

SOU. RY TO AWARD MEDALS TO MEN

President Harrison Will Present Them to Those Serving Over 25 Years.

MANY ASHEVILLE NAMES.

Approximately 80 men in this territory who have been in the service of the Southern Railway company for over twenty-five years, will receive within the next few days a medal from President Fairfax Harrison. The names as compiled at the office of Superintendent F. S. Collins of this city are as follows:

- James H. Wood division passenger agent, Asheville; C. G. King, trainmaster, Asheville; W. D. Meacham, dispatcher, Asheville; W. W. Retzer, supervisor, Asheville; W. W. Hannah, yardmaster, Asheville; W. P. Maher, agent, Asheville; J. W. Baker, agent, Hendersonville; G. A. Dierges, agent, Biltmore; C. D. Clarke, station master, Asheville; W. S. Taylor, engineer, Salisbury; W. W. Pitts, engineer, Asheville; W. V. Low, engineer, Asheville; D. P. Keever, engineer, Asheville; R. F. Cline, engineer, Asheville; G. H. Redfeorn, engineer, Asheville; T. M. Tarpley, engineer, Asheville; R. L. James, engineer, Asheville; J. W. Cline, engineer, Asheville; J. S. Baele, engineer, Spencer; J. H. Sullivan, engineer, Asheville; H. H. Sullivan, engineer, Asheville; A. B. Blair, switching engineer, Asheville; W. W. DeVault, switching engineer, Asheville; E. W. Koontz, conductor, Salisbury; G. R. Hanzer, conductor, Asheville; B. E. Sumner, conductor, Asheville; J. L. Overton, conductor, Salisbury; J. L. Palmer, conductor, Asheville; H. L. Tomlin, conductor, Asheville; L. D. Parker, conductor, Salisbury; Thos. Murphy, conductor, Salisbury; R. J. Mills, conductor, Asheville; S. G. Weldon, operator, Biltmore; J. S. Abernathy, agent, Newton, N. C.; J. M. Causey, crossing watchman, Stateville; James Erwin, crossing watchman, Morganton; J. A. Parks, freight packer, Asheville; Mack Wheeler, freight packer, Asheville; Henry Anderson, trucker, Asheville; W. M. Phillips, pumper, Old Fort; M. H. Chick, pumper, Barber; Geo. Chambers, pumper, Asheville; J. Allison, engineer, Asheville; J. B. Berry, section foreman, Connelly Springs; L. Kale, section foreman, Newton, N. C.; A. F. Hendley, section foreman, Elmwood; W. A. Hamlet, section foreman, Statesville; I. G. Tracey, section foreman, Glen Alpine; M. R. Powell, section foreman, Macon; W. H. Perkins, section foreman, Hickory; E. E. Hendley, section foreman, Marion; Cornelius Jenkins, section foreman, Connelly Springs; Lee

...The reverse of the medal bears the inscription "Southern Railway Company For Loyalty" and shows an actual scene on the road, a section of modern double track equipped with automatic signals with an all steel passenger train running through the mountains of North Georgia. President Harrison's plan was to show a typical industrial scene with a factory in the background but the sculptor would not accept that a factory was capable of artistic treatment and insisted on mountains. It is, however, fortunate for the company and for those who will wear the medals that there are factories on the line as well as scenery. The reverse of the medal shows three symbols of modern railroading, a telephone dispatcher at his switchboard, a section gang engaged in maintenance and a large heavy power press to represent the shop crafts. Thus each principal branch of service is indicated. On the reverse also is engraved the name of the man to whom the medal is awarded with the date of his service record.

On Tuesday of this week the company gave out the following statement concerning the awards: One thousand seven hundred and fifty-eight men in the employ of the Southern Railway company, representing all ranks and all classes from general officer to blacksmith helper who have exceeded twenty-five years of continuous service on the road will shortly be awarded a medal by President Fairfax Harrison in recognition of their achievement and to commemorate their honorable record. The presentation of the medals will be made personally by Mr. Harrison to all those entitled to them during the next two weeks. He will give out the first of the medals at Washington March 15, and has arranged to deliver medals at the following points on the dates mentioned: Alexandria, Va., March 16; Greensboro, N. C., March 17; Charlotte, N. C., March 18; Atlanta, Ga., March 19; Birmingham, Ala., March 20; Knoxville, Tenn., March 21; and at St. Louis, Mo., March 22.

In announcing the plan the following statement was issued by President Harrison: "Southern Railway company has in its service 1,758 men of all ranks and all classes from general officer to blacksmith helper who have exceeded twenty-five years of continuous service on the road. There are indeed thirty-four men who have exceeded fifty years of such service, and it is also of interest that there are 225 negroes on the list. These men are the best men the company carries on its rolls, for they have proven their loyalty and their fitness for their several responsibilities in the hard school of experience and by survival of the strict discipline which is necessary in the administration of a railroad. To recognize their achievement and to commemorate to their honorable record, the company has arranged to award to each one of them a medal which they can wear so long as they live and hand down as an heirloom to their families." The medal of bronze of highly artistic and successful design is the work of the distinguished sculptor Victor Brenner, of New York, who was recommended to the company by the United States director of the mint. The artist is best known perhaps for his design of the current

HOOD'S OPENING DRAWS CROWDS

Throngs of Asheville Women View Distinctive Creations For Which Shop Is Noted.

