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SUPPER AND STIRRING TALKS MARK CLOSE OF CONVENTION

Hundreds Partake of Repast Spread Last Night in Stanly Hall

LEADING FIGURES OF THE CONVENTION SPEAK

Powerful Appeals For Greater Interest in Missions Are Made.

With a supper that excelled any, according to Secretary Padgett, that have been given in the State in connection with the Laymen's work and with addresses pitched on same high plane of excellence as characterized those of the remainder of the two days' activities, the New Bern Convention of the Laymen's Missionary Movement came to a brilliant closing last night when four hundred men in historic old Stanly Hall feasted on both bodily and spiritual fare of the choicest kind.

The elaborate banquet was a fitting climax to the Laymen's Convention. The hall was attractively decorated for the occasion. Southern stillars were festooned around the entire side wall and interspersed with the small national flags while tall palms were placed at intervals above. Large flags were used effectively at one end of the hall while the speakers' stand occupied the other. Covers were laid for four hundred. Five long tables filled the hall, these were beautifully decorated with cut flowers and silver and brass candelabra bearing unshaded tapers.

Too much praise cannot be given Mrs. Jane Meadows, chairman of the committee, and her able assistants, who had the banquet in charge. The ladies of the committee served the banquet and of all the applause of the evening none was more hearty than that which followed Secretary Padgett's acknowledgment of the extraordinary effective services rendered by the women's committee.

Unhappy was the man who didn't carry a healthy appetite with him for the spread was not only most appealingly served, it was most beautiful in supply, such more plentiful in fact than was necessary to meet the demands.

Music was furnished by the High School Orchestra and this organization contributed very decidedly to the enjoyment of the diners. Rev. J. B. Hurley, on invitation of Chairman Brinson, pronounced the invocation.

At the conclusion of the supper "Coronation" was sung, the hundreds of men joining in the hymn with evident relish.

Chairman Brinson made a ringing talk in starting off the speech-making. He referred to the Stanly Hall of years ago and mentioned the wonderful contrast between the scenes which used to prevail in the county's old court room and the unusual scene of last night. Four hundred men leaving their stores, shops and offices for such a meeting would have been impossible, he said. He spoke in terms of praise of the speakers who had come from a distance and his reference to the work of the women called for hearty applause.

What the Movement Stands For. W. E. Doughty was first introduced by Chairman Brinson. He undertook

to show what the Laymen's Movement stands for. In the same picturesque and vivid style which marked his other addresses he treated his subject of last evening. The movement means, he said, that the churches have undertaken the whole task of Jesus Christ—home missions as well as foreign missions. It means "telling the last, lonely man on the uttermost rim of the planet that God has given him an invitation to come home." In the second place, it means the enlisting of the activity of the laymen and that is necessary else the Christian life will die out of them. "There rings out to you," he said, "the challenge to invest life in the business of missions."

Another aim of the Movement as outlined by Mr. Doughty is higher standards of church stewardship. Under this head he discussed the wealth of the country. "There is no spot on the planet," he asserted, "where God has given such material resources as here." He also showed that the movement stands for certain definite methods, for the unity of the churches in a common task, for the deeper spiritual life as the only dynamic for the accomplishment of the world task.

"I find the rarest fun in the world in the work that I am doing," he said. Then he quoted the words of another to show the possibilities that lie in every man's life. "There is undiscovered territory in every man's life, blessed is he who is the Columbus of his own soul."

Rev. R. W. Patton, of Atlanta, secretary of the Laymen's Movement of the Diocese of Atlanta, was the next speaker. He made a very convincing argument for the support of foreign missions, presenting as he said practical reasons why Christians ought to be vastly more interested in those missions than the average church member is. He first showed that the attitude of Christ as to missions was uncompromising. Christ's prayers, said the speaker, were world-wide prayers.

He also argued that world-wide interest in the extension of Christ's kingdom was essential to development morally, intellectually and spiritually. The speaker maintained that the Christian could not maintain his self-respect and be indifferent to the world-wide task of missions.

