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BIG HIGH SCHOOL MEET IN CONCORD

NINETEEN COUNTIES AND 41 SCHOOLS REPRESENTED.

Will Be the Second Annual Contest in Declamation, Recitation, Composition, Spelling and Track Athletics of Western Division of Public High Schools.—April 10 Will Be the Day Contest Will Be Held.—List of Contests and Prizes.

The second annual contest in declamation, recitations, composition, spelling and track athletics of the Western Division of the Public High Schools of North Carolina will be held in Concord April 10th. Several weeks ago the committee of teachers in charge of the contest held a meeting in Salisbury to make arrangements for the meet and decide upon a place to hold it. A number of towns extended invitations. Mr. W. J. Weddington represented Concord and urged the committee to have the meet here. There was considerable rivalry among the towns and the matter was not decided at the meeting. Yesterday Mr. Weddington received a message from Mr. W. W. Walker, State inspector of high schools, stating that the meet would be held here.

Nineteen counties and 41 high schools will be represented at the meet. The following is a list of the schools and the cost that will take place:

Anson—Morven High School, Lilesville High School, Polkton High School.

Union—Marshville High School, Unionville High School, Wesley Chapel High School.

Mecklenburg—Huntersville High School, Matthews High School, Pineville High School.

Stanly—New London High School, Cabarrus—Rocky River High School, Winceff High School.

Rowan—Mt. Ulla High School, China Grove High School, Woodleaf High School.

Issaquah—Harmony High School, Scots High School.

Davie—Coolidge High School, Farmington High School.

Yadkin—Courtney High School, Surry—Dobson High School, Pilot Mountain High School, Rockford High School.

Alleghany—Sparta High School, Turkey Knob High School.

Ash—Helen High School, Wilkes—Wilkesboro High School, Ronda High School.

Caldwell—Granite Falls High School, Oak Hill High School.

Alexander—Stoney Point High School, Taylorsville High School.

Catawba—St. James High School, Star Town High School.

Lincoln—Crouse High School, Denver High School.

Cleveland—Waco High School, Fallston High School.

Gaston—Cherryville High School, Dallas High School, Stanly High School, Belmont High School.

Contests—Athletic: Running high jump. Running broad jump. Shot put (12 pounds). Hammer throw (12 pounds). One hundred yards dash. Two hundred and twenty yards dash.

Six hundred and sixty yards relay race. Pole vault. Contest in declamation. Contest in recitation. Contest in spelling. Contest in composition.

A gold medal will be awarded the winner in each athletic contest and a silver cup will be given the school winning the most points. A gold medal will also be given the winner in the declamation and recitation contest.

Death of Mrs. R. B. Morris. Mrs. R. B. Morris died suddenly yesterday afternoon at her home on Vance street. Mrs. Morris had been unwell for several days but her condition was not considered dangerous. She was up and attended to her household duties yesterday morning. She was taken suddenly worse in the afternoon and died about 4 o'clock. She was 36 years of age and is survived by her husband.

The funeral will be held at Forest Hill Methodist Church, of which the deceased was a member, this afternoon at 4 o'clock. The service will be conducted by Rev. M. T. Smith.

Death of Mr. J. H. Stammer. Mr. J. H. Stammer died last night at his home on McGill street after a lingering illness. Mr. Stammer was 72 years of age and is survived by his wife. He was a Confederate veteran and was wounded during the war. The funeral will be held tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock.

There is a great cry and real demand for some feasible plan or plan of furnishing money at a fair rate to our farmers. President Wilson and members of Congress are studying the subject, and will no doubt work

RECEPTION YESTERDAY

Mrs. Parks M. Lafferty Entertains in Honor of Mrs. T. N. Spencer and Miss Ashlyn Lowe.

Mrs. T. N. Spencer, an October bride, and Miss Ashlyn Lowe, who will become the bride of Mr. J. Ross Cannon in the spring, were the honorees of one of the most elegant and largely attended social events of the year yesterday afternoon—a reception given by Mrs. Parks M. Lafferty at her home on North Union street. The spacious home was most attractively decorated for the occasion. The hall was banked with ferns, lilies and potted plants. In the parlor, where the receiving party stood the color scheme was pink and green and was prettily executed with smilax and sweet peas, a large shower bouquet being suspended from the chandelier near where the guests were received. The library, where coffee was poured, was in red, huge bunches of red carnations forming the principal floral designs.

