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Pastors' Conference

The pastors' conference held in the ladies' parlor of the Baptist church of this place Tuesday far surpassed the expectations of those who called it both in point of attendance and in the spirit of the meeting.

Rev. George M. Duke was made chairman of the conference and Dr. W. B. Merton secretary. After discussing fully every phase of the proposed simultaneous evangelistic and enrollment campaign in the Tar River Association, it was agreed by all present to go into such a campaign, provided satisfactory arrangements can be made with a dozen of the Home Mission Board evangelists. Other evangelists and pastors will be secured to assist in the campaign. It is hoped to carry on a meeting in every church in the Association, as far as may be practicable, at the same time.

Rev. G. M. Duke, Ivey Allen and W. M. Gilmore were appointed a committee to work out the details of the campaign. A distinct feature of the conference was the presence of Rev. Walter N. Johnson, of Raleigh, Secretary of the Board of Missions. At the close of his address Tuesday afternoon he asked all the pastors to join hands, pledging him to study afresh the Bible in its teaching on Christian Stewardship. A chain of frequent prayers was made around the room. Mr. Johnson proposes to hold a similar conference in each of the 64 Associations in the State, thus girdling the whole State with a chain of prayers, and enlisting the sympathy and co-operation of a host of ministers.

Mr. Johnson preached two very able sermons at the Baptist church Monday and Tuesday nights, making a very favorable impression upon his audiences as a man of broad statesmanlike intellectual grasp and a man of great heart and power. The people gladly hung their ears upon his lips after the first few sentences, and he made them captive to his will.

Every pastor in the Association, except three who were sick and a few who were engaged in school work, were present. It was a great day, those present were: Revs. A. B. Harrell, Littleton; T. J. Taylor, Warren; N. W. Bobbitt, Littleton; E. N. Nelson and S. C. Morgan, Henderson; G. W. May, Red Oak; Oscar Creech, Nashville; C. W. Sawyer, Spring Hope; W. H. Hartsell, Bunn; J. H. Harper, Laurel; J. W. Sledge, Cedar Rock; D. T. Bunn, and John Bunn, Justice; G. M. Duke, Mapleville; M. Stamps, W. B. Morton and W. M. Gilmore, Lenoir; A. P. Mustain, Wake Forest, and layman Ivey Allen, who is one of the leading spirits in the Association, and who was responsible very largely for the success of this conference.

Miss Green Entertains Younger Set Book Club

The Younger Set Book Club was most delightfully entertained on Tuesday afternoon, January 27th, by Miss Annie Green at her home on North Main street.

The subject for the afternoon study was "Vance the war Governor," Sketch of Vance's Life was read by Mrs. Atwood Newell. "Poetry on the death of Vance," Mrs. Ben T. Holden, "The Little Patched Trousers," Mrs. Underhill. At the close of the meeting the hostess served a delightful salad course, after which the club adjourned to meet February 10th, with Mrs. Al Hodges.

The members present were Misses Lynn Hall, Annie Green, Margaret Hicks, Mary Best, Mesdames Ben Holden, Wingate Underhill, Atwood Newell, Joe Mann, and Al Hodges.

The club was delighted to have as visitors Misses Grace Hall, Louise Allen, of Warrenton, Mesdames Loyd Lyles, of Charlotte, Karl Allen, and P. A. Reavis.

United Daughters of the Confederacy

On Tuesday afternoon the Joseph J. Davis Chapter met with Miss Annie Allen at her home on North Main street.

Although the weather was not very favorable quite a good number were present and a most interesting program was rendered as follows:

Subject—"Reconstruction" Chorus—"My Old Kentucky Home." Reading—"Wrongs of history righted," by Mrs. J. L. Palmer. Piano solo—"Humoresque," Miss

Annie Allen

Reading—"Ku Klux Klan," Mrs. J. R. Collier.

Violin solo by Miss Lucy Smithwick. Reading—"Was Old Miss Lutz?" Mrs. J. A. Turner.

Poem—"Sentinel songs" by Father Ryan, Mrs. W. E. White.

Piano solo—Mrs. J. E. Malone. After delicious refreshments were served, the "Daughters" adjourned to meet with Mrs. W. E. Uzzell the first Tuesday in March.

