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TRINITY MEN ORGANIZE

COUNTY ALUMNI FORM ORGANIZATION

At Banquet Held at Falls House Last Night Gaston County Alumni Association of Trinity College Was Formed—President Few Made an Address and Number of Toasts Responded to—A Most Enjoyable Evening.

At the conclusion of a delightful banquet held at the Falls House last night at which there were present many of the alumni and old students of Trinity College, a permanent organization to be known as the Gaston County Alumni Association of Trinity College was perfected. The officers chosen for the ensuing year were as follows: President, J. H. Separk; vice-president, S. J. Durham; secretary and treasurer, J. M. Holland. All the Trinity men present were enrolled as members. A few alumni and old students living in the county who were prevented by the very inclement weather from being present, will probably also be enrolled as members at an early date.

Last night's banquet was a thoroughly enjoyable affair. It was the first Trinity banquet held here in several years, there having never before been any permanent alumni association here. The Trinity men present were: S. J. Durham, John O. Durham, J. H. Separk, R. G. Cherry, A. A. McLean, Jr., C. D. Gray, J. I. Fayssoix, F. A. Whitesides, J. M. Holland, W. N. Rhyne, J. Edgar McLean, J. Lander Gray, W. L. C. Killian, George A. Gray, R. Anders, William McArver, F. P. Rockett, B. H. Parker, W. N. Davis, H. B. Linderberger, all of Gastonia; H. B. and W. G. Gaston, of Lowell; N. R. and F. R. Richardson, of Holly, and C. C. Coble, of Bessemer City. The invited guests were Dr. W. P. Few, of Durham, president of the college; Rev. Plato T. Durham, of Charlotte; Rev. J. E. Abernethy, of N. C. Williams, J. W. Atkins, E. E. Witherspoon.

Mr. J. H. Separk acted as toastmaster. The following responded to toasts: Rev. Plato T. Durham, "The Trinity of the Past"; Mr. K. G. Cherry, "The Trinity of the Present"; Rev. J. E. Abernethy, "The Contribution of Trinity to North Carolina Methodism"; Dr. W. P. Few, "As the President Sees It." The principal address was by Dr. Few, head of the institution, who dwelt largely on the possibilities and future of the college. In addition to the above there were a number of impromptu responses.

Following was the menu:
Grape Fruit.
Oyster Cocktail.
Mixed Pickles.
Roast Turkey with Oyster Dressing.
Candied Cranberries.
Creamed Mashed Potatoes.
Olives.
Celery.
Barbecue Shout.
Candied Sweet Potatoes.
Apple Sauce.
Asparagus Tips on Toast.
Quail on Toast with Jelly.
Virginia Topsy Cake.
Coffee.
Tea.
Cocoa.

This gathering of the Gaston sons of Trinity to renew old memories of their alma mater and to revivify their interest in the future welfare of this college, which has filled so large a part in the educational life of the State and of the South, will undoubtedly result in strengthening the ties of friendship which bind the men together and their love for and interest in the institution itself.

FOR VISITING

GUEST.

Mrs. J. E. Abernethy entertained Saturday with a six-course 6 o'clock dinner complimentary to her house guest, Miss Evelyn Roddey, of Chattanooga, Tenn. She was assisted by Miss Olive Abernethy, who is at home from Greensboro College for the holidays. Her guests were Miss Roddey, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Andrews, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Jenkins, Miss Willie Jenkins, Miss Pearl Ashworth, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Caudle and Miss Lena Rivers Smith, of Charlotte.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

Electricity is a hidden hazard, and extends throughout the wire system in a building. Be sure it is safely installed, and have the system carefully inspected and passed upon by a recognized electrical inspector. Many fires are due to defective electric wiring. Do not destroy the insulation on electric light, or heater wires by hanging them on hooks or nails. Immediately repair or replace any defective switches, fuses, sockets, etc. A fuse is the "safety valve" of an electric system, and should never be replaced by one of larger size or any other material.

