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METHODIST HOSTS OPEN CONFERENCE

Historical Society Holds Annual Meeting On Eve of Conference Opening.

(By T. A. Sikes.) Rocky Mount, Nov. 18.—The stage is all set tonight preparatory to the opening of the eighty-fourth annual session of the North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South which convenes in the First Methodist church here at 9:00 o'clock tomorrow morning.

It seems that everything that human minds could think of has been done for the comfort and convenience of the Methodist people who are gathering here for the most important church meeting in this section of the State for one year.

In the First church tonight the North Carolina Conference Historical Society held its 27th annual meeting.

Officers for the society for the ensuing year were elected as follows: President, Rev. W. A. Stanbury...

Evangelistic services will be a leading feature of this conference.

Business sessions will be held from 9 until 1 each day when the open work of the conferences will be transacted.

Bishop Eugene Hendrix of Kansas City, Mo., who is the senior bishop of the church, is an honored visitor to the conference and he will make one of the leading speeches on Thursday, which is to be educational day.

16 MEN TRAPPED IN BURNING MINE

Little Hope of Rescuing Workers Feared in the Flames.

Earlinton, Ky., Nov. 18.—Fire near the opening of the Arnold mine, one-half mile east of here, has entrapped sixteen men and with the configuration growing in extent, little hope is held of rescuing them.

The fire, discovered late this afternoon, was in a room near the opening and quickly spread.

A call was sent to Evansville for the mine rescue car there, but the car is at Winslow, Ind., too far from the fire to be taken there in time for use.

HIDES THEFTS IN EXTRA INNER TUBE

Henderson F. O. Clerk Ingeniously Stows Away \$15,000 From Registered Mail.

Having ridden gaily around Vance county with the inner tube of the extra fire on the back of his automobile stuffed to bulging with bills and Liberty bonds amounting to about \$15,000 which he had rifled from registered letters and packages, Loren Vernon Graves, a clerk in the postoffice at Henderson, was yesterday arrested by a squad of postoffice inspectors.

Graves is a native of Williamsburg, Kansas, having been transferred to Henderson on May 1, from Omaha, Nebraska, where he held a position of clerk in the postoffice there.

With each succeeding haul from the mails the extra fire on the back of Graves' machine rose in value.

The case was handled by Inspector Purdum, Hodgins, Rice, Dixon and Kahn.

CALL ON NATION TO GIVE THANKS IN "PLEASANT, SECURITY AND PEACE"

President Wilson Issues Annual Proclamation Pledging November 25 as Holiday for the "Remembrance of God and His Blessings"—Sees War Hurts Healed.

President Wilson issued his Thanks giving proclamation last night, saying that "in plenty, security and peace our virtuous and self-reliant people face the future."

"The season approaches when it behooves us to turn from the distractions and preoccupations of our daily life, that we may contemplate the mercies which have been vouchsafed to us, and render heartfelt and unfeigned thanks unto God for His manifold goodness."

"This is an old observance, of the American people, deeply imbedded in our thought and habit.

"Cause for Thanksgiving. We have abundant cause for thanks giving. The lessons of the war are rapidly healing. The great army of freedom, which America sent to the defense of liberty, returning to the grateful embrace of the nation, has resumed the useful pursuits of peace, as simply and as promptly as it rushed to arms in obedience to the country's call.

"In plenty, security and peace our virtuous and self-reliant people face the future, its duties and its opportunities. May we have vision to discern our duties, the strength, both of hand and resolve, to discharge them and the soundness of heart to realize that the truest opportunities are those of service."

"November 25 Named. In a spirit, then, of devotion and stewardship, we should give thanks in our hearts and dedicate ourselves to the service of God's merciful and loving purposes to His children."

Wherefore, I, Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States, do hereby designate Thursday, the 25th day of November next, as a day of thanksgiving and prayer, and I call upon my countrymen to cease from their ordinary tasks and avocations upon that day, giving it up to the remembrance of God and his blessings and their dutiful and grateful acknowledgements.

BOX PARTY. We are requested to state that there will be a box party at Moulton-Hayes school house Thanksgiving night.

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BOYSTER SPEAKS AT FRANKLINTON

Methodist Church Observes Armistice Day With Impressive Exercises.

Franklinton, Nov. 18.—Armistice Day was celebrated at the Methodist church here yesterday with a splendid program of music, addresses, etc., and a large congregation that overflowed into the Sunday school room.

One pleasing incident of the program was the presentation of a flag to the church by the Philathea class.

Rev. T. A. Sikes, who is finishing his third year as pastor of the Methodist church, preached his last sermon to a large audience last night as pastor of the church.

Revs. C. L. Dowell and B. F. Black, pastors of the Baptist and Christian churches, respectively, will attend the State Baptist convention which meets in Asheville and the Christian conference which meets near Greensboro this week.

