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THE JUBILEE CONVENTION.

Detailed Report of This Interesting Meeting in Salisbury Last Week.

The twenty-fifth annual convention of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the North Carolina Lutheran Synod was opened at St. John's church, Salisbury, Friday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock by Mrs. J. A. Linn, president. Misses Ora Hoover, of Concord, and Agnes Phifer of Charlotte, were appointed a committee on credentials. There was a large per cent. of the Woman's, Young People's and Children's Societies represented. Mrs. Linn read the annual report. This was the best report in the history of the Society. From the report briefly is gleaned the following:

The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the North Carolina Lutheran Synod was organized in Concord, on April 24th, 1885—twenty-five years ago. There were six local societies in the Synod at the time with a membership of 160. The amount raised that year was \$275. The organization now has eighty-seven societies with a number of auxiliary societies—Young People's and Children's Societies. The amount raised this year is \$4,181.74 which is a considerable increase over last year.

The society was organized by Rev. W. P. Swartz, a minister at India. There have been two women's societies organized since the inauguration, one at St. Michael and one at Lexington.

Misses Agnes Phifer and Marie Yeager were appointed to arrange a special program for a children's meeting in St. John's church Sunday night. After the reports by the President and the treasurer, Dr. M. M. Kinard, pastor of the church, made a few remarks bidding the ladies welcome to Salisbury. He was responded to by Mrs. R. L. Patterson, of Charlotte.

St. Mark's church, Charlotte, is the banner society this year, having raised \$404.38. The evening session, on account of rain, was delayed in opening, but by 8:30 a good crowd had gathered. After devotional exercises Miss Constance Cline read a historical sketch of the Society. This was an excellent account of the Society's work during its existence of twenty-five years.

Rev. J. E. Shenk, of Greensboro, then delivered the opening address of the convention, beginning with the words "God bless the Christian women." His subject was the words of the Master "Whom shall I send or who will go." At the close of Rev. Shenk's talk Dr. Kinard announced a reception by the local society. This was held in the Sunday school room and was a most delightful affair.

The Saturday morning service of special importance were reports from Home Mission points, High Point and Greensboro. Rev. M. L. Canup presented the report from High Point and Mr. Shenk from Greensboro. At the afternoon session officers for the year were elected, which are as follows:

Mrs. J. A. Linn, president; Mrs. Q. W. Patter, first vice-president; Mrs. R. L. Patterson, second vice-president; Miss Constance Cline, third vice-president; Miss Mattie Miller, recording secretary; Miss Mary Brown, corresponding secretary; Mrs. P. N. Hellig, honorary treasurer; Mrs. A. W. Wine-coff, active treasurer.

Mr. C. N. Brown, of the Salisbury Post, presented the delegates and visitors at the Convention with beautiful white satin badges.

The badges contained the following words: "Jubilee Convention, W. H. and F. M. Society." A business meeting was held Saturday night. Rev. A. J. Stirewalt, the Children's Missionary, arrived Saturday for the convention.

The Biggest Melon Yet.

Mr. J. H. McDaniel, of No. 8, came to the front a week or two ago with a watermelon that weighed 61 pounds. This brought out John Eagle, of Mt. Pleasant, in the same township, who had a melon that went Mr. McDaniel ten pounds better. Now comes Mr. Maurice Troutman, also of No. 8, who lives on Mrs. J. L. Peck's place, who has a melon that tips the scales to the 72 pound notch. No. 8 seems to hold the banner as the best watermelon township of the county.

Excursion to Winston-Salem.

Mr. C. Hoke Peck and others will run an excursion from Concord to Winston-Salem on Saturday, September 10. Fare for round trip, \$1.25. Train will leave here in the morning, and return same night, via Barber Junction.

Dr. John A. Thames, of Greensboro, will soon move to Wilmington, where he will open a sanitarium for the treatment of diseases of women and children. He formerly lived in Concord, and married a daughter of Rev. J. W. Cecil.

Mrs. C. S. Stone, of Charlotte, is visiting at the home of her father, Capt. J. M. Alexander. Mr. Stone spent yesterday here.

THE TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

Outline of Lesson Given in Reading by Mrs. C. L. Stevens.

Friday the Institute was half over. Considering the faithful and regular attendance of the teachers upon each session of the work and the earnest and painstaking efforts of the conductors to teach the subjects, we can but feel that much good will result from this week's work. Most of the teachers come regularly, are on time and attend each exercise.

