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The Baptist State Convention.

The eighty-second annual session of this body, which now has a constituency of about 237,000 members, was held in Goldsboro last week. It was in many respects, a notable meeting, characterized by the largest attendance since the convention met in Raleigh seven years ago, a very high grade of sermons and addresses, the spirit of progress, unity and brotherly love. The next session of the convention will be held with the First Baptist Church, of Shelby, of which our own former townsman, Rev. L. W. Swopes, is pastor, a year hence, and Rev. Walter N. Johnson, pastor of the Wake Forest church, will preach the convention sermon. The report made by Dr. Livingston Johnson, of Raleigh, who is corresponding secretary of the State Mission Board, showed that the denomination is making substantial progress both in members and in beneficence. This Board has expended in State mission work during the past year \$48,000, having 150 men in its employ scattered all over the state in the needy sections.

The Judaea Centennial movement, in honor of the 100th anniversary since the going out of Adouram Judson to Burma, who was the first American missionary, was launched in this state at the convention, with Editor Hight C. Moore at the helm. This movement contemplates the raising of a million and a quarter dollars in the Southern Baptist Convention within the next three years, over and above the regular contributions, for the better equipment of churches and schools in foreign lands. Returned missionaries Dr. R. T. Bryan and Wade Bostick, of China, who went out from this state many years ago, made thrilling speeches telling of the limitless needs and glorious possibilities of their adopted country.

Chief interest centered around the reports of Wake Forest College, Meredith College and the Thomasville Baptist Orphanage, which are the most valuable assets of the convention. Wake Forest College now has seven large buildings, valued at \$188,000, with an endowment fund of nearly a half million dollars. The present enrollment is 428, including 98 ministerial students and nine missionaries. A \$40,000.00 church building was recommended for Wake Forest, the convention becoming responsible for \$25,000 of the amount.

Meredith College has a very valuable property in the heart of the Capital City, and now has an enrollment of 375. The \$150,000 endowment movement during the past year was successful.

The Thomasville Orphanage, which is now caring for 403 children at an average cost of \$3.78 each per month, received during the year a very valuable 1200 acre farm in Lenoir County, the gift of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Kennedy. Already this place is being equipped for the large orphanage, when twice as many children can be cared for. This was the second largest gift ever made to an orphanage in the south.

The Baptists have ever been strong on evangelizing the people, and as a result they outnumber any other denomination in the state. Their gigantic problem at present seems to be the enlistment and equipment for greater efficiency of their untrained thousands as a force with which to evangelize the world. Recently a new department of the Home Mission Board, located at Atlanta, Ga., known as the enlistment and cooperative department, was inaugurated, whose business it will be to solve that very problem. The impressions gathered from the recent convention would indicate that the Baptists are waking up and are addressing themselves to their stupendous task with commendable zeal.

Donates Horse and Buggy.

The Methodists of Louisburg showed their appreciation of the services of Rev. R. W. Bailey, who has served them faithfully the past three years, in the donation of a nice horse and buggy the past week. The present was quite an acceptable one on the part of Mr. Bailey as he goes to a circuit next year, and his expressions of appreciation were profuse.

W. T. Young Dead.

On Sunday, December 1st, the Death Angel came in our midst and took from us our esteemed townsman Mr. W. T. Young who died from heart failure about 11 a. m. after only a few moments illness. He had been in feeble health for some time but attended his school as usual that morning, making an active part in the exercises. He died as he had often prayed to do, fighting for the Lord. He was a earnest Christian, ever seeking something to do in his Master's vineyard. It can

be truly said of him that "He went about doing good."

The funeral services were held at the Christian church on Monday afternoon at 3:30 conducted by his pastor Rev. Mr. Wolfe assisted by Drs. Long, Wellons and Clemens, all of whom like the deceased had passed their three score years and had known and loved him since the days of the Civil War. The writer has rarely, if ever witnessed a more touching scene when, with heavy heads bowed down with grief and trembling lips these aged men offered a last tribute of love to their departed friend and brother.

Miss Mason an Honored Guest.

