

ALL IN READINESS FOR THE M. E. CONFERENCE

Opening Sermon by Rev. H. A. Humble of Kinston Tonight at 7.30. Conference Convenes Tomorrow Morning at 9.30. Will be in Session Till Monday.

The vanguard of the ministers and delegates who will be here to attend the seventy-eighth annual session of the North Carolina Conference of the M. E. Church, which opens here tomorrow morning at 9:30 o'clock at the First Methodist church with Bishop R. G. Waterhouse, D. D., L. L. D., of Los Angeles, California, presiding, are to day arriving by every incoming train and by the time the conference is called to order tomorrow morning practically all the delegates will be present. Between 350 and 420 are expected and the visitors to attend in all probability will swell this number to near 500. The presiding elders held their first meeting at the home of Mrs. Mary P. Baugham, corner of Second and Respass streets, this afternoon where Bishop Waterhouse will be entertained during his stay in the city. The Bishop will not arrive here until this evening. The surprise is that the most important matter to be considered by the conference is the matter of whether or not it will endorse the new Methodist University just established in the city of Atlanta, towards which Mr. Asa Chandler of that city, has given \$1,000,000. Washington has made every arrangement to entertain the many visitors royally during their stay in Washington. Not only have the Methodist of the city thrown wide open their doors, the communicants of other denominations have as well. The entire city is awaiting with open arms to greet hospitably this great body of Christian workers. Always noted for its hospitality Washington

NORTH CAROLINA NEWS LETTER IS NOW ISSUED

(S. B. Winters.) Chapel Hill, N. C., Nov. 17.—As a facility for transmitting the Bureau of Extension service, the findings of the North Carolina Club, and other jottings from "behind and beyond college walls," to the people of the State the University of North Carolina will publish a weekly newspaper. The initial copy of the publication—"The University of North Carolina News Letter"—makes its appearance this week and will find its way into four thousand North Carolina homes. The editorial board is composed of Prof. E. C. Branson, professor of rural sociology, Dr. J. G. deR. Hamilton, professor of history, Dr. L. R. Wilson, librarian; Prof. Z. V. Judd, professor of rural education, and S. B. Winters. "Clips from a University Workshop," county life problems, North Carolina Club findings, home studies—these general topics will receive conspicuous space in the News Letter. It will be a mirror of the larger activities that are crystallizing on the campus which movements are serving to weld the University and the State together in an infinite number of ties. Quoted below are two items that appear in the initial copy which indicate the tone of the publication: "Behind and Beyond College Walls. "Behind, campus walls in North Carolina in 1910, all our colleges counted, were only 6,594 students of both sexes. "Or only 12 for every thousand children enrolled in our elementary schools, public and private. "Our State ranks 46th in this particular. Six Southern States make a better, an even a poorer showing. "Win a College Degree at Home. "Beyond campus walls in North Carolina in the census year, were 74,600 boys and girls, between 16 and 20 years of age, who were bread-winners and wage-earners—our own race and color, kith, kin, and kind, caught in the felt clutch of circumstance and forced to work—many of them at back-breaking toil. "The University holds out a hand to them. Outside our windows hang kindly lamps of learning. "These young people cannot go to college. And so the University goes to them with correspondence courses: 29 credit courses, leading to University degree, and 17 non-

A BURGLAR TO LECTURE IN THE CITY

Manager J. F. Capehart, of the New Theatre, has surely secured something decidedly novel in a theatrical sense in the booking for an engagement of one night, Thursday, November 19th, of the once notorious bank burglar and postoffice breaker, John F. McCarthy (West Philadelphia Johnny), who, having been pardoned and is now reformed, will be seen at the New Theatre in conjunction with a startling four part photo drama, "Sentenced for Life." McCarthy, in a lecture, entitled "The Wrong Road," describes the pictures as they are unfolded, and tells how he became a bank robber, and finally what induced him to leave the wrong road, and go straight. Incidentally, it may be mentioned that McCarthy has the backing and the good wishes of some of the men high up in Y. M. C. A. circles in New York city, men who are taking a personal interest in the future of a man who, although formerly an "undesirable citizen," is now making good. According to advance reports the entertainment furnished by Mr. McCarthy instantly appeals to the audience and the reformed bank robber has been given a hearty greeting wherever he has appeared. He will be the attraction at the New Theatre for one performance, Thursday night, November 19.

