

CONFEDERATE REUNION.

The Confederate veterans of North Carolina held their annual reunion last week at Wilmington, and it was one of the pleasantest that we have ever attended. Everything possible was done for the comfort and pleasure of the veterans, and that old historic city fully sustained its ancient renown for hospitality. Every veteran, who did not feel able to pay for his meals and lodging, was comfortably provided for free of any charge, and the free rations furnished were in most pleasing contrast to those they had during the war. The mess halls and sleeping quarters were near together, so that the veterans did not have to walk far in going from one to the other. On their arrival they were registered at the railroad station, every man giving his name, company and regiment, and then a badge was pinned on him which entitled him to free entertainment. This list was published by the Morning Star, a copy of which every veteran ought to preserve as a souvenir of the reunion and remind him who were there with him.

The attendance at this reunion was not so large as at some previous ones, only about 400 being present, but this was due not only to the growing infirmities of the veterans but also to the incessant rains which deterred very many from attending. The exercises were held in the academy of music and were more interesting than usual, there having been several matters of interest discussed and acted on. And in this connection we are pleased to state that all the proceedings and discussions were perfectly harmonious and could serve as a model for the meetings of some other organizations. With much enthusiasm and unanimity the veterans adopted resolutions expressing their thanks and grateful appreciation to the United States government for thus far having averted a war with Mexico and any of the warring nations of Europe, and pledging their earnest support of our government if any such war should occur and regretting that the infirmities of their age would prevent their active participation therein.

The old commanders were all re-elected by acclamation, to-wit: Generals James I. Metts, commander of the division; W. L. London, commander of the second brigade; R. H. Hicks, commander of the third brigade and James M. Ray, commander of the fourth brigade, and A. H. Boyden was elected commander of the first brigade to succeed P. C. Carlton, who died a few weeks ago. Quite a graceful compliment was paid Gen. J. S. Carr by electing him honorary commander of the division, he having been its beloved commander for fifteen years. The next meeting of the veterans will be held at Durham at such time next year as may hereafter be appointed.

On the night of the first day's session the veterans were given a free ride on the trolley line to Wrightsville Beach (about ten miles), where a large crowd of visitors saw them march around the large pavilion, erected for dancing, and so inspiring was the music and the applause of the spectators that many of the staid old men actually shuffled their feet as if dancing. As the veterans marched around this spacious ball room the band played Dixie and the spectators clapped their hands and cheered lustily, and the veterans enjoyed this parade as much as did the spectators. After this parade some of the old-time dances were indulged in by some of the veterans, who surprised the spectators with their agility and ease in dancing. But how could it have been otherwise when they had as their partners in the dance such beautiful ladies?

The great event of this reunion, as at all others, was the grand parade through the streets of Wilmington which were thronged with many thousand cheering spectators. In this pro-

cession was a detachment of "bluejackets" from the revenue cutter Seminole and the Wilmington Light Infantry. These two companies marched at the head of the column and the fire department brought up the rear. Only about 100 of the veterans walked in the parade, all the others rode in automobiles kindly furnished by some of the public spirited citizens of the city. The distance travelled in this parade was much less than in all others, in which the veterans had to march too much.

Every veteran who attended this reunion will ever remember it as one of the pleasantest ever held in this state, but nobody expected anything else in a city so renowned for its devotion to the Southern Confederacy and to Confederate soldiers.

To the credit of the veterans be it said that not a drunken man was seen among them, and, although many acted like school boys out of school, yet not one was at all disorderly. Furthermore we heard many say that they did not hear an oath uttered by any of them. This could hardly be said of a large meeting of any other men, except preachers.

SOLDIERS complaining because they could not travel in Pullman coaches is a striking illustration of the fact that the many comforts and conveniences of modern life have spoiled most persons. It seems so absurd to any old Confederate soldier that a man pretending to be a soldier—even a holiday soldier—should complain that the government does not give him a Pullman coach in which to travel. Yet, it is said that such complaints have been made by some of those who had to ride in day coaches to the Mexican border, and the Secretary of War actually had to make excuses for this terrible hardship (?). He has been called on to make a statement explaining how Pullman coaches could not be furnished for all the national guards who were hurriedly sent to the Mexican border.

