

ORGANIZATION TO FOSTER HARMONY

To Fight Ku Klux Klan is One of Prime Motives Behind Organization.

Chicago, Sept. 15.—An organization to promote harmony and good feeling between all classes, races and religions in America was announced in the process of formation here today with Edward F. Dunne, former Governor of Illinois, at its head. The society will be known as the National Unity Council and its organization intend ultimately to spread it to every section of the country, according to Mr. Dunne.

One of the prime motives behind the organization, its sponsors said, was to combat the Ku Klux Klan and organization of councils which will be pushed particularly where the Klan has obtained a foothold.

In view of the fact that the Ku Klux Klan has adopted the weapon of mass action it was our desire to organize a society which shall develop harmony and good feeling between different classes, rather than enmity," Mr. Dunne said today. "Invitations were sent out last week to many prominent church, political, business and welfare men and the replies are coming in now. We will hold a meeting in a few days to complete plans."

Officers of the council have already been chosen on La Salle street, in the financial section of the city. The Ku Klux Klan, which maintains an office here under the name of the "Southern Publicity Bureau" was called a "menace to this and any community" by former Governor Dunne in the adoption of the "equipment of the burglar-masks and implements of violence."

BOYS CONFERENCES THROUGHOUT STATE

Closing the middle of December, six other boys' conferences will be held by the State committee of the Y. M. C. A. in all parts of the State, according to Roy L. Vail, boys' work secretary of the committee.

Conferences will be held at the following places:

Canton, October 14-15; Durham, October 21-23; Winston-Salem, October 28-30; Washington, November 11-13; Fayetteville, November 18-20; Charlotte, December 9-11.

At least 1,500 boys of North Carolina schools and organizations are expected to attend the conferences. Some of the most prominent speakers to boys in the country have been invited to address the different conferences. Home, church and school problems will be discussed during the period.

Mr. Vail announced that he expected about 500 boys to attend the Charlotte conference. He declared plans are being laid to make this conference one of the greatest meetings for boys ever held in the State.

The conferences this year are the third annual meetings of boys in North Carolina. The first was held about 15 years ago, and was not resumed until last year.

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WILL ASK FORTY-FOUR-HOUR WEEK

Full Support is Voted to Southern Textile Men Who Were on Strike.

New York, Sept. 15.—A campaign to make the forty-four-hour week the standard throughout the textile industry was launched Wednesday when delegates to the annual convention of the United Textile Workers of America adopted a resolution giving the executive council full power to act and "issue a proclamation to employers."

The economic strength of the organization, the resolution provided, should be utilized in obtaining the shorter working week, instead of asking for legislation. It was claimed that unemployment would be materially relieved by shorter working hours.

In connection with the campaign, the delegates went on record as giving their full support to Southern textile workers who have been on strike in numerous factory centers. In the South and a few other scattered regions, where working hours now total fifty and more weekly, the first move will be to obtain an agreement for a 48-hour week. In the places where 48 hours is the standard, a drive will be conducted for 44 hours and in the centers where the forty-four-hour week has already been established, the organization will exercise its strength to permit a change.

Plans for a drive for closer organization in North and South Carolina were announced. Officers stated that President Samuel Gompers, of the American Federation of Labor, who now is in Atlanta, had promised to give support to the movement. Textile plants in Canada where long hours have been established in woolen and cotton mills will also be centers for activity.

HOME BREW OUTFIT EXPLODES; TWO DEAD

New Orleans, Sept. 15.—John Toney and Anthony McCallen were killed and Mrs. Toney and her 12-year-old son Edward are in Charity hospital seriously burned as a result, the police say, of an exploding home brew outfit.

The explosion took place at Toney's residence. The police say the top of a copper still blew off and set fire to its contents. The garage in which it was located also was fired. In trying to rescue Toney, his wife and son were burned.

McCallen apparently was not acquainted with the family but was passing in an automobile and came to the rescue when he heard a woman's scream.

MEN COULD BE SAVED BY WOMEN PREACHERS

Chicago, Sept. 15.—If there were more women preachers in the pulpits, there would be more men in the churches, Miss M. Madeline Southard, president of the International Association of Women Preachers, told members of that organization at their convention here. Miss Southard accused men of "feminizing the church."

Quoting Frances Willard, she said: "Men have been preaching for 2,000 years and the large majority of their converts have been women. Suppose that women should share the preaching power, would not the majority of their converts be men?"