THE BLOCK SYSTEM IS COMPLETE

Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 17.—Southern Railway has nearly completed the installation of a modern automatic block signal system between Amherst and Whittles, Va., 57.5 miles, and between Atlanta and New Holland, Ga., 53.46 miles, thus providing for two important double track stretches of the Washington-Atlanta line, the safe high class protective facility which is now in use on this line between Washington and Orange, Va., 38.3 miles, between Danville, Va., and Pelham, N. C., 9.3 miles, and between Denim and Charlotte, N. C., 95.3 miles, a total of 189.5 miles which, when work now under way is completed, will give 300.46 miles so protected of the 649 miles between Atlanta and Washington. Between Amherst and Whittles 54 signals of the upper quadrant three-position type have been erected at intervals of approximately two miles. Power stations have been erected at Monroe, Lynchburg and Whittles. Between Atlanta and New Holland 73 similar signals have been erected and power stations have been built at Gainesville, Howell and South Inman. These signals will be so controlled that they will indicate to the engineer the presence of a train ahead, a broken rail, open switch, or any other obstruction to traffic. He will know continuously the condition of the track for approximately four miles in advance of his train, thus giving him all the information necessary to control the train safely and expeditiously. The signals will be operated by a three-phase alternating current of 4,400 volts carried on special pole lines erected along the right-of-way. The current will also light the stations and other buildings. Lighting small stations by electricity is an important improvement which, it is believed, will be appreciated by all who have occasion to use them. Despite present business conditions, Southern Railway is rushing work on this signal system which will not only insure a high degree of safety but will aid in the expeditious movement of the heavy business which is confidently expected when the causes of the present temporary depression are removed.

PRESIDING OFFICER



Bishop Waterhouse, D. D. L. L. D., of California Who Will Preside Over the Seventy-eighth Session of the North Carolina Annual Conference to Convene Here Tomorrow Morning at 9.30. He Will be the Guest of Mrs. Mary Baugham at her home, Corner of Second and Respass Streets.

OFFICERS OF THE AURORA FAIR NAMED

The Aurora Agricultural Fair Association met in the town of Aurora last night and elected the following officers for the ensuing year: President—R. L. M. Bonner. Vice-President—J. F. Clayton. Secretary—H. L. Thompson. Treasurer—J. W. Chapin. The vice-president and treasurer were re-elected for another year. All the members of the present board of directors were re-elected. It was decided by the board of directors to hold another fair next year sometime during the month of November, 1915. The last fair was a success in every way, both financially and otherwise.

MEETING OF LODGE

There will be a regular communication of Orr Lodge No. 104, A. F. and A. M., at their hall, corner Third and Bonner streets, this evening at 7:30 o'clock. All members are requested to be present.

CONDITION NO BETTER

The many friends of Mr. George Adams, who has been confined to his home, corner of Seventh and Harvey streets, will regret to learn that his condition is no better.

SPECIALS For All This Week

- Armour's Star Hams, per lb. 19c
 - Morgan & Gray F. F. V. Hams, per lb. 19c
 - Pure Sweet Print Butter, per lb. 35c
 - Arbuckle's Coffee, Per Pound. 20c
 - Filson Club Coffee, worth 50c lb. at. 40c
 - Full Cream Cheese, Per Pound. 20c
 - Borden's Eagle Brand Milk, per can 15c
 - Monogram Corn, per can 10c
 - Extra Fancy Dried Peaches, per lb. 12 1/2c
 - Extra Fancy Dried Apples, per lb. 7c
 - Sundried Apples, per lb. 6c
- SPECIAL PRICES. On all Shoes, Dry Goods, Rugs, etc. Everything sold on a money-back guarantee.
- J. E. ADAMS**
Phone 97 Washington, N. C.

WINTER PARALYZES MOVEMENTS OF THE TROOPS IN RUSSIA

London, Nov. 17.—No important events were written today into the history of the war as far as great events are concerned. Winter has partly paralyzed troop movements in both the east and west.

The Russians on the border of east Prussia are reported marching through snow, clad in sheep skin jackets similar to those the Japanese first wore in Manchuria. Blizzards had swept the trenches in Belgium and northern France, bringing great suffering. A large area of West Flanders around Dixmude has been flooded by the heavy rains.

