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## CONVENTION CALLED.

J. W. Bailey Manager for Education Committee of Anti Saloon League, Issues the Call.

Mr. J. W. Bailey, manager for the Executive Committee of the North Carolina Anti-Saloon League, issued the following call:

After careful consideration, the Executive Committee of the North Carolina Anti-Saloon League has called a Temperance Convention to meet at Raleigh, July 7th, 1903.

This convention is demanded by the conditions:

1. We have a vast amount of temperance sentiment in the State but it is unorganized. In the process of organizing it, this convention is necessary.

2. We are about to enter a great campaign.

3. We must greatly strengthen our operations.

We cannot cope with the situation on the present basis. The present Executive Committee needs enlargement, and those who shall lead our cause need the support of a convention representing the entire commonwealth.

The present manager of the campaign cannot find time to carry out all his duties. We must put a man in the field who will give himself wholly to this work. Until we shall do this, we cannot reckon ourselves as very seriously engaging in conflict with the giant drink evil.

The convention will have for its purpose: (1) The marshaling of the temperance forces of our State for the conflict now so close at hand; (2) the reorganization of our executive department; (3) the selection of one more field man; (4) the putting of our work upon an adequate basis; (5) the work of forming our policy.

Now, who should attend this convention?

Every one that is in earnest in this great cause. If our convention shall fail, it will be taken as a sign that interest is not great. Every county should be represented. Our prohibition counties owe the cause in active counties sympathy and support. Besides, many of them need organization for law enforcement. Every incorporated town, and especially such as are not protected against saloons and distilleries, should be represented.

The ministers of North Carolina are counted upon to attend in large numbers.

Every Anti-Saloon League in the State should send a delegation, and every place that intends to organize a league or institute a campaign against the drink evil should send representatives.

The business men and the citizens who feel an interest in this great work are especially urged to be present. We shall need them most of all.

Remember the date, July 7th and place, Raleigh. Railroad rates will be announced later.

## Gorman Sails for Europe.

New York, May, 16.—Senator Arthur Pue Gorman, of Maryland, as a passenger on the Atlantic Transport Line steamship Minnehaha, which sailed to-day for London. Mrs. Gordon accompanied him.

## General Gordon Thinks the Reunion Will be a Great One.

New Orleans, May, 16.—General John B. Gordon, command the United Confederate Veterans, arrived here to-day, and visited Adjutant General Mickles' headquarters. He was given a great ovation. General Gordon found the preparation for the reunion far advanced, and believes it will be one of the greatest gatherings of old soldiers ever held in the South. General Gordon left for Atlanta to-night, and return in time to open the reunion on Tuesday.

## The Shipwrecked Portuguese.

Newbern, May 15.—The regular routine of inspection of the Portuguese immigrants by the government officials was carried on to-day. Seventy more are to be inspected. One more was found with trachoma of the eye, which precluded him from landing in the United States. Inspector Stamp informs me that the government will provide transportation for them to Providence Massachusetts by the Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad to Norfolk, thence by the Merchants & Miner's Line to their destination. They will probably leave here Sunday or Monday. About \$600 has been received to-day by the immigrants from their relatives and friends in Massachusetts in the shape of postal money orders.

## Postal Clerks Put Up a Claim of \$14,000,000.

Tuscaloosa, May 16.—D. D. Nicholson, a postal clerk, who runs on the Alabama Great Southern Railway, says that the postal clerks of the United States have a claim aggregating \$14,000,000 against the United States Postoffice Department. Nicholson says this claim will be tried before the United States Court of Claims at Washington.

The claim is based upon the section of the postal laws which prescribes that chief clerks and railway postal clerks shall be paid their actual and necessary expenses while actually traveling on business of the Department.

## University Student Dead.

Chapel Hill, May, 15.—Mr. Frank Sims Hudson, of Casheville Tenn., a member of the sophomore Class, died here this afternoon about 6 o'clock of dysentery after a short illness of less than a week. The news came as a shock to the entire college, as it was not generally known that he was even ill. Mr. Hudson was about 25 years of age and one of the prominent men of his class. He was vice president of the local Young Men's Christian Association and everywhere known for his pure and upright life. He will be much missed from the Christian life of both college and town.