Welcoming the guests at the door was Mrs. W. A. Foil. Mesdames L. E. Boger and C. P. MacLaughlin presented the guests to the receiving party composed of Mesdames P. M. Lafferty, T. N. Spencer, Charles E. Boyd and Misses Ashlyn Lowe, Corrie Boyd and Edna Correll. From the receiving line the guests were shown to the dining room, where sandwiches, tea and coffee were served by Mesdames J. S. Lafferty, D. L. Bost, E. T. Cannon, E. A. Moss, R. M. King, H. M. Propst, B. M. Gillon and Misses Laura McGill Cannon, Mary Bingham, Sudie Smith and Elma Boyd. During the calling hours a number of musical selections were rendered by Misses Nell Herring and Helen Troy.

More than 250 guests called during the hours, afternoon from 3 to 5.

Expect Few Changes in Football Rules.

New York, Feb. 6.—Once again the members of the intercollegiate football rules committee have gathered in this city to do a little tinkering with the laws that govern the great American college sport. At this meeting, which will continue over tomorrow, the playing rules will come up for their annual revision, although the indications are that whatever changes are made will be of a minor nature. The most important matter to be discussed and acted upon is the proposal to number the players. This plan was introduced at the meeting last year, but was dismissed without serious consideration at that time, the sentiment being then expressed that it was a matter for each college to determine for itself and was not a subject that would properly be included in the playing rules. It is believed now that the proposition of numbering the players will be adopted. The proposition is regarded as especially reasonable in that it would facilitate the following of open plays. It is at present very difficult to distinguish the players, and such a change would tend toward a decided improvement, making it easier both for officials and the spectators. In addition to this proposition it is regarded as likely that the meeting will take favorable action on the proposal for the reinstatement of the field judge. The need of such an official has been felt ever since he was done away with several years ago. His reinstatement would mean less work for the other officials, who now have more to watch with the present complicated tactics than they can very well attend to.

Fourteen Million for Buildings.

Philadelphia, Feb. 6.—Fourteen millions of dollars will be spent by Philadelphia in the erection of public buildings to comprise what is claimed will be the most notable group of municipal structures in the world, according to plans nearing completion today. Starting at the City Hall the buildings will be erected along a broad parkway with the Municipal Art Gallery at one end, and a Temple of Justice at the other. Other structures will be a central library, central training school, Franklin Institute, American Philosophical Society building and school of industrial art. The Municipal Art Gallery and the Temple of Justice will cost \$3,000,000 each, and the central industrial art is to cost \$1,000,000.

Boston Journalist School Opens.

Boston, Feb. 6.—Boston University will be opened tonight, starting as a signal class, enrolled for fifteen week's courses. Harry B. Center of a local editorial staff, has been named instructor of journalism, and has arranged a series of weekly lectures at which prominent newspaper men of Boston will outline different phases of newspaper work.

The South Atlantic Quarterly.

The South Atlantic Quarterly, published at Trinity College, Durham, is an excellent publication that is constantly growing better. The Quarterly is edited by President Few and Dr. W. H. Glasson, of Trinity, and is devoted principally to the discussion of literary and historical topics and public matters of general interest, out some good plan.

Some men lay out so much work in the morning that they get all tired out about it in less than half an hour and are not fit for anything the rest of the day.

TORRENS LAND SYSTEM NOW IN PRACTICE.

New Act in Effect in North Carolina.—Examiners Appointed and Blanks Are Ready.

Examiners have been appointed for this county and Clerk of Court Widenhouse has received blanks for those desiring to have their land registered under the Torrens system as passed by the recent legislature. Messrs. D. M. Furr, A. B. Palmer and Jean W. Hutchison have been appointed examiners for this county.

Speaking of the act Attorney Palmer said that under the Torrens system of registration the State guaranteed the title. Anyone desiring to have their property registered under the new system can do so by securing a blank from the Clerk of Court and making formal application for registration. Anyone claiming title to the property must be notified and made a party to the action. A notice is required to be published in a newspaper published in the county where the land is situated after which the matter is referred to the examiner. The examiner investigates the title and recommends that the same be accepted or rejected as the case may be. If accepted it is presented to the clerk and is ordered duly registered. The title is registered in duplicate, the owner keeping a copy and the register of deeds a copy.

The title, under the Torrens system, is in effect a deed as under the present system but it is much nearer a negotiable certificate than a deed by reason of the fact that after a title is duly registered under the Torrens system it is not necessary to trace further back than the date of registration to establish its validity.

