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NEW GOVERNOR IS AT MANILLA

Is Enthusiastically Received and Delivers Inaugural Address—Promises Ultimate Independence to Philippines.

MANILLA, Oct. 6.—Francis Burton Harrison, of New York, newly appointed governor general of the Philippines, arrived here today. He was greeted by several thousand people many of whom had come from the provinces.

The Manchuria, bearing Mr. Harrison, was met by a flotilla of steam launches, one of which took out Newton W. Gilbert, of Fort Wayne, Ind., the vice governor. Governor General Harrison, on landing, drove from the pier by a roundabout route to the Luneta, where he delivered his inaugural address. The address embodied instructions received from President Wilson through Secretary Garrison stating broadly the administration's policy toward the Philippines.

The instructions declared that every step would be taken with a view to the ultimate independence; that the first step to be taken at once, will be to give native citizens the majority in the appointive commission and thus in both branches of the Philippine legislature.

DIXON PLAY COMING.

His Dramatization of "The Leopard's Spots" to be Seen Here.

An announcement has just been received that Thomas Dixon's dramatization of his novel "The Leopard's Spots," will be seen here at the Auditorium, Saturday Nov. 1st.

"The Leopard's Spots" in book form was Mr. Dixon's first big success, not even being equalled by his sensational story "The Clansman," which he wrote just afterwards. "The Leopard's Spots" preceded "The Clansman," the latter play was the first to reach the stage, while the former was not dramatized by the author until this summer. The reason for this unusual chronological order is because "The Clansman" dealt essentially with the negro problem immediately following the war while "The Leopard's Spots" covers the period of all the years following the war to the present time, and so it presents the modern negro situation. Consequently Mr. Dixon has saved time material for a play which he always knew existed in "The Leopard's Spots" with the result that he is now able to offer a gripping drama which differs in plot and general treatment from his plays "The Clansman" and "The Sins of the Fathers," and which cannot fail to demand the interest and support of every Southern man and woman.

"The Leopard's Spots" has been produced under the sole direction and management of the author himself.

HOW THE BETS STAND ON WORLD'S SERIES.

New York, Oct. 4.—Betting on the outcome of the world's series baseball games, which open in New York October 7, started at 10 to 6. It mattered not whether the odds were wanted on Philadelphia or New York, 10 to 6 were the figures. That is if the better happened to be in Philadelphia when the National commission announced the date for the opening game, and there was money to place on the Athletics at 10 to 6; if he happened to be in New York the odds were 10 to 6 that the Giants would win.

NO BIBLE READING IN PUBLIS SCHOOLS.

House of Representatives Defeats Constitutional Amendment to That Effect—Another Measure Defeated.

Raleigh, Oct. 7.—The house in committee of the whole today defeated the constitutional amendment proposed as to reading the Bible in the public schools and the initiative and referendum proposal which was valiantly championed by Mr. Justice and vigorously opposed by Mr. Doughton. For the second time the section relating to the levy of a capitation tax was referred to the committee.

The Rex Theatre.

"The Rex" the latest motion picture theatre in Hendersonville opened on Saturday. "The Rex" which is located in the St. John hotel building is a most attractive playhouse. The pictures used are "The Universal" about the most expensive and best used. The pictures were unusually clear as a new Powers machine and a new zimmer curtain were used. The management states that The Erson Orchestra will furnish music in an added attraction.

Busy Court Session Ends This Week

Prosecuting Attorney Convicts Forty Out of Forty One—Collins Pleads Guilty to Manslaughter and Gets Two Years.

The criminal branch of the Superior court which has been in session here since the last day of September has been doing a land office business and many cases have been disposed of. The most important case before the term was that of Jule Collins charged with killing Joseph Israel a year ago. The jury after hearing the evidence retired to the jury room late Saturday afternoon but up to Monday morning had failed to find a verdict and so adjourned to the court. The jury was discharged because of a mistrial. Collins who on Saturday evening had suffered a severe fainting spell at the conclusion of the arguments, pleaded guilty to manslaughter and was sentenced to serve 2 years on the roads. This sentence also covers the three cases of liquor selling with which he was charged. The plea made by the majority of the people who had at prisoner was totally unexpected by the court. A number of the other "retailing" cases were tried and all of the accused were found guilty and were sentenced to terms ranging from several months to two years. S. H. Friedman who had an old case of liquor selling against him was fined \$500.

Hon. Hall A. Johnson, district solicitor, almost broke his own record at this term of court. Once in Polk county he prosecuted in forty-six cases and convicted in forty-five. Here he has prosecuted in forty-one cases and convicted in forty-five. Mr. Johnson is one of the most brilliant lawyers of North Carolina and his friends predict for him a great future. He has many friends here and is a terror to the evil doers.

