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ODD FEW LOWS ELECT AND INSTALL TWO NEW OFFICERS AND JOURNAL

Grand Lodge Will Hold Next Annual Convention at Goldsboro, N. C.—Mr. P. H. Williams Made Grand Master.

The Catawba River Encampment Will Confer Three Degrees at Closing Session This Evening At Mason Hall.

The Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F., at a business meeting yesterday afternoon, elected the following officers:

Grand Master: Mr. P. H. Williams (re-elected deputy grand master).

Deputy Grand Master: Mr. Frank D. Hackett, of Wilkesboro.

Grand Warden: Mr. W. H. Overton, of Iredell.

Treasurer for the Orphans' Home: Mr. C. F. London, re-elected to succeed himself for five years.

Representative to the Sovereign Grand Lodge for two years, meeting in September in Seattle, Wash.: Re-elected Grand Master H. M. Shaw, of Oxford.

There was a contest for the office of grand warden, the two other candidates being Messrs. J. T. King, of Wilmington, and B. D. Duckworth, of Charlotte. The vote was: Mr. Overton, 142; Mr. King, 87, and Mr. Duckworth, 74.

Mr. Williams is 49 years old. He was born in Camden county in September, 1860. He was educated at the Randolph Normal College, in Virginia, receiving his higher schooling there, after which he studied law, reading under Dr. John Manning at Chapel Hill. He was licensed to practice in 1887 and located in Elizabeth City.

Mr. Hackett is a native of Wilkes county. He was born in June, 1857, and received his education from the Emory and Henry College, in Virginia. He served in the U. S. Navy at Washington during the administration of President Pierce. Later he studied law under Major Harvey Bingham, Stateville, and was admitted to the bar in 1890.

Mr. Overton is a native of Moore county, having been born there in 1842. He moved to Fayetteville in 1870 and has lived there since. After teaching school several years, he engaged in the mercantile and insurance business in which he continued with marked success for several years. For five years he was postmaster at Fayetteville, receiving the appointment from President Cleveland. After retiring from the postoffice he engaged in the insurance business and was for several years one of the leading agents of the Southern Life. He associated himself with the Odd Fellows in 1873, being initiated in the Cross Creek Lodge No. 4, at Fayetteville. He joined the Grand Lodge in 1878, was elected grand warden in 1891, deputy grand master in 1892, grand master in 1893 and representative to the Sovereign Grand Lodge in 1894.

Mr. Woodell served 24 years as secretary of the Grand Lodge. He was born in Chatham county in 1839 and was educated in the public schools of that county. He joined the Confederate army in 1862 and was an efficient soldier until the close of the war. After the war he returned to his father's farm and remained there two years. He afterwards returned to Raleigh and again engaged in the mercantile business. In the spring of 1873 he joined the Odd Fellows, becoming a member of Seaton's Grand Lodge, No. 64. Mr. Woodell was elected grand secretary in 1885. There were only 42 lodges in the state at that time, and these had a membership of 1,200, and the receipts were \$1,417.37. Now there are 243 lodges with a membership of 15,370 and the receipts have increased to \$23,199.28.

The Decoration of Chivalry was conferred on both Mr. Woodell and Mr. Overton Tuesday night.

Mrs. Hattie Reed Whitaker, of Hendersonville, who was elected president of the Rebekah State Assembly, has held most influence in the advancement of Odd Fellowship in the Rebekah branch of the fraternity. She has organized 13 out of the 19 Rebekah lodges in the state and has been supervisor of the Seventh Rebekah district since July 1st, 1908, in which there are nearly as many lodges and members as all the rest of the state.

The Grand Lodge adjourned with the Davis Name to Be Replaced.

By Associated Press. Washington, May 13.—By the end of the present week the name of Jefferson Davis will have been chiselled again from the stone in the famous Cabin John bridge, west of this city.

Installation of officers at 1:30 this afternoon. The rest of the day, as a member of the lodge expressed it, will be devoted to taking in the city, which will include a street car ride, carriage drives and other things.

There is only one other session of the convention this evening when three encampment degrees will be conferred by the Catawba River Encampment. This will conclude the program.

The Rebekah branch of the order closed its meetings yesterday, nearly all of the ladies having returned to their homes.

The convention has been a great success. It was one of the largest attended in the history of the State Grand Lodge and everybody has apparently enjoyed every hour of their stay in Charlotte. They were given a cordial reception by the local members of the fraternity as well as citizens not members.

