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THE PRESIDENT SEEMS ANXIOUS

Calls Senator Depew to the White House

CONFIRMATIONS DISCUSSED

Chief Magistrate Has Heard Rumors From Republicans Regarding Appointments of Democrats to Judicial Positions and Appears Rather Concerned.

Washington, Dec. 13.—There is some anxiety at the white house today over confirmations. The president has heard that there is some feeling among republican senators over the fact that so many of his judgeship appointees are democrats. He has not heard enough to cause him serious alarm, yet he undoubtedly feels concerned over the situation.

Senator Depew of New York, a member of the judiciary committee of the senate, called to see the president this morning at the request of Mr. Taft. As he left the senator said that the question of confirmation was the subject of their conference. He would not, however, go into details, but he gave the decided impression that opposition might be expected to the slate submitted by the president.

Some republican senators feel that two supreme court judgeships out of three were quite enough honors for the democrats, without adding two more out of the five appointments in the case of the court of commerce.

It is also pointed out that out of the two interstate commerce commission appointments made, one went to a democrat.

There is no opposition to the general policy of a nonpartisan judiciary. Republican senators who called at the white house, said today, but they intimated that even that policy might be carried a trifle too far when the woods were full of good republican judiciary timber.

Nearly a dozen republican senators called to see the president today. Most of them denied that they were interested in the question of confirmation, except in an individual way, but they were at the white house just at a time when the matter of confirmation is the uppermost question.

TULANE WAS ADMITTED

SOUTHERN ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION WELL ATTENDED.

Prof. R. L. Flowers returned Monday from Birmingham, Alabama, where he attended the annual meeting of the Southern Athletic Association. The meeting was well attended and much interest was manifested in the work the organization has done. Very few changes were made in the rules governing the eligibility of players, most of them being with the view of simplifying the rules. The three year rule was proposed but it was defeated, the sentiment of the association being that the time had not yet arrived when the rule was needed in the southern institutions. The following institutions were represented at the convention:

Agricultural and Mechanical College of Mississippi; Alabama Polytechnic Institute; Clemson College; Georgia School of Technology; Howard College; Louisiana State University; Mercer University; State University of Kentucky; Mississippi College; Trinity College; University of Alabama; University of Georgia; University of Mississippi; University of the South; University of Tennessee; Vanderbilt University; The Citadel of Charleston, and Wofford College were not represented. Tulane University, of New Orleans was admitted to the association.

The old officers were elected as follows: President, Dr. W. L. Dudley, of Vanderbilt, vice-president, first district, North and South Carolina, Prof. W. F. Riggs, Clemson College; second district, Georgia, Alabama, and Florida, Prof. John Morris, University of Georgia; third district, Mississippi, Louisiana and Texas, Colonel Thomas D. Boyd, Louisiana State University; fourth district, Kentucky and Tennessee, Prof. St. George L. Slouat, University of the South, Secretary and Treasurer, Dr. E. H. Holmes, Mercer University. The next annual meeting of the association will be held at the University of Alabama.

MRS. HENRY RECOVERING FROM PNEUMONIA ATTACK

Word was received by friends in this city this morning that Mrs. W. P. Henry, of Timmonsville, S. C., who has been quite ill for some time, with pneumonia, is improving. The many friends of Mrs. Henry who lived in Durham before her marriage and has frequently visited here, are glad to hear of her recovery.

PLAN VOLTAGE STATION HERE

Several Years Before Piedmont Line Will Enter City

Following the visit of Messrs. J. B. and B. N. Duke, W. S. Lee, Zeb Taylor and Albert Millmow to this city yesterday, there was brought to light today that it will be at least a year before the transmission of power to this city for the operation of mills will become effective. It is also stated that the inter-urban line will not be constructed to this city for several years, and that at the proper time trackage facilities will be definitely arranged to enter Durham.

While in the city Mr. Millmow inspected the plant of the Durham Traction company and witnessed the operation of the new Corliss engine, which was recently installed. Although there were rumors that the Dukes would endeavor to purchase the Durham Traction company, this could not be confirmed owing to the absence of the president, Mr. R. H. Wright, who is now in Mexico. As it will require several years before the Piedmont line will enter this city, no action has been taken in reference to terminals here. The only matter so far considered is the voltage station for operating the local mills.

From here these gentlemen will inspect the newly acquired traction plant in Charlotte, and then will make a tour of the power plants of the Southern Power company.

