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THE WEATHER—Thunderstorms this afternoon. Fair tonight and Wednesday.

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NEW OFFICERS ELECTED FOR CHAUTAUQU

R. G. MOSS ELECTED PRESIDENT AT MEETING HELD LAST NIGHT.

MORE PLEDGES

If 500 Adult Tickets Are Not Pledged, Probable That No Contract Will Be Made With Chautauqua.

At a meeting of Chautauqua guarantors, which was held last night in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce, plans for next year's Chautauqua were discussed and new officers elected. There were about 20 guarantors present at the meeting. President J. D. Grimes presided.

The following new officers were elected:

President, R. G. Moss.
Vice president, J. K. Hoyt.
Secretary, Carl Goerch.
Treasurer, W. O. Edits.

It was moved that the executive committee be composed of five members, including the president and the secretary, who are to act as ex-officio members. C. G. Morris, John O. Bragaw, Jr., and E. R. Mison were elected as the remaining members of the committee.

G. P. Bland was elected chairman of the ticket-selling committee and Hugh A. Watson, chairman of the advertising committee.

After a lengthy discussion, Judge Bragaw made the motion that no contract be entered into for next year's Chautauqua until there shall have been pledged as many as 500 adult tickets, or their equivalent. The motion was carried.

Mr. Bland made the motion that Judge Bragaw be requested to draw up the articles for publication, requesting the people to secure pledges as early as possible and notifying them where the pledges might be secured. This motion was also carried.

There was considerable talk over the question of next year's Chautauqua association and a discussion of the merits of the Swarthmore and Redpath associations. It was finally decided that the decision of this matter be left with the executive committee for them to set upon.

Mr. Bland also made the motion that by-laws be drawn up, in order that the association might be placed on a permanent basis.

After a general discussion, the meeting adjourned.

IS SHELLED STREETS.

Commissioner Starts Work on Second Street, Putting It in Good Shape.

Street Commissioner McDewitt has started work shelling Second street from Bridge to Pearce. This street has always been a big-bear to autists on account of the depth of the sand and many ruts.

COMMERCE MEETING TONIGHT.

UNUSUAL MEET.

Who Given Last Night in Honor of Victims in City.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Dudley last night gave a ball down the Public in honor of their guests, Mrs. Bull Doury, Mrs. J. H. Smith, Mrs. Roy Bailey and Mr. Meadows, the latter being of Rocky Mount. Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Eulford were also in the party.

House of Happiness.
BELLMO
Theater

TODAY
"THE WHISPERING KING"
Robert Feature in 5 acts.
"THEIR SOCIAL SPLASH"
Keystone Comedy

TOMORROW
"THE VALLEY OF HATE"
Kaybe Drama in two parts.
"FASHION AND SIMPLE LIFE"
Comedy Drama.

The Bellmo.
WOOD, KILIAN, HOMPORABLE

NO REASON FOR SUICIDE

MYSTERY OF ORIENTAL BANK-KING'S DEATH STILL UNSOLVED.

State Bank Examiner is Now at Oriental, Looking Over Books of the Bank to See if There is Shortage.

(Special to the Daily News)

That the suicide of J. Will Miller yesterday at Oriental was long premeditated, is the general belief today. Mr. Miller never kept a revolver in the house until the latter part of last week, when he carried one there from the bank and it is believed at that time he had made up his mind to end his life.

Presumably there is no cause for the suicide. The affairs of the bank were looked into last March and found to be in good shape. If there is any shortage in the funds of the institution, the money has been taken out since that time.

State Bank Examiner Hubbard arrived at New Bern this morning. He will leave for Oriental today and begin an investigation of the bank's affairs as soon as possible after reaching there.

MERCHANTS SIGNING UP

LARGE MEMBERSHIP PROMISED FOR BUSINESS MEN'S LEAGUE.

Residents of Greenville Co-operate. Twenty Merchants Have Already Signed Up in That City.

