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## DEACONS MEET HERE FEBRUARY 11TH AND 12TH

Matters of Importance to be Considered by Presbyterian Officers—Men's Bible Class to Give Banquet.

The fourteenth semi-annual convention of the deacons of Kings Mountain Presbytery will be held in the First Presbyterian church here on next Tuesday and Wednesday, the 11th and 12th. Matters of vital importance will come up for consideration and a large attendance of members is looked for. Col. C. B. Armstrong, chairman of the entertainment committee, has provided for the entertainment of the visiting deacons. A feature of the session will be a banquet which the Men's Bible Class of the First Presbyterian church will give Tuesday night at the Clara Hall for the deacons. Messrs. W. T. Rankin, W. C. Wilson and S. A. Robinson constitute the program committee. Col. C. B. Armstrong is president of the convention and Mr. W. Y. Warren is secretary. The musical portion of the program is under the supervision of Rev. W. J. Roach and W. Y. Warren.

Following is the program:

Tuesday, February 11, 7 P. M. Music, 10 minutes.

Organize and go in body to Clara Hall. Prayer by Rev. J. C. Grier, Rutherfordton.

Address of Welcome, Rev. J. H. Henderson, Asheville.

Response, Rev. W. A. Murry, Shelby.

Men's Bible Class as an Asset to Board of Deacons, by P. W. Garland.

Enrollment of additional delegates. Music.

Wednesday, 12, 10:30 A. M. Music.

Devotional Exercises, conducted by Rev. W. S. Hamiter, Dallas.

Reading of Minutes. Music.

The Effect of World War on Church Finances, J. Lee Robinson.

The Vacant Fields in Kings Mountain Presbytery Filled and How to Keep Them Filled, Rev. F. A. Drennan, Mt. Holly.

Music. Wednesday Afternoon, 1:30 P. M.

Devotional Exercises, by Rev. G. A. Sparrow.

Music.

Roll Call of the Churches, and Five Minute Talks from delegates on the Deacon's Duty to His Church, led by Vice-President L. L. Henderson, of Union.

Report of Committees. The Election and Installation of Officers. Time and Place of Next Meeting. Appointment of Committees. New Business. Reading and Correction of Minutes. Doxology. Benediction.

## B. M. HOLLAND RETURNS TO GO IN BUSINESS HERE

Mr. B. M. Holland, for many years a resident of Gastonia but for the past five or six years in business at Liberty, S. C., where he operated a garage, has returned to Gastonia to make his home. He and Mrs. Holland are here and are keeping house at Dr. L. N. Patrick's on South Broad street. Mr. Holland will open a Willard Storage Battery Service Station here in the very near future, having been recently appointed agent for Gastonia by this corporation, which operates service stations all over the country.

Mr. Holland is an expert electrician and mechanic. Formerly he was in charge of the electrical and mechanical work of the Smythe chain of cotton mills in South Carolina. He, together with two or three other local men, built the first cotton seed oil mill in the county, the old Gastonia Oil Mill, which was later bought by the Southern Cotton Oil Company and which is still operated under that management here. He spent many years in Gastonia and he and Mrs. Holland have a host of friends here who will welcome them back home. Mr. Holland's son, Mr. J. M. Holland, is one of Gastonia's leading young business men, being a member of the firm of the Spencer Lumber Company, the Standard Knitting Mill and the Mo-Ho Brick Co.

### HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH.

Rev. J. C. Dietz, pastor.

Sunday School, 10 a. m. Services at 10:45 a. m. Theme: "The More Abundant Life."

Sunday School at West End Lutheran Church at 3 p. m. Services at 7 p. m.

### EIGHTH AVENUE METHODIST.

Rev. W. T. Albright, pastor.

Ranlo auditorium, sunrise prayer meeting at 7 a. m. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Marshall Dilling Superintendent. Preaching at 11 a. m., followed by organization of church.

