

New Kannapolis Y. M. C. A., One of Finest In The South, Formally Dedicated Monday

HON. DAVID H. BLAIR SPEAKS OF LIFE AND WORK OF J. W. CANNON

DEDICATED TO HIM

STRUCTURE BUILT AS A MEMORIAL TO LATE J. W. CANNON

At Formal Dedication Exercises of New Y. M. C. A. Building Held at Kannapolis Monday Night.

APPEALS TO BOYS TO CATCH VISION

Doors of Wonderful New Edifice Thrown Open—Door Unlocked by Mrs. James W. Cannon.

Formal dedication of the new Y. M. C. A. building at Kannapolis was made Monday night to the memory of the late James William Cannon in fitting ceremonies, the principal address of the evening being delivered by David H. Blair, commissioner of internal revenue at Washington, who appealed to the boys of the community gathered before him to "catch the vision which Mr. Cannon had and have the pluck and courage to shape their dreams into a living reality."

The late J. W. Cannon, to whom the \$200,000 Y. M. C. A. building was dedicated Monday night with appropriate ceremonies, Mr. Cannon was the founder and builder of Kannapolis.

HEAD OF CANNON MANUFACTURING CO. MAKES A STATEMENT

As my father, the late James William Cannon, of Concord, North Carolina, who planned and built and until his death, directed the successful operation of the mills making up the community known as Kannapolis, recognized the wisdom of caring for the spiritual, mental, physical and social welfare of the employees of the mills and directed or assisted in directing the Young Men's Christian Association, school, and church building when the original mills were built; and as the Y. M. C. A. at Kannapolis has outgrown its quarters, the directors and officers of the Cannon Manufacturing Company, in keeping with the policy of the late James William Cannon, considered it wise and to the best interests of the company and the employees of the mills to erect a new and modern building for the use of the Young Men's Christian Association to develop the spiritual, mental, physical and social man; and also to enlarge the scope of the work to include the girls and women of the community, and they deemed it proper and fitting that the new building be dedicated to the memory of James William Cannon.

CHARLES A. CANNON.

HEADED Y FOR 7 YEARS

"Less than twenty years ago," he said, "the spot on which this magnificent structure stands was a part of a poor old, rundown farm which produced little of value. The site of this great city of spindles, with its mills among the best in the world, was a barren, unproductive stretch of impoverished farm land. Today it is a modern, sanitary, beautiful industrial city of 10,000 prosperous and contented people. With eight splendid manufacturing plants with 185,000 spindles and 5,000 looms turning out daily approximately 45,000 dozen towels and millions of yards of splendid fabrics of various kinds; with two fine grammar schools and one high school building unsurpassed by anything in the state; with splendid churches; with places of amusement and entertainment; and with this magnificent structure, with all modern facilities for the development of the mind, heart and the body—a Y. M. C. A. building that would be a credit to any city of 100,000 inhabitants.

E. J. Sharpe, secretary of the Kannapolis Y. M. C. A., who for the past seven years has been active in the up-building of the institution. Its membership is 1,869 at the present time.

Van Orman's Claim Being Considered. Brussels, June 16 (By the Associated Press).—The claims of the American balloonist, Wade T. Van Orman, that he won the recent Gordon Bennett cup balloon race from Brussels, apparently are being seriously considered by the commission which will decide the question. A decision will be announced Friday or Saturday.

Is Dedicated to Memory of a Man Who Was a Pioneer in Successful Construction of Cotton Mills.

BUILT AT COST OF OVER \$200,000

It Is a Fitting Memorial to the Man to Whom the Community Owes Its Very Existence.

Dedicated as a monument to the memory of a man who was a pioneer in the construction of cotton mills, a successful leader in the textile industry and an up-builder of North Carolina enterprise, the new Young Men's Christian Association at Kannapolis flung wide its doors Monday night to receive the growth of the community in an effort to better the well-being of the physical and moral life of this same youth and enable it to become a better citizenry.

