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## THE GENERAL CONFERENCE.

**Work of the Great Body of Methodists Over—Some of the Work Done.**

The General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, which has been in session at Asheville, has now about finished its work and most of the delegates have gone home. The Asheville correspondent of today's Charlotte Observer has the following in regard to some of the last work done:

The woman's memorial was defeated not because the women did not work hard to pass the measure, but probably because the more conservative members of the conference were afraid that it would aid the suffrage movement. The women are stoutly denying that their measure meant anything more than a sincere desire to be of more and better service to the Church.

It is generally understood that the old college of bishops with the exception of one, Bishop James Atkins, is not in favor of the change in name of the Church to the Methodist Episcopal Church in America. The question will now be put before every annual conference in the connection and some delegates who voted for the change so as to bring the matter before the annual conference say will vote against changing the name.

The subject of the removal of the time limit is still a favorite theme and the failure of this conference to pass a law allowing a minister to remain so long as his congregation, presiding elder and bishop were satisfied, will continue to agitate the Church during the next quadrennium and a more powerful effort will be made at the next session of the General Conference to bring about a measure pleasing to those who wish to see the time limit removed.

So far as the church is concerned the Vanderbilt University matter is settled. Many are of the opinion that the subject of ownership and the right of the General Conference to elect trustees will not come up again.

Notwithstanding the fact that the conference discussed for nearly an entire afternoon the subject of changing the wording of the creed from the Holy Catholic Church to the Church of God, no action was taken on account of the fact that at the last moment of an afternoon session the presiding officer, Bishop H. C. Morrison, ruled that the paper was not drawn up in proper form and for that reason could not be discussed.

It is thought that one of the best provisions enacted at this session was the establishing of a court of appeals which will enable a minister under charges of his conference to appeal his case and not cause him to wait until a session of the General Conference convenes. This court will have full power to either sustain the action of the annual conference or to reverse its findings, thus placing the man under charges, if acquitted, in full possession again of all his prerogatives as a preacher.

One of the most radical laws made was that requiring the bishop to announce his appointments at an annual conference before his cabinet of presiding elders before giving them in open session of the conference. It is claimed this measure will protect the presiding bishop, the presiding elder and the preachers.

**Eight Thousand Sing on Capitol Plaza.**

Saturday's Washington Herald. At the east front of the Capitol in the shadow of the great dome that has been the background for so many historic scenes, more than 8,000 men and women of the World's Sunday School Convention raised their voices in the lifting anthems and sonorous hymns of praise that are the marching songs of Christianity the world over.

From the massive gray columns at the top of the central steps the crowd extended fan-shaped out to a hastily erected platform, and the plaza was black with people.

Senators, Representatives, and men prominent in officialdom came from the office buildings and committee rooms and joined in the huge service of praise.

## An Old Tax Return.

Mr. R. L. Young showed his this morning a tax return of his father, the late Jno. C. Young, made April 19th, 1862, to Daniel Coleman. At this time all slave owners were compelled under the law to return their slaves and give the value of each. There are seven negroes in the list of the property returned by Mr. Young, ranging in value from \$150.00 to \$250.00, the seven being valued at \$1,500.00. A negro man 25 years old was valued at \$250.00. One house and lot, the same lot where Mr. R. L. Young's residence is located, was valued at \$1,200.00.

Mrs. M. C. Davis, of near Charlotte, is visiting her sister, Mrs. M. F. Ritchie.

## FROM FOREST HILL.

**Several Items of Interest from the Northern Part of the City.**

Mr. J. E. Wright spent Saturday and Sunday in Charlotte with friends. Messrs. Jno. Stratford and Chas. Wright, of Kannapolis, spent Sunday in the city with relatives.

Mr. James Wright moved his family from Kannapolis to Concord last week and will now make this city his home.

Rev. J. P. Rodgers and family, of Winston-Salem, arrived in the city last Friday night and will spend several weeks with Mr. J. M. Burrage. Mr. Chas. Forrest, who has been spending several days in the city with home folks, will return to Salisbury Tuesday.

Mr. Jake Russell, who has been living in Kannapolis for several years, is in the city today and expects to move to Concord this week.

Messrs. Chester Howard and Chas. Cress spent last Saturday in Greensboro.

Mr. and Mr. Claud Ketner returned to their home in this city after spending several days in China Grove with friends.

Miss Lizzie Horton has returned to her home in Mt. Ulla after spending several days in the city with Mrs. P. A. Simpson.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Culp and son, Geo. Culp, returned to their home today at Misenheimer Springs, after visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Earnhardt. Mr. Wm. Culp is 83 years of age, hale and hearty.

Mrs. C. W. Sawyer, of Old Town, S. C., arrived in the city this morning to visit her sister, Mrs. Sam Scarborough.

