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## PARK AVENUE SHOULD BE MCADAMIZED.

Now that the bonds have been sold, the money paid, and contracts let for street Mcadam and side walk paving. The question naturally arises, what streets and side walks should receive attention first. Now to the people who are directly interested of course each one thinks that his street and side walk should be the first. But to one disinterested, then it occurs that the streets and side walks most frequently used should be the ones. Now what street is this. The first thought is Park Avenue or Railroad street as it is called by some. I learn from good authority that the citizens and property owners upon this street in order to get this work done, are willing to give a part of their beautiful front lawn border to widen and beautify the principal street of the city. This act would be a great service upon their part, for who would not covet these beautiful lawns, and excuse them upon the ground that the sidewalk does not say anything about curbing lawns. Unless a street and side walk is improved while the property owners are willing, it may never be done. The fact that a portion of the city of Greensboro, N. C. is now being improved by the use of the Mcadam process, has caused some of the citizens of Burlington to become interested in this method. The Mcadam process is a method of paving streets and sidewalks with crushed stones and sand. It is a very durable and economical method. The Mcadam process is now being used in Burlington on several streets. The Mcadam process is a very durable and economical method. The Mcadam process is now being used in Burlington on several streets.

the conclusion of the address, a Baby Show will take place. A purse of \$10.00 has been offered for the prettiest baby between the age of one and fifteen months. The \$10.00 will be divided into three prizes. 1st \$5.00, 2nd \$3.00, 3rd \$2.00.

**THURSDAY WILL BE FARMERS DAY.**

All farmers are especially invited to be present on that day. Pres. J. B. Dudley of A. & M. college will deliver an address on that day along the lines of agriculture.

Friday will be society day. There has been a prize offered of \$15.00 to the best looking equipped society ladies or gentlemen, that will turn out in their regalia at 1 p. m. The prize has been divided into 1st, 2nd and 3rd. The first prize \$10.00, 2nd \$3.00 and 3rd \$2.00.

Remember there will be a great many more attractions not mentioned, each day.

Parties from a distance, visiting the fair call for reduced rates as they have been granted over the roads.

W. R. HALL, Sec'y.

**Mr. Ward Locates Here.**

Mr. W. Ira Ward, of Swepsonville, who completed the law course at the University last spring, has located in our midst for the practice of his profession. He is located in the office with Mr. W. H. Carroll in the First National Bank Building. He is a young man of excellent qualities and our town is to be congratulated upon having him locate with us.

## STREET IMPROVEMENT CONTRACT LET.

Advertised bids for the improvement of the boulevard between the old and new Freeman Drug Store. The following sixteen firms were represented in bids and persons: E. J. Hall and C. M. Brooks, Burlington; Home Wood and Ery and Burlington; Cathy Construction Co., Asheville; Abe Ery & Hart, Hickory; E. Brett Engineer and Construction Co., Wilson; Carolina Engineering Co., Burlington; Silver & Co., Akron; O. Carolina Concrete Co., Greensboro; P. J. DeFeaver, Norfolk; J. W. Hall, Charlotte; Robt. G. Massey, Virginia, Va.

The contract was given to Abe Ery & Hart of Hickory whose bid was:

8 inch macadam	\$1.20
6 inch " "	1.08 yd
curb and gutter	.69
4 inch side	.90
6 inch side	1.08
Excavation	.27
Large Catch basin	40.00
Small catch basin	32.00
12 inch pipe	.45
15 inch pipe	.55
18 inch pipe	.65
24 inch pipe	1.25
Cubic work	7.00

General satisfaction was expressed by all, however the bids were very close and, five or six of them being little difference. The work is to begin in ten days and to be completed in five working months. The engineer is very busy getting estimates of the proposed streets and side walks to be used.

While equal amount is to be spent in each ward, the number of citizens benefited their interest and willingness will to a certain degree determine the streets to be used.