ANCIENT MARKER STILL STANDING

Tree Near Statesville Known to be Nearly 200 Years Old.

BY W. M. MOORE, Staff Correspondent of The News.

Statesville, Sept. 15.—There are probably only a few people in North Carolina who are aware of the fact that there stands near Statesville a vigorous tree that was called for as a corner in a deed written in colonial days, probably many years before the Revolutionary war. It is hard to realize that a tree could be standing today, and in a vigorous and healthy condition, that was known to be the identical marker which existed before George Washington became the "Father of His Country."

Two miles east from the public square in Statesville stands a stately hickory tree. Thousands of people for generations have passed under its shadow, along the public road, without being attracted by anything unusual, unless it should be its size. The diameter of the tree is about six feet and its height is probably 100 feet or more. The tree is in a perfect state of preservation except a few of the lower limbs which were broken by a severe windstorm last June.

Forty years ago, according to Dr. J. E. McLaughlin, who has kept in close touch with historical data handed down for generations concerning this ancient landmark, the State geologist, Professor Kerr, announced that there was not a tree west of Raleigh that was 100 years old. Major George W. Clegg, at that time county surveyor and later treasurer of Iredell county, Major Clegg was the grandfather of the present treasurer, R. F. Rives, took the matter up and wrote an article for the press concerning this tree which was published in the newspapers all over this State, and was copied in The Washington Post. Major Clegg stated that this hickory was called for in a survey in a grant of land made by the Earl of Granville in colonial days. On the south side of the tree the letters, "R. S." (Royal Survey) were carved deep into the bark. These letters have now disappeared, but Dr. McLaughlin says that they were plainly discernible 50 years ago. The hickory was a corner of the plantation of John Hart McLaughlin, Colonel Thomas Allison and Ross Simonson.

What is the age of this ancient landmark, this monarch of the forest and proud victor over the winter storms for many generations? It was an established corner when the American continent. It was nearly 150 years ago that our forefathers declared themselves free and independent of British misrule and tyranny. Why it should be safe to estimate that our tree is 175 years old, probably more than two centuries. It still possesses all the vigor and freshness of a young tree and there is no reason why it should not be able to weather the storms and withstand the blasts of the winters during another century.

THE McLAUGHLIN FARM.

The hickory tree, referred to above, in colonial times, marked the corner of the three plantations belonging to Colonel Thomas Allison, Ross Simonson and John Hart McLaughlin. The farms of the two former families have long since passed into other hands, but the McLaughlin estate still remains in the possession of the direct descendants of the grandfather who held the title under British rule. This remarkable farm, containing 256 acres, extends from the corporate limits of Statesville east to the colonial hickory corner, which is two miles from the public square.

The writer had a most delightful visit a few days ago to this well known estate, which for years has been jointly owned by Dr. J. E. McLaughlin and his brother, the late lamented Dr. B. McLaughlin, grandsons of the original owner, John Hart McLaughlin. The meadows, original forests abounding in squirrels, rabbits and birds, the songsters of various kinds, cool springs under every hillside from which refreshing and invigorating draughts can be secured at any time, are some of the things which fascinate and fascinate the lover of Nature. But we stop in wonder and amazement when we drive under the shadow of the two giant white oaks which stood in the yard of the cultured ancestor. There are no buildings here now, only a mound marks the spot where the home stood. Nothing but the magnificent white oaks remain of the old homestead, and in their presence we stand uncovered in admiration and wonder. The circumference of the trees, which are practically of the same size, is more than 30 feet, and the spread of the branches extends from 100 to 110 feet. While it is known that these giant oaks are not as old as the colonial hickory tree, which stands in sight just across the ravine, yet they are in all probability at least 135 years old. The trees are more remarkable for their beauty than for their age and size. With the exception of the scars made by lightning, their physical condition is absolutely perfect. The trees have grown in symmetrical proportions, with rich, dense foliage. They stand on fertile soil and have always been and are still, rapid growers. The trees were topped in 1842, when they were supposed to have been 1-1/2 or 2 feet in diameter. In Country Life of March, 1918, a picture and description of one of these trees appeared, written by R. B. McLaughlin.

USED RAFT TO FIND STILL.

Macon, Ga., Sept. 15.—Federal officers floated down the Ocmulgee river on a raft Wednesday afternoon hunting for a moonshine camp. They found a 300-gallon copper distillery and placed two men, whom they say were operating it under arrest.