Since reading is an important and much abused and very neglected subject in some of our schools, an outline of a lesson given by Mrs. Stevens is given. She first stated that a reading lesson should be taught and not heard. The steps given in teaching the lesson are:

1st. Arouse an interest by telling the story to the children so as to bring it within the child's experiences.

2nd. Teach the words by phonics and by sight.

3rd. Teach the meaning of the words by using them in simple sentences.

4th. Fix the words in the child's mind by drill and use.

5th. Group the words and phrases so as to enable the child given the proper expression or see the important words. All this is done without the book. The child is then allowed to take the book.

6th. Let the child find words in lesson.

7th. Read alternately with the children.

8th. Let the children read to themselves and tell what they have read.

9th. Help the child see the picture painted by the words.

10th. Help to think the thought and reproduce the scenes.

11th. Have them read the lesson as a whole and tell the story.

It seems to us that this is teaching.

Hot Fight in Iredell.

The political pot is getting warm in Iredell county. The insurgents have made sundry demands of the regulars among which are that salaries of the county officers should be fixed by the county, doing away with the per cent. basis; that no county officers shall hold office more than two consecutive terms; that no public official shall be allowed to hold the chairmanship of any party; that the office of county treasurer shall be abolished, thereby saving the county the sum of \$1,800, the salary received by the treasurer.

These contemplated reforms drawn up in the form of party planks, were signed by M. W. White, D. R. Howard, J. M. Robertson, W. L. Dunlap and P. B. Kennedy. They were presented to County Chairman Hartness, who after conferring with the managers, plead non currence, insisting on party harmony. The fight is against machine politics in the county.

Hat Within a Hat for Theatre Wear.

The retail milliners assembled in convention at Chicago have solved the theatre-hat problem by the simple means of selling Milady Theatre-goer two hats. The big fluffy picture hat will carry just as many plumes and ribbons as in former years but beneath this there will be an elaborate little turban of velvet, satin or some shimmering, elusive, filmy material that will not prevent others from seeing the stage.

This new device will be known as the French Turban. In explaining how it is used Mme. Maerie, President of the association, said: "The big picture hat is made so that it fits perfectly over the little turban. The trimmings of the latter peep from under the larger hat and really makes it more effective."

The Canada Trip.

Miss Loula Craven who is travelling with Mr. Black's party writes from Ottawa, Canada:

"We arrived here yesterday in time to take a drive over this beautiful capital and witness an exciting boat race on the canal. Will spend Sunday here and next Sunday in St. Johns, New Brunswick. Then we go to Portland, Boston, New York and will reach home about September 7th. Our trip has been delightful thus far. Our coats have not been uncomfortable since leaving Washington three weeks ago."

The Why of the Wherefore.

Raleigh Times.

Mr. Moses N. Harshaw, one of the republican leaders, told a gathering of Rowan republicans that the "local self government" plank commits the party to local option. The Shelby Aurora tells it Cleveland county readers that the plank has no such significance. Rowan county has a large number of anti-prohibitionists. They are mighty scarce in Cleveland.

Attempt to Wreck Fast Train No. 38.

Last Saturday night at Ruffin, some miscreant placed a crank car on the track of the Southern railroad just ahead of the New York and New Orleans limited, No. 38, which was struck by the engine of this train, tearing the pilot of the engine off and otherwise scaring up the same, but without other serious results. It is believed that some one of a party of negroes who attended a negro Sunday school picnic there Saturday is the guilty one and a special agent of the railway is now working up the case and it is expected will soon have the guilty party behind the bars.

There was a large stay-at-home vote in Georgia this time.

The number of votes cast was about 30,000 short of that cast in the primary two years ago.

Rev. D. A. Braswell returned to his home in Gibsonville. Mr. Braswell and family will return here to live October 1st. Mr. Braswell is returning to Concord on account of the ill health of his family.

Mrs. H. P. Guffy, who has been quite sick of fever, is now able to sit up.

THE SUPERIOR COURT.

Judge Long Presiding—Fannie Jefferson Submits to Second Degree Murder.

Cabarrus Superior court convened this morning with Judge B. F. Long, of Statesville, presiding, and Solicitor Heriot Clarkson, of Charlotte, representing the State. The following is the grand jury:

P. P. Townsend, foreman, J. A. Sims, G. H. Troutman, J. L. Johnston, G. T. Wagoner, J. R. Kizer, Travis Eudy, W. H. Heglar, E. L. Isehour, J. T. Eudy, R. Y. Gray S. A. Litaker, J. S. Gray, J. W. Phillips, J. J. Bunn, H. A. Cruse and J. E. Thompson. The following citizens compose the petit jury: E. S. Ervin, L. M. Shores, J. W. Morris, R. C. Kizer, C. M. Ross, W. A. Penninger, C. H. Fisher, Mike Garmon, C. T. Allison, T. A. Lippe and Joe Sossamon.

