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## BAPTIST CONVENTION

### Annual Sermon Will Be By Pastor of Goldsboro's Church.

The Convention Promises to Be of the Greatest Interest and Enthusiasm. Have Made Greatest Gains. In Denomination's History.

The Annual State Convention of the Baptist denomination is now assembling in Wadesboro, where its deliberations will be held this week, and the convocation promises to be one of the greatest interest and enthusiasm.

The past year has not only been successful, but will show great gains along all lines.

Missionaries have good reports to bring to the body, the various departments of the denominational life have prospered and the specific reports are awaited with deep interest by the Baptist hosts dwelling along the sea and on the mountain summit and in the intervening valleys and plains.

The opening meeting will be the pastors' conference. This feature has been connected with the convention only two years and is popular with the pastors. The questions discussed are chosen by a committee appointed last year and the speakers are selected in advance. Practical subjects to be presented by men who are in a sense specialists along that particular line make the conference valuable to all who attend.

The convention proper will open with the annual sermon Tuesday night. The preacher of the sermon will be Rev. George T. Watkins, the pastor of this city. Prof. J. B. Carlyle, of Wake Forest College, who for the past two years has presided over the convention, will call the body to order immediately after the sermon and the organization of the convention will follow. It is generally understood that Professor Carlyle will decline re-election as president, and if he does decline, the selection of the man for the honor will be interesting. The recording secretary, N. E. Broughton, of Raleigh, will be re-elected and this will be the twenty-seventh consecutive year of service for Mr. Broughton in the secretary's chair. As an assistant he will have Prof. C. E. Brewer, of Wake Forest College.

Several well-known convention leaders will be missed in the sessions at Wadesboro. Rev. Dr. William Lunsford, formerly the eloquent pastor in the First Baptist Church at Asheville, and Rev. Dr. Henry W. Eattle, who for years had made an impress upon denominational work, are among those who have left the State during the year and whose presence will be missed. Some of the new pastors have come in and will be welcomed with the well-known hospitality of the Old North State. Among the men of national prominence who will attend the convention will be Rev. B. H. Dement, D. D., of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, of Louisville; Rev. R. J. Willingham, D. D., secretary of the foreign mission board of the Southern Baptist Convention; Rev. B. D. Gray, D. D., secretary of the home mission board of the Southern Baptist Convention; Rev. J. M. Frost, D. D., secretary of the Sunday School board of the Southern Baptist Convention; Rev. J. E. Love, D. D., assistant secretary of the home mission board of the Southern Baptist Convention, and Rev. T. J. Watts, secretary of the young people's work, and Rev. J. J. VanNess, editor of Sunday School literature of the Southern Baptist Convention.

### DEFEATED, HE DIES.

#### Georgia Professor Expires at Election of School Board.

Fitzgerald, Ga., Dec. 3.—While he was listening to election returns, which showed he had met defeat in his fight for membership on the school board of this city, Prof. James T. Saunders, a prominent educator and principal of the first school board in this city, dropped dead.

Prof. Saunders, who has been secretary of the board for several years, was opposed by Judge D. B. Jay. He had been confident of success. He had been subject to heart trouble for some time.

### WIRELESS TELEPHONY—Mr. A. T. Costello, special representative of The Collins Wireless Telephone Company, of Newark, N. J., is in the city, arranging to give practical demonstration of the workings of this system.

One box will convince the most skeptical that Dolly Varden Candy is the best. At The City Pharmacy.

## ASKS FOR EXECUTOR'S REMOVAL.

### Mrs. Stewart Stops Payment of \$25,000 to Husband's Executor.

Dunn, N. C., Dec. 4.—A sensation was created this week in the law circles when Mrs. Stewart, widow of W. A. Stewart, deceased, caused a restraining order to be served on the Coast Line and H. C. McNeill, executor, to stop payment to the said McNeill by the railroad company of the judgment of \$25,000 rendered against the railroad company at the November term of Harnett Superior Court for the wrongful killing of W. A. Stewart. The injunction was issued in an action which has been brought for the removal of Mr. McNeill as executor. This is a surprise to the community, as Mr. McNeill is a man of high character and standing, and it has been generally understood that Mrs. Stewart was entirely satisfied with his management of the estate. She is represented in this action by Messrs. E. F. Young and John G. Shaw.