The structure was built as a memorial to the late J. W. Cannon. In the lobby, directly under a life-size portrait of him, is a tablet which bears the following words: "This building is erected to the memory of James William Cannon, 1825." There can be no doubt that it is a fitting memorial to the man to whom the community owes its very existence. Constructed at a cost of over \$200,000, it is said to be the finest building of its kind in the state of North Carolina and one of the best in the entire South.

One wing was constructed over two years ago and has been in use since. This section has in it an auditorium for use in showing moving picture films or for receiving theatrical talent. The auditorium is a large place, capable of seating 1400 persons and is equipped with stage and dressing rooms for the use of visiting artists. Below, in the basement, are locker rooms and game rooms the Association's ten billiard tables being placed here. In addition to this, there is a modern barber shop and a refreshment stand.

The new wing takes the place of the old structure which housed the Association since 1908. It contains rooms for the various activities the Y expects to engage in, has a library, a gymnasium, a swimming pool and game rooms. Not only is the new structure built as a memorial to the late J. W. Cannon, but it is built to carry on the work which he began when he conceived the idea of building Kannapolis. When the first mills were built in the newly founded town, Mr. Cannon decided that he wished to have some type of community building and he constructed one patterned after another building which had been erected some time before in another mill village. He decided later to make it a Y. M. C. A.

Soon after construction, the building proved to be too small and it became necessary to make additions. Several years following another addition had to be made which was almost as large as the original building itself. This gave a new gymnasium and additional game rooms. On the first floor of the new structure is contained the auditorium to which reference has already been made. Access to this may be had from the extreme right entrance. The other entrance leads into the men's lobby which is a handsomely appointed and furnished room. It is filled with comfortable chairs of the overstuffed type, covered in grain leather. Just to the rear of this is a social room, really a part of the lobby but with folding doors so that it can be partitioned off if so desired.

Behind the lobby and at the side of the social room is the library which forms one of the most important parts of the Y. M. C. A. Since there is no city library, it has become necessary for the Y. M. C. A. to furnish the reading material and it has taken over the place usually filled by the other organizations. Several thousand volumes are placed here for use of the members.

The gymnasium is at the back of the building and will be of very latest construction and equipment. Its length is 90 feet and its width is 45 feet. A balcony is placed round the entire floor, giving space for spectators at match contests. Basketball goals will be fixed to baskets fastened to the balcony at either end. All new equipment will be placed in the gymnasium which will be ready for use in approximately two weeks.

On the second floor are quarters for women and for boys. A women's social room, a large, homelike affair is prettily furnished with wicker furniture. A piano and tables, attractively placed, add to its homelike quality. The boys' game room and club room gave the boys a place to themselves.

Downstairs in the basement is a swimming pool, 20 by 50 feet, with depth ranging from four to nine feet. The men's locker room has 39 showers in it and the boys' locker room has 28 showers. Bowling alleys will be installed at an early date on the ground floor. There

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Another Scene From "Concord's Hero"



To Be Shown at the Concord Theatre Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday

'CONCORD'S HERO' FILM ARRIVED IN THE CITY THIS AFTERNOON

The Thrilling Local Picture Will Be Shown at the New Concord Theatre for the Next Three Days.

MUCH INTEREST IN THE PICTURE

Director Newland Says That the Picture Is One of the Best He Has Made.—Love Story Is Interwoven.

Shortly after 1 o'clock this afternoon, the films on which were developed the scenes from "Concord's Hero" arrived in the city and were at once taken to the Concord Theatre where they will be shown during the next three days.

The cast, Miss Margaret Virginia Ervin, Mrs. E. T. Cannon, Robert Bell and Miles Wolf, were guests of the theatre at a preliminary showing at 2 o'clock and were able to see themselves parading round on the screen after the fashion of comedy and tragedy actors and actresses.

Director Newland, who is at present engaged in work at Winston, making a picture there similar to the one which was made here, sent word to Concord in which he said that he was confident that which he called "Concord's Hero" would be one of the best he had made and added that he hoped the fans here would enjoy it. Mr. Newland took a part in the picture and so is doubly interested in its reception.

