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IS THE SOUTHERN AFTER NORFOLK & SOUTHERN?

Believed By Many That Recent Visit Of Col. A. B. Andrews To This Section Is Not Without Deep Significance.

Is the great Southern Railway after the Norfolk and Southern system? This is a question which is being persistently asked in some circles and the situation is becoming interesting, to say the least of it. This is an age of deals and great combinations of business interests. Especially is this true of railroads. One by one the smaller lines are being merged and unified; many of these have in turn been taken over by the larger systems. Some people believe that this is to be the history of the Norfolk and Southern.

The recent great activity in railway circles in this section has not yet passed from the minds of the people. The Va.-Carolina Coast took over the Suffolk and Carolina and was in turn absorbed by the Norfolk and Southern, as was the Atlantic and North Carolina and other interests in this section. Now it is claimed by some that the whole system, only recently merged, will be absorbed by the Southern, one of the greatest and most powerful roads in the whole country.

They base their belief upon the fact that Col. A. B. Andrews, the Southern's first vice president recently spent several days in visiting points along the lines of the Norfolk and Southern and taking a general view of the situation. They reason this way. Col. Andrews is a busy man, a very busy man. He commands a salary greater than that paid the president of the United States. His time is money, both to himself and to his road. He sometimes takes a vacation but not often. He sometimes takes a pleasure trip but ordinarily his journeys have some business significance. This they believe to be true of his recent visit to this section.

In casting about for the object which brought busy Col. Andrews away from his office to go over a part of the line of the Norfolk and Southern, they hit upon the supposition that the Southern has designs upon this territory and it seems a plausible one to them. The road is continually branching out and it is believed that they would be glad to get an opening into this section, one of the richest in the whole state. Aside from this, it would give them a straight connection between Norfolk and the eastern points which they already touch and bring that city much nearer. It is believed that the Southern would be very glad to effect such an arrangement and those who have harbored the idea seem to confidently expect to see the deal projected and carried to ultimate consummation.

Government To Buy Silver For Coinage

Washington, D. C., Aug. 9.—For the first time in thirteen years the government announced today its purpose to purchase silver for coinage purposes.

Tenders are invited at the office of the director of the mint in this city on Wednesday, the 15th inst., up to 1 o'clock p. m., and on Wednesday thereafter until further notice.

These tenders are to be for delivery at the Philadelphia New Orleans or Denver mints, settlement to be on the New York basis of bullion guaranteed 999 fine.

The treasury reserve the right to reject all tenders or accept such part of any tender as may suit its convenience. It is understood that anticipating that its reappearance as a purchaser might temporarily disturb the market unduly, the treasury has obtained control of considerable amounts for future delivery, so that it is in for several months if desirable.

The average requirements of the treasury throughout the year will

probably not exceed 10,000 ounces per week, and it will be the policy of the department, while keeping a reasonable amount in hand, to so distribute its purchases throughout the year that its demands will be uniform and not an element of uncertainty in the market.

From the resumption of specie payment in 1879 down to the year 1900, the constant increase in the stock of subsidiary coin required by the growing population and trade of the country, was supplied by the re-coinage old and uncurrent subsidiary coins which accumulated in the treasury under the redemption act. In 1900 as this stock was running low, authority was granted in the Monetary act of March 14th, to the secretary of the treasury to divert bullion, purchased under the act of July 14, 1890, for the coinage of silver dollars, to the coinage of subsidiary pieces. Under this authority about \$33,000,000 has been coined since 1900.

The stock of bullion in the treasury was exhausted more than a year ago, and since then no bullion has been available for subsidiary use.

The stock in the treasury has become so low that it was apparent, according to the department, that the demands of a constantly enlarging trade could not be met without additional coinage. The secretary of the treasury was in doubt whether existing statutes authorized him to buy bullion, for this purpose and more over, was of the opinion that it would be a better policy to meet the future demands for subsidiary coin by the recoinage of silver dollars in the treasury, and so recommended to congress.

Congress, however, having failed to act upon his recommendation, Secretary Shaw required an opinion from the attorney general as to his authority to purchase bullion for this purpose under existing law and received a favorable reply, based on section 3526 of the revised statutes. The policy now announced was accordingly determined upon.

SIGNAL HONOR TO A BETSY MAN

MR. W. H. WEATHERLY, LOCAL ODD FELLOW, ELECTED REPRESENTATIVE TO SOVEREIGN GRAND LODGE.

The North Carolina Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows has been in session this week at Durham. The grand lodge is the legislative and judicial body for the North Carolina lodges. Beyond other business, one of the most important acts was the election of W. H. Weatherly, of this city, as representative of the lodge to the meeting of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, which is the national meeting. Representatives from all the states are present. This is a signal honor to Mr. Weatherly and to his local lodge. He is regarded as one of the leading Odd Fellows in the state.

The first news of Mr. Weatherly's election came in a telegram to the Daily Economist late yesterday afternoon.

