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GOOD ROAD BOOSTERS HERE

Party From Virginia Composing Party From Valley Turnpike Company Visit Cabarrus Roads.

A party of citizens from Winchester, Va., composing a committee from the Valley Turnpike Company, an organization for building and promoting good roads, visited Concord and Cabarrus yesterday on their inspection tour of good roads in this section. They were here for the purpose of familiarizing themselves with the system of good roads in this and adjoining counties with a view of employing the methods used in their construction in building good roads they contemplate building in Virginia. Those in the party were: Messrs. H. F. Byrd, editor of the Winchester News and president of the association, Shirley Carter, J. P. Beatty, C. R. McLain, L. B. Datta and E. H. Harrison. They were also accompanied by Messrs. S. E. and C. Finley, of the Indian Refining Co.

The party was met at the station by a committee of citizens headed by Mayor Wagoner and taken over the Kannapolis, Mount Pleasant and Gold Hill roads in automobiles. After inspecting these highways the party was taken to the St. Cloud hotel for supper.

The Virginia gentlemen expressed themselves as greatly pleased with the highways in this county. The members of the party state that the Kannapolis road was a highway that could not be excelled anywhere but the feature of the good roads in the county that attracted most interest by them was the construction work and engineering on the Gold Hill and Mount Pleasant roads. The fills and turns across the swamps on these highways seemed to appeal more strongly to them than any other merit presented by the county's roads and they paid particular attention to this work. The party left on train No. 38 for Virginia.

Ralph Parlette Last Night

The lecture of Mr. Ralph Parlette at the graded school last night was heard and enjoyed by a large audience, and fortunate indeed were those who were present. Mr. Parlette was introduced by Rev. Chas. P. MacLaughlin, in a most happy manner, and for one hour and fifty minutes Mr. Parlette delivered his celebrated lecture, "The University of Hardknocks," which abounded in wit, pathos and humor. His platform style, together with his wonderful power of delivery, easily put him "in good" with his audience from the start, and he held it at his will, throughout. This number of the Lyceum Course will never be forgotten by those who heard it last night, and the inspiration given to the young men in their attempts to rise in the world, and to be men, and do something, will result in much good to the large number of young boys present. Especially strong was his reference to the young man who "had been selected." It was a great lecture from the heart of a man who knew the world and what it had in store for those who would seek the best and higher things in this life.

Such lectures by men like Mr. Parlette will always be welcomed in Concord.

Believed in Raleigh That Judge Ward Will Not Leave Bench

Raleigh, Dec. 12.—No resignation was received today from Judge W. Ward as superior court judge for the first district by Governor Kitchin.

Governor Kitchin did receive a letter from Judge Ward today containing no intimation of intention to resign but a request to be relieved of holding any more special terms of court during the remainder of the winter recess season on account of his poor health. Especially he asked to be relieved of the special term that the governor had directed that he hold for one week in Perquimans county beginning January 1 for one week. While it is possible that the judge intends resigning, the impression is strong here that the determination of the judge to hold no more special terms of court until he is in better health has given rise to the reports, that may be erroneous, that he will resign and retire from the judgeship December 31.

Farm Sells for \$7,800

Statesville, Dec. 12.—Mr. R. S. Sherrill yesterday sold his farm on Fourth Creek, four miles east of Statesville, to Messrs. J. B. Wallace and L. B. Bristol. The farm contains about 350 acres and the price was \$7,800.

More Premium Knives Received

We have just received a shipment of two gross of pocket knives which we are giving free to all subscribers to The Times or Tribune who pay a year in advance. These are excellent knives, are brass-lined and have names plate on them. Come in and get one.

CHICAGO WINS CONVENTION

Taft's Man Made Chairman of Committee on Arrangements.—Taft Man Control.

Washington, Dec. 12.—The Republican National Convention will meet in Chicago, Tuesday, June 18, to nominate a candidate for the Presidential election of 1912.

This was decided and the rest of its routine business transacted at the short morning session of the National Committee today.

The exact program as forecast was followed. Chicago won overwhelmingly.

The selection of Harry S. New, of Indiana, as chairman of the important on arrangements for the convention, was in accordance with the wishes of president Taft.

