

Along The POLITICAL FRONTS

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ization and Jack Woody, of Canton, is chairman of the committee on selection of candidates. Larry Cagle, of Clyde, is chairman of the precinct organization committee. Robert Williams, of Canton, is treasurer, and Charles Edwards, of Lake Junaluska, is chairman of the platform and public relations group.

J. M. BROUGHTON WILL BE HERE MAY THIRD

Former Governor J. M. Broughton will be the speaker at the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet here Friday, May third—the day after the State Democratic convention in Raleigh.

The appearance of Mr. Broughton here will be in the role of banquet speaker for the Chamber of Commerce, but it will also be the means of bringing together old political friendships and ties which have been in existence many years.

Lady Nearly Choked While Lying in Bed—Due to Stomach Gas

One lady said, a few days ago that she used to be afraid to go to bed at night. She was swollen with stomach gas, which always got worse when she went to bed, and the gas would rise up in her throat after she lay down and would nearly choke her. She couldn't lie flat. Had to prop herself up on pillows. Recently this lady got INNER-AID and now says gas is gone, stomach feels fine, bowels are regular and she can go to bed and sleep soundly.

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Katherine Noland Given Birthday Party On Wednesday

Mrs. Wiley Noland and Miss Mary Ann Grahl were hostesses of a party honoring the former's daughter, Miss Katherine Noland, on the occasion of her birthday anniversary at the home of Mrs. Horace Ferguson on East street on Wednesday evening.

A motif of pink and white was noted in all the appointments, with the birthday cake decorated in pink and pink tapers used to light the table.

The hostesses were assisted by Mrs. W. L. Lampkin and Mrs. Linwood Grahal.

The guest list included the honor guest, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Platt, Mrs. Marshall Leatherwood, Mrs. Jack Redmond, Miss Marie Strange, Miss Betty Anne Matney, Miss Christine Underwood, Miss Desjoroes Underwood, Pat Gardner, Mark Carswell, Ralph Phillips, Charles Robinson, Will Robinson, Jack Alley, Jackie Coin, Wayne Blantonship, Ted Humbley, Jimmy Keener, and Buddy Wilson.

Local Women to Attend Episcopal Meeting in Highlands

The meeting of the First District of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese of the Episcopal church of Western North Carolina will be held in Highlands at the Church of Incarnation tomorrow.

The following members of the local branch of the Woman's Auxiliary of Grace Episcopal church will attend the meeting: Mrs. Harry Marshall, Miss Robina Miller, Mrs. C. F. Kirkpatrick, Mrs. C. H. Huttig and Miss Mildred Love.

Miss Ruthie Wagenfeld, who is a student at the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina, has resumed her work after spending the spring vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Wagenfeld.

It will be remembered that Mr. Broughton opened his campaign in Haywood, and also made his closing address here, and he looks on Haywood as having a certain charm and good fortune for him.

Atlantic Coast Line Destroys 500 Cases of Whiskey Near Elm City

ROCKY MOUNT—Five hundred cases of whiskey were destroyed by fire early Saturday morning when a truck and trailer loaded with 1,000 cases of liquor ploughed into a north-bound Atlantic Coast Line train a few miles south of Elm City.

I. R. Brown, Elm City chief of police, said the accident occurred about 4:30 when W. G. McDonald of Jacksonville, Fla., driver of the truck, took a wrong turn off Highway 301. Traffic on the north-south highway does not cross the ACL tracks at Elm City.

The loaded trailer, cut in two by the train, caught on fire and half of the load was burned, Brown said.

The truck was owned by G. H. Collins of Jacksonville, Fla., and leased by E. A. Sunday, also of Jacksonville, for the liquor which Brown said was being transported legally.

McDonald and the other occupants of the truck, F. S. White of Jacksonville, and Pvt. L. E. Tighman of Fort Belvoir, Va., were uninjured.