## Percy Jones Not Related to Senator Jones.

Little Rock, May 16.—A special correspondent of The Arkansas Gazette today interviewed former Senator James K. Jones, at his home at Hope, Ark., in reference to the reported relationship between him and Percy Jones, who was killed by a mob at Wilson, N. C. The Senator says Percy Jones is not related to him.

## TEXAS ANTI-TRUST LAW.

The Cases Docketed in the United States Supreme Court to Test Its Validity.

Washington, May 16.—Two cases intended to test the validity of the Texas anti-trust law, were docketed to-day in the United States Supreme Court. The cases are those of the State of Texas against the National Cotton Seed Oil Company and the Southern Cotton Seed Oil Company, both New Jersey corporations. The two companies were consolidated and the consolidation acquired other oil factories, the combination resulting in the formation of the trust, as alleged by the State, and not denied by the companies.

It is stated that the result of the combination was the fixing of the price of cotton seed at \$11.14 per ton. The combination was pronounced illegal by the Texas courts, and the oil companies bring the cases to the Supreme Court on writs of error, alleging that the Texas anti-trust laws are in contravention of both the Federal and the State constitutions.

## White Man Killed by a Mob

Wilson, May 14.—Perry Jones, an insurance agent, who came here some time ago, was shot in his room last night by a crowd of citizens who intended to run him out of town, and as a result died at 7 o'clock this morning. One of the alleged attacking party was also wounded. Eleven men were arrested on the charge of participation in the crime. The objection to Jones was because of his alleged association with a colored woman. Jones stated, after being wounded that when the men rushed into his room he fired on them, when he was shot.

## Ending the Fun.

Dear readers, I commenced the fun with Bro. Meddlesome about that \$10.00 bill he gave to the negro for a pint of whisky, and I propose to end it in fun. This is not a reply to the fun.

You will never see another instrument of writing or a reply from me to Bro. Meddlesome, let him say or do what he may.

I gladly yield the best end of all those jokes to Bro. Meddlesome, and only take in return his strange name Donkey-Bray. I say I can live a while going by the name of Donkey-Bray, and ha! ha! ha! a respectable.

## DONKEY-BRAY.

Ai, N. C., May 16th, 1903.

## Services at Mill Creek 5th Saturday and Sunday.

There will be services at Mill Creek next 5th Saturday and Sunday. One sermon on Saturday at 11 o'clock. All day services on Sunday. In the afternoon there will be an ordination of deacons. Deacons of sister churches are cordially invited to be present and participate in the ordination. The public is cordially invited to attend.

## PASTOR.

Reports received from various parts of Jones and Craven counties, which were supposed to have suffered from hail Monday, say that but little, if any, damage was done. The hail seems to have struck a very small scope.—New Bern Journal.

## RAGAN'S BODY RECOVERED.

It Was Found in the Mill Reservoir Where His Last Note to His Father said It Would Be.

Durham, May 15.—True to his promise Robert Ragan, who disappeared yesterday and left a note to his father and two brothers saying that his dead body would be found in the reservoir at the Erwin Cotton Mill, ended his life night before last. His body was fished out of the reservoir this morning about 8 o'clock.

In the letter to his father, James L. Ragan, and two brothers the deceased told them that he could not longer stand the trouble that he has been in during the last twelve months and that he was going to end it all by drowning himself in the reservoir. He told his father and brothers goodbye, said that he would like to see them and his sister-in-law and nephew again but that he could not wait. He then added that he hoped that they would all go to heaven but that for himself, "corden to the Bible," as he put it, "I shall spend the remainder of my days in hell."

The deceased, his father and brothers came here from Person county some three years ago. He was 27 years of age and unmarried.

For the second time John Packer has been convicted of a crime that means that he must suffer death at the hands of the law. The jury rendered the verdict of guilty just before 7 o'clock last night, and this morning sentence will be pronounced by Judge W. R. Allen, who tried the case.—Durham Herald.

Mr. W. L. Spoon, an employe of the nation at government in the interest of public roads improvement, was at Rockingham Tuesday night, and made a talk to our people about good roads, and on Wednesday night he made an address in the court house, after which a Good Roads Club for Rockingham township was organized.—Anglo-Saxon.

Senator Simmons is notified that 26 vacancies as assistant surgeons in the navy are to be filled. Those who pass a non-competitive examination at Washington are assured of appointment at a salary of \$1,650 a year. The applicant must be physically perfect and make 75 on the examination.

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