

CHIEF JUSTICE CLARK DIES AT HOME AFTER VERY SUDDEN ILLNESS

Death of the Chief Justice of the State Supreme Court Occurred at 8 O'clock This Morning.

CLARK TAKEN ILL SUNDAY MORNING

Served on Court For Many Years and Had Been Chief Justice of Court Since 1902.

Concord, N. C., May 19.—Walter R. Clark, chief justice of the Supreme Court of North Carolina, died at his home here this morning. He was stricken yesterday morning with what is believed to have been an attack of apoplexy.

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BENEVOLENT GOAL OF PRESBYTERIANS SET

Would Be Raised in 1925 For Work—North Carolina To Raise \$250,000.

San Antonio, Texas, May 16.—Several resolutions including several relating to the assembling of the action of the assembly in appointing three members of the four legislative committees, will be presented to the assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States today.

MEMBERS OF CHURCH MUST MAKE REPORT

When They Change Views on Fundamental Doctrines of the Presbyterian Church.

San Antonio, Tex., May 19.—Ministers and deacons of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, are asked to take a vow that whenever they change their views regarding the fundamental doctrines of the church they will make known the change to their pastors, according to an action taken at the 64th annual general assembly of the church.

With Our Advertisers.

Be sure to attend the May Economy Sale at Fisher's—10 to 50 per cent off. Many big bargains await you. The S. S. Brown Shoe Store received many unusual and distinctive designs in patent kid slipper and a black satin slippers trimmed in black suede.

Pacific Synod Declared Defunct.

San Antonio, Texas, May 19.—The Pacific Synod of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church was declared defunct by the 94th General Assembly when it adopted the report of the special committee dealing with the problems of that section of the

COMMENCEMENT AT MT. PLEASANT IS BEING CONDUCTED

First Exercise Was Held Yesterday Morning When Annual Sermon Was Delivered to the Seniors.

ANNUAL DRAMA THIS EVENING

Play This Year Expected to Be One of Best.—Reve. P. E. Scherer, D. D., Delivered the Sermon.

Mount Pleasant, N. C., May 19.—Again has commencement week rolled around—that "maddest, merriest day of all the glad new year." In the two institutions of learning in our pleasant little college town, the year 1924 has been of unusual interest.

Our finals opened with the Seminary Class Day exercises, which were held in the town auditorium Saturday night, the 17th. When the curtain arose there was seen a living crescent of bewildering beauty, for the juniors were joined with the seniors in order to sing the opening class song, all bearing the daisy chain. This song was rendered to the tune of "Annie Laurie," and was composed by a gifted member of the sophomore class, Miss Mary Frances McEachern, and reflected much credit upon this talented young lady.

Sunday morning at 11 o'clock the baccalaureate services were held in the auditorium. Excellent music was rendered by a special choir composed by members of the three town choirs, assisted by several of the Seminary seniors, all directed and trained by Miss Helen Misenheimer, our directress of music. But the chief event of interest was the baccalaureate sermon by one of the town's most gifted sons, a worthy son of a distinguished father, Rev. Paul M. Scherer, D. D., pastor of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in New York City, and only son of Rev. M. G. G. Scherer, secretary of the United Lutheran Church of America. His text was taken from one of Paul's epistles, "Having gifts differing from one another." It was a masterly address, rich in scholarly love, delivered in the finest oratorical manner, in an impressive style that held the large audience spellbound during the whole time.

Dr. Scherer is a young man of unusual ability, with a wonderful personality, a good "mixer," showing his geniality and love of life and people with every gesture. Having attained the high position in the church which he now so acceptably fills, while yet in the early thirties, it is difficult to predict to what heights of power and usefulness he may reach when he has arrived at the full attainment of his possibilities. He is also one of Concord's most gifted sons, for he was born in that town, his father having been pastor of St. James Lutheran Church at that time, while he was for year president of North Carolina College, now Mt. Pleasant Collegiate Institute. In addressing the senior class of the two institutions, Dr. Scherer laid stress upon the wonderful possibilities open to the young people of this day and time, with all its various avenues of usefulness and distinction; of the need the world has for educated men and women to take up the work of the world, and the value of self-consecration to the tasks set before us, and of the benefits of losing ourselves for the sake of the accomplishment of the daily tasks that God has placed in our hands. It was an earnest appeal for service for the betterment of humanity in all walks of life.