The restraining order which was served is as follows: In the Superior Court—North Carolina—Harnett County—Order: Mrs. Rebecca E. Stewart vs. H. C. McNeill and the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company.

This cause coming on to be heard upon the complaint in this action treated as an affidavit, it is now, on motion of E. F. Young and John G. Shaw, attorneys for the plaintiff, ordered and adjudged that the defendant Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company be restrained from the payment of any sum of money to the defendant H. C. McNeill pending the hearing of the motion before the Clerk of the Superior Court of Harnett County for the removal of said McNeill, and that the defendant H. C. McNeill be restrained from the payment of any sum or sums of money now in his hands until he shall have entered into such a bond as may be required by the Clerk of the Superior Court of Harnett County, or until a successor may be appointed to administer the estate of W. A. Stewart, and this cause is restrained for further order.

M. H. JUSTICE,  
One of the Superior Court Judges of North Carolina.

### FOUND DEAD IN HOTEL.

#### Think Wilmington Traveling Man Died From Heart Trouble.

Asheville, N. C., Dec. 4.—Joseph Kahn, of Wilmington, a well-known traveling man, was found dead in his room at an Asheville hotel about five o'clock this afternoon. The opinion of physicians was that his death was due to natural causes. Mr. Kahn came to Asheville yesterday from Greensboro to see his son, Joe Kahn, Jr., who is unwell, and has been staying here for some weeks, and wrote Mrs. Kahn in Wilmington that it would be well for her to come here as young Kahn might have to undergo an operation. Today Mr. Kahn and a friend took dinner at the hotel, Mr. Kahn apparently being well, and retired after dinner as usual to his room for an afternoon rest. He was seized with a spell of nausea and a physician was called in. He was soon quieted and dropped off to sleep. About five o'clock a bellboy went to the room to take a message from Mrs. Kahn, saying she would leave Wilmington tonight and arrive here tomorrow. The boy failing to arouse Mr. Kahn, when called, reported to the office, and a physician and coroner were called in. It was realized that all was over. He had evidently passed away quietly.

Heart trouble was thought to be the cause of his death. Mr. Kahn was a man about fifty years of age, and was widely known over the State. He traveled for the National Paper Company. He leaves a wife and a son and daughter. A friend will meet Mrs. Kahn on her way here tomorrow, to break the news.

### J. P. MORGAN GETS EQUITABLE.

#### Life Assurance Society Passes to the Great Financier.

New York, Dec. 2.—Control of the Equitable Life Assurance Society, which was secured by Thomas F. Ryan soon after the insurance scandals of some years ago, has passed to J. Pierpont Morgan with the \$472,000,000 of assets which the company declared in its last statement. The transfer, apart from its magnitude as a chapter in the history of finance, marks a complete reversal of the old order under which the insurance companies controlled the destinies of the banks and trust companies.

### TODAY'S COTTON MARKET.

	Open.	Close.
December	14.58	14.51
January	14.79	14.69
December	15.08	15.03
Local spots,	14%.	

## FOSTERS JOURNALISM

### A Loving Cup Presented to The State University.

Given by Hon. E. R. Preston, of Charlotte—Will Aid the Movement for Education in Self-Expression.

Raleigh News and Observer.  
Hon. E. R. Preston, of Charlotte, has presented to the State University a loving cup to stimulate journalism in the University. It is believed that the cup will aid greatly the movement that has been, during the past four or five years gaining prominence in college activities—education in practical self-expression.

The stipulations governing the award of the Ben Smith Preston Memorial Cup for journalistic work in the University of North Carolina are as follows:

1. The cup will be awarded annually to the undergraduate student who during the months September to April has done the best work of a journalistic nature.

2. Each year the name of the winner will be engraved upon the cup. Should it be won three times in succession by any student it will become his property.

3. The nature of the work submitted will be determined by the following classification. One entry will be for each of the first two divisions; there may be one, two or three entries for the third division. I. a. Special article; b. Special news story; c. General news letter; approximate length, 2,500 words. II. a. Editor; b. Informal essay; c. Book review, length, 500 to 1,000 words. III. a. Verse; b. Sketches (description or narrative); c. Miscellaneous; length, no single entry to be over 200 words.

4. All material will be handed in to the head of the English department by April 1.

5. The award will be made by April 30, by a committee of three selected from editors of North Carolina papers. The award will be made in the college chapel on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in May.

