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HOTEL CAPITALIZED AT \$100,000 WILL BE BUILT AT LAUREL PARK

Arrangements have been perfected which will assist the city of another modern, up-to-date hotel. This hotel is to be erected in Laurel Park and will contain over one hundred rooms with the latest conveniences. The need for more hotel facilities at this popular place has never before been so keenly felt as it is at present. The hostelry there now is full of guests and the waiting list has over two hundred names of persons anxious for an opportunity to spend the summer at this place. Over 50 persons were turned away before the first of July, and more than 600 altogether, notwithstanding the fact that no more evidence than this is needed to assure the success of the venture and demonstrate the urgent need for additional accommodations. No better location than the one selected could have been secured. The elevation above Main street will be two hundred and fifty feet. A commanding view of Hendersonville and the magnificent scenery of this section can be better secured from this site than from any adjacent section of the country. Tourists looking for a place whence they will have an unobstructed view of some of the best mountain scenery in Western North Carolina will find the view from this hotel all, and even more than they had expected. All visitors as well as townspeople are familiar with the natural beauty of this suburb of the city and will agree that no more promising site for a

hotel could have been found elsewhere in the state. The people behind this movement are men of unquestioned financial ability as well as of stern moral worth and the suspicion of their falling with this project is not to be considered for one moment. They are the same type of men who never take a backward look once their hand has grasped the plough and, in this instance, there will be no question of a false start or a weakening of enthusiasm when the crucial time comes. There is no doubt that this hotel will be in readiness for the season next year and it will be a decided addition to the buildings of a public nature in this section. Nothing will be left undone in the erection of this hotel which will add to the convenience or pleasure of the guests. No halfway measures will be taken but it will be thoroughly modern in every particular. Plans for the erection of this hotel are now being drawn by the well-known young architect, Mr. E. C. Meyer, who is now camping near the proposed site and giving his best efforts to preparing acceptable plans. Later, Dr. Child, President of the Peoples Bank, will organize a stock company for the erection of this hotel to be capitalized at \$100,000 with privilege of beginning work as soon as the first \$25,000 is raised. It is expected that this amount will be raised in the course of a few days and that work will begin shortly.

SHORT LOCAL ITEMS.

Miss Florence Sevier of Spartanburg was the guest of Miss Kate Owen for the week-end.

Mathieson's Alkabeth Chautauqua band numbering ten men reached the city today and will be heard at the Auditorium for several nights.

Mr. John Owen of Spartanburg, spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Owen.

Rev. T. J. Mullinax of Marietta, S. C., who combines farming with clerical duties, is in the city today.

Mr. T. E. Cogins of Spartanburg, who has been spending a few days in the city, returned to his home yesterday.

The many friends of Mr. E. G. Stillwell will be glad to see him again in the city after spending a year at Cornell and taking a summer course at the University of Pennsylvania.

Miss Marjorie Scott will have charge of the social column of the Asheville Citizen this week while the regular writer is enjoying her vacation. Miss Scott is an adept at this work and will undoubtedly fill the vacancy.

Mr. Jimmy Eblow suffered a very painful accident Saturday night while putting a tire on an automobile. In some way he got his hand caught in the transmission shaft and one of his fingers was broken.

Mr. W. R. Cooper, a wholesale merchant of Wilmington and president of the American National Bank reached the city yesterday and will remain several days with his family who are spending the summer at Laurel Park Retreat.

Mrs. G. M. Bailey and daughter Elizabeth, of Houston, Texas, who are now staying at Overlook Park will arrive in the city in the course of a few days and spend sometime at the Hotel Gates. Mr. Bailey, who is also expected within a week or two is the Editor of the Houston Post and a Colonel on the staff of Governor Hooper.

Messrs. L. Sternfeldt and D. R. Morris of Montgomery, Ala., reached the city last night and will spend several weeks here at neighboring points. Mr. Sternfeldt is the Associated Press correspondent at Montgomery and is well known in Alabama through his newspaper work. Mr. Morris is the official weather prognosticator for the government at this point.

