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"CRUELTY TO PRISONERS MUST GO" Says Rev. Plyler In His Sermon Last Sunday A. M. Elder Raleigh District Preaches A Strong Sermon

"Backward places similar to Stanly county may call a man a 'Christian gentleman' though he has treated prisoners in a way becoming the dark ages; but these habitations of human cruelty must give way," declared the Rev. M. T. Plyler, presiding elder of the Raleigh district of the North Carolina Methodist conference, in his sermon at Edenton Street Methodist church Sunday.

Mr. Plyler predicted that while a growing commonwealth like North Carolina may defer for a little while "the fullest and most thorough test of the place of women in industry" it would be for only a brief time as "the Christian conscience of North Carolina has decreed that the world must know."

He was preaching on the need of God in modern living, and about the transforming power of Christ in the lives of men. He had pointed out that "this effort to outlaw war is of Christ, the Prince of Peace."

"This effort to foster social betterment and to relieve the cruelties incident to systems that have been tolerated because of the hardness of men's hearts indicate that Christ is working in the world," he said.

"Judges and men in high station say the whole system must go," he added in regard to the present prison system, and pointed out that this was not even thought of a century ago.

He also pointed out in this connection that "this effort to hedge about the women and children in industry is entirely Christian," and explained that Jesus gave special attention to the child and to the mother of the child.

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TUESDAY AFTERNOON FIRE

The unexpected happened in Zebulon Tuesday afternoon about 4:30 o'clock when the fire alarm sounded, and all the firemen responded promptly. As the firemen hurriedly made their way to the old building of J. G. Pearce's just back of the Zebulon Bank and Trust Co., they saw that the fire was on the roof of the building (which was unoccupied), but they soon extinguished the flames, which caused very little damage.

It was fortunate that the fire was discovered as soon as it was, the structure being a wooden building and had the fire made much headway it might have proved disastrous for other buildings nearby. It has been some time since a fire occurred in Zebulon, and the town for the passed two years has had very little in the town.

PYTHIANS VOTE \$50,000 FOR EXTENSION WORK

Chicago, Aug. 16.—The Supreme Lodge of the Knights of Pythias in the final session today of its 34th biennial convention appropriated \$50,000 for extension work. Under the administration of Richard S. Witte, of Milwaukee, Wis., the supreme chancellor, and Olva Lumpkin, of Columbia, S. C., the new supreme keeper of records and seals, it was said, an organization will be created to "sell Pythianism."

Men of little faith don't belong in business.

HIGHER BANK RATE TAKEN AS SIGN OF BUSINESS GROWTH

The upward trend of business, with its accompanying expansion in money requirements, was formally recognized last week when the New York Federal Reserve Bank authorized an increase to 4 per cent in its re-discount rate, which had been maintained at 3 1-2 per cent since April 22nd.

Larger borrowings, entering particularly in the New York money market, have signaled a much more active crop moving purposes. At the same time, broadening activity in the stock market has caused a drain upon the country's credit resources, the increase in brokerage loans for the last week of July amounting to \$86,000,000.

Although business and financial circles will watch closely for any effects of the higher rate on their activities, it is expected the change will exert much of a restrictive influence, especially on trade. So far as the money market is concerned the federal action merely brings the bank rate into closer harmony with prevailing open market quotations.

While financial attention for some time has been focused on developments offering a key to the fall trade situation, confidence has been strengthened by accumulating evidence of prosperity in the first half of the year. The Federal Reserve Board last week reported record-breaking industrial activity for this period, despite slight recessions in April and May, with a noteworthy enlargement of output in the steel and automobile industries.

Predictions that 1926 will eclipse 1925 as a banner year in the steel industry were made by the trade reviews last week and were partially borne out by the latest statistical reports. Steel ingot production for the first seven months of the year was materially above the output for the corresponding period of 1925, with activities throughout the industry stabilized at a much higher rate than a year ago. For the first time this year, the United States Steel Corporation announced an increase in unfilled orders on its books at the end of July. New buying meanwhile was given promise that unfilled tonnage will continue to gain.

Railroad freight traffic continued at the highest level of the year as a heavy movement of grain to market got under way. Crop conditions were reported good in most western states, with the prospect that fair prices would aid in the economic come back of this territory.