Before attaching electric irons, vacuum cleaners, cooking utensils, or any other electrical device to your lighting circuits or sockets, consult an electrician as to the ability of your wiring to withstand this additional load. Electric wiring systems are designed to carry only a certain current, and if overloaded may cause fires. Numerous fires have been caused by leaving electric irons with the current on. Disconnect them immediately when through using.

LOCAL GLEANINGS

Banquet To-Night.

The alumni and old students of the State University will hold a banquet tonight at the Falls House and will effect a permanent organization of the Gaston county alumni. Mr. A. G. Mangum will act as toastmaster. There will be a number of responses including an address by Prof. M. H. Stacy, acting dean of the University.

McArter-Beaunard Wedding.

At the home of the bride's father, Mr. Will Beaunard, in Clover, S. C., Mr. Arthur McArter and Miss Olive Beaunard were married Wednesday night. The ceremony was impressively pronounced in the presence of a large company of the relatives and friends of the contracting parties by Rev. A. A. McLean, pastor of the Clover Presbyterian church.

Was a Quiet Christmas.

It is the general comment, heard on all hands, that the Christmas season just passed was about the quietest ever experienced in Gastonia. A look at the municipal court docket confirms this statement. There have been practically no arrests—which means that there have been no crimes committed, else Chief Carroll and his men would have roped in the offenders. The number of arrests has been smaller than usual when no holiday is on. Chief Carroll and his patrolmen have been constantly on the alert and the good behavior that has been in evidence all along is attributable in no small degree to the watchfulness and efficiency of the police force. Gastonians are better protected by far from the depredations of criminals because we have the best police force in the State.

Wedding Bells.

At Sandy Plains Baptist church Wednesday night, the 17th, Mr. Mason Glover and Miss Clara McGinnas were married, the ceremony being performed by Rev. J. J. Beach, of Gastonia. Miss Lena Wilson played the wedding march. The bride was given away by her brother, Mr. Jesse McGinnas, and Mr. William Pasour acted as best man. Quite a large crowd of friends of the contracting parties was present to witness the ceremony. Mr. Beach has married the following couples during the holiday season: Sunday afternoon, the 21st, Mr. John L. Caldwell, of Gastonia, and Miss Cassie Swanner, of South Carolina, at the home of the bride's sister here; on Tuesday, the 23rd, at the East Baptist parsonage, Mr. C. L. Brown, of Clover, and Miss Stella Morrow, of Belmont; the same day, Mr. Curtis Hudson and Miss Florence White, both of Bessemer City, and Mr. Lawrence Smith and Mrs. Della Stroup, at the home of the bride at the Old Mill.

Personals and Locals

—Mr. Bert Rogers, of Harris, N. C., spent the holidays here as the guest of his sisters, Mrs. K. D. McCullough and Mrs. J. B. Allen.

—Misses Jane and Carrie Morris went to Charlotte Sunday night to hear the rendition at the First Presbyterian church of the cantata "Christmas Eve."

—Mr. R. Gregg Cherry, who has been spending the holidays with friends and relatives here, returned today to Durham to resume his studies in the Trinity Law School.

—Mr. J. S. Camp, formerly of Worth, has moved to Dallas and is opening up a grocery business with a new stock in the building belonging to Mr. Green Brown on the Northeast corner of the square.

—Mrs. Paul H. Efford underwent a very serious operation at the City Hospital this morning. While her condition is quite serious, her family and friends hope for her a speedy recovery.

—Mrs. I. A. Campbell left Saturday to visit her sister, Mrs. J. N. O. Farrell, of Atlanta. She was joined at Blackburg, S. C., by her sister, Mrs. William Caldwell, of Kings Creek, S. C. They will be gone for ten days. Mr. Campbell and son, Fred, will leave Thursday and will be gone until Tuesday.

—Mr. J. Bun Bridges will leave tonight for New Orleans, La., where he has accepted a position with Mr. C. W. Hopkins, a well-known real estate dealer of that city. His family will remain in Gastonia for the present. Mr. Bridges has been engaged in the real estate and insurance business here for the past two years and his friends will regret to know that he is to leave. They will wish for him abundant success in his new field.

—What is history but a fable agreed upon?—Napoleon.