Prayer meeting at 3 p. m. in welfare hall at Rex and at 4 p. m. at the Smyre Mill. Preaching at 7 p. m.

Pinkney-Hanover. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m., R. G. Rankin, Supt. Preaching at 3 p. m. by Rev. A. L. Stanford.

Seminole Hall. Sunday school at 2:30 p. m. W. B. Morris, Supt. Preaching at 6:30 p. m. by Rev. W. L. C. Killian.

## BRAVES AND TIGERS MAY COME TO GASTONIA

Gastonia Has Opportunity to Get Exhibition Game in April Between Big League Teams—Ty Cobb and Hank Gowdy in the Bunch.

Featuring Ty Cobb and Hank Gowdy, the Boston Braves and the Detroit Tigers will mix it up on the Loran diamond on a date to be set in April.

That is they will if Gastonia baseball fans want them. The opportunity is here and it is for the fans to at once express their wishes to W. D. Anderson, S. N. Boyce, Fred L. Smyre or Fred M. Allen.

The board of directors of the Gastonia Chamber of Commerce yesterday received an offer from the management for a game between the two teams when they start North for the summer schedules. The Chamber of Commerce isn't in the baseball business and decided that it was a matter for baseball fans to settle. So the committee named above was appointed to find out about it and to handle the proposition if the people want the game.

Gastonia was once upon a time one of the hottest baseball burgs in the country. Fans will remember that first and furious summer of 1913 when we mixed up with Morganton, Red Springs and other points and still better that famous day when Gastonia put Big Chief Bender in the box and put it over Morganton before one of the biggest crowds ever gathered together in Gastonia county. Stores closed and the town shut up shop for the afternoon. Every one was at the game.

The war is over now and if old-time fans want to see some big league stuff dished up on the Gastonia diamond it is up to them to tell some member of the committee about it right away.

### Mr. Joe Holland Locates Here.

Mr. Joe L. Holland has accepted a position in the offices of the Spencer Lumber Co., Standard Knitting Mills and Mo-Ho Brick Co. Mr. Holland was recently discharged from the army, having been for some time in the chemical department of a large government munition plant at Nitro, W. Va. He entered the service soon after graduating from Wofford College, Spartanburg, S. C., last spring. He is a brother of Mr. J. M. Holland, of the above mentioned firm, and has spent most of his life in Gastonia. He has a host of friends here who will be glad to know that he has decided to locate in Gastonia, choosing Gastonia over a number of other places where he had good business opportunities.

### SUNNYSIDE NEWS.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

BESSEMER CITY, Route 1, Feb. 7. Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Kiser, of Kannapolis, were visitors in this section Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Kiser were Gastonia visitors Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Stroup spent Sunday at the home of Mr. T. M. Hovis.

Mrs. C. A. Witherspoon and family were the guests of Mrs. S. L. Kiser Sunday.

Mr. E. H. Biggerstaff and son, Palmer, were Gastonia visitors Tuesday.

A singing given by Misses Pearl and Florence Kiser Sunday afternoon was enjoyed by many.

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Murray and Mr. Robert Murray visited homefolks Sunday.

Quite a number of young people enjoyed a party given by Miss Elizabeth Harmon Tuesday night in honor of her friends, Misses Zoe and Mary Kiser, of Gastonia, who are spending a few weeks with homefolks now.

Mr. E. H. Biggerstaff and family spent Sunday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Biggerstaff, of Lincolnton, route five.

Misses Mae and Maggie Kiser, of Bessemer City, were the guests Sunday of Miss Geneva Kiser.

### WEST END METHODIST.

Preaching at West End church at 11 a. m.; at Franklin Avenue church at 7 p. m. by the pastor, Rev. E. P. Stabler.

### The Main Question.

"Of course, you can support my daughter in the style to which she has been accustomed," said the weary-looking father, "but can you support her in the style to which she has been accustomed, but to which she feels that she is fully entitled to become accustomed?"