He further showed that the world-wide extension of the Kingdom of Christ is necessary to the maintenance of the life of the church at home. He shattered the argument that is sometimes advanced by churches that they are so oppressed by their obligations at home that they have no energy or means left for the foreign missionary enterprises. In this connection he quoted the words from Scripture that "he who loses his life shall find it," remarking that that was the way the Christian enterprise worked. The real reason why such supposedly burdened churches and individuals would not get aroused, he said, was that they did not care either for the work in the foreign field or that at home.

J. Campbell White Speaks. The banqueters here arose and sang "Onward Christian Soldiers" after which Mr. Brinson introduced J. Campbell White, the secretary of the Laymen's Movement. Mr. White made a profound impression. A man of unusually fine presence, of a voice melodiously and with excellent carrying power and with his soul in his words, he is a speaker of tremendous effectiveness. He spent ten years as a missionary in India and speaks first-hand of the

conditions prevailing there and in other heathen countries. A good portion of his address was devoted to a description of the fearful ignorance of heathen people, particularly as to affect conditions, of physical comfort. More than half the world, he pointed out, cannot read or write a word in any language and the extent of preventable human suffering as a result of the lack of civilization and education is appalling. "Talk about not being interested in missions," the speaker exclaimed, "are you interested in your fellow man?"

Missionary work, said Mr. White, is the most successful work in the world. From this he went on to show what wonderful progress has been made in every country where missionaries are at work. He said that in heathen countries more people are converted to Christ every day than were seated before him.

Cards had been distributed showing the per capita contributions of the various churches to foreign missions, the average being eighty seven cents. In telling of the need of the Laymen's Movement, Mr. White said "We believe in saving America. We believe in home missions and we believe in foreign missions. We believe in doing both, but we can't do it on eighty-seven cents a year."

He said there were now eighteen thousand missionaries or families at work, but there was an imperative need for sixteen thousand more. He urged those who could not go to the foreign field to send and in the latter connection he insisted on substantially larger giving for New Bern than the statistical report showed.

In speaking of notable instances of large giving to foreign missions he cited the case of a man in Durham (presumably George W. Watts, who maintained a party of thirteen Christian workers in Korea. He said that perhaps there was some individual before him who would take some section of the world and plant a representative there.

"God so loved the world that he gave—how much do we love it?" Mr. White asked as he neared the climax of his address. He closed with an appealing and convincing argument for the cause which he so ably represented. Through the whole address there was a spirit of consecration and devotion to the cause of missions and so much earnestness and fire that the audience was wonderfully affected. A synopsis can give no conception of the effect of such an address. He followed his address with a prayer as eloquent and as tender as his address.

Secretary Padgett announced a meeting of the local committee for next Tuesday night at Centenary Methodist church, also four evenings of missionary study week after next and read a series of resolutions committing the men present to the policy of the Laymen's Movement as a whole and outlining the particular methods which underlie that policy. The resolutions were unanimously adopted by a rising vote. The evening's exercise then came to a close with the benediction by Rev. Mr. Patton.

Morning Session. The morning session was presided over by W. E. Doughty of New York, Educational Secretary of the Laymen's Movement. Right Rev. Bishop Robert Strange made the opening address of the day. The speaker took for his subject "The Spiritual Emphasis in Missions" and advocated a clean and fair record of all work and urged the church members in the home and foreign missions. "Prayer" said the speaker, "is one of the greatest helps to any movement and those who feel that they are unable to give money can help with their prayers and by their personal work. Mission work is one of the greatest things in the world and the people are beginning to awaken to this fact."

"The modern missionary movements are big movements and every one of them opens wider the door of opportunity for the laymen and the members of the church. Those who know the missionary enterprise most intimately labor for it most devotedly and every church member should learn more about this great work." Bishop Strange urged the laymen to linger no longer but to get busy and interest the people in the work of spreading the word of the Lord.