In a local option election at Staunton, Va., Tuesday that town went "dry" by a majority of 98. Staunton voted "dry" once before, several years ago, and went "wet" again the following year.

SHORT LOCAL ITEMS

THE MOVEMENTS OF GASTON PEOPLE

Personal Items About Gaston Folks and Their Friends—Short Items About People and Things That Are of Interest to Gazette Readers.

—Mrs. A. A. Clark, of Charlotte, is visiting her mother, Mrs. M. M. Batchford.

—Mr. Joe Brown, of Richmond, Va., is spending the holidays here with relatives.

—Rev. Plato T. Durham, of Charlotte, was the guest yesterday of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Balthis.

—Miss Honore Banks and Miss Wilson, of Raleigh, returned home yesterday after a visit to Capt. S. G. Fry's family.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Stewart left this morning for their home at Dunlap, Tenn., after a week's visit to the former's sisters, Mrs. J. W. Atkins and Mrs. Mattie Anderson.

—Mr. Joe Holland, who has been at Liberty, S. C., for the past year or two, has returned to Gastonia and has accepted a position with the Holland Realty & Insurance Co.

—Mr. Robert Blinn Owen, of Raleigh, director of music in St. Mary's College, will arrive in the city tonight to spend several days as the guest of Mr. Erskine Boyce.

—Mr. W. H. Overcash will resume his class in piano and voice on Saturday of this week, January 3, at the home of Mrs. H. B. Moore on West Airline avenue.

—Mr. W. T. Berningham, director of music at Davenport College, Lenoir, spent yesterday in the city as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Mauney.

—Misses Elizabeth and Dora Hampton, of Gaffney, S. C., arrived in the city Saturday to be the guests for a few days of Mrs. R. M. Currie and family.

—Mrs. W. L. Hutchison returned Saturday to her home in Huntersville after spending several days here as the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. White Ware.

—Mr. L. C. Carpenter and Mr. R. S. Barkley left Friday morning for Richburg, S. C., to spend several days with Mr. Carpenter's son, Mr. G. E. Carpenter.

—Miss Olive Abernethy, who is a student this year in the Greensboro College for Women, is spending the holidays with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Abernethy.

—Mr. Draper Ward, of Charlotte, spent a few hours in the city Sunday on a visit to his friend, Miss Lucile Stultz, of Rock Hill, S. C., who is the guest of Miss Lettie Starnes.

—Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Thompson and children, of Yorkville, spent Friday and Saturday in Gastonia as the guests of Mrs. R. J. Smith at her home on West Franklin avenue.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Orr and little son, Eugene, and Miss Maggie Bell Orr, of Chester, S. C., and Mr. Chas. Linder, of Charlotte, have been visiting Mrs. W. J. Leaptrott during the holidays.

—Mrs. A. J. Whisnant and brother, Mr. B. T. Parker, of McAdenville, and Miss Mary Williams, of Blacksburg, S. C., spent the holidays here with their mother and grand mother, Mrs. S. E. Parker.

—Mr. Morrow Starnes, of Tampa, Fla., spent Sunday in the city as the guest of his brother, Mr. J. Frank Starnes, and went from here to Rock Hill, S. C., on a visit to his father, Mr. C. R. Starnes.

—Mrs. Rush Torrence, of Greenville, S. C., spent several days here last week as the guest of Mrs. T. R. McArver and left Sunday for Mount Holly, where she is visiting Dr. and Mrs. R. E. Rhyne.

—Mrs. Forest Kincaid had as her guests from Wednesday till Friday her father, Mr. G. M. Ford, of Yorkville, route one, and her sister, Mrs. C. T. Thomas, of Clover, route one, and the latter's children.

—Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Whitesides, of Atkins, Ark., arrived in Gastonia Thursday and will spend some time here as the guests of Mr. Whitesides' brother, Mr. W. L. Whitesides, on route one, and other relatives.

—Miss Ethel Stowe spent Christmas with homefolks in the New Hope neighborhood. On Christmas Day she had as her guests Messrs. Fred Rhyne, of Gastonia, Mr. Perlie Lewis, of Belmont, and Misses Zoe Stowe and Lillian Lewis, of Belmont.