Such travelling as that—in day coaches—would have been considered a luxury by the Confederate soldiers, who nearly always had to be crowded in box cars like cattle when ordered hurriedly to be transported by rail. As one instance of the manner in which Confederate soldiers were transported by rail we will mention the ride of the Junior Reserves (the seventeen-year-old boys) on an intensely cold December day (in 1864) from Wilmington to Weldon, when they rode on open flat cars without any protection whatever. More than once the train had to be stopped, fires made in the woods, and some of the boys lifted from the train and carried to the fires and thawed out. Many went to sleep in their wet clothes to find them frozen stiff upon awakening. And all that suffering endured without a murmur.

And yet some of our modern soldiers complain because they could not travel in Pullman coaches!

LAST Sunday's issue of the News and Observer was printed on its own new press in its new building, erected on the site of the old one that was destroyed by fire several months ago. The "Old Reliable" never looked better than now, printed as it is now on so improved a new press, and we hope that it may long continue to lead in all enterprises for the upbuilding of our good old state and to battle in the cause of civic righteousness. The value of that paper to this state cannot be too highly appreciated.

The war in Europe began two years ago this week and has been waged with enormous loss of life and property ever since. Although it has been waged for two years and has cost each of the warring nations many billion dollars and millions of their best men, yet nobody can now predict when it will end. The fighting is just as bloody as it was the first year, and even more so, and no doubt more men have been killed during the second year of the war than during the first year. And for what?

REPORTS from the floods in the western part of this state do not diminish their horrors. Many very pathetic accounts are published of the suffering caused by those floods. In addition to the number of persons drowned hundreds have lost all their property, and are in immediate need of relief.

JUDGE HUGHES' letter of acceptance is just published and its chief complaint against President Wilson is his diplomacy with Mexico. The warlike ex-judge complains that President Wilson has not waged a war with that country. Those are not his direct words, but if his letter does not mean that what does it mean? While the country generally is applauding the President for averting a war in which we could gain nothing and would lose many valuable lives, the Republican candidate for the Presidency censures him. We are much pleased that Judge Hughes has thus drawn the line of battle between him and Wilson, and we cannot doubt the result, for we are quite sure that a great majority of the sober-thinking people of this country do not want a war with Mexico and will not vote for a man for President who does want such a war.

Terrific Explosion of Shells.

New York, July 30.—Property losses estimated at \$25,000,000 was caused early today by a series of terrific explosions of ammunition awaiting shipment to the entente allies and stored on Black Tom island, a small strip of land jutting into New York off Jersey City. The loss of life still was problematical tonight.

Later: Estimates of the property loss range from \$25,000,000 to \$45,000,000.

Many persons who were on board barges moored at the burned piers are missing and it is feared that they have perished.

In some quarters it was believed the total number of dead would reach 12.

Those under arrest were Albert M. Dickman, agent of the Lehigh Valley railroad stationed at Black Tom pier, and Alexander Davidson, superintendent of the warehouses of the National Storage Co., 13 of which were destroyed by the fire which followed the explosions.

Stories told by those who narrowly escaped death verge on the miraculous. One man says he was blown off a lighter into the bay and swam to Bedloe's island, but had to swim back again to the Jersey shore when the flaming barges bombarded the island.

"The air seemed to be full of flame and I thought the end of the world had come," said another survivor. A third was blown fifty feet from the top of a freight car and landed near a building which fell upon him.

At least \$10,000,000 damage was caused by the destruction of thirteen of the eighteen rare-houses of the National Storage Co. in Jersey City.

The damaged goods included 30,000 tons of raw sugar valued at between \$3,000,000 and \$4,000,000 and 24,000 bales of tobacco.

Hot Weather in Chicago.

Chicago, July 20.—Excessive heat killed one person every 30 minutes here today, according to reports made to the police and the coroner's office. Heat prostrations were reported by scores and many accidents and deeds of violence were attributed to the high temperature. The maximum reached was 96 degrees.

At 10 o'clock tonight the mercury stood at 90 degrees in Chicago. In an effort to make sleeping easier Fire Marshal Thomas O'Connor ordered that fire engine companies sprinkle streets and sidewalks in every part of the city. This is the first time that such an order has been issued here.

At that hour the number of deaths attributed to the heat in today's reports to the police and coroner had reached 46, bringing the total for the present hot wave in Chicago to 130.

Citizens of Durham and Chapel Hill met in Durham yesterday for the purpose of laying plans for immediate action looking to the establishment of a boulevard between the two places.

Swift & Co., meat packers of Chicago, have established a pension fund of \$2,000,000. About 30,000 employees will be eligible to benefits.

Scotland county farmers have lost approximately one-half of this year's cantaloupe crop as a result of the continuous heavy rains.