On last Wednesday Dr. J. A. Gaines and his sister entertained with a beautifully planned 6 o'clock dinner at their home on 16th Avenue South Nashville, Tenn., complimentary to Misses Lillian Thomas, Jacksonville, Fla., Callie Dawning, Fayetteville, Tenn., Nellie B. Martin, Earlinton, Ky., and Annie Laurie Mason, Louisburg, N. C.

After dinner was served the guests delightfully enjoyed both vocal and instrumental music beautifully rendered by Miss Gaines. The occasion was certainly one to be long remembered.

The Show.

Quite a large crowd greeted the Company presenting "The Servant in the House," at the Opera House Wednesday night. The play was pronounced very good by the many present.

Louisburg Baptist Church.

Public worship Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunday School at 9:45 a. m. B. Y. P. U. Monday 7 p. m., led by Joseph Hale. The pastor will speak in the morning on "The Vital Ideal of the Christian Life;" at night on "A good Conscience." All are invited.

Ready Again.

The people of Louisburg will be glad to know that W. H. Harris has his bakery in shape and ready for use again. Some time ago the top of the oven fell in, since which time the bakery has practically been shut down. During the past few weeks the oven has been rebuilt and he has begun the use of same.

Sykes-Strickland.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Strickland requests the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter

to
Mr. Moses R. Sykes
Wednesday morning December 18th nineteen hundred and twelve at 10 a. m. at home near Seven Paths, North Carolina.

Hookworm Campaign.

The beginning of the fifth and last week of the campaign shows that 1345 people have been examined, of which number 511 were examined during the past week. There is a decided increase over any preceding week and it is very much desired that the people come to the dispensaries in still larger numbers this last week. This will absolutely be the last opportunity for free examination and free treatment, the last chance to hear about the development of the hookworm and hookworm disease, to see hookworms and hookworm eggs under the microscope, the last chance to give yourselves and your children the benefit of the generosity of the State and county in an endeavor to make you up into more useful citizens. The times and places on the schedule remain the same.

Minstrel.

There will be a minstrel at Ingle's Thursday night, December 19, for the benefit of the school. Admission for reserved seats 25 cents, general admission 15 cents, children 10 cents. Public cordially invited. Doors open at 8:30.

Keep Your Mouth Clean.

The mouth is the most neglected and ill-kept organ of the human body. Some authorities assert that our neglected and misused mouths are responsible for more human ills and loss of working efficiency than any other one organ in the body. Care of the teeth can not be taught too soon. Children in school should be taught the care and the proper use of the "human grinding machine." This is particularly true where children are not taught a few simple, regular habits about cleaning and brushing the teeth at home. Tooth brush drills are a regular course in some of our larger city schools. They should be in every school.

Hookworm Disease.

Hookworm disease is a children's disease, primarily, but there is no age limit. More children have the disease than grownups because children in going barefooted become infected more easily than adults, who usually wear shoes. Hookworm disease is contracted by having the bare skin, usually that of the feet, come into contact with a bit of hookworm infected excreta from a victim of the disease. The hookworm larvae or maggots attach themselves to the skin and begin to bore their way in through the pores, ducts, and hair follicles. This causes a considerable irritation and itching, and we have the well known "ground itch" or "dew itch." Shortly after the itching stage the little hookworms are swept through the body by means of the blood and other agencies, and finally establish themselves in the intestines. Here they attach themselves to the delicate membrane and live for six or eight years, sucking the unfortunate victim's blood and laying eggs by the myriads. In order to get enough blood, the little worms lacerate the intestines and inject a peculiar poison which prevents the blood from clotting and thus stopping the bleeding.

The harmful effects resulting directly from hookworms are: First, the loss of blood consumed by the worms, as well as the loss due to oozing of blood from the wounds in the intestines; second, the worms secrete an injurious poison; third, the wounds in the intestines interfere with digestion; fourth, these wounds furnish excellent opportunity for disease producing bacteria to enter the system; fifth, the hookworms are continually laying myriads of eggs which may be deposited where they will ultimately infect other people.

Invested Heavily.