The presence here of the grand sire of the sovereign camp was a notable feature of the convention. The grand sire, Mr. W. F. Kuykendall, is a native South Carolinian and naturally his attendance upon the Grand Lodge sessions was of especial importance. Mr. Kuykendall left yesterday for Aiken, S. C., to attend the South Carolina Grand Lodge meeting, which is in session here this week.

Seventh Day Adventists

Washington, D. C., May 13.—The world's quadrennial general conference of Seventh Day Adventists assembled today at Takoma Park with the largest attendance by far that has ever gathered for counsel in the history of the denomination. Eight hundred delegates were present at the opening, of whom nearly one-fourth came from foreign countries. Nearly all of the countries of Europe are represented, together with Japan, India, Korea, China, Central and South America, Africa and Asiatic Russia.

The conference will remain in session three weeks, with the Rev. A. G. Daniel of this city presiding. Reports prepared by officers and committees for presentation to the conference show that the last four-year term has witnessed the greatest growth in the history of the denomination.

Meeting of Retail Merchants. The Charlotte Retail Merchants Association will hold a meeting tomorrow evening at 8:30 o'clock in their rooms in the city hall for the purpose of electing delegates to the state convention which will be held in Elizabeth city from June 16th to 18th, inclusive.

ALLEGED FLORIDA ANTI PASS LAW WAS VIOLATED

By Associated Press. Tallahassee, Fla., May 13.—Charges that many persons of prominence in Florida have accepted passes on railroads in Florida, contrary to law, have been submitted to the committee appointed to investigate the pass files of the state railroad commission. Report was referred to the committee on judiciary. Among those reported as having accepted passes are: United States Senator Tallaferro, Representative Frank Clark, Representative Robert W. Davis, A. C. Croom, state comptroller; W. T. Bunkert, secretary to Senator Tallaferro, United States District Judge J. W. Locke, United States District Judge Alexander Bowman.

While the anti-pass law of Florida does not affect in any way the federal officers, it specifically provides punishment by fine or imprisonment for giving by any railroad of passes to salaried employees of the state, any such officer accepting a pass being subjected to like penalties.

Illinois Historical Society Gathers

Springfield, Ill., May 13.—The tenth annual meeting of the Illinois State Historical Society opened this morning and will continue over tomorrow. The opening session was devoted to the business affairs of the society, including the reports of officers and committees, and the election of officers for the ensuing year.

The program this afternoon includes the presentation of papers as follows: "How Mr. Lincoln Received the News of His First Nomination," Clinton Conkling, Springfield; "The Winter of the Deep Snow," Mrs. Eleanor Atkinson, Chicago; "Efforts to Divorce Judicial Elections from Politics in Illinois," Judge O. A. Parker, dean of the law school of the University of Illinois.

The president's address by Gen. Alfred Orendorff and the annual address by President James of the University of Illinois are to be the chief features of the evening session.



Bank Wrecker On Trial

By Associated Press. New Orleans, La., May 13.—The trial of William Adler, former president of the now defunct State National Bank of this city, who was indicted on 72 counts for alleged misappropriation of funds of that institution, to the amount of more than half a million dollars, was concluded today with the charge of the judge to the jury.

Bobby Walthour Is Not Injured

By Associated Press. Paris, May 13.—There is no truth in the report that "Bobby" Walthour, the American bicyclist, has been injured in an accident here. Walthour is at present in Paris training for his forthcoming race with Darragon.

Mr. Ker Addresses Episcopal Gathering

Special to The News. Raleigh, May 13.—An interesting feature of the convention last night was the address by Mr. James Kerr, Jr., junior warden of St. Peter's church, Charlotte, on the mission work being done by the Episcopal church in Charlotte. He declared that Charlotte with her sixteen cotton mills afforded splendid fields for at least twelve useful missions, if only the men could be found to lead in each of the localities. He paid a high tribute to the church women of Charlotte and declared that the great need was for laymen who were willing to devote some of their time Sunday afternoons, especially to the mission work. He declared, too, that the people in the cotton mill settlements include as bright minds and as good people as will be found in any walk of life and that these people appreciate greatly any proper effort to aid in establishing the influence of the church in their midst.

