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## FIRST AUTOMOBILE BALL MOST SUCCESSFUL FUNCTION OF SEASON

Given by the city of Hendersonville for Pleasure of its Guests, the Entirely Enjoyable Event is Keenly Appreciated by Representatives of the Social Worlds of the South. Decorations Elaborate and very Beautiful.

Pretty girls daintily gowned and well groomed men—the melody of eloquent music wafted over a rhythmically moving through—the long beams of a pale moon casting shadows dim on the waxed floor and mingling softly with subdued lights from scores of Japanese lanterns—long festoons of greenery drooping gracefully from rafter to rafter of the big building with wondrous masses of shrubbery everywhere competing a magnificent setting for a magnificent picture—the whole a harmony of beauty never surpassed in North Carolina—the first annual automobile ball given at Laurel Park on Saturday night will go down in the State's social history as one of the most charming functions of recent years.

The ball was the fitting climax of the season's gaiety and it could possibly have been no more enjoyable to the two hundred and more invited guests present, than it was. The scene was superb—a melody of splendor, truly. The decorations, designed by an artist, executed by scores of fair and willing hands, were elaborate and harmonious. The place looked at first as though the woods of Laurel Park estate had been taken bodily into the amusement pavilion. One end of the building was completely hidden by great branches of robed trees. The openings at the sides were arched over and twined about with still more, while hundreds of yards of twisted rope made of thousands upon thousands of leaves drooped gracefully from rafter to rafter. The electric bulbs were enclosed in Japanese lanterns—many of them half hidden by surrounding foliage. It was a poet's dream come true, and it was all very beautiful. No such elaborate decorations have ever before been attempted here, or in this part of the State, and it will be a long, long time before they are equalled or surpassed, anywhere in the South.

The orchestra, from Washington, D. C., was seated on the stage of the building, which had very cleverly been transformed into a great touring

car for the occasion. The car was complete in all its details—wheels, fenders, horn and lights, and that it was a six thousand dollar 1912 machine was very apparent at half a glance.

Another delightful surprise and one thoroughly in keeping with the nature of the function, was the serving of punch from a smaller motor car than that in which the orchestra was seated. At eleven o'clock many of the electric lights were switched off, a curtain at the rear of the pavilion was drawn aside and with horn tooting bravely, with headlights flashing, a broad pathway through the semi-darkness, there rolled to the center of the floor a miniature automobile, heavily laden with delicious punch. It was a quaint conceit and made the biggest kind of a hit with the guests.

Possibly some two hundred and twenty-five invited guests were present—composed of representatives of the best social circles of the South. A large number of automobiles were lined up outside the pavilion, and some few carriages. Not one single note of discord marred an evening of perfect pleasure. Some of the gowns worn were very charming and in the softly subdued half lights the dainty dresses, the pretty girls, the intangible but very evident atmosphere of refinement and social equality all combined to make the first automobile ball held at Laurel Park one long to be remembered by its guests. It undoubtedly was the most important and thoroughly enjoyable function by far of the present season in the mountains.

The ball, given in honor of the contributors to the automobile fund was but one of three events originally planned to make the Hendersonville automobile meet a day of pleasure to the city's guests. The inclement weather prevailing has influenced the committee of arrangements to postpone the automobile parade and the picnic, the latter to have been held in Laurel Park, until August 18, 1912. There is every reason to believe now that these two events would have been as eminently successful as was the first automobile ball given at Laurel Park on Saturday night.

## "GEORGE" EXPLAINS

"George" proprietor, etc., of the newspaper stand in front of the Herald office gives a rather remarkable reason in accounting for his smallness of stature. The explanation occurred a few days ago and was rather interesting to those who heard it.

A lady had just made a purchase of a paper and lingered for awhile to get the full benefit of her money by means of questioning "George." Well, we who know "George" know that it is not well to pry too closely into his affairs, but this lady was one of the kind who are not satisfied with anything less than the whole truth and the various reasons therefor—a sort of prying kind. She skinned around for quite awhile with several preliminary and irrelevant questions until she had finally reached that one for which she had been paying the way.

She wanted to know why "George" happened to be so stumpy. She learned all right, for "George" happened to be very busy with his work and was becoming weary and out of patience with her ceaseless questioning. He took off his hat, bowed very politely, and answered as follows: "Madam, to cut a long story short and tell you in a sentence the reason for my shortness of stature it happened this way. One day when I was a large strapping fellow about six feet tall, and not quite so experienced as I am now, I bided in one day where I had no business and they sat down so hard on me that I have never yet been able to get back to my normal growth."

While "George" took up the burden of his cry, "Get away from your home town," the lady said "Humph" and passed on.

