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WILL LAY THE CORNER STONE

Exercises At the Y. M. C. A. Building At the A. and M. College

WILL BE HELD MONDAY

Masonic Grand Lodge Will Be in Charge of the Exercises Which Will Take Place Monday Afternoon at 2:45—Dr. W. D. Weatherford to be the Principal Speaker—Will Be a Procession of Committees Officials and Students—Dr. Weatherford is Now at the A. & M. Taking Part in Association Meetings.

The corner-stone of the Y. M. C. A. building on the A. & M. College campus will be laid on Monday afternoon with appropriate exercises under the auspices of the Masonic Grand Lodge, the oldest secret organization in North Carolina. In general charge will be Grand Master W. M. McCoy, of Wilmington. Friends of the college and of the A. & M. College Y. M. C. A. will be most cordially welcome at the exercises.

It is worth noting in this connection that the Grand Lodge laid the corner-stone of the first A. & M. building—the "main building," lately rechristened Holladay Hall—and since then performed other services of the same kind for the college. The Masons have been good friends to the A. & M. during the entire twenty-three years of its existence.

The procession will form at the drug store in West Raleigh at 2:45, in the following order:

The advisory committee of the Young Men's Christian Association, Mr. W. H. Graham, Jr., president of the association in charge. Visiting delegates from other associations, Mr. J. W. Berghold, general secretary of the A. & M. Association in charge. The A. & M. College faculty, Vice President W. C. Riddick in charge. State officers, President D. H. Hill in charge. A. & M. cadet battalion, under command of cadet Major O. W. Smith. Following the battalion will come the guests of honor, the Grand Lodge will act as escort. Commandant Willis G. Peace, captain U. S. A., will be in general charge of the procession.

Friends of the college, including the students and faculties of Meredith College, St. Mary's school, and Peace Institute, are invited to attend the exercises. Those who are not in the procession will assemble on the campus.

After the parade has reached the Y. M. C. A. site, where the exercises will be held at an early date.

MRS. LEEDS.



With the Duke and Duchess of Manchester, Lady Wilson, Lord Falconer and Lord Lasselles as members of the party on board of Mrs. Leeds' yacht, Semiramis, is on its way from Manila to Nagasaki. The party was entertained for four days at the residence of Governor Forbes before sailing.

GEN. FUNSTON WILL SUCCEED GEN. GRANT

Cheyenne, Wyo., April 13.—A private dispatch, said to have been sent by an official of the war department at Washington, was received at Fort R. A. Russell, declaring that senior Brig. Gen. Frederick Funston would succeed the late Maj. Gen. Frederick D. Grant, and that Brig. Gen. Clarence R. Edwards, chief of the insular bureau, would succeed Funston as brigadier general of the line.

CHANGES IN OFFICERS

Navy Department Makes Changes in Commanders of Some of the Big Ships. Washington, April 13.—Following the conclusion of the Atlantic fleet's spring drill, some changes among the high-ranking officers of the navy have been announced by the department. Rear Admiral Bradley A. Fiske, formerly commanding the fifth division, succeeds Rear Admiral Thomas D. Howard in command of the third division. The fifth division is turned into a reserve division under a captain. Rear Admiral Chauncey Thomas is given notice of his retirement for age, April 27. He has turned over the command of the Pacific fleet to Rear Admiral Sutherland.

Republicans Open Headquarters

Chicago, April 13.—Headquarters for the republican national committee will be opened in Chicago May 1. Victor Rosewater will be in charge. The announcement was made today by William D. Hayward, secretary to the national committee.

Wisconsin Delegates.

Madison, Wis., April 13.—Official returns from the presidential primary show that of twenty-six delegates to the Baltimore convention Woodrow Wilson gets nineteen and Champ Clark six. One unpledged delegate was elected.

MOREHEAD BUST PLACED IN NICHE

The North Carolina historical commission set in its place today in the rotunda of the state capitol the bust of Gov. John M. Morehead. This bust was presented to the historical commission by Mr. John M. Morehead and Mr. Lindsay Patterson, Governor Morehead's grandsons.

