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Thanksgiving Day Observed The Whole County Over

New York Provides Food For Three Thousand Vagrants—The Observance on A Bigger Scale Than Ever Before—Reports From Many Cities.

Chicago Offers Treat To A Thousand Convicts—They See Vaudeville Show And Feast on Turkey—The Day At The Nation's Capital.

The Day at Savannah. Savannah, Ga., Nov. 27.—Savannah observed Thanksgiving Day today. There were services in all the churches and the cotton exchange, board of trade and similar organizations closed for the day.

Washington, Nov. 27.—As President Wilson intends to leave early tomorrow for New York to spend part of the day with friends and go to the army-navy football game Saturday he had a long talk with Chairman William F. McCombs of the democratic national committee and in the afternoon had an engagement with Sir William Tyrrell, private secretary to Sir Edward Grey, the British foreign secretary.

At Chicago. Chicago, Nov. 27.—Regardless of stormy weather conditions Chicagoans observed Thanksgiving more extensively than ever before.

England Raises a Query. London, Nov. 27.—The timely question of whether the European custom of eating turkey at Christmas is older than the American custom of eating turkey at Thanksgiving time is raised in a two-column article in The Times today.

At Columbia. Columbia, S. C., Nov. 27.—Thanksgiving Day was generally observed as a holiday in the state capital today. All city offices and public schools were closed.

At Charleston. Charleston, S. C., Nov. 27.—Thanksgiving is being celebrated here today by many athletic events. Two football games, all day golfing over new 18-hole course at the Country Club, a cross country run by five local organizations this morning, and much fishing and fishing were features.

Zelaya Gets Hearing Today. New York, Nov. 27.—After spending the night on the bare boards of a cell in a police station, Jose Santos Zelaya, former president of Nicaragua, arranged through his counsel for a hearing today.

REBELS TURN THEIR EYES TO CHIHUAHUA CITY

Federals, Encumbered With Wounded, Lacking Provisions and Short of Ammunition Struggle to Reach Chihuahua City—Rebels Have Similar Plans.

Soldiers Continue to Tell Tales of The Two Days' Fighting—Is Foreign Property in Danger? Much Anxiety is Felt—Oil Wells Are in Danger, it is Feared.

El Paso, Tex., Nov. 17.—Encumbered with wounded, lacking provisions and practically without ammunition, those left of the 4,000 Mexican government soldiers who for two days fought to regain Juarez for Provisional President Huerta continued their struggle today to reach Chihuahua City, where they hope to entrench themselves in the federal garrison.

For another day at least the commander of the rebels will permit his men to rest while he obtains provisions and arms for an attack on Chihuahua which if successful will drive the federals from their last stronghold in the Northern States.

Then came the federals, who from a distance of about five miles detoured, unloaded their field artillery and began the attack. Desultory firing continued until after dark when General Villa with reinforcements attacked the main column of the federals.

Here the fiercest engagement of the revolution was fought in almost hand-to-hand combat. The main body of rebels, traversing a direct line to the South, arrived at the designated point of meeting just a few minutes before the flank reinforcements appeared.

Hearing the sound of conflict the troopers from left and right wing obeyed the "adelante redoblando" cry of their commanders and hastened into the fight. The cavalry was ordered to make flank charges upon the enemy, both left and right, and the infantry ran to the aid of the main column, threw their weight in the scale of battle and turned what might have been a federal victory into an utter rout.

Outnumbered and overpowered the government troops withdrew in disorder, the rebels hid to their trains which were hastily backed down the track. But closely pursued by cavalry from General Villa's forces one group of federals were unable to entrain before the enemy had reached them, surrounding the train and made the federals prisoners.

The heaviest loss of the entire battle was said to have occurred Monday night in the battle at close range and the casualties of other encounters and engagements were light, with the possible exception of the fight made by Jose Ynez Salazar to penetrate the rebel line to the east of Juarez Monday night and Tuesday morning. General Salazar stood his ground and led his forces until wounded seriously.

CONFERENCE BEGINS SECOND DAY'S SESSION TODAY

Examining Committee Made Report This Morning—Conference Session Largely Attended and Interest Maintained.