### Reputation and Character.

Reputation is what men think you are, character is what you are. Both are important, but character is indispensable to success. Without character you are not likely to have a good reputation—very long.

### Many Varieties of Timber.

Burma grows over a hundred varieties of every sort of timber. Yet up to last year she exported her rubber in packing cases made of wood imported from Japan. It has now been found that they can be made locally at about half the cost.

### Optimistic Thought.

Merit does not always receive its reward.

## STATE OFFERS REWARD OF \$200 FOR MEN WANTED

Solicitor George W. Wilson of this district received a letter yesterday from Governor Bickett stating that the State would supplement the rewards offered by Gaston county for Jack Bridges and Randolph Stephens, the two white men wanted for shooting Deputy Sheriff J. W. Cole, to the extent of \$200, of which amount \$150 is for the arrest of Bridges and \$50 for the arrest of Stephens. This brings the total of the rewards offered for the two men up to \$700. The county offers \$450 for Bridges and \$150 for Stephens.

Sheriff J. W. Carroll is today sending out notices of these rewards to officers all over Western North Carolina and it is expected that in a short time the desired results will be obtained.

Deputy Sheriff Cole, the wounded man, is still at the City Hospital where his condition is reported as satisfactory.

### SMITH-FORD MARRIAGE LAST NIGHT.

Mr. Clarence Smith, a well-known young Gastonian, and Miss Jeanette Ford were married at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Ford, at Mayworth, this county, last evening at 8 o'clock. The marriage came as a surprise to the majority of the friends of the contracting parties, only a very few of their intimate friends being in on the secret. The ceremony was marked by simplicity throughout and was witnessed only by a few relatives and friends. Rev. A. Burgess, the bride's pastor, performed the ceremony.

Those attending from Gastonia were Dr. J. A. Anderson, Miss Addie Perry, Miss Lola Wilson, Mrs. Price Ford and Miss Ollie Hatchford. Mrs. Dana Caldwell, of Columbia, S. C., a sister of the groom was also present. Mr. and Mrs. Smith left on No. 35 last night for a bridal trip to Savannah, Ga.

Mr. Smith holds a position with the Gastonia Book Store. Some months ago he enlisted in a hospital unit from which he received his discharge some time ago. The bride is a trained nurse, having been graduated from the City Hospital Training School for Nurses here last year since which time she has been doing private nursing at Mayworth. Both have a host of friends who congratulate them upon the happy event.

### From Pvt. L. W. Avery.

Following are some extracts from a letter which Mr. Clarence Avery, of Dallas, recently received from his brother, L. W. Avery:

France, Dec. 10, 1918.

Dear Brother: Well Clarence, I think I will get back home before long if nothing else happens. I took a boat ride the other day and it sure was a fine ride. I sure would love to be there to go to preaching in Dallas. I go to preaching over here most every Sunday. Tell me how you are living—near right as I know how. I am a better boy since I came in the army because I know now how to appreciate the Lord's good works, for I believe He has taken care of me in my ways since I have been over here. I don't want you all to think that I am rough and rowdy, for I am not. I am just the same now as I was when I left home, only better in some ways. From your brother, L. W. AVERY.

### Wire's Long Stretch.

While S. E. Wharton of Boston was traveling in Switzerland his attention was called to the longest unsupported telegraph wire he had ever seen. It crosses in one span the Lake of Walenstadt, being fastened to two iron towers which are almost 8,000 feet apart. The line is made of steel and that section of it closest to the lake is more than 100 feet above the surface of the water.

### Tangan-Tangan Weed.

The tangen-tangan weed or vine of the Philippines is the source of a valuable lubricating oil. Those interested in the wild growth claim that 1,000,000 gallons of the oil can be produced in one year, while cultivation will greatly increase the output. Besides its value as a lubricator for delicate machinery, tangen-tangan oil is prized by the natives for its medicinal properties.