George W. Perkins and Frank A. Munsey both invested a fortune in the political fortunes of Theodore Roosevelt this year. The contributions of Mr. Perkins made a total of \$262,500—\$122,500 to the expenses of the pre-convention canvass, \$140,000 to the National Progressive committee and \$10,000 to the New York State committee. Mr. Munsey's total was \$229,250—\$118,000 before the Republican national convention, and \$11,250 to the two progressive committees, \$10,000 to the State committee. Other contributions to Col. Roosevelt's pre-convention campaign were Dan R. Hanna, of Cleveland, who gave \$177,000, and William Flinn, of Pittsburg, who gave \$155,000. The wayfaring man can readily imagine what would be said in Progressive circles, where now is silence, had these contributions come to advance the Taft campaign. The largest single contributions to Woodrow Wilson's campaign was \$10,000, and there were not many of these. So the campaign of 1912 clarifies into history.

Sales Close.

We are requested to state that the market will close on Friday, December 20th, 1912, for the observance of the Christmas holidays, and will open again on Friday, January 10th, 1913. Between these dates there will be no sales. If you have tobacco to sell before Christmas bring it in before the 20th. The market will close for the season on February 15th, 1913.

Banks to Close.

The banks of Louisburg will close two days during Christmas—Wednesday and Thursday, Christmas-day and the day following. Those having business with these institutions will bear this in mind and attend to same beforehand.

Death of Little Billie Winston.

The Death Angel visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Winston the 25th of November and took therefrom, Billie, the twin boy which was six months and fifteen days old and left the little twin sister to comfort the dear ones left behind. He was a bright little fellow and was loved by all that saw him. He bled on earth and now he is a shining Angel in Heaven. Little Billie can't come back to us, but the bereaved ones can go to him if they will live a Christian life. Weep not dear mother and father, there is a treasure laid up in Heaven for you to remember God giveth and he taketh those that he sees fit to take; blessed be the name of the Lord. They will oh Lord not ours. The burial services were conducted by Rev. J. R. McInnes at the old family burying ground. The pallbearers were as follows: Messrs. J. S. M. B., B. N., and R. L. Layton. The bereaved family have the tenderest sympathy at the entire neighborhood.
M. T. L.

The Fiddlers Convention a Howling Success.

No musical festival, or no artists' concert ever held in the city drew as big a crowd as the "Old Fiddlers' Convention" last night. The Auditorium was full up stairs and down stairs, and many stood.

Old folks and young folks were there—city and county being equally represented.

It wasn't a concert—just a carnival of music—music of the kind that impels and compels one to pat the foot, and bob the head to the rhythmic melody of the "de fiddle on the bow." The spirit of the occasion filled the house. Everybody was smiling and "patting" when not applauding and cheering. Waves of jollity swept over the audience, in incessant success.

The size and personnel of the audience was proof of the fact that music is not a lost art in Charlotte or Mecklenburg—but music of the kind that appeals to the melody of the heart.

The "artists" occupied the stage, the stars, Mrs. Joe Person and Col. Walter Henry being in the centre. Colonel Henry presided, but although one of the performers on the violin did not enter any contest, neither did Mrs. Person. They gave their time and talents to the cause—the charity ward of the Presbyterian hospital.

Mrs. Person's playing was one of the great features of the convention. She was greeted, matinee and night, with wildest enthusiasm, the people cheering as each brilliant passage was played. A wonderful woman she is (in every respect). At the age of 72 she plays as easily, as brilliantly, as she did when 25. "Technique" isn't in her musical vocabulary, but she knows how to play—and plays so that her music inspires, an evidence of this being seen last night, when a woman rose from the audience while Mrs. Person was just knocking the piano, silly, made her way to the stage, walked out on the stage and commenced to cut the pigeon wing. The welkin rang with shouts and cheers. "I just couldn't help it," said the woman, "that music thrilled me—I couldn't resist."

Colonel Henry, in introducing Mrs. Person, said: "I have the honor and pleasure of presenting to this large and brilliant terpreter of the world of the loved music of the South—Mrs. Joe Person. Her brilliant renditions have delighted audiences from the Golden Gate to Cape Hatteras. Recently she captured the admiration of the Victor Company, of Camden, N. J., to such extent that they had her play so that they might make records of some of her pieces.