In the evening Dr. Scherer gave another magnificent address before the religious organizations of the two institutions, on the part of a sentence depicting the life of Christ, "And He went with them into Nazareth." He therein held up before the mental vision "The Reach of Jesus," the breadth and scope of a soul's life and attainments despite environment and possibly narrow limitations. It showed that a person may become if the life and example of Jesus is always held in view as a guide and inspiration, and it was delivered with the same fervor and earnestness that characterized his morning sermon. An attractive feature of the musical part of the program was the flute obligato and a masterly interlude selection by Mr. S. K. Paterson, Concord's talented flutist.

The large auditorium was packed to more than its capacity by crowds from all the surrounding cities, towns and communities, who are always eager to attend the events of the commencements at Mt. Pleasant. Further accounts of the succeeding specials each day will be given as they occur. The program for tomorrow and Wednesday follows: Tuesday, May 20, 10:30 a. m.—Liter-

KILAUA VOLCANO ON ISLAND OF HAWAII CAUSES DEATH OF 3

Violent Explosion in Crater of Volcano Followed by Disappearance of Three Persons.

AMERICAN NURSE AMONG MISSING

Explosion Most Violent of Current Period of Activity of Volcano—Searching For Three Bodies.

Honolulu, May 19 (By the Associated Press).—Three persons are unaccounted for following a violent explosion in the crater of Kilauea volcano on the island of Hawaii, said advisers reaching here last night from Hilo, on that island. They are: Miss Mollie L. Thomas, a district nurse of the Board of Health, and two soldiers whose names were not given.

The explosion was the most violent of the current period of activity in the volcano. The three were seen at the edge of the great pit of the crater immediately before the explosion. A searching party was sent out in an effort to locate the bodies.

Truman S. Taylor, a book keeper of Pahala, was struck by a rock thrown out from the volcano immediately after the explosion, and both legs were crushed. He also was severely burned by hot ashes.

Violent explosion with eruptions of rocks, sand and ashes continue unabated. The rainfall is tremendous and is accompanied by brilliant displays of lightning and violent thunder.

AMBASSADOR WOODS HAS RESIGNED POST

Ambassador to Japan Says Family Reasons Made It Necessary For Him to Resign.

Tokyo, May 19 (By the Associated Press).—The American Ambassador, Cyrus E. Woods, confirming a dispatch from Washington reporting his resignation, said it was due entirely to family reasons. The resignation was tendered three weeks ago. The Ambassador will sail from Yokohama for Seattle on the S. S. President McKinley on June 6th.

AVIATORS HAVE LANDED AT YETOROFU ISLANDS

Made 500 Mile Flight From Paramishiru Islands in About Seven Hours.

Yetorofu Island, Kureles, May 19 (By the Associated Press).—The three American army airplanes flying around the world landed here this afternoon at 2:50 o'clock, having made the 500 miles flight from Paramishiru Island in a little over seven hours.

Epinard Is Defeated.

Paris, May 19 (By the Associated Press).—Sir Gallahad III, winner of the Lincolnshire handicap, defeated Epinard, crack French four-year-old horse, in their match race at St. Cloud today.

Address—Prof. H. M. Potent, Ph.D., Wake Forest College, N. C.

Tuesday, May 20, 12 m.—Meeting of the Board of Trustees.

Tuesday, May 20, 3:30 p. m.—Address Before the Alumni—The Rev. C. E. Ridenhour, Class '14.

Wednesday, May 21st, 10:00 a. m.—Orator's Contest by Representative of the Senior Class—F. O. Conrad, J. O. Foil, A. L. Hahn, D. L. Heglar, J. A. Kern, H. G. Watson.

Graduating exercises, awarding of diplomas, presentation of medals and announcements.

"The Love Charm," a comedy in five acts, the commencement play, will be given this evening in the auditorium beginning promptly at 8 o'clock.

Following is a synopsis of acts: Act I—The lobby of an inn. Act II—Scene 1. A room in Widow Green's house. Scene 2. A room in Sir William Fontlove's house. Act III—Same as Act II. Act IV. Scene 1. A room in Master Waller's house. Scene 2. A room in Sir William's house. Act V. A drawing-room. Dramatis Personae: Sir William Fontlove, an old Baronet—A. H. MacLaughlin. Waller, in love with Lydia—C. P. MacLaughlin. Wildrake, a sportsman—W. T. Gari-baldi. Trueworth, a friend of Sir William—R. V. Goodman. Neville, friend to Waller—R. B. McAllister. Humphries, friend to Waller—W. L. Bonham. Lash—W. L. Bonham. Chargewell—S. B. McEachern. George—M. V. Davis. Servant—W. L. Bonham. Lawyer—S. R. McEachern. Widow Green—Alma Tucker. Constance, daughter to Sir William—Helen Misenheimer. Lydia—Mildred Blomgren. Alice—Ethel Blackwelder. Phoebe—Ruth Shirey. Amelia—Margaret Harris. Four Bridesmen, two bridesmaids and servants.