ALLIES RECAPTURED SEVERAL POINTS

The French and German reports today are contradictory as to events in the west yesterday. Berlin says there was only slight activity because of the snow storm. Paris announced the Germans, attempting to cross the canal near Dixmude, were thrust back, while the allies recaptured several strategic points, repulsed two German attacks southeast of Ypres and "entirely destroyed" a German regiment of Bixchoots. An observer with the British army announces that German attempts to batter a wedge through the British lines have decreased greatly in force the past few days and that they bear no resemblance to attacks in great force launched against Ypres at the end of October. They are more in the nature of demonstrations in force than serious assaults, he declares.

TRIBUTE TO RAW GERMAN RECRUITS

The writer pays high tribute to the bravery of raw German youths and untrained men of middle age who, he says, do not hesitate to march against the trained British troops. If the Germans have abandoned

PURE FOOD CAFE OPENS TOMORROW

Washington is to have another much-needed enterprise which is scheduled to open tomorrow, being the "Pure Food Restaurant," with W. L. Sumner, proprietor. It is located in the basement of the W. B. Morton building on West Main street. It is the intention of the manager to be open daily to midnight and during all this time will serve all kinds of dishes, including every variety of sea food. Oysters steamed and on the half shell will be a specialty. The cafe is being handsomely fitted up and every convenience is being installed for the pleasure and comfort of all those who call. Mr. Sumner for years has been the efficient chef at the Hotel Louise and knows his business thoroughly. Washington is to be congratulated in the fact that he is to open a cafe here. It is an enterprise that has long been needed here.

NARROW ESCAPE

Mrs. D. L. Adams, who resides at the corner of Seventh and Harvey streets, last night about 11 o'clock, after attending to her son who has been confined to his bed for the past five weeks, sat down by the heater to warm, and being broken of her rest, soon fell asleep. The result of which she was soon awakened by her clothes being on fire. By the assistance of her daughter, the fire was extinguished with the result that Mrs. Adams' hands were badly burned.

JUST ARRIVED FRESH AND FINE

new Cocoanuts, Walnuts, Brazil Nuts, Citrus, Fancy Table Raisins, Seeded Raisins, Currants, etc. J. E. Adams. Phone 97. 11-17-5tc

MAYOR'S COURT

The following cases were tried before His Honor, Mayor Kugler, this morning: Margaret Dowdy and Moriah Buckland, disorderly conduct. Judgment suspended upon the payment of costs. Dr. S. T. Nicholson, for not having light on automobile. Judgment suspended upon his not using machine at night until he secures lights. Albert Willis, failure to stop at corner Main and Market streets. Judgment suspended. Arey Clark, colored, disorderly conduct. Judgment suspended upon payment of costs. John Thomas Beeton, assault with deadly weapon and attempt to kill. Bound over to recorder. Alex. Barber, drunk and disorderly; \$5.00 and costs. Robert Rums, drunk and disorderly and resisting officer; \$10.00 and costs in each case. Defendant appeared to Superior Court.

MUST SERVE TERM OF 12 MRS. ON ROADS

The recorder had a very interesting court this morning at the City Hall for disposal. John Thomas Beeton was indicted for an assault with a deadly weapon with an attempt to kill. He was found guilty and sentenced to the county reformatory for a period of one year.

GREETED BY FRIENDS

Rev. A. McCullen and wife, of Rockingham, N. C., who will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Mixon at their home on West Second street during the M. E. Conference and who arrived in the city last night, are today being greeted by their many old friends. Several years ago Mr. McCullen was the popular presiding elder of the Washington district. According to the rules of his church he will be assigned to another field of labor at this session of the conference.

LEACH CROSS AND GILBERT GALLANT MEET TONIGHT

New York, Nov. 17.—The return match between Leach Cross and Gilbert Gallant, of Boston, will be fought here tonight. Cross is to receive 35 per cent of the gross receipts, while Gallant drew a guarantee of \$1,500. Gallant won a decision over Cross in a twelve round bout in Boston a few weeks ago.

NEW LOT GUARANTEED SHOWS

Overalls, Shirts and Hosiery just received. Prices very low. J. E. Adams. 11-17-5tc

New Theater

MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY A Distinctly Different Show. A Stage upon a Stage. RHOADS' MARIONETTE SHOW "THE WORLD'S FAMOUS VENTRILOQUIST." "D'ESTA" and his family of talking and Mechanical Figures. Price 10c & 20c