The first case on the criminal docket to be taken up was that of State vs. Henry Staten, Sank Pless and Dewey Boger, three little negroes who were sent up from the Recorder's court on the charge of stealing corn and selling it. They admitted the charge and were sentenced to four months in the county jail with the commissioners having the privilege of hiring them out.

The next case called was that of the State vs. Fannie Jefferson charged with murder. Her attorneys Messrs. Hartsell and Maness, tendered to the State a plea of murder in the second degree, which plea was accepted by the Solicitor. Several months ago a small negro baby was found dead in the branch near the Buffalo mill and upon investigation of the case by the officers the child proved to be the grandchild of the Jefferson woman, who had been keeping him since the death of his mother, a few weeks before the murder was committed. A strong chain of evidence was gathered against the woman and her case was set for the last term of court but at that time she feigned insanity and while in the prisoner's seat awaiting her case to be called, she alarmed the court and spectators on several occasions by wild cries and shrieks. Judge Long will pass sentence on the woman as soon as the evidence is concluded.

There are two other murder cases on the docket, namely: Pink Dry and Gaston Blake for killing Myrtle Flowe, and Isam Brown, colored for killing a negro on the railroad force at Glass. The court is for one week only.

The Bame Case in Rowan Court.

The Superior Court of Rowan county convened this morning. Probably the case that will attract most attention is that against Rev. R. L. Bame, who is indicted for arson. The Salisbury correspondent of this morning's Charlotte Observer has the following concerning the case:

It is alleged by the State that Bame, who conducted a store at Granite Quarry, this county, had the building in which he was operating the store set on fire in order to get the insurance on his stock of goods. M. L. Parker, another white man, of Granite Quarry community stands indicted as an accomplice of Bame in the burning. Bame was not at home at the time of the fire but was at the home of Rev. R. L. Brown, some miles away. A lot of the goods which it is said had been hauled off prior to the fire, were found later at the home of the men. The payment of insurance on the goods is held up pending the outcome of the trial. The conflagration occurred after midnight. Bame is a married man with a family and resided at Mooresville. Both he and Parker gave bond shortly after being arrested. They have retained strong legal talent to represent them. Insurance Commissioner James R. Young, who was instrumental in working up the case against these defendants, will employ counsel to assist in the prosecution.

King Cotton Bounded Near Seventeen Cents.

A new high record was established for the season in the cotton market in New York Saturday when August contracts sold at 16.90, or 36 points above the closing figure of Friday night, and over \$4 per bale above the low price of Friday morning. This sensational gain was due to covering by belated shorts following the issuance of notices which appeared to represent all the cotton available for delivery to the bull leaders, and which left the remaining short interest without protection.

Miss Corrie Boyd's Condition.

A letter received this morning from Miss Lottie Boyd, who is at Danville with her sister, Miss Corrie Boyd, says that the latter's condition is more favorable. Her fever is not so high, and although her condition is very serious it is not necessarily considered dangerous. She left Concord some days ago to visit her friend, Mrs. Pickert (nee Miss Nannie Sims) and was taken ill with peritonitis. Many friends here will be glad to know her condition is better and will hope that she may soon recover.

The Tent Meetings.

About one hundred conversions at the tent yesterday. Let everyone that can hear the sermons the next few nights. Thursday night there will be a sermon preached illustrated by a chart. Excursion trains have followed from one city to another to hear this sermon on the "Death of Christ," a second and third time.

W. W. SMITH.

TELEPHONE LINE COMPLETED.

Connection Made by Local Line with High Point, Thomasville, Lexington, Greensboro, Salisbury and Other Places.

The Concord Telephone Company completed its long distance line Saturday afternoon from this city to Greensboro, making a direct connection with the local 'phone system in High Point, Thomasville, Lexington and Asheboro. This gives the company a direct connection with about 2,500 telephones in this section of the State, including the 'phones in this and the above named cities. The company also has toll service in Greensboro, Salisbury and Winston-Salem. A line will be constructed at an early date to Statesville, connecting with all the local phones in that city.

