

LURED FROM HOME

Officers on the Track of the Missing Girls.

Information Reaches the Asheville Police That a Man Persuaded Them to Leave Their Homes.

(Special to News and Observer.) Asheville, N. C., Dec. 12.—Bonnie Jones and Marie Kuykendall, the two young girls who disappeared from Asheville Wednesday night under mysterious circumstances, have been traced, but not yet found.

SPLENDID PERFORMANCE

"When We Were Twenty-one" at the Academy of Music Last Night.

Human nature is the same the wide world over and in all ages and whether incarnated in song, mirrored in story or wrought in the play it always holds the interest of human hearts.

The play last evening at the Academy of Music was in the hands of a strong cast and the audience was thoroughly delighted. The attendance last night was an excellent one.

Mr. Lennon as Richard Carew, the guardian of the "Imp" was masterful in his lines and his every effort was a great portrayal of the noble character that he assumed.

Too much praise cannot be given to Miss Kathlyn Williams, who so charmingly acted the part of Phyllis. She has a most expressive face and winsome manner and the dash and spirit that entered into her acting won the thorough appreciation of the audience.

Mr. Lovorn as the "Imp" was also strong in his part. The support was excellent throughout and the production was even better than when presented here last season.

PULLEN PARK SPRING. A Report on its Condition Made After an Analysis.

The water of the spring at Pullen Park, about which there was much talk after the cadets at the A. and M. College had been forbidden by the commandant, Capt. Phelps to use it, has been analyzed.

A sample of the water was sent by Mayor Howell to Mr. Gerald McCarthy, Botanist and Biologist of the Board of Agriculture, and his analysis is: Color 0, odor 0, reaction neut, temperature 22 c, turbidity 0, sediment 0, nitrate test neg. Bacteria of saprophytic group only. Total bacteria per cubic centimeter 1,392. Remarks by analyst: The water is somewhat dirty, but is not polluted by sewerage. The bacteria found are those commonly found in surface soil, indicating washing or debris from surroundings and could not have caused typhoid.

IT TAKES THICK OF IT.

Son of President Winston, of the A. and M. is at La Guaira.

Ensign Hollis T. Winston is at La Guaira, Venezuela, on board the U. S. S. Marietta, in the storm center of South American politics. He writes that President Castro is a fine soldier and brave man but not very moral and high-toned. His many friends will be interested in knowing that Ensign Winston is well and enjoying the close insight which he is now getting into South American character and civilization, as well as into international politics.

Publicity Bill by Sulzer.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, D. C., Dec. 11.—Representative Sulzer, of New York, today introduced a bill in the House, the purpose of which is to give publicity to the affairs of large corporations by requiring them to make annual returns to government authorities. It provides for the creation of a bureau in the Inter-State Commerce Commission which shall be known as the Bureau of Corporations, with a chief at its head who shall be appointed by the President. It is made the province and duty of this bureau under the direction of the Inter-State Commerce Commission to inspect all corporations engaged in inter-State and foreign commerce and to supply information concerning them, including the manner in which their business is conducted.

Further, it is provided that all corporations contemplated by this bill shall make annual reports to the bureau, setting forth among other things its financial condition, the names and addresses of stockholders and officers, also a statement showing that the corporation in question has not been favored by any transportation company during the year, or if so, information in detail must be given as to the favors received. Corporations also must make statements showing that they have not been a party to any combination in restraint of trade or commerce among the several States and Territories.

De Armond's Bill Against Trusts. (By the Associated Press.) Washington, D. C., Dec. 11.—Representative De Armond today introduced a bill in the House providing that it shall

be unlawful to ship from any State or territory, through or into, any other State or territory, any manufactured article sold for shipment or intended to be sold unless every such article had stamped on the cover containing the words: "No monopoly product. Produced in open competition," or other words of like import. A maximum penalty of \$1,000 fine or one year's imprisonment or both is provided for violation of this provision. It is provided further that articles not thus marked may be seized and confiscated.

Against State Aid For Their Schools.

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education boards and the report was adopted. The committee on woman's work also reported and endorsed and recommended the work being done. It showed that during the past year the women of the denomination raised over eleven thousand dollars for missions. During the summer months twenty-four young ladies went out and taught schools in the mountains and rural districts free of charge, this being under the direction of the Woman's Board. During this time they taught eleven hundred pupils.

Rev. Mr. Sims introduced a resolution of condolence and sympathy for Mrs. Norman and the Methodists of Durham and the State upon the recent death of Rev. W. C. Norman. Feeling talks were made by Rev. Mr. Skinner, Dr. W. C. Tyree and others. The resolution was passed.

