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WILMINGTON TRADES COUNCIL ELECTS OFFICERS

Regular Meeting Tuesday Night of Much Interest—Large Attendance and Much Enthusiasm Manifested.

At the regular meeting of Wilmington Trades Council on Tuesday night, at which time many committee reports were received and much good spirit manifested, after the completion of all other work, the election of officers was gone into and the following were named to serve for the ensuing term:

President—G. H. Stone.
Vice President—C. McD. Jones.
Corresponding Secretary—H. H. Ford.
Financial Secretary—F. J. F. Richter.
Organizer and Treasurer—J. H. Curtis.
Sergeant-at-Arms—Geo. F. Newton.

I. A. T. S. E. Elects Officers.

At the regular meeting of the Wilmington local, I. A. T. S. E., the following officers were elected for the ensuing term:

President—Thos. A. Byrd.
Vice President—F. J. F. Richter.
Secretary and Business Manager—G. H. Stone.
Treasurer—W. A. Buck.

The I. A. T. S. E. now has an organization movement under way by which they expect to unite every stage worker and moving picture operator in this jurisdiction, which will bring about a long-needed condition. Keep 'er goin' brothers!

Death of Mrs. Annie H. Williams.

The funeral of Mrs. Annie H. Williams, who died last Saturday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. B. Griffith, was conducted from the residence Sunday afternoon by Rev. J. H. McCracken and Rev. Thomas F. Allen.

Mrs. Williams was a consistent Christian, and a life-long member of Fifth Avenue Methodist Church.

Surviving Mrs. Williams are her husband, Mr. C. M. Williams, of Macon, Ga.; Mrs. Dan Costin, Mrs. J. B. Griffith, Messrs. Daniel H., J. Franklin and Carl T. Williams, of this city.

The following gentlemen were pallbearers: Messrs. W. J. Bradshaw, William Hamilton, Sr., J. W. Branch, S. A. Matthews, John M. Branch and H. E. Walton.

The burial was in Bellevue Cemetery, and the high esteem in which this good woman was held was fully attested by the many beautiful floral tributes that were placed on her last resting place by her large circle of mourning friends.

Funeral of Mrs. Westbrook.

The funeral of Mrs. Julius Ellen Westbrook, of Acorn Branch, who died suddenly at her home Sunday night, was conducted Monday afternoon from Acorn Branch Methodist church by Rev. R. N. Phillips, the pastor. Interment was made in the church burial grounds.

Mrs. Westbrook was in the 65th year of her age, and had just returned from the afternoon services at the Methodist church, when she was stricken. Relatives surviving her are Mrs. B. B. Trask, Mrs. J. H. Hasket, Mrs. J. G. Johnson, Mrs. Carl Seitter, Mr. Joseph Westbrook and B. B. Westbrook, Jr.

Les Darcy, the Australian pugilist, died at a hospital in Memphis, Wednesday, of pneumonia.

GENERAL NEWS OUTLINE.

Late dispatches indicate that the Italian offensive is steadily growing in importance and high hopes are entertained of a decisive stroke.

The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of the United States adopted a resolution declaring for woman suffrage, yesterday, at Dallas, Texas.

A loan of \$75,000,000 was made to Great Britain yesterday by the government. The total loan to that country amounts to \$400,000,000, and to the Allies \$745,000,000.

Up to Friday, only 16 per cent of the proportional quota of men available from North Carolina had enlisted. This is one of the lowest percentages of any State in the Union.

The British transport Transylvania was torpedoed in the Mediterranean Sea, May 4th, with a loss of 413 lives. She was a 14,000-ton ship. Among those lost was the ship's captain, Lieut. S. Brenell.

The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of the United States, in session in Birmingham, Ala., decided by a vote of 142 to 40 in favor of appointing a committee to confer with a like committee from the Northern branch of the church on the question of organic union.

Wholesale confiscation of property, incendiarism and many other dangerous forms of anarchy prevail in Russian industrial centers and agricultural districts. The peasants in many districts are defying the authorities and are appropriating both government and private property.

Fire swept approximately 75 blocks of the Atlanta residential section on Monday. Many valuable residences were dynamited in the efforts to cut off the fire by the fire department, and many people were made homeless and destitute. Immediate relief was given by charitable organizations.

Eli Persons, the self-confessed slayer of Anoinette Rappal, a 15-year-old school girl, was burned at the stake near Memphis, Tenn., on Tuesday. Two negroes who were implicated by him have been examined and released. It is said the grand jury of that district will investigate the cremation of the negro.

Relief work in fire-swept Atlanta is now under way and it is expected that the work of rebuilding will begin at once. It is estimated that 1,568 buildings were destroyed, at a loss of \$3,500,000. The local Red Cross workers have been giving valuable service in reorganizing families that had been disorganized.

Emphatic disapproval of the peace propaganda of European socialists has been expressed by the American government, which denied passports to American delegates to the Stockholm conference and issued a warning that any American taking part in the negotiations would be legally liable to heavy punishment.

It has been stated by the Agricultural Department that there is no ground for the high prices of fruits and vegetables, except potatoes and strawberries, and that cold storage holdings of creamery butter on May 15th amounted to 6,239,716 pounds, and of eggs 3,259,860 cases. Holdings of butter increased about 67.2 per cent. from May 1.

