

Society

Miss Minnie Hardy, of Freeman, is visiting Miss Annie L. Hargrove, on Grace street.

Miss Willie Hughes, of Florence, S. C., is a guest at the home of Mrs. G. H. Stone, on North Fifth street.

Mrs. A. F. Ray and daughter, Miss Hattie Ray, have returned to Raleigh after visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Burke.

Mrs. McConnell, of Charlotte, is a guest of her daughter, Mrs. J. L. Foster, on North Tenth street.

Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Clemmons, formerly of Southport, are now residing in this city at No. 309 North Seventh street.

Friends of Mrs. Lena Tudor, who has been undergoing treatment at the James Walker Memorial Hospital for the past several months, will be glad to learn that her condition is much improved.

BACK FROM HONEYMOON.

Mr. Neil Victor Oldenbuttel and his bride have returned from a delightful honeymoon spent in the North and are now at home in their pretty bungalow, No. 1723 Orange street, Carolina Court. Mrs. Oldenbuttel before marriage was Miss Cleone Pigford.

Mrs. N. V. Oldenbuttel and bride, who was Miss Cleone Pigford, of this city, have returned after an extended bridal trip North and are now at home to their friends, at No. 1723 Orange street.

WILL FEAST AT LUMINA.

The members of the demonstrating force of the Westinghouse Electric Company, who have been demonstrating various electrical appliances in the residential district of the city for the past week or more, will be the guests of the Tidewater Power Company at an oyster roast which is to be given at Lumina early this evening. Those making up the party are:

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Kelley, Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Stout, Mr. and Mrs. William P. Hardison and Messrs. R. H. Armstrong, J. C. Sparks, R. A. Cooper, C. W. Bireley, E. M. Taylor, Stanley Yerkes and B. C. Suits.

The campaign that has been under way here comes to a close this afternoon and the corps of workers will go to Greensboro tomorrow, where a similar one will be conducted. Mr. Kelley stated last night that the efforts of the workers here to interest the housewives of the city in the various electrical appliances had met with gratifying success, adding that several hundred electrical devices had been sold as a result of the campaign.

Mississippi to Celebrate.

Jackson, Miss., Dec. 9.—Tomorrow the State of Mississippi will enter upon her one hundredth year, having been admitted to the Union Dec. 10, 1817. Plans are already under way for an elaborate celebration of the centennial during the coming year. The chief feature is to be the Mississippi Centennial Exposition at Gulfport. Since the project for the exposition was first launched the plans have taken on a much broader scope and the affair now promises to be one of the most notable of its kind ever held in the South. Several large exhibition buildings are already under construction at Gulfport and the promoters are at work on a program that is expected to attract a multitude of visitors from all sections of the country.

TO MEET IN JANUARY.

Wilmington's City Attorney Is On Executive Committee.

The following from today's News and Observer will be read with interest as it has to do with the proposed conferences relative to the enactment of general legislation beneficial to all cities and towns of the State. Representatives of Wilmington's city government attended yesterday's conference which was held at the Chamber of Commerce rooms, Raleigh, and of which the News and Observer has the following to say:

A committee of the North Carolina Municipal Association, of which Mr. John H. Hinsdale, of Raleigh, is chairman, beginning December 11, will hold hearings in Raleigh with a view toward framing bills to present to the Legislature relative to securing city charters, bond issues for municipalities and tax rates.

This was determined at a meeting of the executive committee of the legislative committee of the North Carolina Municipal Association yesterday at the Chamber of Commerce rooms. The committee is composed of Mr. John Hinsdale, Jr., Raleigh; Robert Ruark, Wilmington; J. D. McNeill, Fayetteville; Heriot Clarkson, Charlotte; C. C. Taylor, Greensboro.

The association will hold its annual meeting in Raleigh this year, January 10 and 11, according to the decision of the executive committee yesterday. That will be during the session of the General Assembly. The committee yesterday made it plain that in addition to hearing views from representatives of North Carolina cities relative to framing bills for city charters and other purposes made necessary by the recent constitutional amendments, it will also appreciate suggestions and recommendations by mail from interested citizens and officers of cities.

The aim of the committee yesterday was directed toward the framing of legislation which will provide for commission, managerial and aldermanic charters for cities, and then make the powers, scope and effects of such charters as uniform as possible. In addition the committee is practically committed to legislation for financing city governments, by a system that will be elastic in a degree to allow for expansion and development, but that will have uniform limitations.

Those present for the meeting yesterday were: T. J. Murphy, Greensboro; James I. Johnson, Raleigh; P. Q. Moore, Wilmington; B. S. Skinner, Durham; J. R. Higgins, Goldsboro; J. E. Moore, Burlington; J. D. McNeill, Fayetteville; T. J. Kirkpatrick, Charlotte; A. F. Fountain, Rocky Mount; W. Lennon, Lumberton; Heriot Clarkson, Charlotte; B. S. Wemble and L. F. Owen, Winston-Salem; Captain Thomas D. Meares, Wilmington; Robert Ruark, Wilmington.

YEAR ACO TODAY IN WAR.