Athletics Defeat New York Giants

By Score of 6 to 4 Philadelphia Defeat New Yorkers—Thirty-Six Thousand See First Game of Penant Series.

New York, Oct. 7.—Outfitting and outfitting the New York Giants in the opening game of the world's series, the Philadelphia Athletics defeated the National League representatives at the Polo grounds this afternoon by a score of 6 to 4. So complete was the supremacy of the American League champions in the initial contest that the victory appeared to be but a continuation of the series of 1911 when the Athletics won the title of that year from the Giants by four games out of six. As if to heighten the illustration there were several feature plays that might have been reproduced, so closely did they resemble those of 24 months ago.

The game was witnessed by a gathering of spectators that taxed the capacity of the New York club stadium and swelled the coffers of those interested to the extent of more than \$75,000. The exact number of fans who paid admission to the stands was 36,291 an the day's receipts amounted to \$75,255. These figures, as furnished by the national commission, occasioned surprise, for the attendance fell short by more than 2,000 of that of the first game of 1911, although so far as could be seen there appeared to be just as many persons present as was the case two years ago.

HARRY CROWDER OPENS STORE.

Hendersonville Boy is Shown Appreciation by Employe in Starting Him in Business in Florida.

Harry Crowder, a Hendersonville boy has opened up a large dry goods store in Clearwater, Fla., something like the one conducted in this city by G. M. Glazener. In fact Mr. Glazener is financially interested in this new enterprise under the management of Mr. Crowder. For the past ten years young Crowder has been in the employ of Mr. Glazener at various times and it was largely due to his faithfulness and aptness of duty that he was chosen to manage the new enterprise in Florida.

The store in Florida adds one more to a chain of six stores in North and South Carolina owned by Mr. G. M. Glazener and his brothers. "Bud" Glazener of this city is the principal buyer for all the stores.

Worthy Organization Redoubling Efforts In Progress' Name

Greater Hendersonville Club Starting on New Era For Promotion of Commercial Prosperity for Hendersonville and Henderson County—Has Already Accomplished Much Good for Local Interests.

The Greater Hendersonville Club is an organization of progressive business and professions need the purpose of which is to aid, by UNITED and concentrated action, in the development of the city's industrial, commercial and business interests. A few of the matters in which the club has been interested appears below:

The work of building up a city means the expansion of every individual interest and is not merely a matter of civic pride or public spirit, but is a practical business proposition that should appeal to every business man in the community. As the city develops, business possibilities increase and property values expand.

Hendersonville today is a city of substantial realities, its foundations laid on broad and solid lines. The rapid development of the past few years, phenomenal as it may seem, is the practical growth of intensely progressive citizenship and yet there is much which can be accomplished and it is the plain duty of Hendersonville business men to take part in this work of development by belonging to this organization.

The club now employs a paid secretary who devotes all his time and efforts to the interests of the club. His office is in the City Hall, where he may be found at any time from 8:30 to 10:30 in the morning. The Board of Governors has authorized the publication of a complete financial statement of the Club's affairs—showing in detail the receipts and expenditures. An expert bookkeeper is now busy on this statement and as soon as it is ready it will be published in both the city papers. A financial statement will be published regularly hereafter, every quarter. The majority of Hendersonville's business and professional men are already members of the club. An earnest endeavor will be made to have ALL the business men of the city and county enrolled as members—and as members in good standing. With the sinews of war thus provided, with the united effort of ALL the business interests, a very great deal may be secured; the season may be lengthened, and lengthened at both ends; a vast amount of sadly needed advertising may be secured at a minimum of expense; new and desirable settlers may be induced to come here, including farmers who will aid in stopping the half million dollar leak; new industries may eventually be induced to come and the co-operation and good will of the people may be extended to the industries already established here, the cause of good roads may be aided and the interests of the farmers and merchants studied and conserved.

There is no limit to the good a compact, harmonious organization may accomplish for the city and definite steps have already been taken along this path. With unity of purpose and concentrated efforts, Hendersonville will become a great city. Without it that possibility is remote. For God has done all that is possible for Him to do for any city. It remains now only for man to do his part.

A few of the matters in which the Greater Hendersonville Club has been interested since its organization are given below. There are many others, it is needless to refer to.

The agricultural expert—which means better farming and increased crops in Henderson county and eventually the stopping of the half-million dollar leak which is now draining the life blood of the community. The North Carolina Dental Association, which meets here next year. The North Carolina Pharmaceutical Convention, which also meets here next year. Both of these conventions will help to lengthen the season—something everyone here is vitally interested in. The State Woman's Baptist Missionary Union, which meets here during March, 1914, was secured by the First Baptist church. The Club co-operated to the fullest extent of its ability.