Trinity's Y. M. C. A. Changed Program

The Y. M. C. A. of Trinity college dispensed with their regular program Wednesday night and heard the reports of the various standing committees. Mr. G. W. Vick, chairman of the committee on students' aid, reported that the committee had done efficient work since the opening of college having been instrumental in securing employment for many men who are working their way through college. The Bible study committee, of which Mr. J. E. Hardison is chairman, reported that bible study has been unusually popular, having interested a large number of men. At present over 90 men are enrolled in the Bible Study classes. A similar enthusiasm was reported by Mr. E. L. Jones, chairman of the committee on mission study. Including the four weeks course of Professor J. A. Morgan on "Negro Life in the South," there are at present three well-attended mission study classes. The enrollment in the Y. M. C. A. this year has been the largest in the history of the organization. The report of Mr. H. R. Hunter, of the committee on enrollment, shows that over 190 men are members of the Y. M. C. A.

Following the reports of the standing committees, Dean W. I. Cranford made a short talk commenting on the significance of the progress of the Y. M. C. A. A nominating committee consisting of Messrs. H. G. Hedrick, L. M. Epps, W. G. Sheppard, and W. Keller, was appointed to sub, it names for the election of officers which takes place at the regular meeting tonight.

Gifford Pinchot Comments on Report

Washington, Dec. 14.—Gifford Pinchot today made his first statement regarding the verdict given in the majority report by the Ballinger investigating committee. He declared that "the people have long ago decided that the minority reports censuring Ballinger was right," and in addition said the majority report, while exonerating Ballinger, gave vigorous support to the policy opposed by Ballinger and, in fact, justified the Pinchot policy of conservation.

Questioned whether or not Ballinger is an unfaithful public servant he said it was of little consequence with the question of saving coal in Alaska and water power sites everywhere for the people. "If the resources are saved," he continued, "the men against whom the majority have decided will win, no matter what the majority may say. If the resources are lost to the people, those men will lose too."

Advertisement Leads to Legacy. Staunton, Va., Dec. 14.—George C. Paul has renewed his subscription to the local newspaper with one of the \$2,000 he received as a legacy from a departed uncle, of whom he learned in reading a small advertisement.

The advertisement led to correspondence with a Missouri lawyer to whom as executor, Paul proved his relation as nephew to a man with

PARKER TALKS OF COMBINATION

Proposed Merger of Nine Big Cotton Mills

TEN MILLION CAPITAL

Proposes to Form Single Company to Take Over Nine Manufacturing Plants in Which He Holds an Interest—Says Cannot Be Called a Trust.

Charleston, S. C., Dec. 14.—Mr. Lewis W. Parker, of Greenville, while here announced a scheme to form the largest cotton mill merger ever attempted in the south. Mr. Parker is at the head of, or is interested in, nine big cotton mills in this state and his visit to Charleston was made for the purpose of presenting to the Charleston stockholders of these mills a proposition to merge them all into one company under one executive management. The proposition was made and the plan explained at a meeting of the local stockholders held at the Commercial club.

Mr. Parker contemplates the combination of the nine mills in which he is interested into a single company, believing that such a scheme would benefit all parties concerned, the farmer, as well as the holder of cotton mill stock. The mills to be included in the merger are the following: Olympia mills, Columbia, 100,000 spindles; Grady mills, Columbia, 57,000 spindles; Capital City mills, Columbia, 15,000 spindles; Richard mills, Columbia, 26,000 spindles; Beaver Dam mills, Edgefield, 10,000 spindles; Victor Manufacturing company, Greens, 60,000 spindles; Appalache mills, Greens, 20,000 spindles; Monaghan mills, Greenville, 60,000 spindles; Greens Manufacturing company, Greens, 10,000 spindles. The total number of spindles in the mills to be included in the proposed merger is approximately 360,000.

Mr. Parker stated that the proposed merger will not result in the formation of any combination which could be called a trust. The merger of the nine mills that have been mentioned will not result in a monopoly, since only one-tenth of the total number of spindles now in operation in this state will be included.

The capitalization of the big corporation to include all the mills named above is to be approximately \$10,000,000.

Bank Closes Doors After \$50,000 Theft

Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 14.—The Suburban Bank and Trust company, with a capital of \$25,000 and deposits of \$50,000, closed its doors yesterday.