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ONE OF DOWIE'S MEN IN THIS CITY

A RESIDENT OF ZION CITY AND A FOLLOWER OF ELIJAH II. HERE ON COMMERCIAL TOUR.

On the Arlington hotel register there is this simple entry: R. L. Bryson, Zion City, Illinois. One might pass it by without a second glance, yet it is the name of one of the most interesting men who ever came to this town. He is a member of the Christian Catholic Apostolic church, a Zionite, a follower of the well known Elijah II., John Alexander Dowie, whose spectacular rise, brief rule of splendor, and subsequent crashing fall for a while attracted the attention of the whole country.

Some twenty years ago Dowie, then a resident of Scotland, formulated a new creed and promulgated a faith of an entirely different kind from any hitherto known to the world. He went to Australia and there first established his church. Subsequently he came to America and his course here is familiar to most people. He dreamed of a city "by sin undefiled," a place where his religion should be supreme, a city built upon model and entirely unique plans, a city where the church and municipal government should be united and incidentally where Elijah II. should be God's sole representative.

He had not a dollar to carry out his plans; he only had large faith in their divine origin. From his followers he collected large sums of money and sent out secret emissaries to spy out the land and select a location for the city. They chose a spot some forty miles from Chicago and there Zion City was built.

It is of this city that the man referred to in the beginning of this article is a resident. He is here not as an evangelist, but as a representative of a business firm, the Zion City Supply Co., of Zion City, which handles a good line of office supplies. He is a most interesting talker, as an Economist man can testify from experience.

One is impressed first of all with the quiet unassuming sincerity of the man. The Zionites may be fanatics, but if they are all like this one, they are sincere people. His religion is a large part of his daily life, in which he excels many of us who look upon them with scorn. In Dowie, like all other Zionites, he has supreme faith, simply believing that now he is suffering from mental aberration brought on by heavy work. To the inhabitants of the City of Zion, Dowie is indeed a second Elijah, that restorer, whose coming is prophesied in the Bible.

Zion City is a most remarkable place. In all the confines of the community there is not a theatre, a dance hall, a tobacco shop, a doctor, or a drug store. For their distinctive doctrine is that of divine healing. They believe that if any one is sick doctors can not help them but that the only recourse is prayer to God. According to them, there is nothing good said of doctors in all the Bible. They take the statement, "She had suffered many things of many physicians" as being a typical Bible estimate of the worth of doctors. Mr. Bryson said that without a doctor or a drug store Zion City had the lowest death rate of any city in the country. The population is 7,000, the sanitary conditions are almost ideal and there is very little sickness.

The Zionites have other characteristic beliefs. They eat no swine's flesh and no oysters because they are "fish without scales," which were forbidden in Old Testament times. They aim to make their government a theocracy, ruled solely by God through His representatives. Business, education—everything is subject to the church.

The business enterprises of Zion City are considerable. They have factories for the manufacture of lace, clothing, furniture, candy, and numerous other things. These are all a part of the scheme which originated in the mind of Dowie, and make up the city as planned by him. The manufacturing enterprises are incorporated as stock companies and shares sold to the faithful at so much per share. The people have made money, but they

SERIOUS DISEASE AMONG HORSES

IN HYDE COUNTY SOMETHING LIKE STAGGERS HAS BROKEN OUT AND PLAYS HAVOC.

From Hyde county there comes a report of a most distressing condition of affairs. Added to the heavy rains which practically ruined the crops, a peculiar disease, somewhat like the staggers has broken out among the horses. They are dying in great numbers. It is said that in one neighborhood around Middleton and Lake Landing sixty horses have died very recently.

The people are sending their best horses to Washington to get them out of reach of the fatal disease which is playing such havoc. Hyde county has always been noted for its fine horses and the loss is very heavy. It has only been a comparatively short time since there was a serious outbreak of some such disease as this. It will mean a heavy loss to the farmers who have already abandoned the idea of making anything like a full crop.

Thursday's Vote

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| Miss Lucy Gregory | 1,650 |
| Miss Carrie Jewell | 1,280 |
| Miss Mary Pendleton | 950 |
| Miss Carrie Pappendiek | 950 |
| Miss Mamie Cropsey | 880 |
| Miss Leta Andrews | 820 |
| Miss Inez Broughton | 510 |
| Miss Lita Gilbert | 280 |
| Miss Hazel Evans | 220 |
| Miss Lena Hooper | 210 |
| Miss Mattie Hobson | 190 |
| Miss Pauline Stokely | 160 |
| Miss Nannie Reid | 100 |
| Miss Martha Sykes | 60 |
| Miss Helen Willis | 40 |
| Miss Lois Markham | 40 |
| Mrs. E. Whitehurst | 30 |
| Miss Sadie Fearing | 30 |
| Miss Lou Cropsey | 20 |
| Miss Kate Banks | 20 |
| Miss Essie Williams | 20 |
| Miss Mattie Sauners | 10 |
| Miss Eva Godfrey | 10 |

New Teacher Selected For Atlantic C. Institute

Mr. D. T. Anson, of Conway, S. C., has been employed as teacher of Latin and higher English at the Atlantic Collegiate Institute for the session opening September 17th.