Reports from other important industries indicated that manufacturers were facing the second half of the year with greater confidence. Leading rubber company executives indicated that this industry, having survived serious unsettlement in the crude rubber market, should be soundly re-established by the end of the year. The widening excess margin of consumption over production, which was especially noticeable in July, was welcomed by the textile industry although the cotton goods trade was somewhat disorganized last week by the sharp break in cotton prices.—N. Y. Dispatch.

WADE TO ASK FOR ADDITIONAL HELP

To maintain an adequate force of examiners for the domestic insurance companies and the building and loan organizations within the State, Insurance Commissioner Stacey W. Wade, stated that he will ask for an additional appropriation in the 1927 budget for the Insurance Department.

The annual audit of many of the domestic insurance and building and loan companies is now in progress. Under the law, an audit of the books of each insurance company or building and loan organization in the State must be made every three years. H. T. Bronson and F. W. Farrow, V. M. Stonebanks and R. B. Nichols, building loan examiners, are now engaged in auditing books of various companies.

According to Commissioner Wade, the rapid growth of domestic insurance and building and loan companies has made it virtually impossible to get around to all companies every three years with the force he now has for this work.

DR. WRIGHT AT BAP. CHURCH SUNDAY A. M.

Well Known Sunday School Organizer Of Raleigh

Discuss How to Have Successful Sunday School

Dr. Jno. B. Wright, a prominent surgeon of Raleigh, and leading member of the First Presbyterian church, will speak at the Baptist church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Dr. Wright was one of the organizers of the famous Vanguard class with more than 1,000 members. He will discuss how to have a successful Sunday school, and those interested in Sunday school work will be greatly helped by hearing him.

The regular evening service will be held at 8 o'clock in the church since the weather is expected to be cooler. The twilight services have been enjoyed very much by every one. This service will, however, be only a little over thirty minutes in length, the pastor speaking about fifteen minutes on the subject, The Great Burden Bearer. The public is very cordially invited to these services.

POISON GAS TAKES LIFE OF ONE MAN

Durham, Aug. 14.—William Eason is dead and Neal Wilson lies in a local hospital with a fighting chance for recovery from the effects of a deadly gas encountered this afternoon in a well which was being dug on the farm of C. J. Goodwin, several miles southeast of the city. Had it not been for the heroism of John Roberts-Poe, who five times braved the dangers which lurked in the bottom of the well in the form of poison gas, Wilson would also have died.

This afternoon rock was encountered in the well when it had reached a depth of around twenty-five feet and the use of dynamite was resorted to in breaking it up. Following the blast, and before the smoke and dust had settled, Eason went down into the well to load a bucket with the broken rock. Three or four buckets full of the rock were hauled up from it before he was overcome by the gas.

The alarm was spread and calls for help sent out, and within a short time a number of men from nearby sections arrived. Upon the issuance of a call for a volunteer to attempt the rescue of Eason, Herbert Satterwhite went down into the well, but stayed there for only a few seconds because of the gas. Then it was that Wilson volunteered his service. He was lowered into the well, where the fumes of the gas were about to suffocate him when he signalled the men on the ground to pull him up. As he was being lifted he was overcome. The rope slipped from around him and his inert body fell across the form of Eason.

With possibility of a double tragedy facing them, another frantic call for a volunteer was sent out, resulting in Poe stepping forward. Three times he entered the well, only to be brought back to the surface without accomplishing his purpose and for a time it seemed that he was about to give up the attempt of rescue. Finally a fourth attempt was made and this time he succeeded in bringing the bodies, one at a time to the surface. Eason was dead, but Wilson was alive. The latter was rushed to the hospital, where tonight every thing is being done to save his life.

Some of those who witnessed the unselfish and heroic act of Poe stated that an effort will be made to secure a medal for bravery for him.

Neither prosperity nor adversity is ever universal.

Under private ownership of business enterprises, customers are not required to wait for a political election to express disapproval of inefficiency.

WILL WE HAVE COMMUNITY FAIR HERE?

Mass Meeting Called To Determine The Matter

Wendell, Zebulon And Community To Decide

A mass meeting is called for August 24, at Zebulon in the Town Hall, to determine whether or not Wendell and the community wants the Eastern Wake County Fair held in Zebulon. Every citizen in the community should be interested in the matter, and should come to this meeting and express their views. It is a community fair. The fair does not belong to Zebulon or Wendell—it belongs to the citizens who compose the community. The people of the country should be just as much interested as the towns people. They furnish many things that go to make the fair a success, and should come to this meeting and give their views on the matter.