Rev. E. K. McLarty of Charlotte was to have delivered the second address on the program but he was unexpectedly summoned home and was unable to be present. In his stead Dr. Livius Lankford, of Norfolk, Va., made an interesting address on the subject of "Talking Advantage of Opportunity." Dr. Lankford is an excellent speaker and is thoroughly familiar with every detail of both foreign and home missionary work. His illustrations of the existing conditions in countries across the sea who were clamoring for the gospel, were realistic and very inspiring. "China," he said, "was a few years ago what we would call a heathen country. Today it is entirely different. The people have been awakened by our missionaries and now hundreds of native missionaries are at work among their brethren spreading the word of God. The

opportunity to convert China arrived and was seized and a great result accomplished. Today there are other places where the gospel is not known. The opportunity to send missionaries there is at hand and we should take it." Dr. Lankford urged a more liberal support of this great work and that those who were able to do so should contribute to the support of the missionaries in the home and foreign field.

The speaker strongly advocated the setting aside of one tenth of one's income to be donated to the cause of the Lord. Referring to this he said, "The tenth of one's income appears to me to be the minimum of what we can decently offer to God in recognition of his ownership. The man who makes this his rule of faith and practice is not entitled to pat himself on the back and call himself a good fellow. He is only in the A. B. C. class of givers, or rather he is not a giver at all, he is only a payer. Legally this is all that can be required of any man, however large his income, but a moral obligation is harder to get away from than a legal one. If more money was given to the mission work it would soon be one of the greatest movements in the world and missionaries could be sent wherever needed."

W. E. Doughty followed Dr. Lankford with a short talk on "Co-operation as a Factor in the Mission Movement." He urged that the laymen, the pastors and the members of the various churches get more close together and work in a co-operative spirit and that they would find their efforts were gaining better results in every way. "Divided we Stand Together We Fall" quoted the speaker and stated that this was true in everything, that in numbers there was strength and that as long as one wanted to do this and the other, that and someone else another, that the best results would never obtained.

Afternoon Session.

At 2:30 o'clock the afternoon session was convened. This session was presided over by W. E. Doughty. The main address of this session was to have been made by J. Campbell White of New York, General Secretary of the Laymen's Missionary Movement in the United States and Canada, but he failed to arrive in time.

Rev. E. C. Cronk of Columbia, S. C. General Secretary of the Laymen's Missionary Movement, Lutheran Synod, South, delivered an address, "The Solution of the Problem of Missions."

Rev. Cronk said that the work demanded for missions was not merely giving money into the church treasury but to specify that it was to be used for helping the mission work. Some churches have congregations who give large amounts for its support but who contribute but small sums for home and foreign missions. The speaker urged that the Bible be referred to for the solution of this problem and cited chapters explaining his argument that mission work is one of the greatest things which can be done for the good of Christianity. He asked that some fixed principle be adopted by the pastors of the various churches and that they be in force. Continuing he said that in some places the members gave to the church only once a year, in others every six months and in others every quarter. He then explained that the Bible says that the first day of the week Christians should lay aside a part of their income to be devoted to the church.

Rev. Cronk's address was inspiring and was a help to every one present. He urged a general giving to missions. Not for one member of the family alone to give to the church for the week but that the money be divided and each member give his or her part. "It is my blessed to give than to receive" quoted the speaker and he urged those who were not bearing their share of burden to turn over a new leaf and from henceforth contribute their part to the Lord's cause.

Mr. Doughty followed Rev. Cronk with a helpful talk in which he urged the pastors to encourage weekly offerings to be donated to home and foreign mission work. He said that at present the support being given to the movement was not sufficient to carry it on in the proper manner and that the need for mission work was never greater and that now was the time for something to be done and that this could not be done unless the Christians came forward and contributed to the cause. He gave several illustrations of work which had been done by various churches which had awakened to the crying need and gave the pastors many valuable suggestions for getting up interest in the work.

There followed a general discussion on ways and means for awakening interest in the mission movement and a number of the laymen and ministers gave valuable suggestions which will be put into effect. Before the close of the meeting S. M. Brinson made a short but interesting talk on the subject of "What Can Be Done Locally to Interest Churches in a Missionary Movement." Mr. Brinson is a gentleman of great oratorical ability and was thoroughly in earnest with his charges. He said that the solution to this problem was in getting to work and wak-

ening interest in the mission work and when the people were once enthused in the work that they would rally nobly to its support.