A man has been granted a divorce because his wife talked in her sleep. Sure, no man should be compelled to stand for a night shift in that sort of thing.

### At The Palace.

The war story with the setting in our new possessions which was shown Saturday night was of extreme interest to the crowd in attendance. It was better than the usual run of such pictures from the fact that no distinction could be made between the real thing in the way of fighting and what was shown in this picture. It was realistic in every particular and called for frequent applause from the interested onlookers. For tonight a real feature in the way of the world's greatest comedy will be shown. Shakespeare's "Taming of the Shrew" a film costing nearly \$100,000 will be offered the patrons of this place. This wonderful hand-painted picture has received the highest praise wherever it has been shown.

### At The Lyric.

The picture of the coronation which was shown Saturday night was the unusual attraction which drew out a large crowd of pleasure lovers. In addition to this remarkable film two others of rather good merit were shown, making a very complete and acceptable show. For tonight and in fact for all the week a stock company consisting of seven actors and actresses will endeavor to entertain and amuse the audience. Their line consists of the usual vaudeville acts which includes singing, dancing, talking and short sketches of various nature. A good crowd will doubtless be out tonight to look the performers over on their initial appearance.

### Scouting at Home

"So you wish to be a boy scout, Earl?"

"Yes, dad."

"Well these tall weeds in the backyard would make excellent cover for an enemy. I think it would be good military tactics for you to cut 'em down."—Ct. Louis Times.

When a woman is a thousand miles away from her husband she can lie awake all night guessing what time he will come home.

## TWO SERMONS BY DR. HULTEN

Dr. Hulten preached two very able sermons yesterday at the First Baptist Church. The music and interest in both services were very encouraging. Large congregations assembled and many were blessed.

In the morning the subject was "Our Sympathetic High Priest" At night the subject "Journeying with Jesus."

Dr. Hulten announces subjects for tonight and tomorrow night as follows: Tonight "What we Know About Heaven." Tomorrow night "What we know About Hell"

Large crowds are attending the services, by Dr. Hulten each night and are hearing some excellent sermons. He is a strong earnest speaker, and his work in this city is resulting in stronger and increased enthusiasm for the propagation of good.

For several years he has filled the pulpit of the First Baptist church at Charlotte with distinct credit to himself and the church, as well. His sermons attract deep thinking men of all denominations who through his sermons each Sunday to hear a master deliver himself of clean forceful thoughts. Truly he is a great minister and is doing incalculable good in his high and noble calling.

His departure for another field of labor will be keenly felt in Charlotte, not only among his own parishioners but by the entire city as well. He has secured a strong hold upon the people and it will be no easy matter to give him up to another church.

The meetings continue all this week through next Sunday. Each night at 8:30.

## ARRESTED FOR GAMBLING

Three colored sports were arraigned before Squire Dornid this morning at the Court House and requested to show cause why they should not answer to the statute expressly designed and formulated to prevent gambling. They failed to produce, as it were, and were held for the superior court under bonds of \$50.00 each.

Deputy Case had kept his ears to the ground and succeeded in making out a pretty clear case against these devotees of that alluring pastime sometimes designated as a "skin game." The skimming process took place in that adjunct, or rather suburb, of the city known by persons at all conversant with the various environs as "Hell's Half Acre." Why this name, or through what devious channel his Satanic majesty secured possession of this prescribed area, is beyond the ken of a news-reporter. In lieu of evidence of substantial nature it is presumed that the Devil in emulation of the rest of mankind begird a cool place to stay while not engaged in stoking the furnace and decided upon this spot.

In arranging bond for appearance at the higher court, an example of mother-in-law affection and son in-law consideration was disclosed which has, never, perhaps, been equaled in the state.

One of the defendants had no money with which to satisfy the law for his future appearance (happened to be one of the skinned ones) and in devising ways and means to offset this deficiency it was agreed that a mortgage on the property of his mother in law would be sufficient to meet this requirement. The mortgage was about to be drawn and duly attested when the same spirit of gallantry which actuated Sir Walter Raleigh when he threw his coat down in the mud for the passage of a certain lady, seemed to well up in this negro's bosom and he called a halt in the proceedings.

Muttering loud protestations against the humiliation and inconvenience to his mother in law in such an event, he took from his finger a diamond ring worth several hundred dollars and, accompanied by an officer, marched down the street and pawned it for the required amount.

A callant deed, well calculated to put to shame the musters who are continually remarking on the lack of affection between the son and the mother-in-law.

### His Trouble.

"I think the doctor is about through with me. Told me my ailment is practically cured." . . . . .

"What did you have?"

"Two hundred dollars originally."—Washington Herald.

Nola Chucky.

