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SULZER GAINS TRIPLE VICTORY IN HEARING

Presiding Judge Bars Testimony Regarding Acts Wherein Legislators Were Concerned.

Albany, N. Y., Sept. 29.—Gov. Sulzer today won a triple victory over his accusers at the trial of his impeachment. Presiding Judge Cullen, of the high court, barred the introduction of evidence intended to prove that the governor had made a corrupt political bargain with Assemblyman Patrie, of Greene county, and held as incompetent testimony brought forward to show that he had made similar bargains with Assemblyman Sweet, of Oswego county, and Assemblyman Frame, of Essex.

MONOPLANES WIN IN AVIATION MEET.

Rheims, France, Sept. 28.—The most interesting and instructive event of the second day of the Rheims aviation meet was a cross-country race for monoplanes and biplanes. The race was five times around a 30 kilo-metre course. The result was a complete triumph for the monoplanes, nearly all of which made better time than the leading biplane.

U. S. GOVERNMENT WILL NOT DEAL WITH CONSTITUTIONALISTS

Washington, Sept. 29.—The administration has reluctantly concluded that at present there is no constitutional means of opening communication on an official basis with the Mexican rebels. This fact developed today as the result of an inquiry as to whether John Lind, President Wilson's special commissioner to Mexico, was planning to communicate with the constitutionalists with a view to obtaining a promise from them to respect a true while the projected October elections in Mexico are under way.

TEACHERS MEETING HELD LAST SATURDAY

Distinguished Speakers From Raleigh and Elsewhere Address Instructors. Large Number Present.

An enthusiastic teachers meeting was held at the Hendersonville Graded school last Saturday which was attended by fully seventy five of the county teachers together with a number of citizens. There were present beside Supt. Shittle of this county, Prof. Cale of the Graded schools and E. L. Perkins, County Farm Demonstrator representing Henderson county, several visitors of prominence among them were L. C. Brogden, state supervisor of public schools, T. E. Brown, head of the Boys' Corn Club work for the state and C. H. Trowbridge of Brevard. Prof. Cale introduced the speakers of whom Mr. Brogden was the first. He spoke at length on the organization of schools and explained in detail the relation of the teacher to the neighborhood in which he or she taught. Mr. Brown followed and directed his remarks chiefly to the great work which the Boys' Corn Clubs and the Girls' Tomato Clubs were doing throughout the state and urged the fostering of these organizations in Henderson county.

Anticipate Wilson's Visit.

Washington, Sept. 28.—Sailors and officers of the battleships of the Atlantic fleet are looking forward anxiously to the presence of President Wilson, their commander-in-chief, Secretary Daniels and members of the president's cabinet, who next month will be guests of the secretary of the navy at the annual fall battle practice off the Virginia capes. The president is expected to witness the maneuvers and firing of big guns from his yacht, the Mayflower.

The Minstrel Show.

Rehearsals are now in progress by the Hendersonville Minstrels and a splendid performance will assuredly be the result. The date of the show has not been definitely set because of the fact that several church revivals are scheduled to be held during October and the minstrel show will have to be held after they are over. Some date early in November will be announced later. A number of new song hits have been received from New York and much interest and enthusiasm has been aroused among the town loving people of the city. The next rehearsal will be held tomorrow (Friday, Oct. 3rd) evening at 8 o'clock. For the performance the services of quite a number of prominent people have been enlisted during the past week and the indications now point to a greater success than was anticipated at the start.

POSTMASTER IS MISSING ALSO ELEVEN THOUSAND.

Roanoke, Va., Sept. 30.—Two registered packages one of \$10,000 and another containing \$1,000 are missing from the registered pouch of the postoffice at Pocahontas, Va. Coincidentally with the disappearance of the two packages, a local detective firm has been asked by postoffice inspectors at Bluefield, assistant postmaster at Pocahontas for whose arrest federal warrants have been issued charging Silberberger with the robbery of the two packages.

THAW THROWS DARE INTO JEROME'S FACE

Offers to Return Voluntarily to New York State if Jerome Can Show Indictment Found Against Him.

Concord, N. H., Sept. 29.—Friends and associates of Harry K. Thaw are worrying considerably over the failure to rid himself of a heavy cold with which he has been afflicted for a week. Thaw has been under the care of a local physician, but has not responded will to the treatment prescribed. His broken rest and the hard work he has been doing with his secretary since his arrival here have somewhere reduced his weight.

PICNIC AND REUNION WAS SPLENDID AFFAIR.

Many Confederate Veterans Enjoy Saturday at Laurel Park—Several Patriotic Speeches Made by Orators. There was an enthusiastic reunion of Confederate Veterans at Laurel Park last Saturday which was not only attended by veterans but also by Daughters and Sons of the Confederacy.

