

BY ODD FELLOWS.

Plan to Erect Memorial to Nathaniel Jacobi.

Committed of Which Mr. Eugene Albee is Chairman, to Recommend to Grand Lodge That New Memorial to Be Known as "Jacobi Memorial" Be Erected at Goldsboro Orphanage.

RALIEGH, March 26.—E. P. Albee, chairman of the special committee of Odd Fellows having in hand the matter of providing a memorial to the lamented Nathaniel Jacobi, of Wilmington, and the "Father" of the Odd Fellows Orphan Home, at Goldsboro, was here today returning from a meeting of the committee at the orphanage yesterday at which it was decided to recommend to the Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows, which meets in Hendersonville in May, that a \$15,000 dormitory building be erected at the orphanage to be known as the "Jacobi Memorial." Along with the recommendation will be presented plans for a campaign among Odd Fellows and their friends for raising the balance of funds needed. It was in 1888 that Nathaniel Jacobi introduced in the grand lodge the resolution for founding the orphanage, which was opened in 1888 and has grown to that extent that the plant is now valued at \$50,000; Mr. Jacobi having all the while taken a lively interest in the home.

Much Fruit Killed.
F. C. Reimer, in charge of the North Carolina experiment station here, expresses the opinion that probably seventy-five per cent of the fruit hereabouts was killed by the recent freeze which preceded by a few hours the recent snow fall. This, he thinks, applies to peaches, cherries and early apples. Most of the apples, however, had not bloomed out sufficiently to be exposed.

Two Females Killed.
News is received here of the finding of the mangled bodies of two young farmers, Sam Roberts and Turner Hatley, early this morning about ten miles from Raleigh on the Norfolk and Southern Railway. Nothing is known as to the circumstances of their death except that they left Wilson on the N. & S. about 7 o'clock last night with every indication of heavy drinking. They are thought to have fallen off of the train somewhere, their bodies remaining on the track until morning.

A High Health Level.
"I have reached a higher health level since I began using Dr. King's New Life Pills," writes Jacob Springer, of West Franklin, Maine. "They keep my stomach, liver and bowels working just right." If these pills disappoint you on trial, money will be refunded at P. A. Thompson's drug store.

News Items Reported From State Capital

RALIEGH, March 26.—United States Marshal Claudius Dockery of New York reported for the arrest of James Staley, the negro who seriously shot Deputy Marshal Reese, near Spout Springs, Harnett county. It is known that Staley was wounded twice at the time of the shooting and that he took the northbound train at Pine View Sunday, presumably for Staley, N. C. He is about five feet ten inches tall, rather slender, dark yellow complexion, with short thick mustache, about 25 to 28 years old.

Invoices have reached the office of the adjutant general of the North Carolina National Guard for the new Springfield rifles from the war department with which to re-equip the North Carolina National Guard, there being, including a small shipment heretofore received, 2,060, enough for every enlisted man in the state and to spare. The distribution to the companies will begin as early as possible.

Commissions are issued by S. C. Chambers and Charles Bennett as, respectively, captain and second lieutenant of Company E, Third Regiment, Durham.

Quartermaster General Marion and Col. J. L. Ludlow, chief of engineering corps, North Carolina National Guard, are at Camp Glenn, Morehead, preparing for the installation of the new equipment, to include water-sewerage, light plants and necessary buildings for accommodation of encampments.

R. Jones, the music dealer of Raleigh and Goldsboro, who spent three days in jail here some weeks ago and was released on \$100 bond for this term of court on the charge of embezzling several hundred dollars from Packer-Gardner Co., Charlotte, was called and failed in the superior court this afternoon and his bond was declared forfeited. His bondsman is C. L. Woodall, well-known livestock dealer. Jones has not been seen in several days.

As to the real effect of the United States supreme court decision just delivered at Washington in the Wood lubeas corpus appeal, growing out of the sensational railroad rate litigation in which the state sought to prevent the federal courts from interfering with the enforcement of the 2-14 cent passenger rate. Chairman Franklin McNeill of the North Carolina corporation commission, said tonight that the ruling of the supreme court has merely the effect of establishing the right of Judge Pritchard to take jurisdiction of the subject matter of the litigation—the passing upon the constitutionality of the legislative act reducing the passenger rate, whether it is confiscatory or not—the state contending that the federal court could not take jurisdiction because the act was self-executing, the corporation or other state officers having no duties to perform in putting the act into operation.

Commenting further on the rate situation in the light of the ruling in the habeas corpus case, Chairman McNeill said that of course the whole rate lit-

igation is now at an end in spite of the ruling that Judge Pritchard's restraining order was within exercise of his rightful powers, for the reason that the compromise carried through by Governor Glenn and the railroad companies and ratified by the extra session of the legislature put an end to every other phase of the ratification, the compromise rate going into effect April 1 on all the railroads involved, the basis being 2-1-2 cents with mileage books at 2 and 2-1-4 cents.

Winston's Colored Quartette Loses Out

Durham Herald, 24.
The Durham colored Ducler Quartette won unanimously the decision last night over the "All Stars," of Winston-Salem, in the first of their series of three contests.

