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GREAT GATHERING OF THE CLANS.

S. P. C. Commencement and Meeting of Scottish Society of America Attended by Scotchmen From All Over—Memorable Address by Dr. J. A. McDonald of Toronto—Flag of Canada Presented—U. S. and Canada Stand Together—Flora McDonald Training College For Women Suggested—Events of a Memorable Day.

Special to The Robesonian.

Southern Presbyterian College and Conservatory of Music, Red Springs, May 21—This has been a memorable day for this college, which crowns the work of the year by conferring degrees upon 14 young ladies; for the Scottish Society of America, which held its fourth annual meeting immediately following the commencement exercises; for this truly charming town; and for some 2,000 people, who gathered here from far and near—from a number of other counties as well as all over Robeson—to see and to hear good things. And the delight afforded intellectual and aesthetic tastes through ears and eyes, followed by a dinner, served from a long table on the campus, the abundance and excellence of which was in keeping with the excellence of the speeches and other exercises. It has been a most complete and delightful day, with no ceremony left out.

Dr. J. A. McDonald, editor of the Toronto Globe, prominent in one of the strong political parties of the Dominion of Canada, widely known on two continents as a leader of thought, in the educational world and in the movement for universal peace, was the orator of the occasion, and he held the rapt attention of the large audience which filled every available inch of space in the large college auditorium during two short addresses—one in presenting to the Scottish Society a Canadian flag, sent to the Scottish Society by Toronto and presented by Dr. McDonald at the request of the mayor of that city; the other, the message he came to deliver.

Standing under two flags, one the flag of Canada, but a moment before unfurled above the stage, the other the flag which challenges the loyalty of every true citizen of the United States, Dr. McDonald declared that the Monroe doctrine is as much the doctrine of his country as it is the doctrine of our country; that the integrity of the English-speaking people is as much the interest of his country as ours; and that the encroachment of any foreign country upon any foot of American soil would be as strongly resisted by his country as ours.

The prominence of the speaker and the imminence of certain foreign questions made these statements doubly impressive.

In substance these were the concluding remarks of Dr. McDonald's speech in presenting the flag; and in concluding his subsequent address the speaker again gave voice to words which ran like fire through his audience when he declared that here, on the beautiful spot which is the home of this college, should be located a training school for young women which should be known as the Flora McDonald Training College, a school where young women should be trained for the highest and noblest service. The sum of \$100,000 should be raised to erect buildings for and equip such an institution, declared the speaker, and he pledged financial assistance from his brethren of the North if efforts were made to make this vision of big things a reality. Later, at its business meeting, the Society passed a resolution heartily endorsing Dr. McDonald's suggestion. Dr. C. G. Vardell, president of the college, when the motion that such a resolution be passed was made, stated that this was no spur-of-the-moment idea, that Dr. McDonald had discussed the matter with him, and that while other places were bidding for such an institution, Dr. McDonald thinks Red Springs the ideal place for its location.

This is Dr. McDonald's second visit to this college and he is enthusiastic about the work being done here. He says that here two important questions have been solved—how to live for others and how to live in peace. Dr. McDonald was introduced by Rev. Watson Fairley of Fayetteville, and the flag was accepted for the Society by Mr. Jno. H. Currie of Cumberland county. Mr. Currie said the name of the society would now be changed to the "Scottish Society of the World."

One of the most delightful features of the entire day was the dancing of the Highland fling and other dances which date back to the dawn of history in Scotland by 8 half-grown girls

wearing skirts, sashes and turbans made of Scotch plaids. These girls also sang and acted in most bewitching style, "Coming Through the Rye." Their performance was greeted with applause that would not be denied and they had to come back. They entered the auditorium from the front entrance and marched down the center aisles to the strains of some ravishing Scotch air played on the bagpipe by Mr. Kinnis McLean, who came to Robeson county from Scotland a year or so ago and is now living at Buie. Mr. McLean headed the march into the hall.

Dr. McDonald was honor guest at the annual alumnae banquet at the college last night and he was escorted to the college this morning by a procession of 30 horsemen wearing plaid sashes, headed by Mr. McLean with his bagpipe. During this procession Mr. McLean played "Battle of the Clans"—the piece that was played when the Highlanders went into the fight at the battle of Culloden in 1746—"Clan McLean March" and "Cock of the Walk."

