

MAKE CHANGES IN COMMITTEES

Executive Body of Laymen's Convention Announces Number of New Committees.

MEETING HELD LAST NIGHT

Chairman of Deputation Committee Reports Trip to Kinston and Trips Planned.

A meeting of the executive committee of arrangements for the convention of the Laymen's Missionary Movement to be held here Thursday and Friday, Feb. 6 and 7, was held last night at the convention headquarters in the Elks' Temple. The attendance was good and business of importance to the success of the plans for the convention was transacted.

Owing to some removals from the city since the various sub-committees were originally named and in order to make the committees more representative than they were when first named, the executive committee made a number of changes and additions in the personnel, the committees as re-arranged last night being as follows:

Constitution Committee—S. M. Brinson, Chairman, J. B. Blades, Vice Chairman, W. G. Boyd, Secretary, C. L. Ives, Treasurer.

Publicity Committee—R. W. Haywood, O. G. Dunn, J. Leon Williams, C. T. Hancock, John Aberly.

Deputation Committee—William Dunn, Jr., Chairman, T. D. Warren, T. A. Henry, Dr. Z. V. Parker, J. G. Delamar.

Finance Committee—T. A. Green, Chairman, W. F. Aberly, O. H. Guion, C. L. Ives, A. D. Ward, S. J. Phillips, G. H. Roberts.

Statistical Committee—D. E. Henderson, Chairman, Dr. W. L. Hand, Dr. H. M. Bonner, W. B. Smith, J. S. Basnight, J. G. Brinson, B. O. Jones.

Entertainment Committee—H. B. Craven, Chairman, W. A. West, T. J. Mitchell, R. C. Disoway, A. E. Hibbard, E. K. Bishop, Wade Meadows, A. T. Dill, M. W. Fodrie, J. S. Miller, Pastors Co-operating Committee—J. B. Hurlay, E. T. Carter, B. F. Huske, J. H. N. Summerell, J. W. Rogers, J. B. Phillips, R. E. Pittman.

The executive committee decided to appoint a committee of ladies to co-operate with the entertainment committee to arrange for the supper which is to be a feature of the convention. The ladies' committee was not completed last night and the names of those who will constitute it will be published later. The executive committee decided that the committee should consist of one lady from each church in the city and that she should have the power to choose such assistants as she desired.

William Dunn, Jr., chairman of the deputation committee, made the following report on the visit of himself and Mr. Brinson to Kinston to address a union service last Sunday night and on other deputation work planned for the next few days:

"As chairman of your deputation committee, I beg leave to report that on Sunday night last, the first deputation went out from New Bern to hold a union meeting in Kinston. This meeting was held in the First Baptist Church of Kinston at night, and the speakers representing New Bern were greeted by a congregation of from 750 to 800 people, the majority being men. The meeting was presided over by Hon. Y. T. Ormond of Kinston and he made a strong appeal to the men of Kinston to accept the invitation extended by the committee from New

URGES FARMERS TO BE PRESENT

"Farmer" Urges Others of That Vocation to Attend the Institute at Beech Grove.

WILL BE HELD ON JAN. 29

Every One Interested in Home Making or in Farming Is Requested to Come.

Over the signature "A Farmer", a well known citizen of the county has sent to the Journal the following appeal to farmers, their wives and daughters and all others concerned to attend the Farmers' Institute to be held at Beech Grove school house on Jan. 29:

"Attention farmers, farmers' wives, their daughters and all concerned: You are earnestly requested to meet at the Beech Grove school house at ten o'clock Wednesday, Jan. 29th, at which place and time a Farmers' Institute will be conducted. We hope every one will come who is interested in home making or farming.

"Experts will be there to conduct the institute, also health topics will be discussed by both men and women. Come and bring the children. There will be two sessions, so bring lunch and we will have dinner on the grounds and have a good, profitable day.

"Be sure to bring pencil and note books and come prepared to ask a lot of questions and expect them answered. Don't forget the day, nor get too busy to come.

Even the dead beat is always willing to pay a grudge.

Be to attend this convention. The chairman of the deputation committee spoke first, outlining to the people the plan and program of the New Bern Convention, and informing them as to the distinguished speakers that would be present on this occasion, and as to the registration fees and all other matters connected with the convention which he thought would be of interest to the laymen of Kinston. He was followed by Mr. Brinson, chairman of the convention committee, and he made a strong presentation of the aims and objects of the Laymen's Missionary Movement, urging the laymen to a realization of their duties, concluding with an appeal to them to come to New Bern and co-operate with us in this convention. Just before the meeting closed the envelopes for registration were distributed, together with the pamphlets advertising the convention, and already these blanks are being forwarded from Kinston, showing that some of the laymen of that town will be with us on that occasion.

