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A DOUBLE PROBLEM

Last month, 122 persons were received as prisoners at State Prison in Raleigh, being the largest for any month in the history of the state. That brought the total number of prisoners in the state institution to 2,100. The gain during the past three years has been about 200 each year, which indicates the growing problem of the prison authorities and of the state.

It is always unfortunate for any person to go to prison, but the fact that of the 122 admitted in March the larger portion of them were under 30 years of age is a source of even greater regret and concern than ordinary.

North Carolina is facing a big problem in caring for its growing number of convicts. It is facing a greater problem in the fact that so many of them are young men.—Durham Herald.

RHODODENDRON FESTIVAL IN ASHEVILLE IN JUNE

Asheville, April 5. — During the widely celebrated mountain wild flower season, this year, the city of Asheville will stage its second annual Rhododendron Festival. The dates for the event this year are June 17 to 22 inclusive and a festival committee has been appointed by John A. Goode, president of the Asheville Chamber of Commerce, to arrange events of the festival period.

The 1929 floral celebration will follow in general the plan of the 1928 Festival which was one of the outstanding events of last year in the Land of the Sky. Various phases of the first rhododendron event, including the Rhododendron Ball, the Coronation Ball, the invitation of sponsors from southern states, the Rhododendron Pageant, the Mountain Carnival and folk songs and dances will be considered by the committee as possible features of the 1929 event.

PRIZES FOR SOLUTION OF FORESTRY PROBLEMS

Washington. — One thousand dollars for the best essay and \$250 for the second best is offered through the Society of American Foresters to stimulate interest in a national essay contest on effective ways to meet the forest problem.

It is stipulated that the essays present the actual forest situation in the United States today and point out a nation-wide remedy which will, if applied, solve the problem of a permanent and sufficient supply of forest products and secure other benefits essential to the public welfare.

Solutions must be applicable to actual practice and such that can be made effective in time to meet the nation's needs.

P. O. S. of A. NEWS

Washington Camp No. 40, P. O. S. of A., held their regular meeting Monday night, April 8th. About 20 members were present and a good meeting was had. On next Saturday, April 13th, the Blue Ridge Association will hold their first meeting at Whitnel and twenty of the Marion Camp are expected to attend. We are planning to have Brother Mitchell, State president P. O. S. of A., at our next meeting in Marion, April 15th. Also will have lemonade and we want all the members to come out and hear our State president.

ROY J. ELLIS, President.

Among the out of town people attending the funeral for Mrs. W. H. Taylor, Dysartsville, last week were the following: Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Dysart; Miss Irene Dysart and Mrs. Noble Shumate, of Hickory, N. C.; Miss Regina Matthews, of Rock Hill, S. C.; Wade Pursley, of Clover, S. C.; Mr. and Mrs. Will Kirksey, Charlie Kirksey, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Kirksey, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Kirksey, Mrs. James Kirksey, and James Taylor, of Morganton; Mr. and Mrs. William Dysart and daughter, of Lenoir, N. C.

Approximately 2,000 students are enrolled in the 24 licensed flying schools in Michigan. Most of the schools are located in or near Detroit.

Next Monday and Tuesday BERT LYTELL in "THE LONE WOLF'S DAUGHTER" at Oasis Theatre. And two good vaudeville acts.

THE PYTHIAN ORDER AS A GOING CONCERN

"The Pythian Order as a Going Concern" was presented to members of Mt. Ida Lodge No. 58 at a recent meeting by Mr. J. H. Tate, master of exchequer, who made a general review of the physical assets of the fraternity comprising fifty-five grand domains and over 6,000 lodges. A tabulated report showed that the assets of the fraternity amounted to approximately \$33,000,000 including cash on hand, real estate, buildings and furnishings, bonds and other lodge property. The statement did not include assets of more than \$23,000,000 held by the Insurance Department of the Order.

"The physical development of the Pythian fraternity guarantees a permanency and the continued welfare work which it has been doing for more than sixty years," said Mr. J. H. Tate. "The subordinate lodges of the Order have assets of more than \$26,000,000, of which a very large part represents money invested in buildings. In many cities and towns over the North American continent the Pythian buildings add to the architectural prestige of the towns and give a permanent solidity to the Order as a going concern. In many grand domains one half of the lodges own their own homes. Last year more than 6,000,000 was invested in this kind of permanent improvement."

Commenting on the report, G. N. Carter, chancellor commander, declared that the Pythian Order was a fraternal and service giving organization and that it had never devoted its efforts toward building up a large financial holding in any community. He explained that such assets were the natural development of an organization seeking to give a more effective service to its community.

"Not one of us value our membership because of what the Order owns in material and physical assets," he said. "We put our estimate on the Pythian fraternity in what it has been able to accomplish in doing something of the world's work. We regard our holdings only as it represents a permanent and going fraternal work in our community and the nation. In most instances the Pythian building is a community center. It serves a great community need and its value is largely in the real service it gives our citizens. We are proud of our possessions but we place a value upon them only as they afford greater benefits to the citizenship."

"Our most praiseworthy enterprise is our investment in Pythian homes for aged members and orphans. Approximately \$10,000,000 is invested in twenty-four homes of this kind where more than 5,000 aged members and orphans are given a home and the orphans are educated and prepared for useful citizenship."

W. W. McConnell, keeper of records and seal, read a report from the Insurance Department which showed that this branch of the Order had paid out \$5,700 every day last year for the protection of widows and orphans of members. He also announced that the Insurance Department had declared two monthly payments waived for 1929 and that every member of the Order and his immediate family could now obtain a free medical test by writing to the department for information blanks and containers.

J. Q. GILKEY REAPPOINTED TO CONSERVATION BOARD

Mr. J. Q. Gilkey, who has been a member of the State Board of Conservation and Development, was named last week by Governor Gardner to succeed himself for a period of six years. Mr. Gilkey was first appointed to the position four years ago by Governor McLean. The news that Governor Gardner had reappointed Mr. Gilkey was gladly received by the friends of Mr. Gilkey throughout the state.

Mr. Gilkey takes a great deal of interest in the discharge of his duties as a member of the Board of Conservation and Development, and gives without stint of his time and talents to the upbuilding of his state. Some of the duties of the office charges him with looking after fish hatcheries, game preserves and other state enterprises.

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Last Sunday was promotion day in the Sunday School. Quite a goodly number of new scholars were enrolled. Three young people united with the church on profession. Again we request the teachers to come at 9:30 a. m. to meet in choir room for conference and prayer.

Preaching Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. by the pastor.

Christian Endeavor meets at 7 p. m. The report of the year's work will be read Sunday morning at the close of the services. Every member is requested to be present.

Strangers and visitors always welcomed.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH P. D. Mangum, Pastor

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B. Y. P. U. at 7 p. m.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH J. S. Lockaby, Rector.

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