

GOES TO KINSTON IN 1917

U. S. C. CONVENTION COMES TO AN END

Visiting Ladies Were Delighted With Gastonia's Hospitality — Daughters Will Undertake Prison Reform Work — To Aid in Organization of Camps of Sons of Veterans — Annual Address of President, Mrs. Little — High Point, Hendersonville and Kinston Wanted 1917 Convention — Goes to Last-named Place.

With the selection of Kinston as the meeting place for 1917 and the hearing and adopting of numerous important reports and resolutions, the twentieth annual convention of the North Carolina Division of the United Daughters of the Confederacy came to an end here Friday afternoon after having been in session since Tuesday evening.

Resolutions adopted at the closing session placed the convention on record as saying that the present convention has been one of the most delightful, harmonious and profitable ever held by the division, and the people of the city were very highly commended for their splendid entertainment.

A committee composed of the retiring president, Mrs. R. E. Little, Mrs. Felix Harvey, Mrs. Marshall Williams, Mrs. Thad W. Thrash, the new president, and which will probably be enlarged later, was appointed to help the committee of men appointed some time ago to visit the battlefield of Gettysburg and establish definitely the point to which the North Carolina troops advanced, thus establishing beyond a peradventure the claim made that the North Carolina troops went "farthest at Gettysburg" as well as having been "first at Bethel" and "last at Appomattox." It is hoped to have this done before the Confederate veterans gather in Washington next April for their annual reunion. This step will no doubt hasten the work of placing suitable markers on the battlefield of Gettysburg which will direct the attention of all visitors to this important point in North Carolina's war history.

The convention took a decided stand in favor of the encouragement of the organization in this State of camps of the Sons of Veterans. North Carolina is entitled to more of these camps than any other State which belonged to the Confederacy, yet she has at present only two camps. Capt. William N. Everett, of Rockingham, who has been appointed grand commander of the Sons of Veterans for this State, was to have been here and presented this matter to the convention, but was unavoidably kept away. The purpose is to have the State divided into numerous brigades with commanders for each. The delegates manifested much interest in this project and will give their hearty support in every way possible. Mrs. Little was appointed chairman of a committee to assist in organizing these camps and every chapter in the State will be asked to render all possible aid.

Steps were taken looking to the entry of the Daughters into active prison reform work. Mrs. B. H. Griffin, the State chaplain, who resides in Raleigh, was put in charge of this work. The intention is to engage the interest of the chapter members all over the State in a feature of prison work which is neglected all too much.

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especially the rendering of service to descendants of Confederate veterans who have been so unfortunate as to find themselves in prison. This field, it was stated, holds wonderful opportunities for great reclamation work and it means very likely that it will be rapidly developed under the guiding hand of Mrs. Griffin.

Mrs. Little was appointed official story teller for the State division and in this capacity will, as opportunity arises, present to the members of the younger generation in the form of stories, the life of the old South and thus help to keep alive in the children of the South the love for the old days and old things that animate the hearts of the Daughters themselves.

Several important changes were made in the constitution. One of these changes allows the retiring president to go to the general convention as president of the State convention and submit her report for the year. The general convention meets this year in Dallas, Texas, within the next few weeks.

There were three towns after the nineteen seventeen convention, namely: High Point, Hendersonville and Kinston. Mrs. C. F. Long presented High Point invitation, Mrs. L. E. Fisher that of Hendersonville and Mrs. E. B. Marston that of Kinston. The last named place was the successful bidder.

Mrs. Little, the retiring president, who goes to the Dallas convention as representative of the State division, was instructed to invite the general convention to come next year to Asheville. The mountain city is very anxious to have it and, it is said, stands a good chance.

In responding to the addresses of welcome Tuesday night Mrs. Little, speaking for the State division, said in part:

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen of Gastonia: I cannot tell you how happy we are to be with you tonight. Of course you all know, but I am going to tell you again, what a wonderful reputation your city has for gay, cheerful, overflowing and all-together charming hospitality. I would love to speak of your county's notable record in so many ways, your loyalty, your up-to-dateness, the spindles that whirl in your midst, but I am here to speak of a different thing, the work of an organization which is entirely unique in the annals of the world itself, the United Daughters of the Confederacy.

Think of nearly 100,000 women bound together by the ties of absolute devotion and loyalty to the memory of a cause that is sometimes called, "Lost." More than 50 years ago two great armies faced each other; one fought for the Union, the other for the principles on which the Union was founded. Truly God does move in a mysterious way but time, which "at last sets all things right" will explain even this.

I am going to tell you now of some of the work our organization is doing in North Carolina. Our educational work grows yearly. It is in charge of a notable chairman and helpers. We have—scholarships. We are making a specialty now of establishing college chapters of U. S. C. in connection with other historical work.