LOCAL NEWS BRIEFS.

Mail service will be established to Wrightsville Beach on June 1, to continue until October 1. This is will be two weeks later than usual.

The large steamer City of Wilmington, owned by Alex. Sprunt & Son, arrived in port yesterday from Huelva, Spain, with a cargo of iron pyrites.

First Sergeant Ira A. Hines, of Co. A, Engineers, of this city, has received an honorable discharge, on account of a dependent family, and has arrived in the city.

Mrs. Cuthbert Martin, president of the Wilmington Red Cross Society, left Thursday for Washington, a delegate to the National Red Cross War Council meeting.

A party is to be given at the Wilmington Light Infantry armory this afternoon at 5 o'clock by the Red Cross Society. Exhibition dances will be given. A May Pole Dance will feature. Refreshments will be served and a small admission charged.

Young & Gorman, the hustling sheet iron and metal workers who were formally located at No. 8 South Second street, have moved to No. 12 South Second street, and are now prepared to handle all classes of slate roofing and sheet iron and metal work.

The district meeting of the Junior Order United American Mechanics was held in this city at the Junior Order Hall, No. 17 North Second street, on Wednesday. There were three sessions, at 10 a. m. and at 3 and 8 p. m. State Councillor Charles F. Alexander, of Charlotte, delivered an address at the afternoon session.

All employees of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company receiving a wage of less than \$100 a month, except those who are members of the four brotherhoods, received an increase of 12½ per cent in their pay for the month ending May 26. Those receiving over \$100 and up to \$200 received a 10 per cent increase; and over \$200 and up to \$300 received 8 per cent advance.

One of the most terrific hailstorms in the history of this section, swept over the city and vicinity Wednesday between 11:30 and 1:30 o'clock. Enormous stones, in sizes from a hickory nut to a goose egg, smashed through roofs; shattered window panes; tore through the tops of automobiles; battered down growing crops, and did damage that will amount to thousands of dollars, according to conservative estimates.

Brother Bell Wins the Emblem.

The \$5.00 union emblem raffled on Tuesday night as a benefit for the Labor Day fund of the Wilmington Trades Council, was won by Mr. Charles J. Bell, a member of the local branch of the I. A. T. S. E., who is now employed in Washington, N. C., in the New Theatre. No. 228 took the prize.

The editor of The Saturday Record drew the lucky number, Brother Bell. We'll have a—well, you name it.

Wilmington Trades Council cleared a neat little sum out of the Memorial Day dance at Overlake Park—about \$30.00, and the emblem raffle netted about \$12.00, all clear of expense. It is very probable that there will be another dance at a future date under the auspices of the Wilmington Trades Council.

UNION BREVITIES.

When you wish to attend a meeting of your union, go to the meeting hall. Don't have curbstones corner meetings. They are injurious to all concerned.

C. F. Pilley, that popular linotype of Raleigh, is doing his "bit" for the production of a sufficient food supply—he now has tomatoes in bloom in his garden.

Remember, Union men, when you smoke, that the employes of the Clinco Cigar Factory, at Lancaster, Pa., have been locked out and are appealing for your moral and financial support.

The latest Label novelty out is a label pencil bearing the labels of the Carpenters and Joiners' and the Typographical Union, which is being distributed by the Carpenters' unions all over the country.

L. A. Bristow, formerly of this city, but who is now a member of Raleigh Typographical Union, is incapacitated from serious illness and has made application for entrance to the Union Printers' Home at Colorado Springs.

Mr. Lee Porter, a well-known and clever linotype operator, who has been a resident of Wilmington for several years, has gone to Charleston, S. C., where he will perform in the mechanical departments of the press. We wish him success.

Mr. John Pittman, a well-known monotype operator of Wilmington, has accepted a position with the Edwards & Broughton Co., of Raleigh. "Hoggy" is a true-blue union man and a good fellow and will make friends wherever he goes. We wish him all possible success.

OUR ADVERTISERS.

Co-operation is the First Principle of Success.

We print on the 4th and 5th pages, through the service of the National Labor Press Association, the cards of some of Wilmington's progressive business men who are friendly to organized labor, and who are co-operating with this paper in bringing about a condition in our city by which the union men and friends of labor will be enabled to spend their money at home for goods that have been produced under fair conditions of labor and at the same time assures the business men of the city that money earned by the union men of this city will be spent at home. The full list will be repeated every four weeks in order that union men and the friends of organized labor can co-operate with those who are aiding them in this movement.

Organized Labor endorses this movement through Wilmington Trades Council and the Label Products Committee, which assures that this buy-at-home movement will receive the solid support of organized labor.

We carry to-day on our eighth page the attractive card of the Coast Line Hotel and Cafe, No. 208 North Front street. They have a 100-per cent. sanitary condition in all departments and make short orders a specialty. Their rates are reasonable and they solicit the patronage of members of organized labor.

Hall's Drug Store advertises Ottoman Vermifuge in an attractive ad. on the eighth page.

The Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company has subscribed to \$1,150,000 United States Liberty Loan bonds.