

## THE TWICE-A-WEEK DISPATCH

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### PROTRACTED SERVICES AT CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

The special services which have been in progress at the Christian church for the past week continue with increased attendance and interest. It was thought by some that the congregations would become larger than the church would accommodate, but so far the auditorium of the church has barely held the large crowds that have gathered at each service in the evening. The morning services have been attended by fairly good congregations.

Rev. Mr. Miller, the evangelist, has been giving the people of Burlington some excellent sermons on vital subjects pertaining to the fundamental principles of Christianity and the present status of the moral and religious conditions of the world. Rev. Miller is one of the ablest Bible scholars that the people of Burlington have had the pleasure of hearing. His exposition of the doctrines of the Bible is so plain and simple that everyone may understand the teaching. The Bible lectures that are given at the morning services are very interesting and helpful. His sermons and lectures have occasioned much comment by the church people of the city who have heard him. His coming among our midst will doubtless mean much to the spiritual uplift of our citizenship.

Mr. Bell, the singer, has won the favor and admiration of all who have seen and heard him. He continues to delight the congregations with his beautiful voice, and the ease with which he conducts the song services is remarkable.

These services will continue thru this week. The morning service begins at 9:30 and the evening service at 8:00.

### MR. TAYLOR HURT.

Mr. H. C. Taylor, chief engineer of The Piedmont Railway Co., while making an investigation on the boiler at the power plant became overbalanced and fell about 24 feet Sunday morning, breaking his arm and bruising his face. He was carried to the hospital at Greensboro in the afternoon and operated on yesterday. While he is very painfully bruised, he is not seriously injured and at last report received from his family, he is resting well. Mrs. Taylor will leave today to be with him a few days.

### CHARGED WITH ROBBING MAIL BOXES.

Julia Bradshaw, colored, was before Esquire W. A. Hall, United States Commissioner, last Saturday charged with robbing mail boxes near Leasburg, in Caswell county. She was found guilty of the charge and bound over to the United States District Court at Greensboro June 7th, to answer the charge. In default of bail was committed to jail.

### THE OLD MAID'S CLUB.

The comic play entitled "The Old Maid's Club," was presented at Swepsonville last Saturday night to a large audience. This play was gotten up by the young ladies of the Webb Avenue Sunday School and has been given in this city, and at Mebane with very gratifying results. The play is proving quite a success and large audiences have witnessed it at the different places where it has been presented.

Keystone Finishing Mills are finishing heavy orders for export, having shipped out the past week, 1,200 pairs of hosiery to Buena Vista, South America. This cotton grow in Alamance county, spun, knit and finished in Burlington.

### THE YOUNG MEN'S DEBATING CLUB.

The Young Men's Debating Club of Burlington held its regular meeting on last Thursday night in the Masonic Hall with a very good attendance of members and a few visitors.

The program of the evening consisted of a debate on the following query: Resolved, "That Capital Punishment should be Abolished." The affirmative was represented by Messrs. Ralph Younger and Henry Jeffries and the negative was upheld by Messrs. Willie Terrell and J. R. Johnson. A splendid argument was produced by the speakers on both side. The committee rendered a decision in favor of the affirmative.

At this meeting the club adopted a slogan for the club which is "A. Y. M. C. A. For Burlington." The club has under consideration the matter of adding a library and reading room for the use of the members.

The program for this week's meeting promises to be very interesting. A debate on the question of Woman Suffrage and a recitation of a colored ministers' sermon are the main features of the program.

Every member of the club is urged to be present and visitors are always welcome to attend. The meetings are held on Thursday nights, beginning at eight o'clock.

### BURLINGTON.

Burlington, May 22.—Misses Jessamine and Cornelia Gant gave an afternoon tea at their lovely home on Front street Tuesday in honor of Mrs. James N. Williamson and her house guests, Mrs. Robert Oates, of Flat Rock and Mrs. J. O. Magruder, of Danville. The parlor, halls, library, sitting-room and dining room were all used for the occasion and beautifully decorated in sweet peas, peonies and thousands of roses. The hours were delightfully and informally spent in chatting and being sociable. Refreshments consisting of a salad course and ice cream and cake were served.

