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CONFEDERATE RE-UNION.

INTERESTING MEETING HELD AT NEW ORLEANS, LA.

Large and Enthusiastic Attendance—Good Speeches—Grand Street Parade—Will Meet at Richmond Next Year.

Mr. A. W. Alston, who returned home Sunday from a trip to New Orleans, where he attended the Confederate Veteran's Re-Union, furnishes us the following write-up of his trip and the occasion:

Perhaps if you have space to spare, the old confederate veterans would like to hear a word about the reunion at New Orleans. Accompanied by my father and sister Hodgie I left here Monday 5:20 p. m., and I want to say right here that the S. A. L., has the cleverest and most accommodating set of employees I ever met, all along the line to the Passenger Agent in New Orleans. We took a sleeper in Franklinton, got supper on the train and woke up in Savannah Tuesday a. m., and were joined there by Mr. Foreman and his niece one of Savannah's lovely daughters. We traveled all day Tuesday through Georgia and Alabama and reached Montgomery about 8 p. m. I noticed on this road the farm of a Mr. Johnson who makes about 1,500 bales of cotton. It is a beautiful farm facing the Railroad for about 2 miles. Some sections of Georgia and Alabama the land is fine, but lots of it is poor. We took a sleeper at Montgomery and woke up Wednesday a. m. in the State of Mississippi, then the beauties began. The lovely flowers, shade trees and Palms making one feel like living there. These beautiful scenes were rapidly passed and we found ourselves in the L. & N. Station in New Orleans.

Through the kindness of Mr. Scroggs the General Passenger Agt of the S. A. L. we soon had rooms and were refreshed and ready to do New Orleans. It would be impossible for me to name each point of interest but there are many things to be seen.

The residence section is the prettiest I ever saw in any city; with nearly every residence is a large lawn filled with lovely flowers and plants, making one think he was looking at flower gardens in Italy.

Thursday we went to the Auditorium built especially for the reunion and supposed to hold forty thousand people, and there listened to speaker after speaker praise the bravest men that ever lived, the men who wore the Gray from 61 to 65. I wish every old veteran could have heard those speeches. It would have done their hearts good to know the spirit of the old South lives in the heart of the New South, and soldiers in Gray are loved whenever the grand old Dixie is played. Tears came into my eyes in spite of all I could do as I listened to the cheers of those old Veterans, some with one arm, some with one leg, as they cheered the names of Lee, Jackson, Stuart, Longstreet, Early, Hill and many other leaders.

The biggest day of all, Friday, saw the streets packed with people eager to witness the parade. To describe the scene would require a writer far above me. Never have I before witnessed such a scene. Gen. Stephen D. Lee the commander of the united Confederate Veterans received an ovation along the entire line of march. As the men from each State would pass the cheers that greeted them must have made their hearts glad. The old battle flags that were shot and torn bore in their tattered folds the testimony of the bravery of the men who had followed them, some to victory and some to death. "Over powered but not conquered," you could look into the faces of those battle worn veterans and see gleaming from their eyes the fire

of 61 to 65—ready even now to meet any fire in defense of their country. The people of New Orleans are as hospitable as any on earth, and at 8:15 p. m., Friday we reluctantly bade them adieu for home. One thing I've forgotten to mention and this was the grand ball on Thursday night, where were gathered the beautiful women of our own dear southland, and they were the most beautiful women that ever graced any ball room floor. Every southern state was well represented and every type of beauty could be seen, from the beauties from the Old North State (and none were more beautiful) to the dark brunettes of the beautiful creoles of New Orleans. Men who would not fight for such women would not be worthy to bear the names of the men who wore the gray.

Next year the Reunion will be held in Richmond and I want every old soldier to go and if there is one in Franklin county who is not able to pay his way I will head the list with any amount necessary to take them. My old soldier friends it will do your hearts good to go.

Old veterans I loved you before—but this trip to the reunion has made my heart yours—God bless the men who wore the gray from 61 to 65, and may they be spared to see many more years of happiness.

"OLD FOLKS" CONCERT.

LOUISBURG COLLEGE CHAPEL.

A Nicely Arranged Programme Was Most Interestingly Rendered by the Young Ladies.

The College doors were thrown open to the public on Monday evening, and lovers of old time music gathered to be most delightfully entertained by musical selections of the long ago. The program was a creditable one, and the rendition of each number excellent. Both bespeak taste and talent for the young ladies who, without assistance from the faculty, got up the entertainment.