## Commencement at the University.

Commencement at the State University begins next Saturday. Saturday is class day. Class exercises are concluded in the afternoon under the old Davie Poplar on the campus lawn. The Seniors form a circle Indian fashion and smoke the pipe of peace burying all the differences of campus life.

Sunday Dr. James Y. Fair, of Richmond, preaches the baccalaureate sermon and at night Rev. Plato Durham, of Concord, speaks before the Y. M. C. A.

Monday is Alumni Day. Mr. Junius Parker, one of the foremost lawyers of the New York bar, will speak for the Alumni. Class reunions will be held by the classes of 1860, 1870, 1885, 1890 and 1900.

It is an interesting fact that half of the student body of the University during the past year earned a part or a whole of their way through college. Almost two hundred earned their way through by such things as waiting on table, washing dishes, cutting wood, milking cows, sweeping rooms, setting type, clerking, typewriting and a score of other ways. It is a fine tribute to the democracy of North Carolina that the men who work with their hands are among the leaders of University life. Merit, worth, character and achievement count at Chapel Hill. It is truly a place "where riches are not a prejudice and poverty is not a shame."

## Mr. W. R. Harris Goes to Asheville.

Mr. W. R. Harrie, for several years president of the Bell & Harris Furniture Co. here, has sold all his stock in that company except two shares to Messrs. W. L. Bell and W. M. Linker, and has gone to Asheville to operate a furniture store. His son, Mr. Theodore Harris, will assist him in managing the business. Mr. Harris has been a resident of Concord for 16 years, first coming here as secretary and treasurer of the Patterson Manufacturing Co. Later he became associated with Mr. Bell in the furniture business, which has been a successful one. Mr. Harris has made many friends here, and will be much missed in business and church circles. For several years he has been superintendent of the Sunday school at Central Methodist church, and he is also one of the stewards in that church. Mr. Harris and son are now in Asheville, but he has not yet decided about moving his family there. It is hoped that they will remain here. Mrs. Harris has always taken a most active part in the work of the church, and no woman in it would be missed more.

**Renowned Aviator to Fly in Charlotte**  
Charlotte Chronicle.

Charles K. Hamilton, one of the most renowned aviators of the age, will fly in Charlotte, Saturday, the 28th instant, under a heavy guarantee assured him by The Chronicle and The Observer.

It was late Friday afternoon that contracts for the human bird were signed and the moment the announcement of his advent in Charlotte was given publicity the people of the community began talking of the coming event.

Doubtless thousands will see the renowned flyer next Saturday, when with sails outspread he will do stunts above the Mecklenburg Fair Association grounds in Dilworth.

## CLEANING UP THE CITY.

**First Prize of \$25 Was Won by Earl Dayvault—All the Boys Given a Prize.**

The clean-up contest inaugurated by the city several weeks ago came to a close Saturday night, and all of the 85 contestants gathered at the court room of the city and received their prizes. Not a single contestant was turned away empty handed, but each one who had aided in removing the trash from the various nooks and corners in the city was presented with a prize. Mr. M. B. Stieckley circulated a petition among the citizens asking for money to provide the little fellows who were not winners of the other prizes with a prize. Enough money was raised in this way to give each contestant who was not a winner of a regular prize a bag of confectioneries.

Mayor C. B. Wagoner presented each of the prize winners with a prize, and congratulated the boys upon their success and thanked them in behalf of the city for the valuable service they had rendered. Much of the success of the contest is due to the efforts of Dr. R. M. King and Capt. Q. E. Smith, both of whom from the day the contest started until the close gave a large amount of their time and work in aiding the boys who were hustling for the prizes. Their system of checking the trash and crediting it to each boy worked perfectly and there was not a hitch nor the slightest confusion in properly crediting the trash. There were 5842 barrels of trash removed this year against 3000 last year. All the trash was thrown in the big fill in the rear of the First Presbyterian church. The following is a list of the prize winners:

- 1st prize, Earl Dayvault, \$25.00
- 2nd prize, O. C. Seamone, \$25.00.
- 3rd prize, Lee Crowell, \$10.50.
- 4th prize, M. E. Baker, \$6.50.
- 5th prize, Colon Boland, \$5.50.
- 6th prize, Robert Miller, \$4.50.
- 7th prize, Claude Williams, \$3.00.
- 8th prize, Lee Robinson, \$2.00.
- 9th prize, Charlie Nash, \$1.00.
- 10th prize, Ralph Deaton, \$1.00.
- 11th prize, Robt. Faggart, \$1.00.
- 12th prize, John Stratford, \$1.00.
- 13th prize, Ferrall White, \$1.00.
- 14th prize, Sam Petrea, rifle, Yorke & Wadsworth Co.
- 15th prize, Lonnie Penninger, rifle, Ritchie Hardware Co.
- 16th prize, Robt. Honeycutt, watch, Correll Jewelry Co.
- 17th prize, Wilmer Miller, watch, J. C. Willeford.
- 18th prize, Brice Willeford, wagon.
- 19th prize, Bob Cochran, month's ticket to the Pastime.
- 20th prize, Robt. Bruton, month's ticket to the Theatorium.
- 21st prize, Glenn Corzine, soda ticket, Gibson Drug Store.
- 22nd prize, Jim Whitley, soda ticket, Davis Drug Co.
- 23rd prize, Burns Covington, soda ticket, Marsh's Drug Store.
- 24th prize, Charlie Earnhardt, soda ticket, Cabarrus Drug Co.
- 25th prize, Norman Swearingen, soda ticket, Peoples Drug Co.
- 26th prize, Chasen Spooner, cake, City Bakery.

