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APPOINTMENTS.

Some Transfers Made—North Carolina Conference Preachers Assigned to Their Charges.

Raleigh, Nov. 29.—The final session of the North Carolina Methodist Conference for 1909 was convened at 9:30 this morning by Bishop Wilson, with devotional exercises by Dr. T. W. Ivey.

For Woman's College.

Dilettante steps looking to the establishment of a woman's college of high grade in Raleigh to be operated under the control of the conference was taken through the adoption of a report from the special committee on this subject reporting through Rev. A. P. Tyler. The report carried with it the appointment of a commission to establish the college. Comprising the commission are J. G. Brown, J. E. Brown, R. B. John, George L. Smith, H. M. North, J. N. Cole and J. S. Wynne, the latter being pastor of Raleigh.

The report of the board of education was read by Rev. L. S. Massey, carrying the usual appropriations and appointing Rev. A. J. Parker as financial agent for the Lenoir Female College, which received \$1,000 appropriation, the same as last year. The college asked \$3,000. Rev. J. M. Rhodes, president of Littleton College, addressed the conference, appealing for the fullest cooperation and pressing the need there is for an additional dormitory.

Rev. F. A. Bishop also appealed for special interest in Lenoir College, telling of great work being accomplished for Methodism there by Mr. Rhodes and his co-workers.

A partial list of appointments was read as follows:

Raleigh District—R B John, presiding elder; Edenton Street; H M North; J O Guthrie, supernumerary; Central, A D Wilcox; Jenkins Memorial, J M Beason; Epworth, J F Caraway.

Durham District—R O Beaman, presiding elder; Durham, Trinity, G Adams, Memorial and Lakewood, H Bradshaw and T M Grant; Carr Church—J A Dally, Branson; K F Duval, Mangum Street, H E Spence; West Durham, W P Constable; Durham Circuit, J B Thompson; Chapel Hill, W B Royal; Louisburg, J C Hamble.

Wilmington District—W L Cunningham, presiding elder; Wilmington, Grace, T A Smoot; Fifth Street, K D Holmes; Bladen Street, W L Rexford; Trinity, E R Welch.

New Bern District—R F Bumpas, presiding elder; Newbern Centenary, J B Hurley; Goldsboro, St. Paul, D H Tuttle; St. John's, J H Frizzelle. Washington District—A M Cullen, presiding elder. Washington, M T Plyler.

Warrenton District—J E Underwood, presiding elder.

Elizabeth City District—R H Broom, presiding elder; Elizabeth City, First Church, J D Bundy; Elizabeth City Road, J H Buffalo.

Transferred—H P Reed to Virginia conference; H G Stoney, J J Baker, W F Stanford, Western North Carolina conference; W F Jones and W Y Everett to Florida conference.

Fayetteville District
J T Gibbs, presiding elder.
Fayetteville—Hay Street, L E Thompson.

Fayetteville circuit—A L Ormond, Hope Mills—J D Pegrum.
Cokesbury—N M McDonald.
Sampson Circuit—N H Guyton.
Bladen—D H Reed.
Buckhorn—T J Dailey.
Dunn—F A Bishop.
Duke—W C Martin.

Newtown Grove—Frank Culbreth.
Pittsboro—V A Royall.
Haw River—L M Chaffin.
Goldston—J W Hoyle.
Carthage—H M Eare.
Elise—G T Simmons.
Sanford—W H Puckett.
Jonesboro—L H Joyner.
Lillington—E L Stack.
Siler City—E B Craven.
Cambleton—Supplied by S B Stephens.

Rockingham District.
W H Moore, Presiding Elder.
Rockingham—E H Davis.
Rohrerdel—J M Ashby.
Richmond—A J Groves.
Mt. Gilead—J A Lea.
Pekin—N L Seabolt.
Troy—O W Dowd.
Montgomery—G H Biggs.
Aberdeen and Biscoe—W W Peele.
Hamlet—H A Humble.
Laurel Hill—D A Watkins.
St. John and Gibson—N E Coltrane.
Laurinburg—N H D Wilson.