NEW COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM

- 1. The Care of the Garden in Summer. 2. Mutt and Jeff in the Indestructible Hat. Part 2. 3. For the Heart of a Princess No. 1. 4. For the Heart of a Princess No. 2. 5. For the Heart of a Princess No. 3. 6. Losing Weight.

This is one of the most enjoyable programs Franklin County has had. Come out and see the beautiful oriental costumes and see something of oriental court life in "For the Heart of a Princess."

In nearly all of the communities we have the added attraction of instrumental music, songs and recitations by the pupils, special songs by some of the young people or community singing.

Prof. Paul J. Weaver of the Department of Music at Chapel Hill has promised to come to Franklin in January to give us some help in community singing.

MAKES EXCELLENT RECORD

The past week by Rev. G. F. Smith, pastor of the Louisa Methodist church, shows that the church has made an excellent record the past year.

SITUATION IN JACKSON STILL PROBLEMATICAL

Arrival of Both Parties Same As It Was Three Days After Election—Boat Resumes Work.

Asheville, Nov. 18.—The situation in Jackson county, where the county canvassing board has been in session for a week, is back in the same place as three days after the election.

The canvassing board adjourned last Saturday until today and convened this afternoon at 1:30 o'clock with both sides feeling being exhibited on both sides.

The state of facts has caused bitter feeling to be exhibited again on both sides and the matter is believed to be as just as had a condition as it was 10 days ago when the board appealed to the governor twice for troops for protection during the court.

FRANKLIN SUPERIOR COURT

Convened Monday With Judge Kerr Presiding—Civil Term—Burnett Insurance Case Called Wednesday.

The regular November term of Franklin Superior Court for the trial of civil cases convened in the Court room here on Monday morning with His Honor Judge Kerr, of Warrenton, presiding.

House of Commons Discusses Status Of Proposal to Aid France. London, Nov. 18.—The question of the proposed treaty under which Great Britain and the United States undertook to support France in case that country were attacked, was brought in the House of Commons today and gave rise to considerable discussion between Andrew Bonar Law the government leader, and numerous members concerning Great Britain's position should the United States refuse to come in.

GASOLINE FALLS IN PRICE

In announcing a reduction in tank wagon prices of one cent a gallon for gasoline, effective Monday, Nov. 15th, the Standard Oil Company (N. J.) made the following statement: While there has been no material relief from any of the conditions which brought about the rise in the price of petroleum products, the Standard Oil Company believes that the process of readjustment now under way in the business world must eventually contribute to lower costs of producing and refining oil.

AT NEW HOPE

There will be a Musical Entertainment and Apron Party at New Hope Academy on Tuesday night, November 23rd. Proceeds will go for benefit of the school. The public is cordially invited.

AT HICKORY ROCK SCHOOL

There will be a box party at Hickory Rock school on Wednesday night, November 24th, 1920 at 7:30 o'clock. The proceeds will be used for the benefit of the school. Everybody come!

BAPTIST CHURCH NOV. 21ST.

The Wake Forest Quartette will sing at the services. As there will be no service at the Methodist Church, the congregation is cordially invited to join in the services.

In the evening Pastor Collins will speak about Our Inter Racial and International Relationships. THE FRANKLIN TIMES \$1.50 Per Year In Advance.

THREE ARE HELD ON ROBBERY CHARGE

J. Clay Hagwood, Reuben S. Hagwood and H. C. Hagwood Taken In Custody.

J. Clay Hagwood, Reuben S. Hagwood and H. C. Hagwood were arrested at their homes in northwestern Raleigh early Saturday morning, by Detectives Tom Crabtree and Jesse Wyatt on warrants charging the robbery of the Weathers Hardware Co. and three other stores of Bunn, on October 28, and the robbery of the Bunn bank, about two weeks ago.

The trio, the police declared yesterday, confessed to the robbery of the stores in Bunn, but further quizzing by the officers, who sought to connect them with the robbery of a Spring Hope bank and a store in McCullers, failed to develop incriminating admissions.

An automatic rifle, which one of the trio offered to lend Tom Crabtree, and the similarity in the peculiar tracks made by their Buick automobile with tracks left by a car on the Bunn streets on the night of the robbery there, served to bring about their arrest.

The prisoners were brought to Louisa by Sheriff H. A. Kearney on Monday and placed in jail to await a preliminary hearing, which was set for Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock before Squire D. E. Conn, of Dunns township. The hearing will be had in Louisa.

HONOR ROLL LAUREL SCHOOL

The following is an honor roll from Laurel School for month ending November 13th, 1920.

First Grade—Mary Helen Burnett, Fred Burnett, Sue Egerton, Estelle Woodruff, Bessie Bobbit Marshall, Myrtice Upchurch, Page Depriest, Sidney Murphy, Wilson Parrish, Thomas Speed, Herbert Harris, Ida Fuller.

Second Grade—Aubry Gupton, Clyde Crissman, Loyd Crissman, Urna Gupton, Lucy Perry Conn, Walter Fuller.