Pvt. R. L. Ledford Arrives in Naples

Private R. L. Ledford, son of Wiley R. Ledford, of Crede, has arrived in Naples and has been assigned to the 3196 Signal Service Company, a unit of the Peninsular Base section, the Army Service Force in Italy. He took his basic training at Camp Wheeler, Ga.

The Peninsular Base section served and supplied Fifth Army and the ground crew of the U. S. Air Force and Navy during the entire Italian campaign. The base is commanded by Brigadier General Francis H. Oxx.

After arriving in Naples Port, Pvt. Ledford was transported to the 7th Replacement Depot for processing according to Army skill and civilian specialty. At the depot he was provided with bed and mattress, adequate blankets and post exchange supplies in buildings of the "college" area in Bagnoli.

Within thirty-six hours he boarded coach trains to Leghorn. En route, the train stopped at Rome where a hot meal was served. At Grossete, almost mid-way between Rome and Leghorn, coffee and doughnuts were provided in a railroad station club of the American Red Cross. Upon arrival at Leghorn, the soldier went to the first staging area to be transported to his assigned unit.

The PBS rehabilitated the ports of Naples, Anzio, Civitavecchio, Piombino and Leghorn in support of the Fifth Army's drive up the Italian peninsula. It also played a major part in the scouting of the Southern France invasion.

Mrs. Horace Ferguson has returned from a two weeks visit in Washington, D. C., where she was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Blanche Medford, her son Capt. Chas. Ferguson, U. S. Navy, and her granddaughter, Miss Doris Grahl.

Champion Fibre

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those which are classed as fully integrated, i. e., those which start with the basic raw material wood, and those which are classed as "converting mills", i. e., those which are dependent upon other plants for their supply of wood-pulp. The Champion mill at Canton falls in the first class, being entirely self-contained in that it is equipped for every step in the process of making paper, beginning with the harvesting of the tree.

Mr. Damtoft said the mill at Canton began operation in 1907. "Incidentally you will be interested to know," he said, "that the mill might have been established at Waynesville, had Mr. Thomson been convinced of the practicability of the suggestion which was made by one of Waynesville's then enthusiastic boosters, that sufficient water could be made available by boring a tunnel under the mountain near Davis Gap and diverting the Pigeon River through it! As originally designed it included processes for the manufacture of sulphite pulp, soda pulp, container board and tannic acid. Throughout the almost 40 years which have since elapsed there has been a gradual expansion of activities, including establishment of three paper machines and two additional processes for manufacture of pulp, and an over-all increase in productive capacity. Today the products of the mill fall into three major classifications, to wit: pulp, paper and chemicals."

Wood is reduced to pulp by four standard processes, each of which is particularly well suited to certain species of trees and to the development of certain fibre qualities. The Canton plant of Champion is one of but two mills in the United States which is equipped to employ all of them; and that is why Champion is often referred to as the pioneer in the South in the field of diversified pulp and paper production. Other mills in the region for the most part, employ but the one process, known as sulphite or kraft.

Of the four pulping processes, one is mechanical and the other three chemical. The mechanical, as its name implies, involves the tearing apart of the fibres of wood by the mechanical action of a revolving stone. Although it makes a separation of the fibres it does not eliminate the lignin from the cellulose and hence its product can be used to only a very limited extent in the higher grade papers where requirements for color and texture are relatively exacting. Its one advantage is comparative low cost for low quality papers, such as newsprint; hence it occupies an insignificant place in Champion production.

"The three chemical pulping processes are sulphite, soda and sulphate, the former employing an acid and the latter two an alkaline solution for the softening and dissolving of the material which binds together the cellulose fibres of the wood. Inasmuch as the sulphate process is particularly adapted to the resinous woods, such as yellow pines, it is the one which is assuming increasingly greater importance through the South; for example, all of the mills which have been established in the South, in the past decade use it; and the post-war conversion plans of Champion include the elimination of its sulphite digesters in favor of sulphate."

"The sulphate process was patented in Germany in 1880 and subsequently developed in Sweden—a very prominent pulp producing country—in 1898. The first mill to utilize it in the U. S. was incidentally the first paper mill to be established in the pine territory of the South, at Roanoke Rapids, in 1909—another North Carolina first."

