

BUSINESS MEN'S DINNER CONFERENCE BIG EVENT

Y. M. C. A. CAMPAIGN IS AUSPICIOUSLY LAUNCHED.

MORE THAN 100 GUESTS PRESENT

Great Meeting at Central Graded School Last Evening Starts Concord's Big Y. M. C. A. Campaign.

At one of the most enthusiastic, most representative and most interesting meetings ever held here Concord's campaign to raise \$35,000 for a Y. M. C. A. was launched last night amid an atmosphere charged with loyalty to purpose, enthusiasm and earnestness.

The meeting was called the Business Men's Dinner Conference and was held at Central graded school. Plates were laid for 150 and the dinner was served by a number of ladies of the city.

A few minutes after 7 o'clock Mr. J. W. Cannon, who presided, called the conference to order and requested Rev. M. F. Moore, of Central Methodist Church, to ask the blessing.

Following the blessing dinner was served, the menu consisting of beef, rice, potatoes, beans, ice cream, cake and coffee.

Mr. J. W. Cannon, in introducing Mr. Spear, declared that the citizens had assembled here to launch a work for the welfare of Concord and the work should be carried on enthusiastically and successfully.

Mr. Cannon next introduced Mr. Huntington, of the Charlotte Y. M. C. A. Mr. Huntington spoke briefly but earnestly and was particularly impressive in urging upon the citizens present to provide a place of care, of development for the boys of the community.

Professor Daniels, of Clemson College, was the next speaker. His subject was "The Forces That Make a City" and, from his introductory remarks to the eloquent appeal for Concord to invest in saving its boys, to give those that are here and those that are to come a chance, with which he closed, Professor Daniels was heard with profound interest.

At the outset his sparkling humor aroused interest and, shortly, the mighty force of his eloquence brought

TRUSTEES IN SESSION.

Will Select a Successor to Dr. D. H. Hill—Numerous Candidates.

Raleigh, May 30.—The board of trustees of A. & M. College met here today to consider the selection of a successor to Dr. D. H. Hill, who has resigned the presidency of the institution.

It is understood the list of eligibles for the position has been reduced to seven, but even with this number under consideration it was not believed the trustees would conclude their work before this afternoon.

The college alumni association, at its annual meeting this morning, endorsed the candidacy of vice president W. C. Riddick to succeed Dr. Hill.

SECRET TREATY.

Between Greece and Bulgaria, Neutral Diplomats Report.

Paris, May 30.—The Bulgarian advance into Greek Macedonia was made as the result of a secret formal agreement between Greece and Bulgaria, according to information received at neutral diplomatic circles in Rome, says a dispatch from the Italian capital to the Paris Matin.

HONORS FENCE.

Secretary Tammity Places Wreath on His Friend's Grave.

Raleigh, May 30.—A floral tribute, bearing the cards of Joseph P. Tammity, President Wilson's secretary, was placed upon the grave here today of Thomas J. Pence, late secretary of the Democratic National Executive committee.

Another week has passed into history, and we love you just as much as ever.

But, then, the fellow who disagrees with you is always a Nutt.

The diners in rapt attention and kept them there until he closed. Co-operation and enthusiastic, optimistic support of your town were the necessary elements for a successful community as defined by Professor Daniels in setting forth the "Forces That Make a City."

Referring to religious dissension in communities, Professor Daniels declared that a Y. M. C. A. was an agency that brought religious workers together. It will keep out the religious dissensions and mobilize the Christian forces of a town.