### DROWNED WHILE HUNTING.

#### R. H. Lynn, a Banker, of Washington, D. C., Meets Tragic Death.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 4.—According to a dispatch from Baltimore and a telephone message from Elkton, Md., R. H. Lynn, president of the American National Bank, of this city, was drowned in the Elk river yesterday afternoon while duck hunting.

Mr. Lynn, in company with Griffin Halstead and William Selby, left Washington Friday night for a day's shooting on the river. They had obtained a floating on the river and had been hunting several hours.

Mr. Halstead noticed that no gun reports came from the box occupied by Mr. Lynn when some ducks came into range.

He and Mr. Selby started to row out to the blind, when suddenly it sank in about seventy-five feet of water. After some delay the blind was raised and some of Mr. Lynn's effects were still clinging to it.

The banker's companions suppose that Mr. Lynn fell into the river, sank and was carried down stream, the current being quite strong at the point where the men were hunting. The body was found several hours later.

### Civil Service Examination for Clerk-Carrier.

An examination for clerk and carrier will be held at the postoffice in this city on December 18, 1909. Age limit, 18 to 45 years, on the date of the examination. Married women will not be admitted to the examination. This prohibition, however, does not apply to women who are divorced or those who are separated from their husbands and support themselves, but they are eligible for appointment only as clerk. Applicants must be physically sound, and male applicants must be not less than 5 feet 4 inches in height without boots or shoes, and weigh not less than 125 pounds without overcoat or hat.

For application blanks and for full information relative to the examination, qualifications, duties, salaries, vacations, promotions, etc., address immediately H. G. MAXWELL, Secretary, Board of Civil Service Examiners, Postoffice, Goldsboro, N. C.

## CONGRESS CONVENEED.

### All Interest Is Centred at Present on Taft's Message and the Insurgents.

While the insurgents are preparing to insure roughshod in this session of Congress and Speaker Cannon's power and popularity are waning, at the same time intimations rise up in every quarter that Theodore Roosevelt will become the Republican candidate for President in 1912. Because Washington wouldn't take a third term and Grant couldn't do so, not dismay the man in the jungle a particle. Precedent is of little value in his eyes.

Congress convened today, and the President's message will no doubt be sent in tomorrow. It is anticipated with interest, for all are curious to see what Mr. Taft will say to stem the rising tide of insurgents and of Rooseveltism. The very situation invites radicalism on his part, and the belief is that it will be supplied in large doses on some questions in the message.

This first regular session of the Sixty-first Congress promises to be a busy one. Many subjects will be urgently presented in the message, and on these urgent propositions due consideration and action will be expected alike from standpaters and insurgents and the President may get up a race between them for White House favors. Just how far and how successfully a race upon the Cannon rules of the House will go remains to be seen.

The insurgents and Democrats will probably control the House, but they may not work well in double harness, especially when Mr. Cannon stands ready to induce some of them to kick over the traces. He never hesitates to dicker with the special-interest Democrats from the effete East.

Let us simply hope while we may that the message will not contain 30,000 words. Comparatively few read such a message, while a message of 5,000 words, or about four columns in *The Argus*, would be freely read. The country desires a return to the short messages of the early President.

### A BALTIMORE FIRE.

#### A Number of Firms Burned Out—Loss Estimated at \$500,000.

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 2.—Fire broke out late this evening in the building numbered 104 South Sharp street, within a block and a half of the point of origin of the great fire of 1904. It spread rapidly and within a short time had done damage estimated roughly by an insurance man at \$300,000.

### REAL ESTATE DEALS.

Mr. A. J. Gwaltney has re-purchased a portion of his farm that he recently sold to Mr. J. C. Matthews, for \$1,000. Mr. Gwaltney's many friends will be glad to know that he has reconsidered going to Arizona and will remain near Goldsboro, the best town in the State.

Mr. C. A. Smith has purchased the valuable J. H. Edgerton farm just south of the city for \$5,000. Mr. Smith expects to make this his home. He is one of the largest land-owners and most progressive farmers in the State. Above deals were made through the Real Estate Hustler E. L. Edgerton.

### A PLEASANT WAY TO CURE CATARRH.

#### Poor deluded victims! Continually sprinkling and spraying and stomach dosing!

What are you doing it for? Trying to kill the catarrh germs? Might just as well try to kill a cat with fresh milk.