A week ago the bank was robbed of \$50,000. The police say they got no support from the bank officers when the bank robbery was reported.

Found Hole in Monitor

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 14.—The existence of a large hole in the hull of the United States Monitor Puritan, used in the recent armor tests, is reported today. She lies sunk off the Newport News middle ground. The examinations which led to the discovery of the hole were made by divers yesterday.

NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS.

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Hereafter our collecting will be done by collectors bearing cards authorizing them to collect and receipt for subscriptions. Please ask to see this card, and require a receipt.

To our paid subscribers we wish to state that on and after January 1, 1911, all subscriptions not paid for in advance will be discontinued, and all papers will be stopped at the expiration of time paid for. A glance at the label on your paper will tell you when your time expires. Thurs. 11-22-10 following your name means that your subscription expires with the issue of November 22, 1910. Watch the label on your paper and renew in time, that you may not miss an issue.

Respectfully,
F. O. VAUSE,
Circulation Manager.

PENSIONS PAID TO OLD VETS

More Than Six Thousand Dollars for Durham County

JUDGE GREEN HAS MONEY

There Are no Members of the First Class This Year and But Three in the Second—List of all Entitled to Receive.

More than six thousand dollars will be paid to the old soldiers and widows this year in Durham county. Clerk of the Court C. B. Green has received pensions amounting to \$470, and all who are entitled to pensions should call as early as possible. There are no first class pensioners this year and only three in the second class. Second class pensioners receive \$60, third class \$48, and fourth class \$26. The list of those entitled to these pensions follows:

Second class—J. D. Hicks, James J. Kelly, W. P. Latta.

Third class—W. J. Boone, H. T. Bowling, Madison Eakes, Wesley W. Ferrell, R. D. Hackney, W. P. Halley, J. Sidney Halley, R. M. Jones, W. D. Scott.

Fourth Class—Thomas Adams, A. A. Andrews, J. F. Bailey, John M. Blackwood, Alexander Bowen, G. T. Beavers, C. F. Beck, W. D. Blacklock, W. R. Cooper, William C. Cates, Thomas Cates, Jesse Clark, James J. Carden, Alexandria Cuts, Robert C. Cates, W. C. Couch, William Councilman, T. W. Carrigan, Jesse Carden, B. H. Cozart, H. E. Clayton, R. J. Council, D. B. Duke, A. W. Dennis, T. T. Duncan, W. B. Duke, E. W. Dickerson, J. B. Day, Z. T. Dickey, Marcellus Dickson, Newton Dorsett, W. A. Evans, W. J. Fowler, John C. Farnell, S. M. Glenn, G. W. Glenn, Isiah Green, W. G. Guess, B. M. Gentry, J. J. Goodwin, Radford Gooch, H. G. Godwin, John Hall, J. P. Hallemann, I. W. Highsmith, J. B. Harris, J. L. Hall, James A. Henderson, W. J. Harward, W. S. Holloway, D. A. Holt, W. H. Holder, J. E. Hopkins, R. E. Harward, J. R. J. Howington, C. C. High, John D. Irwin, B. Jacobs, W. A. Jenkins, Charles P. Jetton, G. H. Kelly, John S. Leigh, Andrew J. Lloyd, S. M. Lashley, S. C. Lloyd, L. W. Leigh, J. W. Leigh, Durel Moize, W. J. Maylor, W. G. Mangum, Peyton C. Martin, J. Y. Mangum, C. H. Mann, J. I. Murray, A. F. Morris, Marian Norwood, R. E. Neathery, I. W. Norwood, Alfred Neill, William H. Owen, J. W. Oakley, P. H. Oldham, D. W. Parker, Burroughs Pool, Alvis Pendergrass, W. H. Pendergrass, Henry Pickard, W. A. Powell, J. E. Parker, William Pendergrass, Adolphus Rhew, George W. Riggs, George A. Rhodes, Jack Riley, J. W. Rogan, James L. Regan, E. Riley, Alton Richardson, J. G. Riggsbee, I. T. Ripsey, J. D. Sorrell, P. S. Smith, William T. Shields, Joe H. Shields, Nelson Smith, Benjamin E. Tingon, Wiley W. Teasler, Solomon Thompson, J. W. Vaughan, William Warren, Jacob H. Wheeler, Joseph Thomas Walker, Jacob Williams, F. Wheeler, Aisey Womble, J. R. Williams, John W. Watson, John A. Wilkerson, R. A. Wood, S. W. Young, J. R. Wilson.

