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WORK SETTLEMENTS
Interesting Discussion in Convocation
SCRIP AT POSTOFFICE

Editor Bivens, of Stanley Enterprise, Buys Plant of Butler's Tar Heel—Greensboro's Flower Show—New Building for Odd Fellows—Social Events.

By ANDREW JOYNER.
(Special to News and Observer.)
Greensboro, N. C., Nov. 7.—At the convocation session in St. Barnabas church here today after opening services short discussions were had on the Children's Advent offerings by Rev. E. R. Guilmard and Mr. E. W. Holt and others. The pledge system for the support of Diocesan Missions was discussed by Rev. E. L. Ogilvy, Mears, C. E. Erick, James C. Marshall and others. The most interesting of these series of discussions was "Work in the mill settlement," in which Rev. S. J. A. Brown, Rev. A. R. Berkeley and Mr. C. P. Wilcox participated.

At the concluding session tonight Rev. Harrison Malinckrodt made an excellent address on the subject of aggressive missionary work within the borders of this, the Charlotte convocation, to strengthen the foundations already so well laid. The principal feature of the church in this regard, which was being so greatly helped by the women.

Reports from parishes composing the convocation made yesterday afternoon were in the main encouraging, showing that there was activity in all phases of church work. Archdeacon Osborn's report showed that every church in the convocation was now being served by a minister but there was great need of more funds to insure service in many churches at more frequent periods than was now possible in some. The convocation had the pleasure of having as a visitor Rev. Dr. George W. Lay, the new rector of St. Mary's School at Raleigh.

The annual chrysanthemum show began this morning, and is being given on a more extended scale than ever before. The rooms of old dining hall of the Guilford Hotel, kindly loaned by Messrs. Cobb & Copeland, proprietors of the building, have been elegantly decorated, and there has never been seen in these parts finer flowers or more tasteful arrangement of fancy work. Besides the elegant luncheon service, a "script" being taken in exchange for turkey, etc. The banquet is in charge of ladies of West Market-Street Methodist church this year.

Cut Out Matrimonial Business.
The Greensboro Record, which has the misfortune of losing every lady member of its circulation by payment by matrimony, announces to an alleged long list of applicants for the position just made vacant by the marriage of its last most excellent lady manager, that it has concluded to cut this matrimonial business. The Record has given the paper such notoriety and so many applications by women to hold this place in future and he will be promptly on deck next week.

Postmaster Douglas announces that clearing house scrip will be taken in payment for either stamps or money orders at the postoffice.

At a meeting of Greensboro Central Labor Union last night, the clearing house certificate plan was endorsed in the following form:

"The Central Labor Union having learned that a recent had been circulated that organized labor would adopt resolutions denouncing the clearing house system now in vogue in this city, desires to state that this report is erroneous. Furthermore, organized labor is always ready and willing to do all in its power to further the interest of working men, and does hereby declare its confidence in the integrity and business management of our banking institutions and other business enterprises of the city of Greensboro.

There is coming to the market freely this week and as a rule the prices are more satisfactory than they have been at any time during the year. Some of the farmers obtained a little to the clearing house certificates, but after it was explained to them that they were as convenient as cash they accepted them without any protest.

Odd Fellows Will Build.
Buena Vista Lodge of Odd Fellows, last night decided to tear down the present structure on the corner of Green and West Market streets, occupying the site of the present building and the corner lot just west. The new building will be three stories with a frontage of fifty feet on West Market street. The first floor will be fitted up for business houses, with the other floors will be used for the lodge and club rooms.

A committee with J. R. Cutchin as chairman was instructed to proceed with arrangements for the new structure. The lot now on the site of which it is to be built.

O. R. Cox will move to Greensboro, where he will take the office of a large cotton mill and other valuable property at Cedar Falls. Recently, Cox has sold his office holdings to Mr. James B. Brantley at \$2500. Mr. Cox has purchased property in Greensboro and with his family will move there soon. A large number of the Greensboro financial affairs Mr. Cox as a resident will be handled.