Maxton and Caledonia—A P Tyre.
Red Springs—S A Cotton.
Rowland—F B McCall.
Lumberton Mission—E M Hoyle and S J McConnell.
Elizabeth—D B Parker.
Robeson—O W Smith R W Townsend and W H Thomsen, supernumeraries.
East Robeson—W A Jenkins.
Raeford Circuit—J W Bradley.
President Carolina College—E H McWhorter.

A VIGOROUS WRITER DIES.

His Editorial Writings Were Forceful and Brilliant.

Col. John R. Webster, aged 64, Confederate soldier, once Speaker of the House of Representatives and editor of Webster's Weekly, died early yesterday morning at his home in Raleigh, as a result of the second stroke of paralysis which he suffered just a week ago. The funeral was held from Main Street Methodist church Tuesday at 2:30.

Colonel Webster was a vigorous editorial writer and his paper had a wide reputation for the brilliancy of its editorial page. Four years ago he had a stroke of paralysis and has since been feeble, but his mind was clear until the last and only a few days before the end he announced that his paper would be continued.

A brother, Mr. W. A. Webster, of Archdale, and a sister, Mrs. Barrow, of Winston, and his wife, who was M as Lillie Morrison, survive.

He was a very strong candidate for the nomination for Congress in 1896, but was defeated by Gov. W. W. Kitchen. Colonel Webster's paper was an influential factor in the redemption of the fifth district to the Democrats, and of the election of Governor Kitchen to Congress, and he was ever afterwards loyal to the principals and candidates of the Democracy, except in last fall's election, when he opposed the reelection of the late Senator Reuben D. Fields, on what every one understood to be local issues.

As an editor Colonel Webster always set his counter deep in matters affecting State or county and he was a vigorous writer and fought bravely for his principles. He had in his younger days incurred the enmity of some people who in later years became his warmest friends. He was a persistent worker, a hard fighter and a courageous writer. His paper was dominated and controlled absolutely by himself, and he did not hesitate to take issue in the strongest language possible with his close friends if their views conflicted with the views entertained by himself.

Sad Accident.

On Monday as Mr. Sam Coole the farm demonstrator for Randolph county was on his way to Asheboro, he was startled by hearing a woman's screams. On investigation he found S. T. Laughlin and his son while hauling a load of logs had fallen off the wagon caused by one of the logs slipping round. The log, a large one, fell on them and pinned both to the ground. When found both were unconscious and it was an hour before the son came round sufficiently to know anything. The father was seriously hurt and is not expected to live though the son will recover. They were both carried into Mr. Jasper Brady's house near the place where the accident occurred and about one mile from Millboro at the forks of the Cedar Falls and Central Falls roads.

New Officers of The Junior Order

At the regular session of the Asheboro Lodge of the Junior Order, the following officers were elected:

Councilor, T. H. Redding; Vice-Councilor, E. C. Yow; Financial Secretary, N. P. Cox; Rec. Sec., S. R. Miller; Chaplain, D. B. Kendall; Warden, B. A. Brown; Conductor, O. M. Henry; Inside Sentinel, J. M. Brown; Outside Sentinel, L. D. Harrelson; Treasurer, Frank Bird; Representative, W. C. Hammond to State Council.

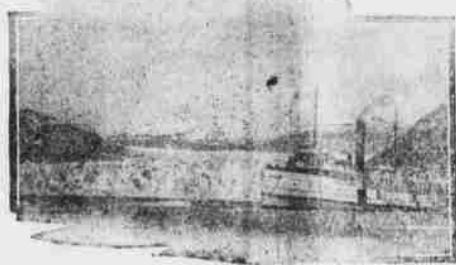
The Business and Editorial department of the Courier has been moved to the offices next door on the street west of the Law Building. These are the rooms occupied for the last three months by Hammer & Kelly as law offices. The office of Hammer & Kelly will in the future be in the two rooms second door from the street in Lawers Row.