It is the fourth bust to be placed in the rotunda of the capitol and fills the last of the niches on the lower floor intended for that purpose. The others are busts of Governors W. A. Graham and Samuel Johnston, and Senator Matt W. Ransom.

The exercises in connection with the unveiling of the Morehead bust will be held at an early date.

SAVED BY CHILD'S COUGH

Parents Awakened in Time to Escape From Burning Home. Wilmington, Del., April 13.—Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Tait, of 605 West 23rd street, were awakened early yesterday by the coughing of their 5-year-old son, to find the room full of smoke and the entire lower portion of the house in flames.

Tait, with his son in his arms and his wife following, attempted to descend the stairs, but were forced back by the flames. They then escaped to the roof of the porch as the flames burst into the room. The child was dropped into the arms of a neighbor and Tait and his wife were assisted to the ground.

The house was ruined and the loss is placed at \$7,000.

MRS. LAFOLLETTE ON STUMP

Will Make Speaking Trip in California in Senator's Interest. San Francisco, April 13.—Thomas K. Kase, president of the State LaFollette League, announced today that Mrs. LaFollette would conduct a speech-making campaign in California in the interest of her husband's candidacy for the republican nomination for president. She will accompany the senator to California after the Oregon primaries, and will make addresses to the women voters in the principal cities.

Mrs. Emily Montague Bishop, sent to California as the personal representative of Senator LaFollette, is now delivering addresses in southern California and soon will come to San Francisco.

BOTH CLAIM DELEGATES

Wide Divergence in Statements Issued From Rival Republican Headquarters

Washington, April 13.—Over one-half the 1,076 delegates to the republican national convention will have been selected at the close of the Pennsylvania primaries today. Statements issued from Taft and Roosevelt headquarters here show a wide divergence in the claims to delegates selected up to last night.

The Taft claim is: Taft, 339; Roosevelt, 113; LaFollette, 33; Cummins, 6; uninstructed, 2. Roosevelt claim: Roosevelt, 151; Taft, 49; LaFollette, 36; Cummins, 4; contested, 164; uninstructed, 106.

The chief differences between the rival managers lie in the southern states, where the Roosevelt forces list as "contested" all the delegates claimed by Taft; in Mississippi where the delegation of 29 is claimed outright by both sides; and New York where 88 delegates are listed "uninstructed" by the Roosevelt managers, while the Taft managers claim 83 of them and concede 7 to Roosevelt. The six Vermont delegates claimed for Taft are held as "uninstructed" by the Roosevelt claim.

At Clark headquarters the following statement of democratic delegates was issued: Pop. Clark, 143; Marshall, 39; Wilson, 27; Burke, 19; uninstructed, 12. At the Wilson headquarters an estimate of 72 delegates was given as the Wilson strength. Claims were not made public from other headquarters.

Dr. J. Y. Joyner delivers an address today at an educational rally at Albemarle, Stanly county.

STATEMENT MADE BY MANN DECLARED FALSE

Washington, D. C., April 13.—The lie was passed on the house floor when Representative Graham, of Illinois, chairman of the committee on interior department expenditures, branded as "absolutely and unqualifiedly false" a statement made yesterday by Minority Leader Mann, that Graham told Mrs. Helen Pierce Gray, a woman lobbyist, not to return a fee protested by an Indian client. The ensuing debate was intensely bitter. Mann finally demanded that Graham explain the connection of Mrs. Gray with the committee or that the committee should be made the subject of an investigation.

KEYSTONE STATE CHOOSING DELEGATES

Philadelphia, April 13.—Pennsylvania voters are today participating in the most important primary election since the uniform primary law was enacted in 1906. The chief interest in the contest for Pennsylvania's seventy-six delegates to the national convention. The regular republican organization is backing Taft. Roosevelt's supporters claim they will elect a large number of delegates. The democratic party in Pennsylvania favors Woodrow Wilson for president. Candidates favoring Champ Clark are on the ballot in many congressional districts. Harmon candidates are not numerous.