Mr. Stowe Crouse of Lincolnton, N. C., at present connected with the Gold Construction Co., at Waynesville was in the city yesterday, leaving last night for Beaufort where he expects to spend a day or two before returning to the city. Mr. Crouse was a former student at the University and will return there this year to pursue the study of law. Mr. Crouse has spent several summers here and his numerous friends will be glad to welcome him back for a few days.

From 10 to 11 o'clock this morning Dr. C. F. Reid delighted his audience at the auditorium. His subject was "Christian Leadership" and he handled it like the master that he is. The audience was deeply moved and swayed by the eloquence and earnestness of the speaker and it is an assured fact that the Bible hour will be one of the most popular features of the Chautauqua. All are invited and no admission fee is charged.

Raleigh Man Murdered Saturday Night Raleigh, N. C., Aug. 13.—William R. Yerby, salesman in the Globe Clothing store, his wife, Mrs. Ada Austin Yerby, L. J. Norris, and Haywood Penry, a negro hackman, are held in jail by the police here pending investigation of the murder of J. B. Bissett, whose body was found by the road east of the city last night, with a bullet wound in the chest that ranged toward the heart and severed an artery. Mrs. Yerby admits she and Bissett were driving in the hack last night, and that after Norris left them, mad because they could find no "companion" for him, that she and Bissett drove to the woods where Bissett's body was found. She says she had told the two men that her husband was at home drunk. Mrs. Yerby says that when a stout man whom she didn't know and who wore a black coat or shirt, rushed upon them and shot Bissett, she ran to the hack and drove home. The finding of Bissett's body was reported to the police by Norris who insists that he knew nothing of the killing until the body was found. He also found a revolver near the scene and delivered that to the police who say they will prove it was his. Yerby stoutly insists that he knew nothing of the whole affair until officers came to take him and his wife into custody. The hackman insists he knows nothing of the killing.

THE SPARTANBURG "TIGHT WADS" AND PRETTY GIRLS

We have heard it said that if the Spartanburg girls could see some of the tight-wad Spartanburg lads blowing in their coin on the summer maidens around Hendersonville they would not believe their eyes.—Spartanburg Herald.

And when the alleged "tight-wad Spartanburg lads" first beheld the super-beauty of the "summer maidens around Hendersonville," they "would not believe their eyes," either. Their first glimpse of the dress parade, a daily occurrence on Main street, was a revelation to them of girlish loveliness in its most intoxicating masculine unbalancing forms. True, some of the forms were delightfully suggested by the tight-fitting, scant skirts the dear creatures wear, but that detracted not one little bit from the Spartanburg visitors' pleasure. They gazed, open mouthed, wide-eyed, unbelieving and incredulous, at first. But they were from Spartanburg, you know, and they were mere men, after all, so it took them not long to awake from their hypnotic trance and get in the game. The allegation that these boys are "tight-wads" is indignantly refuted, denied, and hurled back into the very teeth of the Spartanburg Herald. They came here parched, athirst and hungering for girlish beauty. In Hendersonville, right here in Hendersonville, famed as the natural home and habitat of the prettiest girls in the world, they found a refreshing oasis of beauty and in the perfectly natural reaction they ARE blowing in their pleasure to themselves and most gratifying to the visions of loveliness, native and visiting now here.

Of course, there are depressing prospects for Spartanburg girls, of a financially hard winter. But in the meantime there isn't a single, solitary Spartanburg tight-wad in Hendersonville. Not one. Ask any girl here—ask the candy stores—the drug stores—the lively people—the garage plumbers—ask anyone of them, and if you tell 'em you're from Spartanburg they immediately send to the bank for more change even before you say what you want.

Spartanburg boys tightwads! Perish the thought! Every visitor here from Spartanburg has seeds of seeds to burn and the girls know it.

Simmons-Meadows. Friends in Hendersonville have received the following: Mr. and Mrs. Furnifield McL. Simmons request the pleasure of your company at the marriage of their daughter Ella McLendell to

Mr. Wade Meadows on the afternoon of Thursday the twenty-fourth of August at four o'clock Christ Church New Berne, North Carolina.

