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CHAUTAQUA CLOSES

Seven Joyous Days Enjoyed by Asheboro People—
Many Excellent Speakers and Interesting
Features—Will Return Next Year

Asheboro's second Chautauqua opened last Thursday afternoon in the presence of one of the largest crowds our streets have seen for many a day. All of Asheboro and her visitors turned out on this, the opening day, to show her appreciation of the high class entertainment to which she was looking forward. This event, for which the town had been preparing and looking forward to for weeks, was ushered in by a most inspiring parade, which started from the graded school building, went down Fayetteville street, out Church street, and back around Salisbury and North Fayetteville to the Chautauqua tent. It was headed by a number of children carrying Chautauqua banners. Then came about twenty-five little boys and girls riding bicycles draped in red, white and blue. After them came the automobiles, conveying many of our prominent citizens from all over the county. And last was the fire company on their truck. Mr. Sulton Stedman acted as chief marshal to direct the parade.

At 2:30 o'clock Rev. J. E. Thompson, president of the local Chautauqua association, came on the platform, and in a few fitting and well-chosen words formally welcomed the Chautauqua to Asheboro, introduced the superintendent, Dr. Edward W. Huelster, who then took charge, and Chautauqua had really begun. Dr. Huelster told something of the history of the Pennsylvania Chautauqua, with its 500 people, and territory of 300 towns in thirteen states. He then introduced Miss Harper, manager of the Junior Chautauqua, who told of the meeting of the Juniors each morning at nine o'clock, when the children would be told stories and taught games. Then Dr. Huelster delivered his series lecture for the day, his subject being "The Home." He pointed out the dangers that menace our homes today and made some timely warnings, after which he turned the program over to the Dunbar Soiree Singers, who delighted the audience with a snappy program, full of life and laughter. The program consisted of ensemble work, readings and solos.

In the evening the same company gave impersonations of famous folk, such as Caruso and Harry Lander. Then came Chauncey J. Hawkins' unique and interesting lecture on "Bright Eyes and Wild Hearts of the Northern Woods," which was listened to by an attentive audience. Mr. Hawkins is a great lover of the wood folk and after spending nine years in the northern woods collecting pictures and experiences, he could not but give a delightful talk. This was illustrated by exquisitely colored lantern slides of animals in their native homes. The performance came to a close with the chronophotographs, a feature which was greatly enjoyed. The cameraman had been about town and taken pictures of men, women, boys and girls, which were thrown upon the screen to show some of the people "themselves as others see them." They brought forth a great deal of applause and laughter.

Friday

The afternoon performance was opened by Dr. Huelster, who talked for about an hour in a most helpful and entertaining way on the subject, "Dollars and Education." As of the day before, he was listened to by a very appreciative and attentive audience. After his talk, the Chautauqua entertainers gave their hearers about an hour and a half of real enjoyment. To many, the most delightful of the company's entertainment was the old Southern melodies, or "negro songs", sung by Miss Judith Hampton to the accompaniment of the banjo. Miss Elsie Mae Gordon gave some clever readings. Waino Kauppi, the boy cornetist, and Charles Clark Fuller, the accompanist were excellent in their work.

In the evening these people gave another program, and then Bennett Springer, the magician gave an entertainment puzzling to the quickest eye and the keenest mind. He did a number of tricks that have made other magicians famous and some original ones. The program closed with the moving pictures which had been

chosen to educate as well as entertain.

At two-thirty o'clock Dr. Huelster delivered a lecture on "Finding Ourselves," which was very practical and contained good advice. Then came the Crawford Adams Trio, one of the most delightful and looked-forward-to features of the whole week. Crawford Adams, "The Wizard of the Violin," is the one entertainer who had been here last year. His playing is more than art; it is genius itself, the soul of man finding expression through the violin. He and his violin seem twin souls.