OUTLAW TRIAL IN HILLSVILLE

Judge Staples Sets April 23 as Time for Trying Allen Clan. Lynchburg, Va., April 13.—Judge Walter R. Staples of Roanoke this afternoon at Wytheville, Va., fixed Hillsville, Va., as the place and April 23 as the time for the trial of Floyd Allen and all others indicted for the murder of the Carroll county officials and who are now in custody. Both defense and prosecution asked for a change of venue, the defense wanting the trials at Roanoke. Judge Staples decided on Wytheville, and then the defense withdrew its motion and the judge decided as stated.

WILL DIVIDE PARTY VOTE

Fight For Taft 16 For Roosevelt—Mecklenburg Republicans Go Wet

Charlotte, N. C., April 13.—North Carolina's representation at the republican national convention will be divided so as to give Roosevelt 16 delegates and Taft eight. This announcement was made by State Chairman Morehead after a party leader's conference to arrange a new plan for organization in this state. Under the new plan it is reported that the vote at the various conventions shall be prorated according to the relative strength of each candidate. Under the old plan the winner of the majority of state's representation received the full strength of the vote of that state in the national convention.

Mecklenburg Republicans Wet.

Charlotte, April 13.—The Mecklenburg county republican convention here this afternoon will adopt a strong resolution declaring for local option, the county to be the unit and condemning the Webb bill in strenuous language. The resolution will declare the Webb bill is merely for the purpose of bedouing the atmosphere around a fraud and that the present state wide prohibition law is responsible for an increase of murders, assaults, perjury and other crimes. An evenly divided Taft and Roosevelt delegation will be selected to the state convention.

Hermon in Chicago.

Chicago, April 13.—Coming from Omaha, where last night he replied to Win. J. Bryan's charges against him, Governor Harmon spent today here conferring with his campaign managers.

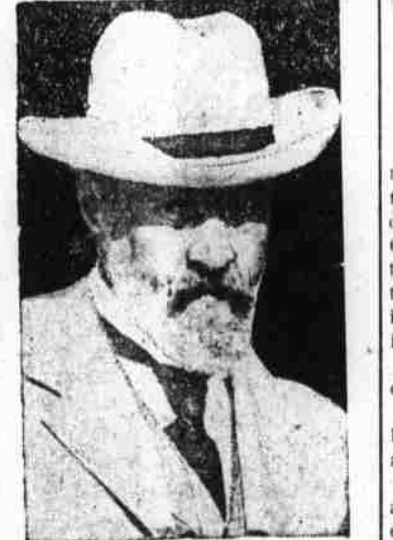
HAVE HEADQUARTERS IN MARKET HOUSE

The senatorial headquarters of Senator Simmons will be in the police court room of the old municipal building. Mr. A. D. Watts today having made arrangements to rent this room from the city. The room will not be available, however, until the middle of next week, when the Raleigh office get into their new quarters. Mr. Watts will be in charge of the bureau here until Senator Simmons' manager arrives in about two weeks.

Postmaster at Thaxton.

Washington, D. C., April 13.—Warner H. Jones was today appointed postmaster at Thaxton, Ashe county, North Carolina, vice G. A. Martin resigned.

COUNT SERGIUS WITTE.



As a member of the Russian council of the empire, Count Sergius Witte is not permitted to engage in any activities other than those connected with the government. The man who helped make history at Portsmouth, N. H., as plenipotentiary of the czar in signing the peace pact that ended the Russo-Japanese war, recently made application that he be allowed permission to promote a financial scheme, which would undoubtedly make him a very rich man, he is now in rather straitened circumstances. The count's application met with flat refusal, in which he was advised that he was needed in the service of the czar and the czar only.

WANTS ROAD TO RALEIGH

Mr. Leonard Tufts Willing to Build Part of Great Link

Mr. W. L. Wiggs, road supervisor of Wake county, spent yesterday at Pinhurst as the guest of Mr. Leonard Tufts, and while there was shown over about 75 miles of fine sandalwood roads. "It was worth anybody's time and expense," Mr. Wiggs said today, "to see those beautiful roads, and I am mighty glad I went."

