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MATTERS OF INTEREST TO THE READERS OF THE PATRIOT FAR AND NEAR.

New Policeman.—Mr. E. W. Pearce has been elected a member of the city police force to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. John H. Wolfe.

Glee Club Concert.—The Trinity College Glee Club gave an enjoyable and well attended concert at the Greensboro College for Women Tuesday night.

Changes Name.—The style of the firm of S. M. Maddox & Co., who conduct a drug store at Five Points, has been changed to the Maddox-Tyson Drug Company.

For Football Game.—A large number of Greensboro people left last night on a special train for Richmond, Va., to witness the annual Thanksgiving football game between the Universities of North Carolina and Virginia.

Boy Choked to Death.—The 18-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Tubal Clapp, of the Brick church section of the county, met a most distressing death Monday. While at play the little fellow swallowed a large bean and choked to death before he could be given relief.

Hamlin-Allison.—Mr. James Hamlin and Miss Quize Allison, both of Reidsville, were married in this city Monday evening at 7.30 o'clock, the ceremony taking place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Gaudin, on Lindsay street. Rev. W. A. Lambeth, pastor of the Reidsville Methodist church, was the officiating minister.

Thanksgiving.—Thanksgiving day is being generally observed in Greensboro. The public buildings, the banks and most of the stores and offices are closed for the day. The congregations of most of the city churches attended Thanksgiving services at 11 o'clock this morning. The fine weather sent many sportsmen to the country to shoot birds.

Another Old Deed.—Another old deed was filed this week in the office of Register of Deeds Rankin. It was written November 6, 1884, 31 years ago, and transferred from Lewis Nugent to Caleb Jones a tract of 65 3-4 acres of land in Oak Ridge township, the consideration named being \$100. The deed was filed by heirs of the purchaser of 31 years ago.

In Automobile Business.—As will be noted from an advertisement elsewhere in this issue of The Patriot, the Townsend Buggy Company is branching out in a new line of business and is now selling the Maxwell automobile, one of the best known and most durable machines on the market. The company has a new selling plan which makes it easy for the person of ordinary means to own an automobile.

Gentry-Coffin.—Mr. J. E. Gentry and Miss Mary Coffin were married Tuesday at noon at the home of the bride's father, Mr. W. E. Coffin, on South Ashe street. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. C. W. Byrd in the presence of members of the family and a few close friends. The young couple left shortly after the ceremony for Richmond, Va., on a visit to relatives of the groom. Mr. Gentry is in the railway mail service, with a run between Greensboro and Richmond.

Returns to Wyoming.—Col. F. P. Hobgood, Jr., left yesterday for Washington and from there will return to Cheyenne, Wyo., where he is engaged in special work for the United States department of justice. He came home with Mrs. Hobgood, who was taken quite ill in Wyoming recently. Mrs. Hobgood is rapidly improving in a sanitarium in Charlotte and expects to return to Greensboro in a few days. It is her intention to remain here with relatives until her husband finishes his work in the West.

"Jitney" Baseball.—An effort is to be made to revive interest in baseball in Greensboro by offering 3,000 season tickets for next year's season for sale at \$3 each, or a little over five cents a game. It is said that professional baseball in Greensboro next year depends upon the success of this plan, and if the season tickets are not sold, the franchise will be given up. The "jitney" tickets will admit the holders to the grounds only; an additional charge of 15 cents will be made for a seat in the grandstand. Judging from the attendance during the past season, only a limited number of Greensboro people have any interest in professional baseball.

COL. R. W. WHARTON DIES AT AGE OF 88 YEARS.

Col. R. W. Wharton, a native of Guilford county, died on the 17th inst. at the home of his son-in-law, Congressman John H. Small, in Washington, N. C., at the age of 88 years. He was born in 1827 and many of his relatives now reside in this county. He was of Scotch-English descent, a staunch Presbyterian and for a number of years held the position of senior elder in the First Presbyterian church of Washington.