Patron of the "The News and Observer" Enterprise, which was de-

stroyed by fire two nights ago, has purchased of Mr. J. B. Dorsett, the plant of the Tar Heel which was bought by Mr. Dorsett at public auction here last Saturday.

Prof. W. P. and E. C. Brooks, of Trinity College, Durham, were here today, going to Birmingham, Ala., to attend the meeting of the Southern Association of High School and Colleges.

Marion H. Groves, who holds a position with the insurance department of the Southern Life and Trust Company, left today for a week's trip to New York and other points. Upon his return he will resign his position here and go to Hamlet, where he will take charge of the insurance agency of the Southern Life and Trust Company at that place.

Brought Back a Bride.
Mr. Elton H. Price returned from Rock Hill yesterday, bringing with him one of South Carolina's fairest daughters as his bride. Mr. Price is well known in educational circles in different parts of the State. He is connected with the Peele School of Commerce at Greensboro, having charge of the academic department.

At the residence at this residence of the bride's parents, on Davis street, Mr. Harem Sullivan, superintendent of the Greensboro Cornice Works, and Miss Lydia Hough were married. Rev. A. G. Kirkman officiating.

ROBBER AND MURDERED.
John Cummings' Body To Be Sent Home to Winston—Contract Let at \$27,500 for Jail Annex—(Special to News and Observer.)
Winston-Salem, N. C., Nov. 7.—The county commissioners this afternoon awarded the contract to Fogle Brothers Co. to build an annex to the county jail, their bid being \$27,500. The plans call for a modern structure in accordance with the act passed by the last legislature demanding separation of convicts from other prisoners.

Mr. J. R. Cummings was notified today that his brother, John Cummings, was murdered and robbed in Norfolk, Va. The deceased was collector for a furniture house in that place. His remains will be sent to his former home in Rockingham county for interment. The funeral services will be held tomorrow afternoon.

Ernest Shepperd, who sustained serious burns in an iron foundry here Monday evening, died at the hospital this morning, aged 31. Interment will be at Mooreville tomorrow.

Mrs. Dr. H. Johnson Dead.
Kinston, N. C., Nov. 7.—Tuesday afternoon Mrs. Dr. H. Johnson, of Trenton, died at her home of a complication of troubles that had been causing her suffering since last July. The body was brought to Kinston for interment in Maplewood cemetery.

Mrs. Johnson was Miss Ida Bianchi Meacham, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Meacham, of this city, and had a wide circle of friends here and elsewhere in this section.

Mr. Adam Earnhart Dead.
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Falmouth, N. C., Nov. 7.—Mr. Adam Earnhart, a distinguished citizen, and a well known and prominent land and granite owner. He leaves a wife and eight children. The church was crowded with friends and relatives at St. Paul's church, where the funeral was preached by his pastor.

WILL MAKE PHOTO
Solicitor Hammer Preparing to Prosecute the Shoafs

Defendants Say the Little Fields Girl Inflicted Wounds Upon Herself—Mrs. H. A. White in Dying Condition—Mr. Samuel Sechrist Dead.

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High Point, N. C., Nov. 7.—Solicitor W. C. Hammer was in the city this morning and went with the attending physician to the Fields' home to see their little girl. He has arranged to have a photograph taken of the child tomorrow morning when the physician dresses the wounds, to be used at the forthcoming trial. In an interview with a leading citizen here, he said that the child was apparently dead but little if any attention, according to the statement of the physician.

A protracted meeting will begin at the First Baptist church Sunday November 10th, conducted by the pastor and assisted by Rev. J. L. White, of Beaumont, Texas, who has recently accepted a call to the First Baptist church in Greensboro.

The chrysanthemum show opened its doors this morning in the vacant store room on South Main street and will keep open house through tomorrow. There are a large number of the same on exhibition and the ladies are serving edibles in connection with the show.

