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THE MECKLENBURG FAIR.

Everything Ready for the Opening—Prospects for Great Fair.

The ninth annual fair of the Mecklenburg Association will open at Charlotte tomorrow morning and when the shades of evening fall tonight the fair will be ready for opening of the gates. The exhibitors have been busy for more than a week decorating and installing their exhibits and the fair officials, entry clerks and helpers have been on the grounds for several days. The fair management is exceedingly well pleased with the prospects for the fair, everything having combined to make the event the greatest in scope that has been given there.

The fun making features of the fair this year are of great variety and the officials have been careful to see that only the best have been given space, drawing on the State fair, Salisbury fair and the Knoxville exposition for these features. The stages and prizes offered for the races, amounting to more than \$5,000 for the four days, will be contested for by the largest string of horses that has ever appeared on the local track at one time and some exceedingly fast races are anticipated.

The opening day of the fair will be Children's Day, Wednesday will be Charlotte Day, Thursday U. C. T. Day and Friday Everybody's Day.

BUTLER SMOKED OUT.

At Shelby, Butler Said the Local Self Government Plank Had Reference to Liquor, but the Shelby Republican Organ Does Not Agree.

They smoked Butler out the other day at Shelby. The anti-saloon league wanted to know from his lips the meaning of the local self-government plank in the Republican platform, but the wily gentleman evaded the question for some time. Finally various members kept shooting inquiries at him while he was speaking and becoming nettled, Butler blurted out that it meant local option. And he told the truth. A well-known Republican spell-binder at Wilkesboro the other day, Mr. Lianey, made no bones about it. He said it meant liquor—a chance for each locality to have saloons if desired. The Record is fond of quoting an adverse witness. The Asheville Gazette-News, independent Republican, referring to the Shelby incident says—"Butler has just about been smoked out and from now until the election day he and his wet friends may, perforce, appear to deal honestly with the people on this single subject of liquor. Butler, determined to no longer smother his wet sentiments, threw off the mask. He said the local self-government plank meant local option, whereas the Shelby Aurora does not deem it expedient to conceal its admiration for Butler. It loves to sit at the feet of Butler, with the eyes of the world upon it, and learn wisdom. It admires those luxuriant chin whiskers, that devilish eye, that whole plebeianism, really duke-like piece of handiwork. Wherefore, as we have observed, the Aurora is grieved, as witness these words: 'As much as we admire Senator Butler, we beg to disagree with him on the question of local option, and there are just as many Republicans as Democrats in North Carolina who hold our view on this question.'"

Will Cast His First Vote for Democracy and Tells Why.

Salisbury Post.

A Cabarrus county young man who is a correspondent of The Post and who will cast his first vote this year says he will vote for the Democratic nominees and tells his reason for it. His letter follows:

"I will cast my first vote for the nominees of the Democratic party because I know that under that party the State has been given a clean honest, progress administration. Under its administration education has advanced and all branches of industry have progressed rapidly. The Democratic party has for its leaders the very best men of the country. I am a national Democrat because I am utterly opposed to the high tariff system which is the principle of the Republican party. It is wrong for the government to protect one man's business to the detriment of all other citizens. I see nothing in the Republican party for a young man, therefore I shall vote the Democratic ticket."

Sudden Death of Negro Man.

Herbert Douglass, a negro who formerly worked at the Concord Pressing Club, died suddenly Friday night at Mr. F. A. Archibald's farm, about six miles from the city. Douglass picked 160 pounds of cotton Friday and it is thought that he died from the effects of a sun stroke, as he was unconscious when found by several cotton pickers in a back room of a house on the place.

SUPERIOR COURT.

Case of Pink Dry and Gaston Blake to Begin Tuesday Morning—Register of Deeds Harris Derelict in Duty.

Cabarrus Superior Court convened this morning for a two weeks' session. Judge B. F. Long, of Statesville, is presiding and Solicitor Heriot Clarkson, of Charlotte, is representing the State.