In 1849 he graduated from Davidson College and studied law under the elder Judge Gilmer. He practiced law for about ten years at Salem, after which he enlisted in the war as captain, serving in what was known as the northern army of Virginia until 1864. When the 67th North Carolina regiment was organized he was made colonel and served with that regiment until the close of the war.

Colonel Wharton participated in every important engagement while in the army of Virginia. He served under Stonewall Jackson and was near him when the latter was killed. Although in the heart of every engagement and always at the head of his men, Colonel Wharton was never wounded in any battle in which he took part.

After the close of the war he married a Miss Perry, of Beaufort county, and settled near Washington. He gradually abandoned the practice of law and devoted himself extensively to farming.

There was no more loyal or faithful officer in the Confederate army than Col. Wharton or none more active and faithful as a member of the Presbyterian church. He was a Democrat all his life and for many years took an active part in the party. His leading characteristics were probably his unyielding integrity, his loyalty to his convictions and his persistence in every matter which he undertook.

One daughter, Mrs. John H. Small, and two sons, Thomas P. Wharton and D. Evans Wharton, of Beaufort county, survive him. His wife passed away in 1904.

CARL PIKE STILL HELD HERE BY THE AUTHORITIES.

Carl Pike, who was adjudged insane by the court in Prince George county, Va., after he had shot and killed Thomas Paschall in Hopewell, Va., early Tuesday morning of last week, is still held in the Guilford county jail.

It will be recalled that Pike was brought to Greensboro last Saturday morning and carried to Morganton for admission to the state hospital, the authorities there refusing to receive him because he was classed as a criminal insane person. He was brought back to Greensboro with the intention of having the sheriff carry him to Raleigh for admission to the criminal insane department of the penitentiary.

Sheriff Stafford was advised by his attorney that the transcript of the judgment of the Virginia court would not be accepted by the penitentiary authorities and that it would be necessary to have a commitment from a North Carolina court before Pike could be received as a patient in the criminal insane department of the state prison.

M. E. CONFERENCE ADJOURNS

APPOINTMENTS OF PREACHERS FOR THE COMING YEAR—NEXT MEETING IN GASTONIA.

The Western North Carolina Conference of the M. E. Church, South, which met in annual session in Reidsville on the 17th inst., adjourned Monday afternoon. An invitation for the next session of the conference to be held in Main Street church, Gastonia, was accepted.

The last business of the conference was the announcement of the appointments for the coming year. Many changes were made in the appointments, this being partially due to the fact that a number of the ministers had served charges the limit of four years allowed under the law of the church.

Following are the appointments for the Greensboro district: J. H. Weaver, presiding elder. Asheboro—J. E. Thompson. Coleridge—R. L. Melton. Denton—J. M. Varner, supply. Deep River—W. B. Thompson, supply. Greensboro—Centenary, J. H. Bennett; J. P. Lanning, supernumerary; Spring Garden—Z. E. Barnhardt; W. C. Jones, junior preacher; Walnut Street and Carraway Memorial—W. M. Robbins; West Market Street—C. W. Byrd.

Greensboro circuit—J. E. Woosley. West Greensboro circuit—S. T. Barber. Gibsonville—A. C. Gibbs. High Point—Main street—H. H. Robbins; Wesley Memorial—G. T. Rowe; East and West—W. A. Barber, supply. Pleasant Garden—C. F. Sherrill. Ramseur and Franklinville—H. C. Byrum.

Randleman and Naomii—A. R. Bell. Randolph—F. N. Crowder. Reidsville—W. A. Lambeth. Ruffin—J. J. Edwards. Uwharrie—C. E. Steadman. Wentworth—T. C. Jordan. President Greensboro College for Women, S. B. Turrentine; treasurer, W. M. Curtis; conference missionary secretary, Frank Siler; editor Christian Advocate, H. M. Blair; state Sunday school secretary, J. W. Long; missionary to Korea, J. R. Moore; conference evangelist, W. L. Dawson; student in Emory and Henry College, J. E. Womack.

Other appointments in this section, but outside the bounds of the Greensboro district, are as follows: Summerfield—T. B. Johnson. Stokesdale—R. L. Doggett. Kernersville—J. M. Price. Centenary, Winston-Salem—E. K. McLarty. Winston district—H. K. Boyer, presiding elder. Mt. Airy district—H. C. Sprinkle, presiding elder.

