

IN SECRET CONFAB

The Reformers in Wake County Hold Meeting.

ALL PLEDGED TO SECRECY

Conference is Held for the Purpose of Formulating Plans and Raising Funds for the Campaign.

Raleigh, May 21.—There was a lengthy meeting behind closed doors this afternoon of the sympathizers in the "reform" faction...

INDISPOSED.

The many friends of Miss Ruth Pilon, one of the teachers in the Washington Public Schools...

COMMENCEMENT

The following program of the seventy-third annual commencement of Davidson College...

Sunday, May 22.—11 a. m., baccalaureate sermon by Rev. M. H. Sontelle...

Monday, May 30.—10 a. m., class-day exercises...

Tuesday, May 31.—8 a. m., annual meeting of board of trustees...

Wednesday, June 1 (commencement day)—12:30 p. m., graduation exercises...

AT THE GEM TONIGHT, 3 REELS—ONE A BIOGRAPH.

Did you visit the Gem Saturday night? If you didn't you missed something good...

METHODIST PICNIC. The Methodist Sunday school will have their annual picnic at Bireside Park...

LADIES' SHEER HOSE

The Sheerest and Finest Hose at 25c., 39c. and 50c.

They are the famous "Gordon Dye" brand—the acknowledged best.

50c.

James E. Clark Co. THE HIGHWAY CLOTHIERS

BIG TENT BURNS

Creates a Panic Among the Spectators.

ONE WOMAN WAS INJURED

A Panic Started at the First Outcry and Thousands Made a Scramble for the Exit—Fire Started, It is Thought, From a Lighted Match.

Schenectady, N. Y., May 21.—The main tent of the Barnum & Bailey circus caught fire at this afternoon's performance...

A panic started at the first outcry and in an instant thousands were engaged in a mad scramble for the exit.

One woman was injured, but not severely. And hundreds fainted and were carried off by policemen.

The fire is thought to have started from a lighted match that was dropped by a boy in the bleachers.

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First reports were that all the spectators had escaped in safety.

A minute or two later word came that a number of persons had been crushed in the press or injured by falling rigging...

While some of the circus staff, aided by performers, policemen and other headed citizens, tried to restrain the rush...

The main tent burned to the gut ropes, together with most of the seating accommodations...

MEETS DEATH

Man Caught in Indian Hill Tunnel—Body Horribly Mangled.

Asheville, May 21.—A special received here today from Waynesville says:

Marcus West, aged 23, met a horrible fate late yesterday afternoon when he was struck by westbound freight train No. 65...

Miss Linda Moore left this morning for Raleigh, N. C., to visit her sister, Mrs. P. A. Tillery.

Mr. E. W. Ayers has been making extensive improvements to his home on Market street...

TO WITNESS GAME. Quite a party left here today at noon for Wilson to witness the opening of the Eastern Carolina League...

CHOIR PRACTICE. The members of the M. E. Church choir are requested to meet at the church next Friday evening.

One uncomfortable thing about a little money is all the things you know you can't afford that a man without any thinks he can.

EASTERN DIOCESE

Convened at Wilmington Saturday Night.

MR. HARDING IS HONORED

The Twenty-seventh Annual Meeting of Council of the Diocese of East Carolina Now in Session at St. John's Church—A Most Successful Session Expected.

Wilmington, N. C., May 22.—With a large number of clergymen and delegates in attendance for the opening session, the 27th annual meeting of Council of the Diocese of East Carolina convened in the auditorium of St. John's Episcopal Church...

Upon motion Rev. Nathaniel Harding, of Washington, and Rev. F. N. Skinner, of Beaufort, were selected president and secretary, respectively.

After paying a high and deserved tribute to Rev. Nathaniel Harding, of Washington, Capt. Thos. D. Meares, treasurer, and one of the most prominent members of the Diocese, introduced the following resolution...

Resolved, That his many friends note with pleasure the presence at this Council of the Rev. Nathaniel Harding, marking as it does the 37th anniversary both of time and place when he first entered this body...

Bishop Strange announced the appointment of the following committees, after which adjournment was taken until 11 o'clock this morning.

Unfinished Business—Rev. W. R. Noe, Messrs. W. H. Winstead and Perry Renfrow.

Following the meeting of Council several standing committees held meetings in the vestry rooms to discuss matters that will be touched upon in their reports.

The visitors are being entertained in the homes of the members of Wilmington Episcopal churches and are being extended the true Cape Fear hospitality.

NEW POTATOES. The first shipment of new potatoes was sold on this market Saturday.

THE Y. M. C. L. The Members to Attend Service in Their Shirt Sleeves Hereafter.

