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MASONS HAD BIG TIME AT AYDEN THURS.

BARBECUE DINNER — SPEECHES BY SEVERAL NOTED MEN — SUPPER AT 8 P. M.

The votaries of Masonry in Pitt county never experienced a more enjoyable day nor a day filled with more interest and instruction in the principles of the order than in the great gathering at Ayden on Thursday, the 19th. Every one of the ten lodges in the county was largely represented, and several from neighboring counties were present, swelling the attendance to above two hundred and fifty.

The occasion was the organization of a fifth district meeting composed of all the lodges in Pitt county, and this was the first annual session. Through the leadership of District Deputy Grand Master John H. Cheek and his excellent co-workers in Ayden lodge, the arrangements for the district meeting had been well planned and were carried out admirably.

The Masons assembled in Ayden's splendid temple promptly at 10 o'clock and after the formal opening there was an address of welcome by Mr. David R. Hollowell, of Ayden, and response by Judge E. M. Wooten, of Greenville. Then there were brief speeches on various topics of interest to the fraternity, and the morning session closed with a question box conducted by Worshipful Master H. E. Austin, of Sharon lodge, Greenville.

The call coming from labor to refreshments at 12:30, all repaired to one of the tobacco warehouses where a bountiful barbecue dinner awaited them.

The first work of the afternoon session was the selection of officers for the district meeting for the next year. District Deputy Grand Master John H. Cheek continued in this office by virtue of appointment from the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, and the other officers elected were as follows:

District grand senior warden, J. C. Galloway, of Grimesland lodge; district grand junior warden, H. E. Austin, of Sharon lodge, Greenville; district grand treasurer, W. B. Wilson, of Greenville lodge; district grand secretary, S. A. Jenkins, of Ayden lodge.

The place of holding the next annual meeting was left to a committee which is to report in October. Both the lodges of Greenville united in an invitation for the meeting to be held here.

The most progressive step taken by the district meeting, and one that will prove a lasting monument to Masonry in Pitt county, was the decision to create a loan fund of \$1,000 to be used by girls in getting an education at East Carolina Teachers Training School. The subject was discussed with enthusiasm, and the vote to establish the fund was carried unanimously. Mr. A. G. Cox, of Winterville, was made treasurer of the loan fund, and a committee of one from each lodge in the county will have charge of raising the fund.

At 4 o'clock the Masons went in procession from the temple to the Methodist church, where after a most fitting introduction by Representative J. C. Galloway, of Grimesland, an oration was delivered by Hon. R. C. Dunn, of Eufield. Mr. Dunn is grand orator of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, and by special request he repeated the same oration that he delivered at the last session of the Grand Lodge. It

CASWELL ASKEW SUICIDED TODAY IN NEW BERN

AGED MAN CUT HIS OWN THROAT WITH A POCKET KNIFE, MAKING JAGGED WOUND.

(By Wire to The Reflector.)

New Bern, Aug. 26.—Caswell Askew, white, aged 74, committed suicide here this morning at his home on South Front street. Mr. Askew cut his throat with a pocket knife, making a jagged wound and severing his jugular vein. He was found in his room.

Mr. Askew is a native of Trenton, N. C., but had resided here for some time.

At a coroner's inquest this morning it was learned that he was the owner of considerable property in Jones county. No reason was assigned for the rash act, other than that he suffered from stomach trouble, and probable despondency caused him to take his own life.

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was a most beautiful tribute to Masonry and what it stands for, yet in closing the speaker spared not those members of the order who are remiss in their duties in failing to live up to its principles, or who by their negligence permit the entrance of those who are unworthy.

Again a little before 8 o'clock all repaired to the warehouse, where the ladies of Ayden had provided a banquet. It had been intended at this banquet to have responses to several toasts with Mr. R. C. Flanagan as toastmaster, but at the conclusion of the reposit be announced that as the day had been so full of work and good things, and there was yet to come the address of Attorney General T. W. Bickett to which all were looking, rather than make the hour of dispersing too late the toasts would be omitted.

The next assemblage was in the large auditorium of the Free Will Baptist Seminary for the address of General Bickett. After a song by a select quartet, the speaker was introduced by Mr. A. G. Cox, of Winterville, in well chosen words. Though he omitted to call the speaker's name in closing, the reference to him as the next governor of North Carolina was sufficient and was greeted with a burst of applause. Mr. Bickett spoke for an hour and his address was indeed beautiful. It was filled with admonitions to right living—being just to your neighbor and true to your self—and was inspiring to every hearer.

