

SPEAKS WELL OF OLD ASSOCIATION

Editor Biblical Recorder Writes Entertainingly of Trip Here

Many readers of The Advance who do not get the Biblical Recorder will be interested in the following account clipped from that paper of the recent session of the Chowan association at Shiloh.

"The one hundred and eleventh annual session of the Chowan Association was held Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday of last week at old Shiloh church in Camden county on the left bank of Pasquotank River and near the head of Albemarle Sound.

First to catch the rays of the morning sun since it is our easternmost association, and first in the year to meet and set a pace for the other sixty-three coming along in the summer and fall, the Chowan is first amongst us in other and more important respects. It has in its bounds the oldest Baptist church in the State—the entertaining church this year. From its bounds went up the first petition of North Carolina Baptist to the civil authorities in colonial days, and later when Thomas Jefferson was President of the United States he received and answered an important message from the Chowan Association. It was this great body that gave to the denomination Elder Martin Ross who has been styled "the father of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention." At Edenton, then and now connected with the Chowan, the Biblical Recorder under the name of The Baptist Interpreter. The first North Carolina Baptist college for young women was established by the Chowan saints at Murfreesboro opened in 1848 and loyally supported to the present time.

"In fact, it is the land of Baptist beginnings in North Carolina.

"Setting high value upon the past as it does, the Chowan does not live in the bygone. It is virile and aggressive today. It has sixty churches with a membership aggregating nearly 11,000. Baptisms last year approached 700 and its contributions went beyond \$10,000. In its splendid constituency are some of our best preachers, ablest laymen, and best women. Pastor B. C. Henning was elected at Houston, Texas a year ago the first Vice-President of the Southern Baptist Convention. Deacon E. F. Ardlett is Chairman of the Wake Forest Board of Trustees and member also of the Orphanage Board. His Excellency Governor Craig of Raleigh, and the Field Representative of the Judson Fund, Rev. Braxton Craig of Monroe, are both sons of the Chowan. So is Rev. J. F. Love, D. D., Corresponding Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board of Richmond, Va.—one of the missionary seers and statesmen of our time.

"And the rank and file are worthy of their leaders. It is a fine brotherhood.

"From Elizabeth City twelve or fifteen of us went by launch down the Pasquotank River somewhat more choppy than usual under the bracing breeze, until we reached the Shiloh wharf after a lovely trip of a dozen or so miles at a special cost of only twenty cents. By the ware house at the end of the wharf some two hundred yards from shore was ready for us the means of transportation to the village more than a mile away: a truck (instead of trunk) railway line, two substantial flat cars each mounted with two long seats facing each other, the "engine" being a big dun bull by the name of Frank, and the negro driver being engineer, fireman, conductor and brakeman in one. On our fascinating trip more than thirty delighted passengers with baggage and some pieces of freight were drawn by big Frank at a cost

MARY PICKFORD SCORES TRIUMPH Surpasses Herself in Famous Play—Screen Version of "Madame Butterfly"

It is rarely that motion picture spectators are privileged to witness so exquisitely artistic a performance as that of Mary Pickford in "Madame Butterfly," the Famous Players Film Company's magnificent adaptation of John Luther Long's classic, which has already become familiar through the medium of opera, novel and play. All the poetic beauty of this sad tale has been preserved and enhanced in the film production which is the Paramount Picture at the Alkrama this week.

The pathetic story of Cho-Cho-San—"Madame Butterfly," as her treacherous American husband calls her—is told with infinite artistic skill. There is no pretence of showy theatricalism in the staging of the production, which has been accomplished with the assistance of especially engaged authorities on Japanese costumes and manners. For settings the most beautiful Japanese gardens in America were used.

As the forsaken Cho-Cho-San, patiently and confidently waiting through the long months for the return of her American husband, only to have him return with an American wife, Mary Pickford touches depths of emotion in her expressions of sorrow, pain and grief that have never been required of her in the portrayal of the many accidental characters whose daintiness and charm have made her the supreme favorite of the photo-play screen.

For pure pathos and dramatic interest "Madame Butterfly" which was directed by Sidney Olcott, has few equals in the whole realm of fiction and of the stage. With the splendid settings which have been produced as the background of Miss Pickford's unexcelled art, the photo adaptation ranks as one of the foremost productions that patrons of the Alkrama have ever been privileged to see.

of only five cents each to their destination.