Marriage Licenses

Register of Deeds' Yarrowburgh issued marriage licenses to the following couples during the month of January:

White—J. Hunter Jones and Nellie H. Conway, Avery Barham and Repsy Perry, Richard Mullen and Pattie Ray, J. O. Williams and Addie Mullen, John T. Sawyer and Ruth Blackly Sonney J. Ross and Minnie Kearney, T. F. Wilder, and Janie Ethridge, Benny Perry and Louise Pearce, John W. Denton and Mrs. Lizzie Leonard, M. T. Lamm, and Mozell Moore, Callie Long and Stella Hayes, Harold Parrish and Bettie Parrish, Jackson Collins and Fannie Collins, Walter Dean and Bertha Williams, B. J. Pearce and Bertha Mitchell, C. Alford and Nettie May, J. O. Haywood and Undine Andrews, Otha Holder and Mattie Pearce, W. G. Hales and Pearl Tucker.

Colored—Ed Yarrow, and Winnie Williams, Eustus Daniels and Juliet Henderson, Josh Braswell and Georgiana Williams, David Hester and Pearl Speed, Tom Harris and Molly Grissom, Lijah Person and Annie Sawyers, Alex Jones and Roney M. Richardson, Barney Harris and Johnnie Davis, Henry Lee Grissom and Beulah Mitchell, Islam Mayo, and Elizabeth Williams General Henderson and Etta Webb, James Edward Wilson, and Jane Davis, Thomas Jordan and Annie Laura Spivey, William Judkins and Letha Harrison, Sidney Alston and Mary B. Alston, Sandy Jones and Lula Belle Perry, Henry Conyers and Candis Perry.

Study Circle

Quite a number gathered at the home of Mrs. Fulghum on Church street in a meeting of the Study Circle of the Woman's Missionary Society on last Monday afternoon.

Mrs. R. Z. Egerton opened the meeting with the usual devotional exercises, after which the subject of Mormonism was again discussed. Mrs. R. R. Harris led the discussion. Mrs. M. C. Pleasants prefacing the study by a short outline on the "Why's and Wherefores of Mormonism."

This interesting meeting was rendered all the more enjoyable by the delicious refreshments which were afterwards served.

The next Study Circle will meet with Mrs. D. C. High on Monday February 14th.

Tucker-Hale

At the residence of Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Johnson, three miles north of this city, Mr. William G. Hale and Miss Mittie Pearl Tucker of Farmville were quietly married Saturday afternoon, January 29, Rev. W. M. Gilmore, of the Baptist church officiating. Only a few immediate relatives and friends witnessed the marriage.

Lenoir Baptist Church

Public worship Sunday 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school 9:45 a. m. B. Y. P. U. Monday 7:30 p. m.

All the other organizations of the church meet at their appointed times and places.

A cordial invitation is extended to all strangers and visitors will receive a hearty welcome.

WALTER M. GILMORE Pastor.

Services at St. Paul's Church

Rev. N. Collin Hughes will hold services at St. Paul's Church Sunday morning next at 11 a. m. Morning prayer, sermon and administration of the holy communion.

All are cordially invited to attend.

Remodeling Building

The Burt building on the corner of Court and Main streets is undergoing remodeling preparatory to being occupied by the C. C. Hudson Furniture Company, who expects to get its stock in within the next few days.

Mrs. G. A. Ricks is visiting relatives in Nashville.

Appam Shows up at Norfolk

Norfolk, Va., Feb. 1.—Given up for lost days ago, the British passenger liner Appam paying in the Dakar, French West Africa trade, appeared like an apparition in Hampton Roads today, flying the German naval ensign and with her ship's company under guard of a German prize crew. She brought word of a mysterious German commerce raider, the Moewe which now roams the seas, and had on board the crew of 7 British merchant-men and admiralty transports captured by the Moewe before it seized the Appam and started her across the Atlantic for an American port with Lieut. Hans Berg, of the German naval reserve and twenty-two men in charge.