ANOTHER SUBURB TO BE DEVELOPED

D. E. HENDERSON BUYS TRACT AND WILL CUT IT UP INTO BUILDING LOTS.

That New Bern is rapidly growing is evidenced by the fact that another new suburban residential section will soon be opened to the public. D. E. Henderson yesterday purchased from Mrs. Susan V. Tisdale, wife of Nathan Tisdale, the tract of land located on Neuse road just outside the city limits, and better known as the Tisdale farm.

The property consists of thirty-seven and one half acres of land ideally located for suburban homes. During the next few weeks Mr. Henderson will lay the land off in lots and about March 1 will place it on sale. With Neuse road recently put in good condition, with the paving of the end of Broad street under way and a car line being operated only a short distance away the property will doubtless be in great demand by those who wish to own suburban homes.

FATAL ACCIDENT IN LOGGING CAMP

LIFE OF EARLKETCHUM CRUSHED OUT AS RESULT OF BREAKING CABLE.

News reached this city yesterday of a horrible accident which occurred near Northeast in Onslow County Thursday afternoon at the logging camp of Minger and Bennett and in which Earl Ketchum, a citizen of that section and who was employed as engineer of a skidder lost his life.

From the meagre details which could be learned in regards to the affair it seems that Ketchum, at the time of the accident, was working on the skidder and that unexpectedly the big wire cable attached to the machine broke and he was entwined in it and literally washed to death. Death was not instantaneous and the young man lived for several minutes, expiring just after the cable had been unwound from around his body.

A physician was summoned to give aid to the injured man but he arrived too late. Just what caused the cable to break cannot be satisfactorily explained. It was constructed of the very best material and was supposed to be able to stand any strain. The victim was a son of Richard Ketchum.

FIND RAILROAD BRIDGE BURNING

LUCKY THESE YOUNG MEN WENT TO SEE SWEETHEARTS SUNDAY NIGHT.

Late Thursday night two young men of Beaufort who were returning from a visit with their sweethearts, discovered that the railroad bridge which connects that town with Morehead City, was afire and burning rapidly.

The spectators confronting them somewhat dismayed the two young men but they realized that if the bridge was to be saved something must be done without delay. They rushed back to the business part of the town and secured assistance and went at once to the bridge, and began to extinguish the fire. It is supposed that a live coal from a passing engine ignited one of the pine cross ties and this ignited others. When the fire fighters reached the bridge it was burning rapidly and only after an hour or more of hard work were they able to extinguish the blaze.

News of the affair was sent to the local office of the Norfolk Southern Railway Company and a crew of men were sent down to repair the damage. The place burned covered a distance of about fifteen feet and it was necessary for this to be rebuilt. The work was completed yesterday morning and the morning trains were delayed but a hour, time on account of the accident.

The Norfolk Virginia Pilot advocates the whipping post for that unbelievably wicked class of men known as "white slavers." It would seem that the electric chair would come nearer fitting the crime.

When a man oversleeps in the morning his wife expects him to blame his breakfast being late that he will get to the office behind time.

FIVE MILLIONS FOR MEMORIAL

Senator Martin Proposes Bridge Across Potomac To Cost That Amount.

TO HONOR VALOR OF SOLDIERS

Much Sentiment In Congress In Favor of Project, Which Will Likely Succeed.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 8.—Senator Martin of Virginia has introduced an amendment to the army appropriation bill providing for the construction of a magnificent memorial bridge across the Potomac connecting the site of the proposed \$2,000,000 Lincoln memorial in Potomac Park, Washington, with Arlington, on the Virginia side.

The Martin amendment carries an appropriation of \$5,000,000 for the bridge, which is designed to be a memorial of the valor of the Northern and Southern troops in the Civil war. There is much sentiment in Congress in behalf of the idea, and if the Martin resolution does not pass at this session it is very likely to do so later.

As the home of Lee was at Arlington, a memorial bridge between that point and the memorial to Lincoln, which is to be built on the Washington side of the river, is a conception that inspires the highest emotions of patriotism and passing of sectional bitterness.

The late President McKinley urged the building of such a bridge as "a convenience to the people from every part of the country who visit the National cemetery, an ornament to the capital of the nation and a monument to American patriotism." Congress would not act then, but it is much more in a mood to do so now.