COURIER REPRESENTATIVE'S TRAVELOGUE

On Board "The Northwestern" for Alaska. Nature's Wonderland—Grand Oceanic Canyon—Famous Inside Passage—Queen Charlotte Sound—Dixon Entrance.

Leaving Seattle on July 24th, we felt that our anticipations for the last few weeks were about to reach realization. There were 138 members of the National Editorial Association assembled on the wharf ready to board the "Northwestern" of the Alaska Steamship Company, and as the baggage wagons came in each one was on the lookout for baggage. We four (the three Misses Olinger, of Atlanta, Georgia, and myself) located our baggage and went on board and found

the current sometimes attains a velocity of twelve miles or more per hour when dangerous swirls and overfalls occur. Mariners understand the dangerous character of Seymour Narrows and arrange to reach them at slack water. The Indian name of this Pass is Yaculta, and there is a legend which says Yaculta is a wicked spirit who lives in the depths of these waters, and entices gullible sailors to their doom. She sleeps only at slack tide and vessels are sup-



The "Northwestern."

state room No. 45, which had been assigned to us. It had three bunks, one above the other, and a "settee" arrangement which was pressed into service on account of the extra large crowd. A good deal of mental energy had to be used in placing baggage so that there would be standing room for two at one time. This being done we went on deck and found that there were no steamer chairs to rent, so two of the girls went out and bought four chairs, so that we might sit on deck and enjoy the beautiful scenery. Our names and addresses were written with indelible ink and they were strictly private property.

At 2 p. m. instead of 10 a. m., as was scheduled, we drew in the gang plank and steamed out, leaving friends on shore who were waving 'kerchiefs and shouting good byes and 'bon voyage.'

From Seattle, Washington, to Port Graham, on Cook Inlet,

posed to slip through while she is asleep.

More than twenty-four hours were spent in British waters between the mainland of British Columbia on the east and Vancouver Island on the west which is three hundred miles long. Ours was what is called the "Inside Passage" trip, and it was grand beyond description. Each day unfolded a panorama of mountain, sea and sky scenery. The grandeur of mountains which rose from the waters edge to snow covered heights on either side of the channel so narrow that the "way out" was half the time invisible, is beyond my vocabulary of adjectives to describe. One of the editors who had been almost everywhere, very ably and brilliantly said:

"We have had the 'Garden of the gods,' 'Yellowstone Park Canyon,' the 'Grand Canyon of the Colorado,' and to overtop them all the 'Grand Oceanic Canyon of Alaska, 1,100 miles along



An Alaskan Scene.

Alaska, is a distance of two thousand miles and the entire distance measures grand scenery. Twenty days is the allotted time for this trip of 4,000 miles. This gives time for stops at different coast towns in Alaska and usually a stop of several hours is made for unloading freight. Practically all supplies are carried from Seattle. On the Northwestern, besides the editorial party, there were a number of passengers, and every imaginable kind of freight, lumber, toothpicks, tobacco, tons of beef, chickens, horses, whiskey, machinery and many other things.

Grand Oceanic Canyon—Inside Passage.

The voyage was over the beautiful placid waters of Puget Sound, across the Strait of Juan de Fuca, through Active Pass into the Gulf of Georgia, where we had to wait for the tide before going through Seymour Narrows, which is a narrow, dangerous channel in Discovery Passage, between Georgia Strait and Queen Charlotte Sound, located so that it catches full force of the ocean tides both north and

and fenced from end to end by snow capped mountains, with Mount Tacoma at one end and Mount St. Elias at the northern end and the highest mountain in America and the largest ocean on earth seeking entrance all along its length."

Queen Charlotte Sound—Dixon Entrance.