According to information given out this morning, the merchants of neighboring cities are fast signing their names to membership in the Business Men's League. Twenty men in Greenville have already agreed to co-operate in the work. The merchants of Simpson and Grimesland have been enlisted and it is expected that work will be started in Belhaven and Williamson within a few days in order to secure the merchants of those cities for membership.

It is expected that President J. K. Hoyt will call a meeting in a few days in order to take up some important matters relative to the League. The date of this meeting will be given out later.

COMMERCE MEETING TONIGHT.

ATTRACTIONS AT NEW THEATRE PLEASING

The New Theatre opened to a full house last night to witness the opening performance of "The Lynch Trio" and "Butler and Sawm." The two acts that are filling the boards there this week. Without a doubt they are the best vaudeville acts that have been to this city for a great while. The singing and dancing of the kids pleased every one and the comedy, singing and dancing of Butler and Sawm also draw forth applause after applause. There will be a change of program completely every night while they are here, and we predict that they will have a crowd every night.

ARMED POSSE HUNTS NEGRO

SEVENTY-FIVE MEN HUNTING FOR MURDERER IN GREEN COUNTY.

Prevailing Opinion is That if Negro is Caught He Will Never See Court Room for a Trial.

(Special to the Daily News)

Kinston, July 12.—Seventy-five separate parties of Green county men scoured every mile of road in the county Sunday night for Horace Bushee, a young negro, who on Saturday night shot down Samuel Overby, between 15 and 20 years of age, on a Snow Hill street. Some of the possee were out this morning.

It was stated upon the heat of authority that the prevailing opinion in Snow Hill Sunday night was that if Bushee were caught, there would be no trial.

TWO INJURED IN AN AUTO ACCIDENT

CAR SMASHES THROUGH SMALL BRIDGE NEAR CHOCOWINY.

CUT BY GLASS

Tillman Paul and His Son of Aurora, Receive Painful Injuries. Frank Miles Was Also in Car.

An automobile accident, in which the car was wrecked and two men quite seriously injured, occurred this morning near Chocowinity. The machine belonged to Tillman Paul, of Aurora. He was driving at the time of the accident and had two passengers in the machine with him, his son, Hoyt Paul and Frank Miles, the latter being a resident of this city. Mr. Paul was badly cut with glass and grazed in several places. His son received a severe gash in the leg and lost considerable blood before the wound was bandaged. Mr. Miles escaped injury.

The car struck one of the wooden bridges, which are frequent in the roads in this county. One of the front wheels went through the bridge, bounced out again and then went into the ditch. The windshield of the car was broken and the frame badly bent, the mud guards were smashed, the front axle bent and other damage inflicted on the car. The gentlemen were driven into town by H. C. Bragaw in his automobile. They were treated by Dr. Dave Aylor.

BAD WRECK ON A. C. L.

OCCURRED LAST NIGHT NEAR HOPE MILLS, S. C.

Freight Train Derailed. Refrigerator Train Crashes Into It. Traffic Is Paralyzed.

(Special to the Daily News)

One of the worst wrecks in the history of the Atlantic Coast Line occurred late last night near Hope Mills, South Carolina, when a fast freight went off the track, 26 cars being derailed. A refrigerator train, coming close behind the freight, crashed into the rear end of the wrecked train and ploughed through several cars before the engineer could bring the second train to a stop. No one was seriously injured although several of the train crew received bruise and cuts.

Traffic on the Coast Line has been paralyzed for eighteen hours. Wrecking trains have been sent out from Rocky Mount, Wilmington and other points in order to clear up the tracks.

COMMERCE MEETING TONIGHT.

CHURCHMEN MEET.

Board of Stewards and Trustees of Methodist Church Met Last Night.

A well-attended meeting of the board of stewards and board of trustees of the Methodist church was held last night. The sum of \$5,600 was received from the U. S. War Department as reparation for damages to the Methodist church of this city during the civil war. It was decided at last night's meeting that all the indebtedness of the local church and parsonage be paid off. This indebtedness amounts to about \$5,500 and leaves the church and parsonage without any financial encumbrance. Other matters of minor importance were brought up at the meeting and discussed.

COMMERCE MEETING TONIGHT.

