

\$300,000 FIRE IN RALEIGH SATURDAY

NEWS & OBSERVER COMPLETE WRECK FOR SECOND TIME.

Building of E. M. Uzzell & Co., containing State Records Busted; Over 50,000 Volumes Supreme Court Records Burned; Worst Fire in Raleigh's History.

The worst fire in the history of Raleigh, carrying with it an estimated loss of over \$300,000, broke out in the building of E. M. Uzzell & Co., printers and binders, on West Martin street, at 6 o'clock Saturday morning.

The building occupied by the Uzzell establishment was completely destroyed, as was the News and Observer building, all the equipment in each building a total loss. This is the second time within the past three years the News and Observer has been burned out of commission, the former fire having occurred April 24, 1913.

A preliminary estimate of the loss follows:

The News and Observer, \$100,000 or more.

The Wake Shoe Company, \$7,500

The Chrystal Theater, \$5,000.

State records in Uzzell's building, \$50,000.

Papers and material belonging to the State, \$20,000.

Uzzell's equipment, \$60,000.

The Uzzell building, 50,000.

Mr. W. H. Bagley, business manager of the News and Observer, was severely injured while passing through a door of the building with some galleys, while two firemen, H. L. Peebles and D. C. Lloyd, were burned and bruised. The firemen and Mr. Bagley were taken to the hospital.

No time was lost in ordering the necessary supplies and materials for issuing the News and Observer from the Times plant. Within an hour after the disastrous fire started, active preparations for taking care of the morning paper were under way. No doubt both papers will show the great handicap under which they will have to be used for the next several weeks, but the readers of each have the assurance that normal conditions will be restored just as promptly as possible.

Suppose Origin.

The fire is supposed to have started either in the second or third story of the Uzzell building. This occurred at 6 o'clock, and by 7 o'clock this building and that of the News and Observer were completely under the control of the flames and beyond the control of the firemen, who rushed to the scene, the alarm having been turned in by Henry Davis, colored, who discovered the flames and sent in the alarm. One report is that the two janitors who were supposed to be at the building at 6 o'clock both reported for duty, one going up to the third floor. In a few seconds he is said to have returned and said to his co-worker, "Run Bill, the building is on fire." However, late in the day no positive conclusion as to the fire's origin had been established.

The rainbow that formed in front of the News and Observer building, caused by the streams that were sent up from the hose, had a weird effect. Instead of being a bow of hope, it looked like a mocking ill-omen, bespeaking disaster.—Evening Times.

Death of Edward Frank Johnson

Edward Frank, the two year old son of Editor and Mrs. A. F. Johnson, died at 8 o'clock Wednesday night, after an illness of only five hours of meningitis. The funeral was held Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the family residence on Church street, Rev. A. D. Wilcox, of the Methodist church conducting the services.

Mrs. Lucy Lawrence.

Mrs. Lucy Lawrence died at 2 o'clock this morning in the seventy-eighth year of her age at the residence of her nephew, Dr. H. A. Newell, with whom she made her home, after an illness of six weeks.

Mrs. Lawrence was the widow of Mr. John T. Lawrence, of Scotland

Neck, who died 20 years ago. Three step-daughters, Mrs. Noah Biggs and Mrs. James Tilley, of Scotland Neck, Mrs. Joe Molliday, of Dawson, and three step-sons, Messrs. John and Joe Lawrence, of Scotland Neck, and C. A. Lawrence, of Texas, survive her, besides one sister, Mrs. O. W. Newe 1, of Louisburg, and two brothers, Mr. John Coppedge, of Greensboro, and William B. Coppedge, of Cedar Rock. Hers was a most beautiful and consecrated life. While a young lady attending the Seminary at Oxford, she united with the Baptist church of that place, later moving her membership to her old home church, Cedar Rock, where for many years she was a very active Christian worker.

Her pastor Rev. Geo. M. Duke, of Mapleville, and Rev. Walter M. Gilmore, of Louisburg, conducted the funeral services at 3:30 this afternoon at the family residence on Main street, and interment was made in Oaklawn cemetery.

From Cedar Rock.

Mr. Editor: We are not in the habit of writing for the papers but some how we feel that we would not be doing our sister school Justice if we failed to tell you of the interesting game of ball we had with her last Friday afternoon.

It happened that we had a holiday. The Betterment Ladies were holding a fall meeting, discussing plans for the big barbecue they are going to give on Thanksgiving Day. We boys were strolling around with our hands in our pockets, casting sheep-eyes at the girls, when we looked up the road and saw several bugies coming our way. We soon recognized the third nine from over the way (we are not calling any names), you see they had taken us by surprise, but we told them we were always ready.

