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SALUBRIOUS SALUDA POPULAR RESORT

MORE GUESTS THAN EVER BEFORE THIS SEASON AND STILL COMING

SEASON EXPECTED TO BE EXTENDED

Many Hotels Will Remain Open Longer Than Usual to Accommodate the Late Comers

If I were asked, why would you go to Saluda to spend the summer, I would reply: Saludas salubrious climate. On the mountain tops at an altitude of 2,250 feet, at its lowest point, makes the air exhilarating and invigorating. The days never get oppressively hot and the nights are always cool.

Next of importance is the pure, sparkling, mountain spring water, coming from an uncontaminated source, from Judas Peak, by gravity pressure. Saludas sewer system is so vigilant in carrying out the strictest laws. Not a case of typhoid fever last summer nor local malaria. Mosquitos are seldom seen and flies are few, thanks to the efficient health authorities.

The new electric light system, being installed at a great cost to the city, will be completed at an early date, making another drawing card. The simple life can be lived here. The homes, hotels and boarding houses are tucked away in virgin woods, making enchanting surroundings for an ideal vacation, close to nature.

The seven miles of concrete pavements and the good roads makes it pleasant to get around in Saluda, in any weather.

The new highway from Saluda to Tryon, constructed through the mountains, following the Pacolet River, is one of the most beautiful scenic roads in the country. This highway is a part of a link that connects Asheville, N. C., with Spartanburg, S. C. It cost an immense sum of money to construct. The trip from Saluda to Tryon, 12 miles away, has enticed world travellers. The road was blasted through great granite boulders and most of the bridges have natural abutments.

The scenery is magnificent. No driver can do justice to Saludas scenery. A little journey to Judas Peak, Piney Mountain, Blakes Peak, Pinet Falls and many others, in easy walking distance, is worth traveling miles to see. For a days outing, take a trip to Green River Cove, that wonderful country, 1,000 feet lower than Saluda, where any fruit or vegetable can be grown, where Green River, a swift mountain stream dashes over rocks and falls. This trip is full of surprises for the lover of the great outdoors. Books could be written about Saluda scenery.

I must say something of the people who meet in Saluda. They are the most hospitable, kindly and unselfish people one would care to meet. The visitors come from all parts of the country. People of culture and refinement, no ostentation. They come to Saluda for quiet and rest and they get it.

Saluda is well supplied with good markets, soda fountains and excellent telephone system, connected with the Bell Long Distance. The Western Union Telegraph office is open day and night. The Southern Railway offers the tourist the best of service. The Carolina Special, that luxurious train, from Cincinnati to Charleston, makes both stops at Saluda.

Two resident physicians and surgeons, a doctor of Mechano-Therapy and an infants and childrens sanitarium, in charge of a specialist in child hood diseases, look after the health of visitors and residents. Saluda has innumerable hotels and boarding houses, furnished and unfurnished cottages for rent. The hotels and boarding places have homelike surroundings, clean rooms, modern equipment, excellent fare and low rates. In fact, it does not cost a fortune to pay the bill. A directory of hotels will be found in The News and you may bank on it that any one of them will treat you right. Come to Saluda and you will come home.

Hotel Directory

You will make no mistake in selecting one of these excellent places to spend your vacation in The Land of the Sky.

The Carolina Home

MRS. W. C. ROBERTSON, Proprietress

Central location. Baths. Commercial rate \$2 per day. Weekly rate \$7 to \$8.

SALUDA, N. C.

The Charles

MRS. J. W. LaMOTTE

Rates: Commercial \$2 per day. Weekly \$7 to \$10. Special Family Rates. No consumptives taken.

SALUDA, N. C.

The Pines

MRS. M. E. LEONARD, Proprietress

Hot and cold bath. Central location. Rates: \$7 and up. Special rates by the month and to families

SALUDA, N. C.

Iona Lodge

MRS. S. S. OEHLER, Proprietress

Located in Saluda, near Piney Mountain. Fine water and scenery. Modern house. Rates: \$7 and up. Special rates to families.

SALUDA, N. C.

The Esseola

MRS. J. K. CAMPELL

Fine view. Lush water. Conveniently located. Rates: \$8.50 to \$10 per week.

SALUDA, N. C.

Poplar Glenn

MRS. F. C. HAMILTON

Large outside rooms. Hot and cold baths. Delightful breeze. Mountain spring water.

Rates on application.

Melrose Inn

A quiet and delightful family hotel. Modern. Rates upon application.

SALUDA, N. C.

Pace House

Mrs O B Garren

Saluda, N. C. Large outside rooms. Modern conveniences. Rates \$7 to \$10 a week

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Breeze Point

MRS. HARVIN

Saluda, N. C. Centrally located. Modern House. Special family rates. Write for particulars.