The plot of the story hinges on Mrs. Henpeck's jealousy of her husband when he is reported as riding with a strange woman. The chase which follows forms a most exciting incident and the wreck is most realistic. A love story is interwoven in the effort of Billy Brown and his rival to get Baby Ethel's love.

The show will be on at the Concord Theatre Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of this week.

MILLAN HONORED ON EVE OF HIS DEPARTURE

Will Hop Off Tomorrow on Ninth Trip Into the Arctic Regions.

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Thermos bottles, electric fans, ice cream freezers and other hot weather specialties at York & Wadsworth Co's.

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Denies Existence of Secret Notes.

Dr. Kilgore Heads Co-operative Association.

3 DISTINCT PHASES SHOWN IN STUDY OF TROUBLES IN CHINA

Canton Recaptured by Soldiers Representing Radical Wing of Followers of the Late Sun Yat Sen.

THE ANTI-FOREIGN AGITATION SPREADS

Impending Clash in Northern China That May Eclipse All Others.—These Are Phases Seen in Study.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, June 16.—Three distinct phases of the troubles in China take form as the result of study of the Washington government's mass of reports from that country and a canvass of expert opinion in government circles.

Canton has been recaptured from the Yunnanese mercenaries by Cantonese soldiers representing the radical wing of the followers of the late Sun Yat Sen.

An anti-foreign agitation springing from troubles in Shanghai has spread up the Yangtze River, causing disorders in a score of cities.

A conflict which western observers think may overshadow all other developments before the end of 1925 impends in northern China between rival military powers with Peking and the armed domination of most of China as the prize.

There is no direct connection among the three phases. Battle for Canton and the impending conflict in the north are primarily the outgrowth of domestic politics, and except incidentally, have no anti-foreign aspects.

The government's observers may foresee the manifestation of a new nationalistic spirit in China for several years. More than a year ago an estimate of this situation contained in an unpublished government report said:

"Throughout all classes in China can be seen an organized movement to take away from the foreigners their special privileges which years of intimidation and clever diplomacy have given them. The violations of treaty rights will probably be done in a way that will not provoke armed retaliation from the war-weary powers.

Any widespread massacre of foreigners is highly improbable and that alone would rouse the forces of white nations for armed intervention.

Shanghai, June 16 (By the Associated Press).—The British Consul General here today vigorously protested to the civil governor and also to the foreign commissioners because of the killing of Wm. N. McKenzie, a British subject, last night. McKenzie was shot by Chinese agitators.

FRENCH MOROCCO PLANS APPROVED BY CABINET

Aggressive Steps Planned by French Troops For the Immediate Future.

Paris, June 16 (By the Associated Press).—The French cabinet today approved Premier Painleve's plan for quick termination of Rifian warfare in Morocco. It was announced that French warships had been stationed off the Moroccan coast today. M. Painleve arrived from Morocco 5 minutes before the cabinet session began.

The Premier reported to the cabinet the measures he had taken while in Morocco to reduce to a minimum the risk and duration of the military operations there.

The nature of these measures was not explained. It was stated that a joint Franco-Spanish arrangement has been made for patrolling the Rifian coast.

The cabinet was in session three hours discussing the Moroccan and financial policies but official communique revealed nothing regarding the political aspects of the government's course in parliament this week when the fate of both the left bloc and the Painleve government may be decided.

Hog Raising Exhibits Are Given in Davidson.

Lexington, N. C., June 15.—Four successful hog feeding demonstrations have been completed and the hogs sold for \$12 per hundred pounds at the farm, reports County Agent C. A. Sheffield of Davidson County. "The most successful of these demonstrations," he said, "was the one conducted by M. A. Hedrick, near Lexington. This was carried on for 106 days, with the hogs making an average daily gain of 1.62 pounds. During the third feeding period of 34 days these hogs gained an average of 2.2 pounds a day."