"Paderewski, with-his magic playing, long hair and genius garnered a million dollars in one tour of America, but he never saw a minute in his life that he could play these old Southern pieces, the music of the people—like Mrs. Joe Person."

On being presented, Mrs. Person received an ovation. Mrs. Person played: The Italian Waltz; "I Bet My Money on the Bob-Tailed Nag;" "Down Town Girls; Won't You Come out To night and Dance by the Light of the Moon."

Mrs. Person was presented with a big bouquet.

Colonel Henry, in making the presentation, said: "Mrs. Person, love and admiration of genius have never been able to testify their appreciation by any token so pretty and beautiful as God's own lovely flowers."

Colonel Henry, who was master of ceremonies, in announcing the players, made remarks that kept the immense audience laughing and delighted.

"The difference between the fiddler and the violinist," said Colonel Henry, "is that the former pats his foot, and the latter does not."

Colonel Henry, who is half violinist and half fiddler—having the appearance of the former, and the irresistible art of the latter—played several selections, among them being "The Carnival of Venice." He was delightfully accompanied by Miss Belle Bullock on the piano.—Charlotte News.

Fogelman-Corn.

Friends have received invitations reading as follows:
Mr. and Mrs. William E. Corn request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their son
Mary Bernice Corn
to
Mr. William Henry Fogelman
on Tuesday afternoon, December twenty-sixth
nineteen hundred and twelve
at three-thirty o'clock
First Baptist Church of Henderson,
North Carolina.

Begin Fasting.

Rev. A. D. ... announced that he would preach his first sermon on Sunday night, the church was crowded, no other services being held, and a fine sermon was enjoyed. Before Mr. Wilcox began his sermon Rev. R. W. Bailey made a few remarks bidding his former congregation farewell. Mr. Wilcox is meeting with a popular reception in our town and will do the charge a great deal of good.

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"Above the Clouds."

The local talent of Epsom will present the play "Above the Clouds" in the Opera House here on Friday night (tonight). The play is given for the benefit of the Epsom school and is attractively presented. It was played first by the same talent on last Friday night at Epsom and is pronounced exceptionally good. The cast is composed of Epsom's leading young people and a personnel that will guarantee a splendid production. Our people will be given a splendid entertainment on this occasion and should go out in large numbers.

A Correction.

In our issue of last week we stated that the showing of the First National Bank was \$75,000 better than anything that had ever appeared in the county among the banks, but upon the proper investigation, we find that the showing was better by \$83,688.83, instead as above stated. We gladly make this correction.

STATISTICAL REPORT.

Number of Members of the Conference: 82,123—Collections.

Fayetteville, Dec. 3.—Following is the report of Rev. W. W. Peele, statistical secretary, to the conference:

Number of local preachers in the conference, 90.

Number of members, 82,123.

Infants baptised during the year 1,072.

Adults baptised during the year, 2,292.

Number of Epworth Leagues, 100.

Number of Epworth League members, 3,691.

Number of Sunday schools, 693.

Number of officers and teachers, 5,584.

Number of Sunday school scholars enrolled during the year, 63,894.

Collected for superannuate preachers, widows and orphans of preachers, \$8,234.02.

Contributed for foreign missions, \$18,530.50.

Contributed for home missions, \$19,240.00.

Contributed for church extension, \$9,641.86.

Contributed for support presiding elders, \$18,780.5f.

Contributed for preachers in charge, \$165,342.32.

Contributed for support of bishops, \$3,320.19.

Number of societies, 770.

Number of houses of worship, 736 6-0.

Value, \$2,089,693.50.

Indebtedness, \$118,917.19.

Number of pastoral changes, 193.

Market House.

The "city fathers" met on last Monday night and accepted the city market house. After accepting the report of the market committee an order was passed continuing the same committee to have charge of the renting, proper keeping etc. A resolution was passed to put the market house ordinance in effect January 1st, 1913.

Christmas Cantata.

We are requested to state that there will be a Christmas Cantata entitled "Santa Claus' Surprise" given at Mapleville on December 20th, 1912, at 7:30 o'clock, p. m. After the above entertainment an oyster supper will be given for the benefit of the academy.