"And so we were at Shiloh, a beautiful village of lovely homes set among sturdy oaks, surrounded by level and well-tilled fields, and over-arched by the spacious sky. Yonder is the church—we knew it as soon as we saw it—knew it from the picture we were presenting our readers this week. There stands the structure of simple yet tasteful architecture erected in 1848. In front of it are two oak trees and the old well which is not now in use. To the rear is an oak grove where noonday meals were served the great congregations.

"Just across the road from the church stands upon a knoll the ancient oak under which it is said that Paul Palmer preached before organizing the church in 1727—a tree which for two centuries has sheltered and inspired "the men of Shiloh" in the service of their King. It is still a noble old giant though some of its limbs bear marks of decay. It was measured on the last day of the Association last week by Brethern B. C. Henning and W. F. Pritchard, of Elizabeth City, who found it to be twenty-one feet in circumference three and a half feet above the level of the ground and eighty-seven feet from tip of branch on one side of the trunk to tip of branch on the other side. What could not this mighty monarch of the forest primeval tell us if its inmost fibers could speak!

"Another point historic in which we were much interested was the spot on the Pasquotank shore where through the years many hundreds have been baptized into the fellowship of old Shiloh church. With Brethern Flora Johnson, and Leary, members of that interesting Currituck delegation with whom we were entertained we visited that historic point on the river shore. As we looked out upon the placid water

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WILL REPEAT PLAY AT BELCROSS TONIGHT

The Fidells and Berean Classes of Blackwell Memorial Baptist church will repeat the play presented by them recently in the church annex, at Belcross tonight.

The play is a five act comedy-drama entitled "Al Martin's Country Store" and gives a vividly entertaining picture of the country store and its visitors. When presented here the church annex was filled and the entertainment was pronounced an entire success.

The school building at Belcross is the place for this evening's performance, and the curtain will rise at 7:45 o'clock.

The cast of characters is as follows:

- Al Martin Storekeeper and postmaster, Will Williams.
Marie Martin, His Daughter, Lula White.
Sam Johnson, A Carpenter, Jno Seymour.
Tom Briggs, Laborer, Matthew White.
Buck Friend, Brickmaker, Graham Bell.
Rube Hutchins, An Old Time Farmer, Oscar Wynn.
Harold Hawley, A civil engineer, S. S. Burgess.
Robert Chory, a railroad promoter, W. H. Sanders.
Bess, an up-to-date girl, Carry Burgess.
Anna, an up-to-date girl, Bertha Chappell.
Mrs. Blake, Mrs. Cliff Ward.
Mrs. Smith, Mrs. D. B. Simpson.
Mrs. Hawkins, Maggie Layden.
Mrs. Simmons, Carrie Gliden.
Miss Jones, Nellie Strahl.
Hunter, A boy of age when voice changes, Frank Venters.
Gus, a rather slow young man, Bryan Venters.
Ned, A rather fast young man, Leary Cooper.
Jerry, a hungry loafer, Roy Brothers.
Si Newcomb, Wiley Upton.
Ralph Miller, a School master, Chas Ward.
Rev. John Wesley Asbury, Joseph Peele.
Otto Padretti, a traveling music teacher, Charlie Ward.
Sou're Holden An old miserly skinflint, Roy Goodwin.
Jim, A ragged little boy, Earl Chesson.
Mandy Spriggs, An awkward, giggling girl, Esale Davis.

RECEIVES TELEGRAM FROM BARGE LINE COMPANY

C. J. Harrison received a telegram Wednesday morning from the M. N. Tracy Company of New York instructing him to ascertain the depth of Newbegun Creek and other navigable waters of this section. This work is in preparation for the establishment of a barge line from Baltimore to Elizabeth City and other points.

LOCAL TALENT SCORES SUCCESS

From the first number on the program, "Hansel and Gretel," by the little folks, to the last song hit, "Some Little Bug will get you some Day" by Bill C. Sawyer, the Elizabeth City amateurs scored a decided success Tuesday evening before a large rainy night audience and cleared a few dollars for the benefit of the Y. M. C. A.

