

## CONGREGATIONS GROWING EACH NIGHT AT THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH MEETING

The Song Service is soul-stirring and inspiring. Services are expected to continue for ten days with two services 11 A.M. and 8 P.M. The sermon last night was a masterpiece.

Another large and appreciative audience greeted Evangelist John W. Ham at the First Baptist church last night. There was enthusiasm and interest from the announcement of the first hymn to the close of the service.

The programs are arranged with such spirit as to prevent any lag anywhere. The song service was soul-stirring and inspiring. A new song was introduced last night by Rev. Lyon, entitled "Keep Sweet." Both the air and the thought of the song proved a hit from the very beginning as different sections of the house joined in singing against each other. Two choirs have been organized and they supported by an orchestra. The congregations are growing each night.

A feature of Women's Suffrage was introduced by the speaker before he began his sermon. Upon looking over the congregation he noticed that all the women were fanning furiously and it was at this point that he stopped and said, "I believe in a religion of common sense and naturalness. The people in this congregation who seem to be attracted by the heat are those that have the least clothes on, namely the women. The men have on as much clothes now as you women wear in January, and because of this slavish custom the men are not coming to churches today, they prefer to sit in the parks, hang around the street corners, drug stores and morning picture shows where the electric fans are in operation. When will the church of God ever learn any sense, or make its services natural and comfortable? When will women learn any sense and stop wearing these big hats to church to show off with?" At this point he asked all the men of the congregation who wished that the ladies would leave their hats at home to raise their hands. There was a unanimous vote. Turning to the women, he asked all the women of the congregation who would be glad to have the men come in their shirtwaists and enjoy the service to raise their hands. The entire audience of ladies, with the exception of one sister voted, and so it will be the order from now on during the intense heat of this meeting for the men to feel perfectly free to come without their coats, by the sovereign vote of the women.

The evangelist said, we have followed this method for the past two years with gratifying results, and after the first little opposition has subsided things moved along with greater enthusiasm, doubling and tripling the attendance of our congregations.

He spoke last night from the fifty-fifth chapter of Isaiah, God's call to the backslider. This chapter contains a message to the backslider by contrast. The first six verses showing him in a desert spiritually, and the last six verses calling him to a garden spiritually. The 7 verse of the chapter occupying the midway gate out of the one condition into the other. There was rapt attention from the beginning to the close of the address, which lasted thirty minutes. A tense and tender moment occurred at the close when a large part of the congregation came forward to reconsecrate themselves to active service for God, and with the request for prayer on their behalf. Following this there was one addition of a splendid young woman of the town.

Services will continue for ten days, at 11 a. m., and 8 p. m.

**LEAVES FOR HOME.**  
Mrs. Herbert Griffin, who has been on an extended visit to her sisters Mrs. Herbert Bulley of this city, and Mrs. H. A. Swinford of Mauler Point, returned to her home in South Quarter today.

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Mr. Harry Brown and children who have been visiting relatives and friends in South Quarter for several weeks have returned to their home on Bonner street.

**WHOM BUSINESS TRAIL.**  
Mr. H. H. Burrows is back from a business trip to the States.

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## ATTRACTION NEW THEATRE CAPTIVATES

"Minstrel at Home" presented at the New Theater last night by the Oliver's Grand Jubilee Company was another big success as far as pleasing the audience was concerned. This is the third musical comedy put on at this house this week by this excellent company. Each and every member of the troupe did their part well. The songs are all new and catchy, and as for the jokes you do not hear the old stale ones that you generally hear from a company of this class. They are new and full of good laughs. Every member was well applauded last night. For tonight they will give an entire change of program. For tonight they will present a one act musical comedy entitled "Jesse James." This is one of the funniest comedies ever produced interspersed with the latest songs and dances. This troupe is without doubt the best one that has ever been here. As usual there will be three reels of the very best selected associated films, so be sure and attend.

## YOUNG LADY DOING NICELY AT HOSPITAL

Miss Mary Adelaide Duke, daughter of Deputy Sheriff and Mrs. J. C. Duke of Pantego, N. C., who was operated upon at the Washington Hospital Tuesday is getting along nicely and strong hopes are entertained for her recovery. Miss Duke is one of the county's popular young ladies. Unless something unforeseen happens she will be able to return to her home within the next few days.

## OUR DARLING.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Burbage of Bath, was thrown into a gloom of sadness, Sunday evening June 28th, by the death angel's visit and bearing away with him their little darling baby Oscar Riners one year and 19 months old. He was sick only a short while and everything that kind hands could do was done to relieve his sufferings although God loved him even more than we did and called him to His home where he now resides, with his two grandmothers who preceded him a few years ago. Little Oscar Riners was loved by all who knew him. We will all miss his tender smiles and loving word, but we know our loss is his eternal gain. A great consolation to us is knowing that he has gone to live with the blessed Lord and angels and that we have the same promise that he did.