The case of State vs. Pink Dry and Gaston Blake, charged with the murder of Myrtle Flowe, colored, was called. Judge Long issued an order for a special venire of 115 men to be summoned to appear at court tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock. The jury boxes were brought into court and a little boy under ten years was called in and everything was in readiness for drawing the venire, when it was discovered that Register of Deeds J. F. Harris, clerk of the board of county commissioners, was out of the city. The law states that jury boxes shall be brought in court by the clerk to the board of county commissioners. The deputy clerk was present, but the law makes no provision for a deputy to perform a service of this kind. Mr. Harris had gone to Harrisburg. A subpoena was issued for him and the sheriff went at once to Harrisburg for him, making the trip with Mr. L. E. Boger in his Interstate "40."

The following compose the grand jury:

C. G. Helig, foreman, Carrol Smith, F. E. Cook, W. F. Segall, J. P. Fox, C. M. Sappenfield, R. L. Barrage, W. J. McCurdy, B. M. Hostian, J. O. Sossamon, W. J. Hartsell, Wm. Freeze, J. A. Overcash, R. Cox, E. Octave Mills, C. S. Miller, P. A. Goodman, J. T. Honeycutt.

Dr. Crippen Sentenced to be Hanged.

Dr. Hawley Harvey Crippen, the American practitioner and medical agent, was Saturday at London found guilty of the murder of his wife, the American actress, Belle Elmore, and sentenced to be hanged November 15. The jury was out just 30 minutes. When it returned and announced that it had found the defendant guilty, Lord Chief Justice Alverstone asked the physician if he had anything to say. Crippen replied in a low voice: "I still protest my innocence."

The Chief Justice then donned the black cap that had rested near him throughout the trial and pronounced the sentence of death.

Addressing the condemned man, Lord Alverstone said:

"You have been convicted on evidence which can leave no doubt in the mind of any reasonable man that you cruelly murdered your wife and then mutilated her body. 'I advise you to entertain no hope that you will escape the consequences of your crime. I implore you to make your peace with Almighty God.'"

As the Lord Chief Justice concluded, a policeman stepped forward, and in the hush that had fallen over the court room, led Crippen from the dock.

The trial of Ethel Clara Leneve, as an accessory after the fact in the murder of Mrs. Crippen, will begin next Tuesday.

Dr. Crippen May Never Pay the Penalty for Crime.

Dr. Hawley Harvey Crippen who was sentenced to be hanged on November 15 at London, after being found guilty of the murder of his wife, may never pay the penalty for his crime. Arthur Newton, his leading counsel, already is taking steps for an appeal, the burden of which will be that Crippen was found guilty on purely circumstantial evidence, that the prosecution did not prove that the remains were those of Mrs. Crippen and also that there is a possibility that Mrs. Crippen is still alive. Of course these are rather far fetched reasons, in the opinion of leading barristers, but a strong sentiment prevails in England against hanging a man on circumstantial evidence.

An incident which happened after Crippen had been sentenced is believed to be of considerable significance. The foreman of the grand jury was seen to hand a note to the chief justice, who replied that it would be sent to the proper authorities. This has given rise to the rumor that the jurors recommended the death penalty be not inflicted. If the note bore this recommendation, it would probably be sent to the home secretary.

Mrs. L. D. Coltrane Will Entertain.

The following invitations have been issued:

Mrs. Lester D. Coltrane invites you to meet Miss Young Tuesday evening, October twenty-fifth eight-thirty o'clock.

R. S. V. P.

Dr. J. H. Newell, formerly of this county, who has been living in Graham, Texas, for some time, has moved to Elsasville, in the same state.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Some of the People Here and Elsewhere Who Come and Go.

Miss Jenn Coltrane is spending the day in Charlotte.

Mrs. M. P. Alexander has gone to Monroe to visit relatives.