On behalf of the Methodist of the State and of Durham, Rev. W. C. Tyree responded and thanked the Baptists for their spirit of brotherly love and affection.

It was decided that a mid-summer meeting of the Baptists will be held for the purpose of discussing education and other features of their work. This meeting will be a religious one without business. A committee was appointed, with Mr. J. W. Bailey chairman, to select the time and place of holding the meeting. It will be in session about ten days.

BAPTIST FEMALE UNIVERSITY.

At the night session of the convention the only subject considered was the special order after long discussion, which Baptist Female University. It was the lasted until nearly ten o'clock. A resolution was passed extending the time for raising the remainder of the fifty thousand dollars, pledged at Winston, to May 1st. With the raising of this amount the Baptist University debt and debt of Chowan Institute will be wiped out. Should all of the pledges not be paid by that time then the churches will raise the remainder. The debt must be paid, is the verdict of the convention.

The report of President Vann was read and this opened up the subject. The report showed an enrollment of 237 students, nine less than a year ago. The teaching force is composed of twenty-five, of these there is a lady principal, matron and trained nurse. Last year the debt was \$32,000 and it is now \$19,000. During the year three legacies, left by will, amounted to \$79,000, but this fund is not yet available and will never be for the purpose of paying off the debt.

In connection with the report on the University the report of the Century Fund Movement was made and both considered at the same time. Of the \$39,339 pledged at Winston last year, little more than \$31,000 has been collected and turned over. Deducting all that has been collected on the fifty thousand dollars pledged, there is yet some fifteen thousand dollars to be paid.

The report of Wake Forest was to have been considered tonight but was postponed until tomorrow.

WOMEN'S MEETING.

The second day's session of the Woman's Missionary Societies was held in the Trinity Methodist church this morning. The meeting was largely attended, many new workers and delegates having reached here since the session yesterday. The main features of the session were talks by Dr. R. J. Willingham, of Richmond; Dr. F. M. McConnell, of Atlanta, and Rev. Livingston Johnston, of this State. They made talks under the head of "Messages from the Fields."

Dr. Willingham, who is secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, told of the mission work that is being done and of the needs of the foreign fields. The women are playing no little part in sending the gospel to heathen lands and the North Carolina mission society, an auxiliary of the Baptist State Convention, has done much to assist in this great work. He encouraged the woman in their work and told them of the great needs of the incoming year.

Dr. McConnell, of Atlanta, who is at the head of the Sunday School Board, brought to the women a message from his field of labor and told of the work that is being done. Rev. Johnston, Corresponding Secretary of the North Carolina Board, told in a measure many of the facts contained in his annual report read in the convention hall yesterday. All of these talks were very interesting and greatly enjoyed by those present.

This morning the second day's session was opened with devotional exercises. The subject was "Christian Needs and Bible Answers." Then there was a moment with each society a representative from the various societies making talks and telling of the work being done. After the talks of the three field representatives the recommendations of the Central Committee for the ensuing year were made. Then there were an open congress, the subjects being "How?" "Why?" "What?"

The last session of the woman's meeting will be held Sunday afternoon in Trinity church and there will be a large crowd present, as there will be talks of more than ordinary interest.

The Penn Buys the Hoeking Valley.

(By the Associated Press.) Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 11.—The Leader tomorrow will say: "The Pennsylvania Railroad has purchased the Hoeking Valley Railroad and the Lake Shore is to get the Ohio Central. This further carries out the appointment among these big interests of railroad property east of Chicago and St. Louis, and also puts an end to the movement having for its object the combination of all soft coal carrying roads in Ohio. "This information was obtained yesterday from a reliable source and the absorption of the two smaller roads is expected early next year."

Intrenching on Heights Back of La Guaira.

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the unofficial reports of her release, thus relieving the incident of its gravity. After an exchange of cable messages it has been agreed to appoint a distinguished Spanish jurist as referee in the Franco-Venezuelan arbitration. His name will not be announced until the arbitrators assemble at Caracas.

ARE THEY ON TO CASTRO'S GAME?

Berlin Declares That no Vessels Have Been Sunk and Disputes London's Assertion.

(By the Associated Press.) Berlin, Dec. 12.—President Castro's war preparations and his public utterances are regarded in official quarters here as "designed to see how far the allies are willing to go, as a test of the further attitude of the administration, at Washington, and, above all, as efforts to unite his own people and reconcile them to his dictatorship."

Regarding the reports that the Germans wantonly destroyed the Venezuelan vessels captured at La Guaira, it is said here that according to the official advice received up to the present only one vessel was disabled and none was sunk, and that the British participated equally with the Germans in the action taken.