AMERICAN MISSIONARIES ARE HELD FOR RANSOM.

Reports From Hankow China Say That Four Americans Have Been Captured by Bandits and Are Now Prisoners. Hankow, China, Sept. 30.—Five American and four Norwegian missionaries are in the hands of the Chinese bandits, who Friday captured the town of Tsao Yang. The American prisoners are reported to be Mr. and Mrs. Holmes and child and Mr. and Mrs. Fauske.

Popular in Asheville.

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Editor's Note—The Democrat is indebted to W. G. Gullick, adjutant of the camp for the above account of the meeting.

SUPERIOR COURT AGAIN CONVENES FOR OCT. TERM

One Murder Case and Many Minor Cases on Docket for Trial—Large Attendance From Over County.

The criminal term of the Superior court convened in Hendersonville Tuesday morning with Judge Justice on the bench. Monday was the regular day for the opening of the court but the judge was detained by the death of a relative so that the semi-annual grind did not begin until Tuesday. A large number of citizens from all parts of the county have been attending court as jurors, litigants, witnesses or spectators so that Court House Square has presented a busy spectacle throughout the week. The docket is not a long one and these are on it no cases of sensational importance with the exception of the case of the state against Jules Collins charged with the killing of Joseph Israel about a year ago. This case has been postponed several times but it is expected that it will come to trial at this term of the court. There are also ten or more cases of retail liquor selling which will be tried and a number of irisdemeanor cases. One highway robbery and several larceny cases will also occupy the attention of the court if the highwayman who escaped from jail yesterday morning is apprehended in time.

ONLY ONE SESSION FOR THE CITY SCHOOLS.

School Board Meets and Decides That Arrangement for Teaching Shall Remain Same as Former Years. At a meeting of the Hendersonville City School Board held Saturday evening it was decided that the one session plan as obtained last year and previous years, will be adhered to this year. During the first week of school the pupils were held until four o'clock in the afternoon, thus dividing the day into two sessions. This caused considerable complaint on the part of many parents and practically all of the pupils as it proved inconvenient to both. With the one session which allows school to be dismissed at 2 o'clock, the pupils may go home to their dinner and have time to prepare their studies for the next day without disturbing their slumber hours.

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FIVE HUNDRED PUPILS ATTENDING CITY SCHOOLS

Ninety Are in High School and Seventeen Graduates—Commercial Department is Attractive Feature.

The Hendersonville Graded school has reached the high water mark in attendance, having now about five hundred pupils on the rolls. Of this number about ninety are in the High school and seventeen in the graduating class. The new school year has begun most auspiciously and there is every indication that this will be the most successful year in the history of Hendersonville's schools. The Commercial department of the graded school is an attractive feature and affords the opportunities offered by business colleges. In this department are taught bookkeeping, stenography, typewriting and such things as are necessary to a commercial education. There is a small charge for pupils in this department which for the double course amounts to about \$24.00 for the year or \$3.00 per month. For this small amount young gentlemen and ladies of Hendersonville and vicinity are given advantages which would cost a considerable sum in a regular commercial college. Quite a number are now availing themselves of the benefits of this department but many more could be accommodated. Miss Mary M'not Hill, a very capable teacher is in charge of the commercial branch.

Fire Bell Arrives.

The city of Hendersonville now has a fire bell. It has just arrived from the foundry in Massachusetts and weighs in the neighborhood of five hundred pounds. It may be heard all over the city with distinctness and will be used in case of fire, riots and other disagreeable happenings. In order that there may be some system observed, the city will probably be divided into wards and a certain number of taps of the bell will signify that the fire or other trouble is located in a certain part of the city. The bell will be swung in the tower of the city hall.

T. R. BARROWS ELECTED G. H. CLUB SECRETARY.

Important Matters Come Before Greater Hendersonville Club at Last Meeting—Several Important Committees Appointed. At the last regular meeting of the Greater Hendersonville Club, which was well attended, T. R. Barrows was elected secretary of the club. Mr. Barrows will devote all his time to the duties of the position and will be under \$1,000 bond.

TO CUT OFF WATER.

The users of city water are hereby notified that the water will be cut off from the pipes on Friday afternoon, Oct. 3rd, between the hours of 3 and 5. The purpose is to allow time for the cleaning of the reservoir.

The Jewish New Year.

The people of the Jewish faith are celebrating today the feast of "Rosh Ashvane" which corresponds to the Christian New Year. All orthodox Jews observe the feast and in consequence the business house of H. Patterson in this city will be closed today and tomorrow until 6 p. m. tomorrow afternoon.