There are about 200 miles of roads about Pinhurst, most of which Mr. Tufts built himself, and they are models for every progressive roadbuilder. During the hard winter these sandalwood roads stood up well and as good today. Mr. Wiggs said, a Fayetteville street. The spill-log drag is the only machine used on them.

Mr. Tufts told Mr. Wiggs that he would help finance a good road to the Wake county line, if the commissioners of Wake would build the connecting link. The hundreds of visitors to Pinhurst each winter are not able to take in the shows in Raleigh because of poor roads and Mr. Tufts hopes to have a highway constructed that will enable his guests to motor over in the afternoon, and reach over night in Raleigh and return next morning.

Mr. Tufts would build this road, or rather help Moore and Lee counties build it, so as to link up with the road running by Apex or the Central highway coming into the city by way of Smithfield, Johnston county. Mr. Wiggs is heartily in sympathy with the big capitalist's ambition, and will do all in his power to give Wake county the necessary link.

HENRY PUBLICITY BILL REPORTED

Washington, April 13.—The house committee on the election of president and vice-president favorably reported the Henry bill which funds, together with their disbursement, intended to advance the candidacy of the aspirants for the two higher federal offices. The vote was unanimous.

Crossed English Channel.

London, April 13.—Maurice V. Prevost, a French aeronaut, left Paris at a quarter to seven o'clock this morning in an aeroplane, carrying a passenger. He landed at half past one at East Chereuil, having crossed the channel from Calais, France.

TICKET IS SLATED FOR LEGISLATURE

There is no longer any doubt that there will be a fight in Wake county this spring over the nomination of candidates for the general assembly. One ticket has already been tentatively agreed upon and unless something unforeseen occurs the following men will be in the race for legislative offices:

For the senate, John W. Hinsdale, Jr.

For the house, J. Wilbur Bunn, of Raleigh; M. A. Griffin, of Wendell, and Ernest Mills, of White Oak.

This is the slate said to have been agreed on yesterday at a conference of politicians, and there was no doubt today of the fact.

OFFER MONA LISA TO MORGAN

Paris, April 11.—A newspaper whose artistic news is generally reliable, says that two men left Rome yesterday for Florence in order to see Mr. Morgan and offer to sell him "Mona Lisa," the famous picture stolen from the Louvre. It is stated that Mr. Morgan, who had been staying at the Grand Hotel, Florence, went on an automobile trip to Vienna this morning, but returned to Florence this afternoon to interview the two mysterious visitors.

JEFFERSON DINNER TO BE HELD TONIGHT

New York, April 13.—The most interesting political event of the convention held here will be the Jefferson birthday dinner of the National Democratic Club, tonight. Governor Woodrow Wilson, Governor Dix, Mayor Gaynor and other prominent democrats from over the country will attend.

BOND FOR F. O. BEACH

Wealthy Horseman Puts Up Sum and He Will Not Hurry Back. Aiken, S. C., April 13.—Frederick O. Beach, the New York millionaire, for whom a warrant has been issued here on the charge of cutting his wife's throat several weeks ago, will not be compelled to hurry back from his trip to Europe to stand trial. It was announced today that Thomas Hitchcock, Jr., the millionaire horseman, has furnished bond of \$1,000 for Beach's appearance at the September term of circuit court of Aiken county. The bond has been accepted and this practically ends the case until that time. It was stated here today that Beach, who now is in Paris with his wife, will probably remain abroad until the latter part of August.

Eulogy on Jefferson.

Washington, April 13.—Amid democratic applause Representative Austin, republican, presented in the house an eulogy on Thomas Jefferson, whose natal day it was. He said he knew of no man to whom the American people owed a greater debt of gratitude. He pledged his aid in erecting in Washington a monument suitable to his memory.

Aviator Killed.

Paris, April 13.—Lieutenant Boncour was killed in an aeroplane accident. The officer fell from a great height, passing over London. The aeroplane collapsed from an unknown cause.