Big Hogs.

During the past week the killing of the following big hogs were reported to us:

Nick Foster, Hayesville township, one sixteen months old weighing 502.

Abie Marrow, Hayesville township, one weighing 458.

Election of Officers.

At a meeting of the Woodmen of the World in their hall on last Tuesday night the following officers were elected:

Grand Commander—A. F. Johnson.

Adyter Lieutenant—R. H. Jones.

Banker—J. S. Lancaster.

Clark—E. F. I. Lancaster.

Secretary—G. W. Cyrus.

Manager—D. G. Pearce.

The Moving People

M. S. Davis paid Boykin, Va., a business visit the past week.

B. B. Egerton returned the past week from a visit to Greenville.

Dr. J. O. Howell, of Keenansville, was a visitor to Louisburg yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Manger, of Sanford, Fla., are visiting their people in and near Louisburg.

Dr. H. A. Newell and Mr. K. A. Pearce left Sunday for Washington, N. C., to take little John, the seven-year-old son of Mr. Pearce to the hospital for an operation for appendicitis.

Rev. L. W. Swopes, of Shelby was a visitor to Louisburg the past week. He occupied the pulpit at the Baptist church on Sunday morning and preached an interesting sermon to a large number. Our people are always glad to see him in our midst.

Cotton.

Cotton sold for 13 cents per pound on the streets here yesterday.

Tobacco.

The sales have been fairly good in quantity the past week and the prices have been holding up exceptionally good. There seems to be no evident lack of demand for all grades and our buyers are interested in almost every pile.

Boddie-Scott.

Friends in town have received invitations which reads as follows:
Dr. and Mrs. David Cunningham Scott requests the pleasure of your company

at the marriage of their daughter
Helen St. Clair,
to

Mr. William Willis Boddie
Lieutenant United States Army,
on the evening of Wednesday, the
eighteenth of December:
at half after seven o'clock,
At Home,
Kingstree, South Carolina.

At Home
after the first of January
Louisburg, North Carolina.

The bride to be is a daughter of one of Kingstree's foremost citizens and popular physicians and possesses a disposition and charm of manner that has won for her scores of friends who will be loath to give her up from the social life of Kingstree.

The groom is a son of the late Willis W. Boddie, of this county, and has a large family connection. His popularity is attested in the fact that he was the unanimous selection of his party to represent this district in the State Senate in 1904 and has been prominent in State and county affairs. He was appointed a lieutenant in the United States army in 1908, and served with credit until recently when he was ordered home preparatory to being retired from active service. He has resumed the practice of law, among his home people, where he has many friends who will extend to him the best wishes in this coming event.

Holds Election.

Company D. Louisburg Rifles held an election on last Wednesday at which Lieut. J. A. Turner was elected Captain, Lieut. S. P. Boddie, 1st Lieutenant; Sergt. J. J. Lancaster, 2nd Lieutenant. This election was made necessary by the resignation of Capt. C. H. Banks who has served the company so efficiently the past several years. It will be gratifying to his many friends, however, to learn that he has only resigned as Captain and will remain a member of the Company. A committee composed of Messrs. J. A. Turner, Graham Person and R. H. Jones were appointed to draft resolutions expressing the regret of the Company in giving him up as Captain.

The newly elected officers are all men of splendid ability and will do credit to the Company.

List of Letters

Remaining in the postoffice at Louisburg, N. C., Dec. 13, unclaimed for:

Charles E. Dunston, N. F. Gilchrist, Lewis Henderson, J. T. and W. W. House, Miss Mary, Virginia Pirish, Willie Plumer, Miss Henryetta Perry, Bawing Perry, A. L. Teck (5), A. Dugan, J. T. Rountree, Fannie Thompson.

Persons calling for any of the above letters will please say they saw them advertised.

M. W. YARBOROUGH, P. M.

Will be here Tuesday

When in need of optician or eye-glasses consult Dr. Support at the Louisburg Hotel, Tuesday, December 17th. I am a specialist in the fitting of glasses and devote my entire time to this one practice. Consultation free.