Rev. Simon J. M. Brown, of Cooleman, also treated especially the work of the church among the cotton mill people, commending their liberality and general aggressiveness when fully enlisted in the work of the church. He declared that there are as bright intellects, as keen wit, as high character and native honesty and indeed as fine blood to be found among these people who begin work at 6 a. m., have 45 minutes for dinner and work to 6 p. m., and later, as can be found in other walks of life. He said that he has five charges only one of which is a cotton mill settlement, and that if all his other charges were as active and liberal as the cotton mill minister that he served, the diocese of North Carolina and the convocation of Charlotte would quickly be relieved of the necessity of bearing any part of the expense of the work.

A. & N. C. Railroad Cited To Appear

Special to The News. Raleigh, May 13.—The Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad Company is directed by the Corporation Commission to appear May 22 to show cause why that corporation, the largest stockholder in which is the state, should not be made a party to the proceeding pending before the commission to force the Norfolk and Southern lease of the A. & N. C. line to the Southern and Atlantic Coast Line at Greensboro.

Receivers of the N. & S. are pleading inability to bear one-third of the expense of the \$105,000 station and the order means if this inability plea is persisted in a move will be made to require the Atlantic and North Carolina to resume operation on the ground that the lease to the N. & S. is annulled by failure to properly operate the road.

DON'T BELIEVE WHAT SCHWAB SAID ON TARIFF

By Associated Press. Washington, D. C., May 13.—Senator Burrows, speaking in favor of the duty on iron ore, said under the reduction in the proposed bill of the senate committee \$32,000 in revenue would be lost to the government. Senator Rayner read instructions from newspapers to the effect that if the duty on iron ore be retained it would redound to the credit of the United States Steel Corporation.

Mr. Smith (Mich.) quoting from Charles Schwab, says that the witness had stated before the ways and means committee of the house that to put iron ore on the free list would reduce the price of the manufactured product. "I don't believe a word he said," retorted Mr. Rayner.

"I don't believe some things, either," replied Mr. Smith (Mich.). "I don't believe a word he says on this subject," repeated Mr. Rayner. "There seems to be something about the tariff that perverts the human mind and aspirations and longing of the soul for truth."

Democrat Submit Statement. Senator Culberson presented to the senate a statement prepared by Democratic members of the finance committee, defining increase which the amended Payne bill makes over rates of the Dingley tariff law. Figures are mentioned for each article in the bill, but no estimate is made of the general average.

As to Duty on Tea. Senator Tillman introduced an amendment to the tariff bill making tea dutiable at 10 cents a pound. The purpose is to protect the tea industry of South Carolina.

IN THE HOUSE.

Taking up the Philippine tariff bill Mr. Payne, chairman of the ways and means committee, explained the necessity for the bill. Replying to Mr. Robinson (Ark.), Mr. Payne said he could not prophesy when the Philippines would be given self-government. "Is the negro capable of self government?" Mr. Payne inquired.

This question was asked Mr. Robinson, who at the time the negro was capable of self government, but that he did not believe the negro was capable of governing the world. "And," he added, "I don't intend he shall do so." The bill, he said, had nothing to do with the so-called race problem. He presented the intimation that his community was less capable of self-government than any other community.

Motion for New Trial Denied "Night Riders"

By Associated Press. Waverly, Tenn., May 13.—The 14 alleged night riders convicted of whipping Squire J. M. Reese, and who were sentenced to 10 days in jail and a fine of \$500 each on a motion for a new trial Tuesday was denied. Bail of \$2,000 for each of the defendants was agreed on and Justice Cook suspended the fine and costs in each case until the next term of court.

Modern Tigrath Pileser Kills Two Giraffes

By Associated Press. Nairobi, British East Africa, May 12.—Roosevelt's hunting trips continue successful. The animals most recently fallen before his gun include two giraffes and one rhinoceros. Kermit Roosevelt, his son, has succeeded in bringing down a big bull giraffe. The entire party will break camp near Machakos tomorrow and move to the J. A. branch of George McMillan. All are well.

"Old Glory" Breaking Out

Decorations Promise to Make the City a Dream of Loveliness—Press of Country Devoting Much Attention to Charlotte.

Breaking out constantly in new places and gladdening the eye with its splendor, is Old Glory and the national colors of red, white and blue. Charlotte is speedily taking on a holiday attire. Two decorative firms are doing all they can and more, too, to beautify the city. A number of store buildings on Tryon street on either side of the square are now dressed for the 20th, and several on Trade have also donned garments of brilliance. By the time President Taft and Mrs. Taft reach the city, it will be a city beautiful indeed.