—Miss Ora Glenn, who has been at home from Agnes Scott College, Georgia, spending the holidays with her father, Mr. D. Lee Glenn, left yesterday for Kansas City, Mo., to attend the Student Volunteer convention before returning to resume her college work.

—Mr. L. C. Carpenter, card-room boss at the Modena for the past 15 years, was presented with a beautiful gold watch chain on Christmas eve by the men who work under him in the card-room. Mr. Carpenter is quite popular with his men and is of course, very proud of the gift.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. Holland Morrow, who have been spending some time with Mrs. Morrow's father, Hon. J. P. Kirven, at Darlington, S. C., have gone to Hamlet on a visit to Mrs. Pelham Morrow. From Hamlet Mr. Morrow will go to New York on a business trip, accompanied by Mrs. Morrow.

IN SOCIAL CIRCLES

LATEST EVENTS IN WOMAN'S WORLD

CHRISTMAS DINNER AT MRS. STRICKLAND'S.

Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Strickland entertained most pleasantly at dinner on Christmas Day at their home on West Main avenue. Their guests for the occasion were Mrs. Lillian Bowles, Miss Maud Bowles and Messrs. Linden and Charles Bowles, of Atlanta, Ga., Mr. and Mrs. T. N. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Turner Williams and Mr. and Mrs. L. A. States.

HOLIDAY GUESTS OF MR. AND MRS. JENKINS.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Jenkins had as their guests for several days during the holidays Mr. and Mrs. Harry E. Jenkins, of Salisbury, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Craver, of Charlotte, Mr. Bryan Craver, of Charlotte, Mr. Sam Craver, of Durham, and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Terrell, of Charlotte. Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins gave a dinner Sunday in honor of their guests.

ORIGINAL THIRTEEN WITH MISS ADAMS.

At her handsome home on Broad street Miss Johnnie Adams was hostess this afternoon at three-thirty o'clock at the regular meeting of the Original Thirteen Club. Besides the regular members of the club the list of invited guests included Mrs. A. Hengeveld, of Rocky Mount, who is the guest of her mother, Mrs. W. B. Knight, Miss Margaret Morris and her guest, Miss Allison, of Brevard, Misses Lavinia Hunter, Nellie Rose Sloan and Lillian Watson.

PAYNE-CLEMMER INVITATIONS ISSUED.

Invitations reading as follows have been received by Gastonia friends of the contracting parties:

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Clemmer request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter

Mattie
to
Mr. Julius C. Payne
on the evening of Tuesday, December the thirtieth
nineteen hundred and thirteen
Bessemer City, N. C.

CHRISTMAS DINNER AT MISS STARNES'

On last Thursday at her home on Willow street Miss Lettie Starnes entertained a number of her young friends with a five-course dinner in celebration of the Christmas season. The dining room was quite prettily decorated for the occasion with Christmas decorations of various kinds, and the place cards were Christmas cards. The guests were Misses Lillian Hanks and Agnes Lindsay, Miss Tessie Hastings, of Bessemer City, Mr. Dane Rhyne, Mr. John Sealy, of Rock Hill, S. C., and Mr. Lee Clemmer, of Bessemer City.

MR. AND MRS. MORRIS TO GIVE A DINNER.

At their home on West Main avenue tomorrow Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Morris will entertain a number of friends at dinner. The list of guests will include Mr. Ben Eley, of Baltimore, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Morris, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Morris, Miss Mollie Separk and Miss Maud Allison, of Brevard, who is Miss Margaret Morris' guest.

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SPENCER-WHITESIDES WEDDING.

One of the most beautiful home weddings of the season was solemnized at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Whitesides, in the Pisgah section, Wednesday evening, December the 24th, when their daughter, Miss Mary Ella Whitesides, became the bride of Mr. Carl Brady Spencer.

