APPEAL TO THE PUBLIC

Ministers Protest Against Desecration of Sabbath Day.

NECESSARY WORK NOT WRONG

What the Pastors Object to is Sunday Outings at Summer Resorts, Unnecessary Work and Traveling. Common Sense Reasons Urged.

Following up the movement against Sabbath day desecrations, the Ministers' Association of this city yesterday issued an appeal to the public. The apeal, which is printed below, is signed by every member of the association except two, Rev. W. B. Beauchamp, pastor of Trinity Methodist church, and Rev. W. R. Jinnett, pastor of the Thirtieth Street Christian church:

"To the people of the city of Newport News and vicinity:

"We, the Christian ministers of the city of Newport News, having witnessed with painful regret the continuous and ever increasing profanation of the Christian Sabbath or Lord's Day, and having at heart the highest welfare, temporal and spiritual, of our community, and believing that this cannot be attained without preserving the sanctity of the Lord's Day, feel it our imperative duty to address you on this vital question.

"We reaffirm our deep and abiding faith in the Bible as the Word of God, in the power and purity of the Christian religion revealed therein, and in the holy efficacy of all its institutions, of which we regard the Christian Sabbath, or Lord's Day, by no means the least. We do not ask for a return to that ritualism which destroyed the original intent of the law and produced the deadly Phariseeism of Christ's Day. We are asking for the preservation and sanctity of the Lord's Day—that day consecrated by the resurrection of Jesus Christ, sanctioned by apostolic usage, accepted by the early church and perpetuated throughout its history. Its necessity lay in the constitution of man and it was there foreordained of God. Man's physical limitations demand at least one day out of seven for rest. The decimal system of a godless French revolution proved a failure and is preserved in history only as a monument to human folly. Men have been created social and religious beings and their highest development demands, and therefore the divine law provides, stated times to assemble and worship God.

"We do not ignore the fact that some work must be done on the Lord's Day. Man and beast must be fed, the helpless cared for and suffering relieved. All work of mercy or necessity was permitted by Jehovah under the Jewish economy, by the Christian church in all ages, and is approved by enlightened reason.

"We would therefore most respectfully urge upon all employers of labor the consideration of the claims of the Christian Sabbath, or Lord's Day, in its moral and economic as well as religious aspects, believing that the highest interests shall obey the divine law as written in the constitution of man and in the Word of God. We ask that they refrain all unnecessary operation on the Lord's Day and in case of necessary work that they so adjust their industrial system as to give employes a part of the day for rest and worship.

"We especially urge the laboring man to keep holy the Lord's Day, reminding him that Christianity has done more to ameliorate his condition than all other agencies combined. We would warn him against appropriating the Lord's Day to secular pursuits and holiday amusements, lest that awful day come when the merciless greed of a godless industrial system will give him opportunity for neither rest nor worship, but force him to grind at unremitting toil seven days to the week.

"We appeal especially to the Christian people of our community. We urge them to minimize the necessary work in the home on Sunday so that all members of the family may have opportunity for rest and worship, to refrain from all unnecessary travel, from Sunday excursions and picnics, from visiting places of amusements, especially those demoralizing resorts whose operators are in flagrant violation both of the law of God and of the State, from all unnecessary buying and selling, which is equally unlawful, and from every form of conduct and practice that tends to destroy the sanctity of the day and deprive man of the blessing designed for him by an all-wise and beneficent Creator.

(Signed)

"N. G. NEWMAN,
"J. T. GREENE,
"W. M. HUNTER,
"D. S. HENKEL,
"R. C. HUBBARD,
"E. A. SHENK,
"E. T. WELLFORD,
"M. L. BRYANT,
"A. A. BUTLER,
"W. K. CONNOR,
"J. W. PORTER,
"L. C. SHEARER,
"R. B. SANFORD."

Going to Bluefield.