Mr. J. Lindsay Ross, of Anderson, S. C., is a visitor in the city today.

Miss Grace Cranford, of Davidson, is the guest of Miss Jean Maxwell.

Attorney J. D. McCall, of Charlotte, is here today on legal business.

Mr. A. E. Lentz, of Salisbury, spent yesterday in the city with his family.

Mr. Herbert Honeycutt, of Charlotte, was a Concord visitor yesterday.

Mr. R. J. Cook has just returned from a week's visit to Statesville and Salisbury.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Odell and the little Misses Merrimon returned to Greensboro last night.

Mrs. W. H. Gorman, of Catonsville, Md., is visiting her mother, Mrs. B. F. Rogers.

Mr. George French has returned from a visit to home folks in Greenville, S. C.

Mrs. E. A. Moss returned Saturday from Maxton, where she has been visiting for several weeks.

Miss Camille Durham, of Charlotte, who is the guest of Mrs. E. J. Braswell, will return home tomorrow.

Mr. A. N. Lentz, of Spartanburg, S. C., spent Sunday in the city with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Lentz.

Mr. A. C. Ivey, of New London, spent yesterday here with his sons, Messrs. C. M. and LeRoy Ivey.

Mesdames L. T. Hartsell and R. S. Young and Miss Belle Means are spending the day in Charlotte.

Mrs. R. K. Black and daughters, little Misses Elizabeth and Dorothy, are visiting friends in Charlotte.

Mrs. C. L. Smith, Misses Jenn Coltrane and Kate Means are spending today in Charlotte.

Mr. Charley Krider, who has been in Texas for several weeks visiting his sister, returned to Concord last night.

Miss Mary Cole, who has been visiting her sister Mrs. P. T. Durham, returned to her home this morning in Raleigh.

Mrs. Neal Smith, of Laurinburg, and Mr. and Mrs. Joel Gibson, of South Carolina, will arrive tomorrow to visit Mrs. R. A. Brower.

Messrs. J. L. Miller, J. Locke Erwin and Dr. R. S. Young have gone to Charlotte to hear ex-Governor C. B. Aycock tonight.

Mrs. J. D. Hatchett, who has been visiting her parents, Rev. and Mrs. T. W. Smith, left on No. 11 this morning for her home in Atlanta.

Mesdames D. B. Parrish and C. A. Myers returned Saturday from Raleigh where they spent a week with relatives and friends and taking in the fair.

Mrs. Jno. M. Cook left this morning for Hickory to visit her sister, Miss Ella Belle Shirey. Miss Mary Hendrix and Master Jno. M. Cook have been in Hickory for several days. Mrs. Cook will also visit relatives in Mount Holly before returning home.

Death of a Little Child.

Little E. J. Braswell, Jr., the 14-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Braswell, died Saturday morning at 4 o'clock at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Johnson, in Charlotte, after an illness of a week's duration. Little "Billy" as he was familiarly called, was an attractive and beautiful child and a great favorite here.

The remains arrived here Sunday on No. 46 and were taken immediately to the First Presbyterian church, where a short funeral service was held, conducted by Rev. Dr. J. M. Grier, after which the interment was made at Oakwood cemetery. The following were the pall bearers: Dr. R. M. King, F. L. Smith, Carl Spears and G. H. Richmond.

Asheville's Population Estimated at 31,000.

The new city directory of Asheville, including Biltmore, South Biltmore, West Asheville, South Asheville, Woolsey and Kenilworth, all adjoining the city corporate limits, shows a total of 12,400 names. The company estimates that Greater Asheville is a community of 31,000 people, and that the government census will give that city a population of 21,000, leaving about 10,000 who are a part of Asheville that will not be counted in the city proper. In Biltmore and West Asheville alone there are at least 6,000 people. These two villages adjoin Asheville.

FOREST HILL NEWS.

Miss Raimer and Mrs. Rose Better—Several Personal Notes of Interest.