FRIDAY A GALA DAY IN BAYBORO

TOURNAMENT ONE OF GREATEST EVENTS IN HISTORY OF TOWN.

(Special to the Journal)

Bayboro, Feb. 8.—The tournament held here yesterday was one of the greatest events in the history of the town. There were fully one thousand spectators who witnessed the main events of the day and at night more than four hundred persons participated in the dance held in Cowell Hall.

The committee which had the work of planning and arranging for the tournament are to be highly praised for what they achieved. There were fourteen knights participating in the tournament. Four of these were awarded the distinction of crowning the queen and her maids. C. M. Miller crowned Miss Ethel Whitehurst queen, W. D. Eastwood had the honor of placing a crown on Miss Bessie Ormond and J. C. Wiley and Frank Rice crowned Misses Goldie Wade and Joella Dawson as second and third maids of honor.

The weather was ideal for the tournament and the track was in excellent shape. The participants demonstrated their ability as horsemen and were highly praised. The dance was one of the main features of the day. Young people from all over this section of the State participated in this and until the wee sma hours did the twinkling of the slipper feet cease to mark time to the music.

SUGGESTS NEW PLAN FOR BALL

Mr. Eby Envoles Program Which He Thinks Will Make League Going Concern.

FAVORS CENTRAL TREASURY

This Would Prevent Losses Which Come to Towns With the Losing Teams.

The baseball fans of Wilmington are now trying to decide whether or not they will join the proposed Eastern Carolina Baseball League and be one of the towns in which the national game is played during the approaching season.

It is believed by those who are familiar with the situation in that city, that the financial assistance needed in securing and maintaining a team is to be had and that the only thing lacking is leadership in the movement.

Clyde Eby of this city, who was elected Chairman of the meeting held at Goldsboro several days ago when four towns; Fayetteville, Goldsboro, Washington and New Bern signified their willingness to join the proposed league, has written a letter to the Wilmington Star urging the lovers of ball in that city to help make the league a reality. The letter is a very comprehensive discussion of the baseball situation and lays down a new plan and one that Mr. Eby thinks will mean the placing of league baseball in Eastern Carolina in a sound financial basis.

"I propose," he says in his letter, "that we form a league with a central treasury out of which the six teams are to be financed. Place all teams in the same salary limit and same expenses. My proposition is—let each club arrange for its own grounds and grandstand, provide its own uniforms, bats and balls. Allowing each club to collect the receipts from their grandstand admission charges to reimburse them for this expenditure. Then finance the team through a central treasury (a trust company to be selected. First as a working capital to start with, have each town pay into the central treasury \$500 making a total of \$3,000. Then in order that the winning team will help carry the losing teams financially, thus maintaining the league, (it being impossible for the league to exist without six teams) have the gate receipts or admission charges to the game remitted each day to the central treasury. Out of this fund pay the salary and the expenses of each team each week. Each town allotted the same amount for salary and expenses. Each town or club has the exclusive management of its own team and secures the best players it can get for the salary limit allowed, also has the privilege of selling its own players, etc."

"The only object in pooling the receipts is to provide money enough to maintain the league by having the advantage of the winning teams drawing large crowds, thus helping to carry financially the losing teams. In this way all teams start together and finish together, ball playing being possible just as long as the \$3,000 and the gate receipts pay the expenses. If we succeed in finishing the season, the money in the central treasury is left there to start on the next season. Should the receipts prove to be more than estimated, the salary limit could be increased from time to time, making better ball possible as the gate receipts warrant."

Another meeting of those interested in the movement will be held at Goldsboro the latter part of this month.

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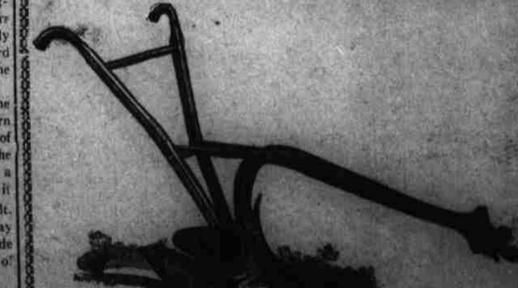
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