Dr. J. L. McMillan of Red Springs presided at the meeting of the society and at the business meeting which followed his address. Dr. McDonald was elected president for the ensuing year. Mr. A. W. McLean, the retiring president—the president is not eligible for re-election—in placing him in nomination said that he regarded Dr. McDonald as one of the five greatest men in America today. An invitation from Fayetteville to hold the next meeting there was accepted, the time for this meeting to be determined later. An effort will be made to secure President Wilson as the speaker for this occasion.

Other officers elected were: Vice presidents—Jno. W. McLaughlin of Raeford, Rev. M. J. McLean of Alabama, Col. A. C. McAllister of Ashboro; executive council—Dr. J. W. McNeill of Fayetteville, Dr. A. McDonald of Carthage, A. W. McLean, J. H. Currie; secretary-treasurer, Miss Eloise McGill of Fayetteville (re-elected). The president and vice-presidents are members of the council ex officio.

Among the distinguished people present was Dr. J. J. Hall, formerly pastor of the First Baptist church of Fayetteville, now director of the American Peace Society for the South Atlantic States with headquarters in Atlanta. At the suggestion of Dr. Hall the following resolution was adopted by the society:

"We heartily endorse arbitration or the establishment of a high court of nations as a substitute for war, an appeal to reason and to law instead of force for the settlement of all international disputes."

Hon. Josephus Daniels, Secretary of the Navy, was invited to be the guest of the society on this occasion and introduce the speaker but was prevented from being present by his official duties.

Fuller reports of Dr. McDonald's address and the commencement exercises must be held over for a subsequent issue. J. A. S.

BLIND MUSICAL TRIO AT PASTIME THIS EVENING

Beginning this evening "The Blind Musical Trio" will begin a three-nights' engagement at the Pastime theatre, rendering vocal and instrumental selections during the show. The instruments used are piano, cornet and clarinet. These three young men are traveling over the country, endeavoring to make a decent honest living without asking aid from anyone. Their music is first class and should be heard by all lovers of first class music. For the three nights the musicians are to play at the Pastime the prices of admission will be 10 and 20 cents, one-half the receipts going to them. Good pictures and good music are guaranteed and anyone not being perfectly satisfied will have their money gladly refunded by making complaint to the office. Come and help those who are trying to help themselves.

Superior Court.

The case of Katie Ann Locklear vs. W. A. Savage et al, for conversion of timber, involving about 100 acres of land and some \$600 worth of timber, went to the jury just before court adjourned for the noon hour today. This is the only case that has been tried since court convened Monday morning, Judge G. C. Ferguson presiding. Non-suit has been entered in the case of the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Co. vs. O. I. Floyd. It is understood that the case of A. Weinstein vs. Atlantic Coast Line Ry. Co. will be the next case to be tried.

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DISTRICT CONFERENCE IN SESSION.

Methodist of Rockingham District Gather at Chestnut Street Church—25 Preachers and 45 Lay Delegates Attending Today—Two Business Sessions and Two Preaching Services Today and Tomorrow—Presiding Elder McCullen Will Preach Twice Sunday and Hold Quarterly Conference for This Church Sunday Night.

Rockingham district conference, Presiding Elder A. McCullen of Rockingham in the chair began its business sessions this morning at 9:30 o'clock in Chestnut Street Methodist church, Rev. J. W. Bradley, pastor. After a song and prayer service and a brief address of welcome by Mr. H. E. Stacy of Lumberton business matters connected with the conference were taken up until the 11 o'clock hour, when the business of the morning session gave way for a sermon by Rev. E. B. Craven of Raeford. Another business session is being held this afternoon, beginning at 3 o'clock an Rev. E. M. Hoyle, who preceded Mr. Bradley as pastor of the church will preach this evening at 8 o'clock. The opening sermon was preached by Rev. H. M. Eure of Red Springs last evening.

Tomorrow morning the business session will begin at 9 o'clock and continue to 11 o'clock, when there will be preaching, and the afternoon session will begin at 3 o'clock. There will be preaching also tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock, which will close the conference proper.

Presiding Elder McCullen will preach Sunday morning and evening and at the close of the Sunday evening service will hold quarterly conference.

Preachers and delegates have been arriving on every train since yesterday morning and more are expected tonight and tomorrow. There are at present 25 preachers and 45 lay delegates from other churches in the district attending the conference.