The home was beautifully decorated with holly and potted plants. The wedding march was beautifully rendered by Miss Ethel Spencer, who was attractively dressed in white broadened silk trimmed in satin and pearl. As the notes from Mendelssohn's wedding march sounded the attendants entered in the following order: Messrs. H. M. Morrison and A. L. Falls, followed by the maid of honor, the bride's sister, Miss Lula Whitesides, who was attractively dressed in real lace, carrying a bouquet of white carnations, and entered next and took their stand on a beautiful rug. The bride was charmingly gowned in white net, caught with buckles, over satin, and wore a veil in cap effect. She carried a bouquet of white carnations and maiden-hair fern, tied with white french knotted ribbon.

During the ceremony, which was spoken by Rev. R. Caldwell, pastor of Bessemer City A. R. P. church, "Melody of Love" was rendered softly. Immediately after the ceremony they drove to the home of the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Spencer, where a sumptuous reception was given.

The popularity of the bride and groom was shown by the number of beautiful and costly presents, which

TO EXTEND PARCEL POST

NEW REGULATIONS EFFECTIVE JAN. 1ST.

Limit of Weight of Parcel Post Packages to be Materially Increased After January 1st—After March 16th Books Will be Carried at Parcel Post Rates.

Postmaster E. Grant Peseur has received from the Postoffice Department in Washington additional information regarding the extension of weights for parcel post packages which will go into effect Thursday, January 1. After that time the limit of the weight of parcels for delivery within the first and second zones will be increased from 20 to 50 pounds and in the third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth zones from 11 to 20 pounds.

The rates for postage for the first and second zones will remain the same which is five cents for the first pound and one cent for each additional pound. For the third zone, six cents will be charged for the first pound and two cents for each additional pound; for the fourth zone, seven cents for the first pound and four cents for each additional pound; for the fifth zone, eight cents for the first pound and six cents for each additional pound; for the sixth zone, nine cents for the first pound and eight cents for each additional pound.

No charge has been made with respect to the size of fourth class, or parcel post mail. Parcels of such nature greater in size than 72 inches in length and girth combined shall not be accepted for mailing. It is expected that the extension of the limit for the weight of the packages will prove the means of greatly enlarging the business of the Postoffice Department.

Another interesting announcement recently made is that after March 16, 1914, books may be sent as fourth class matter. They are now classed as third class matter on which the postage is higher. The rate of postage, under the new classification, for books weighing eight ounces or less will be one cent for each two ounces and on those weighing in excess of eight ounces the regular zone rate will apply.

Another announcement recently made will not prove of interest to many people in this section but will probably be of service to some of those in Alaska. The new ruling states that gold coin, gold bullion, and gold dust between any two points in Alaska and any point in the United States when enclosed in sealed packages not exceeding 11 pounds in weight can be sent by registered mail. The rate of postage will be two cents an ounce for each two ounces in addition to the regular registry fee.

consisted mostly of silverware, cut glass and linens.

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IN HONOR OF MISS ALLISON.

At her home on West Main avenue last night Miss Margaret Morris entertained a number of her young friends most pleasantly in honor of Miss Maud Allison, of Brevard, who was Miss Morris' classmate at the Greensboro College for Women, and is her guest during the Christmas holidays. In the decorations the Christmas idea prevailed, use being made of holly, mistletoe and Christmas bells. The score cards bore the likeness of Santa Claus, the patron saint of all Christmas festivities. Progressive Rook and Forty-two were played. The refreshments consisted of chocolate cream served in pretty Christmas jars decorated with holly, fruit cake and pound cake. A very pleasant feature of the evening was the music rendered by several of the guests. The list of invited guests included about fifty of the young ladies and young men of the city, to all of whom the occasion was one of unusual pleasure and delight.

Charlotte is making an effort to get Bishop John C. Kilgo, of the Southern Methodist Church, as a resident. He has been living for many years at Durham but it is stated that he intends to move to some point where the railroad connections are better.

NEWS OF THE COUNTY

LATEST FROM YOUR CORRESPONDENTS

Newsy Letters from Gazette Correspondents Here and There Over Good Old Gaston—What Our Neighbors Are Doing in the Various Sections of the County—Personal Mention of People You Know and Some You Don't Know.

CHERRYVILLE, ROUTE 2.

Correspondence of The Gazette. CHERRYVILLE, Route 2, Dec. 29.—Mr. Audie Carroll, of Virginia, is spending some time with his mother, Mrs. R. L. Carroll.