No Afternoon Session of Conference—Anniversary Board of Church Meets Tonight—Address by Dr. Anderson.

The conference convened at 9 o'clock with Bishop James H. McCoy in the chair. Rev. J. C. Rowe, D. D., pastor of Central church, Asheville, conducted the devotional service with which the conference session began.

The minutes of the session of Wednesday were read and approved. On motion, the conference ordered that the calling of the roll be dispensed with during the remaining days of the conference.

A telegram of greeting was received from the South Carolina Conference, now in session at Rock Hill. The secretary was instructed to make suitable reply, in the name of this conference.

Bishop McCoy called minute question 10. "What travelling preachers are elected deacons?" In answer to this question the following named members of the class of the second year having passed the examination of character and the committee of examination were advanced to the class of the third year and were elected to deacons' orders: Walter B. Davis, J. M. Folger, T. J. Folger, Alfred C. Gibbs, R. F. Honeycutt, Marcus T. Smathers, W. B. Shire. The following named members of this class were continued in the class of the second year: William R. Shelton, C. G. W. Williams.

At their own request minute question 9 was called. "Who are the deacons of one year?" Answering this question, the following named undergraduates having passed the examination of character and the committee of examination of the third year were advanced to the class of the fourth year: Rufus K. Brady, Arthur P. Rutledge, Edward B. Stabler, Robert L. Duggett, J. G. W. Holloway, James F. Moser, Carl B. Allison, George A. B. Holderby, Philip L. Shore, J. P. Hornbuckle, Elmer A. Simpson, G. W. Vick and E. L. Howell. Two members of this class—T. R. Robertson and W. O. Davis—having passed the examination of character, but not having passed the committee examination, were continued in the class of the third year.

Minute question 2 was called: "Who remain on trial?" Answering this question the following named undergraduates having passed the examination of character and the committee on examination, were advanced to the class of the second year: Luke P. Brothers, Dwight W. Brown, Robert L. Ferguson, Jacob L. Hickman, Zebulon V. Johnston, James E. McSwain, Robert F. Mook, Walter M. Smith, W. L. Edwards, Roger H. Hasty, W. L. Hughes, Richard C. Kirk.

Among the many things to come before the Western North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, which are of outstanding interest is the election of delegates to the General Conference which will be held at Oklahoma City in May, 1914. The General Conference is held quadrennially and being the highest court of the church, special honor is attached to the honor of representing the various annual conferences in that body. The representation from each annual conference is regulated as follows: One clerical and one lay delegate for every 48 members of the annual conference. The Western North Carolina Conference is entitled on this basis to six clerical and six lay delegates. It is probable that the delegates from this conference will be fixed for Saturday, and owing to the special interest concerning the election, it is probable that the entire session of one day will be required to complete the election and it may be necessary to continue the election into a second day. The election of delegates will be begun probably on Saturday and the undergraduates who are eligible for reception into full connection will be received on Friday and after reception into full connection they will be entitled to vote on the question of election of delegates to the general conference, and on all other questions to come before the body.

S. C. CONFERENCE AT ROCK HILL

Special to The News. Rock Hill, Nov. 27.—The 122nd session of the annual conference of the M. E. church, South, convened Tuesday morning at 9:30 o'clock in the Methodist church, Bishop A. W. Wilson presiding. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered by Bishop Collier. Denney, assisted by Rev. T. C. O'Dell, E. O. Watson and W. L. Wake. Temporary Clerk E. O. Watson called the roll which was responded to by 177 clerical and twenty-one lay delegates. On motion Rev. E. O. Watson was re-elected as secretary, and Rev. W. L. Wake and Rev. A. E. Holler as assistants. Rev. R. E. Turnipseed was elected as statistical secretary.

The appointment of the various committees was announced by Bishop Wilson, and the work of the conference was begun in earnest.

Question 22 was called, and an examination of the presiding elders and ministers was completed. When the name of Rev. S. A. Nettles, editor of the Christian Advocate, was called, Rev. T. F. Kilgore, presiding elder, stated that in view of certain rumors circulated regarding his character Rev. S. A. Nettles had demanded an investigation. The committee that had been appointed found that no trial was necessary. After this statement Rev. A. J. Cautchen, presiding elder of the Spartanburg district, moved to appoint a committee of investigation to look into the Nettles matter. Revs. R. E. Turnipseed, E. T. Hodges and J. S. Beasley were appointed on this committee.