Sticking a piece of chewing gum in the upper left hand corner of the right ear would slaughter just as many germs.

You can't kill the germs that cause catarrh unless you get where they are. You can get where the germs are by breathing Hyomei, the powerful yet soothingly antiseptic, which is prepared especially to kill catarrh germs.

Just breathe it in, that's all. It gives joyful relief in five minutes. It is guaranteed by J. H. Hill & Son to cure catarrh, or money back.

It is sold by leading druggists everywhere. A complete outfit, including inhaler, costs \$1.00. Extra bottles, 50c. Cures sore throat, coughs and colds.

"I take especial pride in recommending Hyomei to asthmatic sufferers, as I know by experience that it is a remedy that cures. I have not since using Hyomei had any recurrence of asthma."—Mrs. Wm. Burton, Owosso, Mich., June 22, 1909.

## MI-ONA

Cures indigestion. It relieves stomach misery, sour stomach, belching, and cures all stomach disease or money back. Large box of tablets 50 cents. Small box 25 cents in all towns.

## ELKS MEMORIAL DAY

### Beautiful and Comforting Custom Observed in This City.

Impressive Ritualistic Services, Beautiful Program—Eloquent Address by Mr. Tasker Polk, of Warrenton.

Sunday marked another important day in the history of the Lodge of Elks of Goldsboro.

It is the beautiful custom of the order to hold a solemn service once a year in memory of its departed dead, and it was indeed a solemn occasion when the large membership of the lodge with slow and measured tread marched into the Opera House, then on the rostrum, and at the sound of the gavel in the hand of Exalted Ruler Mr. George C. Royall, the members of the lodge were seated, preparatory to the ceremonies which were about to begin.

A most attractive musical program had been provided, and the best musical talent of the city gladly participated in the ceremonies.

Miss Pearl Brinson sang a solo, Mrs. Williams Spicer playing the accompaniment on the piano.

After the solo, and music by the entire choir, Exalted Ruler Mr. George C. Royall, with splendid presence, dignified bearing and in most appropriate language announced the order of the exercises, and together with the officers of the lodge performed the beautiful memorial services of the Order of Elks.

After these ritualistic ceremonies, in a most pleasing and attractive manner Mr. J. L. Barham, of this city, introduced the orator of the occasion, Hon. Tasker Polk.

In the history of Goldsboro there have been many great and beautiful speeches made by distinguished men, but we do not believe there has ever been made in this city a more beautiful, a more eloquent speech than was delivered Sunday afternoon at the Opera House by Hon. Tasker Polk, on the occasion of the annual meeting of the Lodge of Sorrow held by the Lodge of Elks of this city.

It was a splendid audience that looked into the face of the orator as he stood before them, and announced as his subject, "Am I my brother's keeper?"

From the first utterance to the last word Mr. Polk held the great audience spell-bound. Logic, pathos, and eloquence were the qualities that went to make up this great oration, which showed to men and women their duty as they never before had seen it, edified them, and caused them to go away from the auditorium resolved that in their future lives they would never lose sight of the fact that "I am my brother's keeper."

This great oration is indeed a classic, which should be handed down to posterity.

Mr. Polk, a prominent lawyer of Warrenton, North Carolina, comes of most distinguished ancestry, being a nephew of Ex-President of the United States James K. Polk; furthermore, two of his great uncles were signers of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence.

The people of Goldsboro are indebted to the Lodges of Elks of this city for their success in securing Mr. Polk as the orator on the above occasion, and our entire people are deeply grateful to Mr. Polk for his magnificent oration.

After the oration a violin solo was rendered by Miss Privett; then a solo by Mrs. Rachel Borden Smith, followed by a song of the entire choir.

The music was indeed a feature of the occasion.

### PRESIDENT OF SEABOARD.

#### N. S. Meldrum Elected—C. H. Hix Becomes Vice-President and Manager.

New York, Dec. 2.—N. S. Meldrum was elected president of the Seaboard Air Line at a meeting of the directors of that company here today. Mr. Meldrum was formerly vice-president of the company.

The directors also elected C. H. Hix as vice-president and general manager, C. R. Capps, as vice-president in charge of traffic and L. G. Haas as assistant to the president.