Saturday night, after the program by Adams and his trio came a lecture by a speaker such as many of our people had never before listened to, Dr. S. Parkes Cadman, known as the most eloquent preacher of New York City. His subject was "Modern Babylon," in which he gave a delightful and instructive comparison between New York and London. It was a rare treat to Asheboro to hear this man. He is a congregationalist minister, the pastor of the strongest church in Brooklyn, which has 3,000 members. He is by birth an Englishman, but has been in America for twenty-six years. After his lecture came moving pictures.

Sunday

On Sunday morning a union meeting of all the congregations of Asheboro was held at the tent, at which time Dr. Cadman, the speaker of the night before, preached perhaps the greatest sermon that has ever been preached in Asheboro. His text was taken from the fourteenth chapter of John: "My peace I give unto you; my peace I leave with you." He said that the Bequest of Peace was Jesus Christ's gift to mankind, and that he is able to make this gift because he "gave his life a ransom for many," that all men may have this peace in the measure that their life is sacrificial. It was a wonderful sermon and at the close there were several requests for prayer.

Monday

In the afternoon Dr. Huelster talked on "The School of Tragedy," in which remarks he warned the people to learn by experience in the school of inspiration and not in the school of tragedy. Perhaps none of his talks have been better than this. At about 2:30 he turned the program over to Senor Luigi Colangelo and his band of musicians who rendered a program so varied that both the musically sophisticated and the unposted were equally entertained. With the band was Miss Ethel Bentley, a soprano of extraordinary talent and ability.

The evening's entertainment consisted of more music by Colangelo and his musicians and the moving pictures.

Tuesday

At this session Dr. Huelster made his last series lecture of the week, and handled his subject in a masterly manner. Then the Boston oratorio artists appeared for the first time. They sang some of the world's famous short oratorios and several popular songs. Their program showed rare merit.

In the evening, after the music, came the lecture by Montville Flowers, "Rebuilding the Temple," which is one of the history-making lectures of the age. It is a comprehensive study of world affairs, an analysis of causes that are believed to be steadily making for a more perfect understanding among nations. He held the attention of the audience every minute while he was on the platform.

Wednesday

The music in the afternoon was given by the Varkony-Hines Company, who are among the best musicians on the Chautauqua circuit. Then came Mrs. La Salle Corbell Pickett with her great lecture, "Friends of Yesterday," in which she told interesting stories of the famous women of both North and South, during the Civil War. She knew many of these personally, and her lecture revealed sidelights never related in formal written history. She is the widow of the renowned Confederate General who led the greatest infantry charge in all the annals of war.

In the evening the Varkony-Hines

J. P. MORGAN SHOT

GREAT FINANCIER SHOT BY FRANK HOLT, APPARENTLY A CRANK—RESTING WELL

J. P. Morgan, head of the banking house of J. P. Morgan & Co., was shot twice last Saturday at his country home in New York State, by Frank Holt, a native American, a former student and instructor at Cornell University, who was to have become the head of the department of French in the Southeastern University at Dallas, Texas, next fall. Two shots took effect in the region of the hip. Mr. Morgan has been resting well and his wounds are not considered serious. After being locked up in jail Holt issued a statement saying that he had intended no harm to Mr. Morgan, but had come to his home to persuade the banker to stop the shipment abroad of munitions of war. He said he had a pistol in his hand and a stick of dynamite in his pocket and that he had intended to remain until Mr. Morgan "did something."

Mrs. J. P. Morgan and the Morgan children were to be held as hostages in their own home and killed with dynamite if Mr. Morgan refused to use his influence to stop the exportation of war munitions, Holt later confessed to a police officer.

It is suspected that Holt is Erich Muentzer, the former Harvard instructor who disappeared from Cambridge Mass., after the death of his wife in 1906, of alleged poisoning.

MONUMENT TO GENERAL GREENE UNVEILED

One hundred and thirty-five years after he led his command to victory over General Cornwallis' redcoats at Guilford Court House, a monument was unveiled last Saturday on this famous battlefield in honor of the memory of General Greene, who commanded the Colonial forces in the South during the latter part of the American Revolution.