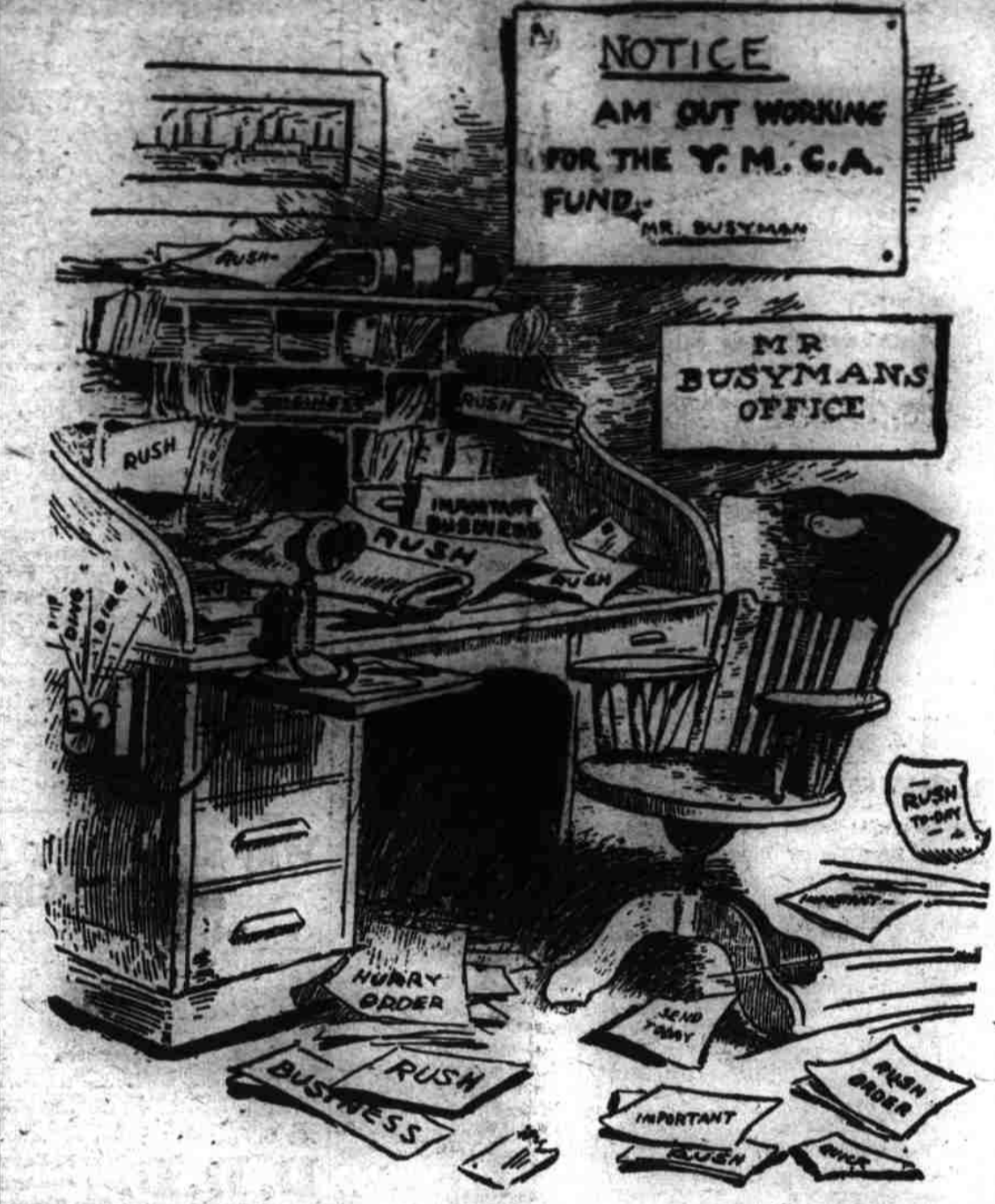
Another influence of the Y. M. C. A. presented by Mr. Daniels was that it tended to find out what forces were in the community and to expose the evil agencies. There are sons being dragged to hell by influences in a town that the parents do not know exists there.

The greatest asset, the greatest force and the greatest influence of a Y. M. C. A., the speaker, declared, however, was that it developed character. Speaking of this feature of Y. M. C. A. work and the force and power of character the speaker was strikingly eloquent.

Professor Daniels referred to conditions a generation ago, telling of how the dreams of youths were smothered and quenched by the lack of opportunities, facilities to bring about their fulfillment.