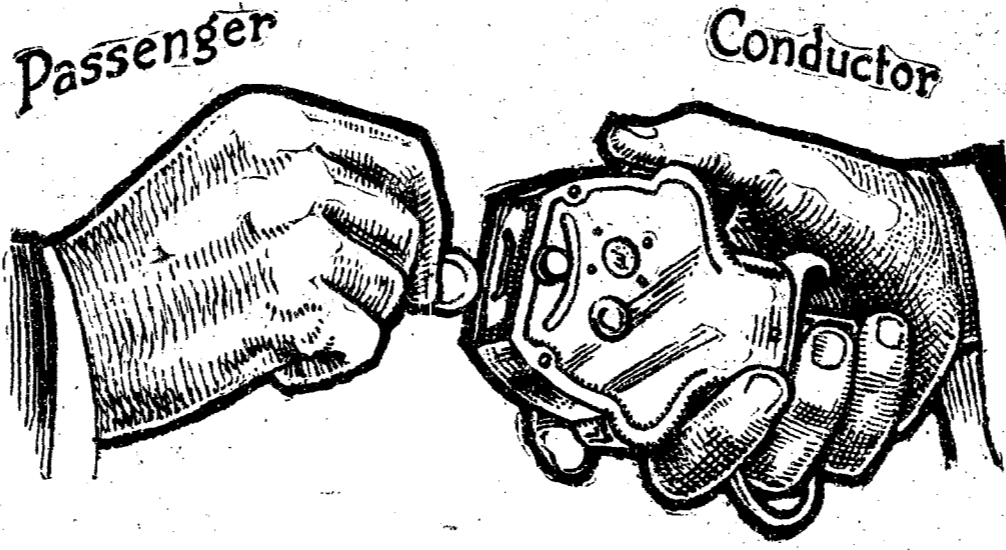
## Street Cars Running

Street Cars are being operated each day from Bellevue Mill to Haw River and will be extended thro Burlington and Graham as soon as possible.

## Will Be Here Tuesday

Why be bothered with inferior glasses when you can get first class spectacles or eye glasses correctly adjusted at a moderate price from Dr. Rapport, at Dr. Morrings Dental Office, Tuesday Oct. 10th.

## HOW TROLLEY FARES ARE COLLECTED



Passenger "inserts" Nickel into Collecting Register—Same as Used in Charlotte—The Most Modern System.

At considerable expense the officials of the Piedmont Railway & Electric Co. have decided to gather in the "nimble nickels" by using the most up-to-date method. It is the ingenious Rooke System as used in a score of large cities and recently installed in Charlotte. The idea is solely to simplify the conductor's duties, relieve him of mental and physical work in which errors and suspicions always attack and to avoid the work and confusion incident to the operation of the old style "pull string" register. A neatly framed sign within the car explains that fares are to be paid in nickels only. If you lack the exact change the conductor will supply it, giving you full change, and you must then "insert" the nickel into the register which is presented. The conductor receives no fare in his hand. The passenger himself must insert the coin.

It is simply the coin in the principle, jammed the word away in its application. The register, set up with mechanical functions and gears so that it is peculiarly adapted to meet the needs of collecting fares on trolley cars. The register is not a counter—it does not hold the money. The instant a nickel is slightly enters the slot mechanism it is gripped and drawn through the register into

the conductor's hand—a bell rings, one numerical point moves up on the totalizing counter shown on register, and the operation is completely. The registering of the fare is positively accomplished at the instant of payment and it is immediately available to the conductor for examination for change-making purposes. The conductor has nothing to do with registering fares. All fares are registered automatically the instant of payment.

The passenger accepts full change for all coins or bills of denomination larger than the nickel. The occasional passenger with five pennies will be handed a nickel in exchange for them and will then insert that nickel into the register. All cash fares are to be paid in nickels only and inserted by the passenger himself. The old familiar physical act of fare payment is thus cancelled and replaced by a more practically accomplished new method.

Not only to collect fares, but to register them, now finds that the proper collection of the fare is his only duty. His memory does not enter into the matter of the company's amount of the transaction. The registration is made for him and his practice is thus replaced by an enforced accuracy.