There was opposition to New from the Southern members and a concession to them E. C. Dunsen, of North Carolina, was put on the committee on arrangements.

Chairman Hill, of Maine, called the National Committee meeting immediately after the executive committee concluded its session.

By a rising vote the resignation of Postmaster-General Hitchcock, as chairman of the National committee, was accepted and former Governor Hill, of Maine, was elected without opposition to fill the unexpired term.

The committee adhered to the convention call of 1908 and the primary question, which had been the sole disturbing topic before the committee was left as it was four years ago. The champions of President preference primaries and Statewide primaries for the selection of delegates to the convention in states where primary laws are not operative, were defeated.

The meeting was unique in two respects. There was a complete absence of bitterness and the proceedings were conducted with open doors.

Politically the meeting was pro-Taft. The President's advisers controlled the situation.

"Around the Clock" Last Night

"Around the Clock" was presented at the opera house here last night to one of the largest crowds of the season. The play is full of action from the start and contains many new novelties, several of which were decidedly on the ragged edge. That the show pleased cannot be doubted as evidenced by the continuous applause from the audience. The chorus had a number of new stunts but when it came to look it was fierce, a pretty girl in the aggregation being about as scarce as the average girl who stays at home and helps mother. It is hardly short of marvelous that the looks of the chorus didn't stop the clock in its progress around. The stage-outrage scenes in the last act presented many laughable situations, the work of Charles Mack, as Perkins the bell boy, and Billy Ritchie, the drunk man from nowhere, being decidedly clever.

Mr. Alfred Brower Manager for Trinity College Annual

Durham Sun, 12th.
At a meeting of the Annual board at Trinity College Monday afternoon, A. S. Brower, of the Senior class, was selected to fill the place on the staff of the publication made vacant by the inability of W. H. Muse to accept the position of business manager. Mr. Muse was elected to this place Saturday night, but owing to a large amount of outside work, in addition to his college classes he felt unable to assume the work. Mr. Brower will have the power to appoint an assistant in addition to the one selected by the board, and he will begin work at once.

Mr. Kenny Buys Lot for Gas Plant

Mr. Sydney Kenny, of Philadelphia, owner of the local gas franchise, has purchased a lot adjoining the property of the Brander Mill and will erect a station there for the gas plant, which he contemplates building here as soon as the work on the Statesville plant, which is now in progress, is completed. The lot was purchased from the Southern Loan & Trust Company.

Little Boy Gets His Leg Broken

Master Clyde Widenhouse, the young son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Widenhouse, had the misfortune to fall from the loft of the barn at his parents' home on Crowell street yesterday afternoon and break his right leg just above the ankle. He and his brother were in the barn at the time and were playing near the door of the loft when the little fellow fell.

Charged with the Theft of a Valuable Diamond Ring

Charged with the theft of a valuable diamond ring, J. B. Gray, a young white man hailing from Charlotte, was arrested in Salisbury late Monday night by Deputies W. L. McKim and M. L. Julian, of Rowan county. The arrest was made at the request of a Charlotte lady, who makes the charge that she was robbed of the diamond.

COAST LINE TRAIN BOBBED

Was Held Up Near Hardensville, S. C., And \$5,000 Stolen.

Savannah, Ga., Dec. 12.—Though officers of two states and several cities and a battalion of railroad special agents have searched far and wide, they seemed no nearer tonight the solution of the mystery of the identity of the two men who held up Atlantic Coast Line train No. 80, northbound, near Hardensville, S. C., early this morning and robbed it of one "jackpot" of registered mail. The value of the booty is estimated at \$5,000. One man was arrested at Savannah but was released. No other arrests have been made according to local officers.

Bloodhounds were put on the trail of the robbers and followed it into the country for probably a mile, then circled back to the railroad. Officers believe this indicates that the robbers made their escape on a later northbound train, boarding it very near the scene of the holdup and possibly while officers were searching for them but a few yards away.

Advertised Letters

The following letters remain uncalled for in the postoffice at Concord, for the week ending December 11, 1911:

Men.

Cleora Alexander, F. M. Burrage, B. H. Brewer, Bob Basinger, Israel Edrd, Eulyses Faulkner, W. R. Helms, John Hathecock, Robert L. Harris, C. E. Miletti, Jno. M. Marshall, Tom Porter, Robertson, Eusa Rankin, H. M. Steele, Fred Widenhouse, C. S. Young (2).