NOW AT HUNTINGTON.

Word has been received by friends here that H. I. McDuffy, who was engaged in construction work in Washington during the last several months, is now at Huntington, W. Va., where he is superintending the work of erecting a large college building.

W. H. Skittleberry, of Bath, is spending today in the city on business.

COMMITTEE OF MERCY SAILS TO AID SERBIANS



Professor Pipin's Columbia university expedition to aid Serbia, known as the Committee of Mercy, photographed on the steamer Themistocles as it sailed from New York. At the right is Prof. Elbridge, C. O. of Columbia the expedition.

DR. S. BURBANK PASSED AWAY

NOTED PHYSICIAN WAS WELL KNOWN IN THIS CITY.

Died at His Home in Wilmington Yesterday. Has Relatives Living in Washington. Was Raised Here.

Dr. Thos. S. Burbank, of Wilmington, well known to a large number of residents of this city, died yesterday at his home in Wilmington. Dr. Burbank was one of the leading surgeons and physicians in the State. His death is mourned by a host of friends. He is survived by three children, a sister, Miss Jennie Burbank, of this city, a nephew, S. F. Burbank, and two nieces, Miss Mamie Burbank and Mrs. William Rumley, also of Washington.

Dr. Burbank was raised in Beaufort county, having lived but a short distance from Washington. His parents resided here for about forty years. His wife passed away a few years ago.

REDUCTION IN VALUATION

TWELVE COMPLAINTS WERE HEARD BY EQUALIZERS YESTERDAY.

Interstate Coöperage Co. Property Reduced \$18,700. Norfolk Southern Lots Reduced \$2,495.00.

At the meeting yesterday of the board of county commissioners and tax assessors, who compose the board of equalization, about twelve complaints were heard from residents of Bejargon, Pantego, Long Acre and Chocowinity townships regarding the valuation of property. Several reductions were made.

The county tax assessor had raised the valuation of the Interstate coöperage plant at Belhaven \$22,500 on this year's books. Upon complaint of the owners, it was decided to reduce this raise \$13,700, leaving the valuation \$18,800 higher than it was last year. The Norfolk Southern was also granted a reduction of \$2,425 on some lots near Belhaven. The other reductions were of smaller amounts.

Today the board is hearing complaints from residents in Washington township, city of Washington and Richland township. Tomorrow will be given over to complaints from Bath.

COMMERCE MEETING TONIGHT.

Every once in a while some fellow takes a wallop at the sharpness of woman's tongue—forgetting, of course, the crookedness of his own.

Man and wife may be one, but often the wife is ten-fourths of the whole.

LAST OF GANG IS CAPTURED

LOCAL OFFICIALS RECEIVE WORD OF THIEF'S ARREST.

Was Member of Gang Which Perpetrated Robberies Along Norfolk from New Bern to Elizabeth City.

Local police officials today received word of the capture of Alex Cutler, the last member of the band of thieves that has been so active along the Norfolk Southern railroad between New Bern and Elizabeth City. Cutler was found by the police of New Bern at a negro woman's house in Smithtown.

George Howard, special agent of the Norfolk Southern, has been at work trying to break up this band of thieves for several weeks, and, in fact, he effected the arrest of three of the gang in Elizabeth City a short time ago and traced Cutler to New Bern.

China, with her 400,000,000 population, solemnly admits that little Japan has kicked and cuffed and spanked and humiliated and shamed her before the whole world. But China has no army to speak of and the Jap has. And Uncle Samuel is just about in the same boat with China. How do you like the prospect?

FIND ANCIENT TOMBSTONE

IS DISCOVERED ON COL. JAMES FAIRM NEAR GREENVILLE.

Marked Grave of Revolutionary Hero. Confederate Soldiers Added Another Inscription to It.