The Appam now lies off Old Point Comfort, under the guns of Fortress Monroe, waiting for the State Department to determine her status—whether she is a man-of-war subject to internment or a German prize. By tomorrow the customs authorities here hope to have orders to send the ship either to Norfolk or Newport News, where the anxiously waiting British vivillians will be put shore.

Charlotte Observer

The Charlotte Observer is offering a bargain rate to new and regular subscribers for the next thirty days. Their advertisement, which appears in this paper today, announces that subscriptions will be accepted to The Daily and Sunday Observer at a rate of six dollars per year; or the Daily only at five dollars. The regular price for the paper is eight dollars per year.

The Observer has made remarkable strides forward in the past few months, and with the announcement of this bargain subscription they also state that several new features will be added. First, and the most important, is the leaving of a special copy of the paper which will be an additional service which puts them to quite an expense; a weekly page by Herbert Kaufman, one of the most well-known writers in America today; also a full-page article on "Europe's Battlefield Lessons for America," by Frederick Palmer, the most famous war correspondent in the world.

Lenoir vs. Ingleside

On Thursday afternoon, at Ingleside, Lenoir graded school for the second time this season sent their opponents down in defeat, which team was the Ingleside team. The game was played closely and was very ragged on account of the warm weather. At the end Lenoir was victorious by the score of 4 to 2.

Lenoir won the game, or tied the score, in the last 10 seconds of play—the hero of the game being Clyde Harris, who made a perfect goal from nearly the center of the court, that goal tying. A minute half was set and in this half Lenoir made its other two points and was victorious. The high school invites all the people of Lenoir to come out to their games, which there will be fifteen or more at the Farmers' Union Warehouse. The ladies are admitted free of charge and the small sum of 10 and 15 cents is all the charge for boys and men. We wouldn't charge this, but incidental expenses must be paid. So come out and help root for your school.

Pearce's School Items.

The school attendance is still doing nicely. There are 130 names on the register which is a loss of only five from last month. The pound party at Mr. Omri Pearce's Tuesday night was so much a success that it was duplicated at Mr. Arthur Medlin's on Thursday night which was equally as enjoyable. The game of "baseball" between Pearce's school and Pilot Friday afternoon was more interesting than the score would indicate. Pearce's won by the score of 10 to 5.

The following are the Honor Roll names for the school during the past week: Eighth grade. Thettie Belle Pearce Willie Pearce. Seventh grade. Lettie Belle Strickland, Lalla Upchurch. Sixth grade. Leta Pearce. Third grade. Elsie Pearce, Clarence Medlin, Edgar Johnson.

Have you ever been in a tropical country where you could stand at a safe distance and watch the alligators snooping around and waiting for an opportunity to pounce upon their unhappy victims? Mexico of today!

When People Forget to Think

Forgetting to think is a prevalent ailment the world over, and in this respect our own community is no exception to the general rule. It is of daily occurrence right in our own midst.

It is not the big things in life that we forget, for our nature is such that important matters are more indelibly impressed upon our mind and therefore the more certain of receiving attention at the proper time.

But it is the little things that slip our minds, promises lightly made and soon forgotten, duties that are left unperformed because we simply forget to think.

Stored away in the vaults of our minds are thousands and thousands of dollars drawing interest for various good citizens when they by rights should be credited to the accounts of other people.

Our merchants, doctors, lawyers, carpenters, practically everybody in fact, have small accounts due them here and there because people have forgotten to pay, have forgotten even to think.

It is fifty cents here, a dollar there, or two or five, small in the individual account but enormous in the aggregate. If all of these accounts were collected together and one man became responsible for the combined sum he would never forget to give it consideration, regardless of the extent of his wealth. It would be too important to overlook, too vital to forget.

We could name a merchant in this town who has thousands of dollars on his books in insignificant amounts. The people who owe him these sums are not dead-beats, for they are among our best class of substantial citizens. He is not worrying over accounts getting the money because he knows from long experience with these same people that his accounts are as good as gold—with one exception. The gold in hand would enable him to increase the size of his stock and sell more goods and thereby earn greater dividends on his investment. But wholesalers and manufacturers require their money on the spot, and a hundred or a thousand small accounts due the merchant are not considered in the light of an asset by the man from whom he buys his goods.