They won it upon every feature entering into the merits of voice and team work, and as for the music used by each band of singers, there was no comparison. From the first, when the visiting boys dropped down upon "My Old Kentucky Home," only to be submerged by that classic, "Remember Now Thy Creator," it was manifest that the visiting fellows were not in the local class as harmony creators or in musical lore.

Jupiter Phylus, as they say when the hot air drops from heaven's canopy, got off one of his smoothest jokes last night just as the hour set for the Durham Ducler Quartette and the Winston All Stars.

The audience was well divided, there being almost as many whites as colored and the first were just as enthusiastic as the second. There was no color line in the music last night.

The Winston-Salem warblers were late and the master of ceremonies came under the headlight and announced that they were on the way down. By the time the second of these temporizings had been declared, the crowd was impatient. The Ducler boys then came out and sang a little skit, when their opponents came in.

The Durham boys sang first. Their number was "Remember Now Thy Creator." They presented what Besant called "all kinds and conditions of men." The second bass weighs about 127 pounds and the first tenor 227. The big man can sing just as high as the little one can low and they have complete mastery over their voices. The first tenor is A. L. Goodloe and the second bass is Haywood Townsend. Thomas Johnson is second tenor and William Mangum is bass. The intermediate singers are just as good as their brothers, but do not have the chance of the others in quartette work.

Why, those fellows can sing anything. As Mr. C. E. Piper, one of the judges, said, but few of the finest quartettes undertake some of the music that they sing. Their rendition of "Lead Kindly Light" was as artistic a thing as was ever heard here. When they wanted ragtime, they sang it as easily as their opponents and the song to Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup was a delicious piece of humor.

The Winston-Salem quartette was composed of W. H. Smith, first tenor; Charles Pace, second tenor; J. W. Allen, first bass, and Robert Lewis, second bass, and they presented a very different aspect from the Durham aggregation. The big bass voice owned by the largest man and the second tenor received honorable mention in the general announcement. The All Stars had a very fine bass. There was probably greater volume to it than that of Durham's quartette, but he can't sing with the Ducler man. He has the lungs but not the soul.

The Winston boys must not be put down as an ordinary quartette. They are fine upon barber shop minors and in plantation croonings excel their advanced competitors. They personify their progenitors, the God-given, but untrained music of the feet and ears, while their opponents have the divine fire with all that it means and their song goes straight to the mind.

The Durham boys will go to Winston-Salem April 6 to sing and if the contest result is a tie it will be sung off here.

SPECIAL EASTER EGG.

One Laid With Outline of Tree and Features of Woman on the Shell.

A Danville correspondent reports: One of the hens on the farm of Sam Clayton, a well-known farmer of the Witt neighborhood, evidently anticipated the arrival of Easter, and several days ago laid an egg which will not have to be colored and painted for the little children.

The most peculiar egg was found in the hen house, where a large number of hens had quarters, which makes it impossible to ascertain its parent. The hen product is normal in every respect except that on the shell appears with almost artistic design a picture of a tree, and upon close examination the features of a woman can be outlined.

Famous Soldier Dead.

Col. John W. Fairfax, of Leesylvania, Virginia, died Sunday, aged 80 years. He was the ranking officer on Longstreet's staff, and because of his dash and bravery was called "Longstreet's fighting aide." No man in Virginia more fully embodied the characteristics of the old-time Southern gentleman than Col. Fairfax. He was a courtly, high-minded gentleman, and a soldier without a stain.

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Strawberry and Vegetable Situation in the East

Long distance telephone and telegraphic advices to the Carolina Fruit and Truckers' Journal, published at Wilmington, from all important points are to the effect that very little, if any damage was done by the snow fall and consequent cold weather of last Friday and Saturday. The editor of the Journal personally visited several sections of the truck belt and takes pleasure in testifying to the accuracy of these reports. Many young berries have formed and the fields are white with blooms, but the reduced acreage has made it easy for the growers to protect themselves with straw coverings, which is a great safeguard against future damage to the crop. Never within the recollection of the editor of the Journal have the fields been so well cared for and strawed as this season. This insures a higher grade of fruit and a good yield, with the consequent higher prices.

The lettuce crop this season, the Journal says, is fully up to the average, while the quality could hardly be surpassed. Car load shipments will follow consignments by express in a few days. The excessive wet weather has caused some damage to the crop, but the Journal says that the spring crop has never been a failure and despite the rains, growers may expect a good average crop. Radishes are going forward and commanding very good prices, while potatoes are beginning to peep above the ground. Concluding the Journal says:

"The cantaloupe and melon acreage will show the largest increase this season ever recorded over any previous year. Everything seems promising. The Coast Line people say they will have ample motive power for moving all trains promptly and on schedule time, which they have never had before, while the Armour Car Lines and Fruit Growers' Express are bunching their cars by the hundreds at different points throughout the trucking belt, preparatory to greater activities next month. From present indications strawberries will begin to move inside of three weeks, although weather conditions from now on will have much to do with determining the date of these shipments and shaping the result."

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