While the marine ministry is not considering the immediate dispatch of reinforcements, if it is necessary to occupy a port, marines will be sent. The Navy Department garrisons the coast defenses and has at its disposition fifteen battalions of marines, who are serving on shore.

The Blame Placed on Germany.

(By the Associated Press.) London, Eng., Dec. 12.—The Foreign Office informs the Associated Press that the British government disclaims responsibility for the sinking of the Venezuelan vessels off La Guaira, which it entirely attributes to the German forces. The Foreign Office officials also said they had not received information to the effect that Venezuela had requested Minister Bowen to act as arbitrator. They think it is not likely that the proposition has not been made, but if such is the case they do not consider that arbitration at this stage would be acceptable to Great Britain.

Only Revenue Cutters Seiz-d.

(By the Associated Press.) Berlin, Dec. 11.—The German Foreign Office officials are much pleased at Minister Bowen's energetic action at Caracas resulting in the release of most of the Germans imprisoned there, and by his efforts to obtain the liberation of the others. Full advice on the subject have been received from Washington. The direct dispatches received from Venezuela by the Foreign Office here say that Venezuela's naval vessels have not yet been seized, that only her revenue cutters were captured, but that the seizure of the former is expected immediately.

Rushed to Venezuela.

(By the Associated Press.) Sidney, C. V., Dec. 11.—The Italian battleship Carlo Alberto was today ordered to proceed with all haste to Venezuela to protect Italian subjects. The Carlo Alberto sailed tonight. This will retard Marconi's experiments at Glace Bay for the present.

Can Uncle Sam Prevent War?

(By the Associated Press.) London, Dec. 12.—Up to a late hour last night, the Foreign Office was still with out official news regarding the situation in Venezuela. While there is no confirmation of the rumor of fighting in La Guaira, the newspapers this morning are beginning to show a keener appreciation of the serious possibilities involved by President Castro's continued defiance. This feeling will hardly be lessened by a report that a British vessel has been seized at Puerto Cabello, and it is shown in the eager demands upon the government to present in Parliament documents explaining the grounds for its action so that the country be no longer in doubt as to what provocation the government has received. Questions as to how it will be possible to enforce the payment of Great Britain's claims on Venezuela without costly military operations, and whether even the occupation of the capital of that country would achieve the desired result are being asked.

Through all the editorial articles published this morning there runs a strong vein of hope, more or less openly expressed, that the United States will interfere in some way to secure an adjustment of the difficulty acceptable to both sides, either by arbitration or other means, and thus avoid hostilities.

Low appointed Receiver.

(By the Associated Press.) Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 11.—Robert J. Lowe was today appointed receiver of

Sailor Shot by Police Dies

(By the Associated Press.) San Juan, P. R., Dec. 11.—The sailor, Costello, of the United States ship was, whom the police shot Monday night in a row between a number of sailors and the police, died today. As a result of the row, a sailor named Hibbs, belonging to the Wasp, was held for trial today before the district court, for assaulting Police Lieutenant Cabrera, who was badly bruised by kicks and punches.

The Man of Libraries Arrives.

(By the Associated Press.) New York, Dec. 11.—The White Star Line steamer Oceanic, on which Andrew Carnegie is a passenger, arrived early today from Liverpool and Queenstown after a stormy passage of six days, twenty hours and twenty-three minutes. Mr. Carnegie, who showed the effects of his recent illness, talked freely with newspaper men. He said he never felt better in his life.

The Reciprocity Convention.

(By the Associated Press.) Detroit, Mich., Dec. 11.—The delegates to the National Reciprocity Convention, this afternoon adopted resolutions, listened to a witty and at the same time forceful address on reciprocity, by ex-Governor John Lind, of Minnesota, heard the report of the Finance Committee, and adjourned sine die.

Kennedy of Tea Store Fame Dead.

(By the Associated Press.) Baltimore, Md., Dec. 11.—Cornelius D. Kennedy, president of the C. D. Kenney Company, which conducts sixty retail tea and coffee stores in various American cities, died at his home here today, aged 64 years. Besides the ten stores in Baltimore and five in New York the Kenney Company operates stores in several cities of Pennsylvania, Virginia, Maryland, Tennessee, South Carolina, Missouri, Ohio, Alabama, Delaware and Georgia.

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131 Years Old.

There is an ancient book at the Yarrow House cigar stand. It is a German hymn and prayer book of the date of 1771 and bears the imprint of Hanover, Germany. It is the property of a traveling salesman who gathered it in on his travels. It is probably a Lutheran book, and any who are familiar with the German language will find it of interest.

One of Imperial's Managers Resigns.