Health Exhibit at Kinston Fair.
Kinston.—Announcement was made that the state board of health's exhibit will be brought here during the Bright Leaf Tobacco Belt Fair in November and carried over the fair circuit from Charlotte to this city in the fall. The exhibit is said to be the most complete of the kind in the country. Sixty lineal feet in the main exhibit hall will be occupied by the big health show. There are electrical devices demonstrating the evils of certain preventable diseases, methods of treatment, etc.

Wilson Given Peace Medal.
Oakland, Cal.—The American School Peace League in session here awarded its annual medal to President Wilson for distinguished services for peace during the preceding year. The meeting of the league was the principal event of the National Education Association and its subsidiary and allied organizations. Randall J. Cannon, of Cincinnati, was recommended by the nominating committee of the peace league to succeed himself as president. William Howard Taft is honorary president.

WILL DEPOSIT GOLD IN COTTON STATES

THIRTY MILLION DOLLARS WILL BE DEPOSITED TO AID COTTON IF NECESSARY.

WILL CHARGE NO INTEREST

McAdoo Says it Will Create a Basis For Enlarged Credit in the South. —President Interested.

Washington.—Secretary McAdoo announced that in view of the action of the Allies in putting cotton on the contraband list he would if it became necessary deposit \$30,000,000 or more in gold in the federal reserve banks at Atlanta, Dallas and Richmond for the purpose of enabling the reserve banks to re-discount loans on cotton secured by warehouse receipts made by national banks and state banks belonging to the federal reserve system.

The gold would be deposited temporarily, at least, without interest charge. It was explained that it appeared that the object could be accomplished with greater efficiency thereby, the deposits would be made directly with national banks agreeing to lend the money on cotton at a rate not to exceed 6 per cent.

The announcement came at the close of a day of speculation in official circles as to the nature of steps which the Entente Powers have indicated they would take to uphold the cotton markets on the face of their contraband order.

"In the exercise of the discretion given to him by law," read a treasury statement, "Secretary McAdoo said that the government will for the time being charge no interest on these deposits in federal reserve banks; that such cotton is justified by the unusual situation respecting cotton caused by the European war; that he considers it his duty to use every available means in his power to help the cotton producer of the south in the circumstances; that it is a matter of economic importance to the entire nation that those who have produced the cotton shall have a fair opportunity to dispose of it gradually and in an orderly manner so they may not be forced, through inability to market their cotton gradually, to sell it at sacrifice prices."

TORPEDO SUNK ARABIC.

Was Hit By German Torpedo Without Warning Officials Say.

London.—Official and unofficial statements were made bearing upon the precise status of the steamer Arabic when she was sunk, the purpose being to show definitely that she was an unoffending merchant ship and that without question she was struck by a torpedo fired by a German submarine.

The latter point became increasingly important owing to cabled reports that some Berlin officials maintained there was no proof that anyone saw a submarine and the sinking might have been the result of striking a mine.

The foreign office issued a brief statement summing up the facts within the knowledge without disclosing all the details in its possession. The statement said definitely that the Arabic was sunk by a German submarine without warning and without any attempt on the part of the steamer to attack the underwater craft or to escape. The announcement also declared the Arabic was unarmed, was proceeding to a neutral port, and therefore carrying no contraband.

The most important direct testimony came from members of the crew of the steamer Dunsley who gave a circumstantial account of seeing the German submarine while she shelled the Dunsley. They declared that during her maneuvering astern of the Dunsley the underwater boat came so closely into view that it was possible to note she showed no number or distinguishing mark. Later they declared she submerged and rounded the Dunsley's stern, showing only her periscope.

The New Greek Cabinet.

Athens, via Paris.—The new Greek cabinet took the oath of office in the presence of an immense crowd, which enthusiastically cheered M. Venizelos, the premier. The ministry is made up as follows:

Premier and minister of foreign affairs, Eleutherios Venizelos; war, General Dangiis; marine, M. Miaculis; finance, M. Repoulis; interior, M. Gafayris; justice, M. Raktavin; communications, M. Idamantidis; public instruction, M. Tsirmokis; national economy, M. Michalakopoulos.

GERMANY'S MEAT SUPPLY LIMITED

NATION MUST REDUCE ITS CONSUMPTION BY CIVIL POPULATION.

SURPLUS SUPPLY OF BREAD

All Demands For Other Foodstuffs Can Be Met, It Is Thought.

Washington.—Germany faces the necessity of reducing the meat consumption of her civil population 40 or 50 per cent, according to a report sent by the American Ambassador of Commerce and Trade in Berlin to the department of commerce. The report says, however, that the bread card system has resulted in a surplus of wheat and rye flour which will make possible an increase in the bread allowance.