Campaign For Concord 'Y' to Start Tomorrow

The Campaign Committee to Meet Tonight at the Y and Outline and Perfect Plans For First Day.

CITY EXPECTED TO BE LIBERAL

Work of Association During Year Has Been Such That Campaign Deserves Support From Every One.

The annual campaign for financial support of the work of the Y. M. C. A. is scheduled to open Monday evening, May 19, with a dinner conference of fifty well-known Concord men, who with the help of a division of High School boys headed by Cameron MacLae, expect to complete the canvass of the city in three days.

The organization will be directed by J. D. Maness as Field Marshal, who will have for his immediate aides Jones Y. Pharr, Dr. W. S. Rankin and A. G. Odell as Division Generals. The forces of the men are organized as three divisions of five companies each, with the following Captains as company commanders: C. H. Barrier, Beaufort Blackwelder, C. W. Byrd, L. D. Coltrane, Jr., J. E. Davis, W. H. Gibson, E. L. Hicks, Charles Ivey, Parks M. Lafferty, J. G. McEachern, Robert Ridenhour, C. F. Ritchie, L. M. Richmond, C. S. Smart and S. K. Patterson. General MacLae, commanding the High School division, has as his Captains Billy Brown, Walter Sullivan, Hubert Fink, Carl Benfield, and Thos. L. Moore.

The main part of the work will be done by the following men who have enlisted under the various Captains as workers: C. H. Barrier, Capt., Buford Blackwelder, Capt., Leonard Brown, C. W. Byrd, Capt., L. D. Coltrane, Capt., J. L. Crowell, Capt., Dr. J. V. Davis, J. E. Davis, Capt., Robert Dick, Jr., Chas. N. Field, Wm. Howe, Wm. Gibson, A. F. Hartsell, E. L. Hicks, Capt., A. H. Jarrett, C. W. Jenkins, G. S. Kluttz, P. M. Lafferty, W. M. McEneaney, J. G. McEachern, J. M. McGraw, J. O. Moore, Rev. C. C. Myers, Joe Pike, Ernest Porter, Pat Ritchie, C. E. Ritchie, Capt., Rev. J. C. Rowan, L. M. Richmond, Capt., J. L. M. Smith, C. S. Smart, Capt., W. B. Ward, H. S. Williams, Ed. E. White, Julius Fisher, M. B. Fuller, L. T. Hartsell, Jr.

The very unusual work being done by General Secretary Blanks and his two associates on the executive staff, Physical Director Denny and Boys' Work Director Johnston, have enlisted the enthusiastic support of ministers, school men and other leaders in religious, educational and civic organizations.

This popular approval has also found expression in the comparative ease with which the campaign organization has been effected, men willingly giving of their time and energy to make sure of the needed financial support. The slogan of the campaign will be "A continued square deal for the boys of Concord." This slogan has been adopted because it is now generally conceded throughout America that a square deal for the boys of any American city includes a modern "Y"—modern in plant, personnel and program. While the Concord plant is not entirely modern, the personnel and programs are entirely so, comparable to the best to be found anywhere. Adequate financial support will enable the men who are giving so generously of their time and energy as directors and the executive staff, to continue their present activities and perhaps broaden still more their field of community service.

While the objective is slightly smaller than that of last year, the budget figures are based upon the minimum need, and those responsible for the program feel that there should be no diminution on the part of anyone in their financial support as compared with last year. On the other hand it is hoped that increased subscriptions may render even more efficient community service possible during the coming year.

E. T. Baer, Secretary Financial Service Bureau of the International Committee of Young Men's Christian Associations, who is here from New York to help the local Y men in the campaign, says that he has found nowhere more general approval of the work of the local Association, and feels that with such favorable sentiment and the active help of fifty capable men there should be no unusual difficulty in securing at least the minimum sum needed, \$15,000, but has warned the management and workers that over-confidence on this point on the part of workers and people often results in disaster in such efforts. "Only the united support of all the people of the community will insure success for the campaign," said Mr. Baer.

The workers will all meet at a dinner conference on Monday evening at 6:30 at the Y. This dinner will be served by the Parent-Teachers Association, Mrs. Joe Pike, Chairman. At this conference the workers will select their own "prospects" and receive material and final instructions for the campaign work. The Executive Committee will report on initial gifts secured and several short talks will be given by the Field Marshal, president of the Y and others.