### Shedding Light.

There are persons whose very presence spells cheer and inspiration. There may be times when we can do nothing to help our friends, but we can always be something to help them if our own lamp of faith and love burns clear.

### Worse'n Job.

Said the facetious fellow: "When it comes to genuine misfortune that much advertised giraffe with sore throat is slow traffic compared with a centipede for corns."

### Appropriately Directed.

"I met a sailor on the road," writes F. G. E., "and asked him if he could direct me to the Woodlawn cemetery. Turning, he pointed back and said with nautical brevity, 'Dead ahead.'—Boston Transcript.

## YESTERDAY'S TELEGRAPHIC NEWS

(By International News Service.)

PASSAIC, N. J., Feb. 6. — Four thousand additional woolen workers struck today, bringing the total out to ten thousand. They demand a forty-four hour week and increased pay.

WEIMAR, GERMANY, Feb. 6. — The majority socialists are expected to appoint Ebert as president of Germany and Scheideman as premier.

WARSAW, Feb. 6. Reports state that all the Ravitch-Bukonovo railway has been taken by the Poles. The lines runs through eastern Prussia.

SEATTLE, WASH., Feb. 6. — America's first city-wide general strike started in Seattle at ten this morning. Although the walkout was not sanctioned by the National Union, its officers are involved. In sympathy with 25,000 striking metal tradesmen, thirty thousand other workers struck today, throwing fifty thousand to sixty thousand idle. Street cars and jitneys have stopped.

LONDON, Feb. 6. — The strike has spread to the London and Brighton railway. Continuous conferences are being held on the labor situation between members of the government and Lloyd George, in Paris, who is keeping in touch with the Senator by telephone. It is reported that a decision has been reached to fight the Bolshevik element. Efforts of the extremists to call a general strike of Manchester engineers has thus far failed. The Great Western Railway employees struck this afternoon. London's electrical workers voted today to strike.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6. — The conference report on the five billion and a half dollars revenue bill for the taxable years 1919 and 1920 was submitted to the House this afternoon. Taxes are laid on almost every conceivable article and taxes hit the American pocketbook from soda water to movies. Little difficulty is expected in securing the adoption of the report by both the House and the Senate. As reported today the bill will raise five and a half billion this year and four and three quarter billions in 1920. The normal income tax for the last year is twelve per cent on incomes over four thousand, six per cent under that. Single persons with incomes under one thousand are exempt; married persons with incomes under two thousand, with a credit of two hundred for each dependent. Those hugely profiting out of the war are taxed eighty per cent of last year's profits, minus the average profits in 1911, twelve and thirteen. Stamp taxes are placed on every conceivable document. Postage rates return to one cent on post cards and two cents on letters.

WEIMAR, GERMANY, Feb. 6. — The Socialists attempted to occupy the telegraph office but were defeated and fled. The national assembly is convening today. Delegates from Alsace are here but it is yet undecided if they will be seated.

PARIS, Feb. 6. Progress toward the creation of a League of Nations is so rapid as President Wilson and other members of the American commission desire, as is learned authoritatively today. The President is apprehensive lest he may have to depart for Washington before the full text of the league is agreed upon. The principal hitch seems to be over compulsory arbitration. Americans believe there should be compulsory arbitration of all international differences.

LAWRENCE, MASS., Feb. 6. Two cuts by strikers and sympathizers of the textile workers took place this morning. Many strikers, both men and women, bombarded a police automobile with vicious missiles, but none was seriously hurt. Mounted police attempted to keep another crowd moving but the men and women turned the horses away. Two arrests were made.

### Work With a Will.

Whatever your work, do not wait to "feel just like it," before you begin to do your best. If you wait for inspiration you are doomed. Disregard your moods. Pay no attention to your feelings. If it is time to work, set about it, not half-heartedly, but with the whole-souled energy which is an admirable substitute for enthusiasm. To wait till you feel like it before you do your best, is to waste life and power.