Introduction of a meat card scheme to restrict consumption and insure reasonable prices is predicted by the association.

From statistics gathered before the war it is estimated that Germany depended on imports for about 27.3 per cent of her foodstuffs.

"In analyzing the effect of these figures upon the general situation," says the report, "it should be borne in mind that Germany's isolation is not complete one, since about 8,500,000 bushels of wheat have been brought in since the outbreak of the war and not much less of fodder which is about one-tenth of normal imports per year.

Butter and meat imports from Holland, Denmark and Sweden are said to have been considerable, while fish were secured in large quantities from Norway.

"It can be assumed," the report continues, "that one-quarter of the normal demand for foodstuffs has been brought in."

The aggregate saving over peace consumption of all foodstuffs is estimated at from 16 to 17 per cent.

"Interest is now centered," the report says, "on the outlook for 1915-16, and it is generally conceded that in respect to wheat and rye, no difficulties will arise if the next crop should not be a bumper one."

The conclusion is that all demands for breadstuffs and potatoes can be filled. It will be possible to increase the amount of bread per head on the bread card, and sugar and milk will be sufficiently supplied.

Balkans May Enter War Soon.

London.—Italy's declaration of war against Turkey is expected to have an almost immediate effect on the Balkan States, which are still debating which side they will take in the conflict. Relations between Italy and Roumania long have been intimate and it is predicted here that, especially in view of the threatening attitude of the Germanic powers because of Roumania's refusal to allow ammunition to pass through her territory Roumania will join the Quadruple Entente.

Bulgaria is waiting for Serbia's reply to the suggestions of the Entente ministers that Serbia cede Macedonia to Bulgaria. Greece is likely to declare her future policy when the chamber meets this week. It is regarded here as significant that M. Venizelos, who always has been friendly to the Entente has decided to take charge, in addition to the Grecian premiership of the office of minister of foreign affairs.

Texas Threatened by Epidemic.

Galveston, Texas.—Wind and water have exacted their toll of 300 lives and \$50,000,000 in property in southeast Texas and now the area that was devastated by the most terrific hurricane of half a century faces the menace of disease.

Thousands of carcasses, cattle, horses, mules and sheep and hogs lie rotting where they were carried by flood waters. Every effort is being made to remove these by burning or burial, but it will be impossible to fully accomplish this for several days.

Wilson Awaits Arabic Reports.

Washington.—Judgment is suspended by the United States government on the torpedoing of the liner Arabic with a loss of two American lives. Pending arrival of official information, high officials will not discuss it. It was understood the all-important report awaited before the United States determines whether Germany has committed a "deliberately unfriendly act" is expected from Ambassador Gerard. Statements of American survivors say Arabic was torpedoed without warning.

BUSY CONVENTION FOR JUNIOR ORDER

TWENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL CONVENTION AT CHARLOTTE ADJOURNS.

MEET NEXT IN GOLDSBORO

About 1,500 Members Attend Sessions. Big Parade and Much Important Business Transacted.

Charlotte.—The twenty-fifth annual session of the Junior O. U. A. M. was opened here with a parade in which a thousand or more members of the order Daughters of America and school children took part. It is estimated that there were nearly a 1,500 Juniors here.

The first session was opened with a welcome address on behalf of the city of Charlotte delivered by Mayor L. Kirkpatrick. The response on behalf of the Junior Order was made by National Councillor C. W. Webb, of Statesville. The address on behalf of the Charlotte councils was made by Hon. Jake F. Newell, of Charlotte, and the response to this by Rev. Dr. W. B. Duttera, representative of the national council.

The feature of the first session was an address by Hon. Paul Jones, of Tarboro, state councillor, on "The Elimination of Adult Illiteracy," which was much appreciated by members of the order.

The body chose Goldsboro for their next place of meeting.

Mr. Charles F. Alexander of Charlotte was chosen state chancellor, an honor which is regarded as among the highest within the gift of the organization. Mr. Alexander is and has always been one of the most loyal members of the Junior Order in Charlotte as well as in the state convention and his selection although over three other candidates appeared to meet with general approval in the organization.

In addition to Mr. Alexander, the following named were selected for other offices of the North Carolina council: Mr. W. A. Cooper of Raleigh, No. 1, state councillor; Charles F. Alexander of Charlotte, No. 444, state vice councillor; Mr. Sam F. Vance of Winston-Salem, No. 19, secretary; I. P. Davis of Milton, No. 387, assistant secretary; George V. Fulk of Kernersville, No. 54, treasurer; C. L. Sands of Reidsville, No. 9, conductor; W. E. Stanley, of Durham, No. 98, warden; C. V. Talley of Hickory Grove, No. 224, inside sentinel; B. F. Brittain of Wilmington, No. 63, outside sentinel.