SINGING CLASS PLEASES

The native mountaineer singing class, twenty-five sweet voices under the leadership of Professor R. K. Orr, which appeared at Laurel Park last Saturday afternoon, scored an unqualified success.

Possibly five hundred people listened appreciatively to the old time religion hymns—grand old sacred songs rendered with a spirit and an understanding of their meaning to be found only in the people of Western North Carolina. The concert was of about one and a half hour's duration and the Casino was filled by a keenly attentive audience.

So successful, in fact, was the occasion, that efforts are now being made to have the concert repeated next Sunday afternoon. In that case, the crowd, great as it was yesterday, will doubtless be doubled. The concert was all that it was expected to be in every sense and was most thoroughly enjoyed by those fortunate ones present.

It is estimated that not less than three thousand people visited Laurel Park during the day. The street car line carried most of these. An almost endless procession of vehicles and scores of automobiles carried hundreds. The park seemed to be literally full of people from 4 o'clock on. The street car service was excellent. There were no annoying delays and the thousands were carried out and brought back safely, conveniently.

The day was warm and at one time rain threatened, but it passed off from Hendersonville's playground. The majority made for Camp Springs, camped deep of it, and old beauty and then scattered along through the miles of shaded walks and paths penetrating the estate. If ever Laurel Park completely demonstrated its utility, its necessity to Hendersonville, it was yesterday when the thousands flocked there from town and enjoyed Nature in her happiest mood.

OPENING OF THE CHAUTAUQUA FINE ADDRESS TO LARGE CROWD

An immense crowd of people witnessed the opening of the Chautauqua last night and heard an eloquent address by Dr. Reid of Nashville, Tenn. Promptly at 8:30 exercises were begun with a song by members of the different church choirs of the city, followed by a prayer by Dr. R. H. Grinnan of the Presbyterian church. Rev. J. W. Moore of the Methodist church then made a short talk commencing the Chautauqua movement in strong terms as a factor in the moral and intellectual advancement of the life of a community. He then introduced the speaker of the evening, telling in a few well-chosen words of the service Dr. Reid is rendering the cause of Christianity in this and other countries and expressing the pleasure of having such a powerful force with us for the ensuing week.

The subject of Dr. Reid's theme was "The Far East." With an easy, fluent flow of words and a clear, comprehensive understanding of his subject he immediately began a most instructive and lucid expounding of conditions as found in the Chinese Empire.

Among other things, he showed that China instead of being one of the more recent nations typified by the common laborers to whom we hand our weekly accumulation of linen, has a history antedating that of any other nation and that the real Chinaman is far superior to the ones usual-

ly seen in this country. That the Chinese are placing the Bible in their schools while in some sections of our own country we are trying to dispense with it. Through representations made by the missionaries opium will soon be driven from the borders of China by Imperial decree. With the completion of the Panama canal America will be in position to dominate the commercial trade of this country and that for industrial reasons if for no other the evangelization of China would be profitable. Every American has cause to feel greater pride in his nation because of the square deal given China when the other world powers were beginning to parcel this nation out among themselves for commercial exploitation, also for the heretofore unheard of policy of returning a large part of the indemnity fund resulting from the Boxer uprising.

Two men can not be said of the address of Dr. Reid. It was illuminating to even the closer student of history, and to the major portion of the audience it was full of startling facts of considerable significance. An address of this nature will bear fruit for years to come.

Tonight at 8:30 Mathieson's Alkabeth Band and Orchestra will be in the Auditorium. Two hours of music in its whole, duets and quartets will be interspersed with some of the most interesting and enjoyable of these attending.

"Baby Show" Aug 25

The "Baby Show," to be given here on August 25th, is to be the biggest event, in its particular line, ever happening in the South.

The prizes are all valuable. In many instances the prizes are far above the advertised value. There are a large number of classes—with suitable awards for each. The interest in the show is very manifest—it will undoubtedly be entirely successful—but the actual entries being made are somewhat delayed.