Former pastors of Chestnut Street church attending the conference are: Rev. J. D. Bundy of Wilmington, who is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. White; Mr. F. B. McCall of Laurel Hill, a guest at the home of his brother-in-law Mr. D. M. Hollowell; and Rev. E. M. Hoyle and wife of Greenville, guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Owen C. Deese.

Lumberton is proud to have the honor of entertaining the conference and bids all visitors welcome. Members of other denominations are cordially invited to attend all sessions of the conference and preaching services.

Julia Anderson Identified Alleged Kidnapped Dunbar Child as Her Own—Walters Safe.

Mr. J. G. Thompson of Whiteville and Boardman, who went with The Robesonian man to see Julia Anderson at Boardman on the 25th ult. when excitement was at fever heat in Louisiana over the alleged kidnapping of a small boy from the home of its parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dunbar, at Opelousas, La., by J. P. Walters, formerly of Barnesville, this county—Walters claiming that the child with him was a son of the Anderson woman—was in town Monday. He says that Julia has returned home—it will be recalled that some paper paid her way to Alabama to see if she could identify the boy—that she has seen her and that she says she did positively identify the boy as her son.

Walters was said to be in dire straits—threatened with lynching—at the time The Robesonian man sent a dispatch to a New Orleans paper from Boardman containing an interview with the Anderson woman, but since she went to Alabama there has been no dispatches to papers in this part of the State in regard to the matter. The matter seemed to have lost interest so far as sending any dispatches back to papers in this part of the moral vineyard is concerned, but Julia says that she was able to identify the child as her own and that Walters is out of danger now and that the case will be tried in September.

Mr. Thompson says Julia says she was royally treated and had a high time on her trip. She was taken by the Governor of the State and an attorney to see some children to see if she could pick her boy out of a crowd, and she fared sumptuously, never eating a meal of "vittles" while she was gone that cost less than a dollar, so she tells Mr. Thompson.

In the United States the yearly waste of infant life is seen in about three hundred thousand (300,000) deaths in the first year. Most of this mortality is due to cruel ignorance.

RECEIVED IN GOOD SPIRIT.

Reassuring Advices From Japan—Situation Has More Favorable Appearance.

Washington Dispatch, 21st.

Reassuring advices reached the State Department from Japan late today, indicating that the American reply to the protest against the California land law was received in good spirit by the Tokio government, and that the situation has taken on a much more favorable appearance than at any time since the negotiations began. Officials here admitted their satisfaction over the turn of events.

The dispatches related also that the Japanese government realized fully the difficulties under which the Washington Administration had labored in handling the situation, understanding the dual system of government in the United States and the powers of legislation held by California.

Today's advices were of a preliminary character and made no prediction of ensuing steps, but in general they reflected a favorable view in Tokio to the American note replying to Japan's protest.

President Wilson, who had no small part in the writing of the note, is said to describe in most complimentary terms, what he believed to be the real feeling of the majority of American people toward Japan. The communication, it is said, pointed to California, and only a part of California, too, as having given evidence of a discriminatory disposition, and insisted that the United States as a whole admired the progress that Japan has made in the last half century, respected the achievements of the Japanese people, and was sincerely anxious to show that it regarded Japan on a basis of equality with all other powers and nations.

The note was about 1,000 words long and dealt chiefly with the spirit of the American people toward Japan, making little reference, it is understood, to technicalities of the new law, or the treaty, but discussing Japan's contention that the California agitation was in reality an act of unfriendliness and discrimination toward the Japanese.

While the situation tonight was regarded as satisfactory in official quarters the Japanese answer was awaited with keen interest.

AMONG TRANSGRESSORS

A Batch of Cases Disposed of by Mayor Pro Tem. Proctor.

The following cases were disposed of in Mayor Pro Tem. J. D. Proctor's court Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock: Charley Smith, drunk and disorderly, \$3.50 and costs; G. E. Meyers, drunk and disorderly, \$5 and costs. Henry Hill, a young white boy, who, as mentioned in Monday's Robesonian, was jailed Sunday on a charge of larceny, was bound over to court under a \$100 bond and failing to make same was remanded to jail. The case against Jerry McLaughlin, charged with retailing, was dismissed. Dr. Tom Buzzard—alias Sandy Jackson—and Rock Hill—alias Robert Neill—on charges of retailing, were bound over to court under a \$100 bond each, which they failed to make and were remanded to jail.

