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THOSE WEATHERS—Probably showers tonight and Saturday.

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FIRE CAUSED DAMAGE OF \$10,000

L. C. TRIPP WAS HEAVIEST LOSER IN CONFLAGRATION AT EDWARDS YESTERDAY. FOUR BUILDINGS DESTROYED.

\$4,300 INSURANCE

Stores of Tripp and Redick House Heavily Destroyed. Dr. Kater's Store Also Burned to the Ground. Rafts Being Cleared Away.

It is estimated that the fire at Edwards yesterday, destroyed property to the value of over \$10,000. Insurance, amounting to about \$4,300, covered the part of the loss.

The Daily News was in telephone communication this morning with L. C. Tripp, of Edwards, who suffered the greatest loss on account of yesterday's conflagration. His store contents were entirely destroyed, and his house was also damaged. Mr. Tripp estimates the loss of his store at \$4,900. This was covered with \$1,500 insurance. The damage to his house amounted to about \$350. The building and contents were insured for \$1,350. Dr. Kater's home and contents were also entirely destroyed by the flames, resulting in damage to the amount of about \$1,000. This was covered by \$1,500 insurance. The two stores, belonging to the W. B. Redick estate, were also destroyed and were valued at about \$2,000. No insurance was on either of these buildings.

The people of Edwards are today busily engaged in clearing away the ruins of the fire. Although plans for the future have not yet been decided upon, it is expected that rebuilding will start at once.

Reception To Mrs. Pickett

Over 200 persons remained at the Chauteau last night after yesterday afternoon's performance to meet Mrs. General Pickett. The reception was of an informal nature and was thoroughly enjoyed by all who took advantage of this opportunity to meet one of the leading women of the South.

A beautiful bouquet of red and white flowers—the colors of the Confederacy—was presented to Mrs. Pickett by the Daughters and Children of the Confederacy. The stage was decorated with Confederate flags and bunting and flowers.

The receiving line consisted of Mrs. Pickett, Miss Lena Windley, president of Families Chapter, U. D. C.; Mrs. Stephen Bragay, leader of the Children of the Confederacy; Mrs. W. A. B. Branch, Mrs. Sam Fowle and Mrs. C. W. Mollie, a State officer of the U. D. C. Mrs. Pickett expressed herself as delighted with the cordiality and courtesy extended to her.

POPULAR 'Silent Play' THEATRE

GO WHERE THE BARRIERS MEET. 8th Episode of "The Million Dollar Mystery" in two parts, and three other ripping pictures like they always have at Washington's most popular picture theatre.

Do you think CHARLIE CHAPLIN is funny? If you want to laugh and enjoy yourself see him tomorrow, featured in "IN THE PARK," matinee and night.

ALL NEXT WEEK we will have pictures that are the best that we can get. Be sure and pay us a visit daily.

The Bellmo. "IT'S GOOD—WE CAN PROVE IT." MARKER.

H. S. Ward Discusses Suffrage Amendment

Reason to Believe That Colored People Will Show Good Sense in Leaving Election Places and Ballot Boxes Severely Alone

Mr. Editor: Your request for my opinion of the result on our politics in North Carolina of the late decision of the Federal Supreme Court affecting the Suffrage Amendment to the Constitution of the several Southern States receives this answer:

It cannot be foreseen in complete and accurate detail, of course, what substitute will be made for the present Constitution and statutes regulating suffrage, because the process of politics, like everything else, is one of evolution. One condition produces another natural cause and effect. We are to see first what the attitude of that element of our population which was disfranchised by the new Constitution will be, and to be exact and plain, see whether we are to witness renewed efforts to organize, solidify, and manipulate this vote by the now minority that suffered politically by its disfranchisement, as we witnessed in the elections, which condition led to the Amendments.

The effects of the new constitution were so surprisingly good on our social, industrial and political conditions, and especially our social conditions, that there is reason, I think, to believe that the colored people will see their interest in leaving politics to white people and show their good sense in leaving the election places and ballot boxes severely alone. I do not believe we need any law to keep exclusively political elections in the hands of the white people. The only danger is in the elections on industrial and economic questions, such as bond issues, good roads, James Law, and the horrible nightmare, prohibition. If, however, we had another rush for the registration books and a strong line-up of the colored brigade under a white brigade or under instructions received in the lodge the night before, as we saw twenty years ago, you may get it down with all the assurance of eternal destiny, the remedy will be promptly forthcoming, and this remedy is the thing you ask me to suggest.