Mr. Samuel Sechrist died here yesterday at the advanced age of 79 years at his home on South Main street. The services occurred today at Colfax.

The opening of the Ladies' exchange announced to take place today, has been postponed indefinitely. The exchange purposes selling any article that the people will bring, provided one belongs to the exchange and pays a small amount monthly.

Mrs. H. A. White is in a dying condition and is not expected to survive through the day. She has heart trouble. Mrs. White is the wife of the manager of the "The News and Observer" and a niece of Mr. J. Elwood Cox.

READY FOR RALEIGH
Washington Will Give Visitors Royal Time

One Hundred Small Floats to Be Built in Washington—Fine Steel Bridge—Big Transfer Business—Donation to Library—Lycum Course

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Washington, N. C., Nov. 7.—The work of preparation for the entertainment of the excursionists from Raleigh, when they arrive in this city over the Norfolk and Southern railroad, in commemoration of the formal opening of the road, on next Monday, November 11th, is progressing at a rapid rate. The various committees at work on the same, report that everything possible will be done to give them a royal welcome.

To Build One Hundred Small Floats.
Farrow's marine railways and shipyard, in this city, with Mr. W. M. Chauncey, manager, have recently closed a deal with the Standard Oil Company and the Dore Lumber Company, of Elizabeth City, consisting of two \$20,000 contracts to build 100 small floats for the Standard Oil Company and about the same number of log lighters for the Dore Lumber Company. This is one of the largest jobs ever attempted by a ship building concern in North Carolina, and quite a compliment to Mr. Chauncey as a ship builder.

Big Transfer and Dray Business.
Washington now has a larger number of licensed drays and transfers than any other town of its size in the State. There are now, according to police statistics, fifty-two drays and fifteen transfers. The drays do an estimated business of \$25 per week for each day, and the transfers average \$21 passengers per day. These vehicles are daily increasing.

Twenty-Eight Thousand Dollar Steel Bridge.
Work on the new \$28,000 steel bridge across Pamlico river at this point, for which the contract was awarded by the county commissioners several months ago, has been delayed by the failure of the War Department to accept the plans and specifications. These plans have been sent back several times for changes, and as soon as this matter is settled it is thought that work of erecting this bridge will commence. The contract has been let to Mr. R. S. Neal, who built the railroad bridge for the Norfolk and Southern across the river at another point.

Masquerade Carnival.
A grand masquerade carnival will be given at the Rink of the Washington Amusement Company, on next Friday evening, for the benefit of the Washington Concert Band. An elaborate musical program will be furnished by the band and the large number of skaters in this city are looking forward to the coming event with much pleasure.

Important New Bridges.
At a meeting of the County Commissioners held in the county court house in this city yesterday, the matter of county bridges was brought up and after fully discussing this matter it was decided to award contracts for

the erection of two new bridges at Bellhaven and one at Aurora. The two at Bellhaven to be constructed of wood and the Aurora bridge of steel.

Donation to Library.
In response to a letter from Prof. H. Howell, superintendent of the Washington Public Schools to P. F. Collier & Son, publishers of the celebrated Collier's Weekly, these gentlemen have donated three sets of books to the school library. About two years ago the school lost its library in a fire, and since that time has been gradually accumulating a new one. Messrs. Collier & Son should be highly commended for their generous donation.

Lycum Course This Winter.
Prof. Harry Howell has about perfected arrangements with a number of high class operatic companies for a Lycum course of attractions during this winter in this city. Several years ago Professor Howell arranged for a similar course of attractions and the entire course was well patronized and thoroughly enjoyed by the citizens of Washington.

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ACTION IN EUROPE TO RETAIN GOLD
Central Banks Advance Discount Rates
HIGHEST SINCE 1873

Movements Regarded as Indicative of New York's Ability to Command Gold—High Rate Insufficient to Prevent Further Shipments of Money Owing to Heavy Wheat and Cotton Exports.
(By the Associated Press.)