"I beg leave further to report that arrangements are being made to have a deputation, consisting of J. Leon Williams and Dr. H. M. Bonner to address a meeting on next Sunday at Beaufort at 11 o'clock A. M. and at Morehead City at 2:30.

"Arrangements have also been made for a union service to be held at Jacksonville and at this service Mr. W. F. Aberly and Mr. D. E. Henderson will talk to the people.

"We have a very cordial invitation to come to Dover, and this meeting will be held on Thursday, Jan. 30th.

"A meeting will be held at Bridgeton on the first Sunday in February; and at Oriental the same night. The speakers for these points have not been determined.

"Your deputation committee is also arranging for meetings to be held next Sunday at Greenville and Washington."

ASSOCIATES GIVE HIM GOLD WATCH

Departing Railroad Man Receives A Handsome Token of Appreciation.

IS OBJECT OF MUCH ESTEEM

Leaves in a Few Days To Become Train Master on N. S. Lines West of Raleigh.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Hunter Lawrence and son Ellis will leave this week for Raleigh where they will make their future home. Mr. Lawrence having been made train master of the Norfolk Southern Railway Company's lines west of that city.

Last Saturday afternoon the associates of Mr. Lawrence at the local office where he has held the position as chief clerk for several years, met in Superintendent C. W. Ackers' office and presented him with a handsome gold watch as a token of their friendship and esteem. Dr. R. S. Primrose, Surgeon for the Company, presented the gift with a few well chosen words. He was followed by Superintendent Ackers who made a short talk in which he expressed his regret at Mr. Lawrence's departure and his pleasure on learning that he had received promotion to such a responsible position.

Rev. R. V. Hope, State Superintendent of Bible School Work, will speak at the Church of Christ, Hancock street, Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock. The public is extended a cordial invitation to hear him.

W. M. Milan left last night for Ashwood where he is installing a lighting plant in James Spruill's home.

BUILDING CASINO AT GHENT PARK

Material Placed on the Grounds Yesterday and Work Will Start Today.

PARK WILL OPEN ON MAY 1

Artificial Lake, Swimming Pool Tennis Court and Other Things Promised.

Material was yesterday being placed on the grounds for the erection of a casino at Ghent Park. Tomorrow the actual construction of the building will be started. It will be two hundred and twenty-five feet in length and seventy feet wide. In it will be located a moving picture show, bowling alleys and possibly a skating rink and also a stand for the sale of soft drinks.

Ghent Park when completed and thrown open to the public, which will be about May 1, will be one of the finest in the State. It is the intention of the owners of the property to have every convenience for the people of this city. There will be an artificial lake on which small row boats will be allowed, a swimming pool, tennis court, basketball grounds and in fact everything that is found in a modern park.

The site is ideally situated and its conversion into a park will fill a long felt want. It can be reached on the street cars from the Elks' Temple in five minutes and it is the intention of the owners of the car line to operate cars there every ten minutes.

FOR MISS HUGGINS

Reception Monday Night in Her Honor at Pageland, S. C.

The following article was taken from the Pageland, S. C., Journal of Monday, Jan. 21:

"Last Tuesday evening from 8 to 11 o'clock at the lovely home of Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Laney on West McGregor street a delightful salad supper was given in honor of Miss Leslie Mae Huggins of New Bern, N. C.

"The guests were received in the reception hall by Mrs. Askins and Mrs. Laney and ushered into the spacious parlor, where games of amusement were indulged in. A guessing contest was given later, Mr. L. L. Parker receiving the prize, a fountain pen. This he kindly presented to the guest of honor.

"At 11 o'clock the jolly crowd departed, all voting Mrs. Laney a most charming hostess. Those enjoying Mrs. Laney's hospitality were: "Misses Leslie Mae Huggins, Serena Wallace, Sally Brakeney, Carrie Hood, Pauline Wilson, Cora Cato, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Watford, Mr. and Mrs. K. E. Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Crosswell, Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Askins, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Parker, Mr. and Mrs. Manus, Messrs. W. L. McCall, J. C. Ingram, Wilson, Graham Morgan, and Rev. W. N. Huggins."

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WASTE MILLIONS OF CANAL STAMPS

Entire Issue Destroyed Because of Ignorance of Difference Between Locks.

23,000,000 ARE DESTROYED

Luckily None of the Wrongly Labeled Stamps Got Beyond Bureau of Engraving.

Washington, Jan. 21.—More than 23,000,000 2 cent Panama Canal stamps for the San Francisco Exposition have been destroyed in the Bureau of Engraving and Printing because some official in the Third Assistant Postmaster-General's office didn't know the difference between the Gatun and the San Pedro Miguel locks.