BIG ACREAGE IN POTATOES AROUND JARVISBURG

Jarvisburg, May 14—There are five hundred acres of Irish potatoes and seven hundred acres of sweet potatoes at this point, the former ready beginning June 1 to 10. Sweet potatoes will be ready July 20 to August 20. There should be twenty barrels of the first named crop an acre and forty barrels of sweet potatoes. There also is a larger crop of watermelons than usual here.

Misera Louise and Genevieve Holloman were in the city yesterday shopping.

ST. ELIZABETH CHAPEL

Sunday school will be conducted at half past ten o'clock Sunday morning at St. Elizabeth Chapel No. 338 Hinton Building.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Dr. Calvin S. Blackwell of Norfolk will preach at Sunday morning and evening services in the absence of the pastor, Dr. B. C. Henning, who is attending the Southern Baptist Convention at Asheville.

CANN MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The pastor, Rev. J. B. Black will be at Manteo on Sunday where he will preach the Commencement Sermon before the students and patrons of Manteo High School. No preaching service will be held at Cann Memorial Church on Sunday, but the regular Sunday school service will be conducted at nine-thirty as usual.

BLACKWELL MEMORIAL CHURCH

The pastor, Rev. I. N. Loftin will occupy his pulpit at the Sunday morning service preaching from the subject: "Man's Unrealized Blessings."

At the evening service Mr. Loftin will preach from the subject: "The Hell of a Violated Conscience." These sermons will deal with questions of vital importance and an earnest invitation is extended the people of the city to hear them. Special music will be rendered at both morning and evening services.

PEARL STREET METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. W. F. Miller will preach at the Sunday morning service.

Sunday school will be held at two-thirty Sunday afternoon and the Epworth League will meet at seven fifteen.

The Sunday morning service from the subject: "He sought for a city which hath foundations whose builder and maker is God."

Service at 7:45 p. m. The pastor will preach from the subject "Conversion its nature and agent."

CITY ROAD CHURCH

Rev. C. B. Culbreth will speak on Sunday morning at eleven o'clock from the subject "The Anointing of David" and on Sunday evening at 7:45 from the subject "The Result of an Unholy Desire."

Sunday School will be conducted at half past nine o'clock and the Epworth League will meet at six forty five.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

The Sunday School will meet at nine-thirty sharp. The superintendent has promised additional chairs so as to accommodate the increasing attendance; a larger number will be secured if necessary. The eleven o'clock service in the church will be under the direction of the Sunday School and will be observed as Children's Day. A special program of recitations and music by the children will make the hour very attractive. All parents are invited to come with their children.

The pastor will occupy the pulpit at the evening hour.

WILL SPEAK AT SHILOH

Herbert Peele will speak at Shiloh Sunday morning in the absence of the pastor, Rev. E. J. Harrell, who is attending the Southern Baptist Convention at Asheville.

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER FROM SALEM TOWNSHIP

I hereby announce myself a candidate for County Commissioner from Salem Township subject to the action of the Democratic Primary. Any and all support given me will be appreciated. J. C. James, Jr.

FOR COMMISSIONER OF LABOR AND PRINTING

David P. Dellinger, Former Legislator From Gaston County Announces His Candidacy, Subject to the Democratic Primary June 3, 1916.

Mr. David P. Dellinger, of Gaston county, announces that he is a candidate for the office of Commissioner of Labor and Printing.

Mr. Dellinger's whole life has been spent in close touch with and in the interest of the working man. He has had large experience in legislation and was prominent in the House in 1913, when a particularly hard fight was made on the subject of labor legislation.

His knowledge of the printing business is thorough having been gained through actual experience in the printing business. He advocates the policy of the State furnishing text books free to the children of the public free schools, and believes it can be done for less than one half the cost to the public under the present system.

His record in the legislatures of 1909 1913 and 1915 commend him to confidence and support of all the people.

(paid political advertising)

E. M. DEFORD ILL WITH PNEUMONIA

The family of Mr. E. M. DeFord of Camden received news by wire yesterday afternoon that Mr. DeFord is seriously ill with pneumonia in the hospital at Richmond where he had gone for treatment.

