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MANY GUESTS AT THE MECKLENBURG

Mecklenburg Hotel, Chase City, Va., April 10.—Large daily arrivals continue at this popular resort, and the bookings for the post Lenten season are in excess of the usual expectations at this period. The beautiful weather continues, and the social life at the hotel is uninterrupted pleasure.

Mr. and Mrs. Mann S. Quarles, of Richmond, came Saturday for an indefinite stay.

Mr. R. L. Carr, of Durham, arrived Thursday.

Mrs. W. D. Paxton and daughter, Miss Lucille, returned to the Mecklenburg Wednesday, after a visit to friends in Portsmouth, Va.

Mr. W. H. Wollard, of Boston, spent the past week at the Mecklenburg.

Mr. R. H. Herndon and son, F. M. Herndon, of Danville, are at the Mecklenburg.

Mrs. S. Y. Taylor and children returned this week, after a visit to relatives in Danville.

Messrs. E. O. Smith, J. F. Kaiser, and Herbert Kaiser, of New York, arrived this week.

Messrs. W. A. Hunt, of Henderson, and G. M. Cherry, of Richmond, spent Sunday with their families at the Mecklenburg.

APRIL 12TH A HOLIDAY

In Commemoration of the "Halifax Resolves"

Act Passed Legislature Through Efforts of Senator Travis of Halifax Making April 12th a Legal Holiday. The Halifax Resolutions Given.

At the last legislature an act was passed making April 12th of each year a legal holiday. The act providing for this holiday was passed chiefly through the efforts of Senator E. L. Travis, of Halifax county. Comparatively few of the people of the state, at the staple announcement that April 12 is a legal holiday, will understand why it is, and the act itself, which is self-explanatory, is given herewith in full:

"An act to make the 12th day of April of each year a legal holiday in commemoration of the 'Halifax Resolutions.'"

"Whereas, the Provincial Congress which met at Halifax, in this state, in April, 1776, after providing for the military organization of the state, did on the 12th day of April, 1776, adopt the following resolutions, generally known as the 'Halifax Resolves,' to-wit:

"Resolved That the delegates from this colony in the Continental Congress be empowered to concur with the delegates from the other colonies in declaring independence and forming foreign alliances, reserving to this colony the sole and exclusive right of forming a constitution and laws for this colony.

"And, Whereas, said resolution is the first declaration in favor of independence by the people of the whole state, through their duly authorized representatives and was

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THE WEEK AT PINEHURST

Many Delightful Affairs Indoors and Out

The Fifth Cotillion at the Carolina the Merriest of the Season's More Formal Affairs—Birthday Dinner. Many Other Affairs.

Pinehurst, April 10.—Seldom has a week more happily combined delightful affairs indoors and out, dances, dinners, bridge parties, moonlight rides, saddle pic-nics, and other affairs completely filling in the social calendar, rare spring days of crisp air and glorious sunshine, keeping all in the open.

Without question the merriest of the season's more formal affairs was the fifth of the Carolina cotillions, decorations, favors and figures rounding out an evening of rare entertainment which was enjoyed by the entire colony. The opening march led by Mr. Converse Wardenman, of Milwaukee, and Miss Ethel Brooks, of Manchester, N. H., in which the couples carried bright floral garlands hung from slender wands, was a delightful opening which was further carried out in a march led by Mr. Charles Presbrey and Miss McKimney, both of New York, in which the women carried Japanese parasols and the men gaily decorated gold headed canes.

The novelties in figures included the archery contest in which both men and women "shot" for partners, and a merry frolic in which the possession of a potato, a bun, an apple, or a pear, meant a dance. There was also the "Harriet Laughlin" figure (the name of a popular colored laundress) in which the handkerchiefs of both men and women were collected and partners selected by carrying them to their owners, and a contest in which both men and women were called upon to race down the hall and stand empty ginger ale bottles upon their "impossible" ends before they could claim a dance, caused much merriment.

Among the most elaborate of many dinners was a spread in the observance of the dual birthday anniversary of Mrs. George L. White, of Waterbury, and Mr. Charles Presbrey, of New York, tendered at the Carolina, the guests including Mr. and Mrs. Frank Presbrey and the Misses Presbrey, Messrs. White, L. A. Hamilton, and E. A. Townley, all of New York. At a dinner given in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Tyler L. Redfield, of New York, the birthday anniversary of Miss Marquette Presbrey was observed by the same party.

Mr. Henry C. Fownes gave a jolly dinner for a group of Puttsburgers, including Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Fownes, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Fownes, Jr., Charles B. Fownes, Henry G. Fownes, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Head, Miss Mary Fownes and Miss Louise Elkins. Dr. H. K. Elston, of Rochester, entertained Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Morse and Dr. W. S. Ely, of his home city, Dr. and Mrs. C. G. Briggs, of Schenectady, and Messrs. A. Ward Ford and E. M. Hanrahan, of Binghamton.

The annual golfers dinner at The Holly Inn, though a "stag" affair, was an occasion of merrymaking, the group about the table including Messrs. J. F. McClain, F. T. Keating and R. M. Hamilton, of New York; George Roberson, of Rochester; Geo. A. Mosher, of Troy; W. C. Fownes, Jr., of Pittsburg; J. M. Thompson, of Philadelphia; Franklin Berwin and C. L. Becker, of Boston; L. D. Pierce, of Rochester; William T. West, of Camden.