The public is requested to buy season tickets for the Redpath Chautauqua. Two children can ride to a children's entertainment on an adult ticket, says Mr. Osher, the representative of the chautauqua, who is now in the city.

The 1924 convention of the Bricklayers, Masons and Plasterers' International Union is to be held at Saratoga, N. Y., the first two weeks of September.

McLean Seeks Vote of Democrats Only.

Selma, May 16.—"I do not want the nomination for governor of the Republican party nor would I accept it with their connivance," declared A. Wilton McLean, candidate for governor, in a speech at 3 o'clock this afternoon before a crowd of Johnston county citizens in the Selma town hall auditorium. He said it would be a great honor at the hands of the democratic party.

SENATOR STERLING THINKS WHEELER CHARGES JUSTIFIED

Does Not Pass on Guilt of Innocence of the Montana Senator, However. Washington, May 19.—The Federal grand jury in Montana was justified in returning an indictment against Senator Wheeler, democrat, of that state, in the opinion of Senator Sterling, republican, of South Dakota, who submitted a minority report to the Senate today in his capacity as a member of the special committee which investigated the indictment.

Senator Sterling limited his report to the question of justification, declaring the question of the guilt or innocence of Senator Wheeler is not a proper subject of inquiry by the committee, but solely a matter for determination by the courts.

FOES OF THE BONUS MAKING LAST STAND IN THE SENATE NOW

Seven Senators Who Are Regarded as "Doubtful" Were Called to the White House by the President.

OPPONENTS WANT DELAY FOR WEEK

Friends of the Bill Are Anxious to Get Roll Call Before Night, and Are Waging Bitter Fight.

Washington, May 19.—Opponents of the bonus bill rallied and fought for a time today as the measure approached its final test in the Senate. Seven republican senators who have been numbered as friends of the bill, were called to the White House and exhorted by President Coolidge to sustain his veto.

Afterward, Senator Reed, of Pennsylvania, in charge of the anti-bonus forces, declared the situation "certainly is looking brighter," and made overtures to delay the final vote a week.

Nevertheless, the supporters of the bill remained steadfast in their prediction of a roll call before night, which would override the President and make the bonus insurance plan law.

Almost without exception the seven senators summoned into conference by President Coolidge, joined in this prediction. One or two were said to be wavering but the leaders on the side of the bonus declared the defection was of so small number would not be sufficient to defeat the bill. Neither Senator Reed nor any other supporter of the President was prepared to give any definite figures to counterbalance the claim of the opposition.

WHISKEY CONFISCATED AT A CHARLOTTE HOME

Warrant Will Be Sworn Out For Mrs. N. M. Schiltz, a Prominent Person.

Charlotte, May 18.—More than five gallons of corn whiskey and seven quarts of pre-Volstead red liquor were found Saturday night by federal dry agents in a raid on the home of Mrs. N. M. Schiltz, four miles from this city.

Mrs. Schiltz, one time candidate for register of deeds of Mecklenburg county, is one of the best known women in Charlotte, having been in business for a number of years. She is a member of the merchants association and other organizations about town. Her husband, a prominent railroad contractor, was not at home at the time of the raid.

The whiskey, according to Mrs. Schiltz, was placed in the home before the prohibition law went into effect and she didn't think she was violating any law by keeping it. She denied selling the liquid.

The officers who made the raid did not arrest Mrs. Schiltz but confiscated the liquor. A warrant has been drawn for her arrest and will be forwarded this week to District Attorney Frank Linney for his approval before being served.

THE COTTON MARKET

Very Quiet in Today's Early Trading With Prices Lower Under Liquidation and Selling.

New York, May 19.—The cotton market was very quiet in today's early trading, with prices lower under further commission house liquidation and local and Southern selling, which was attributed chiefly to the better weather reports from the South. The opening was steady at a decline of 6 to 14 points. Active months sold about 15 to 16 points net lower in the early trading, May declining to 29.65 and Oct. 24.81. Liverpool cables were relatively easy.

Opening prices were: May 30.70; July 28.38; Oct. 24.85; Dec. 24.28; Jan. 23.92.

BAPTISTS ARE PERSECUTED

Southern Convention Hears Charges Against Roumania.

Atlanta, Ga., May 19.—Charges that Baptists of Roumania are forced to undergo "great hardships in the form of personal indignities and violence, being publicly ridiculed, fined, arrested, imprisoned, whipped, severely beaten, sometimes into unconsciousness," were made in a resolution presented to the Southern Baptist Convention by Dr. W. J. McQuochlin, president of Furman University, Greenville, S. C. It was referred to a committee.