Mrs. Lynn B. Williamson was hostess Thursday afternoon to the Literary club at her home at Graham. Delicious refreshments were served. Invited guests were Messdames Oates and Magruder.

The music pupils of Mrs. Daisy Boyd gave their annual recital in the graded school auditorium, the primary and intermediate pupils Thursday night and the advanced Friday night. The auditorium was filled both nights with interested friends of the performers. Both programs were splendidly selected. The pupils rendered their numbers with great skill and showed splendid training. Especially good were the numbers of Misses Adelaide Whittemore and Vitus Nicholson, the song, "The Five Little Chick-a-Lick-ins" by the tots, the Milk Maids' Drill and the violin solos of little Agnes Boyd. She plays with the skill of an artist and shows rare talent in this line. Mrs. Boyd has a large class and has taken great care with them.

Mrs. John L. Bridgers, of Tarboro, came yesterday to visit Mrs. John Q. Gant.

### GETS TWENTY YEARS FOR KILLING HUSBAND.

Buffalo, N. Y., May 21.—Mrs. Cynthia Buffum, on trial on a charge of killing her husband, Willis Buffum, by giving him arsenic, pleaded guilty to second degree murder today. She was sentenced to twenty years imprisonment.

### DURHAM SCHOOL BUILDING BURNED.

Morehead Building Completely Destroyed Early Yesterday Morning by Insurance.

Durham, May 21.—Fire which caught in one of the upper stories of the Morehead school building at an early hour this morning so far got ahead of the fire department that the whole of this, the biggest school building in the city, was completely destroyed.

The alarm came in from five points on Main street at 3:45 and the whole building was a smoldering mass of ruins in two hours' time. The firemen were wholly unable to cope with the situation. They did not fight the fire, with a great deal of efficiency, according to many witnesses. One of the engines stopped at Five Points and waited till the fire had gained such headway that their presence was valueless before they went over to the school building.

The Morehead school building is the oldest in the city. It was erected about a quarter of a century ago, and was for many years the whole of the city system, containing all of the grades, including the high school as well as the primary and grammar grades.

It is now used as a grammar school and was the largest in the city. Its destruction a week before the end of the school will to a certain extent demoralize the work in that school at the end of the term. All of the records of the children for the past year as well as most of the school records, and many of the children's books, left there over night, were destroyed, for the fire had made such headway before it was discovered that it was impossible to save any of the property.

Superintendent E. D. Pusey has notified all of the children who were attending this school to report at the Fuller school on Monday morning. They will be met by their teacher, and arrangements will be made to carry on the work during the coming four weeks of the present term. Every building in the city is crowded at the present time. So Mr. Pusey hopes to make some arrangements for having two terms of school in some of the buildings in order that the Morehead school children can be accommodated.

The building was partially covered by insurance. There was \$26,050 insurance.

### A CARD OF THANKS.

Mrs. H. C. Taylor and family wish to express their appreciation for the many kind words and offer of assistance to them. They being recent residents makes the kindness rendered them in accident of Mr. Taylor more appreciative. While they cannot thank each one personally they take this method of thanking each one and assure them that every word and act was fully appreciated.

### ATTENTION RURAL CARRIERS.

The Alamance County Rural Carriers' Association will meet in annual convention in the city of Burlington on Monday, May 31, 1915.

The election of officers and other important business will come before the meeting. Come every member, every carrier and sub. carrier. You are expected.

W. J. BROOKS, Pres.  
J. A. LOWE, Sec.

### YOUTH IS HELD ON SERIOUS CHARGE.

Young Woman Claims He Promised To Pay Her Expenses in This City And Refused to Do So.