A GIFT OF LOVE.

Mrs. J. P. Cook of Concord Gives a Communion Table to Central Methodist Church in Memory of the Late Mrs. Julia G. Pemberton.

Recently there was given to Central Methodist church of Albemarle a communion table as a memorial to the late Mrs. Julia G. Pemberton, for many years a faithful member of Central M. E. Church. The table is a gift of Mrs. James P. Cook, nee Miss Maggie Norfleet, of Concord. Mrs. Cook, prior to her marriage, taught music in Albemarle for three years and boarded with Mrs. Pemberton.

Mrs. Cook, writing in regard to Mrs. Pemberton, says that she loved her as her own mother, for she was so pure and good in every way.

A check for the table was sent to Mrs. J. J. Caldwell, who turned it over to the Ladies' Aid Society of Central Methodist church. The society and the church take this means of thanking Mrs. Cook for the gift and pray that God may ever bless her.

Confederate Reunion Dates Postponed to May 6, 7 and 8.

Jacksonville, Fla., Feb. 5.—Acting upon the request of General Bennett H. Young of Louisville, Ky., commander-in-chief of the United Confederate Veterans, dates for the twenty-fourth annual Confederate reunion here were postponed from April 29, 30 and May 1 to May 6, 7 and 8, at a meeting here today of representatives of the Veterans' Association, railroad officials and members of the local entertainment committee. Members of General Young's staff and business organizations throughout the country joined in the request that the reunion dates be postponed.

Will Let Monroe Wreck Remain.

Washington, Feb. 5.—That no attempt will be made to destroy the wreck of the liner Monroe, off the Virginia Coast, was recommended to the revenue cutter service today by Captain Chiswell, of the cutter Onondago. He reported that the masts of the Monroe extend only six fathoms above the pilothouse and that it would seem advisable to use whistling and gas buoys to mark the wreck scene instead of removing the masts.

Argue Rate Reductions.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 6.—Arguments were heard by the Interstate Commerce Commission today on the application of interstate carriers serving into effect the reduced freight rates that were agreed upon by the railroads and the State legislature some time ago. Various cities of Virginia and eastern Tennessee are opposing the reductions.

Mr. Kemp Doughton Is to Be Bank Examiner.

Washington, Feb. 6.—Mr. Kemp Doughton, son of former Lieut. Gov. Doughton, has passed a most satisfactory examination for federal bank examiner and will be appointed to succeed Fred A. Hull in North Carolina.

Salisbury's first purse snatcher in some months made his appearance shortly after dark Wednesday night on East Bank street and made an unsuccessful attempt to get a purse from Miss American Aaron. She held out the purse and the screams of herself and her sister frightened the man away.

TO GIVE BOTH SIDES AN EQUAL CHANCE TO FIGHT IT OUT TO SEE WHICH IS 'BEST MAN'

This Was One of the Motives Actuating President Wilson When He Lifted the Embargo on Arms.—Not Only Wanted to Eliminate Huerta But Wished to See Which of the Belligerents Is Fittest to Govern.—Huerta's Confidential Agent Will Sail at Once for New Orleans.

Vera Cruz, Feb. 6.—To give both sides in Mexico a fair chance to fight it out and demonstrate which is the stronger faction was one of the motives actuating President Wilson when he lifted the arms embargo. Gov. John Lind is said to have told friends here. It is reported that Gov. Lind said the President not only desired to eliminate Huerta but wanted to see which of the belligerents is fittest to govern.

The federal gunboat Haragosa is ready to sail for New Orleans with a confidential agent of Huerta aboard. It is believed that he is going for a cargo of arms and ammunition.

'Same Old Dreary Farce.'

New York, Feb. 6.—"The same old dreary farce," was former Ambassador Wilson's characterization of recent developments in Mexico expressed before the Baptist Social Union. Gen. Carranza is a "poor, feeble, silly old man" Villa a "bandit and murderer" and Zapata an "Indian thief," said Wilson.

POLICEMAN KILLED IN FIGHT WITH GUNMAN.

When He Was Captured Mob With Difficulty Was Kept From Lynching Him.

New York, Feb. 6.—A policeman killed and a fireman probably fatally shot in running fight with a gunman. The gunman was looting on a corner and when the policeman told him to move on he shot the bluecoat. When the gunman was captured the police had great difficulty in keeping the mob from lynching him.

Famine in Japan.