"Ah me, Johnny!" sighed his for one night in Nola Chucky, and accordingly he wired the proprietor of the Nola Chucky opera house.

noon. Have stage manager, Stage carpenter, property man and assistant chief electrician and all the stage hands at theatre prompt to hour.

"He received this telegram in reply:—

Star."

## SHORT LOCAL NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Green of Wilmington are in the city for a stay of several days.

Mr. E. D. Latta of Charlotte is in the city for a short stay, registering at the hotel Gates.

Mr. W. L. DuPre of Atlanta, Ga., who have been spending the past several days in the city returned to his home yesterday.

Misses Jennie Camp and Janie Crook of Spartanburg have returned to their homes after spending several days in the city.

Mrs. C. J. Valley who has been spending the summer at the Kennedy home returned last week to her home in Spartanburg.

Rev. and Mrs. T. M. Hunter of Baton Rouge, La., reached the city Saturday evening and expect to spend several days in the city with relatives.

Mrs. R. L. Vernon and daughter, Miss Estelle Vernon who have been spending the summer here in their summer home have returned to their home in Charlotte.

Mrs. Walter L. Nicholson and son Walter Lee Nicholson, Jr., who have been spending several weeks in the city have returned to their home in Charlotte.

The following Wilmington people who have been spending several weeks at Mrs. Waldrop's returned to their homes yesterday: Misses Amy Harlowe, Olive and Margaret Quince, and Mr. John Myers.

Mr. J. K. Wallace of Batesburg, S. C., reached the city yesterday and expects to spend several weeks here.

Mr. P. E. Seagle of Raleigh and Dr. C. Y. Seagle of New York spent a short while in the city Saturday enroute to the home of their parents several miles out in the country. Mr. P. E. Seagle is a former Carolina football star and is pleasantly remembered here by followers of athletics.

Mr. Jimmy Calmes of Greenville has returned to the city for a stay of several days. Mr. Calmes was a star of the purest ray genre on both baseball and football teams at the University during the past year.

Mrs. C. S. Pitcher and daughter, Frances, who have been spending several very pleasant weeks in the city, left this morning on the Carolina Special for their home in Charleston, S. C.

Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Browning and four daughters of Palatka, Fla., and Mrs. S. B. Saunders and son of Saginaw, Mich., are staying at Stony Crest, on the Asheville drive, for several days.

Work on the street car line which has been delayed for several days on account of the rainy weather, was again resumed today. This work is now progressing nicely and expeditiously. It is expected that grading on Main street will be begun in the latter part of this week.

Rev. D. A. Phillips, of Winstboro, S. C., will conduct religious services at the Balfour Baptist church next Sunday, Sept. 10 at 8:00 P. M.

### Southern Prosperity.

Manufacturers Record.

The fourteen Southern States, with Missouri and Oklahoma having now an aggregate population of 32,500,000, 18,000,000 less than the total population of the United States in 1880, have \$1,900,000,000 in national bank resources, or only \$200,000,000 less than such resources in the whole country thirty-one years ago.

In that period these sixteen States have increased the annual value of their mineral production from \$20,000,000 to \$30,000,000, as against \$450,000,000 in the whole country in 1880; their manufactured products have a value within \$2,000,000,000 of the value in the whole country in 1880, while their manufacturing capital is several hundred million dollars in excess of the country's at the earlier date. In the thirty-one years the value of their output of manufacturing, which was less than the value of agricultural products in 1880, has become far greater annually, although the value of agricultural products in the sixteen States is close on to \$3,000,000,000.

In 1880 the railroads of the country had an aggregate length of 93,300 miles. The sixteen States now have 87,000 of railroad mileage. From Southern ports were exported in the last fiscal year goods to a value only \$100,000,000 less than the value of all exports from the country in 1880.

### Lives of Airmen.

Lives of airmen all remind us. We can rise to heights sublime, And, departing, leave behind us Dents upon the sands of time.

—St. Louis Times.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

CHICAGO—The world's two greatest wrestlers, Frank Gotch, the Iowa farmer and Geo. Hackenschmidt, the Russian student, meet today in Chicago at the American league base ball park to decide the championship of the world. They will fight it out until victory is gained and the spectators will see one of the greatest contests of the present age, on the mat.

Chesterfield Court House, Va.—H. C. Beattie, Jr., indicted for the murder of his wife, is apparently anxious to tell his story to the jury and will be given an opportunity in today's trial.

BERLIN—Ambassador Hill on the eve of his departure breaks the silence with regard to his resignation which was accepted by President Taft last April. He intimated that there had been an intrigue to discredit him and misrepresented the reasons for his resignation.