### Avoid Unprofitable Moods.

Angry moods and "grudges" serve absolutely no purpose. If some one hurts or wounds us generously forget it. Time heals the deepest cuts and makes us braver and wiser for the experience. Let us love life and its worth-while things and avoid all unprofitable moods. Otherwise happiness will never come our way, and if we search for it, it will flee from us like a phantom, for after all it is the state of our mind.

### Impossibilities.

We cannot vote right into wrong, or wrong into right.—Froude.

## BIG PROBLEMS TACKLED BY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Steps Taken Looking Towards Improvement in Housing Conditions—Y. M. C. A. Movement Endorsed—Other Important Items.

Definitely launching a movement to better housing conditions by providing for a committee to be headed by Capt. W. L. Balthus to take it up, endorsing the securing of a Y. M. C. A. for Gastonia, urging the taking out of more building and loan stock as a means toward securing more homes, and urging further improvements at the Southern Railway passenger station, the board of directors of the Gastonia Chamber of Commerce held a busy session lasting over one hour and a half yesterday afternoon. A volume of routine business was also disposed of. Present at the meeting were President J. H. Kennedy, First Vice-President Fred L. Smyre, Treasurer S. N. Boyce, Directors J. W. Atkins, W. D. Anderson, R. B. Balington, E. J. Rankin, J. White Ware.

An excellent report was received from the Department of Civic Affairs, A. K. Winget, director, asking that the endorsement of a Y. M. C. A., presenting the report of the sub-committee on housing, W. L. Balthus, E. B. Brittain and C. M. Combs, and other matters. The findings of the committee on housing were well prepared, plans being submitted. The prosecution of the plans proposed will be placed in the hands of a special committee to be headed by Capt. Balthus.

A special committee of three was named to report back with recommendations regarding the annual dinner.

A report was received from the Department of Publicity, J. W. Atkins, director, regarding booklets and other needed publicity material, which was received with approval.

John L. Beul was elected as councillor representing the organization in the United States Chamber of Commerce for the year.

## SHORT LOCAL ITEMS

Mrs. W. F. Boyd and daughter, Miss Lulu Boyd, of the Point section, are shopping in the city today.

Mr. W. B. Biddle, of Bowling Green, who has been seriously ill for some days from pneumonia, following an accident in which he broke a leg, is reported today as being somewhat better.

Mr. A. Butler and Mrs. Anna Rogers, both of Gastonia, were married Tuesday night at the parsonage of West End Methodist church, 1-26 West Franklin avenue, Rev. E. P. Stabler officiating.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Longford have as their guest the former's sister, Mrs. W. W. Stanley, of Greensboro. Mrs. Stanley will sing at the First Presbyterian church Sunday morning.

Mr. J. Stacy Boyce returned Sunday from Hampton Roads, Va., where he has been stationed for the past several months as a yeoman in the navy. He was attached to the paymaster's department. Mr. Boyce is a son of Mr. and Mrs. S. N. Boyce, of this city, and has a host of friends who are glad to know that he has received his discharge and is back home to stay. He has not yet decided what he will do.

Capt. John B. Reinhardt is at home on a brief furlough from an army hospital in New York and is being greeted by his many friends. This is his first visit home since he returned from overseas. Captain Reinhardt left here as captain of Company B but when that company was transferred to the engineers he was made captain of an infantry company. He was wounded several times but is getting along o. k. and expects to be discharged soon.

One of the handsomest new fronts in the city is that of the Gastonia Hardware Company on West Main avenue, just completed. The outside work is of white glazed tiling of a fancy type and gives the building an imposing appearance. The show windows are the largest in town and are handsomely finished in oak and are splendidly lighted. One feels safe in saying that there is not a handsomer hardware store in Western North Carolina than this one.