Well, for several hours we amused ourselves and the on-lookers by doing some of our good playing. It just made us yell to see our best players come in on a home-run.

Somehow he hated to tell the rest. You know they were our visitors and we all like to treat visitors with the proper courtesy. But presently, they believe in Justice to all, we'll finish our story.

The game resulted in a score of 5 to 2 in favor of Cedar Rock.

Would you believe it, those boys didn't go home the same way they came. We don't know why, but we think they didn't feel like going the public road, so they took a by-path through the woods.

However, they invited us to make them a visit about two weeks from now and we are going to see what they will do for us.

Cedar Rock.

Addresses Ladies' of Louisburg

Mrs. Thomas W. Lingle, of Davidson, President of the North Carolina Federation of Woman's Clubs, delivered a most interesting address to the Ladies' of the Civic League at the Methodist Church and other ladies of Louisburg on the subject of "Betterment work, and how to obtain best results."

She visited Louisburg upon the invitation of the local organization and while here was the guest of Mrs. J. A. Turner, President of the Civic League of Louisburg. On Thursday she was accompanied by a delegation of officers from the Louisburg Civic League consisting of Mrs. J. M. Allen, Mrs. M. C. Pleasants, Mrs. J. A. Turner, Mrs. W. E. Uzzell and Mrs. W. E. White, to Oxford to attend a District meeting of the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs, at which she will preside.

Her visit to Louisburg will no doubt prove profitable to the local organization, whose efforts for a better and more beautiful Louisburg will be redoubled in the future.

Business Firms Should Register.

We are informed that the last General Assembly passed a law requiring all business concerns doing business under firm name and is not incorporated, to register such firm name with the names of all individuals interested in such business with the Clerk of the Superior Court. We also understand that so far no firms in Franklin county have complied with this law. It might be well for such concerns, who are liable under the statute suggested, to investigate same and comply with such requirements.

BRANTLY G. HICKS DEAD

ONE OF LOUISBURG'S MOST SUCCESSFUL MERCHANTS

Passed Away on Last Friday; Funeral Held Last Sunday at 3 p. m. at Methodist Church.

Brantley G. Hicks, a prominent merchant of this place, died last Friday morning at 5:20 o'clock at his residence on Main street, after an illness of more than a year.

Mr. Hicks was in the prime of his manhood, being 36 years old, and was one of Louisburg's most highly esteemed citizens. For four years he has been an honored member of the board of town commissioners. He was also a member of the board of directors of the Farmers and Merchants Bank.

Perhaps no man in this community has risen more rapidly and more substantially in the business world than has he. His genial disposition, his sound judgment, and his sterling integrity readily won for him the confidence and esteem of all with whom he dealt.

For a number of years he has been a member of the board of stewards



in the Methodist church of this place, performing faithfully the duties of his high office. In whatever capacity he labored, he was always dependable. His friends are numbered by his acquaintance, and Friday a heavy gloom came over this city and surrounding country on account of his death.

No man ever made a braver fight for life than he. About a year ago he went to Baltimore for a very difficult and unique operation, the first one of the kind in this country. For a time his condition was improved. He has been to New York twice this summer and fall under the care of a noted specialist. Every clue to a possible cure of his case was followed as long as there was any hope.

Mr. Hicks was a native of Wise, coming to this city twelve years ago. Ten years ago he was married to Miss Minnie Egerton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank N. Egerton, of this place.

Besides his wife, three children, Brantley, Jr., Frank and Dorothy Hicks, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Hicks, of Wise, one brother, R. T. Hicks, of Baltimore, and three sisters, Mrs. W. M. Hockaday of Thelma, Mrs. Robert White, of Wise, and Miss Stella Hicks, of Wise, survive him.

The funeral services were held in the Methodist Church of this place Sunday 3 p. m., conducted by his pastor Rev. A. D. Wilcox, assisted by Rev. W. M. Gilmore, of the Baptist Church.

The interment took place in Oaklawn cemetery in the presence of a large number of his friends from this and other places. The floral offering was most profuse and beautiful, silent witnesses to the esteem and love in which Mr. Hicks was held.

The following were the active pall bearers: Messrs. D. F. McKinnis, E. H. Malone, E. S. Ford, Ben Williamson, K. P. Hill, of Louisburg and Charles Rodwell, of Warrenton.

Honorary pall bearers: Messrs. John Best, W. F. Uzzell, F. W. Wheelass, W. H. Yarborough, Jr., F. B. McKinnis and J. O. Wilson.

If I were a girl and some fellow didn't like me to my boudoir and told me if I didn't marry him he would drown himself, I'd go right down to the river and help him pick out a good deep place.

AMONG THE VISITORS

SOME YOU KNOW AND SOME YOU DO NOT KNOW.