The issue bearing an impressive picture of Panama Canal locks, which follows closely the recent lithograph by Joseph Pennell, was labelled, "The Gatun Locks." Somebody discovered that the locks pictured were not the Gatun but the San Pedro Miguel. The Post-Office authorities thanked their lucky star that none of the issue had left the Bureau of Engraving and Printing.

"I don't care to state who is responsible for the mistake," said Clarence B. Hurry, Chief Clerk in the office of Third Assistant Postmaster-General Britton, today. "We have our own theories about that, and Director Ralph of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing has his."

The loss to the Government is not more than \$2000, as the stamps cost 5 1-2 cents a thousand. The new issue will bear the inscription, "Panama Canal," without any reference to locks. The picture will not be changed.

SEEK PROMOTION OF FLYING GAME

Friends of Army Aviation Preparing Bill Calling For Huge Appropriation.

THIS COUNTRY OUTCLASSED

French Army Has Almost a Thousand and Filers, This Country Has Twenty-Two.

Washington, Jan. 21.—Hopelessly outclassed by France, Germany, England and Russia and many small nations of Europe in the number of aeroplanes in use for military purposes, friends of the flying game in the United States are busy planning a tentative bill calling for a \$3,000,000 appropriation for the advancement of aviation by the army and navy.

It is learned here that a bill is being prepared calling upon Congress to authorize this amount in order to put the United States to the front in this new arm of defense and offense. It is understood the bill will be introduced into the House of Representatives by Representative William B. Sharp, of Ohio, who is known to the flying men in this country as "the champion of the cause" in the House.

It will be pointed out that this great appropriation would really give this country the prestige enjoyed by the larger nations of Europe in this new field. Including the aeroplane and hydroplanes of both the army and navy, the United States today can muster but 22 machines. France has almost 1,000, while England and Germany have several hundred each.

The War Department will be asked to detail a sufficient number of men to operate the large number of machines that would be bought under the appropriation.

The men who are interested in the new bill represent the aeronautical societies, manufacturers of American-made aeroplanes, army officers and scientific men interested in the advancement of the science made possible by the efforts of Prof. Samuel Langley, Wilbur Wright, Glenn Curtiss and other pioneers in flying.

GO BACK TO LYNCHBURG.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Miller, who for the past year or more have operated the New Bern Steam Laundry and who disposed of the plant a week or more ago, left yesterday for a visit at Newberry, S. C. From that place they will return to their former home at Lynchburg, Va. Since coming to New Bern Mr. and Mrs. Miller have made many friends and their departure is regretted.

C. K. PHILPOT DEAD.

C. K. Philpot of Reelsboro died last night at the Stewart Sanitarium where he was carried Monday morning to be treated for hemorrhagic fever. Arrangements for his funeral have not been completed but it is likely that his brothers, one of whom lives at Arapahoe and the other at Reelsboro, will come up this morning and take the body to Reelsboro for burial.

GETTING READY TO LEAVE, ARRESTED

Oscar Croom in Jail Again at Request of Noah Powell, His Bondsman.

OFFICER FINDS HIM AT DEPOT

Was Out on Bond For Appearance For Trial on Charge of Selling Whiskey.

A few weeks ago Oscar Croom, colored, who has conducted a shoe repair shop on Broad street for the past few years, was placed under arrest on a warrant charging him with retailing spirituous liquors. He was given a hearing before Mayor McCarthy and probable cause being found was bound over to the next term of Superior Court under a bond of one hundred dollars. He secured a bondsman in the person of Noah Powell, also colored, and was released from custody.

Last Sunday Powell learned that Croom was contemplating leaving for parts unknown and he decided, if possible, to have him taken in custody so that he could be released from the bond. Policeman McDaniel placed him under arrest just as he was making preparations to board the train en route to Norfolk. He was taken to the county jail and will be held there until the next term of court unless he again gives bond for his appearance.

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PLANS TO SAVE STATE MILLIONS

There Will Be Radical Reforms in New York Expenditures If Sulzer Has His Way.

COMMITTEE IS INVESTIGATING

Present System of Auditing Declared To Be a Farce—New One To Be Installed.

Albany, Jan. 21.—Plans for radical reforms in State expenditures are being prepared under the direction of Gov. Sulzer's investigating committee. The Governor figures that the annual waste in the cost of operating State institutions and departments runs up into the millions. The departments that will be asked to make the biggest cuts in appropriations are the State Education, the State Hospital and the Conservation.

The Education and Hospital Departments have absolute control of many millions of dollars each year. The supply bureaus in these departments, it is said, spend large sums of money without publicity or check of any sort. The Governor's probes have found hundreds of items in the vouchers sent by these departments pointing the way to economies that will save the State a million or two million dollars each year.