Troops from the colonies of Rhode Island, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina took part in the battle and the exercises provided for the participation of representatives of these States, including several governors.

The monument was erected with funds appropriated by Congress in February, 1911, and its dedication is the culmination of a movement begun more than twenty years ago to honor this Revolutionary hero. The monument is in the form of an equestrian statue of General Greene, made of bronze, on a granite base. It is thirty feet high.

GREENSBORO MAN ATTACKS VISITOR

At the Guilford Battle Ground celebration Saturday F. E. Tipton, of Greensboro, attacked Michael Schenk, of Hendersonville, solicitor of the Henderson-McDowell district, and gave him several blows in the face, in the midst of a crowd of men, women and children. The cause of the trouble dated back six or seven years ago. Mr. Schenk had once prosecuted Tipton in Henderson county, and he attributes the attack to this fact.

Company again appeared, then came the play "The Man From Home," presented by the Avon players. The play is a most interesting one and all the parts being taken by gifted actors it could not fail to make a hit. With this feature the seven days' entertainment came to a close.

For the past seven days Asheboro has put on gala attire and taken holiday in order to enjoy to the fullest extent the "seven joyous days" of entertainment and instruction which the Swarthmore Chautauqua had promised, nor has she been disappointed or has she regretted that she has done so, for every one of the twelve performances has been brim-full of enjoyment.

Dr. Huelster and the rest of the management have been exceedingly courteous, deferential, and careful for the comfort of the Chautauqua goers, for which every one who has attended wishes to express appreciation. The weather has been very hot and disagreeable for the many of the afternoon performances, but owing to the care of the management, the audience has not been uncomfortable. Especial mention should be made of the series lectures which Dr. Huelster has made daily, and which have left a lasting impression on the minds of our people.

GENERAL NEWS ITEMS

ITEMS OF LIVE NEWS GATHERED FROM OUR EXCHANGES AND CONDENSED IN BRIEF FORM FOR BUSY READERS.

Harry K. Thaw thinks that his wife, Evelyn Nesbit Thaw, wants him to be kept in the Matteawan asylum so that as an insane person he will be unable to make a will cutting her off from his fortune.

The Oxford Orphanage Singing Class has started on its annual tour, visiting the various towns and cities in North Carolina, such visits being made upon invitation from, and under the auspices of, the Masonic Lodges and friends of the institution.

Shot nearly three weeks ago, and with a bullet still embedded in his brain, nineteen-year-old Walter Sawyer, of Harbinger, Currituck county, is now apparently on the road to recovery. He has regained nearly his customary physical strength and his mind seems altogether unimpaired.

A verdict of guilty was brought in last Thursday against George Smith, the London man accused of killing three of his wives, each of whom had died in the bath tub. He was sentenced to be hung.

A prospective cotton crop of 12,500,000 equivalent 500-pound bales of cotton this season is unofficially estimated from the Department of Agriculture's report issued last Thursday.

Senator Robert M. LaFollette closed the Chautauqua at Shelby last Friday with a lecture on "Representative Government."

The hearing against General Huerta and his five co-defendants has been postponed until July 12, in order that the Department of Justice officials may collect all the evidence possible against them.

Up to May 31, the British naval and military losses in killed, wounded and missing in the Dardanelles operations aggregated 38,635 officers and men.

Mr. F. E. Sigman has resigned the office of general city clerk of Thomasville and Mr. A. C. Eskridge has been appointed to take his place.

Mr. Frank D. Jones, of Hamlet, the newly elected manager of Thomasville took charge last Saturday. The city manager form of government is new to Thomasville, a bill having been passed in the last legislature allowing the town to take up the plan.

Dr. I. H. Mercer, of Rocky Mount, has accepted a call to become pastor of the Thomasville Baptist church and the Orphanage church.