## FIRST STREET CAR OPERATED BY PIEDMONT RAILWAY & ELECTRIC CO. FROM BURLINGTON TO HAW RIVER, TUESDAY EVENING, OCT. 3RD

The first street car was operated from Burlington to Haw River yesterday, Tuesday evening. As soon as the material arrives for crossing the railroad track, which has been lost or mislaid, the cars will be put in full force.

## Banquet.

In honor of Mr. J. W. Murray, Mr. J. M. Cook, Mr. Ikelberger, Mr. J. H. Harden, Mr. Hatch and friends and associates who have been the founders and constructors of the eight miles of street car line in our county a banquet was given in the Masonic Hall Tuesday night at which more than two hundred professional and business men of our county, including a number of visitors, were present. Mr. O. F. Crowson originator of the banquet acted as toast master. In a very pleasant and humorous manner speeches were made by Mayor Freehand of Burlington, Mayor Long of Graham, and Col. A. W. Haywood, Haw River. Mr. L. B. Williamson represented the Board of Aldermen. Esq. W. A. Hall, Mr. W. E.

Sharpe, J. R. Hoffman, Capt. J. A. Turrentine, J. Zeb Waller, J. Q. Gant, J. A. Long, Chas. A. Scott, Sherriff Cook, Mr. Ikelberger of Richmond, who said he thought it good to be here and in the language of the good book thought it would be well to erect three tabernacles one at Burlington, one at Graham, and one at Haw River. The Hon. Gentleman and polite John M. Cook was next called on who told of the struggles and hardships the doubting Jonas and in a befitting way told how not only he and Mr. Murray had stood by the undertaking but the three office girls who had worked many hours by the candle without murmur. Hon. Ned Parker of Graham introduced Senator F. M. Simmons who spoke at some length. Every word that fell from the Senator's lips was full of might which was buried deep into the hearts of his hearer.

After extending a rising vote for the increase of the appropriation for our federal building from \$75000 to \$125000 and devouring the pleasant repast the crowd dispersed.

## DESTRUCTION WROUGHT BY UNLOOSED WATERS.

Austin, Pa., Sept.—Dam of the Bayless Pulp and Paper Company burst one mile and a half north of town.

400,000 gallons of water rushed down upon the town.

Between 850 and 1,000 persons were drowned, crushed or burned to death.

Hundreds of others believed to have been swept away by great torrents.

Five floors bursting of natural gas mains.

Scores of persons caught beneath debris and slowly cremated.

Over 1,000 buildings wrecked.

Heavy rains of past two weeks caused reservoir to fill for the first time since it was created two years ago.

Food supply has been swept away.

Physicians, nurses and supplies being rushed from surrounding towns over the mountains to Austin.

Governor Tener has ordered state health and charity officials to the scene, together with Adjutant-General Stewart and a large force of state police.

Austin has a population of 3,200.

Costello, town of 450 population, below Austin, also swept away.

Two-thirds of citizens believed to have perished.

This is perhaps the largest flood, history has recorded since the Johnston flood which occurred on Friday, May 31, 1886, the big dam supporting Conemaugh lake and reservoir 10 miles above Johnstown, Pa., burst without warning, and the immense volume of water swept down upon the 30,000 inhabitants of the thriving Conemaugh river valley, leaving death and destruction in its wake.

Houses, churches and factories were swept like toys in to a tangled mass of wreckage, which, finally piled up against the railway bridge at Johnstown and its destruction completed by an outbreak of fire. Altogether 9,000 persons perished.

St. Athanasius' Parish.

The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity, October the eighth, services will be conducted at St. Athanasius' Church, as follows: Sunday School, 9:30 A. M. Morning Prayer, 11:00 A. M. with sermon.

Confirmation Lecture, 4:30 p. m. Evening Prayer, 7:30 p. m. with sermon. Every one cordially invited.

Nice line of crokery Coble's Grocery.