Messrs. J. H. Wright and H. W. Warren spent Sunday in Charlotte with friends.

Messrs. Milton Arrowood, of Charlotte, and J. C. Arrowood, of Bessemer City, spent Sunday in the city with Mr. W. T. Mills.

Esquire Ellis Purser, of Union county, has been visiting Messrs. Tom and Chas. Widenhouse for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Linker and Miss Bertina Linker, spent Sunday in China Grove with relatives.

Mr. Wm. Helderman spent yesterday in Charlotte with friends.

Mr. Hirsaman, of Kannapolis, moved his family to Concord last week and will work at the Locke Mills.

Mr. Sloan Cohen came in from Kannapolis last night.

Miss Mag Raimer, who has been seriously ill for several days at the home of her brother, Mr. Jno. Raimer, on Church street, is reported slightly better today.

Mrs. W. G. Rose, who moved here recently from Rock Hill, has been very sick for several weeks, but has improved a little in the last few days.

Mr. Jas. Brooks will move his family into the home of his mother-in-law, Mrs. I. A. Hathecock.

Mr. B. B. Ferguson, of Randleman, arrived in the city last week and has a position as beamer at Locke Mills.

RECEPTION LAST SATURDAY.

The Misses Archibald Entertain at Their Elegant Home on North Union Street.

One of the most delightful social events of the year was the reception given Saturday afternoon from 3 to 5 o'clock by Misses Kate and Nannie Archibald at their elegant new home on North Union street. This is one of the handsomest homes in the city and was the object of much admiration by the many guests present.

Miss Margaret Virginia Ervin stood at the door and took the cards of the guests as they entered, and they were ushered into the parlor by Mrs. J. P. Allison and Mrs. W. W. Morris, who stood near the front door. The guests were received in the parlor by the Misses Archibald, Mrs. D. G. Caldwell, Misses Lena Leslie and Minnie Ross. They were then escorted by Mrs. S. J. Ervin into the dining room, where a delicious salad course was served by Mrs. L. E. Boger and Mrs. Richmond Reed. They were then shown the way by Miss Louise Means and Mrs. Black to the punch bowl, in the hall, which was presided over by Miss Belle Means and Mrs. J. F. Hurley.

The house was most beautifully and tastefully decorated with chrysanthemums, roses, ferns and palms. The elegant home was made even more beautiful by the decorations which had been so artistically arranged.

Chicago Cubs Take the Fourth Game.

Nineteen thousand delirious enthusiasts, driven almost insane by a ninth-inning tie and a tenth-inning victory, saw the Chicago Nationals "come back" Saturday at Chicago and capture the fourth game of the world's series from the Philadelphia Americans, 4 to 3.

The combat was one to live in history. There wasn't a moment in it when a properly interested partisan could draw a calm, full breath. It was anybody's game until the finish, when a double, an out and a single put the winning run across the plate.

Crazy Negro With Pistol Clears Raleigh Streets.

An insane negro with a 38-calibre revolver that he fired freely into crowds as he ran three blocks, while the crowds were surging to get points of vantage to view the circus parade, stirred a tremendous sensation Saturday afternoon, but happily no one was injured. The shooter, Lee Watkins, aged 20 years, started by firing three shots at Lewis Williams just "to make him dance," and then ran and emptied other chambers of his gun and kept snapping it as he went. Three men finally overpowered him. Since he has been raving that he is "under orders to kill a man."

The Remains of Little E. J. Braswell, Jr., Arrived Yesterday Afternoon on No. 46 and were taken to the First Presbyterian church, where a short funeral service was held, after which the interment was made at Oakwood cemetery. Those who came from Charlotte with the remains were: Messrs. D. Parks Hutchinson, E. R. F. Stokes, P. H. Allen, Herman Dowd, J. O. B. Gillespie, Mr. McKey, Wade H. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Johnson and Miss Camille Durham.

Mr. Henry Underwood spent Sunday on No. 1 with friends.