The Club failed to secure the North Carolina Firewriters Association and the State Nurse's Association Convention for 1914, but the effective work done by the Club's representatives at that time will undoubtedly bring both these conventions here in 1915.

The band concerts—which contribute so much to the entertainment of the city's guests during a part of the recent season.

most effectively used in the recent campaign and as a direct result Henderson county will shortly have many miles of hard surfaced roads. Hendersonville and Henderson county will never begin to realize its possibilities as a resort until it has a net work of good roads. The advantages to the farmer of hard surfaced highways are too self-evident to be enumerated.

The St. Petersburg Colony: This, it is said by competent judges, eventually means the expenditure of a million dollars here and it certainly means the widespread advertisement of Hendersonville in a State where this resort is already well known. The club co-operated fully in securing this colony for this county in competition with all of Western North Carolina. It suitably entertained the two committees sent here, it sent a representative to St. Petersburg and secured the heartiest co-operation and team work of ALL Hendersonville real estate men in the successful efforts made to bring the Colony here.

Commission Form of Government: The Club co-operated with the city authorities in the preparation of the new city charter. This charter, drawn by three men all members of the club, provides for a business manager—Mr. Justice—and is a modified form of commission form of government.

The Bryan Lecture: The Club was directly responsible for the Secretary of State coming to Hendersonville. Mr. Bryan's lecture, which made him famous, was a part of the Chautauqua program.

The satisfactory adjustment of the misunderstanding between the Hospital Association and the Greater Western North Carolina Association.

A New York office, at 15 William St., where as soon as ready an ample supply of new advertising matter will be placed. This is Mr. Carlson's office, who is personally interested in the growth of Hendersonville.

A St. Petersburg office: This will be in charge of Jno. E. Ennis, who also is personally interested in Hendersonville and who will be kept fully supplied with Hendersonville literature.

An office at Orlando, Fla. Entertaining the State Bankers after their convention at Lake Towaxay, to which the club sent a delegation.

The Brown Summer Camp at Laurel Park.

Interesting Charles A. Carson, mechanical engineer, of New York, in this city, which resulted in his purchase of the Hendersonville Traction Company.

The State Association rooms, secured from the city council and furnished by the club.

The Bureau of Information in the city hall.

Entertainment of the Dunkards. Delegation to Bat Cave road meeting.

The city's dumping ground. Adjustment of the automobile and servant tax abuses. Delegation to Southern National Highway Convention.

The judicious expenditure of many hundreds of dollars in wisely advertising this city and county. Securing a half-page advertisement in the Manufacturers Record.

Delegates Named to Road Congress

County Commissioners Appoint Representative and Greater Hendersonville Club Will Name Others.

Hendersonville and Henderson county will be represented by delegations of prominent good roads enthusiasts at the convention of the Southern Appalachian Good Roads Association to be called to meet at Asheville Oct. 22nd and 23rd. The ward of county commissioners at its last meeting named delegates to represent the county and the Greater Hendersonville Club at its meeting tonight will name delegates to represent that body as well as the city. This convention will be the most important of its kind ever held in Western North Carolina and has for its objects the consideration of ways and means for the building of roads and the improving of others in this section of the state. There will be delegates present from every section embraced in the territory, representing counties, cities and commercial organizations. The impetus which good road making has received during the past year in all parts of the country and particularly in Western North Carolina will be strengthened by the congress and it is expected that any latent interest or sleeping enthusiasm will be awakened during its sessions. There will be present some of the most prominent good roads men of the country there is scarcely a doubt but that the convention will result in much good to the movement which is now agitating every progressive community in the United States.

The delegates named by the county commissioners are: W. A. Smith; R. H. Stator; P. F. Patton, H. W. Allen, V. C. V. Shepherd, J. L. Orr, Jno A. Maxwell, P. A. LeLonz, J. P. Fletcher, C. J. Edney.

By an oversight the winners of the grocery contest conducted by the well known firm of S. Maxwell & Co., was left out last week. Mrs. F. Z. Morris of this city won first prize. Mrs. A. M. Gover received second, while Miss Sney was consoled with third prize. The contest proved a very profitable undertaking as there were quite a number of entries.

President Signs New Tariff Bill

Simmons-Underwood Measure Finally Becomes Law—Another Democratic Pledge Fulfilled by Party in Congress.

Washington, Oct. 3.—Surrounded by leaders of a united democracy, President Wilson at 9:09 o'clock tonight signed the Underwood-Simmons tariff bill at the white house. Simultaneously telegrams were sent to customs collectors throughout the country by the treasury department putting into actual operation the first democratic tariff revision since 1894. A happy group of legislators, members of the cabinet and friends encircled the president as he smilingly sat down and slowly affixed his signature with two gold pens.