At night the city is going to be more beautiful than even in the day, and many are saying it is a pity that the guests of honor will see so little of Charlotte, as she is adorned by the electric current which the Catawba river is sending up to us for the purpose. The presidential party leave in the early evening. The pinnacle of red, white and blue lights on Independence Square is beautiful at night, and so is the long string of incandescents that line the streets on either side.

From the ten stories of the Realty building to-day thousands of small flags are fluttering, two from every window in the building, and the effect is extremely pretty.

At the big grandstand there runs a border of hunting around the entire structure, showing the national colors in a pretty effect of red stars bordered with red and blue.

Workmen were high up in the dome of the new courthouse this morning arranging for the flinging out of his flags and for the outlining of the dome in electric lights. Across the way the band stand is being put into shape. President Taft will stand in the front of this platform of the grandstand, both when he reviews the parade in the morning and when he and others speak in the afternoon.

The huge arches in honor of the president are coming along and are as handsome as any ever seen anywhere. Wherever the president of the nation is there the eyes of the nation are turned. All America will be looking Charlotteward on the 20th of May, 1909. It is already evident that this is true from the attention that is being paid to the celebration by the press of the country. The New York Herald, which in 1875, the centennial year, got out a special Mecklenburg Declaration edition, and sent a carload of papers here, will this year have a special edition. The Philadelphia Record will publish a special article in reference to the celebration on May 16th. The Associated Press will have a staff of men here. Surely the New York Sun will not lose this opportunity for a good story, as it always stands so staunchly for Americanism and patriotism. The Atlanta papers, the Philadelphia Inquirer, the New Orleans Picayune, the Memphis Commercial Appeal, The Cincinnati Inquirer, the Chicago Record-Herald, and many other papers are arranging to have special articles and reports of the celebration.

The celebrities who will be here have already been mentioned. The list increases every day. There will be a goodly number of senators and representatives who will drop down with the President and the First Lady of the Land. Senators Overman, Simmons, Johnston, of Alabama; Cummins of Iowa; Dixon, of Montana; Governor Kitchin, Gov. Hoke Smith, of Georgia; Speaker of the Georgia House of Representatives, J. M. Slanton and his wife, and others, including Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Vanderbilt, are expected.

Mr. D. A. Tompkins and Maj. J. C. Hemphill, of the Charleston News and Courier, have been invited to be in the box with the president while the latter is making his address. They will also accompany him to Biddle at the time he speaks to the students out there.

The reception to the President and Mrs. Taft will be managed after the fashion of a public reception in the White House, in Washington. The crowd will be admitted to the Selwyn by the Church street door and make its exit at the front on Trade street. In the receiving party will be Gov. and Mrs. Kitchin and Mayor and Mrs. Hawkins. The governor's staff will also be in line.

A silver paper weight, designed and made by Mr. Carl Benheim, showing the face of President Taft, will be presented to him as a souvenir of his visit. It will bear his name and the date.

Chairman Moore, of the Central-Committee, has appointed, in connection with local newspaper men, the following committee to look after the visiting newspaper men: Messrs. J. Leak Spencer, John M. Craig, John Bass Brown, I. C. Lowe and Thomas H. Ross, to assist in providing for these men. It was decided by the committee that Mr. R. M. Miller, Jr., president of the Southern Manufacturers' Club, and Mr. R. A. Lee, president of the Colonial Club, be asked to appoint special committees to entertain these visitors.

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Funeral of Bishop Galloway Held To day

By Associated Press. Jackson, Miss., May 13.—The funeral of the late Bishop Galloway, of the Methodist church, took place today. The First Methodist church could not hold the vast concourse that assembled to pay tribute to the dead divine. Hundreds of members of the Methodist clergy from all parts of the state and many from adjoining states came to attend the obsequies. Orations were delivered by Bishop Hendrix, of Kansas City, and Bishop Candler, of Atlanta.

Supreme Court Decisions.

Special to The News. Raleigh, May 13.—The North Carolina supreme court disposed of nine appeals to-day with opinions and otherwise as follows: Balliere vs. Shingle Co., New Hanover, reversed. Newton vs. Brown, Pender, affirmed. State vs. Chine, Catawba, error. Mamey vs. Leather Co., McDowell, affirmed. Pool vs. Anderson, McDowell, affirmed. Crawford vs. Railroad, McDowell, new trial.