Following are the appointments of some of the members of the conference in whom readers of The Patriot may be interested: R. D. Sherrill—Hawthorne Lane, Charlotte. F. L. Townsend—Morven. J. T. Stover—Unionville.

N. R. Richardson—Weddington. J. A. Bowles—Forest City. M. W. Mann—McDowell circuit. R. S. Howie—Madison and Stoneville. J. W. Bennett—Mt. Airy circuit. A. S. Raper—Epworth, Concord. C. M. Short—Forest Hill, Concord. P. L. Terrell—Concord circuit. W. R. Ware—Presiding elder of the Statesville district. C. P. Goode—Alexander circuit. Parker Holmes—Canton. G. H. Christenberry—Sylva. T. J. Ogburn—Murphy. J. R. Scroggs—Presiding elder of the Shelby district. J. A. Sharp—Lowesville. W. O. Goode—Thomasville. J. C. Rowe—Presiding elder of the Salisbury district. W. S. Hales—First Street, Albemarle. H. F. Starr—Albemarle circuit.

Teachers in Raleigh. Raleigh, Nov. 24.—Miss Mary O. Graham, as president, convened the thirty-second annual session of the North Carolina Teachers' Assembly in the city auditorium tonight, the attendance for the opening session being especially large. Miss Graham felicitated the members of the assembly on the auspicious opening and on the splendid entertainment that Raleigh is providing and appealed for effective effort to bring under the influence of the assembly all the teaching forces of the state.

ASSIGNMENT OF M. P. PASTORS

WHERE THE PREACHERS WILL LABOR DURING THE NEXT TWELVE MONTHS.

The North Carolina Methodist Protestant Conference adjourned Monday night at 10 o'clock to meet next year in Winston-Salem. Rev. N. G. Bethea was elected to preach the conference sermon and Rev. J. D. Williams the ordination sermon at the next annual session.

The final business of the conference was the announcement of the appointments for the ensuing year, the stationing committee making the following report: Alamance—J. A. Ledbetter. Creswell—J. H. Abernathy. Anderson—A. D. Shelton. Asheboro—C. L. Whitaker. Asheville—C. W. Bates. Bucombe—T. E. Martin. Burlington—J. E. Pritchard. Charlotte—Unsupplied. Cleveland—W. C. Lassiter. Concord—W. R. Lowdermilk. Davidson—J. W. Hullin. Denton—George L. Reynolds. Fairview—J. H. Bowman. Fallston—J. H. Moton. Flat Rock—C. A. Cecil. Forsyth—A. O. Lindley. Gaston—W. H. Neese. Graham—O. B. Williams. Granville—D. R. Williams. Greensboro—R. M. Andrews. Greenville—J. M. Morgan. Guilford—S. M. Needham. Halifax—R. A. Swearingen. Haw River—W. H. Ashburn. Henderson—S. F. Taylor. High Point—A. G. Dixon. Lebanon—R. C. Stubbins. Lenoir—H. D. Garmon. Lincoln—D. M. Loy. Littleton—W. E. Swain. Mebane—W. F. Kennett. Mecklenburg—J. H. Stowe. Midland—J. F. Alexander. Mocksville—T. A. Williams. Mt. Vernon—J. A. Burgess. Mt. Pleasant—R. S. Troxler. Oak Ridge—L. W. Geringer.

Orange—C. H. Whitaker. Pageland—J. Q. Quick. Pensacola—Homer Casto. Piedmont—J. W. Self. Pinnacle and Mt. Zion—Ed. Suits. Randleman—J. B. O'Brian. Randolph—W. M. White. Richland—Joel B. Trogdon. Roanoke—C. J. Edwards. Reidsville—E. G. Lowdermilk. Rockingham—W. B. Surratt. Saxapahaw—H. S. B. Thompson. Shelby—J. D. Morris. Siler City—T. E. Davis. Spring Church—R. L. Hethcock. St. Paul—G. F. Milloway. Stanley—W. D. Reed. Tabernacle—T. M. Johnson. Thomasville—E. O. Pritchett. Uwharrie—E. A. Braswell. Vance—A. L. Hunter. Welch Memorial—Unsupplied. West Forsyth—T. F. McCulloch. Why Not—Unsupplied. Winston—J. D. Williams. Yadkin College—H. L. Powell. Yarboro—W. A. Lamar.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS RECORDED THIS WEEK.