FURNITURE PLANT AT BISCOE BURNS

News was received in the city today of the destruction by fire Thursday night of the plant of the Biscoe Furniture Manufacturing Company at Biscoe. The origin of the fire is not known. Mr. W. B. Hicks, president, and Mr. E. R. Burr, secretary, were the principal stockholders in the concern. The loss was \$20,000 without a cent of insurance.

ALLENS CHANGE THEIR MIND

Didn't Want to Be Tried at Hillsville At First; Now They Do. Bristol, Va., April 13.—Although a petition for change of venue was filed some weeks ago by members of the Allen gang, now in jail for shooting up the courthouse at Hillsville, they have all decided that they wish to be tried at Hillsville, according to Judge N. P. Oglesby, of this city, former judge of the circuit court of Carroll county, and now attorney for the members of the clan in the Roanoke jail. Judge Oglesby says that he advised them to be tried in their home county and that they decided that it would be the best. Judge Staples has not as yet acted on the petition for change of venue. Judge Oglesby estimates that the trial, which begins April 23, will last 30 days.

RATS SET WOMAN FREE.

Allentown, Pa., April 12.—Mrs. Hannah Culp, under arrest on a charge of attempting to kill her husband by feeding him with poison and glass-filled pie, was vindicated yesterday, when the grand jury refused to find a bill against her. At the time of her arrest Mrs. Culp offered to eat the pie to prove that there was no glass or poison in it. Since then rats and mice have carried away the pie, and no dead rodents have been found on the premises.

New Southern Record.

Chapel Hill, April 13.—What is claimed to be a new southern record was established here when Patterson, the star mile runner of the University of North Carolina sprinted a mile in four minutes and 32 seconds. To event was the feature of the track and field meet between the University of North Carolina and Wake Forest.

MORE BREAKS IN THE LEVEES

Louisiana and Arkansas Territory Being Flooded Through New Gaps In Levees

BREAK THE WORST YET

Mississippi Is Raising Havoc in Southern Arkansas and Northern Louisiana—It is Estimated That Several Thousand Square Miles of Territory, Covering Parts of Several Counties Will Be Flooded Before Night—Break is Regarded as the Most Serious Since the Flood Began and the Damage to Property Will Be Large.

Greenville, Miss., April 13.—The Mississippi river is raising havoc in southern Arkansas and northern Louisiana, with a mighty force of the greatest tide in the waterway's history. The flood is pouring through two gaps in the levee, at Panther Forest, Arkansas, and near Roosevelt, Louisiana, over the fertile lands of Louisiana and Arkansas, delta. Before nightfall it is estimated a thousand square miles in East Carroll and Madison Parishes, Louisiana, and Chicot and Desha counties, Arkansas, will be flooded. The breaks last night are regarded as the most serious since the flood period began. The damage to property will be large.

Thousands of Families Homeless.

New Orleans, April 13.—Great property damage was wrought in north Louisiana as a result of a sudden break in the levee near Alsatia. It is feared many lives are lost. Eight hundred square miles are flooded, and thousands of families were made homeless.

PEACH CROP NOT LOST

Some Sections of State Show 60 Per Cent. of Buds Flourishing.

Harrisburg, April 13.—The severe cold weather of last winter did not kill all of the peach buds. State economic zoologist surface said yesterday that from specimens of buds received from Berks county and other eastern sections, he believes there are many localities where more than 60 per cent. of the buds are flourishing.

Murder Remains a Mystery.

Lynn, Mass., April 13.—The murder of George E. Marsh, a wealthy soap manufacturer, whose body, containing four bullets, was found on West Lynn marsh yesterday, remains a deep mystery. The police are working on information that the Marsh was seen Thursday night riding with an unknown woman in a buggy.

MRS. ROBERT F. SCOTT.



Wife of the English antarctic explorer, is confident that her husband will yet be recognized as the real conqueror of the antarctic. She declares that when her husband returns after another year's stay in the southernmost regions the compiling of the data which he is gathering will be of such importance to the scientific world that the mere fact of being the first to reach the pole will be of no account whatsoever.