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The suit comes in for the lion's share of attention nowadays—the occasions upon which they may be worn are innumerable, and one may go, in one, quite happily through a whole day, with the consciousness of being well dressed. The new styles are particularly attractive, as are the new materials, and you will be surprised at their price reasonableness.

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 - 40-inch Brocade Satin
 - 40-inch Brocade Black French Taffeta
 - 36-inch White Wash Satin
 - 36-inch Satins, Street and Evening Shades
 - 40-inch plain Pussywillow, black, white and colors

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 - 40-inch White Satin Elite
 - 40-inch Rose Satin Elite
 - 40-inch Fancy Pussywillow
 - 40-inch Brown and Black Brocade Satin
 - 40-inch Black Pussywillow Satin
 - 36-inch Black Metal Brocade
 - 40-inch Black Metal Brocade Georgette
 - 40-inch Black Canton Crepe

The New Fall Frocks

It is impossible to find more youthfully charming frocks than those designed by Peggy Paige, Betty Wales and the House of Youth. Of course they are the very last word as concerns styles, and the materials are of the smartest.

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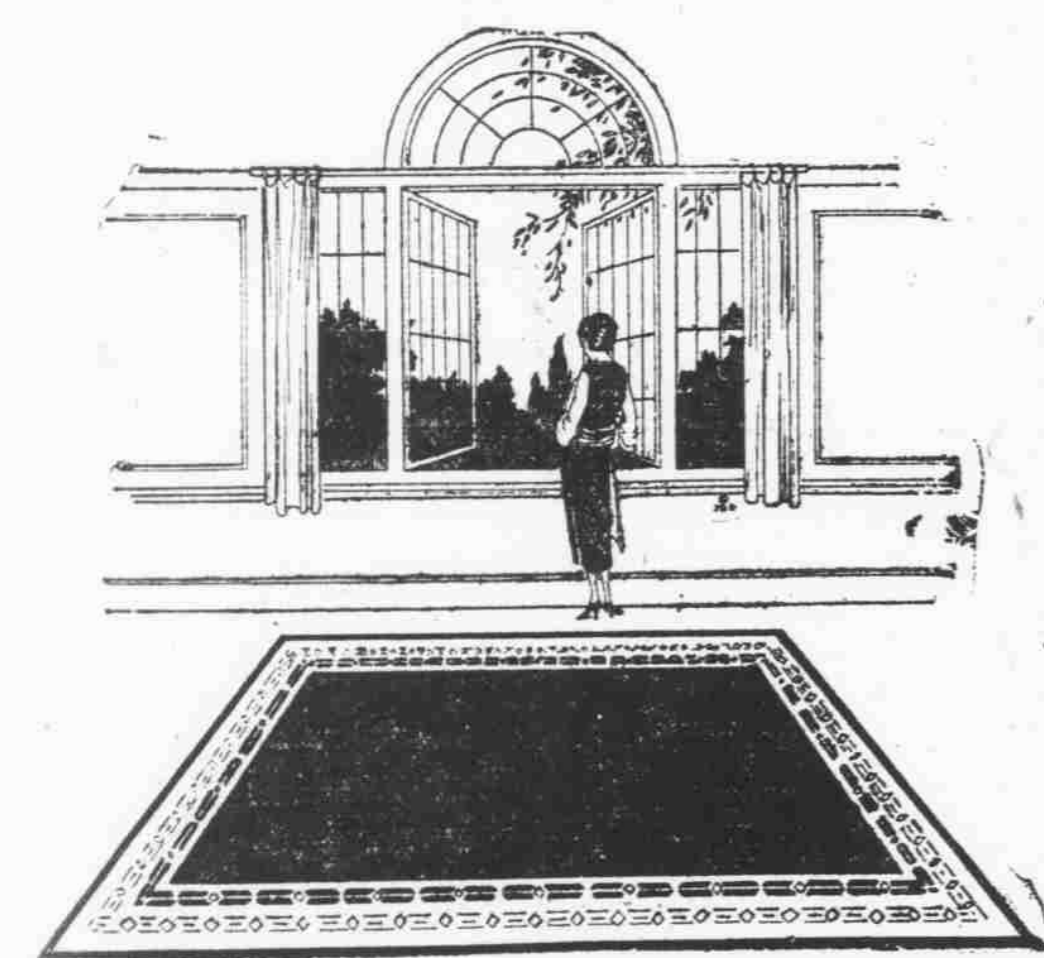
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