Deeds for the transfer of real estate in Guilford county have been filed for record in the office of the register of deeds this week as follows: Margaret Huffines to J. H. Stanfield, a farm of 205 1-4 acres in Madison township for a consideration of \$5,000. The property is known as the William Greene farm. J. H. Stanfield to W. T. Pike, two tracts of 95 acres each in Gilmer township for \$4,500.

J. E. McKnight, executor, and J. W. Jones to J. Lister Jones, two tracts, one of one acre and 40 poles and the other of 2,360 square feet, in Monroe township, \$1. Frank Leak to Claude Hedgepeth, a lot 50 by 138 feet on Wilson street in the city of Greensboro, \$10 and other valuable considerations. The Southern Real Estate Company to Mrs. Emma B. Clymer, lot 5 in block "G" of the Leonora property, on McIver street, in the city of Greensboro, \$350.

F. A. Silver and wife to J. M. Millikan, a tract consisting of 16.72 acres in Jamestown township, \$10 and other valuable considerations. The Irving Park Company to Dr. Parran Jarboe, a lot 80 by 150 feet in Irving park, north of the Greensboro city limits, for \$2,400. J. H. McNeill and wife to C. D. Higgins and wife, a lot 75 by 153 feet on Keogh street, in the city of Greensboro, \$100.

W. F. LINVILLE DIES AT HOME NEAR STOKESDALE.

Mr. William F. Linville, of Stokesdale, one of the oldest and best known citizens of northwestern Guilford, died at his home yesterday morning, death being due to the infirmities of age. He had been quite feeble for several years and recently had been confined to his room.

Mr. Linville was 87 years old and had never married. He was a man of considerable means, owning a good deal of real estate and other property. His niece, Mrs. C. A. Boone, and her husband resided with him during his declining years. Mr. Linville was an uncle of Messrs. John L. and R. R. King, of Greensboro. The funeral took place this morning at 11 o'clock at Bethel Methodist Protestant church.

Will Demand an Apology. The United States will demand an apology from Great Britain for searching the American steamer Veslandia by a British warship within the three-mile limit of Progresso harbor, Yucatan. It will also call for a disavowal of the act with the promise that it will not happen again. In this connection officials recall that Great Britain apologized to Chile some months ago for violating the neutral waters of that country.

CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE IN SESSION IN DURHAM.

The North Carolina and Virginia Conference of the Christian church met in annual session in Durham Tuesday. The opening exercises were conducted by Rev. J. W. Wellons, of Elon College, whose age, 90 years, is the same as that of the conference.

The following officers were elected: Rev. P. T. Klapp, of Elon College, president; Rev. P. H. Fleming, of Greensboro, vice president; Dr. W. A. Harper, of Elon College, secretary; L. M. Clymer, of Greensboro, assistant secretary.

The reports of elders of 34 churches in the conference showed the work to be in fine shape. In the report of the committee on moral reform the social evils of the day were condemned and an appeal made to pastors and others present to help in working out a practical morality and practical Christianity in the homes.

Rev. J. W. Holt, of Burlington, who has been a prohibitionist for 30 years or more, having been a candidate for governor on the ticket of the Prohibition party years ago, spoke on the importance of temperance. He believed that North Carolina was taking a step in the right direction, and also believed that eventually the great cause would prevail in the whole nation. He advocated the education of the children as a means of breaking up intemperance. He believed that if the children were educated in Christian schools and colleges, while it might not be an absolute preventative, it would do a lot of good, and would mean that there would be less intemperance in all lines.