John Roach and Jasper Bryant were given a hearing this morning on a charge of being drunk and disorderly on the streets last night. They were fined \$5 and costs each.

Henry Hill, the young boy mentioned above, has told several different stories. At one time he is said to have stated that he was from Richmond, and at another time that he had escaped from the Jackson training school at Concord.

Alligators Captured in Lennon's Mill Pond.

Messrs. Shepherd and Abner Nash and Haynes Flowers went Tuesday to Lennon's mill pond, about 7 miles from town, gator hunting. Mr. Ira J. Wilkins joined them at Bellamy and the four had some lively times in the pond after the gators, and they succeeded in capturing two large ones, which were brought to town Tuesday afternoon in a one-horse wagon. One of the gators measured 7 feet and 4 inches and the other measured 6-1-2 feet. The larger one was killed in capturing it and the other one is still alive at the home of Mr. A. Nash, Fifth street. Mr. Shepherd Nash says that there are plenty more of 'em in Lennon's pond—a thousand or more. Some gators. Yes? No?

Secretary of the Navy Daniels was elaborately entertained on the 19th, his 52d birthday, by the citizenship of Washington, this State, his birthplace.

DRUG STORE CHANGES HANDS.

Stock and Fixtures of Pope Drug Co. Purchased by Messrs. Henry and Edwin Pope and Regan McIntyre—New Management Took Charge Yesterday—Will Conduct Business Under Same Name.

Dr. W. A. McPhaul, owner of the Pope Drug Company, has sold the business to Messrs. Henry L. and Edwin J. Pope and E. Regan McIntyre. The deal was closed Monday and the new management took charge yesterday. Dr. McPhaul owns the building having only sold the stock of goods and fixtures. An inventory of the stock of goods is being taken and it is estimated that the consideration will probably be about \$7,000 or \$8,000. The new business will be conducted under the same firm name and Mr. Henry Pope will be manager. Mr. Pope is a registered pharmacist, a graduate of the University of North Carolina; and his brother Mr. E. J. Pope has had quite a bit of experience as clerk in a drug store. Mr. McIntyre has had about two years' experience in the drug business, holding a position as clerk during that time with J. D. McMillan & Son, which position he resigned Monday. Mr. Edwin Pope for several months had held a position as salesman with the McAllister Hdw. Company, resigning Tuesday to begin work in the drug store. He is succeeded in the hardware store by Mr. James Cowan, who for a month or so had been a clerk in the Pope drug store.

Dr. McPhaul expects to devote all his time to his profession, and he will have offices in Pope Drug Co. building. Mr. J. S. McDonald, pharmacist, who for six or eight months has been with Dr. McPhaul in conducting the business, will be with the new management only for a few days. Mr. McDonald says that he is considering a proposition which has been made him to stay in Lumberton, but as yet he has not decided. It is hoped that Mr. and Mrs. McDonald can be induced to stay in Lumberton. Mr. J. J. Cherry of Raleigh, who for several months has held a position as salesman in the Pope drug store, will be with the new management until the first of next month, at which time he expects to return to Raleigh.

Mr. Marshal Boylin, who for some time has been with the Lumberton drug store as soda clerk, resigned Tuesday to succeed Mr. McIntyre in the McMillan drug store, and Mr. Wilbur Leggett takes Mr. Boylin's place in the Lumberton drug store.

The Pope Drug Co. was established some years ago by Dr. H. T. Pope and the late Ira L. Pope, uncle and father of the Messrs. Pope who have bought out the business with Mr. McIntyre. Dr. McPhaul bought a majority of the stock in 1909, and has been in control of the business since then, with the exception of a short while, selling his interest and then repurchasing.

Gov. Blease's Letter to Long Distance Pedestrian Who Passed Lumberton Thursday.

A. F. Funderburk, who left Wrightsville Beach Tuesday morning of last week on a pedestrian trip from the Atlantic to the Pacific coast, passed through Lumberton last Thursday. Funderburk is from Pageland, Chesterfield county, S. C. He formerly lived in Columbia and for several years was a member of the city council of that place. He hopes to reach San Francisco by September 10, and plans to walk every step of the way. He started without funds.