After traveling 500 miles in British waters we came into Queen Charlotte Sound, which is an extensive arm of the sea, connecting the inner channels north of Vancouver Island with the Pacific ocean. This island is about fifty-four miles long and from ten to twenty-five miles wide. It is a beautiful body of purple water, but comparatively few people enjoy its beauty on account of "mal de mer." Many of our party remained in their state rooms the three hours in crossing. The warm breath of the Kuro Siwo (Japanese current) penetrating all of these inland passages is converted by the great white peaks of the horizon into pearl like mist that drifts in clouds and fragments upon the

waters and surface, producing a magnificent sight. It is the warm and excessive moisture from Kuro Siwo that bequeaths to British Columbia and Alaska their marvelous and luxuriant growth of vegetation. Passing out through Hecate Strait, we crossed Dixon Entrance, the international boundary, 54 degrees 40 minutes north latitude, and were again at home under the stars and stripes. This boundary line, as many will recall, was an important question during the campaign of 1844, when James K. Polk, of Tennessee, was elected president over Henry Clay. Many people today think that if Polk had had more backbone that all of the western country stretching across Canada to the Great Lakes would now have been under the glorious stars and stripes.

Mrs. Wm. C. Hammer.

A Farm Demonstrator Tells How and When to Plough.

Mr. R. S. Millapp, of Fredrick county, engaged in farm demonstration work and well known to many of our readers, writes as follows:

What I want to urge now is all farmers, whether in the demonstration work or not, thoroughly break their land late fall or early winter, to the depth of 8 inches or more. The deeper the better, if some organic matter is mixed with the soil. In order to do this I would advise that every farmer make a large compost heap this winter. This may be done by building a pen and filling it with leaves and other litter with a few bags of acid phosphate and potash mixed in with the manure, or the heap may be made and scattered on the land next spring and the fertilizer applied in the usual way with the wheat drill. There is no longer any necessity to maintain the live stock on the farm. The time has come when we farmers must quit playing and do something worth while. Every farmer can thoroughly prepare a few acres and put them in such condition that he knows corn will do well on them, and do something to renovate the thinner portions of the farm so as to bring them into condition to grow large and profitable crops. There are many farmers who can raise more corn on five acres than they have been doing on 20, and the same amount of work on the five will make more, unless his land is above the average. The average this year will not be more than 15 bushels and 20 acres will produce 300 bushels, while five acres at 60 bushels per acre will produce the same. A large number of farmers have averaged 60 bushels and over on more than five acres. There are then 15 acres that may be put in renovating crops. No farmer may expect to make these large yields by the use of fertilizers alone. They will help, but he must not depend upon them entirely. The land must be broken deeply and the furrows set on edge, not turned over flat, and where the breaking can be done in time a cover crop of rye should be sown on the land. I can see only a small portion of the farmers in time to talk over this matter and this is written that all may know the best results. Begin now and rush it along before the bad weather sets in.

Andrews-Walker.

Mr. N. S. Andrews, the popular free rural free delivery carrier on Asheboro Route 2, was married yesterday afternoon to Miss Lillian Walker at the home of the bride's parents on Caraway, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel H. Walker. Miss Walker is one of the prettiest young ladies in the county. The couple left yesterday afternoon for a thirty days' trip to Florida.

Albert Hoffman Dies—Lived Only a Few Hours After Being Shot.

Albert Hoffman, of Lenoir, the 14 year old boy who was accidentally shot Sunday night succumbed to his wounds on Sunday morning. The funeral was held at noon the same day by Rev. D. P. McGeachy, the remains were sent to Salisbury where the interment took place Monday.

The Guilford Plaster Cement Company was burned one night last week. Loss \$12,000 to \$15,000. Insurance \$8,000.

Miss Estella Webster, one of the teachers in the graded school went to Reidsville on Monday to attend the funeral of her Uncle John R. Webster.

The Deestriet Skule.