Suits against the city of High Point for injury to property along Rich Fork Creek, which runs close to Thomasville, caused by the emptying of the city's sewers into the creek, have been compromised by the payment to the plaintiffs of \$3,500.

President Wilson will not go far from Washington this summer. He will spend his holidays when he finds time to take them, at Cornish, N. H., with his family. He expects to be at the White House much of the time.

An automobile driven by a young man named Hatley, of Spencer, in which rode his two brothers and two Widenhouse children, of Concord, was overturned near Salisbury last Sunday and all hurt badly except one of the Hatley boys.

Thomas R. Marshall, Vice President of the United States, in a statement to newspaper men recently said he had been threatened with death in more than a dozen anonymous letters which he has received during the last six weeks.

BOMB WRECKS SENATE RECEPTION ROOM

A tremendous explosion wrecked the public reception room on the east side of the Capitol building at Washington, shortly before midnight last Friday night. Persons who reached the Capitol soon after the explosion said they noticed the odor of burned powder which persisted for some time. Frank Holt, who shot J. P. Morgan Saturday has confessed to having set it, though he at first denied it. As a missile of terror it was said to be unique in the annals of the New York police department. When asked why he did it he said, "I thought it was a good way to bring the attention of the American people to the terrible murders being committed in Europe."

In a letter sent to the Washington Times he said: "Don't blame this on the Germans or Bryan. I am an old-fashioned American with a conscience. This explosion is the exclamation point to my appeal for peace."

N. C. PRESS ASSOCIATION

Convened at Montreat Last Week—Editor Cowan of the Wilmington Dispatch, the New President
---Trip to Black Mountain

The forty-third annual session of the North Carolina Press Association convened at Montreat, N. C., on Wednesday night June 30th. The meetings were held in one of the large auditoriums at Montreat.

From an account in the Asheville Citizen we quote in part of the meeting on the opening night:

The principal event of the night's session was the address of the president, William C. Hammer, of Asheboro. The delegates were welcomed to Montreat by Rev. R. C. Anderson, and the response to the address of welcome was made by Archibald Johnson, editor of "Charity and Children."

"President Hammer called the meeting to order at 8:30 o'clock P. M. and after the invocation Rev. R. C. Anderson welcomed the visitors to Montreat. Mr. Anderson told of the pleasure the people of Montreat felt in welcoming the representatives of the State press to the town, and said that he hoped the impressions gained during their stay would lead the editors to come back often. He declared that "the keys of the city" were in their hands, and invited every editor present to "make himself at home."

Mr. Johnson Responds

"Mr. Johnson, after thanking Mr. Anderson for the kindly words of welcome, explained that, while the members of the press association represented every section of the State, and practically every religion, they were all come together for a common purpose and aim, the betterment of the State and the country. He declared that the association is decidedly democratic, and cited as instances that the small editor has the same place in the proceedings as that occupied by his larger brother. He declared that a man could write, regardless of what section he came from, and said that this was the real reason why the big and little editors stand on equal terms.

"President Hammer, in his address as president of the North Carolina Press association, declared that he felt honored by the high office to which he had been elected, and said that, as his predecessors had contributed to the upbuilding of the State, he hoped to follow in their footsteps and do his part for North Carolina. Mr. Hammer said that the newspaper man should be proud of his calling as the local newspaper today stands higher in the community and for higher ideals than at any time in its history. He said that the paper was still going higher and that the editors must continually improve, in order to take care of their increased responsibilities. "Great questions have been decided by the newspapers, the moulders of public opinion," Mr. Hammer said, "and the editor, whose words may sway the decision of thousands of readers must measure up to the highest standards in order to meet the responsibilities attendant upon such power."

"The school of journalism will be a necessity in the future," Mr. Hammer said. "The time when any one with a fair knowledge of English could walk into a newspaper office and become a reporter or editorial writer at once is fast passing away. Newspapers, like other fields of labor, are demanding trained men, and the supply of trained men is limited. Special work is necessary to practice law and medicine, and in the future a special course will be necessary to practice journalism."