May we all prepare to meet Oscar Riners in that bright world above for his bright angel hands are now beckoning us all the while to turn from sin and live with him in his happy home, where grief and suffering is not known but happiness is instead.

Weep not dear papa and mamma, your little one is not dead, he is only asleep and waiting your coming in Paradise above.

The little babe has gone to rest, to reign with God forever, blest. His little tongue will always praise a Father's love, a Redeeming grace. We could not wish it back again, but say dear baby with God remain. Written by a loving friend.

## Congressman J. H. Small



## One Of Principal Speakers At The Good Roads Convention

Many topics of vital interest to good roads boosters will be taken up at the Convention to be held in Durham today and tomorrow. The most vital topics, however, will be those relating to the establishment of a State Highway Commission, Uniform Road Laws, such as the Requirement of Lights, Keep to the Right, Injury to Road Surface, Jurisdiction of County Commissioners over Traffic, etc., by Prof. M. H. Stacy of the State University; the Maintenance of Roads by Mr. D. Tucker Brown, Organizer and Engineer of the North Carolina Good Roads Association; and the discussion of "Federal Government and Highway Construction" by the Hon. Jesse Taylor, President of the Ohio Good Roads Federation.

There will, however, be no speaker who will confer a stronger and more inspiring message than the Hon. John H. Small of the First Congressional District.

An special invitation is extended to all those expecting to become members of the next Legislature, so that they can join in discussing and getting information which will assist them in forming correct opinions as to any road legislation which may be brought before the General Assembly.

Since the last Convention of the Association, Mr. D. Tucker Brown has been employed as Organizer and Field Engineer, and since he began work the first of February he has been of great assistance not only in increasing the membership of the Association, but in giving advice and engineering assistance to many counties and townships, and has made addresses in counties in connection with bond issue campaigns. Mr. Brown will discuss in detail the Maintenance of Roads; taking up the question of Organization and County Maintenance Forces; Maintenance Funds and Wide Tires and their effect upon the maintenance of roads.

Dr. Joseph Hyde Pratt, State Geologist, will discuss North Carolina's Public Road Policy of Today, and Judge A. W. Graham, of Oxford, will discuss North Carolina and a State Highway Commission. Dr. H. Q. Alexander, President of the Farmers Union, will talk on what Good Roads Mean to the Farmer, and his address will be both instructive and inspiring, as he is a progressive of the truest type.

## Woman's Civic Club Of Bath Formally Opened On July 4th

(By Katie Stille Bonner.)  
The play ground undertaken by the Civic Club on a vacant lot, the use of which was offered by the owners Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Brooks, was formally opened July 4th by a garden party. Messrs. Ebern and Marsh, assisted, harrowed and rolled the ground; the small boys and girls and the young men and women of the town weeded, raked and swept another part of the ground; one of our industrious young woodworkers, Mr. Gus Adams, built seats about the only two trees the playground boasted—a giant walnut and a cotton wood, under each of these is also a chain swing. There is space for two croquet courts and one tennis court, and a diamond for the small boys baseball. One croquet court is now in use and the tennis court will soon be ready for use.

Bath has ideal camping spots in its sheltered creeks within easy reach of good river fishing and bathing. A party from Tarboro is spending its wooded summer camping in one of these spots. Again the winter will see great numbers of wild ducks and geese in these waters—a delight to the eye of a sportsman.

The club has begun the study of North Carolina history beginning with that of Bath. The public school history is our text book, supplemented by tales from the old residents and made interesting by open air meetings on the site of Gov. Eden's mansion, of Leitch's battle and his landing on Pam Point.

A handful of Bath was presented to the club in the "Charleston" which

lately delighted Washington and Beaufort a unity with its presence. The town-beautiful contest is still in progress. The judges on their last tour of inspection reported the premises kept by a certain ten-year old boy in the lead in the "clean lot" contest.

Our club is happy to report that the commons has been surveyed and a plot of it made. So the town now has 153.3 acres of fine truck and farming land for sale. The proceeds from this sale is to erect a brick school building in the town.

The club extends thanks to the American Civic Association, Washington City, for some books on civics presented to the reading room.

Our corresponding secretary has accepted from Mrs. Joseph Hyde Pratt, chairman, the vice-chairmanship of the department of civics in the North Carolina State Federation of Women's Clubs.