The famine in the northern part of Hondu and the island of Yezo is said to be the most severe ever known. Many persons have starved to death and others committed suicide and their corpses often lie unburied for days. The cause of the disaster was a cold current from the northern seas which destroyed both crops and fishing so leaving the inhabitants destitute. A distressing feature of the situation is that young women from the famine region are being virtually sold into slavery. Every train arriving in Tokyo from the northeast is said to bring one or more parties of fifteen or sixteen girls in charge of two or three men who have lured them from their homes. The police, though aware of the purpose for which the girls are bought, are powerless to prevent it, for they are provided with approval from their parents. According to the old Japanese ethical code it was regarded as an admirable act of devotion for a daughter to sacrifice herself to relieve the distress of her parents.

22 Days Added to Stanly County Schools.

Albemarle Enterprise. Superintendent E. F. Eddins has received information from State Superintendent J. Y. Joyner that twenty-two days will be added to the length of the school terms already provided by the county. Committee men and teachers can determine the length of the school term by adding twenty-two days to the four months already provided for. Schools that have a loan will deduct the payment on the loan from the amount credited to the district and will use the balance to pay the teachers' salaries.

Moving Picture Films Banned From Malls.

Washington, Feb. 5.—Moving picture films made of inflammable materials are barred from the United States mails by an order made public today. Films made of non-inflammable material, of which there is said to be a limited number in general use, may be mailed.

Most of the film transportation business is carried on by express companies.

Rev. J. A. B. Fry, a former Trinity student and for the past several years pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at Berkeley California, the seat of the University of California, will deliver a lecture at Trinity March 1. Mr. Fry is now in Europe, but expects to return in a few weeks.

If Messrs. Simmons and Overman really want Mr. Hammer made district attorney the political wiseacres would feel perfectly safe in placing their last dollar on the Ashboro gentlemen landing, the attorney general to the contrary notwithstanding. —Greensboro News.

HUERTA SAYS HE HAS 189,000 MEN

And Will Add 50,000 More at Once.—Says Government Has Opened Northern Campaign With 150,000 Trained Troops and 39,000 Enlisted Men.—Wants Operations Reported Correctly.—Refuses to Comment on Mr. Wilson's 'Action.'

In a special dispatch to the New York World, Gen. Huerta makes the following signed statement: In reply to your question asking the view of the government of this republic concerning the proclamation of His Excellency President Wilson, in which he lifts the embargo on the sale of arms and munitions of war of Mexico, I may say that neither the Republic of Mexico nor I personally will make any comment whatever on President Wilson's action.

On the other hand, it affords me pleasure to reply definitely to your request that I give your important publication a statement of actual conditions at the present time in this republic. This government has 150,000 regular army troops under arms, trained federal troops, and 39,000 enlisted men. With this total force of 189,000 men the government has opened the northern campaign.

With the sole view of hastening the pacification of the country, this government will tomorrow, February 5, issue an order for the addition of 50,000 men to the present force of the army. The only object the government will have in this strengthening its military power will be to enforce its policy of restoring peace to Mexico in the shortest possible time.

It is my wish that the military operations about to be undertaken be reported truthfully and impartially by competent correspondents, for your own and other widely circulated publications. As an inducement for the performance of such service, in order that real facts may be known, the government will have the honor to represent officers herewith to pay first-class passage to Mexico for ten correspondents of leading newspapers in the United States. On the arrival of those correspondents here this government will furnish them with money, supplies and an armed escort, enabling them to travel in safety to the fields of military action, whence they may forward to their several newspapers full and accurate reports of conditions and events of which they will be personal witnesses.

SMALLPOX VICTIM BREAKS QUARANTINE

Negro Was Running Wild With the Fever on the Streets.

Charlotte Observer. Cherrytown was the scene of one of the "longest-distanced" conversations yesterday morning ever carried on without the use of telephones. When a negro crazed with the fever incident to a good case of smallpox broke from his quarantine at home and ran into the streets.

Mayor Bland sent a number of health officers after the negro with orders to run him in some way.

Chief Amos Cook of the sanitary Department was the first to reach the neighborhood of the negro and it ought to be said that the merely stayed in the neighborhood and not in the immediate vicinity of the plague-stricken darkey.

"Get back home!" shouted Mr. Cook, as he waved his arms in forcible manner.

"Yassah, ah'll be right dar in a minit!" shouted back the smallpox victim.