Widow—Elizabeth J. Addison, Laura Anderson, Eliza Jane Beasley, A. H. Burgess, Martha Brown, Margaret E. Barbee, S. A. Bowen, Sarah Brockwell, E. S. Blalock, Isabel Bynum, E. Julian Cain, Elizabeth Campbell, Sallie Currin, Cornelia W. Chambree, Mary Campbell, Martha M. Couch, Frances Crabtree, T. F. Cheek, W. R. Clark, Mary Cates, Catherine Cagle, Martha Chisholm, Sarah M. Chandler, Flora Catts, Margaret Cannada, Mary Croom, Winfred Clark, Mary Deuning, Mary Ann Dowdy, Sallie C. Dowdy, Bettie Evans, Jennie Edwards, Hawkins Fletcher, Mary J. Fennell, Timesia Garrett, Rena Glenn, Louisa Gilbert, Lizzie Green, S. J. Griffin, Caroline Gattis, Carolina Glenn, Mary Jane Glenn, Lucy J. Gray, Caroline Hall, M. E. Hester, W. H. Howerton, Susanna Hinton, Martha Harris, Eliza P. Harris, Arthenia Howell, Mary Jane Johnson, Sallie Jacob, Drucilla Lassiter, M. B. Lea, A. Frances Lumby, Eliza Lea, Tulle H. Lester, M. E. Markham, A. S. Marshall, Maggie Moore, Rebecca H. Morris, Isabelle Mangum, M. A. McLeod, Margaret Mangum, Anna Mangum, H. Ella McDade, Mollie McGee, Livy Nance, Pernelia Paynter, E. C. Fox, Catherine Pool, M. F. Perry, E. J. Pickett, Jane Roberts, Elizabeth Rhew, Fannie Rhew, Mary J. Rochelle, Mary A. Rhew, J. C. Roberts, Catherine Rigbee, M. M. Riley, Carolina Rigbee, Eliza Rollins, Margaret Scott, Samantha Strickland, Elizabeth Smith, M. M. Sorrell, Martha J. Suit, Sue H. Scarlett, J. S. Sings, F. E. Tiley, Eliza T. Taley, Melissa Thompson, Rebecca Turner, Margaret Walker, Mary Warren, Mary Jane Wheeler, Rebecca Woods, Mary E. Whitaker, Virginia Wooten.

FUND SHOWS A STEADY GROWTH

Washington Raised Twenty Two Thousand for Red Cross

LETTER FROM PRESIDENT

Chief Magistrate Points Out Need for Endowment Fund and Declares the United States is Behind Other Nations in This Great Work.

Washington, Dec. 14.—More than two-thirds of Washington's share of the proposed endowment fund of \$2,000,000 for the American National Red Cross has been subscribed. Washington was put down to contribute 10 cents for each one of its population, or \$33,000. More than \$22,000 in subscriptions was announced at a meeting of the endowment fund committee held Monday.

A letter from President Taft, head of the organization, to the committee, was read, in which he explained the need for a permanent endowment for the work of the Red Cross in this country, and pointing out that in this work the United States is behind other nations. The endowment fund would enable a wiser and more economical expenditure for relief work than could be had otherwise.

Miss Mabel T. Boardman, of the executive committee, outlined the purposes of the meeting, and the following officers were elected: Henry B. F. Macfarland, chairman; Henry H. Flather, temporary secretary; Clarence Rose, permanent secretary; and E. J. Stelwagen, treasurer.

DEBATERS AT SEWANEES

TRINITY MEN LEFT FOR TENNESSEE TOWN TODAY.

Messrs. C. O. Fisher, of Cary, and E. J. Loundow, of Asheville, left this afternoon for Sewanee, Tenn., where they represent Trinity in the debate between the two institutions which comes off next Saturday night. They go by the way of Atlanta, where they will spend a half day taking in the sights of the New York of the south, before boarding the train for Chattanooga where they are due to arrive late Thursday night. They will proceed from there to Sewanee arriving there Friday in good time to rest up and get their notes in order for the contest of the night following.

Mr. Fisher is a Durham boy having lived here all his life up to a year ago when his father was called to Cary. He was prepared at the Durham high school, where he got his earliest training in debate in the Blackwell literary society of that college. In his freshman year in college he took the freshman debater's medal, and during the second year he represented the Hesperian society in the inter-collegiate debate together with Mr. W. G. Matton. He is recognized as one of the strongest debaters ever developed in that society.