As is always the case, the announcement of Hood's opening drew throngs of eager women today, and many were the exclamations of delighted admiration as the beautiful spring hats were displayed. While Mr. Hood was prevented, by the war, from making his usual trip to Paris, there are more imported trimmings and accessories shown this year than last. Mr. Hood told The Times representative that the French flower factories that were at first closed are again busily at work; there has been industrial readjustment, as well as the call of necessity. The flowers are distinctly novel; flowers made of wax, notably the roses and lilies, imitate the original so closely as to deceive the expert eye. Foliage, also, is waxed to secure a glossy finish. One superb hat has a large bunch of flowers, as adornment, mingled with ferns, "real, truly ferns," such as grow in our mountain coves; they have been treated in some scientific fashion that preserves both color and texture; the flowers used with the ferns include one magnificent fuchsia rose, asters and carnations.

French buttonholes, and sprays of tiny Dredon like flowers are effectively used on some of the most modish hats. Huge chrysanthemums made of pleated taffeta are another flower novelty. One of the most artistic creations is a broad white hat with two superb water lilies with their flexible stems as the trimming. While the flowers are the favorite adornment with ribbon second, feathers are also shown, but in new, little closely fitted shapes that make a fitting trimming for the more formal hats.

Through the entire display the note of distinctiveness, of individuality distinguishes every bit of millinery, as unmistakably Hood's.

CONTEST CAMPAIGN CREATES INTEREST

W. Lee Leads Older Boys and A. Nichols Ahead in Younger Boys' Standing.

William Lee supplants Frank Mims as leader of the Older Boys contest in the Y. M. C. A. membership campaign. Archie Nichols maintains his lead in smaller contest, according to figures given out today. Jay Cooke, a new entry in the younger contest, climbs into second place.

The standing follows:

Older Boys	Points
W. Lee	150
F. Mims	143
W. Sullivan	140
P. Randolph	110
B. Bourne	90
Ray Jordan	69
J. Martin	42
G. Pugh	24
S. Brown	7

Younger Boys	Points
A. Nichols	80
J. Coffey	67
J. Sevier	67
J. Pelou	60
S. Orr	46
P. Wolfe	40
R. Starnes	29

Priscilla Club Meeting. The Priscilla Crochet club met Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. H. C. Cliff, 113 Ashland avenue. Delightful refreshments were served and the occasion was much enjoyed. The next meeting will be with Mrs. J. A. Coston at her residence, 194 Woodfin street.

AD CLUB CONSIDERS SIGN ORDINANCE

Refers Matter to Committee—"Dress-Up" Week Is Endorsed by Members.

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VERY RARE AUTOMOBILE OPPORTUNITY

We have just received one car of Chevrolet Automobile Touring cars, fully equipped with electric lights, self-starters and can be bought at \$595 f. o. b. Asheville. Also one car Monroe Runabouts and one Speedster. Can be bought at \$540 at our garage. On display now at 19 E. College street, adjoining Langren hotel, Chambers & Weaver.

G. O. P. NEGROES CAUSE CONCERN

(Continued From Page One). ing a fiduciary department to its business. The Asheville Overland Sales company amends its charter. Albert L. Cox, prominent young lawyer has announced his candidacy

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JUNIORS ENDORSE THE BOND ISSUE

At a meeting Thursday of the Junior Order United American Mechanics, No. 324, of Biltmore unanimously endorsed the proposed bond issue of \$45,000 for the erection of a new and modern school building at that place. The election is to be held April 11 and the promoters of the issue believe that the election will be carried in favor of a new school house.

Within a few days a mass meeting will be called at Biltmore in order that the question of a site for the structure may be discussed by all interested citizens.

ADDITIONAL SOCIAL

Birth Party. A delightful birthday party was given Wednesday by Mrs. J. R. Green in honor of her little daughter, Mary Frances. The small guests brought many presents to the honoree. Games were played and Miss Ruth Jones gave some charming selections on the piano. Mrs. R. L. Roland and Mrs. Purman Davis marched the children into the dining room for refreshments.

Mother's Club Meeting. Thursday afternoon the Mother's club held an interesting meeting at Welfare cottages. About 20 members were present to hear Dr. L. W. Elms address the club on "The Care of the Baby." A social hour followed.

Personal Workers Meet. The extension committee of the Personal workers will meet Sunday afternoon at Valley Springs school house on the Hendersonville road. W. M. Howell will lead the meeting.

Mrs. John Mills Newton has returned to the Langren hotel after a visit to Bakersville.

Mr. and Mrs. Hones entertained Friday evening with a beautifully appointed dinner in honor of some of the visiting Pythians. Covers were laid for ten.

The many friends of Mr. Frank E. Vaughn will be glad to know that he is recovering from a very severe illness. Mr. Vaughn is in his third year. His daughters, Miss Emille W. Vaughn and Mrs. Alva S. Grow also his son, Henry W. Vaughn, are with him and will remain in Skyland for some time.

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