Necessity for Veracity

"He touched upon the necessity for thoroughness and veracity in handling news and declared that it was being demanded more and more all the time. 'News should be printed without fear or favor,' the speaker declared, 'and the editor should be a man of strong personality, capable of holding the position of influence and exercising properly that influence attendant upon his position as director of the thoughts of thousands of people.'

"President Hammer touched on the 'Liberty of the Press,' and said that while it should be strictly conserved, any abuse should meet with instant reprisals from other fair-minded editors in the State. He said that the

newspaper business is the most important in the world and is represented by the broadest-minded men. He urged that the press inculcate sentiments of patriotism and desire to serve, rather than to destroy, and said that the people today are backing President Wilson because they believe that he is trying to avoid war. He urged the strictest adherence to truth by every newspaper man and said that the young man planning to enter the newspaper field would find this his most valuable asset. The newspaper, Mr. Hammer asserted, exists to serve the public, and the public will not be denied. Just as a newspaper worthy of the name has a tremendous power, with the ability to create war, make or mar reputations, and otherwise influence the public, so an unscrupulous newspaper has no more influence than a witness of doubtful reputation on the witness stand.

"In conclusion, Mr. Hammer said that the present primary law of North Carolina can be made effective only through the wise support of the press, and that unless this support is given, it will be worse than the last law. He also said that every paper in North Carolina should sing a song of prosperity for the Old North State, and the public should be informed that the latch string always hangs on the outside. He recommended the employment of an expert publicity man by the State, if necessary, to accomplish this purpose."

Wade H. Harris, editor of The Charlotte Observer; E. E. Britton, of The News and Observer, and Archibald Johnson, editor of Charity and Children, were appointed by the president as a committee on resolutions: Sanford Martin, A. J. Camor and H. B. Varner were appointed as a committee on constitution and by-laws. Committee on secretary and treasurer's report: J. F. Hurley, J. J. Farris, and W. B. Harker.

At the morning session, Thursday, new officers for next year were elected as follows: James H. Cowan, of the Wilmington Dispatch, president; Edward E. Britton, of the News and Observer, first vice-president; Sanford Martin, Winston Salem Journal, second vice-president; W. B. Harker, Maxton Scottish Chief, third vice-president; J. B. Sherrill, Concord Tribune, secretary and treasurer; W. B. Thompson, Chapel Hill News, Historian; William Laurie Hill, Charlotte, Poet; Isaac S. London, Siler City Grit, Orator. The entire executive committee was re-elected. H. A. London, Pittsboro; R. R. Clark, Statesville; H. B. Varner, Lexington; J. H. Caine, Asheville; I. J. Lassiter, Smithfield.

About forty members of the South Carolina Press Association, accompanied by friends making one hundred in the party, arrived in the afternoon and were given a real welcome by the Tar Heels. Chairman Britton presided at the welcome meeting, and President Hammer delivered the welcome address. The responses were made by President Ed H. Decamp, of the Gaffney Ledger, and August Kohn of the Charleston News and Courier, with supplementary remarks by Joe Sparks, of the Columbia State, Secretary of the South Carolina Association.

President Endorsed

The editors from both Carolinas, by a rising vote, adopted the following resolution which had been introduced by the resolutions committee composed of Wade H. Harris, Charlotte; Edward E. Britton, Raleigh; and Archibald Johnson, Thomasville:

"The North Carolina Press Association would send token to Woodrow Wilson, President of all the people, of its unqualified approval of the wisdom and courage he has displayed in his position in the administrative policies in connection with the European war. It would make record of its admiration for the exercise of statesmanship through which he has been able to measure up to the varying situations of the recent eventful past, and for the manifestation of that sterling patriotism which has inspired the country with confidence in

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