Following Professor Daniels' address, Toastmaster Cannon called upon the following, who made brief responses: D. B. Coltrane, E. C. Barnhart, J. L. Crowell, G. A. Carver, C. S. Smart, J. L. Crowell, and E. G. Crowell.

Upon motion of Mr. C. F. Rittie a unanimous vote of thanks was extended to the ladies for the manner in which they had served the dinner.



FOREST HILL NEWS.

Mr. Welker Crooks Recovering From Injuries—Mr. J. L. Barnhardt Ill.—Personals.

Mr. Welker Crooks has been laid up several days from injuries received when he fell off the roof of his house, while making repairs on it.

Miss Addie Wood has returned to Concord after spending several weeks in Salisbury.

Miss Lila Wright has returned to her home in Lexington, after spending some time here with her aunt, Mrs. Chas. Morgan.

Dr. Charles Clayton has returned to his home in Dexter, Ky., after visiting Miss Hattie Clayton in Concord and Mrs. Charles Wright in Lexington.

Mr. Frank Smith has returned from Asheville, after attending the Baptist convention and visiting relatives.

Mrs. John T. Howell and Miss Lela Howell go to China Grove tomorrow to spend two weeks with Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Howell.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Suther and children spent Sunday near Statesville with relatives, making the trip by automobile.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Dempsey, of Bessemer City, spent Sunday here at the home of Mr. L. C. Cook.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Smart and family motored to Locust Saturday and attended the reunion of students at Stany Hall school.

Misses Annie, Hattie and Sally Marks returned to their home in Rockingham today, after spending several days here with Miss Lela Howell.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. L. Murr and children, of Cooleston, spent Sunday here with relatives, making the trip in Mr. Murr's automobile.

Little Miss Beatrice Fisher, young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jason Fisher, entertained a number of her young friends at a birthday party at her home on Vance street yesterday.

Wilkinson-Widenerhouse Co., have accepted the Concord agency for the Studebaker automobile.

Mrs. B. L. Burrage has been confined to her home for several days with an attack of malaria fever.

Mr. J. L. Barnhardt is critically ill at his home on McGill street. Mr. Barnhardt was stricken with paralysis several days ago and has not rallied from the stroke.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Howell, May 24th, a son.

Melvin, the 12-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Murr, died this morning at 3 o'clock on Railroad avenue. The funeral will be held at the residence this afternoon at 4 o'clock and will be conducted by Rev. Mr. Lenderhull. The interment will be at Oakwood cemetery.

\$17,072 Raised By Noon of The First Day

Table listing names and amounts raised for the Y.M.C.A. fund, including Barnhardt, Cannon, Hartsell, Ritchie, Smart, Waggoner, Weddington, White, Hoover, and a total of \$17,072.

WEDDING GUESTS.

Mr. Carpenter and Best Man Will Arrive This Evening.

Quite a number of out-of-town guests will attend the Carpenter-Pemberton wedding Thursday evening, which will be an event of marked interest.

Tonight Mr. J. Lewis Carpenter and his best man, Mr. Albert M. Rickman, of Greenville, will arrive. Other attendants expected this evening are: Messrs. Melvin Means and J. A. Mulhan, of Greenville, and Henry Matthews, of Columbia.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Carpenter will arrive tomorrow from Greenville. Other guests expected tomorrow are: Edwin Brower, of Nashville, N. C.; Alfred S. Brower, of Raleigh; Misses Adeline and Edith Harris, of Asheville, and Frances Swink, of China Grove.

Miss Elizabeth McMaster, of Winboro, S. C.; Miss Nina Carpenter, of Greenville, S. C.; and Mrs. A. S. Brower, of Raleigh, arrived several days ago.

Earl Cotton, Convict, Killed. Raleigh, May 30.—Earl Cotton, of Raleigh, one of the State's most noted convicts, was shot and killed last night while attempting to escape from the convict camp at Graphiteville, according to prison authorities here. No details are available.

MR. JAMES R. ERVIN.

Died at His Home on North Spring Street Yesterday Afternoon.—Funeral Tomorrow Morning.