Chicago's hot wave was broken Sunday. During the day there were 115 deaths and 400 prostrations.

Fatal Forest Fires.

Englehart, Ont., July 30.—Forest fires raging in Northern Ontario are believed to have resulted in the loss of from 150 to 200 lives, over a score of persons have been injured and it is feared many of them may die.

Several small towns have been wiped out by flames that have been raging for 48 hours. Reports thus far received show that 57 perished at Mushka, a French Canadian settlement, and 34 at Matheson. Cochrane has 18 dead and 34 injured, Iroquois Falls 15 dead and many injured, and Ramore 15 dead. The number killed at Porcupine Junction is not known, but the entire town was destroyed except the railroad station.

Cure for Cholera Morbus.

"When our little boy, now seven years old, was a baby he was cured of cholera morbus by Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy," writes Mrs. Sidney Simmons, Fair Haven, N. Y. "Since then other members of my family have used this valuable medicine for colic and bowel trouble with good satisfaction and I gladly endorse it as a remedy of exceptional merit." Obtainable everywhere. adv.

Long Lost Ring Found.

Special to the Greensboro News.—Wilmington, July 28.—Fifteen years ago J. E. Ellis and sister, Miss Mary Ellis, who were attending a houseboat party at Carolina Beach, were in bathing and Mr. Ellis lost a ring that belonged to his sister and had her name engraved on it. A few days ago a ring was found at Carolina Beach and a want ad was put in a local paper, and within a few days Mr. Ellis, who now lives at High Point, called for the ring and after describing it, it was found to be the identical ring that he had lost 15 years ago.

A Doctor's Remedy for Coughs.

As a cure for coughs and colds Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey combines these remedies in just the right proportion to do the most good for summer coughs or colds. A trial will prove the value of this splendid cough medicine. Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey soothes the irritation, stops your cough, kills the cold germs and does you a world of good. A 25c bottle will more than convince you—it will stop your cough. At druggists. adv.

School Houses Painted.

In painting every school house in the county—forty-three, with possibly one or two exceptions, in one day, yesterday Wake county broke a record in this state, and for every other state as far as known. The painting was done by members of the various Junior Order councils of the county, in some cases assisted by the citizens of the community, who did it without charge. It was a labor of patriotism and love and the men wielded the brushes cheerfully and with a vim. Each of the houses was painted white.

A Hacking Cough Weakens the System

Don't suffer with a hacking cough that has weakened your system—get a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery, in use over 40 years, and benefiting all who use it, the soothing pine balsam will soothe the irritated air passages—soothe the raw spots, loosen the mucus and prevent racking the body with coughing. Dr. King's New Discovery induces natural sleep and aids nature to cure you. adv.

Jacob Blount, a colored preacher, died in the pulpit at a church in Hyde county recently. He was 66 years old. Blount was repeating the words of the text, "And there appeared a great wonder in heaven," when he dropped his head upon the opened Bible and died.

Your Bowels Should Move Once a Day

A free easy movement of the bowels every day is a sign of good health. Dr. King's New Life Pills will give you a gentle laxative effect without griping and free your system of blood poisons, purify your blood, overcome constipation and have an excellent tonic effect on the entire system. Makes you feel like living. Only 25c at druggists. adv.

The railroads of the United States used 128,200,000 net tons of coal in 1915, or 24 per cent of the total output.

Liver Trouble.

"I am bothered with liver trouble about twice a year," writes Joe Dingman, Webster City, Iowa. "I have pains in my side and back and an awful soreness in my stomach. I heard of Chamberlain's Tablets and tried them. By the time I had used half a bottle of them I was feeling fine and had no sign of pain." Obtainable everywhere. adv.

Two young men nearly perished in Pamlico sound last week with hunger and exhaustion. They were going from Washington, N. C. to Ocracoke in a small motor boat, when their engine went "dead" and they could not propel it.

The Best Laxative.

To keep the bowels regular the best laxative is outdoor exercise. Drink a full glass of water half an hour before breakfast and eat an abundance of fruit and vegetables. Also establish a regular habit and be sure that your bowels move once each day. When a medicine is needed take Chamberlain's Tablets. They are pleasant to take and act mild and gentle in effect. Obtainable everywhere. adv.

Thrilling Experience in the Flood.