Third Grade—Blount Garrison, Rufus Harper, Helen Parrish, Rachel Garbee, Irene Depriest, Willa Depriest, Parham Gupton, Aileen Cooper, Alvin Cooper.

Fourth Grade—David Fuller, Geo. Fuller, Eugene Harper.

Fifth Grade—Harold Garbee, Ruebin Gupton, Theron Hight, Clement Harper, Alice Depriest.

Sixth Grade—Louise Parrish, Mary Susan Fuller, Marvin Gupton, Lindwood Murphy.

Seventh Grade—Maggie Pearl Marshall, Mary Egerton.

Eighth Grade—Helen Alston, Myrtle Gupton, Fannie Gupton, Hugh Jones.

CATCHES CONVICT

Constable P. E. Dean and Mr. J. J. Lancaster returned Sunday from Raleigh where they had been to convey Charlie I. James, an escaped convict, serving a term of thirty years for murder, to the State penitentiary.

James was caught on Sunday afternoon by Constable Dean and was taken first to the home of Mr. Lancaster, who was deputized to assist in holding James in custody. They received a reward of thirty-five dollars.

ANNUAL BAZAAR

The ladies of the Episcopal church will have their Annual Bazaar Tuesday afternoon November the thirtieth at the residence of Mrs. R. C. Beck. The doors will open at four o'clock and the public is most cordially invited to attend.

There will be a Musical Entertainment and Apron Party at New Hope Academy on Tuesday night, November 23rd. Proceeds will go for benefit of the school. The public is cordially invited.

AT JUSTICE

We are requested to state that an oyster supper and Bazaar will be held at Justice school on Wednesday night, November 24th at 7:30 o'clock. After the supper an entertainment will be given free. Everybody is invited to attend and lend their assistance to the school.

TOBACCO SELLING GOOD

The prices on the local tobacco market the past week have been holding up the increase gained several days ago and quite a lot of the week has been sold at satisfactory prices.

STATE SENATE VOTE

For 6th Senatorial District—Composed of Nash, Franklin and Wilson Counties.

The following is the official vote cast in the Sixth Senatorial District, composed of Nash, Wilson and Franklin Counties for the several candidates for the State Senate, in the regular election held on Tuesday, November 2nd, 1920. It will be noticed that the average Democratic majority was 7143. The tabulated vote follows:

Table with columns for Candidates (McKinnis, Williams, Stanton), Counties (Nash, Wilson, Franklyn), and Votes. Total: 10424, 10508, 3309, 3336.

AMONG THE VISITORS

SOME YOU KNOW AND SOME YOU DO NOT KNOW.

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

Mr. E. H. Malone paid Durham a business visit Friday.

Mr. J. M. Allen returned Friday from a visit to Richmond.

Messrs. W. F. Beasley and son, Paul, went to Raleigh Friday.

Supt. J. R. Collier, of Raleigh, was a visitor to Louisa Wednesday.

Mr. C. C. Hudson left Tuesday for Baltimore and other Northern markets.

Messrs. John Mayes and M. S. Mayes, of Oxford, were in Louisa Saturday.

Prof. R. B. White, of Wake Forest College, was in attendance at Court yesterday.

Hon. James H. Fox, of Raleigh, was in attendance at Court in Louisa Wednesday.

Sheriff-Elect L. C. Rosser, of Jonesboro, Lee County, was a visitor to Louisa Saturday.

Miss Maude Gregory, who has been visiting at the home of Mr. S. C. Foster on Kenmore Avenue, returned the past week to her home at Bules Creek.

Rev. G. F. Smith, President F. S. Love and Mr. F. B. McKinnis left Tuesday afternoon for Rocky Mount to attend the Annual North Carolina Methodist Conference.

TRINITY STUDENTS ARE PLACED ON PROBATION

Action Taken as Result of Walkout of 400 On Armistice Day—Action Against Leaders Not Known.

Durham, Nov. 16.—More than 50 per cent of the student body of Trinity college here is on probation as a result of the walkout of 400 students on Armistice day, it was announced at morning chapel today by the faculty. A faculty meeting held last night resulted in a conditional return of the students who participated in the affair to their classes with a few exceptions whose cases are still pending.

The identity of the ring leaders whose cases are not yet disposed of was not made public but it is understood they still face the probability of expulsion.

Regulations under which students will be permitted to return to their classes require perfect attendance at all classes unless absences are excused by reason of absolute physical inability to be present. One unexcused "out" of a class will result in the offender being sent home. It was said participation in any unwarranted action similar to the strike, on the part of any student involved, will result in the same action being taken.

All freshmen, who heretofore have been required to pass in three subjects of three hours per week each, are now required to pass in four subjects. All upper classmen are required to make a passing grade in five subjects or in most cases, all upon their scholastic schedule.

No men have been sent home to date, and no announcement of revoked scholarships have been made.