December 9, 1915.—Chancellor Euthmann-Hoelweg in Reichstag said peace proposal must come from Allies: English army in Serbia driven back toward Greece by overwhelming Bulgarian forces; Sir John French announced successful British raid on German line south of Arras; Austro-Germans claimed further successes in Montenegro.

A Suffragette Town Meeting

BOYS' BRIGADE ARMORY
8:30 P. M., Dec. 14, 1916.
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SABBATH SHOULD BE OBSERVED IN BETTER WAY.

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children will be added to the 205 already in orphanage. The report recommended a continued 10 percent assessment from each pastoral charge and frequent special collections. C. C. Carson was received from Presbyterian church.

Friday's Session in Detail. The North Carolina Methodist Conference, in the third day's session, accepted the invitation of Greenville.

The matter of support of the Raleigh Christian Advocate was the most important matter of business before the North Carolina Methodist Conference in its third day's session. The consideration of the resolution, introduced by Rev. M. T. Plyler on Thursday requesting the boards of education, Sunday schools, missions, and church extension and the committee on orphanage to appropriate \$400 each to The Advocate for one year to tide the paper over the exigency of the present high cost of production, was made a special order of the day, Friday, at 10 a. m. After considerable discussion on motion of a committee of seven for consideration. They will report on Saturday. Bishop Kilgo appointed on the committee W. P. Few, J. M. Daniels, M. Bradshaw, L. S. Massey, M. T. Plyler, John F. Bruton and Jos. G. Brown.

Rev. J. H. Hall, J. G. Wooten, D. H. Tuttle and others made objection to the plan outlined in the resolution, collecting money for one purpose and using it for another. Rev. J. H. Hall said that it would place the church in a bad light to tag any other cause on to the assessments, each one ought to stand on its own feet. He suggested apportioning to each church a certain number of subscriptions to be responsible for. Rev. J. C. Wooten suggested getting twenty cents to give \$100 each. Mr. Tuttle said that the boards had all the you could do to raise their own assessments.

Rev. M. T. Plyler spoke in behalf of his resolution. It was not a question of oratory but a question of getting \$2,000, he said. The only alternative as he saw it was to advance the cost of the publication.

Rev. L. S. Massey, editor of The Advocate, said that it was not a pet scheme that he wanted to cram down the throat of the conference. He wanted a unanimous vote. The men, he said, who have financed The Advocate have not done so as a financial proposition. The conference, in its Advocate agreement, had said that the subscription price should not exceed \$1.50, that the conference shall elect the editor, and have absolute control of the editorial policy, that the editor's salary shall not be less than \$1,500, and as a conference it will not pay it. The conference in the contract assumes no financial responsibility whatever. Mr. Massey said, but used the columns to promote its various interests. "And those stockholders," said Mr. Massey, "because they love the church and recognize that the conference must have an organ, walked up and plunked down their cash and up to this good hour they have not received more than 3 per cent. on the investment. It is not fair to ask them to put up an extra \$2,000.

"If conference adjourns," continued Mr. Massey, "without making some safe provision for the support of The Advocate, I serve notice now that the stock will be for sale at par and if it is not taken by the conference I will serve notice to the Secretary of State before next Tuesday's issue that the corporation is dissolved."

A sufficient increase in circulation would serve, but Mr. Massey called attention to the failure of the preachers year after year to get many new subscribers. An advance in subscription price had been considered. If \$2.00 could be got for the paper all the present subscribers retained it would just help the paper out of the ditch. But people said that an advance in subscription will cut the list in half. He was also afraid a special assessment would fail of its purpose unless very carefully explained.

To Meet at Greenville. In answer to the question, "Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?" Rev. J. M. Daniels brought an invitation from Jarvis Memorial Church of Greenville. The conference voted unanimously to accept the invitation from Greenville, which also asked for the conference last year.

Report on Temperance. Dr. R. C. Beaman presented the report of the Committee on Temperance, which was adopted by the Conference.

The report recommended that the Conference memorialize Congress for the passage of legislation for National Prohibition and for a measure to submit this matter to the States; also to prohibit the sale of liquor in Washington and to prohibit mails from carrying liquor advertising matter.

Need of State legislation was recognized in the report, the State law permitting the sale of wine and hard cider, the delivery and receipt of beer and advertising of liquor on billboards and otherwise. The law does not prohibit public drinking or public drunkenness, nor possessing of liquor for personal use or clubs from storing it. The Supreme Court in a recent decision held that the State cannot confiscate property used for illegal transfer of liquor unless a lien on that property is first satisfied, nullifying the law calling for the destruction of automobiles used in hauling liquor.

The resolution called for endorsement of the bill provided by the Anti-Saloon League to be presented at the next legislature for enactment. It requested the preachers to preach on prohibition within the next two months, and let the people know the legislative program outlined. The churches, Sunday-schools and Epworth Leagues were urged to send delegates to the next biennial convention to be held in Raleigh the middle of January.