FLORAL FAIR NOVEMBER 1ST.

Ladies' Floral Exhibit Will be Held Tuesday, November 1st in Phifer Building—List of Prizes.

The Floral Fair will be held by the ladies of St. James church, Tuesday, November 1st, in the Phifer building, (room recently occupied by Mr. Julius Fisher). All flowers to be entered must be delivered at said room before 11 a. m. of social date. All who have flowers are cordially invited to place their flowers in this exhibit. All flowers so exhibited, it must be understood, are donated. The prizes to be given to the winners may be seen at the store of Dove & Bost. They are:

1. The best single chrysanthemum of any color—First prize, handsome picture; second prize, silver syrup pitcher; third prize, glass pitcher.
2. Best three pink chrysanthemums—One half dozen bread and butter plates.
3. Best three cream chrysanthemums—Red room slippers.
4. Best three yellow chrysanthemums—One steeled curtain.
5. Best three white chrysanthemums—Pair silk hose.
6. Best three red chrysanthemums—One soda ticket.
7. Best three bronze chrysanthemums—One box Nunnally candy.
8. Best three purple or lavender chrysanthemums—One laundry ticket.
9. The best collection of chrysanthemums—First prize—Rug, 36x72; second prize, quarter sack of flour.
10. Handsomest bouquet of cut flowers, any variety—Artistic vase.
11. Handsomest potted plant—First prize, pair of shears; second prize, four pounds of coffee.
12. Best three variegated chrysanthemums—One bushel of "Chuckatuck" nuts.

The Jeannette Kling Company at Graded School November 1.

Prof. Webb has arranged for the Jeannette Kling Company to give an entertainment at the Central School building on Tuesday night, November 1. This company consists of Jeannette Kling, reciter of stories and plays, Henrietta Wehl, violinist, and Louise Kerper Harrison, pianiste. This company is under the management of the Radcliffe Entertainment Bureau, which has given Concord such excellent numbers in the past. There will be solos, duets and trios. A short play will be included in very program as each member of the company is possessed of unusual dramatic ability.

The Daily Times, of Valdosta, Ga., says: "The Jeannette Kling Company was excellent. The music was of the highest class and all of the numbers were enjoyed. Miss Kling's reading was also greatly enjoyed and was probably the best that has ever been here, and that is saying much, since Valdosta has had the opportunity of hearing the best."

No. 12 Township S. S. Convention.

The executive committee of No. 12 township sabbath school met at the Methodist Protestant church, October 23rd, at 2:30 o'clock, the committee being composed of the following: H. W. Laughlin, W. H. Scarborough, John Simpson, Hoke Peck, R. L. Hetheox.

H. W. Laughlin was elected chairman, and R. L. Hetheox, secretary. The meeting was then opened for discussions, and laying plans for the work. It is the earnest desire of this committee to do a great work this year, and to make it the best in the history of the schools. In order to do this we must have the cooperation of all the pastors and superintendents. So we extend to them an invitation to meet with us, and help us in every way then can.

Our next meeting will be held on the first Sabbath in January, at 2:30 o'clock, at the A. R. P. church.

R. L. HETHCOX, Sec.

Street Car Companies Consolidated.

A deed was put on record this morning conveying the entire holdings of the Piedmont Carolina Railway Co., both in Rowan and Cabarrus counties, to the Salisbury & Spencer Railway Co.; consideration \$125,000. This is a consolidation of the properties of both companies including the fair ground property near Salisbury, consisting of 41 acres, and the Colman lot at the intersection of Crowell and West Depot street, together with 2-1-10 miles of track in Salisbury and 1-1-8 miles of track in Concord and all the cars and equipment of the Piedmont Railway Company. This deed has been recorded in Rowan county.

Attention Veterans!

It is now the time for our annual dues for Camp No. 212, to be paid, which is 15 cents per capita. Please pay the same to the undersigned, D. A. Caldwell or W. M. Weddington.