He presented the pen that had written the word "Woodrow" to Representative Underwood and the one that completed his name to Senator Simmons, both of whom bowed their appreciation.

Delivers Short Talk. In impressive silence the president rose and delivered in easy, natural tones an extemporaneous speech that brought prolonged applause. He declared the journey of legislative accomplishment had not been completed; that a great service had been done for the rank and file of the country, but that the second step in the emancipation of business was currency reform. He earnestly called upon his colleagues to go "the rest of the journey" with fresh impulse.

"Gentlemen, I feel a very peculiar pleasure," said the president, "in what I have just done by way of taking part in the completion of a great piece of business. It is a pleasure which is very hard to express in words which are adequate to express the feeling, because the feeling that I have is that we have done the rank and file of the people of this country a great service. It is hard to speak of these things without seeming to go off into campaign eloquence, but that is not my feeling. It is of very profound, a feeling of profound gratitude that working with the splendid men who have carried this thing through with studious attention and in doing justice all round I should have had part in serving the people of this country as we have been striving to serve them ever since I can remember.

Boydhood Ambition. "I have had the accomplishment of

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HORRIBLE STORY MURDERS MANY

Modern Bluebeard Confesses to Killing Fourteen Victims—Most Women and Girls—Killed Mrs. Rexroat.

Chicago, Oct. 5.—Mrs. Mildred Allison Rexroat, dancing teacher, who was shot to death at Wheaton, Ill., a week ago, was the victim of a modern-Bluebeard, who, according to his own confession, had killed thirteen others in as many years. Henry Spencer, arrested in a room near the southside levee district tonight, confessed that he not only killed Mrs. Rexroat, but that he had slain fourteen persons.

He was identified positively as the mysterious Mr. Spencer with whom Mrs. Rexroat left Chicago on the night she was killed. Mrs. Rexroat's blood-stained rattan suit-case was found in his room, as also was the revolver with which he said he had killed her.

The police, while in doubt as to the full truth of Spencer's story, believe they have found a wholesale murderer, and that he will be proven to have killed at least several of those whose deaths he described in a long confession tonight.

Spencer's confession was so startling that it probably would have received no credence had not the bloody-suit-case and the revolver confirmed at least part of his statement. All his murders except two, he declared, had been for the purpose of robbery. The two policemen, Pennell and Devine, shot to death twelve years ago, he said, years ago, he said, and a companion killed to escape being arrested.

"I intended to kill Mrs. A. J. Scofield, proprietor of the rooming house where I have been living," he said. "If I had not been arrested at just this time I would have killed her."

Killed Policemen. Among other murders Spencer is alleged to have committed were those of Pennell and Devine, policemen, several years ago.

"I met Mrs. Rexroat two months ago at a dance hall," Spencer said in his written confession, "right after she got a divorce from her husband. I got acquainted without any trouble, nobody introducing us. I took her home that night and we decided to be good friends."

"After that night I saw her three or four nights a week for several weeks. She thought I was a farmer and would be easy pickings, so I tried to keep that impression with her."

The police explained that Spencer was permitted to tell his story without interruptions or suggestions. Spencer admitted that robbery was his only purpose in killing Mrs. Rexroat.

He told the police he had killed fourteen persons in all, ten since his release from the Illinois state penitentiary in September, 1912, and four previous to that date. Except in the slaying of Pennell and Devine, the policemen, who, Spencer said, were shot by himself and a companion named Murphy, in escaping arrest for burglary, the killings all were for purpose of robbery.

List of Victims. Following is the list of killings Spencer related to Chief of Detectives Halpin:

- One man and a woman, about fourteen years ago.
- Policemen Pennell and Devine, 12 years ago.
- First wife, killed West Point, N. Y., last August.
- One girl at Lake Delevan, Wis., last summer.
- One woman at Belle Island, Mich., last summer.
- One man shot in Chicago this fall.
- One old man shot in a southside park two months ago.
- One woman shot and burned on the northwest side of Chicago late last summer.
- One woman killed near the Cook County hospital a few days ago.

The police cannot account for all victims Spencer claims to have slain. The only victim Spencer was able to name was Fannie C. Thompson, who probably is the woman he said he killed before he started on his alleged career of murder.

CITY SCHOOLS SHOW INCREASE IN PUPILS.

The promises for a prosperous year in the city schools made on the opening day seem to be fully justified. The number of pupils has increased considerably since that date and many of the new comers are children of families who have lately moved to Hendersonville from adjacent communities and other states. The roll shows that sister states have sent not a few to the grammar schools during the past two weeks and in all of the cases the parents have moved to this city for permanent residence. The report of the superintendent is very encouraging and he says that there are only a handful of boys who have thus far been guilty of playing truant.