The fair should be held and everybody should take an interest in the fair and make it one of the best ever held.

The town of Wendell had the fair last year, and it was a great event, and the people of Wendell are always ready to do their part. The fair is supposed to be held one year in Wendell and the next year in Zebulon.

The Record hopes that the mass meeting will be attended on Tuesday, August 24, by one of the largest crowds ever assembled in the town hall.

Now, remember the date and the purpose of this meeting, and let every one do his or her part.

Every family in the community can have exhibits at the fair this year. Come out on the above date and bring your neighbor, and all cooperate together to make the fair a success.

PROBING MYSTERY IN HOWARD DEATH

Mystery surrounding the death of John B. Howard, well known former Raleigh man, by drowning in San Diego Bay on July 25 and attempts to secure his \$30,000 estate have led insurance and stocks and bond men to require complete proof of all the facts surrounding the death and the relationship of the claimants, it was learned.

The news of Howard's death was wired back to Raleigh a few weeks after he had moved from here to make his home in San Diego. Coroner Schuyler C. Kelly who investigated the drowning declared that there was no reason to believe he had committed suicide and that there was a possibility that his death resulted from foul play. Howard's body was found fully clothed floating in the bay. Letters in his pocket resulted in his identification. He was last seen alive Tuesday evening, July 20, with an unidentified woman at the beach resort where his floating body was later found.

All claims to the Howard estate are being made in the name of Mrs. Minnie Howard, mother of the dead man, but there is a question as to whether these claims are not being made by her. No claims have yet been paid, it was understood. Before Howard left Raleigh he told D. J. Humphrey, a friend, that his mother was in Canada. Two letters with regard to funds due Howard have been received here recently from San Diego both signed by Mrs. Minnie Howard but in very different handwriting, it is stated.

Howard gave the name of Mrs. Agnes Sladick, 110 East Arbor Drive, San Diego and her address as the place where he wished certain securities forwarded. Mrs. Sladick, is about 32 years old, it is stated. The size of the estate left by Howard was a considerable surprise to those who knew him here. He was regarded as a remarkably able stenographer and spoke seven languages. He had a few peculiarities but was highly regarded. He was an ardent hiker and often walked to and from Wake Forest or Smithfield in a day. He was a vegetarian. He was very thrifty and saved a large percentage of all the money he made. He had saved around \$20,000 which he invested in securities, money with which to purchase a home in the suburbs, and had paid premiums on \$6,000 life insurance.—News and Observer.

RAILROAD TRAINMEN HOLD ANNUAL MEET

Raleigh, August 16.—Plans have been completed for the opening of the annual convention of the Bi-State Booster Association of North and South Carolina Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen and Ladies' Auxiliary, which convenes here for a three-day meeting on Thursday, August 19, it was announced yesterday by C. C. Brooks, secretary of the local organization.

The program as announced by Secretary Brooks includes the Governors of North and South Carolina, W. G. Lee, of Cleveland, Ohio, grand president of the national organization of Railroad Trainmen, and other high officials of the Brotherhood of whom are booked for addresses. The Ladies' Auxiliary will be represented by Mrs. Clara M. Bradley, of St. Louis Mo., first grand president, and Mrs. Ada B. Marshall, of Philadelphia, first vice grand president.

Indications point to at least an attendance of 2,000 or more upon the convention, said Mr. Brooks. Two of the meetings will be open to the public.

A local committee will be stationed at the Union Station Thursday morning to welcome the incoming delegates and visitors. Headquarters will be maintained at the Sir Walter Hotel, but business meetings will be held in the City Auditorium. Delegates and visitors will register at the Sir Walter. Luncheon will be served at 1:30, after which the delegates will go to the auditorium for a joint business meeting.

The convention proper will open Thursday night at the auditorium, where Mayor E. E. Culbreth, of Raleigh, will deliver the address of welcome. Governors McLean and McLeod, of North and South Carolina, respectively, Mr. Lee and other officials will then deliver short addresses.

Friday morning, the two organizations will hold executive meetings. Luncheon is to be served at 1 o'clock at Edenton Street Methodist Church. The afternoon session will be devoted to a joint business meeting of the two organizations.