Much interest is being manifested in the protracted meeting which has been in progress for the past two weeks at Ranlo under the direction of Rev. W. T. Albright. There has been a large number of conversions and the results have been most gratifying. Rev. Jim Green, who began the meeting, became ill and was forced to return home. Mr. Albright, Rev. A. L. Stanford and Rev. J. F. Kirk have been doing the preaching. A society will be organized Sunday at this point with Rev. W. T. Albright, assistant pastor of Main Street Methodist church, in charge.

### Pine Leaf Paper.

It has been estimated that if the immense waste were eliminated, the daily output of the long-leaf pine industry would be 4,000 tons of paper, 3,000 tons of rosin, 300,000 gallons of turpentine, and 600,000 gallons of ethyl.

## LONDON STRIKERS REFUSE TO RETURN TO WORK

(By International News Service.)

LONDON, Feb. 7.—Subway employees refused to obey the orders of their leaders to return to work despite the fact that the strike is settled. It is reported this morning that the electrical workers threaten some surprising stoppages tonight.

## RIOTING SPARTACIDES MAKE SERIOUS THREATS

(By International News Service.)

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 7.—Serious rioting by the Spartacides is occurring near Weimar and elsewhere in Germany. The rioters are equipped with thousands of guns and are well supplied with money. In perpetrating their outrages the Spartacides are threatening to shoot every third person and to imprison every fifth among the railroaders refusing to transport Red troops towards Bremen.

## THE FRENCH AGREE TO COMPULSORY ARBITRATION

(By International News Service.)

PARIS, Feb. 7.—France is reported today as being willing to waive her objections to the compulsory arbitration clause in the constitution of the League of Nations on the assurance that the United States will take such action as will make the League a vital thing, and above all else France desires that Alsace and Lorraine be secured against future attacks. The league committee has been expanded to allow further representation by the smaller nations in order to overcome opposition when the plenary session of the peace conference begins. It seems likely that the United States' contention that all questions be submitted to an international tribunal created by the League of Nations will be adopted. It is reported that the big four powers have agreed that Belgium is to have two billion dollars indemnity, the first installment to be payable immediately.

Mr. Middleton to Speak.

Mr. E. L. Middleton, of Raleigh, will conduct three services at the Loyal Baptist church tomorrow and Sunday. The first service will be at 7:30 tomorrow night and the other two at 11 a. m. and 2:30 p. m. Sunday. Mr. Middleton is secretary of the Sunday school work of the Baptist State Convention and his addresses will be devoted to Sunday school work.

### Musical Shower.

The Gastonia Music Club will receive any small musical instruments such as mandolins, guitars, as well as good catchy sheet music or music books suitable for the soldiers in the various convalescent hospitals. Mrs. Fred D. Barkley is chairman of the committee having this matter in charge and persons who wish to make any contribution may notify Mrs. Barkley and the articles will be sent for.

### PRINCE HEADS REVOLUTION.

(By International News Service.)

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 7.—Prince Wilhelm is leading a pro-Hoheuzollern revolution at Sigmaringen, Prussia.

### Cave Dwellers in France.

In prehistoric times, when man had to fight with wild beasts not only for food but for life, he found a welcome refuge in grottoes and caverns. But as soon as humanity had achieved some degree of progress in civilization our ancestors forsook these primitive natural shelters for more comfortable dwellings. Our readers, therefore, remarks the Scientific American, doubtless imagine that the troglodytes ceased to exist many centuries ago, at any rate in Europe. Yet even today there may be found Frenchmen who live underground only a few hundred kilometers from Paris.

### Making Them Comfortable.

Ethel, who was ten years old, was studying her reader and learned that fish are placed in brine before they are dried and prepared for sale. After explaining that brine is very salt water, the teacher asked why the fish were placed in it. Ethel's face was illumined with sudden understanding, and she promptly replied: "Because they are used to salt water!"

### Perhaps.

Lucky is the man who marries a widow whose first husband was mean to her.—Chicago Evening Post.