Special to the Greensboro News.—Reidsville, July 28.—Charles R. Oliver, who spent his vacation here this month with his parents, had a horrible experience during the progress of the flood in western North Carolina. Leaving here for Ware Shoals, S. C., he was marooned at Hendersonville for several days owing to a bad washout on the Southern. Hardly had he reached his destination when while out walking with four friends a bridge collapsed while they were crossing, killing one member of the party, Miss Neva Dallas, 21 years old, while two others, Miss Lela Cobb and Hoy Jackson, were painfully but not seriously hurt. Young Oliver escaped injury. The quartet went out upon a rock bridge, supposedly weakened by the recent high waters of Saluda river to look at the stream. The structure collapsed, and the entire party fell about 15 feet.

When You Have a Cold

Give it attention, avoid exposure, be regular and careful of your diet, also commence taking Dr. King's New Discovery. It contains pine-tar, antiseptic oils and balsams. It is slightly laxative. Dr. King's New Discovery eases your cough, soothes your throat, dries bronchial tubes, checks your cold, starts to clear your head. In a short time you know your cold is better. Its the standard family cough syrup in use over 40 years. Get a bottle at once. Keep it in the house as a cold insurance. Sold at your druggist adv.

Killed at a Saw-Mill.

Winston-Salem, July 28.—Another fatal accident occurred today, when Wilbur Jones, 13 years of age, and an employee of the George E. Nissen wagon company, was killed at the company's plant in Woughtown this afternoon. The boy died before medical aid, which was summoned immediately, could reach him.

Death occurred when the young fellow came in contact with a belt which drew him around a shafting. His left arm was torn completely off; his skull was fractured and he had other injuries.

Just the Thing for Diarrhoea.

"About two years ago I had a severe attack of diarrhoea which lasted over a week," writes W. C. Jones, Buford, N. D. "I became so weak that I could not stand upright. A druggist recommended Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. The first dose relieved me and within two days I was as well as ever." Many druggists recommend this remedy because they know that it is reliable. Obtainable everywhere. adv.

The lime sold in the United States in 1915, according to G. F. Loughlin, of the United States Geological Survey, amounted to 3,589,679 short tons, valued at \$14,335,856.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

Having qualified as the administrator upon the estate of Nannie Dorsett, deceased, this is to notify all persons holding claims against said estate to present the same to me on or before the 10th day of July, 1917, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. This July 10, 1916.

R. L. DORSETT, Administrator.

R. H. Hayes, Attorney.

NOTICE OF SALE.

By virtue of the power granted in a mortgage executed on the 27th day of July, 1915, by M. M. Oldham and wife, Mattie Oldham, to Mattie Oldham, and assigned by Mattie Oldham to W. L. Stainback, which mortgage is recorded in Book 177, page 107, in the office of the register of deeds of Chatham county, the undersigned will (default having been made) offer for sale, at the courthouse door in Pittsboro, N. C., at 12 o'clock noon on

Wednesday, August 23, 1916,

the following described property: Beginning at a hickory, I. L. Oldham's corner, on Cedar creek, thence with his line W 150 poles to a dogwood (now a stake) I. L. Oldham's corner thence S 6 poles to a stake with Will Haughton's line, thence S 8 poles to a stake in hedge row, Will Haughton's corner, thence N 58 poles to a hickory in Ausley's old line, thence E with Will and Leak Reaves' line 150 poles to a stone pile on W side of Cedar creek 40 links above the center of a spring, thence up said creek as it meanders to the beginning, containing 48 acres, or more or less. Terms of sale cash. MATTIE OLDHAM, Mortgagee. W. L. STAINBACK, Assignee.

SERVICE BY PUBLICATION.

North Carolina—Chatham county—In the Superior Court, July 11th, 1916.

Mack Cross vs. Jennie Lanier, Adeline Cross and her husband, Peter Cross, Adelaide McLean and her husband, ——— McLean, Alice Cross and Alex Cross.

The above named defendants, Alice Cross and Alex Cross, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been instituted before the clerk of the superior court of Chatham county for the purpose of securing an order from said court for a sale for division of the lands described in said complaint and situated in Cape Fear township, Chatham county, N. C. And the said Alice Cross and Alex Cross will further take notice that they are required to appear before Hon. Jas. L. Griffin, Clerk of the Superior Court of Chatham county on Saturday, the 12th day of August, 1916, at his office in Pittsboro, North Carolina, and answer or demur to the complaint in said action which is now on file in his office, or the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

Witness my hand this 11th day of July, 1916.

JAS. L. GRIFFIN, Clerk Superior Court Chatham Co. Fred. W. Bynum, Attorney.

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