Must Pay the Death Penalty. The Supreme court of North Carolina yesterday handed down an opinion confirming the verdict of the Superior court of Guilford county in the case charging Ed. Walker and Jeff Dorsett, both colored, with the murder of John Swain, of Pleasant Garden, on the evening of the 20th of last January. The only thing now that can save the condemned men from the electric chair is a pardon or a commutation of the sentence by Governor Craig.

Walker and Dorsett were sentenced to electrocution in June, but their appeal to the Supreme court acted as a stay of the execution. They will be re-sentenced to death at the December criminal term of court.

Woman Committed Suicide. Mrs. John Whitfield, wife of a Martin county farmer, ended her life Tuesday by jumping into a well. She had appeared to be in her usual health and sound mind and no reason has been assigned for her act. She leaves a husband and four children.

Mr. M. W. Gant, clerk of the Superior court, returned last night from Lexington, where he appeared as a witness in a case tried at this week's civil term of Davidson Superior court.

TWO KILLED AND 22 INJURED

SERIOUS ACCIDENT IN YARDS OF SOUTHERN IN SALISBURY LAST NIGHT.

Two persons were killed and 22 injured in Salisbury last night, when the Southern's northbound through train No. 38 ran into the rear of a special train that was carrying a crowd to Richmond, Va., for the Virginia-Carolina football game today. The locomotive of No. 38 ploughed through a third of the length of the rear sleeper of the special, a Pullman of wooden construction, in which there were 34 passengers, and the two killed and ten of the injured were taken from this car. How the other 22 occupants of the car escaped seems almost miraculous.

The two men killed were Charles E. Hall and Henry C. Severs, both of Charlotte. The ten most seriously injured were on the special train, though the condition of none of these is considered dangerous. They were all taken quickly to the Whitehead-Stokes sanatorium and given medical attention. They are:

O. Max Gardner, of Shelby, ankle badly broken, back badly wrenched and face cut and bruised. Forrest Eskridge, of Shelby, rib broken. Harry Tally, of Charlotte, one ear cut off. J. M. Smith, of Charlotte. F. B. McCall, of Charlotte. Mrs. B. E. Smith, of Charlotte. G. H. Holton, of Charlotte. Mrs. F. T. Pusey, of Charlotte. W. R. Howell, of Charlotte. C. F. Stone, of Charlotte.

The injuries of the seven last named were said to be only slight. There were 12 passengers on No. 38 injured, though their injuries were, almost without exception, very slight, consisting mostly of shocks, sprains or bruises. All of these continued their journeys. The special train had just rolled into the yards and stopped three blocks south of the passenger station. It is stated that the flagman was sent back to stop No. 38, but before he was a car's length from his train the headlight of No. 38 flashed around the curve and a moment later came the crash, followed by the screams of the dying and injured. Whether there was delay on the part of the special train flagman in going back or whether No. 38 was being operated too close behind the special is not explained. On that point officials have thus far vouchsafed no explanation. The engineer on No. 38 declared that he had a clear light, and attributed the accident to a defect in the electric block signal system.

The rear train was running at a moderate rate of speed, otherwise the damage must have been much greater. The Pullman car struck was of the old, wooden type and parted like kindling. That the locomotive was stopped after passing only a third of the way through this car is taken as evidence of the fact that it was not traveling at a great rate of speed. The special train was being operated from Charlotte to Richmond Va., and carried several hundred North Carolina football enthusiasts, bound for the Virginia capital to witness the annual Thanksgiving game between the Universities of Virginia and North Carolina. The train continued on to Richmond after several hours delay, but there were several to turn back after the accident.

The most seriously injured of the 40 taken from the wrecked Pullman was O. Max Gardner, of Shelby, a former football star on the University of North Carolina team, and before then on the A. and M. eleven, now one of the state's prominent attorneys and a candidate for lieutenant governor under the Democratic banner. When he was first taken from the car it was thought that, in addition to a broken ankle, his back was also broken. Examination at the hospital, however, disclosed that it was only a very painful wrench. One of the most deplorable of the injuries was that received by Harry Tally, of Charlotte, who lost an ear.

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