Women.

Mrs. Mattie Bager, Mayhome Bot, Mrs. Brockell, Mrs. Amy Carter, Annie Bell Edward, Lula Mae Furr, Mrs. Annie Gray, Mary Kirk, Marian J. Kirby, Minnie McConnelly, Sallie, 39 Broad street, Mrs. Lillie Saftir, Hattie Summer, Mrs. J. A. Smith, Mrs. Ida Verble.

When calling for the above please say "advertised."

M. L. BUCHANAN,
Postmaster.

Pension Bill Passes

Washington, Dec. 12.—The Sherwood service pension bill, which will add upwards of \$40,000,000 to the government's annual expenditures by granting increased pensions to living and Mexican war veterans of the basis of length of service, was passed by the House tonight, despite the determined opposition of many Democratic leaders. Secretary of the Interior Fisher has estimated that the bill will add \$75,000,000 to the pension roll if the 40,000 veterans eligible take advantage of the increased wage.

Eight Republicans voted with the 84 Democrats against the bill. Speaker Clark voted with the majority of his party for the bill and Democratic leader Underwood and Fitzgerald of New York, chairman of the appropriations committee, voted against it.

To Investigate Foreign Missions

San Francisco, Cal., December 13.—A commission of eminent experts appointed to investigate the work of the missions in the Far East sailed for Japan today on the steamship Shinyo Maru. The commission was appointed some time ago by the International Bible Students' Association as a result of criticisms from various sources in regard to the methods pursued by the American missions with a view to recommending changes in the present plan of operations, if any changes are deemed necessary to forward the interests of religion and humanity. Among the members of the commission are Gen. W. P. Hall, U. S. A.; E. W. V. Kuehn, Toledo, Ohio; R. B. Maxwell, Mansfield, O.; J. T. L. Pyles, Washington, D. C.; Dr. Dr. L. W. Jones, Chicago, and Prof. F. H. Robinson, Ontario.

Northwestern Land Products Show

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 12.—The Northwestern Development League, opening the auditorium today with every available foot of space occupied with exhibits. The object of the exhibition is to aid in the development of Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota and Alaska. Scores of attractive booths are filled with sample products from the soils, lakes, rivers, forests, mines and factories of the Northwest. The exhibition is intended to be educational to the home-seeker, the farmer, the railroad man, the manufacturer, and to those who are investigators, influenced by the wide-spread "back-to-the-soil" movement.

Thirty-four Dead Bodies

Brieville, Tenn., Dec. 12, 30 a. m. The list of unknown dead was increased last night to 38. Five of the bodies are still in the mine at the place where the men were found lying face downward in right entry No. 22, the victims of dread damp.

PERSONAL MENTION

Some of the People Here And Elsewhere Who Come And Go.

Mrs. J. M. Odell is visiting relatives in Charlotte.

Mr. C. A. Isenhour spent yesterday afternoon in Charlotte.

Dr. and Mrs. D. G. Caldwell are spending the day in Salisbury.

Mr. J. A. Cannon spent yesterday afternoon in Charlotte on business.

Mr. Charles A. Cook has returned from a business trip to Greensboro.

Mrs. D. B. Coltrane has gone to Charlotte to attend the Missionary jubilee.

Mrs. J. Leonard Brown and Miss Maude Brown spent yesterday afternoon in Charlotte.

Mrs. N. R. Richardson, of Mount Pleasant, has returned from Mebane, where she has been visiting her daughter.

Mrs. H. A. Jolis, of New York, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. L. A. Fisher, has gone to Salisbury to visit friends before returning to her home.

Entertainment at Kannapolis.

The entertainment given by the Ladies' Aid Society of the Presbyterian church Thursday night was a success. An excellent programme was given and all on the programme was well performed, and many parts were encored.

The piano solo by Master Johnie Sloan is deserving of special mention as well as the reading by Miss Miriam Shipley. The reading by Miss Hendrix was also fine. In fact all did well.