At the meeting of the Young Men's Christian League Sunday afternoon it was decided by the members that hereafter they could attend the service in shirt sleeves.

CARNIVAL. A carnival show passed through the city on the Norfolk and Southern road yesterday for Greenville where they exhibit this week.

IMPROVEMENT. Mr. E. W. Ayers has been making extensive improvements to his home on Market street in the way of paint, etc.

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BEER ANALYZED

The Beer Purchased in Wilson by Delectives Will Put Consumers in the Wearing Way.

Wilson, N. C., May 21.—If those who are fond of "a cold bottle" will come to Wilson they will find that the state prohibition law cuts no figure in depriving them of the pleasure of enjoying genuine Schlitz and other famous brands of beer brewed from pure hops.

Of the 14 bottles which have been analyzed by State Pure Food Inspector W. M. Allen, eight of them were analyzed. They analyzed, per cent: 4.47, 4.80, 3.77, 3.70, 4.50, 4.47, 3.73 and 3.57 respectively.

HOUSE OF NO REPEATERS. The Gaiety Theater offers tonight a good program for its patrons.

GLASS FRONT. It is the intention of the J. H. Harris Plumbing & Supply Company to have their new building now being erected constructed of plate glass on the front.

BABY SHOW

To Be Given by the Ladies' Aid Society of the Methodist Church June 15—To Be a Gala Day.

June 15 promises to be one of the greatest days in the history of Washington, so far as the babies and the mothers are concerned.

New Parishes—Rev. B. S. Lassiter, Messrs. Oscar Hardy and J. J. Crosswell.

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TOBACCO

The Prospects Are Most Propitious for a Good Market in Washington. Everything Ready on Time.

Washington bids fair to have a first-class tobacco market this season. The building will be erected at once on Pearce street...

RAIL CLUB. Efforts are being made among our local sportsmen to organize a baseball team in Washington.

PRESBYTERIAN PICNIC. The Sunday-school of the First Presbyterian Church will have their annual picnic at the Miah Villa tomorrow.

MRS. HINTON SERIOUSLY ILL. The News is in receipt of information that Mrs. Hinton, wife of Prof. Hinton, principal of Behaven schools, was on Saturday night stricken with an attack of spinal meningitis...

TO REHEARSE IN OPERA HOUSE. After tonight's rehearsal for the opera "Sylvia" will practice in the opera house.

IS IMPROVING. It will be welcome news to the many friends of Dr. John G. Blount to ascertain that he is convalescing from his recent illness.

EXPOSES PAYNE BILL

Clark Sounds the Keynote of the Bogus Lord and Bigamist Battle.

MAKES SPEECH IN HOUSE

Characterizes the Payne-Aldrich Measure as a Transparent Humbug and Exposes the Fallacious Position of Mr. Payne—Pays His Respects to the President.

Washington, May 21.—Denouncing the Payne-Aldrich tariff law as a "transparent humbug," attacking the tariff views of its author, Representative Heron Payne, Republican, New York, and vigorously assailing President Taft for his support of that law, Representative Champ Clark, of Missouri, leader of the Democratic minority, today delivered in the House what is regarded as the Democratic keynote speech of the coming congressional campaign.

"During this debate we have witnessed a spectacle without, perhaps, parallel in the annals of Congress. First, we heard the gentleman from New York, Mr. Payne, chairman of the Ways and Means committee and the Republican floor leader, make a vitriolic attack on the speech of the Hon. Jonathan Prentiss Dolliver, a Republican Senator from Iowa, recently delivered in the city of Des Moines.

"The next day we heard the gentleman from Michigan, Mr. Fordney, who is a Republican of high degree, deliver a most bitter and vicious assault upon Senator Beveridge, the Republican boss of Indiana, on account of a speech delivered recently at Indianapolis.

"In making a speech in defense of his tariff bill, Mr. Chairman Payne appeared to be performing a disagreeable stunt. He did not exhibit his old time enthusiasm or his old time facility of expression.

"Mr. Chairman Payne was evidently in a very fretful state. He also seems to be afflicted with a new disease, 'intermittent forgetfulness.' He remembered with great vividness the soup-houses of 1893 and 1894, but when it came to the soup houses of 1907, a very recent occurrence and the soup houses of 1873 his memory failed him utterly.

"The gentleman declared they put up the tariff on hostility and as a consequence—the price of hostility has gone down. He declared they put up the tariff on wines and as a consequence the price of wines has gone up.

"The long looked for comet appeared in the western sky Saturday night and was seen by a large number of people. The star was only visible in Washington for the comet was mighty tall. Last night another effort was made to see the comet, but on account of the cloudiness it was not visible.