## GOLDEN SEPTEMBER ON THE TOBACCO FARM.

A Tribute to the Faithful "Watcher of the Night" Beside the Tobacco Barn.

The purple fox-grapes are clustering in the hedges, and the fat cat-bird takes a final feast before starting on his long journey to warmer climes.

Down in the bottom the corn stalks have been stripped, and the pumpkin in all of its regal magnificence hold sway.

The rattlesnake and the moccasin—one blind, vindictive, boisterous; the other, swift, silent, treacherous—sink back into the deepest glades of the forest searching for their winter dens.

The home of the violet and the fleur-de-lis is usurped, where gay goldenrods flirt with black-eyed susans.

As the September sun sinks, and the shades of night come on, bright eyes gleam from the hill, and around the crackling furnace the boys gather to spin yarns and tell jokes, eat watermelons, roast 'taters, and listen to the banjo talking 'out there in the moonlight.

Till a late hour of the night revelry floats over the hill. Then the company leaves, and the farmer is left alone with his blanket and his coffee. Guarding the safety of his year's work, he smokes his lonely pipe, watches the seven-stars rise, and studies the glory of the harvest moon as it rolls like a wheel of gold, spreading over the old plantation a sheen of silver. On the mountain-side a fox barks dimly, as it chases Bre'r Rabbit to his rocky home. From the dead pine on the outskirts of the wood, a big owl calls like a lonesome sentinel.

Insignificant, unthought-of, brown-handed, toil-bent and weather-beaten, this humble, silent watcher of the night is the master-wheel of the whole piece of machinery, and on his faithfulness depend commerce, credit, society and prosperity.

And where is one who has proved faithless to his task?

Come wind or weather, he must remain at his post awake and strong, while those who profit from his toil and self-denial repose upon soft mattresses and dream of 47 per cent dividends.

Danbury Reporter.

"There is nothing more satisfactory than a boarding house beef-steak," growled the chronic grumbler.

"Oh, I don't know," rejoined the impressionable young man. "Did you ever get a kiss from a pretty girl over the telephone?"

---Tit-Bits.

## BURLINGTON OFFICIALS

- Mayor: J. W. Hall
- Aldermen: First Ward, W. P. Belmont, T. S. Faucette, A. A. Apple, Lynn B. Williamson, H. C. Stout, J. G. Rogers, Eugene Holt, J. L. Scott, Jas. P. Montgomery, E. S. W. Dameron, Dr. L. A. Walker, J. L. Patillo, A. A. Russell, W. F. Amick, L. P. Shepherd, Jerry Sellers, John A. King, R. J. Hall.
- City Scavenger: J. Zeb Waller

## BOARD OF EDUCATION.

- B. R. Sellers, J. W. Cates, Eugene Holt, T. S. Faucette, O. P. Shelton, Jos. A. Isley, Jas. P. Montgomery.

## WATER-LIGHT & POWER COMMISSION.

- R. M. Morrow, Eugene Holt, J. L. Scott.

## Southern Railway Passenger Schedule.

No. 112	East	1:32 A. M.	No. 111	West	5:32 A. M.
No. 108	"	8:12 A. M.	No. 21	"	11:18 A. M.
No. 144	"	10:25 A. M.	No. 139	"	6:29 P. M.
No. 22	"	5:00 P. M.	No. 131	"	9:17 P. M.

## Post-Office Hours.

General Delivery of Mail 7:00 A. M. to 7:30 P. M.  
Money-order and Registration Hours 7:00 A. M. to 6:00 P. M.

## SUNDAY HOURS.

General Delivery 7:00 P. M. to 7:30 P. M.  
Lobby open all hours to box renters.

J. ZEB WALLER, Postmaster.

I can place your idle money in amounts from \$100 to \$5,000 where it will net you 8 per cent, very best security. No taxes. Address, Box 42, Greensboro, N. C.

Abe Ruef is said to be working hard in prison to reform other criminals. Strange that reform always begins with the other fellow.