Mr. Owens gave a reading and also a vocal solo. The piano solo by Miss Dora Walters, and the duet by the Messers Cook were enjoyed. The vocal solo, "Melody of Love," was rendered by Mr. Sam Query. Miss Laura Shipley gave a reading and a piano solo. There were other features of the entertainment which we cannot mention now.

Refreshments were served and altogether it was a very enjoyable occasion and the entire audience was delighted. All wish that the Ladies' Aid Society will see fit to give another entertainment soon.

Kannapolis, December 13.

Features of the Durbar

Delhi, India, Dec. 12.—Delhi, seat of the ancient Moful dynasty, is the new capital of India.

So pleased was King George with the reception that he received here during the magnificent Durbar that he announced today that the Indian capital would be removed here from Calcutta.

King George has 42 automobiles with him in India. Many of them contain gold fittings.

The 24 silver trumpets used to herald the King's proclamation cost the English people \$2,400.

Sixty miles of railroad had to be laid for the Durbar at a cost of \$55,000.

More than 200,000,000 native Indians heard the King's proclamation read in all parts of the empire.

More than \$250,000 worth of fireworks were burned, in India last night.

Four thousand musicians furnished the music for the Durbar.

George and Mary were acclaimed on the site of the bloodiest encounter of the great mutiny of 1857.

The priceless Kohinoor diamond in Mary's crown was worn by India's ruler 5,000 years ago.

Five Miners Taken Out Alive

Brieville, Tenn., Dec. 12.—Two more men, making five in all, were brought out of Cross Mountain mine alive shortly after 11 o'clock Monday night. Rescue men are now digging for three men who are reported to be alive.

The two men are Arthur Scott, aged 30, who has a wife and two children, and Dore Irish, aged 30, who is also married. Irish is badly burned about the face and hands, but probably will recover. Scott is practically unharmed.

Growth of Farmers' Union

Wilson, N. C., Dec. 13.—The annual meeting of the North Carolina division of the National Farmers' Union assembled here today for a session of three days. One of the most interesting features of the convention will be the annual reports showing the remarkable growth of the organization during the past twelve months. During the year just closed 14,000 new members were enrolled in North Carolina, distributed among more than 2,000 local branches of the union.

The National Lumber Company

has fitted up a most attractive and convenient office in the Litcher block next to the one they have occupied since the company was organized.

NORTH CAROLINA NEWS

Items of News From All Parts of the Old North State.

The Charlotte News announces that Mrs. Addie Williams Caldwell has qualified as administratrix of the estate of the late J. P. Caldwell. The News says a conservative estimate places the value of the estate at \$23,000, with indebtedness of \$5,900.

Representative Hannibal L. Godwin instructed in trades and industries, providing for an appropriation of \$5,000,000 to be divided among the several states for the maintenance of instruction in trades and industries, home economies and agriculture in public schools of secondary grades.

Mrs. Sarah Q. Miller, aged 78 years, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Victoria Miller, in Spencer Tuesday afternoon following an illness of two weeks. She was the widow of John Q. Miller, a Confederate soldier killed in a battle at Richmond in 1864 and whose body was never recovered. She is survived by one sister and one daughter besides many near relatives.

In a sweeping opinion signed Monday afternoon during the few hours stay in Charlotte, Judge W. J. Adams dissolved the restraining order as to the city board of school commissioners and the placing of a school building in North Charlotte and declared that the board of aldermen has no power to supervise or control in any way the action of the board of school commissioners in the selection and acquisition of the site in question and in the erection thereon of a school building.

At the age of 70 years, Mrs. Hayne Davis, one of Salisbury's best known women, died at her home in Salisbury Tuesday afternoon. She had been ill for several months, but heart failure is said to have been the immediate cause of her death. She was the mother of Mrs. W. C. Blackmer, of Salisbury; Mrs. John L. Boyden, of Statesville; Captain Richmond Pearson Davis, of Washington, and Hayne Davis, jr., of New York, all of whom survive. She was a sister of Hon. Richmond Pearson, of Asheville.

Rev. E. C. Cronk, of Columbia, has opened permanent headquarters in Salisbury for the purpose of advertising and managing the campaign for a laymen's convention for the Lutherans of the Southern states, which is to be held in Salisbury February 7-9, inclusive. The Rev. Mr. Cronk is the secretary of the laymen's movement in this denomination and is working for a big convention. Already five speakers of international reputation have been engaged and it is expected that from 500 to 600 delegates will be in attendance from the eight states embraced by the convention.