Friday night, officers of the Brotherhood, together with railroad executives, will address the delegates. A dance is to be held at the conclusion of the speeches.

The aSturday program will be opened by a joint closing meeting of the Brotherhood and Auxiliary. At 1 o'clock, a barbecue will be served in Pullen Park.

TOMORROW NEVER COMES

Do not put off until tomorrow what you can do today. You may have many good intentions and you are going to put them in effect tomorrow. Your earnings are not satisfactory you know that you may earn more if you prepare and—you will do so tomorrow. Your hours of employment are long—you can shorten them if you will and—you are going to do so—tomorrow. Do not live in the future—do it now. Some day you are going to relieve yourself of the burden of hard work and low wages; you are going to prepare for easier and better life work and why not start now. You will begin some other time—nothing will relieve you at the necessity of preparing for it—not even if you do wait until another day—tomorrow. Don't fool yourself into this belief. Tomorrow is the graveyard of good intentions. The habit of putting off until tomorrow, has caused more people to live lives of hard work and poverty than all other causes combined and just as long as you do this your opportunity in life will be delayed or lost. For tomorrow never comes and things are never done.—D. M. CARTER.

SMALLPOX GAINS DURING AUGUST

More than seven times as many cases of small pox were reported to the Bureau of Epidemiology of the State Board of Health, of Raleigh, during the first two weeks of this month than there were for the corresponding period last year. The report, issued Wednesday, shows 113 cases of smallpox thus far this month as against 16 for the first two weeks in August, 1925.

READY FOR BIG BUSINESS THIS FALL

Merchants Stocking Up With The Best Goods

Trade In Zebulon If You Want To Get Full Benefit

We were passing about from place to place a day or two ago, and noticed that nearly all our merchants were either receiving large shipments of goods, or had received them, and every one in each department were busy marking up and placing these goods. On making inquiries at several places, we ascertained that the merchants were placing the largest stock of goods they have ever put on in any one season.

The crop situation is very encouraging, and the merchants believe that the farmer will have a large crop, both of cotton and tobacco, and when the farmer makes a good crop and gets a good price he is always ready to spend a good portion of it for the necessities around the home and farm. The farmers are the most liberal buyers in the country. No other class of people spend more liberally than the farmers. The merchants know this and they are laying in the kind of stock to suit the consumer.

It is said that many of our merchants have bought in quantities that will permit them to give real bargains to their customers. The consumers are the one that should get the benefit in purchasing their wares. For years the consumers have been the ones that suffer, because the price of the necessary articles have been selling at war prices, and the commodities that the farmers have had to sell have been steadily going down. It is hoped that the farmer this year will get a fair price for his product, and if he does he will be placed in position where he can buy of the necessary needs for home and farm, and not feel cramped and have to stint his family and himself of the things they really need.

With good prices for what the farmer produces, the merchants can bank on getting his share, and both the farmer and merchant will be satisfied.

The merchant that displays his stock well, offers it at a reasonable price, and advertises in the right way will reap the bulk of the trade.

Our merchants should remember that the Record has 2,500 circulation and is read by more than 6,000 people each week. Can you place 2,500 letters or circulars in the hands of the farmer for half the price you pay for an ad? No, you can't. We charge 25 cents an inch here at home. If a merchant takes a 10-inch space, it cost him \$2.50. It is read by 6,000 people. If you buy 2,500 post cards they cost you \$25.00. You have to pay at least \$7 or \$8 to have them printed. You have to address them put them in the post office, which time is worth money to the merchant. The same size ad you would put on a postal card would cost you at least one tenth what the cost of cards and mailing, which is the cheapest advertising. Then again people will argue with us for a cheaper price. The Record's way of advertising is the cheapest way to advertise, and will give as good results as any way you can advertise.

CARRYING MAIL ON ROUTE NO. 3, ZEBULON

Mr. D. W. Earley, who has been with the Zebulon Drug Co., for the past year and one half, is now carrying mail on Route No. 3, out of Zebulon. This route was formerly carried by Mr. "Buddy" Williams who lost his life so suddenly a few days since while at the beach near Port Fisher.

If I knew for a certainty that a man was coming to my house with a conscious design of doing me good, I should run for my life.