I can see, I think, how we can still live, and live well. There is nothing in the decision and cannot be, of course, to prevent the State from recognizing the registration which was made under the Grandfather clause as a permanent one and permitting any person registered on it to vote without further registration. The Court does not hold that that registration was void. It holds in effect no more than that it was unconstitutional to prevent others from so registering who could not vote before 1898, or whose ancestors could not. The objection is to the discrimination, and there is no questioning the right of the State to prescribe a permanent roll of registration valid as to all who get on it. It follows then that a law would be absolutely safe that required all men to read and write before registering to vote and further providing that such as registered under the Grandfather clause need not register. By this you have the literacy test squarely and fairly presented, and there will be no disfranchising of old white men who

cannot read. In fact, it is no more than is now the law, but to say the least of it, it is, for reasons not necessary to say here, not very generally so understood. I do not see any hob-goblin myself. I do not think it will ever again require force or chicannery to make good, white supremacy in any state of the South, especially North Carolina, and God forbid it should.

The New York Times well said editorially: "The determination of the white man to rule the land in which he lives is not affected by the decision. Wherever that determination has been challenged the result has been the same. The better feeling between the races in this State consequent upon the new election laws must be more than satisfying to every good man in the world. To contemplate it with profound pleasure, I think of a return to the conditions of the nineties with supreme sorrow. The truth is, there was last week no race problem in North Carolina. It was settled on the broad line of charity and self respect and good citizenship. Nor do I agree with Judge Clark that we need to desecrate the sacred shrine of the home by legislating the ladies of the State to the ballot box to swell the vote. I think Woman's Suffrage is rather silent than evoked by the change, if there is to be a change. The white men of North Carolina can take care of its politics and may be trusted to do so, without resort to the repulsive course of masculinizing and vulgarizing the party and culture and refinement of the State which we keep at home and in the church, and the social circles to burnish the rust and corrosion from our nationalities; where we return after the consciousness of the day's fight is over, to bow, to admire, to adulate, to honor, to love.

"Where we in wonder bow before them, Break God's command, worship and adore them."
—H. S. WARD.

110 Guarantors For Next Year

Expected That List Will Be Run Up to 125. All of Old Guarantors Signed, Excepting One.

One hundred and ten local men have signed their names as guarantors for next year's Chauteau. It is believed that this list will be run up to 125 in the next few days. All of the old guarantors, with one exception, have again pledged themselves to guarantee the Chauteau the required funds for their week's stay in this city.

In 1914 the list of guarantors numbered 80 men. There was a deficit of \$10. This year, the guarantors numbered 85 men, and there was a deficit of but \$4.25. It is firmly believed that the Chauteau will pay for itself next year out of the number of tickets sold.

TURKISH WAR PRISONERS ON LEMNOS



Group of Turkish prisoners of war near Mudros, Isle of Lemnos, on their way from camp to their daily work.

WANT STORES TO CLOSE JULY 5TH

BUSINESS MEN EXPRESS THEIR WILLINGNESS TO GRANT REQUEST.

2-DAY HOLIDAY

Would Give Residents of Washington Opportunity of Visiting Other Cities. Wholesale Sales to Close.

A movement is on foot among several of the merchants of the city to close the stores on Monday, July 5th. The wholesale grocers have already announced their intention of closing their establishments on that day and a number of other business men have expressed their willingness to do likewise.

"I don't believe that there will be much business done on Monday, following the Fourth," said one of the merchants this morning. "We have always celebrated the Fourth by closing the stores and I don't think we should make an exception this year. A number of our residents are going to Beihaven on the fifth, others will go to Ocracoke and very few people will come to Washington. We are willing to close up our store and several others to whom I have broached the matter, say that they are in favor of closing-up for the day.

"Many persons in the city will doubtless want to visit friends or relatives in other cities, and if we designate the fifth as a general holiday, it will give everyone a two-day vacation."

NO SERVICES HELD. Owing to the illness of Captain Gossett, the American Rescue Workers have not been holding services during the last few days. Captain Gossett's condition today is greatly improved and regular services will be held again, beginning tomorrow.

WASHINGTON GETS ELKS CONVENTION FOR NEXT YEAR.

The following telegram was received this afternoon by Mr. Hackney from Jos. F. Tayloe, who is one of the Washington delegates attending the Elks convention at Charlotte.

"Washington gets convention. I have been elected the next president.

JOS. F. TAYLOE."

Another telegram was received this afternoon by Capt. Geo. T. Leach from Wm. A. Chauncey and J. H. Bonner. It read:

"Washington gets convention. Begin preparations."