LUMBERTON, N. C.—An unknown negro last night crushed the skull of Gray Tolar, a wealthy lumberman with an axe and then attempted an assault on Mrs. Tolar but was frightened away by her screams. An alarm was immediately given and three suspects have been lodged in jail.

WASHINGTON, N. C.—Two distinct shocks of earthquake were felt there late last night. Houses were severely shaken up but no damage was done. For a time the people were panic-stricken.

CADDO, OKLA.—All the negroes from this town and a part of the surrounding country have fled on account of the temper of the whites over the killing of one of their number by a band of negroes.

ROSELING, N. J.—Three men were killed and five others narrowly escaped drowning late last night when the launch Alice collided with a barge on the Delaware river.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The sister dreadnoughts, Florida and Utah, the mightiest warships in the American navy, will be in fighting trim by November, 15 according to calculations of navy experts.

CAHRES, FRANCE—The French aviator, Maron was killed here Saturday night while flying over the city on his way to an aviation meet. His motor failed and he dropped 200 feet to his death.

SPRINGFIELD, ILL.—Governor Dineen yesterday broke his ankle in an attempt to prevent a collision between his automobile and a carriage. He sprang on the running board of his car and tried to grasp the bridle of the horse, falling with his leg doubled under him.

NEW YORK—W. J. Bryan in a lecture last night strongly condemned games of chance, saying that in all his campaigns he had advised all his friends not to place money on the election, and that every one of them had thanked him for the advice after the election.

## WORK BEGUN ON NEW BUILDING

Ground was today broken for the erection of the new school building. Contractor Jordan has a force of men and teams grading and otherwise preparing the ground for the laying of the stone foundation which he hopes to begin within the course of one week.

As soon as this foundation is placed the number of hands will be increased to at least fifty men if such a number can be secured. It is the intention to push the work to as early a conclusion as can be done. While the work is to be finished in as short a time as possible will not be hurried to such an extent as to make the work any the less thorough and entirely satisfactory to the board.

It is thought that the work can be finished by the first of February and the building then turned over to the school committee. The urgent need of such a building as this is to be made, it is imperative that it be finished as soon as possible and contractor Jordan is pushing the matter as fast as the nature of the work will permit. The completion may be delayed longer than expected on account of unfavorable weather but a conservative guess places the above mentioned date, as the school building will stand forth a finished product so far as the skill and work of the architect is concerned.

As stated in a previous issue this building is to be a distinct credit to the city and its completion will mark a high point in the advance of the next several years. If public buildings are at all indicative of the prosperity of a city, this building thoroughly modern in every particular and amply sufficient to meet the needs of the city for several years to come, will truly be a mark showing the rapid strides along every line.

### WOMAN DEPUTY DISAPPEARS

Authorities Seek Her to Have Financial Discrepancies Explained

Indianapolis, Sept. 2.—The state authorities are searching for Miss Myrtle Denford, until recently a deputy in the office of the state mine inspector. It is charged that there are many irregularities in her accounts and that there are evidences of raised vouchers and forgery of seals of notaries public, for which she only can account.

In the meantime she appears to have fallen completely out of sight. It is said that vouchers were tampered with before they reached the auditor for payment. An instance is cited of a ivory bill for \$2 which was raised on the voucher to \$12. Another bill for 50 cents was raised in the voucher to \$20.50.

It is also charged that a number of notaries public, whose seals were attached to vouchers, have said that the vouchers were tampered with after the seals were affixed.

## RIGHT PLACE TO LEARN

The Columbia State, in facetious mood says:

"J. K. Vardaman, of Mississippi, has gone to Hendersonville, N. C., where he is taking a course preparatory for the United States Senate. A correspondence school for new Senators and Representatives ought to pay."

There is no better place to learn to be a statesman than in Western North Carolina, and if that is the purpose, of Mr. Vardaman's visit he has come to the right place. If he will pray for a double portion of the spirit of Vance and can obtain it, he may grow into a Senator worthy to rank with the Big Four V's who formerly led the Senate—Vance, Voorhees, Vest and Vilas.

By the way, residence in that glorious climate would give new gifts and qualities to better edging, as well as to public service, and the State might profitably attend M. L. Shipman's admirable College of Journalism at Hendersonville.—News and Observer

### Hendersonville Did Well!

The Raleigh Times has this: "Mr. M. L. Shipman, commissioner of Labor and Pitting has confirmed the reports of immense traffic to the mountains. A resident of Hendersonville, Mr. Shipman has had occasion to note the crowds and he has said that Hendersonville never did so well before."

### By Degrees.

"We want our product known from the Atlantic to the Pacific." "Start a big advertising campaign." "But we haven't much money." "In that case I'd start at Panama." "Where it isn't so far from the Atlantic to the Pacific and work gradually up."—Kansas City Journal.