Personal Items About Folks and Their Friends Who Travel Here And There.

Messrs. W. M. Person, J. E. Thomas and Cheatham Alston went to Raleigh Saturday.

Miss Lillian High returned home the past week from a visit to friends at Richmond and Emporia, Va.

Junior Class Gives Banquet to Senior Class.

To those who as freshmen found accorded them the one privilege of viewing from the upper halls the scenes of mirth and merriment below; who as Sophomores felt a somewhat keener interest since the goal loomed one year nearer; who as Juniors counted it only glory to be permitted to serve; to those, who through four long years of toil and study have at last reached the cherished honor and dignity of being "Seniors," Monday evening, November 1st at Louisburg College was indeed a great occasion marking the induction of the class of 1916 into the offices and state of "Seniority."

Catching a vision of glory yet to come, the class of 1917 set the standard on high and with every detail well planned and carried out to perfection bade the class of 1916 and the Faculty to the Junior-Senior Banquet.

The parlors and banquet room had been made most attractive with suggestions of autumn and Halloween and promptly at 8:30 the Juniors with their associate teacher, Miss Gladys Yelverton received the faculty and seniors in the parlors and after just a short while of greeting and friendly intercourse, each found a partner and repaired to the banquet room where at the door they were made welcome by a witch an dher attendants who presented each guest with her fortune and seated the guests around the festal board, which was most suggestively decorated with pumpkins, corn, fruits and autumn foliage; and for favors there were tiny baskets with black cats, bats, rats, etc. The place cards were still another unique feature, bearing the seal of the college in the college colors.

Miss Olivia Hobgood in her most attractive manner was mistress of ceremonies and quite soon in her easy and gracious way made us all to feel that only mirth, good fellowship and college spirit was to be the watch word for each guest; and so far almost the space of two hours the air

rang with bright repartee, with toasts and responses, and along with "The Feast of Reason and Flow of Soul" the inner man was made to rejoice with the most delicious viands served in a four course luncheon.

Miss Hobgood's greetings were responded to by Miss Eugenia Crews in behalf of the senior class, after which "Our President" was toasted by Miss Laurane Joyner; "Our Man of all Ceremonies" by Miss Elizabeth Allen; "Miss Mabel" by Miss Mary House; "The Faculty" by Miss Helen Smithwick. To the toast "The Faculty" Miss Perl Brinson responded in her very happiest way showing the girls what the faculty not only would have in the training and directing of their minds and lives, but that likewise they are much interested in turning aside to enjoy their fun and merriment and enter fully into their college spirit and life. Many impromptu toasts were called for and great was the fun in watching some who had never before found herself "speech-making" rise to the occasion and perhaps, who knows, these same timid voices may yet cry aloud in some great suffrage speech advocating the cause of poor down trodden women.

A very fitting close for such an occasion was Miss Henninger's appreciation of Miss Yelverton, by whose wise planning and with the splendid cooperation of the entire junior class this delightful occasion was made possible. May this be but the prophecy of many more such happy occasions at Louisburg College.

Wheels and Communities.

When a spoke in a wheel is broken that wheel is weakened and only of

partial or slight value to the rest of the vehicle. The vehicle itself is of no greater value than its weakest spot, the broken wheel. Its usefulness will not be restored until the wheel is repaired and placed on a par with the other wheels. Then it is again ready to assume its proper functions in the scheme of life.

And as it is with the wheel and the wagon, so it is with the citizen and the community. The latter is only as strong as the loyalty of the former. The community will advance only in accordance with the loyalty and progressiveness of its people.

The man who forgets his home merchants and sends his money to outside sources is the broken wheel of his own community. He is the weak spot that retards the growth of all, the produces commercial stagnation, that creates local hard times and reduces the community that shelters him and the people who feed him to the level of a hand to mouth existence.

We don't want any broken wheels in this community; we don't want any useless vehicles, or commercial disintegration, or hand to mouth existence; we don't want any poverty or distress.

But we do want prosperity, and progressiveness, and happiness and contentment, and full larders and dinner pails, and we can have them if each one of us will do our duty to the town in which we live, and trade with home people, and keep our own money in our own community.

We want to "keep prosperity in this town," and we can only do it by "trading where we live."

Personally, we intend to practice what we preach in this respect, for the good of the community, for your good, and for our own good, and we would dearly love to see you trailing right along by our side, and we are quite expecting to see you doing it because we don't think we are one whit more loyal to this town than you are.

Come along, brother. When we all pull in the same harness we make a mighty strong team.

Mrs. Amanda W. Murphy Dead.

After several months illness, Mrs. Amanda W. Murphy, relict of Mr. D. F. Murphy, died Wednesday night at 7:30 at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. A. B. Collier, on Cedar street, in the seventy-sixth year of her age.