If each of the men who owe these small accounts would take the trouble to think, they would rush in one great throng to that store and pay up these small bills and the merchant would then be in position to do even better by them in the future. But they forget to think, and their money remains in bank and they continue to draw interest on it while the merchant patiently waits for his due. And this merchant is only one of the many.

Even this newspaper is not immune from the evils of forgetting to think. In fact, we incline to the belief that we are in even a more unenviable position in this respect than any merchant in town.

To speak candidly, we are proud of the names we have on our subscription list, for they represent the intelligence and the integrity of this whole community.

But even men of the highest intelligence and the most rigid integrity can forget to think. They are forgetting to think in our own case.

If these same good and loyal citizens could take one glance at our books they would be appalled at the amount of money that is due us on subscription to this paper. They are small amounts individually, ranging from 50 cents to \$2 or \$3, marked up against men and women whose words are as good as their bonds.

But we can not pay our own bills with the honor and the integrity of our subscribers. We put up the cash. Right now we have a splendid opportunity to invest some money in

Popes Items.

I notice in Popes Items of last week that you wrote that Mr. C. F. Holmes mother had recovered, when I wrote that the sad news had not reached Popes of her death. I am very sorry that this mistake occurred.

On Sunday January 30, Miss Mattie Pearce, of Youngsville was united in marriage to Mr. Otha Holder, of Popes. Both are popular young people of this section and all wish for them a long and happy life. Miss Pearce is the daughter of Mr. Ben Pearce. Mr. Holder is the only son of J. T. Holden of Popes.

G. H. P.

our business that would yield us handsome returns. But are handicapped because our subscribers forget to think. We can not make the investment unless our subscribers do think—not only think, but pay. And we do yearn mightily toward that dividend producing investment. Our family yearns for the money, it would bring into the editorial home.

But it will not always be so. Some day people will not forget to think for our people are right minded and their forgetfulness is but a fault and not a crime. But if it were only today!

Hickory Rock Items

Owing to the beautiful warm weather the farmers are making good headway in burning their plant beds.

We are sincerely glad to state that Mrs. Essie Tharrington is improving rapidly from pneumonia.

Mrs. Marvin Pleasants has returned to her home at Wood, after spending a week with her brother, Eddie Nelms, of Elm View Farm.

It is leap year boys. You must watch, for all the old maid and the girls on Hickory Rock wants to marry bad.

We are having a good Sunday school at Hickory Rock and Mt. Gilead. It is progressing rapidly and I hope it will continue to do so.

Misses Irene and Clara Sledge spent Saturday and Sunday at home.

Mrs. John Nelms is spending this week with her son, Eddie Nelms.

Mr. Frank Tharrington, of Franklinton spent a part of last week with his brothers, D. C. and Willis Tharrington.

Mr. Willis Tharrington has been very sick with the lagrippe.

Mrs. John Hedgepeth spent last Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. Coleman Smith, of Red Bud.

We are sorry to note that Mr. Arthur Strickland is on the sick list this week.

With best wishes to the Times and its readers.

Pretty Child.

Franklin Missionary Societies to Meet

Mrs. Wingate Underhill and Miss Edna E. Allen, officers of the local Woman's Missionary Union have sent out a call to all of the Missionary Societies in the Franklin county Union to send messengers to a special meeting to be held in the basement of the Lenoir Baptist church the second Saturday in February, February 12th, beginning at 10:30 and continuing through the day.

At this meeting it is expected to effect a permanent organization, which will meet at least quarterly for the purpose of maintaining a closer fellowship in service among the societies and for discussing vital problems that are continually arising.

Mrs. W. W. Parker, of Henderson, Vice-President of the W. M. U. in the Tar River Association, is expected to be present on the occasion and make an address. Many helpful plans for making the work in the societies more efficient will be made.

Especially is every officer in the various societies requested to be present and just as many others as can possibly come. It is thought that the meeting will have far-reaching results.

Young Woman's Missionary Society

On last Tuesday evening the Young Woman's Missionary Society held their regular business meeting with Miss Eleanor Thomas. The meeting was led by the President, Miss Margaret Hicks.

The meeting was opened with the scripture lesson, followed by a prayer led by Mrs. M. C. Pleasants. The reports were then given by the different officers and very important bulletins were read by different members of the society.