H. B. PARKS, Com., Camp No. 212, U. C. V.

TODAY'S WEATHER REPORT.

Fair tonight and Tuesday; warmest in extreme west and north portions; light variable winds shifting to south.

LOCAL AND OTHERWISE.

The Theatatorium is running two Vitagraph films today.

See "The Sage, the Cleric and the Widow," a big comedy film at the Theatatorium.

At Chicago Sunday the Philadelphia won the fifth game, thus becoming champions of the world.

Mr. Thomas Bostick, of Randleman, has moved to Concord and has a position in the express office.

"My Wife's family" company arrived here yesterday, and will appear tonight at the opera house.

We regret to note that the condition of Mrs. W. G. Campbell, who is so ill at the Jackson Training School, is not improved today.

Mrs. Joseph Fisher, who has been ill of pneumonia for several days at her home on Georgia avenue, is now better, we are glad to note.

Mr. J. W. Blackwelder, of No. 5 township, recently moved his family to Concord, and occupies the house next to Mr. C. Hoke Peck, on Church street.

Application will be made to the Governor for the pardon of Fred Culp, colored, who is serving a sentence of four months on the chain gang for selling liquor.

An agreement has been made between the street car company and the city of Concord whereby the macadam on West Depot street from Dr. Lafferty's residence to the depot will be completed at once.

Mr. C. M. C. Barger, of Spencer, and Mr. Robert Suther, of Concord, have purchased the City Cafe from Mr. Afton Means. The cafe is in charge of Mr. Suther. We bespeak a good patronage for the new firm.

Madame Marcella Semblich is to give a concert in Charlotte at the Academy of Music Monday, November 14. Madame Semblich has been singing before large audiences during the past week in Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul.

The North Carolina Synod of the Presbyterian church meets tomorrow at Rocky Mount. Rev. Dr. J. M. Grier, and Mr. J. F. Hurley, are delegates and Dr. J. S. Lafferty, alternate, from the First Presbyterian church here.

Rev. P. M. Trexler closed yesterday his one year's pastorate of Gilead, Keller and Mt. Hope Reformed churches. No arrangement has yet been made by these churches and he has been made by these churches for a pastor to succeed him.

A long caravan of automobiles passed Concord yesterday and today en route to Charlotte, where the automobilist will attend the Mecklenburg fair. The machines are making the trip under the auspices of the Winston-Salem to Charlotte tour.

The congregation of the First Baptist church have purchased the P. M. Misenheimer lot on Spring street adjoining the church, the price paid being \$2,000. It is their intention to occupy both lots with the new church which they will build later.

Shirley, the prize fox dog of Mr. W. A. Foil's famous pack, has run his last race. He was taken suddenly ill this morning and died in a few hours. Shirley would run nothing but a fox and when the sports were out hunting and other dogs were trailing they would always be in doubt as to whether it was a fox until they heard old Shirley give one of his loud, long barks.

Mr. Joe Dorton, a well known young man of the Brown mill, died yesterday morning, at 8 o'clock. Mr. Dorton was the son of Mr. Will Dorton, and a native of this county. He was 26 years of age and had a large number of friends throughout this section. The funeral service was held this morning at Boger's chapel.

Mr. R. T. Allen, of the Department of Agriculture, Washington, and Mr. E. W. Thornton, of the State Agricultural Department, Raleigh, who have been spending several months in the county, making a soil survey of Cabarrus county, have completed their work and will leave tomorrow for Asheville, Randolph county, where they will make a similar survey.

Mr. Jay Cannon Has Appendicitis.

Mr. Jay Cannon was taken suddenly ill Friday afternoon and on examination by a physician his illness was pronounced appendicitis. Mr. Cannon spent a very restless night and up to the noon hour his condition had not improved. Mr. Cannon was taken to the Presbyterian hospital, in Charlotte, Saturday afternoon, accompanied by Dr. R. M. King.