The Concord Telephone Company has made a rapid growth in the past few years and is now one of the city's most important business enterprises. Besides the excellent system it has established and maintains in this city the company has extended its lines into foreign territory in the face of the most strenuous opposition, thereby greatly increasing its field of usefulness and at the same time rendering its patrons a more efficient service at a greatly reduced cost.

NOTICE TO AUTOMOBILISTS.

Chief Boger Gives Fair Warning That All Violators of the Speed Limit Will Be Prosecuted.

I have numerous complaints from all parts of the city in regard to parties exceeding the rate of speed with their automobiles; also running their machines without displaying the proper lights as required by law. The officers have been too lenient in the enforcement of this law heretofore, but from this date this law must be enforced. I will instruct each officer to keep a close watch for any and all persons violating either of the above and when any one is so reported I will immediately swear out a warrant for his arrest. I hope that any citizen who sees any of the above violations will report the same to me and the matter will be attended to at once. This is being done for your protection as well as the citizens. I hope this warning will be sufficient.

J. L. BOGER,
Chief Police.

Farmers' Convention at Raleigh This Week.

During this week the gates of the Capital City will be thrown open to the farmers of the State who will be there to attend the Farmers' State Convention, which will convene at the A. & M. College Tuesday and be in session through Thursday.

In attendance upon the sessions of the convention will be many of the leading farmers of the State, who will discuss matters of interest and methods of improving farms and farm conditions.

The opening session will be held at 10 o'clock, Tuesday morning, the address of greeting to be delivered by Commissioner of Agriculture William A. Graham, who will be followed by President D. H. Hill, of the A. & M. College.

An interesting and instructive program has been prepared for all the sessions.

First Open Cotton Boll.

Mr. R. V. Caldwell, of No. 2 township, spent Friday in the city. Mr. Caldwell exhibited the first open boll of cotton seen on the local market this year.

It will be only a few more days until the new cotton crop will be coming in and the local market will be more active in every way. Buyer N. A. Archibald informs us that the first bale of cotton was sold on the local market last year on August 28th by Mr. Will Black, of No. 10 township, the price at that time being ten cents.

Phillips-Hicks.

The following marriage invitations have been received here: Dr. and Mrs. William Norwood Hicks request the pleasure of your company at the marriage of their daughter Frances Heigh to

Mr. Clarence Eugene Phillips on the morning of Wednesday, the seventh of September, at nine o'clock Two hundred and seven Broadway Durham, North Carolina

Misses Bessie and Effie Bangle have arrived in the city and will spend several days here with Mrs. J. C. Fink.

Miss Bessie Bangle will leave Friday for Charlotte where she will enter King's Business College.

Miss Nannie Alexander, who is in New York, has just forwarded the most beautiful lot of lace and auto veils which she wishes you to see.

Mr. P. L. Saunders, who has been visiting his mother, Mrs. Sarah C. Saunders, of No. 9, will return today to his home in Durham.

PARTY FRIDAY NIGHT.

Miss Esther Hatchett Entertains a Number of Her Friends at Mrs. C. L. Smith's.

Miss Esther Hatchett delightfully entertained a number of her young friends at a party Friday night at the home of her aunt, Mrs. C. L. Smith, on North Union street. A large number of Japanese lanterns were swinging from the boughs of the trees and the shrubbery on the lawn and many rustic seats were conveniently arranged, making a most attractive place, where a large number of young people gathered, and for several hours indulged in a number of enjoyable forms of pleasant amusement. Delightful refreshments of ice cream and cake were served during the evening. Miss Hatchett's guests were:

Misses Alice Brown, Helen Archey, Elizabeth Coltrane, Estelle Dick, Marie Caldwell, Minette Marshall, Elizabeth Woodhouse, Adele and Mary Pemberton, Laura McGill Cannon, Mary Hartsell and Mattie Gibson; Messrs. Warren Moody, William Sherrill, Henry Smith, Colb Morris, Robert Ridenhour, Gray Bost, Watson Smoot, James Marshall, Johnnie Hatchett and A. Gray.

The Teachers' Institute.

The Institute began this morning at 9:15. Fifteen minutes time was given to the rural teachers to get in. The balance of the week the Institute will begin strictly at 9 o'clock.

Practically all the teachers who were here last week are back this week. Several new ones were enrolled. A slight change of program has been made. Agriculture will take the place of Home Geography and Prof. N. C. Newbold will have the Pedagogy, and Prof. Allen will start a class in Agriculture.

His first lesson today was a study of how the plant gets its food from the soil.

1st. The plant food must be in liquid solution in the soil.