After all business was transacted delightful refreshments were served and the society adjourned to meet with Miss Kate High next Tuesday evening.

Mr. Fuller to Move Stables

Mr. R. F. Fuller has leased the J. D. Hill stables on Main street and will move his stock of horses and mules to same in the next few days. Mr. J. C. Tucker, who is now occupying same will move to the Ford stables on Nash street.

For once we will welcome the advent of the baseball season with joy. 'Twill be a welcome diversion from our Mexican assassinations.

PERSONALS

Mr. R. F. Fuller left Monday night for Richmond.

Mr. J. Lawrence Harrison, visited Raleigh Monday.

Miss Pattie Aycock is on a visit to relatives at Sanford, Fla.

Mr. D. F. McKinne paid Baltimore a business trip the past week.

Rev. A. D. Wilcox, returned Wednesday from a visit to New York.

Mr. Nick Boddie of Nash county, was a visitor to Lenoir the past week.

Miss Nina Smith, of Townville visited Miss Ruth Webb the past week.

Mr. J. I. Gillis, of Norfolk, Va., was in Lenoir the past week on business.

Mr. N. B. Josey, of Scotland Neck, was a visitor to Lenoir the past week.

Messrs. B. T. Holden, W. H. Yarrowburgh and W. M. Person visited Raleigh Monday.

Mr. F. E. McKinne returned Saturday from a business trip to Salisbury and Statesville.

Mr. E. S. Ford went to Richmond Tuesday where he purchased a lot of horses and mules for G. W. Ford & Son.

Mr. J. R. Collier, Chief Clerk House Claims Committee, of Washington, D. C., spent a few days at home the past week.

Mr. H. A. Carlton, left Monday for a visit to Union, Ga., in his absence Mr. Mangum, of Durham is representing the Imperial Tobacco Co.

Rev. L. S. Masey, Editor of the Raleigh Christian Advocate, was in Lenoir Sunday. He preached two fine sermons at the Methodist church while here.

Mrs. S. B. Nash left Saturday for Raleigh where she entered Rex Hospital for an operation. Mr. Nash went up Tuesday to be present when the operation was performed. Their many friends will be glad to learn that Mrs. Nash is getting along nicely.

Mr. B. A. Sumner, who has been associated with Mr. L. P. Hicks for several years, left the past week for his home at Rocky Mount where he will spend a few days before taking a position with the National Biscuit Co. He has many friends here who will wish for him much success in his new position.

Lenoir vs. Franklinton

On Tuesday night January 25, Lenoir high school won the opening game of basketball from Franklinton by the score of 14 to 13.

The game began promptly at 7:30 with a victory showing on the faces of both teams. Franklinton was the first to draw blood by caging the ball in the first few minutes of play. This did not make the Lenoir boys give up for they began to play more careful, and at the close of the first half the score stood 6 to 7 in favor of Lenoir.

The second half began with a great deal of excitement as both teams played neck and neck. But when the whistle blew at the end Lenoir stood at the top of the ladder by one rung and was victorious.

The features of the game were the playing of Harris and Beasley for Lenoir and Morris for Franklinton. Harris was excellent in shooting fouls. The line-up was as follows: Lenoir—C. Harris, R. F.; Wilson L. F.; H. Harris C.; Beasley, R. G.; Hudson, and Williams, R. G.; Franklinton—Morris, R. F.; Kearney, L. F.; Winston, C.; B. Rose, R. G.; Rose, L. G.

Some old story again. An Oak Park Ill., man owns \$2,000,000. His son wanted the money and plotted to kill his parents. Since they are prominent people the would-be-murderer is pronounced "mentally unbalanced." Of course, to be, sure, etc.

We don't lay any claims to being a wit or a wag, but we are just human enough to enjoy seeing you fellows crack a smile occasionally at some of the nerve racking and brain fagging puns we dig up. Now take the hint and warm up.

We don't know whether it is a lack of feminine courage, or an evidence of masculine obstinacy, or whether it "just happened," but the fact remains that we haven't a single leap year wedding to report this week.

The ups and downs of business are principally up now.