A small admission fee was charged and the proceeds used to supplement the funds in Y. M. C. A. treasury. This organization in the college is in its eighth year; through it entertainment for Saturday evenings, the recreation time, has been provided and daily vesper services held from its organization.

Below we give the program, each number being so well rendered that any special mention would be out of place, though it is perhaps admissible to say that The Banjo and Maiden's Prayer, selections by Miss Sallie Jones, who was pupil of L. F. C. in the seventies, received hearty applause:

Chorus, Medley
Recitation, Selected

Miss Primrose.

Song, Selected

Miss Ruth Hall.

Duett, "A. B. C." Parry

Misses Maude and Leone Edgerton.

Recitation, Selected

Miss Margaret Hicks.

Duett, Quaker Courtship,

Misses Lyda Washburn and Ava Aycock.

Piano Solo, Neptune Rondo,

Miss Sallie Jones.

Recitation, Encouragement,

Miss Maude Edgerton.

"THE OLD MAID."

CAST OF CHARACTERS.

Miss Tabitha Flihit, Miss Katie Credle,

Miss Jennie Lee, Miss Maude Edgerton

Miss Anna Steele, Miss Leone Edgerton

Dr. Thorntongrove, Miss Lyda Washburn

Deacon White, Miss Allie Jenkins

Bettie, the maid, Miss Mattie Hester

BAPTIST UNION MEETS.

EXCELLENT ADDRESSES, BIG DINNER, ENJOYABLE TIME.

Deep Interest Manifested and Much Good Work Done—Next Meeting to be Held With Poplar Springs Baptist Church.

We are indebted to Rev. H. H. Mashburn for the following account of the Baptist Union held with Maple Springs Baptist church on last Saturday and Sunday:

I am glad to comply with your request for something of the Union Meeting of the Baptist churches of Franklin county, held at Maple Springs, April 27-29.

The whole programme was in the interest of Sunday School work, and was carried out very satisfactorily, although two of the speakers whom we had hoped to have, failed to come.

The attendance was unusually good on Saturday and the discussions excellent. Prof. R. B. White's address on "The Sunday School for Grown People" was timely, able and convincing. The discussion on "The Importance of the Sunday School Teachers' Work" can not but be helpful in a good degree. I did not hear Mr. Julian E. Pleasants' address Saturday night on "The Sunday School and Citizenship," though I heard many words in praise of it by those who did have the good fortune to hear it.

On Sunday morning at 10 o'clock the writer taught the Sunday School lesson for that day, in the place of Mr. Ivey Allen, who had been appointed to that service, but who could not be present at that hour. The 11 o'clock hour was given to Dr. Livius Lankford, of Norfolk, Va. Dr. Lankford, after an absence of thirty-two years, had come back to his old home, and his old church. He received a most cordial greeting by many who knew him in the good old days ago. He spoke most tenderly of the scenes and incidents of his youth, of his becoming a member of the Maple Springs church, and of the noble men who used to bless that community with their splendid services. He then announced the subject he had chosen for the occasion, "The Power of Habit." He knew his subject and made an exceedingly helpful address to the delight of the vast throng who heard him.

Then came dinner which was spread on the ground in picnic fashion. It was a bountiful feast. The crowd was large, very large, but there was plenty to spare after all had eaten. It would have been enough, however, to say that dinner was on the grounds, and at Maple Springs church.

Altogether it was the best Union we have had since I have been in Louisburg.

The next session will be held with the church at Poplar Springs, beginning Friday night before the 6th Sunday in July. Already we are planning to make it a great meeting.

HOW SHALL WE TREAT OUR CRIMINALS?

We are charitable enough in our view to allow the other man to hold his opinions and continue to respect him: We have seen enough of life to learn that no man has the key to all knowledge. This is a pretense to what we believed to be an error on the part of officials in this state as to how to deal with criminals. Judges and magistrates all over the state get rid of the criminals in many cases by so fixing the bond that the guilty party can go to some other section.

This is not our idea of the way to get rid of crime. What do these people care of changing their residence? They hang out their card and carry on their nefarious business until the public revolts at the disorder they create and then they are allowed to give a small band and go away to some other town or community and begin anew their work of destruction.

It is our opinion that it is as much the duty of this town to punish the people who violate its laws and the laws of the state as it is to perform any other civic duty. We are unable to see the good that comes to the state by making criminals change their places of residence. Most of our churches take collections for state missions and pay preachers to preach the gospel to those in our own borders who are not able to support a minister and all men think of this as money well spent. But at the same time we are doing this we are driving criminals from one section to another and doing it to save the state or county the expense of punishing them. This is not our idea of the way to bring about the conditions that will be the most helpful to all our people.