When Funderburk reached Wilmington on the 10th to start on his trip he found awaiting him there a letter from the Governor of South Carolina, in response to his request for a letter to be used by him in introducing himself in the towns and cities that he will pass through on his trip. Governor Blease states in his letter that he is absolutely certain that anyone who would undertake the trip Mr. Funderburk had indicated he had planned, is loose in his head, and goes on to express the hope that Mr. Funderburk will be able to keep out of jails and asylums on his trip, that the people will be kind to him and that if he should become an inmate of any of the asylums he hopes the Governor of the State in which the institution is located will notify him, as Mr. Funderburk is one of his subjects.

West Palm Beach, Fla., May 20—Henry M. Flagler, aged 83, the noted capitalist and railroad magnate, died at his winter home here this morning after an illness of several weeks. The octogenarian sustained a fall from steps in his home, and because of his advanced age, his recovery had not been anticipated.

BRIEF LOCAL NEWS ITEMS.

—Good middling cotton today 11c.

—Tuesday being a legal holiday, the anniversary of the signing of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence, the local banks were closed.

—The interior of the Lumberton Cotton Mill office, Elm and Second streets, is receiving a fresh coat of paint. The work of the office is being carried on in the directors' room, while the painting is being done.

—The Royal Ambassadors Society of the First Baptist church picnicked Tuesday afternoon at Warwick's mill, about 5 miles east of town. The party consisted of three wagons well loaded. Misses Leslie Proctor, Jean Pratt, and Lula H. Jackson were the chaperones.

—In a card asking that the address of his paper be changed to Canton, near which place he and his family have gone to spend the summer on their farm, Supt. R. E. Sentelle, of the Lumberton graded school, writes that he may go to the Knoxville summer school for a few days.

—Miss Lizzie D. McConnell, daughter of Rev. S. J. McConnell of Troy, arrived last night with her father, who is here to attend the Methodist district conference, and has entered the Thompson hospital for treatment. Mr. McConnell was pastor of the Lumberton circuit two years ago.

—The interior of J. D. McMillan & Son's drug store is being greatly improved in appearance by the application of a fresh coat of paint. The ceiling of the store originally was painted a dull color, but it is now white, which adds greatly to the appearance of things on the interior.

—Mr. A. S. Wishart returned Tuesday from Dunn, where he spent two weeks on a visit at the home of his son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. B. Wishart. Mr. Wishart says that crops, generally, up Dunn way are looking fine. He says that he saw plenty of corn from two to three feet high.

—Mr. Joe E. Britt of Lumberton has been elected chief of police of the town of Hope Mills. He was elected to the position yesterday and will leave tomorrow for Hope Mills to begin work. Mr. Britt lives on First street and says that he will move his family to Hope Mills some time within the next month.

—Among those from Lumberton who attended the Southern Presbyterian College commencement exercises and meeting of the Scottish Society of America at Red Springs yesterday were Misses Flora Neill McMillan, Isabelle Wooten and Ida McKenzie, Mrs. H. M. McAllister, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. McAllister, Dr. B. W. Page, Prof. J. R. Poole, Messrs. M. G. McKenzie, A. W. McLean, W. H. Barnes, J. S. McNeill, G. T. Page, S. S. Stephens, J. A. Sharpe.

—Mrs. G. G. French and children left this morning for Richmond, Va., to be with Mr. French, who has been undergoing treatment at the Hygeia hospital. Mrs. French received a message last night to the effect that Mr. French's condition was worse but later in the night and again this morning she received messages stating that his condition was better. Mrs. French and the children returned from Richmond last Saturday, as stated in Monday's Robesonian.

New Store Building.

Mr. Saloom Saleeby is having brick placed on his lot in front of the court house for the erection of a two-story store building. Mr. Saleeby purchased this lot from the Bank of Lumberton about two years ago, since which time he has had on it a fruit stand. The fruit stand was torn away this morning and Mr. Saleeby says that he expects to start the bricklayers to work Monday. The building will have pressed brick front fitted up with heavy plate glass. Mr. Saleeby expects to use the second story for living apartments and the first floor will be used for candy and ice cream parlor with fruit. Metal ceiling will be used and in every respect the building will be well finished. The building will be 17-1-3x47-1-2 feet. The stairway will be at the rear of the building.

Heavy Rain and Hail Do Damage.

A heavy rain and hail storm did considerable damage last Friday in the neighborhood of Gaddy's Mill, between Ashpole Swamp and the State line, in a territory about 2 miles wide and 3 miles long. Seven hogs belonging to Mr. Jno. Gaddy were killed. How much damage was done to the crops has not been learned.