Mr. Anson is an honor graduate of the University of South Carolina, has had three years' experience as principal of the graded schools in Pendleton, S. C., and comes recommended as a most excellent instructor of high attainments.

The chairman of the board of trustees of Pendleton has this to say of Mr. Anson: "As one of the trustees, it gives me great pleasure to say that Mr. Anson has given perfect satisfaction both as a teacher and as a disciplinarian."

We look upon him as one of the best teachers we have ever had and would gladly keep him if we could."

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leader squandered (without criminal intent, they insist) a great deal of it and the city seems at present to be financially depressed.

Mr. Bryson, one can but respect and even admire, though widely differing from him in matters of faith and believing that he is the victim of a vagary of the fancy. He makes no pretentious show of his belief and no attempt to thrust it upon any one. He quietly and unassumingly goes his way, selling honest goods at honest values, "making a living and serving the Lord," as he expressed it. He came here from Norfolk, having come there from Zion City via New York. He will be in this state for some

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FOR THE CITY BEAUTIFUL IS THIS SUGGESTION

THE ORGANIZATION OF A CIVIC LEAGUE IS URGED, HAVING FOR ITS OBJECT THE IMPROVEMENT OF TOWN'S CONDITION.

The latest suggestion made for the betterment of Elizabeth City is the organization of a Civic League, having for its object the improvement of the general appearance of the city. The suggestion is made by a man who is thoroughly abreast of the times and he is anxious to see it go. The league would be a branch of the American Civic Federation of which J. Horace McFarlan is president. The federation has for its sole object the beautifying of the cities, towns and country communities of America and its already has done much in that direction.

Speaking of the matter this morning, the gentleman referred to above said that there was a great need for such an organization here. Some gentleman yesterday called attention to the unsightly condition of many of the streets and premises of the town. These things need attention. "With a little trouble and a very small expenditure of money," he said, "we could have as pretty a city as could be found anywhere in the state."

"As stated yesterday," he continued, "we must remove all the rubbish and weeds from our yards and then clean up the streets and alleys. There are puddles of water or mud, piles of tin cans or other trash to be found all over the place. This is a disgrace to the town and should be well remedied."

"Then our trees need attention. We do not know how we are blessed with these beautiful shade trees. But for them we would have a much hotter town than we have. Every time I think of it, it seems to me that we ought to erect a monument to the man who first planted them here. He was a genuine philanthropist of the highest type. But we are entirely too reckless with them. Nothing is thought of, chopping one of them down. They ought to be jealously guarded, and preserved, for they are our richest legacy. Some cities would give a million dollars for the trees we have here. They are priceless."

"A civic league would look after them and secure the planting of more. It would urge street work and assist wonderfully in keeping them clean. It would simply be an organization of men and women, banded together with the purpose of making ours the city beautiful. They could easily raise by small private subscriptions enough money to carry on improvement work, without adding to the taxes in the least. There are any number of ways in which the appearance of the city could be improved. The league would not languish for want of work to do. Its organization would be one of the best things that ever happened in this town."

THE WEATHER.

Fair tonight and Saturday. Fresh

Yeopim Union Meeting Was Successful Event

(Reported for Economist.)

The Yeopim Union meeting met at Middle Swamp church in Gates county, Friday before the 5th Sunday in July. Early in the morning the crowds began to gather and it was pleasant to see the hearty handshakes between the brethren and friends from various sections who had assembled to engage in the work of the union, yet who in the meantime, did not object to the witty sayings and humorous anecdotes told by the widely known and much admired Elders T. T. and J. A. Speight in connection with their boyhood days in that locality. Among the other pastors who gave life and power to the occasion we are glad to mention, Rev. Josiah Elliott, who is pastor at Middle Swamp; Rev. J. W. Rose, of Edenton; W. B. Waff, of Reynolds, and T. S. Crutchfield, of Hertford.

After a sermon in the morning from Rev. T. T. Speight, an excellent dinner, such as the Gates county people always give was enjoyed by all. In the afternoon Icyrgus Hoffer, moderator, called the union to order. The regular order of business of the union was then taken up and executed to the pleasure and satisfaction of all present. On Saturday morning Rev. J. A. Speight delivered an able, eloquent, centennial address of old Middle Swamp church, giving a full history of people and events from 1806 to present time. After brilliant discussions on Saturday afternoon and a sermon on Sunday morning by Rev. T. S. Crutchfield the union adjourned to meet in next session at Ballad's Bridge, in Chowan county.

REMAINS OF CLEAN SWEEP SALE SOLD AT A SACRIFICE.

Special attention is called to the ad. of the Bee Hive now running in this paper. Some rare bargains are offered. After their notably successful clean sweep sale they had a number of odds and ends left on hand. Rather than carry them over, they are selling them out at a sacrifice, many of them being marked down as much as one half. This is the bargain hunters' opportunity.

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