The Deestriet Skule, a reproduction of the last day of "ye old time school," will be given at the graded school building on Friday night, December 3rd. It is given under the auspices of the Civic League. Proceeds will go towards town improvement. Below will be found program and cast of characters:

PROGRAM

MORNING SESSION.

Call to books.
Opening song, school—Go tell Aunt Patsey.
Roll call.
Arithmetic, singing multiplication table, school—Primer class.
Reading class—The country maid and her milk pail, Webster's Blue Book.
Study period.
Geography, chanting—By the school.
Spelling by Heart class.

DINNER.

AFTERNOON SESSION—EXHIBITION.

Music by the band.
Tribute to teacher—Mrs. John Jacob Astor Honeycutt.
Remarks by School Master—Thos. Edison Solifson.
Recitation, "Try Me Father, Try Me,"—Grover Cleveland.
Little Bo Peep—By the Doolittle Twins.
Song, Three Blind Mice—School.
Recitation, Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star—Sally Ann Sawbones.
Composition—Mary Ann Leasy Lena Swain.
Speech, Baa, Baa Black Sheep—Hezekiah O'Rourke.

Musio.
Composition, "B. Franklin"—Geo. Washington.
Speech, The Boy Stood on the Burning Deck—Tobias Honeycutt.
The Alphabet—By the School.
Recitation, Dolly's Dress—Lucinda Popweasel.
Piece in Concert—Obediah Sniffles, Hezekiah O'Rourke.
Speech, "You'd Scarce Expect one of my Age"—Jay Gould.
Music by the band.
Recitation, "Mother's Darling"—Martha Washington.
Speech, Good World—Rip Snip Sneezers.
Composition, The Boys—Liza Ann Doolittle.
Speech—Simon Pettigrew.
Closing Song, Auld Lang Syne—School.

CAST OF CHARACTERS.

Jay Gould, J. T. Wood.
Martha Washington, Mrs. M. W. Parrish.
Hetty Green, Miss Laura White.
Abraham Hornbuckle, B. F. Newby.
Tobias Honeycutt, Clarence Rush.
Jesse Rudolphus Snider, W. D. Spoon.
Obediah Sniffles, W. A. Underwood.
Willie Doolittle, W. F. Redding.
Levi Doolittle, E. Moffitt.
Liza Ann Doolittle, Mrs. M. C. Spoon.
Matilda Doolittle, Miss Lillie Bunch.
Caleb Sawyer, Chas. Cranford.
Simon Pettigrew, A. A. Young.
Susanna Victoria Snipes, Miss Irma Whitfield.
Sally Ann Sawbones, Mrs. W. C. Hammer.
Lucinda, Popweasel, Mrs. Chas. Cranford.
Polly Jane Snipes, Mrs. M. L. Davis.

Charity Flopperty, Miss Blue.
Hezekiah O'Rourke, A. E. Burns.
Jule Call, M. W. Parrish.
Bill Call, J. H. McCain.
Rip Snip Sneezers, A. Smith.
Geo. Washington, J. M. Allen.
Grover Cleveland, J. W. Jolly.
Johnny Honey, F. V. Wootley.
Peter Peterkins, J. S. Ridge.
Mary Ann Leasy Lena Swain, Miss Annie Blair.
Peace Smith, Miss Mullie Russ.
Joy Smith, Miss Pat Lowe.
Patron of School, Mrs. John Jacob Astor Honeycutt—Mrs. L. Cranford.

Teacher, Thomas Addison Solifson.
Committeemen—W. P. Wood, J. D. Ross, H. M. Worth.
Musicians—Sulon Smith, Fred Styres, Clyde Styres, Carson Winingham.

Good Roads Meeting Tuesday, Dec. 7.

Dr. Joseph Pratt, who is in charge of the good roads branch of the state agricultural department will speak. Dr. John W. Long the President of the Virginia North Carolina Good Road Association has also been invited to make an address. He has accepted and agrees to make a short speech.