The investigating committee proposes to put a stop to extravagance by recommending the establishing of a separate auditing bureau, probably as a part of the State Comptroller's office, which will have authority to appraise every item of expenditure by any department before it can be paid. The bills under the present system are first paid by the department and then, as a matter of form, transmitted to the Comptroller for his O. K.

"Under the proposed system," explained Chairman Carlisle of the investigating committee, "graft and extravagance can be brought about only through collusion of the department ordering the work and the auditing bureau. The present system of auditing is a farce."

In addition, the committee will ask the department heads to abolish unimportant offices, to make labor more efficient and to eliminate, if possible, the influence of members of the Legislature who have friends appointed in return for legislative favors. It is understood Gov. Sulzer will demand that these sinecures be abolished.

One of the results of the Governor's inquiry will be the abolishment of the direct State tax. It will take about \$6,000,000 to accomplish this. If necessary the Legislature, it is pointed out, can cut out the annual appropriations for the canal debt sinking fund and levy on the big surplus that fund now carries.

THURMAN IS IN SURRY NOT CRAVEN COUNTY.

The postoffice at Thurman in this county was discontinued several months ago and patrons of the same served by R. F. D., Riverdale. Recently a new postoffice by the name of Thurman has been established in Surry county, this State. So persons who have been addressing mail to Thurman and depending on the postoffice clerks to see that it went to the right place are advised that mail now addressed to Thurman will be sent to Surry county.

We were a long time getting the law which will send a drunken chauffeur to jail, but it is here at last. The roadhouses will be the only sufferers.—Brooklyn Eagle.

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TILLMAN REPLIES TO COLE BLEASE

His Answer to Governor's Message Bristles With Invective and Bitter Words.

READ TO THE STATE SENATE

Says Only Cattline and Aaron Burr Were Blease's Equal as Bamboozler.

Columbia, S. C., January 22.—Tempering with invective and bristling with bitter words, a reply from Senator B. R. Tillman to Governor Cole L. Blease's recent message to the General Assembly was read before the Senate yesterday. Among other things the communication alludes to Blease as the equal of Aaron Burr in bamboozling the people; refers to the Governor of South Carolina as a low type of man, unable to understand high and honorable actions in others, asks him who stole certain telegrams and questions him about his pardon record and his relations with the Southern Railway.

The communication was written in reply to a message which Governor Blease sent to the Legislature. In this message the Governor made a bitter attack on Senator Tillman and Captain William E. Gonzales, editor of the State, and accused the senior Senator of participating in a conspiracy to defeat the Governor's candidacy for re-election.

The senior Senator's communication is addressed to the General Assembly of South Carolina and sets out in the opening paragraph:

"I have just read Governor Blease's message, sent to your honorable body and have been informed that both houses did me the justice to order publication in its journal suspended until my reply could go along with it. For this consideration, please accept my thanks.

"What Governor Blease's motives were are very evident in the message. He desires to continue the bitterness engendered last summer, and wishes to be revenged on me; but the primary object he has in view is to keep the minds of the people stirred up and not to allow the water to clear sufficiently to let them see what sort of a man he really is. Cattline among the Romans, and Aaron Burr among the Americans, are the only other men I have ever read of who were equal to Blease in bamboozling the people. He has persuaded thousands of good South Carolinians, honorable, clean, patriotic citizens, into believing that he is their best friend and that Tillman's mantle has fallen on his shoulders. He is a past-master in the arts of a demagogue. He knows full well that when the angry passions of the masses are aroused, they lose their reason. He desires to come to the Senate, as he boasted he would do at Richmond, in December last, and feel it obligatory on him to aggravate conditions in South Carolina as much as possible. Whether this is the right way to elect a Governor or not will be shown in the result of the next Senatorial primary. If the South Carolina news-papers do not help him by abuse and misrepresentation he will never get here."

A new plate glass window was yesterday placed in the Athens Cafe. This window has been replaced several times since the building was completed each window breaking generally a short while after it was put in.

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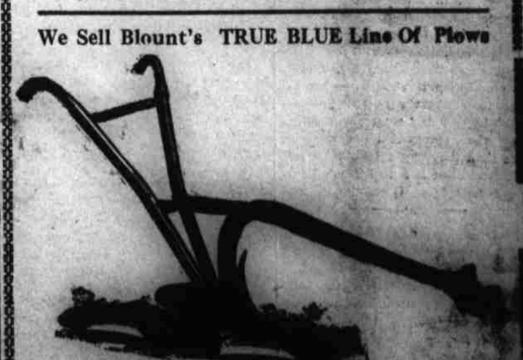
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