"You may be; but I won't!" replied Mr. Cook, as he threw himself into high-gear up the street.

After running around in this manner for some time the negro got real close, about 100 feet, and asked: "Am youh a healthy officer?"

"Yes, I'm a healthy officer, and I intend to stay healthy. You stand where you are. Naw don't neither, get back home."

They finally got the negro back in quarantine but it was decided to improve a pest house while the regular one is being built and to carry such victims to a place where they won't be a menace to the rest of the citizens who haven't been vaccinated.

To Seek South American Trade.

New York, Feb. 6.—More than one hundred representative business men of Chicago and the Central West have arrived in this city preparatory to sailing on the steamship Vauban tomorrow on a two months' cruise to Buenos Ayres and return. The Illinois Manufacturers' Association has arranged the excursion, which has as its chief purpose the stimulation of trade between the United States and the South American countries. En route to Buenos Ayres stops will be made at Barbados, Para, Pernambuco, Bahia, Rio de Janeiro, Montevideo and several other points. From Buenos Ayres some of the party will make the overland journey to Santiago and Valparaiso, Chile.

Roosvelt to Stump Maine for Progressive Ticket.

Portland, Maine, Feb. 6.—Colonel Roosevelt will stump Maine next fall in behalf of the Progressive State ticket, according to an announcement by George W. Perkins, chairman of the national Progressive executive committee.

DOPE SELLERS IN NEW YORK

One Physician Purchased \$2,500 Worth in a Single Month.

New York, Feb. 6.—Habit-forming drugs are sold in "appalling quantities," said Carl E. Whitney today, speaking before the county medical society. Mr. Whitney, as an assistant United States district attorney, had the charge of enforcing the laws regulating the sale and the use of these drugs. He asserted that upward of 100 doctors and druggists in New York are engaged in a drug traffic which threatens health and morals. One physician in a single month purchased on prescription \$2,500 worth. "The drug habit," he said, "can be cured by legislation. It does need segregation and societies for social uplift."

He recommended that the manufacture and importation of "dope" drugs be limited and the traffic regulated by a system of registration which would make it possible to trace a container from the manufacturer to the dispenser.

FIRE THIS MORNING.

Two Houses Belonging to Mr. W. M. Corzine at Young-Hartsell Mill Destroyed by Fire.

Fire destroyed two houses, one 5 room and one 4 room, about 6 o'clock this morning at the Young-Hartsell mill. The fire started in the house occupied by Mrs. Honeycutt, the blaze being first discovered between the ceiling and the roof. The flames spread quickly and caught the adjoining house occupied by A. R. Harris. Both were consumed in a short time. The houses were the property of Mr. W. M. Corzine and were leased by the Young-Hartsell mill. Mr. Corzine's loss is partially covered by insurance.

ANOTHER BIG BLIZZARD IN MIDDLE WEST.

Chicago Blizzard Swept for Second Time in Two Weeks.

Chicago, Feb. 6.—The second blizzard of a fortnight swept over the west and middle west today, accompanied by snowfall that hindered railroad traffic and caused a rapid temperature drop. At Alliance, Neb., it is fifteen degrees below zero. There is a heavy loss among cattle and sheep in Nebraska and damage to wheat is feared. Two women imprisoned for seven hours on a lonely crib, two miles out in the lake, when rescued were hysterical and half frozen. Their three male companions were drowned.

Hans Schmidt Must Pay Penalty for His Crime.

New York, Feb. 5.—Hans Schmidt today was found guilty of murder in the first degree for killing Anna Ammuller, a young woman he had married through a self-performed ceremony while acting as a priest at St. Joseph Church. The penalty is death in the electric chair at Sing Sing prison.

Schmidt will be sentenced Wednesday.

Schmidt, whose defense was insanity, laughed bitterly when the verdict was pronounced. He steadfastly had declared himself guilty and had pleaded that he be punished by death. Later he protested against the insanity defense advanced by his counsel, and tonight said he would not assist them in any way if they prepared an appeal.

"I would rather die tonight than tomorrow," he said. "It is as it should be and as I wish it."

The Hand Organ.

Literary Notes. Helen Keller's ready wit is shown by an incident from her lecturing tour. In these days lectures the audience is given an opportunity to ask questions which are passed on to Miss Keller through her teacher, Mrs. Macy.

"Do you play any instruments?" was one of the questions put to her the other day.