"When Champion first employed the sulphate process in 1915, its use was then limited, as in other mills, to the production of unbleached brown paper, known as kraft wrapper. Subsequently, however, Champion chemists succeeded in solving the problem of bleaching the sulphate pine pulp to a high degree of whiteness without seriously reducing its strength, and thereby definitely contributed to and stimulated the recent dramatic expansion of the pulp industry in the South. Champion's own most recent expansion, the construction of a mill at Pasadena, Texas, is an example—there it manufacturers from pine a high grade paper, much of which is used in the publication of one of the most popular of our national weeklies, Life."

"The versatility of Canton's pulping equipment and the refinements of its processes, complemented by local availability of a wide variety of tree species, permit the manufacture of a wide range of types of papers, each of which involves the blending of pulps of the qualities necessary to produce the required characteristics, including paper for business stationery, envelopes, postage stamps, catalogues, magazines and labels; drawing and wrapping paper; foil wrapper; paper board for file folders and guides, post cards, cans, cups and milk containers."

"Incidentally to the manufacture of pulp and paper several important commercial chemicals are produced. Most important among them is chestnut tannin extract, the outstanding tannin agent for the production of heavy leathers,

such as sole and belting. This material is bleached from chestnut chips prior to their pulping—and incidentally the plant at Canton is the largest single unit producer of Chestnut tanning in the world. From the spent liquor of the sulphite pulping process (that is the liquor after it has been used in the digesting or pulping of wood) we obtain a ligning extract, known as Bindex, which is used as a sinder in foundries, as a general adhesive, and also in tanneries for the plumping of leather.

"An important adjunct of the Canton mill is the electrolytic bleach plant in which is produced the chlorine, which is the bleaching agent used in developing the proper degree of whiteness of the pulps. Chlorine, as you probably know, results from the electrolysis of brine. An important by-product of the process is caustic soda for which we find our principal market in the textile plants of the Piedmont Carolinas.

"Now, what does this mean to the local economy and again we must resort to statistics. Wood is now being purchased at the rate of approximately 4 1/4 millions of dollars annually and the local payroll involving 2,400 employees is at the rate of approximately \$6,700,000; a total of 11 1/2 millions of dollars for circulation in Haywood county, and surrounding territory. This compares with a corresponding figure of 7 1/2 millions of dollars during the year immediately preceding our entry into the War, and with \$4,100,000 for the year prior thereto."

Mr. Damtoft concluded by pointing out: "That, gentlemen, as an over-all sketchy picture of the development, structure and products of one Haywood county industry. It is a staple from the standpoint of continuity of operation, having functioned for nearly forty years with but one very short period of interruption; it is a staple from the standpoint of labor turn-over, more than 1900 of its approximately 2400 employees having served more than 5 years, 1403 more than 10 years, 972 more than 15 years, 717 more than 20 years and 291 more than 25 years. Whatever success has been achieved is fundamentally due to the vision of Peter G. Thomson and to the correctness of his appraisal of the resources of Western North Carolina, both material and human. Regardless of the advantage of the material resources in relation to the requirements of the industry its history could not have been so happy had it not been for the character and nature of the local people, for their fine spirit of cooperation whether as co-workers within the industry, as public officials or as neighbors. Those of us who are now connected with Champion management are truly grateful that Mr. Thomson selected Haywood county, in Western North Carolina, a grand place in a grand State."

Special guests of the club included Glenn C. Palmer, R. L. Prevost and Kimball Barber.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Johnny Johnson to Edith Overman, both of Canton.

Robert Walker Burgess to Mary Talitha Green, both of Clyde.

Gene B. Medford of Waynesville, Route 2, to Ann Elizabeth Hall, of Clyde.

R. D. Burch, of Clyde to Verna Leming, of Waynesville.

Jay P. Cook, of Canton, to Katherine Birchfield, of Canton.

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