State vs. Daniel, McDowell, per curiam, affirmed. Suttle vs. Lumber Co., Buncombe county, dismissed under rule 17. Gillespie vs. Gillespie, Transylvania, dismissed for failure to file briefs.

FURTHER STORIES OF MALTREATMENT OF ARMENIANS

By Associated Press. Marash, Asiatic Turkey, May 13.—Distressing accounts continue to be received here from the countryside of Armenian villages assailed by bands of Mohammedans who, acting on the supposition that Armenians were rising against the government, were quick to strike the first blow. The men were killed whenever found within reach of knife or bullet. The girls were often maltreated, and some of them were carried off to become wives or slaves of rich men. Houses were sacked and then burned, farm animals were driven off, and small parties of horsemen rode through the country "cleaning up the Armenians."

Association of Museums.

By Associated Press. Philadelphia, Pa., May 13.—Modernizing old museums and the problem of properly classed exhibits were among the subjects taken up by the annual convention of American Association of Museums. The following officers were elected: President, J. A. Lucas, Brooklyn; vice-presidents, S. R. Morse, Trenton, N. J., and W. H. Schoff, Chicago; secretary, Paul M. Rea, Charleston, S. C.; treasurer, William P. Wilson, Philadelphia.

Case of Samuel Hardy.

By Associated Press. Richmond, Va., May 13.—Samuel Hardy, of Suffolk, under sentence of death for the murder of Tiberius Gracchus Jones, of Nansemond, was granted a writ of error and supersedeas in the supreme court of appeals. The case is one of the most celebrated in the criminal annals of that section.

"Sons of the Confederacy."

By Associated Press. New Orleans, May 13.—Incident to the proposal to change the name of the United Sons of Confederate Veterans to "The Sons of the Confederacy," and to enlarge conditions for membership in the organization, Camp Beauregard, of the Sons of this city, has given formal notice it will fight to the last any such movement. "Or proposed amendments which would let down the bars of membership to all comers, even sons of men who served in the North and sons of former slaves."

Runaway on College Street.

There was a runaway on College street today about 12 o'clock. A horse hitched to a street carriage became frightened and ran for about 200 yards towards East Trade. He ran into a dray and was stopped. Beyond a little injury to the carriage no damage was done.

Although Most of The Attendants Are From South, Many Came From East and North—The Day's Program.

Sensation of Convention Was Announcement of Millionaire of Intention to Give Most of His Fortune to Service of God.

By Associated Press. Louisville, Ky., May 13.—When Joshua Levering, of Baltimore, called to order the first regular session of the Southern Baptist Convention he faced perhaps 5,000 delegates.

Most of them came from the Southern states, but there were some from the East and North. Many prominent Southern writers had places on today's program which included the election of officers, adoption of resolutions and a sermon by Rev. Dr. E. C. Dargan, of Macon, Ga.

The sensation of the convention so far has been the announcement to laymen last night that Joseph N. Sheenstone, millionaire manufacturer of Toronto, Ontario, that he would keep of his immense fortune only enough for his future living expenses and would devote the remainder to the service of God.

Will Protect American Interests in Turkey

By Associated Press. Alexandria, Asiatic Turkey, May 13.—United States revenue cutter, Taboma, arrived here Wednesday for the protection of American interests. The Taboma is the first American ship to appear in Turkish waters since the beginning of the massacres and disorders in Asiatic Turkey.

Location of National Headquarters Arousing Interest

By Associated Press. Boston, May 13.—Consideration of the location of the national headquarters aroused the most interest at the session of the Order of Railway Conductors at the 32nd grand division convention today. Cedar Rapids and Indianapolis are making strong bids.

BILLIARD PARLORS IN CHESTER? Question of Putting Them Back is Being Agitated.

By Associated Press. Chester, S. C., May 13.—Will Chester again have pool and billiard rooms? This is the question to be debated and voted upon at the next meeting of Mayor Samuel's council. A little over a year ago enough A. R. P's were voted into the city council to vote out the above games, and, at the recent election a new mayor and council were elected, and the first problem to be solved is the pool and billiard games.

The whole city is worked up over it and especially the voters who elected the new officers.

Hotel Men Meet.

By Associated Press. Atlanta, Ga., May 13.—Several hundred delegates of the Hotel Men's Mutual Benefit Association arrived here from Chattanooga for the convention today. Features of today's entertainment were a parade, auto ride, luncheon, dinner and vaudeville program in a hotel.

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