Charged with violation of the man so-called "white slave" Federal law, Carlisle Altman, 20 years old, of South Carolina, express messenger between Charlotte and Columbia, was arrested last night by a policeman when he came in on his run, and was placed in custody of United States Deputy Marshall E. S. Williams until he should be able to give \$350 bond. This his friends were endeavoring to secure.

Ethel Pate, also 20 years old, a young woman who has been living in Columbia, S. C., for two or three years and who is originally from a smaller South Carolina town, is the prosecuting witness. She told Chief of Police Moore that young Altman persuaded her to come here for an improper purpose and that he promised to pay her board and other expenses. She came on April 17, she says, and he paid her board at a home on North College street one week. Afterwards he refused to make further payments and so she invoked the "white slave" law in punishment. They have been together on a number of occasions during her stay here, she says.

In other circumstances substantially similar to the alleged facts, the person aggrieved would have redress in a civil suit for damages resulting from a breach of a verbal contract, but in this case which the young woman has invoked is of a much more serious character, since the maximum sentence in case of conviction is a long term of years in the Federal prison. It is not generally known, however, that the law was changed several weeks ago so as to make it possible, in some cases, to prosecute a woman who has been a party to the violation of the law. This change was made in order to decrease the likelihood of blackmail which was cropping out in all sections of the country.

Ethel Pate says all her immediate relatives are dead. She tells a circumstantial story, but makes no claim that any promise of marriage had been made or even discussed. The point at issue, say the police, was that she had been left adrift here to look out for herself.

The outcome of a prosecution for alleged "white slavery" is always uncertain because of divergent views of the class of cases the law was designed. One Federal judge has repeatedly thrown out cases where there was no evidence that the element of commercialism was involved. The statute is very sweeping in its terms and the previous character of a prosecuting witness is not germane.

Altman was noncommittal last night and made no statement. The woman states that they were registered separately at a local hotel on the night of their arrival and this assertion is capable either of proof or disproof and an investigation will have an important bearing on the case.

The case is set for a hearing before U. S. Commissioner J. W. Cobb tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock.—Charlotte Observer.

Doesn't Clarence Darrow's affirmation that American liberty "is a theoretical delusion" find some measure of refutation in the very fact that Clarence Darrow himself is at liberty?

Los Angeles is reported to have added an aeroplane squad to its police force. An appreciable percentage of the criminals out there must be given to high flying.

### GUILFORD COMMENCEMENT.

Exercises Begin Next Saturday With Conferring of Degrees Tuesday.

Guilford College, May 22.—The commencement exercises begin here next Saturday evening, May 29, with a music recital given by Miss Bertha Fox, assisted by her other students in the music department.

Sunday morning, May 30, Rev. F. Walter Grabs, class of 1894, will preach the annual baccalaureate sermon. The Rev. M. Grabs is now pastor of Bethania Moravian church. The address to the Y. M. C. A. will be delivered on Sunday evening at 8 o'clock by Rev. W. M. Craig, pastor of the First Baptist church of Wilmington. The Christian association consider themselves fortunate in securing the Rev. Mr. Craig.

Monday, May 31, is alumni day. The annual baseball game between the alumni and college students which is usually played in the afternoon of alumni day, is scheduled this year for 10 o'clock Monday morning in order not to conflict with the play which is to be presented by the senior class at 3 o'clock. This play promises to be the feature of the commencement as it seeks to portray "the elements and influences operative in the growth of Guilford college." Consisting of two parts, each of which is divided into five episodes, the play traces the development of Guilford college from 1750, the time of the coming of the Friends to New Garden, down to the close of the present year.

Monday evening the annual business meeting of the alumni association will be held, after which comes the alumni reception. All indications point to the presence of an unusually large number of alumni.

Tuesday morning, June 1, at 10 o'clock is the conferring of degrees and baccalaureate address. The address this year was to have been delivered by Dr. Rufus M. Jones, professor of philosophy in Haverford college, Pa., but protracted illness has necessitated the cancellation of that engagement. In his stead Dr. Isaac Sharpless, president of Haverford college, has been secured and will deliver the address. Dr. Sharpless is known to a large number of Guilfordians who are always glad to have him present and hear him speak.