## W. F. M. Society of the W. N. C. Conference.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Western N. C. Methodist Conference will meet in Reidsville, June 2-6. The following will attend the meeting from Central church here:

- Mrs. D. B. Coltrane, President.
  - Mrs. W. R. Harris, district secretary.
  - Miss Anna Sherrill, lady manager of Light Bearers.
  - Miss Jessie Willeford, delegate from Light Bearers.
  - Mrs. A. S. Dayvault, delegate from Woman's Society.
- The delegate from the Golden Links will be elected this afternoon.

## Working on the Streets.

The city street force is now at work on the streets where the automobile tourists will pass over next month. They are making every effort to get the streets in good shape by this time. The city will also co-operate with the citizens in any movement toward inducing the tourists to stop here and in the entertainment. It is now only a few more days until the tour will start and it is high time the citizens were getting busy.

## Assignment this Morning.

H. F. Stowe and J. W. Bost, trading as Bost-Stowe & Co., made an assignment this morning, with J. L. Miller as trustee. They have been operating a general store near the Young-Hartwell mill for some time, having bought the stock of goods of Mr. D. B. Castor when he sold his business there some time ago.

Mr. J. D. Bivins, editor of the Albonarle Enterprise, was here a short while this morning on business with the editor of this paper.

## VIEW OF THE COMET.

**Many Thousand Eyes Turned on it Here Saturday Night.**

The much-heralded comet appeared in the western heavens about 8:10 o'clock Saturday night, and was plainly visible for over an hour. The comet, while not much bigger than a star could be distinguished from them by its broadened or hazy appearance. Thousands of people in Concord, saw the comet, about which so much has been printed and all were disappointed in it. "Is that thing the comet?" and similar remarks were heard on every side. There was just enough of the comet visible to prove that the astronomers were right, and to convince those who had about come to the conclusion that the whole business was a hoax.

One of the peculiarities noted, as compared with the appearance of the visitor in the western sky was the fan shape of the tail. In the east this was almost unnoticeable, but now it is much more striking.

The view of the tail Saturday night is said to have convinced the astronomers that it actually passed the earth.

"It is a mistake," said a Washington astronomer, "to suppose that the comet rises in the West. No heavenly body does that. As a matter of fact the comet is in the heavens a greater part of the day, but cannot be seen because of the sun. When the latter goes down it will be seen from now on, every night just after twilight, and each night it will be a little higher in the sky, until about Thursday it will be seen for about four hours."

## GLASS.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Trice are spending the summer at Beaufort and Norfolk.

Mr. Leonard Castor, who has been real sick with rheumatism, is improving slowly.

The station here is to be moved in the near future just north of Mr. Will Cline's house and also another waiting room is to be added to it.

Mr. Arthur Bost and Miss Iva Trice were married Sunday. Only a few friends witnessed the ceremony. We wish them a long and happy life.

Many from here went on the excursion to Greensboro Saturday. Mr. Jno. Dayvault went and took sick while there. He returned this morning not much better. R.

## Has the Tail Got Away?

The failure of nearly all of the astronomer's tail Saturday night adds comet's tail Saturday night adds weight to the theory that the comet has ceased tail production.

Prof. Edwin B. Frost, director of the Yerkes Observatory, stated that he considered the theory that the comet had ceased to create tail matter quite possible.

"I have been considering the theory carefully," said Prof. Frost, "and I regard it as likely that the comet may have ceased its activity in producing a tail, as did Borelli's comet in 1903."

The Scotland Neck Commonwealth thinks that in Mr. A. W. Graham, of Oxford, it has found the champion pie-chaser. "It was linted some time ago," says the Commonwealth, "that he would be a candidate to succeed Governor Kitchin, but it seems now that he is anxious to reach the pie counter and is willing to take the nearest out for a slice, and then if he fails in this effort to land safely he will still have the chance to run for the nomination for Governor two years hence."

A girl hasn't much faith in a mirror that tells her that she is ugly.

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