Mr. Loundow, who is a member of the Columbian society, was prepared at the Asheville high school, and went from there to the University of Tennessee for one year. During his two years at Trinity he has made a name for himself as a debater of economic questions. He possesses a ready analytical mind and fluent expression, qualities which will count heavily in Saturday night's contest.

The Sewanee debaters are Messrs. Samuel Sutcliffe and Lewis D. Smith. The latter takes the place of Mr. A. G. Leigh, who was first choice for the Sewanee team but who will be prevented from taking part in the debate because of an attack of malarial fever, which has necessitated his removal to the hospital. A letter from Sewanee states that everything is in readiness for the debate, and no unfortunate hitch like that of last year is expected. It will be recalled that the last debate between the two institutions was held in Durham and that the Tennesseans were victorious. There is a wide-spread feeling here that they will be less fortunate this year, and that the palm will be carried off by the two Trinity men. However, the fight is in the enemy's country and no one is indulging too freely in prophecy. If Trinity loses again this year it will not be the fault of the two men who are representing her, rather that of the deus ex machina which guards the fortunes of the college on the mountain.

Small Fire at Haten's Store. At a few minutes past 10 o'clock last night the fire department was summoned to Haten's department store on East Main street, and after 30 minutes work the smouldering fire was extinguished. The origin of the fire is unknown. The amount of

ANOTHER BIG BILL IS UP

Fourth of Money Measures Placed Before the House

WOMAN DECLARES SHE TRIED TO GET REVOLVER AWAY FROM MAN WHO HAD BEEN DRINKING AND BELIEVE HE PULLED THE TRIGGER HIMSELF DURING STRUGGLE.

Washington, Dec. 14.—The house began work today on the fourth of the big money measures with the introduction of the legislative appropriation bill. In the first seven days of the short session of the 61st congress the house has appropriated nearly \$200,000,000. The Indian appropriation bill carries \$8,000,000; the rivers and harbors bill \$31,000,000 and the pension bill more than \$152,000,000, all of which have been rushed through the house in a session of just 31 1-2 hours. This is an expenditure of more than \$6,000,000 every hour, or \$100,000 every minute.

NORTH CAROLINA CLAIMS

MANY ARE BENEFICIARIES IN BILL BEFORE SENATE.

Washington, Dec. 14.—Following are the North Carolina items in the omnibus claims bill now pending before the senate and which is expected to be passed immediately: First Baptist church, New Bern, \$1,200; Bushrod W. Nash for Union Baptist association of Wayne county, \$650; Hardy A. Brewington, administrator of the estate of Ralston Brewington, Sampson county, \$530; William H. Bucklin, Craven county, \$390; Lucy A. Dibble, administratrix of the estate of Sylvester Dibble, Beaufort county, \$795; J. W. Howett, administrator for William Howett, Tyrrell county, \$1,480; Mary Lee Dennis, executrix of the estate of Levi Oglesby, Carteret county, \$182; H. Perry, administrator of the estate of George W. Perry, deceased, Craven county, \$4,350; Presbyterian church of Lumbers Bridge, \$1,800; Methodist Episcopal church, South, of Morehead City, \$800; Diocese of East Carolina of the Protestant Episcopal church, for church at Nags Head, \$856.

DEATH OF MRS. ELLIOTT

REMAINS BROUGHT TO DURHAM FOR BURIAL.

This afternoon at 2 o'clock the funeral services over the remains of Mrs. Tempy Elliott, who died yesterday at the home of her son, Mr. J. N. Elliott at High Point, was held from the home of Mr. J. A. Durham at 104 East Pettigrew street. The body was brought to this city last night from High Point. Mrs. Elliott was aged 71 years.

Mrs. Elliott is survived by six sons and two daughters: Messrs. Rufin William, Gus, J. N., Dal, and Slaph, Mrs. Menty of Georgia and Miss Alice of Oak Grove, two brothers, Messrs. Ruff Fogleman of Greensboro and Cam Fogleman of Oak Grove, and Miss M. Fogleman of Guilford, N. C. Interment was made at Duke chapel.