Three sons survive her, J. F., W. E. and G. W. Murphy and two daughters, Mrs. A. B. Collier, and Mrs. John H. Marshall, all of Louisburg. The funeral was held at the Baptist church, of which she was a devout and highly esteemed member, Friday 2 p. m. Besides her pastor W. M. Gilmore

Rev. A. D. Wilcox of the Methodist church and Rev. G. M. Duke of Mapleville took part in the services.

At the Methodist Church.

There will be services at the Methodist Church both morning and evening next Sunday conducted by the pastor Rev. A. D. Wilcox. Sermons of special interest for both occasions, are being prepared. Sunday school will be held at the usual hour.

The public is invited to attend these services.

Rhoda Bessie Herman.

After a brief illness of six days, Rhoda Bessie, the fourteen-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Herman, died Sunday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. The funeral services were held Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock at the family residence on Church street, Rev. Walter M. Gilmore of the Baptist Church conducting the service. The interment was made in Oaklawn cemetery. The sympathy of the entire community goes out to Mr. and Mrs. Herman.

Fire at Ingleside.

News reached here Monday night to the effect that Mr. Charlie Macon lost a four-room tenant house, located just to the rear of Mr. O. G. Macon's store, on Monday by fire. The house was occupied by J. J. Daniels colored, who lost his crop of tobacco which was packed away in an up-stair's room and \$15 in money in a trunk. He saved his household and kitchen furniture. No information was given as to the origin of the fire. The total loss is estimated at about \$600 or \$700.

Good morning again!

ZAIMIS MINISTERS ALL ARE RETAINED FOR NEW CABINET

SKOULLOUDIS, HOWEVER EXCEPTS PREMIER HIMSELF FROM GREEK BODY.

General Yanakitsas, Who Caused Overthrow, Also Is Kept In Organization; Dissolution Possible If Government Is Not Backed, London Hears.

Athens, Nov. 7, via Paris.—M. Skouloudis, commissioned by King Constantine to form a new cabinet, has accomplished the task. All the members of the Zaimis ministry are retained except the Premier himself. The new Prime Minister has taken the portfolio of foreign affairs. The formation of the new cabinet it is generally assumed will delay if not eliminate the crisis which probably would follow a dissolution of the Chamber of Deputies by the King.

The cabinet is composed of the following ministers who took the oath of office today:

- Premier and Minister of Foreign Affairs: M. Skouloudis.
Minister of Public Instruction: M. Micheldakis.
Minister of Justice and Communications: D. G. Rallis.
Minister of Interior: M. Gounaris.
Minister of National Economy: M. Theotokis.
Minister of War: Gen. Yanakitsas.
Minister of Marine: Admiral Courtrotis.
Minister of Finance: Stephen Dragoumis.

Besides the Premier M. Micheldakis is the only new member of the cabinet. The office he takes formerly was held by M. Theotokis, who becomes Minister of National Economy, a new post.

M. Skouloudis is not a deputy but is regarded as an able diplomat, known chiefly for the part he played in the London Peace Conference in 1913 after the Balkan war. He was Minister of Foreign Affairs in the Rallis Cabinet in 1897. He is reputed to be favorably disposed toward the quadruple entente.

Gen. Yanakitsas, who remains in the Greek cabinet, is credited with responsibility for the crisis which resulted in the overthrow of M. Zaimis.

M. Venizelos, who controls a majority of parliament, took exception to a statement by the war minister and brought about the vote, which showed a lack of confidence in the government.

No Court Next Week.

Clerk of the Court J. J. Barrow informs us that the regular November term of Franklin Superior Court for the trial of Civil cases, which should convene on Monday, November 15th, has been postponed indefinitely and all cases moved up to the January term. Therefore there will be no more court in Franklin county until the regular term for January, 1916, when we are informed, Judge George W. Connor, of Wilson, will preside.

Dinner Postponed.

The Ladies' of the Episcopal Church requests us to state that on account of the fact that there will be no court next week they have decided to postpone their Orphanage dinner that had been announced to take place on the sixteenth. The annual bazaar will be held however, as stated last week of the first Tuesday in December.

Louisburg Baptist Church.

Public worship Sunday 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. conducted by the pastor. "An Account of Some Robbers" will be the theme of the morning sermon; "The Rich Soul" will be the subject of the evening sermon. Sunday school 9:45 a. m. B. Y. P. U. Monday 7:00 p. m. You are cordially invited to all of these services of the church.

Box Party.

We are requested to announce that a box party will be held at Hayes school on Wednesday night, November 17th. The proceeds will be used for the benefit of the school. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Down with the hyphen and up with the flag!