The following is the aim of the Woman's Civic Club of Bath. School houses within the town, lights on the streets, wharves out of town. Watch us attain our ideals.

## PASS THROUGH CITY.

Messrs. A. J. Lupton and E. W. Spaul of Hoboken, N. C., were in the city today en route to their home from Plymouth, N. C., where they went to attend the annual meeting of the Charitable Brotherhood. While in Plymouth they were the guests of T. L. Satterthwaite.

## GRAND LODGE C.B.H. ORDER AT PLYMOUTH

W. M. Chauncey Re-elected Grand President and W. H. McDewett Grand Secretary For Coming Year.

The Grand Lodge of the Charitable Brotherhood met in the town of Plymouth, N. C., yesterday in its fifteenth annual convention. There were about one hundred delegates present representing seventy lodges. The following officers were named for the ensuing year: Grand President, W. M. Chauncey; Grand Vice-President, H. H. Barrow; Grand Chaplain, J. B. Satterthwaite; Grand Secretary, W. H. McDewett; Grand Treasurer, D. T. Herring. The next annual meeting of the order goes Morehead City. The people of Plymouth entertained the delegates royally. The meeting was one of the very best ever held since the organization of the order.

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A precious one from us has gone, A voice we loved is stilled; A place is vacant in our home, Which never can be filled.

God in His wisdom has recalled The boon His love had given, And though his body slumbers near, The soul is safe in heaven. A FRIEND.

## DEM. COUNTY CONVENTION HERE FRIDAY

Will Meet at Court House at Eleven O'clock to Ratify Action Of The Primary and Complete The Ticket

The Democratic County Convention pursuant to the call of Chairman Lindsay C. Warren, will meet in the courthouse, this city, tomorrow morning at eleven o'clock for the purpose of ratifying the vote in the recent primary and also to complete the county ticket. The outlook is that the convention will be largely attended.

## WATCH FOR THE GREATER EDITION

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## TO PARLEY WITH THE FEDERALISTS

Constitutionalists Are Unlikely To Accept The Invitation Of The Mediators. Will Re-organize.

Laredo, Tex.—The Constitutionalists are unlikely to accept the offer of the Niagara mediators for a conference with representatives of Huerta to arrange a provisional government in Mexico.

This announcement, coming from unquestioned sources, reached the border here yesterday.

It was declared by arrivals here that the generals of the Constitutional army to whom the question was submitted for advice by Carranza had with the exception of the generals, of Obregon's division, who have not had time to report, strongly opposed any such conference.

Carranza's answer has not yet been sent to the mediators, but no doubt was expressed by those in close touch with the situation as to what the answer would be, according to travelers from Saltillo. The Constitutionalists position, it was said, is that an agreement to accept a provisional government must cause the outbreak of other revolutionary movement.

Happenings following Madero's agreement to allow De la Barra to become provisional president were recalled in this connection.

The Constitutionalists assert that the reforms for which they are striving only can be placed in successful operation without loss of life by a government under military rule, such as Benito Juarez operated in Vera Cruz in the 60's.

They emphasize this by calling attention to the fact that any provisional president to take legal action of any sort must convene Congress as at present constituted, and depend upon that body to ratify his acts until an election shall have been held. To obtain reforms or satisfactory action through a body under the complete dominion of Huerta, the Constitutionalists say, would be to expect the impossible.

Carranza, it is said, has given assurances that if the Tampico gateway is opened for importation of arms and ammunition, he will take Mexico City within a very short time, establishing peace on a firm basis under military rule until it is possible to hold a fair election.

El Paso, Tex.—Reconstruction of the Constitutionalist government machinery in Chihuahua will begin immediately as a result of the settlement of the Carranza-Villa dispute.

Carranza officials ousted from office in Juarez and other Chihuahua cities by the Villa faction will be reinstated, according to the Carranza agents here today.

Such action would mean the restoring of federal telegraph and rail way lines in Chihuahua to the control of Carranza appointees. Most of these men are among the twenty-four Carranza officials held as virtual prisoners in Chihuahua city by the Villa authorities since the breach.

At least three Carranza officials will resign, owing to the demands made by Villa's delegates. Ildro Febela, minister of communication in the Carranza cabinet; Alfredo Svecoda, one of Carranza's special agents in Washington and General Ildro Trevino, chief of staff of the Constitutionalist leader, will be removed, according to the well informed Constitutionalists in El Paso.

It is reported that Rafael Zubaran Company, special representative of Carranza in Washington, may resign as the Villa faction is bitter against him. In return for these concessions on Carranza's part Villa has acknowledged absolute submission to him, according to reports from Torreón.

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