Ayden certainly touched the heart of every visitor to the district meeting. Nothing that could be desired was overlooked and the hospitality was without bounds. The people of that good town vied with each other in attention to their guests and saw that every comfort was provided. Ayden calls itself a little town great with opportunity, but it is greater still in genuine hospitality.

AUTO TURNS OVER AND SLIGHTLY INJURES OCCUPANTS

TWO YOUNG MEN ATTEMPT TO SHOOT UP THE TOWN OF BELHAVEN AND GET THEMSELVES ARRESTED.

(By Wire to The Reflector.)

Washington, Aug. 26.—White enroute from this city to New Bern yesterday evening, the automobile of Mr. Shaw Bonner turned turtle about half way between here and New Bern.

The car was occupied by Mr. Bonner, who was driving; Teal Paul and Gray Paul, and while going at a lively clip, struck a hog, swerving, ran into a ditch and turned over. Three of the occupants were pinned under the car, which at once caught on fire. For a time it seemed as if they would not be extricated, but after herculean efforts, they were taken out just as a violent explosion made dust of the large car.

All members of the party received wounds and cuts, though none of them are thought to be in a precarious condition.

Reports from Belhaven this morning, indicate that two young men in a buggy took it upon themselves to shoot up the town of Belhaven last night, but were arrested by Policeman Dillon and taken before the mayor where they were fined seven and five dollars, respectively.

DARE DEVIL MAKES CLIMB

MADE A SUCCESSFUL CLIMB OF THE COURTHOUSE YESTERDAY EVENING.

More than a thousand people crowded around the courthouse square yesterday evening at 6:30 o'clock to watch H. H. Gardener, the Virginia Dare Devil, make good his declaration that he would climb to the top of the courthouse.

Gardener started at one corner of the building, easily scaled it to the roof, vaulted over the cornice and trotted up the roof to the dome. Here he experienced a little difficulty in getting a secure hold on the cornice, but he finally managed to get over.

The Dare Devil's climb certainly was marvellous to the people of Greenville, and many of them gave out exclamations of wonder at the spectacular exhibition.

A BOY IS RUN OVER BY AN AUTOMOBILE

(By Wire to The Reflector.) Rocky Mount, Aug. 26.—While attempting to alight from his father's automobile here yesterday evening, George Hales, 8 years old, was thrown under the car, the wheels passing over his body and crushing his collar bone. The boy is in a precarious condition.

UNCLE SAM GIVES TO HAITI AMPLE TIME EXTENSION

MR. LANGSING WILL NOT DISCUSS TREATY AS SUBMITTED TO THE HAITIEN PEOPLE.

Washington, Aug. 25.—Word came from Port Au Prince today that Charge Davis, of the American legation, had extended until tomorrow night the time for action by the Haitian parliament on the proposed treaty to establish for 10 years an American financial protectorate over the island republic.

Noon today had been fixed by the charge as the time by which he would expect approval of the treaty drafts submitted by the United States. The Haitians protested, however, against such a limit on debate in parliament and the extension was granted. Officials here did not comment on press reports that the parliament and ministry threatened to resign if the American government insisted upon immediate action.

Secretary Lansing made a statement today explaining the purpose the United States had in proposing and pressing the treaty with Haiti at this time. He said the Washington government was acting from wholly disinterested motives to save the little republic from ruin through never ending activities of so-called revolutionists for whom the country's revenues offered spoils. The Secretary declared there was no foundation for reports that the proposed convention would give the United States Mole St. Nicholas as a naval base.

While Mr. Langsing would not discuss the treaty, it is known that it provides for American agents in charge of the ten custom houses, three of which, those at Port Au Prince, St. Marc, Cape Haitien have already been taken over by Rear Admiral Caperton.

Solon Menos, the Haitian minister, conferred with Mr. Langsing during the day and presented a communication from his government requesting an explanation of certain points in the American proposals.

Although the minister would not discuss the negotiations he said that he felt sure that his government was anxious to bring about an understanding with the United States as speedily as possible. He made it clear that his government did not oppose the attempt of the United States to bring about peace and reconciliation in the island. Riots and uprisings, he explained, were in many cases due to ignorance of the intentions of the United States and a misunderstanding of the presence of American troops on Haitian soil.