The Anti-Saloon League was endorsed and the conference was asked to give the leaders full co-operation in every worthy effort for the overthrow of the beverage liquor traffic throughout the State and Nation. Attention was called to the fact that many proprietary medicines, such as beer, wine and iron, Mrs. Joe Person's Remedy, a number of biters, also extracts of lemon and vanilla and Jamaica ginger, are being used as beverages and are producing drunkenness. The report recommended that the State Board of Health and the Anti-Saloon League be requested to adopt a bill to remedy the above-mentioned evil and present it to the next general assembly, and that the Conference memorialize the general assembly for its passage.

Rev. R. L. Davis was endorsed as superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League. Mr. Davis spoke to the resolution and spoke of the Virginia law, "elling how that State is "going after these things."

The name of C. R. Canipe was referred to the Committee on Conference Relation for the superannuate relation. Rev. F. E. Dixon was located at his own request.

The following traveling preachers were elected deacons and advanced to the class of the third year: H. B. Hill, E. R. Hill, A. S. Parker, R. F. Munns, William Lowe, J. A. Russell, L. B. Pattishall, W. J. Covington, M. B. Cox.

H. I. Glass and F. A. Lupton, already deacons, were advanced to the class of the third year. R. N. Fitts, who was absent, was continued in the class of the second year.

The deacons of one year advanced to the class of the fourth year were: H. B. Porter, F. C. Durham, W. A. Cade, W. F. Trawick, D. L. Lane, Jr., James H. Miller and J. A. Morris.

In questioning the young men up for deacons' orders a frequent question with the bishop was, "Do you love to visit the poor people? Have you any poor people in your church?"

"Have you been tempted to be lazy?" was the question that he put to one of the young men. "Well, I have, my dear," he added, "and I am afraid that I have yielded sometimes."

Jacob Emanuel Beauregard Houser was admitted on trial. C. O. Armstrong was received as an elder from the Free Will Baptist church.

Among those presented to the conference at the morning session were Dr. Tucker, of the Brazil Conference, representative of the American Bible Society; Dr. F. N. Parker, formerly of the Biblical department of Trinity College. Dr. Bennett, director of the ministerial supply and training department of Atlanta; Rev. Mr. Bennett, of Greensboro; Rev. Mr. Paris, of Lincolnton; Miss Whiteside, deaconess of Edenton Street Methodist Church, Raleigh; Miss Ida Hankins, of Wilmington, returned missionary from Korea; Dr. Weaver, Prof. Wm. Pegram, of Trinity College.

Charles A. Wallace was given the privilege of the floor in the interest of the Methodist Fire Insurance Company.

Gambling With the Itinerancy. "If any man in this conference is unwilling to go to any appointment and go gladly let him retire now before the appointments are made up," said Bishop Kilgo, in the course of his morning talk to the conference. "If he stays and grumbles about his appointment later he is a gambler with the itinerancy and is making a fortune wheel of it."

The bishop based his opening remarks on the doctrine of self-abnegation and self-sacrifice. The bishop said that he was not unmindful of the frailties of human nature and the temptations to bedeck one's brow and parade one's glory. He was afraid that the ministers were coming to be men who were laying aside the standards laid down by the Master to take up world standards.

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as He did. "I hear men talking about taking care of the reputation of Methodism," went on the bishop. "If Methodism has got that feeble, you had better call the undertaker. They talk about the reputation of the church, what's His reputation that He laid His hands on the leper, spoke to the Samaritan woman at the well, took the world's sorrow and crime on His shoulders?"

"Well, my God," cried the bishop, "haven't we come to a pass in this twentieth century when men dare stand and look Him in the face and say, 'I'm humiliated and discounted. I am not rightly rewarded in the church.' What does He think about it? He looks down and thinks here are men called to preach the gospel trying to coin my blood to purchase place and position in the world. There is not a sinner in this conference that is not too miserable to be His representative except by His grace."

Bishop Kilgo thanked God that there were few men in the confer-

ence who were dissatisfied with their appointments, but there are so many every year and with them he said he had no sympathy. "You can let your name alone," he said. "He'll take care of that. He is going to footnote some names that have been high. You will just be able to find them by a little star where they have been left out."

Enjoining the conference to study and pray more the bishop told them that many of the books put out for the preachers to buy are of no account. They were just made to sell and nine-tenths of them ought to be burned up.

The church was charged with responsibility for the war in Europe, the bishop said, but the church had been the only thing vindicated by it. "And it is going to come in this country, too," he said. "Hell is going to break loose in America if you don't stop your desecration of the Sabbath and your greed for money and worldly pleasure."

Little Kitchen Cabinet Talk. There has been very little kitchen

cabinet talk this Conference. The men who usually make appointments on the church steps and on the sidewalks and in committee rooms seem willing this year to leave the job to the bishop, probably because he is going to make the appointments pretty much without their help and it will remain for Monday morning to show what he is going to do.

Invitation to Trinity. At the invitation of President Fox of Trinity College the members of the Conference will visit the college Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Memorial to Bishop Wilson. Bishop John C. Kilgo will make the memorial address to the late Bishop A. W. Wilson Sunday afternoon at the annual memorial service of the Conference. Only one member of the Conference has died during the year, Rev. J. Y. Olds, of Elizabeth City. Rev. G. T. Adams, his presiding officer, will read his memorial.

Bishop Kilgo made the address at the anniversary of the Board of Education Friday evening.

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