Bishop Wilson was appointed to preach the Thanksgiving sermon Thursday morning at 12 o'clock. During the morning Bishop Denney was called to the chair and a collection of \$131 for Paine College at Augusta, Ga., was taken.

The conference will meet at 9:30 and adjourn at 1 o'clock daily. Each afternoon and night there will be meetings of the various committees in different places, and there will be preaching during the afternoons and nights.

Anderson Merchant Ends His Life. Anderson, S. C., Nov. 27.—J. T. Jones, a prominent dry goods merchant, committed suicide by shooting himself through the head in a store here after driving his clerks from the building and terrorizing by promiscuous firing, other persons who tried to interfere.

He was the only person struck by the bullets from his revolver. Ill-health is believed to have been the cause of his act.

Great Annual Game Of Foot Ball Today At Wearn Field

Wake Forest And Davidson College to Contest on Charlotte Gridiron This Afternoon—A Great Battle Ahead

Both Teams With Scores Of Backers Here Ready For The Fray—City Agog With Interest—Hundreds to Witness Game.

With colors flying and interest tense the Presbyterians and Baptists representing Davidson College and Wake Forest College, are drawn up in battle array awaiting the fight on the gridiron at Wearn Field this afternoon.

The Presbyterians came down nearly 300 strong—players and friends. The Baptists number about 50 all told. The game this afternoon is the event of the day, and the city is agog with interest, local enthusiasm running neck and neck in fever heat with that of the players.

The Presbyterians are at the Central, the Baptists at the Selwyn. The great social event in connection with the game is the reception to night at Queens College. The college will be brilliantly illuminated and decorated in all that tends to inspire the college spirit and challenge the aesthetic eye.

Davidson's last practice was held behind closed gates yesterday. Much credit is due to Coach Cook of Davidson, who having only three men of last year's varsity, has developed a wonderful team.

The entire bodies of both colleges are here to witness the game, and will pull off some of the loudest "rooting" that has ever "raised the roof" of Wearn's Field.

The following will be the probable line-up of Davidson: Crayton, right end; Groer, right tackle; Brady, right guard; Peters, center; Howell, left tackle; Cosby, left end; Elliot, quarterback; Land, left halfback; Walker, right halfback; Kessler, fullback. Crayton, right end, weight 170 height, 5 feet 11 inches. "Pete" is a Charlotte boy, and has played a splendid game this season. He is steady and keeps his head—"Pete" can always be counted on. Groer, right tackle, weight 220, height 5 feet 11 inches. "Slim" is the largest man on the squad, and has showed himself to be the football "stuff". This is his first year on varsity, but he has played a great game. Howell (Cap.) weight 176, height 5 feet 10 inches. This is "Nasty's" second year, and too much cannot be said in his favor. He is a terror to his opponents. Peter's, center, weight 185, height 6 feet 1 inch. "Pete" is a great defensive player and is equally well on the offense. This is also his second year, and his fame is known through the South. Cosby, left end, weight 165, height 5 feet 11 inches. "Bud" is a sure tackle and is a great punter. He is in fine trim and will punt today. Brady, right guard, weight 180, height 5 feet 10 inches. Brady is one of those kind that fights to the finish. He is strong and fast and is feared by his opponents. Kessler is the smallest man on the squad, and one of the best. He is the fastest little runner you ever saw, and quick as lightning. Besides the big game the scrubs will play the Charlotte All-Stars and a close match is expected. Carlisle Wins Game. By Associated Press. Providence, R. I., Nov. 27.—Final score: Carlisle 13; Brown 0. —After December 1st Mr. James Steere is to be with the firm of Garibaldi, Bruns & Dixon. Mr. Steere is a skilled jeweler. He has been with B. F. Roark.

THE WEATHER. Forecast for North Carolina: North Carolina, unsettled, probably local rains late tonight or on Friday; light to moderate variable winds.