Destructive Windstorm.

Mooresville.—A windstorm accompanied by a heavy rainfall and much electricity passed over this vicinity recently. In the city there was no appreciable damage done, except the lights were on and off at intervals during the evening.

At Gray Hoover's place, just this side of Coddle Creek church, a cyclonic blast struck a stretch of about 400 yards in width. The barn of Mr. Hoover collapsed and a greater portion of it was blown away. Two fine mules valued at \$600, and one registered Gurnsey cow, valued at \$100, were killed outright; one fine horse will have to be killed, while three head of cattle were seriously injured. A number of other cattle at the barn were hurt more or less. Mr. Hoover's loss is a severe one and will amount to fully \$1,000.

Establish Employment Bureau.

Asheville.—In order that hunts for employees may not be necessary to fill vacancies at their stores, the members of the Asheville Merchants' Association have established an employment bureau as one of the departments of the work of the organization. The bureau will be conducted under the direction of Miss Elizabeth Maie Stephenson, who will keep applicants well informed of vacancies and who will advise the merchants as to clerks, stenographers and book-keepers who are desirous of securing employment at this city.

20 Drowned in Flood.

St. Louis.—The Meramee River, lined with pleasure resorts, club-houses, and summer cottages, went several miles out of its banks, swept away most of these buildings and increased to 20, it is reported, the number of lives lost in St. Louis county, during the last few days as a result of the flood. The Meramee's rise was so sudden that hundreds had time only to climb to treetops. Efforts were being made to rescue these with motorboats. The river passed a stage five feet higher than ever before.

SALUDA LADY RETURNS HOME

FROM SUNNY CALIFORNIA FINE DESCRIPTION OF VENICE OF AMERICA

VISITS THE LARGEST ORANGE GROVES

Climbs High Mountains and Sees Mission Bells. Trip through Desert

Once again I am in Saluda, after a 50 days tour over the plains, mountains and deserts. Glad to be back? well yes, and yet there is a warm feeling in my heart for fair California and all her attractions.

Since my last letter we have visited the Venice of America, where the Canals take the place of streets and the gondolas, that of carriages and autos. We've visited the Pacific beach, picked up the most beautiful of shells as the waves washed them up at our feet and we ran from the tide as it rushed up on the sand. Some of the ladies were to slow and so got wet feet but that doesn't matter when you are upon the warm clean sand of the Pacific beach. It was upon a Saturday afternoon and every body were taking their half holiday, by taking his bathing suit and going down to take a dip in the surf and ride the waves. We longed to do the same, but for the inconvenience of getting ready and lack of time, we did not, we walked along the beach at edge of water for some 2 miles or more, from Venice to Ocean Park and the Museum, from which place we took the Intersban, a new route, through Hollywood and rode of some twenty miles back to the City Los Angeles.

Sunday Morning was beautiful and we attended the First Methodist church, where we heard a very inspiring sermon, is the Christian Religion, and the church sufficient to save the world?, by Rev Van Horn of Oklahoma City, a visiting minister in attendance at the Gen. Missionary Conference of the Christian church, which had been in session for one week, at the Bible Institute. We were over one morning and there were large numbers in attendance from every State. One of the ladies of the party was invited to dinner by a friend in the City and the writer was fortunate enough to be entertained also, much to her delight and we went away feeling we had some very nice friends in the City. Sunday evening at 8 o'clock we were expected to be at the station ready to take train for San Diego, though the train did not pull out until after 11 p. m. As our little party had remained over and had already spent some time there, we went on to Riverside and joined the party Tuesday morning, after had the advantage of them by taking in this beautiful City of 30,000 one day in advance. And we were ready for the drive to Fulton Park and up 9000 and some feet, to the summit of Mt Rubideaux, where the bells of the old Mission are mounted. Here they have a great chorus choir of from 2 to 3 thousand people at sunrise on Easter morning. The voices can be heard miles in the valley, which surround the mountain, as we descend we take the drive through the Park and through the great orange groves, from which the Sunkist oranges are packed. The largest orange groves in the world containing thousands of acres. The main crop had all been gathered but the autos were stopped and the occupants walked out under the tree and allowed to pick from the trees, oranges that still remained if they wished, which were fine to those who were not accustomed to gathering their oranges at first hand. We visited some of the big packing houses while there, and find that the oranges are graded in the packing much the same way apples are in the fruit section of Michigan, with the exception that they are graded by machinery, while apples are mostly graded by hand.

The Carolina Special pulls into the Station and I am off on the home run. A perfectly delightful trip from start to finish. Experiences, and friends made, never to be forgotten. E. L. R.