(By the Associated Press.) Richmond, Va., Dec. 11.—Mr. Alsen F. Thomas, one of the managers of the American office of the Imperial Tobacco Company of Great Britain has tendered his resignation to take effect on the 30th of June next. He declines to give any reasons to the public.

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GEORGIA BLAZES THE WAY.

(By the Associated Press.) Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 11.—The State Senate today passed a bill providing for an ad valorem tax on the franchises of all corporations in the State which exercise the right of eminent domain. The bill has passed the House and now is ready for the Governor's signature, which it will receive. The measure declares all franchises of such corporations to be property, provides that they shall be revalued at their value to the Comptroller General and taxed the same as all other property in the State. The measure was fiercely opposed, but received large majorities in both houses. Georgia is the first State in the South to pass a franchise tax measure of this character.

Disastrous Blaze in Worcester.

(By the Associated Press.) Worcester, Mass., Dec. 11.—A fire which caused damage estimated at \$250,000 broke out in the seven-story Chase building, 44 Front street, in this city, at 4:30 o'clock this afternoon. The heaviest losses were C. T. Shearer & Co., proprietors of a department store, whose loss is placed at \$100,000. The W. J. Woods Co., men's clothing which suffered a loss of \$90,000. The building, owned by R. C. Taylor, of Worcester, was damaged to the extent of \$25,000. Losses almost covered by insurance.

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1:35 A. M. "SEABOARD EXPRESS" FOR Wake Forest, Henderson, Kitterell, Franklin, Norfolk, Littleton, Weldon, Norfolk, Portsmouth and all principal points between Weldon and Portsmouth, also for Petersburg, Richmond, Washington, Baltimore, Philadelphia, New York. Connections made at Richmond, Washington, Norfolk, Littleton, West with C. & O. Railway, B. & O. and Pennsylvania Railroad. This train carries through first and second class day coaches to Portsmouth and Washington, Pullman Buffet Drawing Room, Sleeping Cars to Portsmouth, Washington and New York.

No. 35. SOUTHBOUND.

11:50 A. M. "SEABOARD MAIL" FOR Henderson, Norfolk, Petersburg, Richmond, Washington, Baltimore, Philadelphia, New York. Connections at Henderson for Oxford and points between Henderson and Durham, at Warren, Plains, and Washington, at Weldon for ALL POINTS ON A. C. L., including Halifax, Scotland Neck, Washington, Greenville, Plymouth, Farmville, at Bayliss for Lewiston and intermediate points; at Portsmouth-Norfolk with steamer of N. & W. S. B. Co. for Washington, Bay Line for Baltimore, N. Y. P. & B. Cape Charles, Wilmington, Del., Philadelphia and New York; Old Dominion Steamers for Boston and Providence.

This train carries first and second class day coaches and Pullman Buffet Sleeping Cars to Portsmouth, Stops at Norfolk for dinner.

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No. 31. SOUTHBOUND.

4:15 A. M. "SEABOARD EXPRESS" for Sanford, Southern Pines, Hamlet, Camden, Columbia, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, Rockingham, Wadesboro, Monroe, Charlotte, Chester, Clinton, Athens, Atlanta. This train carries through first and second class day coaches and Pullman Buffet Drawing Room, Sleeping Cars to Jacksonville, Atlanta, and Charlotte. Connections at Jacksonville for Jacksonville, Atlanta, and Charlotte. Connections at Hamlet for Jacksonville and Atlanta.

This train carries first and second class day coaches and Pullman Buffet Sleeping Cars to Jacksonville, Atlanta, and Charlotte. Connections at Hamlet for Jacksonville and Atlanta.

No. 41.

3:45 P. M. "SEABOARD LOCAL MAIL" FOR ALL LOCAL POINTS between Raleigh, Charlotte and Atlanta. This train carries first and second class day coaches and Pullman Buffet Sleeping Cars to Atlanta. This train connects at Apex with C. & N. R. for Angier; at Southern Pines for Pinehurs; at Aberdeen with A. & A. for Jackson Springs, Hasso, Troy and Ashboro; at Monroe for Charlotte and intermediate points. Stops at Hamlet for supper.

No. 27.

6:58 P. M. "SEABOARD MAIL" FOR Sanford, Southern Pines, Hamlet, Camden, Columbia, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, St. Augustine, Palm Beach. This train connects at Southern Pines for Pinehurs; at Columbia with Southern Railway and A. C. L. for Charlotte, Augusta and intermediate points. This train carries first and second class day coaches and Pullman Buffet Sleeping Cars to Jacksonville. Connections at Hamlet with No. 41 for Atlanta.

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