SEE COMET

The Sky-Wonder Seen by a Large Number of People—Disappointed in Not Seeing the Tail.

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CONVICTION FOR VIOLATION OF CATTLE QUARANTINE. In order to prevent the spread of this disease known as Southern, splenic, or Texas fever of cattle, and to further the work of eradicating the ticks which convey this disease, the United States Department of Agriculture maintains a strict quarantine on the infected region and endeavors to enforce this quarantine by court prosecution when necessary.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH. A large congregation was present at the Christian Church last evening and heard a most excellent sermon by the pastor, Rev. Robert Hope. The topic of the discourse was "The Truth Unmasked."

BODY IS CREMATED

The Bogus Lord and Bigamist Beresford.

Washington, D. C., May 21.—All that was mortal of Sidney Lascelles, the bogus lord Leresford, who is said to have been a bigamist so many times over that efforts were made by showmen to obtain his body after he died, was reduced to ashes at the undertaking establishment and crematory of Wm. J. Lee, 322 Pennsylvania avenue, today.

Who the woman was who had the body brought here from Asheville and cremated still remains a deep mystery. Where the ashes of the dead man will be placed is also a mystery.

It seems to be a reasonable conjecture that "they" were the woman who came here from North Carolina, referred to in the dispatches from that place as Mrs. T. J. Summerfield, a sister-in-law of the first Mrs. Lascelles, and Dr. McPherson Chrichton whom the body was consigned to by the undertakers who shipped it from Asheville.

A permit was obtained last evening from Coroner Nevitt to cremate the body here. Dr. Nevitt said today that the application for the permit was made by Mr. Lee, the undertaker, that the death certificate was correct in form and that he issued the permit forthwith.

The body of Lascelles was wonderfully well preserved. After eight years it still retained a recognizable appearance before it was cremated today, though the skin was somewhat wrinkled and discolored.

Many persons visited the undertaking establishment last night and this morning and asked permission to see the body. All were told that the body was not to be exhibited, as strict orders had been given to keep the casket closed.

THE STATE BONDS

New York Syndicate Would Bar Them From Exchange.

HIS IDENTITY FRUITLESS

Body Shipped from Asheville to Washington From State Library—Cremation Will Be Done With the Body Wonderfully Well Preserved.

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CROSSES CHANNEL

French Aeronaut Made Trip in Monoplane Despite Dangers of Heavy Fog.

Dover, Eng., May 21.—For the second time within a year the English channel was crossed today by an aeroplane, and again the honor rests with France. Count Jacques de Lesseps, a grandson of the late Ferdinand de Lesseps, the celebrated French engineer, driving a monoplane of the same model as that which Louis Bleriot first conquered the straits July 25 last, duplicating his countryman's feat in a dense fog this afternoon, starting at Calais and landing safely at Winton Court Farm. Fifty minutes were consumed in the journey. Bleriot's time was thirty-three minutes.

M. de Lesseps intended making the trip from Calais to Dover and return without alighting in an effort to win the Ruinart prize of \$2,500, but the mist compelled him to descend. He expects to resume his flight at daylight.

SUPERIOR COURT.

The May term of Beaufort county Superior court opened this morning at the courthouse. The first two weeks will be devoted to the trial of civil causes. The third week is for the prosecution of the criminal docket. His Honor Judge Ferguson, of Waynesville, is presiding.

PEOPLE TELL EACH OTHER ABOUT GOOD THINGS

Sixteen years ago few people in the world knew of such a preparation as a Powder for the Feet. Today after the genuine merit of Allen's Foot-Ease has been told year after year by one gratified person to another, there are millions who would as soon go without a dentifrice as without Allen's Foot-Ease. It is a cleanly, wholesome, healing, antiseptic powder to be shaken into the shoes, which has given rest and comfort to tired and aching feet in all parts of the world. It cures whiffs of cures of smarting, swollen, perspiring feet. It prevents friction and wear of the stockings, and will save in your stocking bill ten times its cost each year. Imitations buy the dealer a larger profit, otherwise you would never be offered a substitute when you ask for Allen's Foot-Ease, the original powder for the feet. Imitations are not permanent. For every genuine article there are many imitations. The imitator has no reputation to sustain—the advertiser has. It stands to reason that the advertised article is the best, otherwise the public would not buy it and the advertising could not be continued. When you ask for an article advertised in this paper, see that you get it. Refuse imitations.

Miss Lillian Beach returned to her home in Greenville this morning.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

- Gem Theater. Gaiety Theater. Crystal Ice Co. J. K. Hoyt—Millinery. Jas. E. Clark Co.—Hose. Hyomet. J. L. O'Quinn, Florist—Suits. Woods' Seeds. Chesapeake Steamship Co.