### NEW PROVIDENCE MEMORIAL DAY, JUNE 6TH.

11 A. M.—Song, "Hark, Hark, My Soul."  
Doxology.  
Invocation.  
Song—"On Jordan's Stormy Banks."  
Scripture Reading.  
Offering.  
Song—"Some Sweet Day."  
Sermon by Dr. T. M. McConnell.  
Song—"Looking This Way."  
2 P. M.—Annual meeting, New Providence Memorial Association.  
Mr. W. H. HOLT, Pres.  
MISS ELLA J. ANDREWS, Sec.

Firemen in many cities are required to inspect business houses at least twice a year. This gives the firemen knowledge of the interior, causes him to warn the occupant and to see that proper conditions are maintained. Where prevention is practiced, firemen have more time for this sort of thing. In North Carolina quarterly inspection is required in the fire district and an annual inspection of all premises in the city or town.

An ice cream supper will be given on the lawn of the Reformed Church Saturday night. Every one invited.

### CHAPEL HILL LETTER.

Chapel Hill, May 24.—Preparations are being made in Chapel Hill for the approaching 120th commencement of the University of North Carolina. The exercises begin on Sunday, May 30th, and the concluding event of the four-day occasion comes with the commencement address on June 2. Judge A. Mitchell Palmer, of Stroudsburg, Pa., prominent in political affairs at Washington, will deliver the commencement address.

The opening event is the baccalaureate sermon in Gerrard Hall on Sunday morning, May 30. Bishop J. A. McKay, of Birmingham, Alabama, will make this sermon to the graduating class of approximately 80. The sermon will be preached at 11 o'clock in the morning.

The annual sermon before the Young Men's Christian Association will be delivered in Gerrard Hall at 8 o'clock Sunday night. Rev. G. T. Rowe, pastor of Memorial Methodist church, High Point, will preach this sermon.

Monday, May 31, will be devoted to the exercises of the graduating class. The contest for Mangum medal will be held in the morning in Gerrard Hall. Other events on the program of the day and night are senior "stunts" under Davie Poplar in the afternoon and the joint banquet of the Dialectic and Philanthropic Literary Societies in Swain Hall at night.

Alumni Day comes on Tuesday, June 1. R. D. W. Connor, of the University class of 1899, and secretary of the North Carolina Historical Commission, is the speaker of the day. Seven classes of the University will hold reunions on that day—classes of 1914, 1910, 1905, 1895, 1890, and 1885. Each class will have twenty minutes at its disposal, according to the program. In the afternoon a baseball game between two of the classes will be played, and alumni "stunts" will intersperse the game. The annual meeting of the board of trustees, annual debate between Dialectic and Philanthropic Literary Societies, and reception in Bynum gymnasium are the concluding events of Alumni Day.

Wednesday, June 2, is commencement day proper. Judge A. Mitchell Palmer will deliver his address in Memorial Hall in the morning at 11 o'clock. The conferring of degrees and announcements by the president will follow the commencement address.

### PLUNGES TO BURNING CHILD.

Boy Breaks Both Ankles in Jump To Save Baby in Flames.

Peter Seyer, 14 years old, was on the second floor of his home, 100 Fourth street, when he heard a child screaming in pain. He ran to the window and Andrew Seventko, 5, who lived in the same house, in flames in the yard.

With a cry of encouragement, he leaped through the window.

Both ankles were broken in the fall, but he hobbled to the child and rolled him in the dirt until the flames were extinguished. Young Seventko, who had been playing with matches, was taken to St. Mary's hospital where he died.—Passaic Dispatch.

"The American Chief Magistrate seems one chosen of heaven." This is the editorially expressed opinion of Col. Henry Watterson of The Louisville Courier Journal. Verily, times change and men change with them.

Billy Sunday says that if he were the judge he would set Harry Thaw free, but it is a safe statement that, if he did, he would do it over the protests of not a few lawyers.