Mr. and Mrs. Daid Rudisill spent Sunday with Mrs. Rudisill's mother, Mrs. Lee Dellinger.

Mr. Preston Long, of Gastonia, is spending some time with his brother, Mr. W. L. Long.

Misses Alpha Spargo and Mazel Carpenter spent Saturday with Miss Eunice Carpenter.

Miss Venia Carpenter, of Lincoln, spent Saturday and Sunday with her cousin, Miss Maggie Lee Carpenter.

Miss Annie Stroup is spending some time with her uncle near Lattimore.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Carroll spent Sunday with Mrs. R. L. Carroll.

Mrs. W. R. Carpenter and son, Fitzhugh, are visiting her mother, Mrs. T. J. Black, at Hoffman.

Mr. Cohn Mauney and Miss Jewell Dellinger were married last Wednesday.

Mrs. Walter Hall and little son spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Will Farris.

Mr. and Mrs. John T. Carpenter and daughter, Miss Maggie Lee, and grand daughter, Miss Eunice, attended the reunion at Mr. D. H. Harmon's last Friday.

Mr. Arthur Crouse, of Kings Mountain, and Miss Maud Rudisill, of Cherryville, were married on Monday, December 19th.

Mr. Charlie Carroll and wife and mother spent Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Will Carroll.

Mr. C. S. Crouse and Mrs. J. E. Addehoidt, of Kings Mountain, attended the Crouse-Rudisill marriage last Monday.

FALLS-STROUP.

Wedding of Popular Young Couple Solemnized on Christmas Eve—Miss Zona Stroup Becomes Bride of Mr. George S. Falls.

Correspondence of The Gazette. BESSEMER CITY, Dec. 27.—A wedding of much interest took place at the home of Mr. Moses Stroup, of Bessemer City, route one, when his daughter, Miss Zona, became the bride of Mr. George S. Falls on December 24th. Miss Stroup is a popular teacher of Cherryville High School where she has made many friends. Mr. Falls is a prominent young business man of Cherryville where he is connected with the Gaston Manufacturing Company. Their many friends wish for them a successful wedded life. The wedding was attended by only the immediate family and a few intimate friends. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Braxton Craven, president of Davenport College.

Miss Alma Miller, of Shelby, was maid of honor and Mr. S. B. Hovis, of McAdenville, groomsmen. Miss Tommie Baber, of Cherryville High School, sang "Oh, Promise Me." Miss Mattie Kendrick, of Limestone College, at the piano, played Lohengrin's Bridal Song and Mendelssohn's Wedding March. The bride wore white crepe de chine over cream satin. Miss Miller wore white lace over yellow satin. Miss Baber wore dew drop net over yellow messaline and Miss Kendrick wore chiffon over yellow satin. The room was decorated in yellow and white. Dinner was served to the bridal party immediately after the ceremony. The bride and groom are spending the holidays with the groom's parents, Dr. and Mrs. B. F. Falls, of Laurinburg. They will be at home to their friends after January the first at Cherryville.

HEAVY LOSER BY FIRE.

Cleveland County Negro Farmer's Barn is Burned. Charlotte Observer, 30th.

Kings Mountain, Dec. 29.—About 2 o'clock Sunday morning J. W. Williamson, colored, who lives about three miles from town, discovered fire in his barn. In the building were 15 mules, about 400 bushels of corn, quite a lot of fodder, stover, etc., also wagons, buggies and farm machinery, and of the entire contents only five mules were saved. Two thousand five hundred dollars to \$3,000 would be a conservative estimate of the loss. There was no insurance.

Petitions are being circulated asking the county commissioners to call an election for \$15,000 additional road bonds for Kings Mountain precinct of Cleveland county.

Near Madison Tuesday a negro woman, Mary Mitchell, shot and killed Howard Parish, a 12-year-old white boy, because he refused to obey her command to move a small express wagon. To prevent a lynching the sheriff hurried her away to jail at Stoneville in an auto.

Ay, sir: to be honest, as this world goes, is to be one man picked out of two thousand.—Shakespeare.