Every citizen should be interested in the Soldiers Home and I ask that you impress on the men you send to Raleigh this winter to vote for needed improvements in the Home and the money to pay for them. The faithful man and woman, Capt. and Mrs. Lineberry, who have just left the home after six years of arduous service, gave of their best, and it is sweet to hear the old men say, that they were always "kind." Last winter Gov. Craig commissioned me to serve on the board of directors of the home and I have attended each meeting since. Please believe that this board is making every effort for the comfort and happiness of the home and that the recently appointed superintendent and matron understand their work, and you can make

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WHAT THE PRESIDENT ACTUALLY DID TO AVERT STRIKE DISASTER

Before I consulted with them (the railroad executives and representatives of the employees) I made myself acquainted with the points at controversy.

The first thing I told both sides was that I stood for the eight hour day. We believe in the eight hour day because a man does better work within eight hours than he does in a more extended day. I said to the railroad executives: "You are asking that the result of the eight hour day be predicted, and the prediction be arbitrated. The reasonable thing to do is to grant the eight hour day, not because the men demand it, but because it is right, and let me get authority from Congress to appoint a commission to observe the results and report, in order that justice may be done the railroads in respect of the cost of the experiment."

That was the proposal which they rejected and which Congress put into law, a proposal which I made to them before I conferred with it, which I urged upon them at every conference and which, when the one side rejected and the other accepted, I went to Congress and asked Congress to enact. I did not ask either side whether it suited them, and I requested my friends in Congress not to ask either side whether it suited them. I learned before the controversy began that the whole temper of the legislative body was in favor of the eight hour day.

In the House of Representatives the plan was passed, was sanctioned by a vote which included seventy Republicans as against fifty-four Democrats. In the Senate the Republican members held a conference in which they determined to put no obstacle in the way of the passage of the bill. Now this was because the proposal was reasonable and was based upon right.—From President Wilson's Speech to New Jersey Business Men at Shadow Lawn, Long Branch, N. J., Sept. 23.

yourself easy as to our veterans.

I did not hear a word of our Confederate Woman's Home, Fayetteville, except of praise and satisfaction and I hope the State is satisfied now as to the wisdom of having such an institution. I am really distressed to have to tell you that the bridge at the Stonewall Jackson Training School is not to be dedicated during this convention, as we had hoped it would be. This bridge is planned as a memorial to Stonewall Jackson and his wife. Through unavoidable circumstances the completion of the work is not yet, but the interest is strong and funds are rapidly accumulating. Let me ask you again that you mothers and fathers bear on your hearts the boys who are being given a better chance in this school and let us hope that the coming Legislature will see fit to enlarge its scope.

A very beautiful work is the memorial window in the American Red Cross Building, Washington. While in Washington in June I saw this building, one of the most beautiful in the world and we may feel proud that one of the three great windows in the Assembly Hall is to be a memorial to the women of the South of 1861 to 1865. The women of the North and the American Red Cross fill the other two spaces. It is not too late for any one who desires to have the name of some woman precious to him, or her, recorded in the memorial volume, to be kept in this building.

I feel sure you like to hear something of the unveiling of the Vance statue, which I attended as your president. I was truly proud of the North Carolinians who had this in charge, Governor Craig, Judge Hoke, Bishop Cheshire, Mr. Clement Manly and others made it a memorable occasion, and when I saw Asheville's rhododendrons and our State's pine and Mrs. Josephus Daniel's palms laid near our great Governor, my heart was full. According to established custom women did not speak on this occasion, but if they had, I would have said this: "The devoted women whom I represent, Daughters of our great war Governor's men, wish to leave near him this pine from his native State, from whose heart he sprung, in whose bosom he rests. His heart was as brave and clean and free as our tree, and fitting it is, that the soldiers he cherished should have for their perpetual emblem the heart's red, of course, the stainless white of honor. Again today comes the call to our women for loving service, East and West, North and South, we answer: Here we are—united; we will not fail you; go forward in God's name and may the mighty ghosts of those who inhabit here camp round about you."

Dear friends, hearken to me now. In the sound of my voice are men and women, who will say: "Why yes, my father was in the war; of course he was in the war." When your children ask you maybe about joining a Children's Chapter—children, I want you to aggravate your parents until they set you down some records of family descent, a matter of information as well as pride; and make them have their photographs taken. I can never forget my own father saying he would give anything in the world for a picture of his father and mother, who like many old-time people did not leave one for their children. Children, keep diaries and scrap books. I know of several for which the families would not take their weight in gold. There are many, many other things that I would like to say to

you, but you will be reminded of them during this convention.

The annual report of the president, Mrs. Little was as follows:

Since last convention, ladies, I have been hard at work on our U. S. C. business. I have written something like a thousand letters and if I have failed to answer any one it has been unintentional. For more than four months sickness and death never left my mind, and when last May my precious little mother, the wife of a soldier, was laid to rest, your words of sympathy and your flowers brought balm to my heart.