The resolution would have the convention direct a communication to the government of Roumania, calling it to guarantee religious liberty to the Baptists there.

Committee to Hold Night Sessions.

Washington, May 19.—Night sessions to expedite action on the Muscle Shoals bids will be held by the Senate agriculture committee, members agreed today. An executive session will be held Wednesday morning to fix a date to close the hearings. The first night session is scheduled for tomorrow.

Lausanne Treaty to Be Effective Soon. Tokyo, May 19 (By the Associated Press).—The foreign office informed the Associated Press today that the Lausanne treaty would become effective within a week through its ratification by Japan. It was denied officially that France had exerted any pressure to prevent ratification.

PROMINENT FARMER FATALY INJURED IN AUTO ACCIDENT

J. S. Kiser Thrown From Buggy Near City When Auto Is Alleged to Have Struck the Vehicle.

DRIVER OF AUTO IS BEING HELD

C. A. Missimer, of Washington State, Was Driving the Car—Will Be Given Hearing Tomorrow.

C. A. Missimer, civil engineer, of Everett, Washington, is being held under bond here in connection with the death of J. S. Kiser, successful farmer of this county, who died in the Concord hospital yesterday morning from injuries alleged to have been received when he was thrown from his buggy when the vehicle was struck by an auto driven by Mr. Missimer.

In the collision, police officers state, a wheel was torn from the buggy and Mr. Kiser was thrown to the road, his forehead striking the asphalt. He was rushed to the hospital, where he lived about an hour.

Mr. Kiser was 66 years of age and was prominently known throughout the county. Surviving are his wife, three sons, Reuben, Oscar and Stacy Kiser, one sister, Miss Mollie Kiser and one brother, Jule Kiser, all of this county.

Mr. Kiser was a member of the West Concord Baptist Church, but formerly belonged to the Cold Water Church and funeral services were held at the latter church this afternoon at 3 o'clock. The services were conducted by Rev. R. G. Short and interment was made in the church cemetery.

According to reports to police officers Mr. Kiser and Mr. Missimer, who is accompanied by his wife on a trip from Florida, were both driving toward Concord on the Concord-Charlotte highway. Mr. Missimer was behind the buggy, it was reported, and had just started around it when he saw another car approaching. He applied the brakes to the car, he is quoted as saying, but was closer to the buggy than he thought. A large horn attached to a running board of the car struck the buggy, tearing off the wheel and throwing Mr. Kiser to the road.

Mr. Missimer drove to the hospital, where he was placed under arrest. He knew no one in Concord, but is a Shriner and brother of Shriners here arranged his bond. He was first informed that he would be required to give bond in the sum of \$2,500 but after it was learned that Mr. Kiser was dead the bond was raised to \$5,000.

It was first planned to hold a preliminary hearing this afternoon. The hearing has been postponed until tomorrow morning so it will not interfere with the funeral of Mr. Kiser this afternoon.

Mr. Kiser's skull was fractured in the fall, he having struck the pavement with his forehead just over the left eye.

NORMAND DRIVER DEPARTS

Shooting Trial Waits—Actress May Not Testify Against Greer.

Los Angeles, May 19.—Mabel Normand, film actress, may never testify against Horace Greer, her former chauffeur, for shooting Courtland S. Dines, Denver oil man, New Year's night, as Dines was permitted to leave the court's jurisdiction on his own recognizance today.

At a conference today, counsel for the State, Miss Normand and Dines, decided to postpone the case, set for May 29th until June 16th, and agreed to use Mabel Normand's testimony given at the preliminary hearing if she is not here when the trial starts.

Mrs. Jennie Talbert Dies at Her Son's Home in Salisbury.

Salisbury, May 18.—Mrs. Jennie Talbert, aged 77, widow of Owen Talbert, who died 40 years ago, died this afternoon at 3:15 o'clock at the home of her son, W. D. Talbert, death being caused by a general breakdown due to old age. Funeral will be conducted from the residence Monday afternoon at 5 o'clock. Three children, 15 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren survive. The children are: Thomas L. Talbert, of Charlotte; William D. Talbert and Mrs. William M. Julian, of Salisbury.

Evelyn Nesbit Drops Her Fight.

Philadelphia, May 19.—The motion for a new trial to determine the sanity of Harry K. Thaw was formally withdrawn today by counsel representing Evelyn Nesbit, Thaw's former wife. Thaw was recently declared sane.

WHAT SMITTY'S WEATHER CAT SAYS

Fair tonight, Tuesday partly cloudy, probably showers in the north portion; no change in temperature.