Miss LeBlanc Set Free by the Jury

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 14.—The case of Hattie LeBlanc, the 17 year old French Canadian girl, charged with the murder of Clarence F. Glover went to the jury this morning. The last words of the girl were "I did not do it. I want to go home with father. The words had a visible effect upon the jurors.

The jury after being out one hour and 30 minutes brought in a verdict of not guilty. The court room was crowded and the verdict was received with great enthusiasm. Miss LeBlanc was at once set at liberty and it is said she will return to her Canadian home with her father as soon as possible.

French Boxing Clubs.

Paris, Dec. 14.—The French National Federation of Boxing clubs has issued a call for the first international boxing congress, to be held under the auspices of the French national body from March 1 to 15, at Paris.

It is the object of this congress to agree on a standard of weight limits for the different classes which shall be universal. An effort also will be made to agree on rules and to take measures to protect the public from fakers and put the game on a higher level.

Roosevelt in Boston.

Boston, Dec. 14.—Colonel Roosevelt arrived here this morning from New Haven, Conn. He is the guest of Judge Francis C. Lowell, of the United States circuit court. The colonel will speak at Harvard tonight on

SHOT HIMSELF SAYS MRS. CLAPP

Wife of Wealthy Clubman Tells Her Story

HUSBAND THREATENED HER

Woman Declares She Tried to Get Revolver Away From Man Who Had Been Drinking and Believe He Pulled the Trigger Himself During Struggle.

Philadelphia, Dec. 14.—Mrs. Herbert Mason Clapp, wife of the wealthy clubman who was strangely shot in his home at Fifteenth street and Girard avenue, told her own story of the trouble.

Clapp is now in a dying condition at St. Joseph's hospital. In an autopsym statement he accused his wife of having shot him during a trivial quarrel. He has one bullet wound in his neck and another in the right arm.

Mrs. Clapp was arrested by the police after her husband had accused her, and was released by Magistrate Morris in bonds of \$1,500. "I do not believe any woman could get along with my husband," said Mrs. Clapp. "I am his second wife. His first wife left him because of the abuse heaped upon her. Then he courted me, led me to believe that he was madly in love with me and induced me to marry him. Our married life has been very unhappy.

"One reason for this was that Mr. Clapp drank heavily, and whenever under the influence of liquor he was abusive. He had been drinking heavily Sunday evening and was nervous and irritable.

"During the night he awoke to quarrel with me. He wanted to have the window opened. Then he drew a revolver from a holster which he kept under his pillow and threatened to shoot me. I tried to get the pistol away from him, and during the struggle that followed it was discharged.

"I was so excited that I did not know how many shots were fired, nor who pulled the trigger, but I believe my husband did.

"I have left my husband twice, but on each occasion he has persuaded me to return to him."

Mrs. Clapp has told several conflicting stories of the shooting. The police attribute her contradictory statements to her hysterical condition.

In the meantime Clapp is persistent in pressing charges of intent to kill against her. It developed today that in the event of his recovery, he is himself to be arrested on a similar charge when he leaves the hospital. A guard is to be placed over him, and as soon as he is able, he will be arraigned and accused of attacking and attempting to kill his wife. The charges will be based upon the story by Mrs. Clapp.

Clapp's condition was improved today, and although in higher spirits, he still harbors the hatred against his wife which marked his demeanor yesterday. The police, who are very much impressed with Mrs. Clapp's story that the shooting was accidental and occurred while she was trying to prevent him from turning the revolver upon her did their utmost to shake the husband's story of premeditated assault, but we are unable to do so. The man appears to harbor intense malice against the former manufacturer.

Mrs. Clapp's father and mother both declare their full confidence in their daughter's innocence.

Merchants Deferred Action on Hotel

At the regular monthly meeting last night the merchants of Durham endorsed New Orleans as the logical point for the Panama exposition. The secretary was instructed to send a copy of these resolutions to the eastern representatives, who are at work for New Orleans. The hotel matter was deferred until the next meeting in January. The meeting was well attended and there was much enthusiasm in naming New Orleans over San Francisco in the great fight that is being waged for the exposition.

R. L. Brown Made Superintendent

Owing to the falling health of Col. W. J. Hicks, Mr. R. L. Brown, of Oxford, was chosen by the directors of the Oxford orphanage late yesterday afternoon, as superintendent of this institution. Mr. E. P. Bland was elected secretary and treasurer to succeed Mr. B. W. Rogers, of Oxford, who retired. The members of the board present was given in yes-