To Be Tried For Shipping Crockery

R. Right Brought Up Into Court Yesterday. Asked for Trial by Jury. Case Set for Next Wednesday.

Reeves Right, colored, who is charged with having recently attempted to violate the State liquor law, was brought into the recorder's court for trial yesterday afternoon. Right is alleged to have shipped a trunk of liquor to Washington under the marking of "crockery." He has asked for a trial by jury. The case will be tried in court on next Wednesday afternoon.

Dave Dixon, charged with having stabbed Will Cox, will be brought up for trial tomorrow afternoon.

Daily Thought. Fourth comes but once in a lifetime, therefore, let us so enjoy it as to be still young when we are old.—Lester

"GOODROADS" MEETING AT EDWARDS

WAS HELD IN THAT TOWN WEDNESDAY NIGHT. WELL ATTENDED.

\$350 RAISED

Meeting to be Held at Aurora Tomorrow Morning for Purpose of Forming Good Roads Association.

An enthusiastic "good roads" meeting was held at Edwards Wednesday night at which over \$350 was promised for the repairing of the roads in the county. A large delegation was present from Aurora. Will Thompson and T. M. Lawrence presided at the meeting and each made speeches in favor of the good roads movement. The citizens of Edwards expressed themselves as heartily in favor of improving the roads through their section.

A meeting will be held at Aurora tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock. At this meeting it is understood that a permanent good roads association will be formed. Officers will be elected and formal action will be taken in the good roads work. Many persons from the country around Aurora are expected to be at the meeting and it is believed that a large sum will be raised for the road work.

Intense enthusiasm is being expressed in that section of the county over the road work and everyone is eager for it to commence at once.

Elks Having A Big Time

Convention at Charlotte Grand Success. Greensboro, Raleigh and Washington Bid for Next Meeting.

Charlotte, June 25.—Between 1000 and 1200 men were in the parade here last night which was the feature of the day at the annual meeting of the state association of North Carolina B. P. O. Elks. Concord, High Point, Raleigh, Charlotte, Washington, Greensboro, Winston-Salem and Wilmington had big delegations in the line of march. Concord leading with 182 members. A feature of the parade was a float representing the ship of state drawn by the Wilmington delegation.

The convention was welcomed to the city yesterday afternoon by Mayor T. L. Kirkpatrick, in an address delivered at the opening exercises in the Masonic temple. A band concert and tango dance on the streets was witnessed by thousands after the parade.

The convention will close tonight after a program is finished that will keep the Elks busy all day. Raleigh, Greensboro and Washington are making strong bids for the next meeting.

THE RUSSIANS CONTINUE TO RETREAT

FALL OF LEMBERG IS BEING FOLLOWED BY A GENERAL RUSSIAN RETREAT OVER A WIDE FRONT.

TURKS WINNING

Have Taken New Offensive Movement. Seven British Vessels Have Been Sunk by German Submarine.

London, June 25.—The fall of Lemberg is being followed, according to Berlin advices, by a general Russian retreat over a wide front. In the Lemberg district the victorious Austro-German armies are said to be driving the Russians eastward, while to the west the armies of Emperor Nicholas are falling back from the country northwest of Przemysl near the Russian border and as far north as the district of Kielce, Russian Poland, about 100 miles South of Warsaw. Berlin dispatches say the Russians at Lemberg kept up their resistance to the last, their line being cut in the north and finally in the center, before the city.

Fighting on Italian Front. Fighting continues with varying degrees of intensity along the whole Italian front.

An official Rome communication says Austrian attacks at several points were repulsed, but mentions no important advances by the Italians. Apparently the invasion of Austria has been checked by the reinforcements brought in from the Gallician front.

Turks Win Fresh Victory. The Turkish forces in the Caucasus, which recently have undertaken a new offensive, are said to have won a fresh victory. Constantinople announces that they captured positions along a front of nearly two miles in the vicinity of Dill, the Russians fleeing eastward.

Sink British Ships. Seven British fishing vessels have been sunk by a German submarine off the Scotch coast. Most of the crews were saved.

Reports of yesterday's fighting on the Franco-Belgium front indicate that the battle in the Arras District has subsided. Along the remainder of the battle line, no important changes are recorded.

Entertainment At High School

About fourteen children will take part in the program which is to be rendered tonight at the high school auditorium by the class from the Ed Fellows' Orphan Home at Salisbury.

The class has met with a most cordial reception wherever they have been this season and their program is really one of high merit. A large audience is expected at tonight's entertainment.

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