KNOW 15 PERISHED IN TRAIN ACCIDENT CAUSED BY STORMS

Coaches on 10-Car Train of D. L. and W. Road Piled One Upon Another by the Accident.

FIFTEEN BODIES ALREADY FOUND

Rails Were Twisted by Lightning and Undermined by Heavy Rains, Thus Giving Way to Train.

Hackettstown, N. J., June 16 (By the Associated Press).—At least 15 are believed to have been killed and a score injured in the wreck of a special ten-car Delaware Lackawanna & Western train a mile west of here early today. Twisted by lightning and undermined by heavy rains the tracks gave way beneath the train and the cars and engine piled up, one on another.

Reports said the train carried 182 passengers, mostly aliens from Chicago, en route to Hoboken where they were to sail for Europe today. Most of them were asleep in their berths when the coaches pounded upon one another into the steam and scalding water bursting from the locomotive. The engineer, fireman and conductor are among the wreckage. Fifteen bodies have been taken from the wreckage and others are believed to be beneath the wreck.

Thirty-four injured were reported in Easton Hospital, eight at Phillipsburg, N. J., 9 at Dover, N. J., and 3 in Morristown hospitals.

The accident occurred during a severe electrical storm. Seven of the ten cars of the train left the track and because of the manner in which the roadbed was torn up, it was impossible for hours to determine what might have been the cause. Both the engineer and fireman were killed.

The first coach was hurled half way over the top of the overturned locomotive. Men and women fought madly to work their way out of the coaches. The engine blew up and filled the air with steam. Passengers said they were unable to see more than a foot in front of them.

Passengers in the rear car began rescue work early under the direction of Mrs. E. B. Harker, of Chicago, formerly a nurse, who with her husband, was among those who escaped.

BIG FIELD OF GOLFERS FOR SOUTHERN TITLE

Largest Field in History at Asheville for Play Which Will Be Started Tomorrow.

(By the Associated Press.) Biltmore Forest Club, Asheville, N. C., June 16.—The largest field the annual tournament of the Southern Golf Association ever known was spread over Biltmore Forest Club course today as the qualifying round play began. The play today was to decide the 96 who are to take part in the battle for the title. Only 32, however, will be in the first division and the match play tomorrow will reduce the championship field to 16. The finals will come Saturday.

Asheville, host to the tournament, has furnished thirty of the 175 entrants in the tournament, while Atlanta follows with 25. Memphis, Birmingham, New Orleans, Nashville, Knoxville, Charlotte, Chattanooga and other cities of the South were well represented.

Competition for the team trophy to be won by a team of four men nominated by the club they represent will be spirited.

Englishman Says Evolution is the Hope of the World.

London, June 15.—Sir Oliver Lodge, addressing a meeting here last evening, appealed to his hearers not to be "frightened" at the word "evolution" as they are understood in America.

He said he did not know what the American thought the word meant but he thought it was the hope of the world. It meant growth, development and progress. If the world was not to be stagnant it must be evolving. Now that humans were conscious beings, with a sense of free will and knowledge, they could help in the process, and evolution might go on faster.

Germany Gets French Note. Berlin, June 16 (By the Associated Press).—French Ambassador de Margerie today presented to Foreign Minister Stresemann the reply of the French to Germany's proposal for the western European security pact. The French note represents a Franco-British accord.

Tokyo, June 16 (By the Associated Press).—The Japanese government impressed by the gravity of the Chinese anti-foreign situation, ordered four additional destroyers to sail for China tonight.

WHAT SAT'S BEAR SAYS



Partly cloudy tonight and Wednesday, cooler in north portion tonight and in east and central portions Wednesday.

CONCORD THEATRE BIG DOUBLE PROGRAM COMMENCING TODAY 'CONCORD'S HERO' A Feature Comedy in Two Reels With a Cast of Our Own Folks Here in Concord Also Last Showing 'WANDERING DAUGHTERS' Aesops Fables and Fatha News No. 48. 1:30 to 11 P. M. Prices 20c-30c-40c