J. J. Astor is safe in port, where alimony can be collected from him. It was once feared that both he and the alimony were lost.

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## ASSAILS MR. TAFT

### A Young Lady of Rocky Mount Well Known and Beloved in Goldsboro.

Rocky Mount, N. C., Dec. 4.—Just as daylight faded into darkness yesterday afternoon the sweet spirit of Miss Sadie Abram, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Abram, of this city, drifted into the dawn of eternal day. The news came as a shock to the community for many did not even know of her illness. A few days ago she complained of a cold, a sudden chill, physicians, pneumonia, a trained nurse, anxious loved one, death! These brief words cover the period of her illness and going away, but not of her sweet, pure, unselfish life.

She was the sunshine of the home and each member of the family looked upon her as the tender flower planted there by God's hand to exhale its sweetness for them alone. To see her, one would think it was hers to be petted and shielded and loved and these she claimed, in no small degree, from those who knew her at home and abroad, but in that petite form there was hidden a wonderful weight of character which revealed itself whenever the call was made for it.

When recent illness came into the home it was hers to lift the burden of nursing from the shoulders less strong, and unceasingly, untriflingly, with always the soft step and reassuring smile she watched night and day beside the bed of her sister, who needed her care. She had but recently returned from Richmond, where she accompanied one of them to a hospital. While there she cheered and shortened weariness of a cot of pain, and when she brought back the sunshine of her presence just a few days ago, it was not thought she would so soon leave us again. But with a brave heart trusting in her Father's God, she fell into a dreamless slumber from which only the trumpet of the great Archangel shall awake her.

Twenty-three brief years tells the story of her well-rounded life, but she had accomplished more in that short span than many accomplish in three score and ten. The community, entire, will miss her and a note of sadness is in every voice. The neighbors will miss her winning smile, her cheery greeting, her quick repartee, for these she offered stint to all, irrespective of age or condition. In the home, her home, the shadow has fallen like a heavy pall, which only the hand of God can brush aside, and the oil of time which He gives, as his healing will alone prove a solace for the wound which a father's hand has made. To her father and mother and to her sister and brothers the whole community goes out in tender sympathy, while many feel a personal sense of bereavement in this dispensation of Providence.

By northbound train No. 80 this afternoon the body was taken to Richmond, accompanied by a number of friends and relatives. The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon from the Jewish Synagogue in Richmond, after which the remains will be laid to rest beside that of her brother, in the Jewish burying ground there.

Mayor-elect Gaynor does not take office until the first of the year and we will have to wait until then to ascertain whether the people or the Tammany bosses have been fooled.

"The President, he said, had written 'with some heat' on the subject of the negro and the franchise, a matter upon which a Northern man, Mr. Taft, had no special right to debate. 'We did not expect the President,' said Mr. Winston, 'to discuss our peculiar Southern situation. We know that his study of it was of necessity at second hand. At the dinner of the society last year we were charmed with his speech and took it as evidence of his good will to the South in general. But during the recent campaign in Maryland when the State was considering an amendment along the lines of those adopted heretofore by eight other Southern States, the President injected a letter too direct in its language not to give the impression that the adoption of the amendment by the voters in Maryland was to be a signal for an attack in the courts.'"

"We could but construe the utterances of the President with the course pursued by several of his predecessors. A constitutional amendment more drastic in principle became the fundamental law in Mississippi during the presidency of Benjamin Harrison. Under the strenuous Roosevelt, amendments of similar character became the fundamental law in several Southern States. Yet Roosevelt wrote no letters."

"The statement was freely made that the adoption of the Maryland law would bring on a fight in the courts. North Carolina is willing to have this full matter taken to the courts and for her part she invited a rigid criticism of her conduct under all conditions. We shall insist, however, that the whole story be told."

"Let the world know the facts and the South has no fear of results. 'We want to be let alone until injustice is apparent. We are doing what we know is best for all the people. We are in touch with actualities, not sentiment. 'The South is engaged in its own reconstruction. The process goes on from within. When applied from without it has failed. 'We are threatened with reduced representation in Congress. So far as North Carolina is concerned, the threatened laws have no effect. But when the house strikes, that the State of North Carolina must, for the sake of numbers in Congress, return to the conditions that have twice brought us to ruin and humiliation, the answer will be sure and swift.'"