"Only the hand-organ," came the quick reply throwing out both hands. Indeed her hands are very wonderful—any one who has ever seen them will not forget them. One of the most interesting chapters of "Out of the Dark," her latest book, deals with "The Hand of the World."

Danish Prince a Boy Scout.

Copenhagen, Feb. 6.—Crown Prince Frederik, who, with his younger brother Prince Knud, joined the Danish Boy Scouts last year, today was appointed "English Translator" for that organization. He won the job by fulfilling three tasks: writing a long and really clever essay in English on the boy scout movement, translating an article from a London newspaper, and in conversing in English for an hour.

It has been decided that Judge Long, the resident judge of this district, shall have the honor of holding the first court in Rowan's new temple of justice, just completed. The court will be held in March, the February term being held in the old building.

A Mr. Ritchie, of Texas, has sixteen beautiful and accomplished daughters, only one of whom is married. This is what the French would call an embarrassment of riches.

REBELS ARE CLOSING IN ON TAMPICO

DESPERATE BATTLE IS EXPECTED BEFORE NIGHTFALL.

The Federals Have Barricaded the Main Streets and Are Prepared for a Stubborn Resistance.—Four American Warships Ready to Take Care of Americans and Other Foreigners.—War Minister Says Lifting of Embargo Will Not Make Rebels Any Better Off.

Mexico City, Feb. 6.—The rebels are closing on Tampico and a desperate battle is considered a possibility before night fall. The federals have barricaded the main streets and have prepared for a stubborn resistance. Four American warships at Tampico are ready to take care of Americans and other foreigners.

During the night the wounded federals were brought to Tampico from La Puerta, a suburb to the north, where hand fighting had been in progress.

The only approach to the oil port is a railroad causeway over the swamps. The rebels are fighting for possession of this.

War Minister Blanquett today said that lifting the embargo would not make the rebels any better off because they had been transporting arms across the border for several months.

Constitutionalists Occupy Bermijillo.

Chihuahua, Feb. 6.—Bermijillo, forty miles north of Torreon, has been occupied by the Mexican Constitutionalists, according to dispatches reaching here. This is the first town of importance taken by the rebels in their campaign against Torreon. There is much skirmishing around Torreon, but a general attack has not yet been opened. Thirteen hundred more rebels left here for Torreon today. Gen. Villa changed his plans, and instead of going to Juarez remained here on account of the celebration of Mexican Constitutional day.

CARNIVAL COMING.

Company L Has Booked Tropical Amusement Company for a Week in March.

H. Wilen, representing the Tropical Amusement Company, formerly Barkoff's Shows, is here today. He signed a contract with Capt. L. A. Brown for the shows to appear here for a week beginning March 30th. The show was here at that date last year. The show will be given under the auspices of Company L, which will share in the proceeds.

Mr. Hobson's Pay.

Baltimore Sun. The suggestion that Congressman Hobson's salary should be docked for the time he has been absent from the House, campaigning in Alabama for the Senatorial nomination, runs up against too many Congressional feelings to have any chance of adoption. People who live in glass houses find it dangerous to throw stones and other Congressmen may consider it impolite to establish a precedent that may return to plague them. And perhaps it is more economical to pay Mr. Hobson to stay away than to attend. It is cheaper for him to be campaigning ineffectually against Underwood in Alabama than stirring up war with Japan from his seat in the House.

It is interesting to observe how the succession is maintained of those who expect on any day the premillennial return of Christ to reign on the earth, such as were called Millerites seventy years ago. They are sturdy literalists as to Scripture, great students of prophecy, and are given, like Miller, to setting the day of our Lord's coming. A conference of them is to meet in Chicago this month, and we observe among those announced to speak the president of Westminster College, a professor of Xenia Theological Seminary, the editor of the Sunday School Times and the most noted among revivalists. We also observe among those talked of to succeed President Patten at Princeton Seminary one premillennial scholar.—The Independent.

Urge Numbering of Football Players.

New York, Feb. 6.—A determined effort to adopt a rule requiring all football players to wear numerals was scheduled for tonight when the Intercollegiate Football Rules Committee meets here to discuss proposed changes in the playing rules. E. K. Hall, chairman of the committee, was to preside. It was predicted that few changes in the rules will be made.

An exchange tells us how to boil water. This is a great waste of space. The way to boil water is to put it in a kettle and set it on a hot stove. A quicker method has never been discovered.

It is announced that Mr. James A. Robinson is an aspirant for the office of postmaster at Durham.