Mr. E. M. DeFord has been in poor health for several months, and a few weeks ago his condition became such that it became necessary to take him to a hospital at Richmond for treatment.

The news, however, that he was ill with pneumonia was altogether unexpected and was a shock to his family and friends.

Mr. DeFord is well known in Elizabeth City and before his illness frequently seen here. He is one of the directors of the Citizens Bank.

RETURNS FROM RALEIGH WHERE HAD TAKEN PRISONER

Deputy-marshal J. R. Williams returned this afternoon from Raleigh where he had just taken a prisoner, S. C. Futrell colored, who will be tried there at the next session of Federal court for using the mails for fraudulent purposes.

Captain Williams had the papers put in his hands Monday and by Tuesday, down near Conway, he had his man.

RECITAL AT CHRIST CHURCH

Mr. Walter Edward Howe, organist, and Mr. Ros V. Steele, tenor, will give a recital at Christ Church on the evening of the thirtieth of May.

The following is the program:

- Concert Occatta Pietro Yon
Peer Gynt Suite
Morning Mood
Asa's Death
An'tra's Dance
In the hall of the Mountain King
(a) Comfort Ye My People —The Messiah
Every Valley Handel
(b) Where'er You Walk
St. Anne's Fugue Bach
(a) The Publican Van de Water
(b) Come unto Me Coenen
(a) Sebarto From Concert Suite Howe
(b) Finale to Act Two Madame Butterfly Puccini
Grand Offertore Battiste

INDUSTRIAL AGENT HERE

Willard T. Kyzar, agricultural agent of the Norfolk Southern Railway, was in the city Thursday on business.

HENNING AGAIN VICE PRESIDENT

Southern Baptists Honor Elizabeth City Pastor Second Time

At the opening session of the Southern Baptist Convention in Asheville on Wednesday Dr. Henning of Elizabeth City was the only vice president of the Convention re-elected. Dr. Lansing Burrows of Americus, Georgia, was re-elected president and Dr. Hight C. Moore of Raleigh was re-elected one of the Convention's secretaries.

The convention was welcomed by Judge Jeter C. Pritchard at the request of Dr. Calvin Walker, and reports were heard from the boards in charge of the various phases of the denominational work.

Dr. I. J. Van Ness of Nashville presented a most encouraging report from the Sunday School Board at Nashville, a larger balance than usual being in the treasury at this time. This balance is needed, however, Dr. Van Ness explained, on account of the increased cost of white paper used in printing the Sunday school literature.

In presenting the report of the Foreign Mission Board of Richmond Dr. J. F. Love stated that the past year had been the most highly favored in the long history of the board.

The report from the Foreign Mission Board recommended that the Southern Baptist Convention decline to enter into a union with other denominations in Foreign Mission work, pointing out that this question which has caused sharp discussion for several sessions in the convention is closely allied to the church-union question, and urging that Southern Baptists favor union as soon as it can be perfected along New Testament lines but not before. This matter will be voted on by the Convention later.

The unveiling of a life size oil portrait of the late Dr. R. J. Williamson for twenty one years secretary of the Foreign Mission Board was one of the features of the day's session. As the portrait was unveiled the immense audience rose and sang "In the Sweet Bye and Bye."

Enormous growth of the Southern Baptist church was shown when Dr. Lansing Burrows, statistical secretary, read his report of the increase in membership during the past year. The membership now totals more than two and a half million of which nearly 200,000 were added during the past year.

Effort is being made to get the Southern Baptist and the Northern Baptist Conventions to meet in the same city next year, Kansas City, having been suggested as the meeting place.

BEGINS MOVING GOODS INTO NEW STORE

D. R. Morgan began Wednesday the work of moving his large stock of groceries into his handsome new store opposite the market house. The work of moving will go on steadily, though gradually, and Mr. Morgan hopes to be established in his new quarters by the thirtieth of this month.

FOR GOOD WILL DAY

Interest is increasing in Good Will Day for Elizabeth City, the fourth of July. One of the features of the day will be field day contests, in which Edenton and probably Hertford will take part.

IRON CLAW TONIGHT

The fifth episode in the story of "The Iron Claw" will be featured at the Alkrama tonight.