MANY NOTED SPEAKERS FOR BIG ASHEVILLE FAIR

Numerous Wholesome and Amusing Attractions Constantly Being Added for Entertainment of Visitors.

The approaching Western North Carolina Fair, which will be held in Asheville from October 7 to 10, gives promise of being bigger and more representative and more complete with wholesome fun, entertainment and instruction than those of the two previous years, as evidenced by the number of prominent speakers, including some of the foremost orators of the country; and the extended list of Fair attractions. Among the noted speakers are the following: Secretary of State William Jennings Bryan, Hon. James J. Britt, former third assistant postmaster general, of Asheville; Hon. John S. Rutledge, the noted Irish orator of Cleveland, O.; General Bennett H. Young, Commander in Chief of the United Confederate Veterans of Louisville, Ky.; Mr. M. V. Richards, Land and Industrial Agent of the Southern Railway, of Washington, D. C. In addition to these a number of prominent citizens of Western North Carolina will take part in the program of addresses, among which are the following: On the opening day of the Fair, Educational Day, Mr. Britt, will be introduced by Prof. I. C. Griffin of Marion. Prayer will be offered by Rev. J. D. Arnold of Waynesville with Prof. R. D. McDowell of Canton, presiding. Secretary Bryan will be introduced by Dr. L. B. McBrayer of Asheville, of Brotherhood Day with Hon. J. M. Shipman of Raleigh, presiding over the morning exercises and Rev. R. W. Cox of Hendersonville, presiding over the afternoon exercises, when Rev. Mr. Rutledge will be introduced by Judge Thomas A. Jones of Asheville. On Military Day General Bennett H. Young will be introduced by Col. J. M. Ray of Asheville with State Adjutant General Lawrence W. Young of Raleigh, presiding. Governor Craig will be introduced on the last day of the Fair, Western North Carolina Day, by Hon. Felix E. Alley of Waynesville with Hon. T. T. Ballinger of Tryon, presiding in the afternoon and Col. Sanford H. Cohen at night, at which time Mr. Richards will be introduced by Hon. W. E. Breesee of Brevard.

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THREE PRISONERS ESCAPE FROM THE COUNTY JAIL

Hendersonville is nothing if not up-to-date and its latest effort in this direction was a jail delivery effected Tuesday night in which three prisoners confined in a cell of the county jail awaiting trial for crimes against peace and dignity of the state, made their get-away. The men who escaped were Sturgeon Kuykendall, charged with highway robbery in snatching a satchel and jewelry from lady guests of the Highland Lake club. Bob Collins charged with snatching a pistol at Deputy Sheriff Otis Powers and John Wheatley charged with being an accessory to the same offense. The mute evidence of the escape shows that they saw one of the bars of the front window of the cell in which they were confined and lowered themselves to the ground made from the bed clothing. The escape took place after the midnight hour and was discovered early yesterday morning by Deputy Dotson

who tracked the men through the Perkins lot where they got on the sidewalk and the trail was lost. It is suspected that the saw with which the bar was cut had been furnished the prisoners by outside friends who passed it up from the ground on a pole. The sheriff and his deputies are exerting every effort to apprehend the escaped men and hope before long to have them back in their cells. The men were to have been tried at this term of court and all of them were charged with offenses which would have sent the into the "gang" had they been proven guilty. In the same cell with the men who escaped was also confined T. O. Charles who claimed that the sawing was done and the escape effected while he was asleep and that he knew nothing of it. Charles would probably have been released today, but may be held longer pending an investigation of the jail delivery.

SIXTY HENDERSON COUNTY FARMERS WILL DEMONSTRATE

Much Encouragement Given Scientific Farming by Henderson County Men. Valuable Instruction Promised. There are about sixty Henderson county farmers during the coming year," said County Demonstrator Perkins yesterday. Continuing he said: "I am greatly pleased with the enthusiasm which some of these Henderson county farmers are showing and there is little doubt but that there is a general desire throughout this section to acquire information and knowledge on matters pertaining to the farm. The locations which I have selected for the experiment stations are all convenient so that those who care to investigate our process and methods may do so

with a minimum amount of trouble. At the present time the farmers, are all busily engaged with crops and have not had time to devote to the theoretical part of the business that they will have later. I dare say that after another year the desire for information will have greatly increased in this section as it is my purpose to show the people what may be accomplished by scientific farming." Mr. Perkins spent the week in company with Prof. Shittle, county superintendent and several expert farming instructors from Raleigh, visiting the several sections of the county and at C. ... and Mills River, where were large audiences who were much interested in the discourses of the demonstrators.