It is desirable that all entries be made at once. The babies will be on exhibition at the Auditorium on August 25—and a rare show it will be, it is quite needless to state. The cost of entering is but nominal—\$1.00 for succeeding classes. If a child is entering in four classes, the cost would be but \$4.00—with a possibility of winning anywhere from ten to fifty dollars in prizes aside from the honor, to be gained.

PRINTER HEIR TO FORTUNE!

Report Says \$100,000 Awaits Harry T. Graham.

Peoria, Ill., Aug. 11.—Harry T. Graham, a painter, whose home is in Tampa, Fla., has fallen heir to \$100,000, it is said, by advices from that city yesterday. Graham disappeared from Tampa several months ago. The police of Peoria, where he formerly worked, were requested to forward any information regarding him. He was recently discharged from a local hospital.

Yesterday through an afternoon paper, was the first intimation he had of his good fortune.

BOY TIRED OF LIFE AT 15

Worked 15 Hours a Day for Sixty Cents—Turns on Gas. New York, Aug. 10.—Phillip Cohen, 15 years old, was before Judge Hoyt, in the Children's court today charged with trying to commit suicide by inhaling gas. This note was found in his room.

I am tired of life. I have had to work for 15 hours a day in a sweat-shop. I have earned only 60 cents a day. I have been away from father for two years and there have been days when I went without anything to eat.

To Judge Loyt the boy said: "I didn't see any use to live any longer. There didn't seem to be any chance for me to get along in this world. I guess I was discouraged and didn't know what I was doing. Give me one more chance and I'll make good."

The judge stroked words of encouragement and instructed Herman Simon, agent of the Jewish society, to take care of the boy.

New Cotton Pest Found in Georgia. Macon, Ga., Aug. 11.—A new cotton pest discovered here is puzzling experts. It has been described as an insect of color and attacks plants, stalk and leaves, leaving it withered and dead. The pest it is said is spreading rapidly.

Mr. H. E. Connell of Spartanburg, was a Sunday visitor in the city.

GOOD ROADS

Saturday's issue carried a partial list of the speakers who will address the citizens of this county tomorrow on the question of good roads and more especially on the Hendersonville-Greenville highway. A large crowd is expected tomorrow and it is hoped that much good will result from this meeting. The list of speakers for this occasion which includes some of the most prominent men of the state gives the promise of an enthusiastic and profitable gathering of people intensely interested in the proposition of better roads for the county of Henderson. The increase of vehicles of every description on the roads and the increasing number of automobilists touring the mountains of this section makes it almost imperative that this county offer as good roads as any other county. In this or any other part of the state, the meeting which will take place at the court house tomorrow at 11:00 a. m. is for this purpose.

KILLS DOG HE COULDN'T BUY.

Disconsolate Husband Poisons Pet of His Dead Wife.

Boston, Aug. 10.—Disconsolate because of his wife's death and because he could not buy back a pet dog, sold just before her death, William Deley, of 18 Maryland street, Dorchester, after petting the dog, put a piece of cyanide of potassium on the little pet's tongue, killing it instantly.

In court this morning Deley was found guilty of cruelty to animals, but so sympathetic were the lawyers on both sides and the judge that the case was placed on file, and even Michael Magner, owner of the dog, said that he would make a present of the \$15 value of the dog, which Deley offered to pay in settlement.

FOR TELEPHONE TALK A NEGRO IS LYNCHED.

Used Insulting Language Over the Wire to Young White Woman— Crowd Took Him from Jail.

Farmersville, Tex., Aug. 12.—Commodore Jones, a negro who used insulting language in addressing a young white woman over the telephone, was hanged by a mob yesterday.

Jones was arrested Thursday. Last night a crowd of 75 men and boys forced an entrance to the negro's cell, marched him to the town's outskirts and compelled him to climb a telephone pole, from which he was forced to jump with a rope around his neck.

1,100 Pounds of Dynamite Blown Up. Newburg, N. Y., Aug. 11.—With a concussion shaking the earth for miles around, the dynamite storehouse of the New York Amusement blew up. The building houses 1,100 pounds of dynamite. The structure was blown to splinters. The Russian caretaker at the shaft is missing. The explosion occurred a few minutes before 10 men due to report for work, arrived at the scene.