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NEW OFFICERS WERE ELECTED

Mr. Markham Again the President of Durham Merchants

SECRETARY RESIGNS

No One Has Yet Been Elected to Take His Position

At the regular meeting of the Merchants association last night Mr. L. B. Markham was elected president to succeed himself. Other officers elected were, first vice president, R. A. Knight; second vice president, D. W. Horton; treasurer, J. W. Bright; board of directors elected were Messrs. W. H. Muse, J. H. Sneed, R. A. Knight, Orin Lloyd and Harry Lehman.

The resignation of Mr. C. W. Stallings as secretary of the association has been tendered, but not yet accepted, until the directors are able to get some one to take his place he will continue in that capacity. Mr. Stallings is the first man to serve the association as secretary who devoted all of his time to the work, and the growth of the association as well as the especially fine system established in the office is due in no small measure to his efforts.

That the association has been very much pleased with the work that was done during the past year, and the present condition of the organization is evidenced by the fact that Mr. Luther B. Markham was continued as the administrative head for another year. His administration has done very fine work, and today the association is in very much better shape than it has ever been. A secretary has been employed for all of his time, and there are now more members than ever before. Mr. Markham was unable to attend the meeting last night on account of sickness. The meeting was presided over by Mr. J. D. Pridden.

It will be recalled that at the recent meeting of the state association of merchants in Durham, Mr. Markham was made president of that big organization. He has appointed the directors of that association, and is now making preparations to move the headquarters for the association from Charlotte to Durham.

In addition to looking after the mutual interests of the merchants, or taking up those things which affected them directly and in particular, the association, during the past year has entered actively into the life of the city, as the following resolutions will show:

"Whereas the Commercial club, the Merchants' association and other public spirited citizens of Durham have rendered valuable assistance to the Alumnae association in their endeavor looking toward the establishment of a woman's college in connection with Trinity college, and

"Whereas they have indicated their willingness to co-operate further in the canvass for the raising of funds for this purpose:

Be it resolved,
"1. That the trustees rejoice in this practical expression of the loyalty of Durham's commercial organizations and citizens to this great educational institution in the city.
"2. That we thank them most heartily for the enthusiastic aid already rendered and also for the assurance of their continued interest in this important undertaking.
"3. That the trustees of the college recognize the fact that the establishment of such a college would result in incalculable good and hope to see the long cherished desire and faithful work for this woman's college reach a successful issue.

(Signed) "H. A. PAGE,
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SPORTS

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one to Meadows who could barely touch it with his hands. Joe Gorham ran over behind Meadows, picked the ball up and shot it to second for an out. It was a brilliant bit of feinting. Williams retired the side when he failed to connect with three of Meadows' benders.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

President Saw Senators Lose. Washington, July 14.—President Wilson, accompanied by Dr. Greyson, secret service men and an escort of reporters, watched Detroit defeat the Nationals today 2 to 0. This was the first time this season the president appeared at the American league park.

Detroit's victory regains for them the second place in the American league standing. Although Washington outlit the Tigers, reckless base running cost them the game. Ty Cobb appeared for the first time in three weeks and failed to get a hit. The Score: R H E Detroit 2 8 0 Washington 0 8 4 Batteries: Dubuc and Stange; Ayres and Henry.

Shore Makes His Debut.

Boston, July 14.—Ernest Shore, one of the three new \$25,000 players the Red Sox secured from the Baltimore club last week, made his big league debut in the box today and pitching a remarkable game, beat the Cleveland, 2 to 1.

Shore is 6 feet 4 inches tall and was as cool as an iceberg in the box. The Naps did not get a hit until the sixth inning, when O'Neal tripled to center. The other safety came in the ninth and was a scratch hit.

The Score: R H E Cleveland 1 2 2 Boston 2 8 1 Batteries: Stein and O'Neal; Shore and Cadey.

Chicago-New York postponed, rain. St. Louis-Philadelphia postponed, rain.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Boston, 2; St. Louis, 3.

St. Louis, July 14.—With one out in the ninth inning and two on, Riggert's hit gave St. Louis the deciding run. The Score: R H E Boston 2 12 2 St. Louis 3 8 1 Batteries: Tyler and Whaling; Perdue and Snyder.

Giants Take Ragged Game.

Chicago, July 14.—The Giants took a poorly played game from the Cubs, 12 to 8, today. The Score: R H E New York 12 13 2 Chicago 8 13 5 Batteries: Demaree and McLean; Cheney and Bresnahan.

Phillies and Reds Split Even.

Cincinnati, July 14.—Philadelphia and Cincinnati broke even in a double header this afternoon, the visitors taking the first contest, 5 to 3, and losing the second, 5 to 3.

First game, score: R H E Philadelphia 5 11 0 Cincinnati 3 9 1 Batteries: Alexander and Kilfer; Yingling and Erwin.

Second game, score: R H E Philadelphia 2 5 1 Cincinnati 5 10 1 Batteries: Tincup and Burns; Benton and Erwin.

Brooklyn-Pittsburg postponed, wet grounds.

Conductor Ran Blind Tiger.

Featuring the session of municipal court yesterday morning was the arraignment of Capt. J. L. Lannehan, a freight conductor on the Norfolk and Western, on a charge of retailing, which resulted in his being convicted and fined \$150 and the costs. The case grew out of the arrest last Friday night of Will Reynolds, colored by Officers Wilson, Mathews and Wooten.

The police department had been informed that whiskey was being dispensed from one of the cabs that stand near the corner of Fifth and Vine streets and upon the information, officers were stationed Friday night to watch the cabs, with the result that Reynolds was arrested. The officers saw him approach the cab and receive a suit case. After following him for some distance they arrested him and found that the suit case contained four gallons of whiskey. When placed on the stand, Reynolds testified that he received the whiskey from Mr. Lannehan and that he gave the money to another man at the request of the defendant. Reynolds stated that he had purchased whiskey from Lannehan on other occasions and other witnesses were introduced who testified that they had also purchased whiskey from him. Lucy Jackson, colored, testified that she had sent Reynolds to the cab for the whiskey, but did not know from whom it was purchased.—Winston Journal.

It Helps the Cause

The interstate commerce commission's report on its investigation into the management of the New Haven railroad scores the directors for ruining this valuable piece of property. It is such criminal negligence on the part of directors that lends impetus to the cause of government ownership of railroads.—Raleigh Times.

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