We give the officers credit for being sincere in the performance of their duty and no doubt they have good reasons for thinking that they are right in their methods, but when will men who are disposed to commit crime desist so long as they have reason to believe that they will, if caught be allowed to move away to some other part of the state. Let all men know that the laws of the country must be obeyed or the guilty must suffer the penalties laid down in our books by our legislators.—Mt. Airy News.

REVISION OF THE TARIFF.

SPEAKER CANNON'S VIEWS.

The "Common Mind" of the People is Giving Much Trouble to the Republicans.

Speaker Cannon has been smoked out of his tariff hole and forced to give a reason why the tariff should not be revised. He declared in a private letter to a trust pottery manufacturer, protected from competition by the tariff, that "the desire for a change which exists in the common mind will drive the Republican party, if continued in power, to a tariff revision." He said he did not want it, but it would have to come "in the not distant future." This letter having been published compelled Mr. Cannon to make a further statement of his position. He starts off by saying that the amendment of a single schedule, or a few schedules, is "entirely impracticable." In his judgment "nothing can be done except by a complete revision of the tariff." "That," he says "would halt production, consumption and commerce for at least twelve months," and the result would "probably not be an improvement on existing law." "For the general interest of the whole country," he thinks the revision toward which "the common mind" in its desire for change is driving the Republican party "should be postponed as long as possible."

This disagreement of the uncommon mind of Speaker Cannon with that of the common people is nothing new with Republican politicians. Their affiliation with the corporations, trusts and combines obliterates any sympathy for the plundered people. But tariff revision and other reforms will come, not through the aid of the unwilling Republican Speaker of the House of Representatives, or his party associates, but through the ardent reform efforts of a new Congress born of the desires of the Democracy and aided by independent voters who are sick and tired of the plundering of the trusts and the corruption and grafting of the republican party.

The attitude of the Republican politician toward protective tariff is like the heathen before his idol, it is a fetish to worship and too sacred to be touched. But when the time of stress and political trouble comes and the tariff idol has shown itself to be a brazen image and its high priests have exhorted it to plunder the people that the nation will have none of it and will cast it down and break it.

FRANKLINTON BUDGET.

THE GRADED SCHOOL FLOURISHING UNDER PROF. SAMS.

The Literary Club Has an Interesting Meeting, and a Delightful Entertainment Takes Place—Fire Near Town.

Our Graded School, under the Superintendency of Prof. E. E. Sams, and his able assistants, is in a flourishing condition, and when we get our new building completed our people will feel prouder of this institution.

B. I. Holden, one of our best farmers, had the misfortune to lose his barn with a lot of rough feed, one good horse, crib and lot of corn by fire on Tuesday morning. No one knows the origin of the fire. Mr. Holden is a quiet, peaceful citizen, did not think he had an enemy who would injure him. Mr. Wyatt Conyers, who was cultivating part of the Holden land, also lost a lot of feed. We learn Mr. Holden also lost quite a number of farming implements.

The Virginia Dare Literary Club was pleasantly entertained last Tuesday by Mrs. E. E. Sams at her home.

The study of Scott as a poet, narrative poet and novelist was a literary treat.

The program was as follows: Paper: Life and Works of Scott, Mrs. G. P. Norman.

Paper: Scott As a Narrative Poet, Miss Nena Ballard.

Reading: "The Prophecy," from Lady of the Lake. Miss Vann.

Paper: Scott the Novelist. Mrs. T. W. Whedbee.

A most enjoyable event of the week in our town was the delightful entertainment given by Miss Frances Winston in honor of Dr. and Mrs. A. R. Winston, at Winston Heights, on Friday afternoon April 28th.

The parlors and halls were tastefully decorated with ferns and potted plants, Miss Mattie Ballard and Mr. R. A. Winston received in the spacious hall, Dr. and Mrs. Winston were in the parlor to the right where Mrs. Winston was presented to the large number of friends, of which there was not less than fifty couples. Miss Nena Ballard and Mr. D. C. McGhee presided at the punch bowl where delicious fruit punch was served. After the friends had met Dr. and Mrs. Winston refreshments fresh from North Carolina's noted caterer (Dughi, of Raleigh,) were served in courses. The large concourse of friends were dotted here and there on the beautiful piazza which encircles the handsome residence. The event was an elegant one, all pronouncing Miss Winston a most charming hostess.

rates on hides, or coal, would destroy domestic industry is too absurd for argument. Would it ruin the crops or cause the rain to compete the sun to be darkened? The Beef Trust would lose a trifle of its enormous profits, but no one believes the farmer or cattle grower would lose a cent. Even the abnormally high price for hides, now being paid, has not increased the price of cattle, for cattle are now selling cheaper than for many years before, though the tariff protected Beef Trust is getting a high price for beef.