New York, Nov. 7.—The content of the European money markets to retain their gold resources was indicated by the simultaneous action today of three of the large central banks of Europe and a call for a meeting tomorrow of the governing board of a fourth. The Bank of England advanced its rate of discount six to seven per cent, a rate which has not before been reached since 1873. The Bank of France advanced its regular discount rate from three and a half per cent to four per cent and fixed its rate for loans on securities at four and a half per cent. The National Bank of Belgium advanced its rate of discount from five and a half per cent to six per cent and J. Kock, the governor of the Imperial Bank of Germany, called a meeting of the governing board for tomorrow, which is expected to advance the discount rate of the bank from six to seven per cent. These movements in Europe are regarded as an indication of the ability of New York to command gold and the efforts of the European banks to protect themselves against this demand. Even these high discount rates, however, are regarded as insufficient to prevent the further importation of gold into this country. In view of the large credits which are being created by the shipment of wheat and cotton.

The high rate fixed by the English Bank is expected to entirely arrest exports from London to New York, but is counted upon in London to equalize the distribution of the yellow metal among European money centers, in order to offset the silver drain from the United States. The market reacted to these moves for money by considerable declines today, but these declines are generally expected by bankers to be looked upon as the rapid advance in quotations of yesterday, as they are justified by the situation.

There is a strong determination among the conservative interests that there shall be no movement in London for the rise at the present time. They believe that such a movement would not only be artificial and likely to lead to further complications, but that it would make calls upon the money market, which cannot well be met under present conditions.

The engagement of gold today brought up the total importation on the present account to \$45,000,000, an amount which would permit a loan expansion of more than \$150,000,000, if the legal reserves had not been already impaired. The situation in regard to the Trust companies is gradually becoming normal.

The temporary scarcity of currency caused by hoarding and the desire of the banks to husband their resources is being met very generally by the reports reaching New York bankers, by the issue of printed certified checks of temporary interest-bearing notes and in some cases by scrip, issued by the very banks in question, to banking corporations. This resource was very generally resorted to in the panic of 1893 and practically no trouble arose from any such issue.

CURTAILMENT OF 33 1-3 PER CENT
Agreement of Hard Yarn Spinners' Association to Reduce Spindles Quarter Million Spindles.
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Charlotte, N. C., Nov. 7.—At a called meeting of the Hard Yarn Spinners' Association held in this city today a curtailment of 33 1-3 per cent was officially decided upon by the members present. The agreement adopted is as follows: That the Hard Yarn Spinners of the Southern States agree and bind themselves to curtail their production at least one-third from November 11, 1907, to January 1, 1908. All present agreed.

As the members present represented three-quarters of a million spindles the meaning of the agreement will be better understood. It was further decided at a meeting to meet again next Thursday evening at 8:30 o'clock in this city in order to ascertain what progress the curtailment movement is making and what effect towards the betterment of the market can be noted. Today the financial situation was thoroughly discussed together with its bearing on the sluggishness of the market for yarns and the lack of demand for the market at present. J. A. Abernethy, Vice-president A. P. Rhyan presided at today's gathering. It is expected that by next Thursday every mill in the South will be ready to begin its curtailment of production and thereby securing improved conditions.

May Be Injured for Life.
Winston-Salem, N. C., Nov. 7.—Mr. D. S. Rothrock, who was in the passenger train wreck near Charlotte, Va., a few weeks ago, is unable to leave his home as a result of injuries sustained.

When examined by a physician just after the wreck Mr. Rothrock was told to believe that the injuries he might be fractured, but that otherwise his return home would be a business trip south; but was forced to return on account of his condition. It is feared now that he was injured internally, and that he will never be a well man again.



From now until after Thanksgiving the footballist will show us that he is no Mollycoddl.

THE WEATHER.
Fair, warmer Friday; Saturday fair, light to fresh west to south winds.
The weather yesterday.
Maximum temperature 53 degrees; minimum temperature 39 degrees; total precipitation for 24 hours ending 5 p. m., .4 inches.