the Southern Railroad company, by which the plaintiff was awarded \$200.

A divorce was granted A. Austin from L. V. Austin, on statutory grounds.

When court recessed for noon the case of John Wyatt against the Carolina Veneer company was being heard. The plaintiff is suing for \$10,000 damages, alleging that he lost several fingers owing to an accident that occurred while employed by the defendant company.

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