Miss Sylvia Egel, of Bangor, entertained Mrs. Henry St. John Smith, of Portland, Miss Louise Elkins of Pittsburg, and Messrs. Becker, Berwin, and Pierce.

Bridge continues to fill in many pleasant afternoons and evenings, the weekly party at The Carolina being enjoyed by a large company. Mrs. L. E. Martin of Boston, Mrs. John E. Porter of Pittsburg, Mrs. T. R. McCullin of Chicago, and Mrs. Roberson of Rochester, winning the prizes. Mrs. P. C. Prince of Gorham, N. H., Mrs. B. A. Weston of Halifax, Mr. G. H. King of Boston, and Mr. Henry Norris of New York, were the winners at a similar affair at The Berkshire.

Many visitors are coming to enjoy April's charm, among them Mr. and Mrs. Anson Phelps-Stokes, and Mr. Harold Phelps-Stokes of New York, Prof. William Robert Ware of Milton, Mass., for many years professor of architecture at the Boston School of Technology, and for twenty years occupying the same chair at Columbia University, is spending a fortnight here with his sister, Miss Harriet Ware.

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"The Man in Lower Ten," by Mary Roberts Rinehart, is one of the strangest and most enthralling of latter-day mystery stories. "The Circular Staircase," her first novel, made a commotion, but it is safe to predict that "The Man in Lower Ten" will arouse even greater interest and wider approval. After you start to read it, it is "all up" with your peace of mind until the last word has been said. And as you read the text you will be pleased with the illustrations in color by Howard Chandler Christy.

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STATE NEWS.

Country Bankers' Association.

Rockingham, April 10.—The third annual meeting of the Country Bankers' Association of North Carolina will be held in Rockingham, N. C., on Tuesday and Wednesday, May 18th and 19th.

The headquarters of the association will be at The Rockingham Hotel. The public meetings will be held in the Dixie Opera House.

An interesting program has been arranged. Speeches by some of the state's and county's best bankers. The ladies are especially invited and their entertainment will be amply provided for.

Invitations will be mailed in a few days. Come and bring your friends.

From Postmaster to Mayor.

Spencer, N. C., April 10.—To serve for the good of the people and not for the pecuniary value of the job seems to be the aim of Mr. J. D. Dorsett, of this place, who will give up the postmastership at a salary of \$1,500 per year to become mayor of Spencer at \$25 per year.

The announcement of Mr. Dorsett's intention of doing this has caused quite a surprise in political circles, in which Mr. Dorsett has been prominent for several years. The municipal election will be held in May, when Mr. Dorsett will step down and out of the postoffice.

The postmastership will not be forced to go hunting for a man to fill the present incumbent's place, as there are already a number of candidates in the field. Among those who have already announced themselves are: J. R. Dorsett, T. J. Rosemond, J. P. Crowell, H. G. Elmore, and D. B. Greenhill.

SUICIDE AT HIGH POINT.

J. Lindsay Ferguson Takes His Own Life—No Cause for Act is Known.

High Point, N. C., April 10.—The people of High Point were shocked at noon to learn that Mr. J. Lindsay Ferguson, secretary and treasurer of the Atlantic Furniture Company, had committed suicide at his office sometime between 11 and 12 o'clock today. The workmen in the finishing room nearby heard the report of a pistol, and on examination found Mr. Ferguson lying on the floor, pistol in hand, bleeding profusely from a wound in the right temple. He had locked the door of his office, lay down on the floor and fired the fatal shot, the bullet from a 44-calibre pistol, which he kept in his office all the time, passing entirely through the head and lodging in the wall. Death was evidently instantaneous.

When the workmen found him his position showed that he had carefully planned the act. Mrs. Ferguson and the family physician hurried to the scene, but only to find life extinct. Much sympathy is expressed for the wife and other relatives of the deceased on account of the sad occurrence.

Deceased was born in Richmond, Va. He was engaged with Bradstreet & Co for a number of years. He came to High Point to work with the Lyon agency and afterwards became secretary and treasurer of the Smith Furniture Company. He was counted a good business man. Deceased did not leave any message giving any cause for his act. Since the occurrence it is learned that he has been rather blue lately on account of some business matters. Nothing, however, of a serious nature, because the affairs of the business with which he has been connected are in good shape. The Enterprise learned from Greensboro this afternoon that he had been under treatment for his health for some time. In fact, ever since one

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FAVOR A NEW DATE FOR INAUGURATION

(By Leased Wire to The Times)
 Washington, April 10.—Presenting a united and unanimous front in favor of the movement, 37 out of the 48 governors of the states and territories have written to Commissioner McFarland, chairman of the committee to change the date of inauguration.

Letters will be written to the remaining 12 governors again bringing the matter to their attention, and requesting their co-operation. The committee is hopeful of getting action at the present session of congress, and are awaiting future developments. If the session confines itself to a consideration of the tariff and of the census bill, the resolution, now in committee, will go over until next December.

Fire at Stock Yards.
 (By Leased Wire to The Times)
 Chicago, April 10.—The most stubborn fire at the stock yards in months broke out today in the temporary buterline plant of Swift & Co., at Forty-first and Justine streets and caused \$100,000 loss. The fire was probably caused by crossed electric wires. The main buterline plant of Swift & Co. was destroyed by fire in January.