2nd. This food is taken up by root hairs.

3rd. The food is taken up by what is known as osmosis.

Experiments were made with an egg in colored water, and directions were given as to an experiment with milk on tomorrow. Another experiment tomorrow will show the constituents of the soil.

Don't forget that Friday is Rally Day and all the committeemen of the county and friends of education are invited to come to the Institute. Several good speakers have been secured to address the people on this occasion.

Smart No. 10 Hog.

"I read the story in your paper a few days ago about the hog letting down the bars to go into a corn field," said Esq. H. C. Cook, of No. 10 township, this morning, "but I think I have one that will beat it. Some time since one of my hogs was found every day in my corn field. I went around the fence and stopped all the holes, and still the next day the animal would be found in the field as usual. I decided to watch him, and to my surprise I saw him mount a stump on the side of the fence and jump over into the field with ease."

Death of Former Iredell Man in Illinois.

The Geneseo, Ill. Republic contains an account of the death in that town of Mr. John A. Douglass, which occurred August 6th of apoplexy. The paper contains a remarkable tribute to his character from the pen of a friend. Mr. Douglass was a son of the late Mr. David Douglass, of Iredell county, and an uncle of the editor of this paper. He served in the Confederate army and at the close of the war settled in Henry county, Ill., where he lived until his death. He was 67 years of age.

Is Sherman to Retire?

Vice-President Sherman Friday night refused to confirm or deny a report from Watertown, N. Y., that while there last Tuesday he had said he intended to retire from public life at the end of his present term. One of his relatives said "there is nothing in the story."

As Mr. Sherman has not the reputation of giving up things, the report is not taken seriously by his friends.

Mrs. H. M. Propst Entertains.

Mrs. H. M. Propst delightfully entertained Friday morning a number of young ladies of the city at a Euchre party, in honor of her attractive guest, Miss Mildred Hall, of Sumter, S. C. There were twenty young ladies present and many spirited games were indulged in. Miss Shirley Montgomery won the prize and presented it to the guest of honor.

Mr. Ralph W. Barrier, son of Mrs. Dr. Barrier, of Mt. Pleasant, left Saturday for Chicago, where he will live in the future. Mr. Barrier formerly lived in Cleveland, O.

Being Erected by Yorks & Wadsworth Co.—Two Stories High.

The Yorks & Wadsworth Hardware Co. is erecting a large warehouse on Church street immediately in the rear of their store. The building is 60x123 feet and the work is now well under way. When completed this will be the largest warehouse in the city. The front entrance will be on Church street, and there will also be a rear and side door entrance. The building will be two stories high. On the top floor will be exhibited the large line of buggies they always keep on hand. The floor will be large enough to display the line to good advantage, giving the customers an opportunity of inspecting the full line, already constructed and ready for use. The bottom floor will be used for wagons and all kinds of farming implements. All the guano and heavy building materials carried in stock by this firm will be kept in the old warehouse. The warehouse will contain a large elevator and other modern equipments that will prove convenient for both the customer and salesman.

Givers of Advice Repudiated.

T. J. Pence in News and Observer.

One of the Republican statesmen imported to North Carolina to tell the folks how to vote was the Hon. Ralph D. Cole, of the eighth Ohio congressional district. Congressman Charlie Cowles secured him as an attraction for his convention. Mr. Cole, who offered suggestions to the people of the eighth North Carolina district as to how they should vote, glorified ship subsidy and the present tariff act. The eighth Ohio district held a convention, and they did to him what was done to McKinlay, of California. Ralph Cole has been defeated for renomination, and has been elected to stay at home for the next two years. He fell outside of the breastworks, because his constituents would not swallow what he said about the Payne-Aldrich tariff act, which he told the people of the eighth North Carolina district is such a fine thing. Like Congressman Grant, the Hon. Charlie Cowles, picked a "dead one" to inaugurate his campaign, and there be many folks superstitious enough to say that he chose a pall bearer for his own political funeral.

Extension of Line of Electrical Transmission.

The Southern Power Company, the giant hydroelectric development company of this section which furnished the "juice" with which a number of Concord cotton mills and other enterprises are operated, continues to extend its electric transmission lines to new fields and it seems that it will not be a great while before it reaches every town in the piedmont section of the Carolinas. Electric power, cheap, and with the advantages of increased output and less wear and tear on machinery, is a great boon to any town, and it is making this section the greatest manufacturing center of the country. The latest extension proposed by the power company is to Greenwood, E. C.

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