Mr. James R. Ervin, one of the best known men of Concord and Cabarrus county, died yesterday afternoon at 4:35 o'clock at his home on North Spring street, after an illness of over a year's duration.

Mr. Ervin was born in Darlington, S. C., in 1841, and he lived there until after the war. He was married in 1867 to Miss Margaret Moss, of this county, and she with three children, Mr. S. J. Ervin, Mrs. Robert S. Young and Mrs. L. T. Hartsell, all of Concord, survive.

Mr. Ervin served continuously through the war. He left Davidson College in 1861 and joined the Cabarrus Guard, 20th regiment, with which he served two years.

The funeral will be conducted at the home tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock by Dr. J. M. Grier, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, of which Mr. Ervin was a life-long member, and the interment will be at Oakwood.

CARRANZA HAS SENT NO NOTE TO WASHINGTON

No Explanation as to Why It Has Been Withheld.

Mexico City, May 30.—The foreign minister stated today that no note had been sent to Washington by General Carranza. He intimated that a communication had been under consideration, but offered no explanation as to why it had been withheld.

Memorial Day Observed.

Washington, May 30.—Washington today did honors to the nation's dead soldier and sailor heroes. President Wilson and government clerks, veterans and white clad young flower girls, daughters of the Union and the Confederacy joined in observing Memorial Day.

Charlotte Woman to Be Honored.

New York, May 30.—The nominating committee of the general federation of women's clubs today reported to the convention here among nomination officers for the election tomorrow the following: For second vice president, Mrs. Eugene Reilly, of Charlotte, N. C., unopposed.

BOOST THE Y. M. C. A.

COL. MOSBY, FAMOUS LEADER, DIED TODAY

DEATH OCCURRED AFTER A PROTRACTED ILLNESS.

HOUSE WORKS ON THE NAVY BILL

Colonel John S. Mosby, One of the Most Famous Confederate Leaders, Died at the National Capital This Morning, After a Prolonged Illness.—Secretary McAdoo Announces That Several New Coins Will Be Minted.—House Leaders Celebrate Memorial Day by Working on the Naval Appropriation Bill.—A Final Vote Friday.

Washington, May 30.—Col. John S. Mosby, the most famous Confederate leader of the Civil War, died here today after a long illness. He was a native of Virginia, and was 82 years old.

Colonel Mosby was one of the most picturesque figures in the capital where he had lived for many years after the war. In spite of his advanced age until a few weeks ago it was his custom to take many walks through the downtown section of the city.

For many years the Confederate leader was employed at the Department of Justice, but gave up the service several years ago. A few weeks ago he became ill and was taken to Garfield Hospital, where he lingered until he died today.

Col. Mosby dated death over fifty years ago when at the head of a band of a few hundred Confederate raiders he rode up and down the Shenandoah Valley, capturing outposts, destroying supply trains, and cutting off means of communication. It has been estimated that he often neutralized the force of over 15,000 federals in the valley.

Born in Powhatan County, Va., December 6, 1833, and graduated from the University of Virginia in 1852, he was practicing law in Bristol, Va., when the war broke out and he began his career in the Confederate army. He proved his daring with such effect that he became a scout for Gen. J. E. B. Stuart and led the celebrated raid around McClellan's army on the Chickahominy. In Richmond a year later he recruited an independent cavalry troop which became famous as Mosby's Partisan Rangers.

Mosby's most brilliant exploit was the capture of Gen. Stroughton. On a March night in 1863 he, with 30 followers, rode through the federal army to Fairfax Court House, where Gen. Stroughton was asleep. Although surrounded by an army said to have been 17,000 strong, the rangers calmly kidnapped the general, his staff and many sentries, and turned them over to the Confederate authorities at Culpeper without having lost a man.