Our last convention pledged itself to "more faithful and prompt educational work than we have ever done before; Miss Gash will tell you whether this pledge has been fulfilled. I cannot speak too highly of her faithfulness and the help of her committee. I taught a moonlight school four weeks in memory of my father. My pupils were workers in a silk mill, bright minds and fine natures. One of these, a young lady, learned to read ordinary Latin sentences in four lessons. Mrs. Bickett's report will explain to you the Stars and Bars Memorial. Our hearts are still in it, and we expect to have it. Miss Jessica Smith's fidelity deserves success. Our memorial Jackson bridge at Concord cannot be dedicated during this convention, as I had fondly hoped and Mrs. Cooper's report will explain this. Our treasurer has sent the \$10 promised the Cunningham Memorial, Nashville. The revision of our constitution is probably the most important work before us during this convention. An uncommonly fine committee has charge of the revision and I feel that their suggestions should, and will, find favor with you.

Most of you heard my report last night about the Soldiers Home. That committee has also done well. One afternoon in July, I walked through the five wards with Dr. McKee. Some of those old bed-ridden men were so hot that it just nearly broke my heart. When I asked Dr. McKee why they had one electric fan instead of five, he said: "Mrs. Little we are already \$2,000 behind this quarter." Mrs. Smith and I at once purchased four additional fans, which they say were a great comfort. We also bought regulation hospital trays and had a platform built so the old men in rolling chairs could get down on the ground. I hope many of you will visit the home this winter and talk to Mrs. Mixson, the new matron. I feel the utmost confidence in her ability and good faith. Let every daughter see to it that the cause of the home and its needs are laid before the men who shall represent her county in the Legislature this winter. The board are unanimous in telling me that the presence of a housekeeper on it has been a great help. Of course, we all understand that a woman's suggestions and help are needed everywhere, that the old, the sick, the dependent, the children are concerned.

Our Arlington monument fund still needs a small help, as you will hear from its report. Mrs. Williams will tell you of Shiloh, a wonderful undertaking and a magnificent memorial to our soldiers. Mrs. Holt is chairman of children's work and is certainly "on her job." Her ideas are really wonderful. I think it the most important thing we have except the proper consideration of our veterans. I wish Mrs. Hunter Smith could know what peace and satisfaction I feel when I think of the Confederate Woman's Home. Not a word too good concerning it. Some day we will ride on our National Jefferson Davis highway, but enthusiasm on your part will cause us to ride sooner.

As to our State reports for the Confederate veteran, several have been sent in, which did not appear, owing to the surplus of material for the Veteran, but our work has been brought to public attention. I am sure you will be glad to hear that Miss Lillie Long and I worked hard on the historical and text book committee and sent in our formal report as to preferences and dislikes of our organization. Our State should feel complimented to know its president was asked by the Methods Co.,

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of Chicago, to make out a program for "Lee Day" in a school book and encyclopaedia they are now issuing. I feel we have not done our duty by the Gettysburg monument. This work has been too long neglected and I suggest that a committee of Daughters, should, if possible, visit the battlefield and make report of our duty there.

The committee to place portraits of Confederate generals in schools has done well and I ask that each chapter place a portrait or give a medal, on Lee-Jackson Day or at the close of the local schools. Our Memorial Red Cross Window has been a very popular work and at last accounts North Carolina was third in the list of contributions. New York and California ahead. Let us make North Carolina first. Not quite half of the \$5,000 needed has been contributed. Our North Carolina room in the Confederate Museum, Richmond, has had the devoted attention of Mrs. Hodges and Mrs. Johnston and the treasures therein are splendid. In our own State building in Raleigh, the Hall of History is rapidly filling under Col. Olds' remarkable care, but there are still untold treasures, which should be there and which "Moth and rust" will consume in our homes.


I wish to speak personally to you of the Regimental Histories of Judge Clarke. For a year or two, a little nephew who visits me, has sat curled up all the time, with one of these five wonderful volumes. Miss Eloise McGill and her committee are going to petition the Legislature for a reprint of these books for the school libraries of North Carolina, there being very few volumes on hand. Miss Jessica Smith and her scrap books will speak for themselves, and I am

sure you are all proud of them. I do hope that each chapter has sent some contributions to our State Historian, for she has been most faithful and able in her work.

Owing to illness in her family your president could not attend many district meetings, as she had hoped. These meetings are all important and will grow in interest each year. I do not feel that we have done justice to the offer of the State Journal to carry reports of our work. Let us change this. Ladies, in speaking to you for the last time as your president, please let me thank you from my heart for the precious help and pleasure I have had from the work you have given me to do. I do not exaggerate in saying that three-fourths of my waking hours have been spent in it. All that I have learned from it is at your service so long as I shall live. It has made me a bigger and better woman and it will do it for any woman who accepts it as a solemn trust and responsibility. All the women who have served with me on my executive board merit, and have, my profound thanks and appreciation. All the women who have been my chairmen have done the best they could. Sometimes I wonder how in the busy lives we all live we manage to accomplish so much. Don't let us ever be discouraged over what we fail to do, if with prayer, and a clean spirit, we aim to do our best we can be sure that God will "Give the increase."

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