Sentence of 15 and 12 months were Saturday passed against Dock Bass and Ernest King, white boys of Burlington, who late Friday evening were convicted in United States court at Greensboro, of stealing a mail pouch at Burlington. The longer term was given Bass, a 20-year-old boy, while King, a lad of 17 years, was given the minimum, one year and one day. Had King been one year younger he would have gone to the federal reformatory, and in sentencing him to the federal prison Judge Boyd expressed regret in having no other alternative than to consign a youth of his years and appearance to such a place.

Monument Unveiling Postponed

Columbia, S. C., Dec. 13.—Announcement is made of the postponement of the unveiling of the monument erected in this city to the South Carolina women of the Confederacy. The unveiling was to have taken place tomorrow, but owing to a delay in shipping the bronze group from Europe it was found necessary to defer the event until a later date.

WAS CONSPIRACY NATION WIDE ONE?

Government Officials Consider Alleged Guilty Men Other Than McNamara.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 12.—Who beside John J. and James B. McNamara handled or had knowledge of the interstate shipment of dynamite and nitroglycerine used in blow-up iron and steel structures erected by firms employing non-union men in the last five years?

This question was inquired into by Government officials today preparatory to the resumption on Thursday of the Federal grand jury's investigation of an alleged nation-wide dynamite conspiracy. Clerks who wrote letters, baggagemen, shippers and those who are supposed to have had even the remotest knowledge of the movement of the explosives, or where and how it was stored are among the several hundred witnesses who have been summoned to testify before the grand jury.

W. J. Burns, the detective who has been in consultation with officials of the Erector's Association, left tonight for Washington and New York. He said he would return here Friday.

"I think there was more dynamite planted in various points of the East than has ever been discovered," said Burns. "It is likely that this has not been removed as those who hid it would not be inclined to attempt to remove it now."

Will Vote When They Want to

Raleigh, Dec. 12.—In a notable speech before the Daughters of the Confederacy here last night, Chief Justice Walter Clark declared that in his opinion the women of this state will have the right of the ballot just as soon as they demand it. He is an advocate of woman's suffrage and has this principle as one of the planks of his candidacy for United States Senate. Special guests last night were: Mrs. F. M. Williams of Newton, president of the North Carolina division of Daughters of the Confederacy, and Miss Mildred Rutherford, of Atlanta, Ga., historian general of the United Daughters of the Confederacy.

GENERAL NEWS

Late Items of News From Here, There And Everywhere.

Mayor Shank, of Indianapolis, who recently sold several car loads of potatoes and more than one thousand Thanksgiving turkeys to the public at cost, is now planning to import Christmas trees which he will sell at the lowest possible price.

Henry Waldron, a juror in the Dr. Hyde murder trial at Kansas City, who objected to serving on the jury climbed through the transom of his room at the hotel where the jury is stopping and slid down a drain pipe. The police of the city are searching for him and a new trial is likely to be the outcome.

After an absence of thirty-six years James B. McCreary Tuesday came back to the capitol as governor of Kentucky, for the second time in a third of a century taking the oath of office as chief executive of that state.

At the age of 72 he took the oath of office for his second term, being the only man in this country to serve as governor of a state twice with so wide an interval of time elapsing between his terms of office.

Attacked by Big Bear

Spencer, Dec. 12.—Mr. Solomon Kester, son of Mr. Buck Kester, a prominent farmer near Spencer had a harrowing experience with what he believes to be a large black bear late last night. He was returning from the home of a friend in Spencer, where had made a social call, and in passing through a piece of woods near his home 2 miles from town, the animal, apparently five feet long and with the appearance of a bear, sprang from the thicket underbrush and showed fight. Mr. Kester shot four times at his assailant, which fled to the woods. A bear has been seen in other sections of Rowan county during the past few months. Mr. Kester is a model young man and not given to seeing things at night, and this is a real bear story.

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All Ladies' and Children's Sweaters Underpriced for Christmas

Children's Sweaters at.....48c-75c-98c

Ladies' Sweaters worth up to \$3.00, underpriced.....\$1.69 and \$1.95

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