Take the iron and steel schedules and abolish the tariff rates on the products of the Steel Trust and that giant corporation would still control the market for its products, for the cost of transportation over seas would be protection enough and only inordinate profits would be reduced. There is hardly a schedule of the tariff that does not shelter some trust, or combine, that in all fairness to a long-suffering people does not require revision. The Republicans refuse to meddle with it, so this duty must be entrusted to the Democrats, who are pledged to reasonable reform that will prevent the trusts selling cheaper abroad than here, and while producing enough revenue to run the government, reduce the cost of living to something more in reason than now.

Honor Roll Graded School.

For week ending April 28.

Seventh Grade—Bettie Boddie.
Fifth Grade—Alba Allen, Lizzie Lee Aycock, Nena Aycock, Annie Dorsey, Kathleen Egerton, Bonnie Hale, Jessie T. Harris, Cade Hayes, Mary Belle Macon, Elizabeth Massenburg, Athalia May, Daniel Poy Smithwick, Robert Williams, Ora Lee Jones, Merle Wilson.

Fourth Grade—James Malong, Charlie Cooke, Russell Harris, Lucy Jeter, Annie Belle King, Charles Strickland, Hodgie Williams, Ruby Lancaster, May Jones, Minnie Roberts.

Third Grade—May Cooper, Pearl Massenburg, Sallie Williams, William Allen, John Bert Hill, Tom Raffin, Dalton Taylor, Alma Faulkner.

Second Grade—Nannie Hale, Pearl Lancaster, William Bailey, Henry Strickland, Helen Jones.

First Grade—John Neal, Clifford Spencer, Arthur Clark, Hayward Hale, Hunter Harris, Robert Smithwick, Philip Wilson, Turner Matthews, Sebastian Macon, Elizabeth Alston, Mattie Allen, Lillie May Aycock, Zester Bell Taylor, Myrtle Fuller, Una May Hayes, Lucy Jones, Maggie Murphy, Pattie Murphy, Ruby Spencer, Bonnie Williams, Clyde Collier, Fletcher Jeter, Percy Hoock, Terrell Kemp, James Massenburg, Threast Pleasants.

HAPPENINGS OF STATE.

SOME ITEMS OF INTEREST.

Gathered from our Exchanges During the Past Week—Gov. Glenn Makes Speech.

Dr. J. C. Kilgo preached his first sermon, since his recent illness, last Sunday.

Walter Jeffreys, a well known and highly esteemed farmer of Wake county, died last Sunday, aged 64.

Governor Glenn made a prohibition speech in the Metropolitan Hall at Raleigh last Sunday, to a crowded house.

W. H. Strain, a farmer of Wake county, committed suicide last Saturday, by hanging himself with a plow line.

Raleigh has imposed additional privilege taxes, in order to raise more revenue. Trading stamp companies are taxed \$500.

A negro shot and painfully wounded a street car conductor by the name of Wiggins in Salisbury last Sunday. The negro had taken a middle seat, refusing to sit on seats provided for the colored, and the conductor ordered him to get off the car, when he pulled his gun and fired two shots, one taking effect in the conductor's stomach, the other in the arm of another passenger. The negro made his escape.

Frail Durham, the 19 year old white man who has been here more than a week waiting to be committed to the penitentiary to begin the service of his fourteen year sentence for killing Deputy Sheriff Hinton of Polk county, has at last succeeded in getting into the prison, and has regularly donned convict stripes. It will be remembered that he came to Raleigh with his mother and brother without any understanding with the sheriff of the county so that there was no arrangement for his commitment. It has required all this time to arrange with the Wake authorities for the commitment since the sheriff of Polk could not come. The young man has attracted much attention here as he spent much time afternoons in the capitol square Bible in hand apparently deeply interested in reading. He was delivered to the penitentiary by Deputy Sheriff Walters.—Raleigh Times.

"McCurny's sued for another million" is the headline in a New York newspaper. For the Lord's sake how many millions did these insurance grafters get away with?