"I hope and desire," said the minister, "that a real entente will be created between the two peoples, but such an entente is only possible when both sides make concessions."

The government of Argentina has employed a Japanese expert to conduct an extensive campaign to increase the production throughout the republic.

THE GERMAN ARMY STORMS WAY FORWARD AND CRUSHES CZAR'S TROOPS AROUND BREST LITOVSK

Great Army of General Von Mackensen Organizes Itself For a Rush on the Lines of Czar's Troops and Makes a Successful Onslaught, Capturing an Important Russian Position.

Berlin, Aug. 26, via London.—The Russian advanced positions to the southwest of the fortress of Brest-Litovsk were broken through yesterday by the Germans, according to an official announcement given out today by the army headquarters staff.

The text of the statement follows: "In the western theatre. "In the Champagne district we successfully exploded several mines. "In the Vosges an attack made by the enemy on Schrammehle was repelled with hand grenades and south-east of Sondernach that part of the trench sections which we lost on August 17, was recaptured.

"A German battle aviator shot down a French biplane near Nieupoort. "In the eastern theatre: "Army group of Field Marshal Von Hindenburg: North of the Niemen river 750 Russians were taken prisoners during successful engagements in the neighborhood of Birsht.

"The army under Von Eichhorn is advancing victoriously towards the east, fighting all the way. This army captured 1,500 Russians and took several machine guns.

"The army of General Von Schilz reached Berecowa, captured Knyazyu and crossed the Narw river to the south of Tykocin.

"The army of General Von Gallwitz captured the Narw river crossing on the Sokoly-Bialstok high road. Its right wing has reached Oriakka after having driven back the enemy. The army took more than 4,700 prisoners, including eighteen officers and nine machine guns.

"Army group of Prince Leopold, of Bavaria: Yesterday the enemy attempted in vain to bring out pursuit to a standstill. He was attacked and thrown back into Bialowieska forest. South of this fore four troops reached the region to the east of Wierschowicze. We captured more than 1,700 prisoners.

"Army group of Field Marshal Von Mackensen: Pursuing the defeated enemy this army group is approaching the hills on the western bank of the Bestna, north of Brest-Litovsk. On the southeastern front of Brest-Litovsk, at Dobynka, the Austro-Hungarian and German troops broke through the advanced positions of the fortress yesterday.

"On the eastern bank of the Bug, northeast of Vladova, parts of the army of General Von Lansingen are advancing towards the north, fighting all the way.

"Serious Battle Near Plescha and Kovel. Petrograd, Aug. 25, via London, 3 p. m.—The garrison of Ossowetz joined the Russian field army on August 22, evacuating the fortress after blowing up the permanent fortifications, burning the wooden structures and removing or crippling the guns, thus ending a year of defense of the principal crossing of the Bobr river.

War office officials pointed out that

POLLOCK CASE IS CONTINUED

COURT TODAY ENGAGED ON FORBES' WILL CASE—STARTED IT YESTERDAY.

Yesterday evening the court took up the case in regard to the last will and testament of R. W. Forbes, and it was still at work on this case today at 12 o'clock.

The murder case of S. M. Pollock, charged with the murder of a policeman by the name of Smith at Farmville, about two years ago has been continued until the November term of court.

A cover has been invented for cooking utensils which clamps in place and is provided with a strainer through which boiling liquid can be safely poured.

SAY HILL IS INSANE MAN

MAN ON CHARGE FOR MURDER ADJUDGED INSANE BY FOUR EXPERTS.

(By Wire to The Reflector.)

Kinston, Aug. 26.—Cooper Hill, on trial here in Superior Court on a charge of murder in the first degree, was declared insane today at 2 o'clock by four experts, who have been examining him as to his sanity.

One of the experts stated that it would be doubtful if Hill ever regained his right mind. He will be sent to the State Prison for the Dangerous Insane.

the fortress was especially adapted for defense because of the marshes that surround it, but that this fact would be one working to its disadvantage when the fortress was cut off from the army, after the abandonment of the line of the Bobr, Ossowetz ceased to have importance in the view of the army officials. Bialystok is still in Russian hands, but a large part of the railway from the north and west is in the hands of the Germans and they are expected to make every effort to extend their lines toward Grodno, the next fortress of importance.