General Grant once later saved Mosby from hanging, and two foes of the battlefield became staunch friends. Mosby dumped the state of Virginia for Grant during his presidential campaign, and was rewarded with an appointment as consul at Hong Kong, a post which he held for seven years. When he returned to the United States, Mosby called on the surviving members of his rangers and, to his astonishment, he found that a large percentage of them had become ministers. In parting their old colonel said: "Well, boys, if you fight the Devil like you fought the Yankees there will be something to record on Judgment Day."

He next became special land agent for the government in Colorado, and from 1904 to 1910 he was an attorney in the Department of Justice. His home lay across the Potomac, at Warrenton, Va., but he was often seen in Washington, his white hair, and strong Roman features, making him a picturesque figure on the streets or lecture platform. He had written "Mosby's War Reminiscences," "The Dawn of the Real South," and "Stuart's Cavalry Campaign." He was also known as a Greek scholar.

Washington, May 30.—Dimes, quarters and half dollars of new design will be minted after July 1, Secretary McAdoo announced today. For

the first time since 1891 a change will be effected in these coins. The face of the new half dollars bears the full length of liberty with a background of American flag, flying in the breeze. The goddess is striding toward the dawn of a new day, carrying laurel and oak branches symbolic of civil and military glory. The reverse side shows and eagle perched high among a mountain crag with wings unfolded. Growing from a wrist in the rock is a sapling of pine, symbolic of America.

House on Naval Bill. Washington, May 30.—The House celebrated Memorial Day by working on the naval appropriation bill.

Debate on the measure was continued under the five minute rule. A final vote probably will be reached late Friday afternoon.

WAR SUMMARY.

Germans Waging Terrific Attacks in Verdun Section.

Troops in large masses are being thrown against the French lines northwest of Verdun and twice within the last 24 hours the French have been compelled to fall back.

The weakest point in the French defense appears to be in the neighborhood of Cumieres between that village and Dead Man Hill to the west. This line was denoted by the Germans for a distance of more than 300 yards in the third of a series of violent assaults yesterday afternoon. Last night the Germans returned to the attack with a fresh division and Paris admits that the French were forced to retire slightly along the Bethincourt-Cumieres road.

The German attacks apparently were equally violent along other sectors of the front, west of the Meuse but according to the French war office, no where else the Germans were able to gain ground. East of the river heavy artillery fire in the region of Fort Douaumont is reported.

Advices from the Balkans show a continuation of Bulgarian activity along the Macedonian front, following the recent occupation by the Bulgarians of forts on Greek territory. The Bulgarians are reported to be concentrating additional forces near the Greek border while along the Vardar river the advance lines of the Entente forces are being bombarded.

A Rome dispatch through Paris, declares that neutral diplomatic circles in the Italian capital have information that the Bulgarian advance into Greek territory came about through a secret agreement between Bulgaria and Greece.

RAIN AND WIND STORM SWEEP MEMPHIS

Storm Almost as Bad as the One in 1901.—No Casualties Reported.

Memphis, Tenn., May 30.—The wind and rain storm which swept this city and the country within a radius of 30 miles early today reached a velocity of 60 to 72 miles an hour, almost equaling the record of 75 miles an hour, made March, 1901.

Wires were generally prostrated, especially to the west, the other damage in Memphis being confined largely to the destruction of plate glass windows, signs, trees and gardens. No casualties were reported to the police.

FUNERAL OF J. J. HILL.

Employees of His Railroad to Visit His Home Today.—Funeral to Be Simple.

St. Paul, Minn., May 30.—Simplicity will mark the funeral of James J. Hill, pioneer railroad builder, who died at his home yesterday from blood poisoning. The Hill home will be open to the great employees of the Great Northern Railway.

Kill Amendment to Naval Bill.

Washington, May 30.—An amendment to the naval bill, providing six battle cruisers instead of five, as recommended by a majority of the naval committee, was defeated in the House today by a vote of 109 to 63.

Demaree Beats Giants.

Philadelphia, May 30.—Al Demaree, former Southern League pitcher and a Giant east off, broke the New York Nationals' winning streak today, holding them to one run in the morning game, while Philadelphia made five runs off Peritt. The Giants' record stands at 17 victories.