(Special to the Daily News) Greenville, N. C., July 13.—Col. P. G. James yesterday came across an ancient tombstone on his farm three miles from this city. The stone marked the grave of Captain Stears, who was a soldier in the Revolutionary war. The original inscription on the stone is so dimmed with age that they are hardly discernible. A newer inscription has been added, however, and is believed to have been made by Confederate soldiers during the civil war. The latter inscription was evidently the work of an experienced stonecutter, and reads as follows:

Captain Stears lies here in wait. A worthy man and able. This tombstone doth mark his fate. And makes some piker stare.

EPWORTH LEAGUE MEETS.

A meeting of the Epworth League will be held tonight on the lawn of the Methodist church. All members are urged to be present.

A big head is not always a full one.

Tells of Trip to the Panama Exposition

J. G. Bragaw, Jr., who Recently Returned From Pacific Coast, is Enthusiastic Over the Many Attractions to Be Seen.

In speaking of the Panama exposition, J. G. Bragaw, Jr., who recently returned from his visit to the big fair, stated this morning that it was well worth any man's time or money to see the many wonders a San Francisco and San Diego and the country en route to the Pacific coast.

"I went from here to California by what is generally known as the central route," said Mr. Bragaw. "I spent a day at Denver and another at Salt Lake City. The journey was a most interesting and enjoyable one. We passed through large areas of farming land and saw some excellent crops all along the route. Large fields of wheat and oats were to be seen through the central states. I also saw many fields of corn, but I do not believe that their corn out there was as far advanced as is ours. The exposition is as great as the most enthusiastic reports that are circulated about it. It would take one man many days to see all of the exhibits and attractions. In spite of the wars in Europe, practically all of the countries are represented.

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South America also has fine exhibits.

"Has North Carolina any building or exhibits?" was asked Mr. Bragaw.

TEUTONS AND RUSSIANS IN DEADLOCK

AUSTRO-GERMAN SWEEP IS HALTED. FIERCE FIGHTING RESULTS. NEITHER SIDE IS MAKING MUCH HEADWAY.

BATTLES IN WEST

French and Germans Both Report Gains. Very Little Change Has Taken Place on Austro-Italian Frontier.

London, July 13.—Teutonic and Russian armies are in an apparent deadlock south of Lublin, where the northward sweep of the Austro-Germans was halted last week. Petrograd reports continued fighting along the front from Josefow on the Vistula to Hryehawa, approximately thirty miles to the eastward. The Austrians again have become aggressive there, according to the Russian statement, but their attacks were repulsed.

Teutons on Defensive.

Official despatches from Austrian headquarters say the Teutonic forces halted north of Krasnik because the object of their campaign against Lemberg had been attained with the capture of this city and establishment of strong defensive positions to the north and east.

Germans Win Victory.

Heavy fighting in several sectors of the front in France has resulted in change of ground at one important point, where the Germans won a victory. They recaptured the cemetery at Souchez, possession of which has long been contested.

French Position Captured.

German headquarters report a surprise attack near Aikrich, in Alsace, resulting in capture of a French position along a 500 yard front. The captors ultimately retreated voluntarily to their old line of trenches, the official statement says, taking some prisoners with them.

French Penetrate Lines.

German attacks which followed violent cannonading in the Westwall region were repulsed. Paris reports Berlin concedes that the French penetrated the German line near Cambresis, but declares they soon were driven out.

Difference in England.

In the British parliament Premier Asquith declared today a discussion of the shell controversy and the difference between the minister of munitions, David Lloyd-George, and the former minister of war, Viscount Haldane, would be detrimental to the nation's best interests. He declared in similar members of parliament who submitted questions.

Italians Still Gaining.

Several successes along the Austro-Italian front are reported by Italian army headquarters.

COMMERCE MEETING TONIGHT.

Notwithstanding Europe terms us a nation of money grubbers, we are pleased to note an increased demand for both money and our grub.

Mrs. Jane Addams, returning from Europe, says "the war must end!" That settles it.

JUST RECEIVED—1500

Bogue Sound Watermelons for sale in Small, MacLean Building. Prices right.

New Theater

TONIGHT
"THE LYNCH TRIO"
Singing and Dancing
"BUTLER AND SAWM"
Singing, Dancing and Talking
3—REELS OF PICTURES—3
PRICES—10c and 20c.