Mr. Andrew T. Botts will leave today for his old home in Rappahannock county, where he will spend several weeks with his parents before locating in Bluefield, W. Va. For a number of years Mr. Botts was bookkeeper for the firm of Barrett & West and later he was connected with Mr. C. F. Hundley in his hotel ventures. He will engage in the real estate business in Bluefield.

CONFERENCE OF PROMINENT YACHTSMEN BEGAN YESTERDAY

Rear Admiral Longstreet Chosen Chairman of Temporary Organization at Hampton Roads Club.

The yachting conference to make arrangements and formulate rules for the international yacht races at the Jamestown exposition, opened its session in Norfolk yesterday. A temporary organization of the meeting was effected by electing Rear Admiral Charles Longstreet, of the Corinthian Yacht Club, Philadelphia, chairman, and Fleet Captain E. T. Lawler, of the Hampton Roads Yacht Club, secretary.

Upon the arrival of representatives of other northern and eastern yacht clubs today, the meeting will launch into its work. The sessions of the yachting conference are being held at the Hampton Roads Yacht Club, on Hampton Roads.

Among those who reached Norfolk in time for the opening session were Rear Admiral Charles Longstreet, of the Corinthian Lacht Club, Philadelphia; W. W. Green, of the Capitol City Yacht Club, Washington; J. E. Demund, and George D. Reiner, of the Brooklyn Yacht Club, and J. A. Deining and Dr. Dudley Williams, of the Baltimore Yacht Club.

SCHOONER RODNEY PARKER GROUNDS NEAR PLYMOUTH

While Bound From This Port For Plymouth With Coal Cargo.

It was learned here yesterday that the schooner Rodney Parker, bound from this port for Plymouth with a cargo of coal, struck on Brown's Island near Plymouth Thursday and is now hard ashore. It is probable that a part of the schooner's cargo will have to be lightered before she can be floated.

The work of unloading the vessel's cargo will begin as soon as practicable and after it has been put on barges it will be taken to Plymouth. Several tugs are now standing by the Parker, and, unless a storm arises, she will be floated without serious injury.

ITALY WILL SEND FLEET.

Government Accepts Invitation to Participate in Exposition.

Chairman C. Brooks Johnston, of the board of governors of the Jamestown exposition, was yesterday notified through Assistant Secretary of State Bacon that the Italian government has officially accepted the invitation to participate in the Jamestown exposition next year and will send a squadron of warships to Hampton Roads.

Special Church Service.

There will be special services at Trinity Methodist church tomorrow morning and night, at which one of the features will be the completion of an $8,000 subscription on the church debt. A select musical program will be rendered.

GRAND LARCENY CHARGED.

Agent For Home Company Claims Rubenstein Stole $73.75.

E. D. Rubenstein, a driver in the employ of the Home Brewing Company, was arrested at Thirty-ninth street and Huntington avenue last night by Detective Sergeant J. W. Woodward on a warrant charging him with grand larceny.

The warrant was sworn out before Justice Semmes by W. T. Beeson, agent in this city for the Home Brewing Company, and alleges that Rubenstein has taken $73.75 from that company.

Rubenstein was locked up last night to await trial before Justice Brown in police court this morning.

SHOULD GET CONTRACT

Local Yard Likely to Build One New Battleship.

NAVY DEPT. OPENS BIDS TODAY

Six Companies Will Compete. But Contest Really is Between Three Big Plants—Messrs. Post, Ferguson and Palen on the Ground.

Bids for the construction of the new 16,000 ton battleships Michigan and South Carolina will be opened at the office of the navy department at Washington at noon today and announcement of the names of the plants which submit the lowest bids will be made sometime this afternoon.

General Manager W. A. Post, Superintendent of Hull Construction Homer L. Ferguson and Chief Draftsman Fred. L. Palen, of the local shipyard, are now in Washington and will represent this yard when the bids are opened.

The local yard has submitted a bid for one of the ships and there is every reason to believe that it will land a contract. Six companies, the Fore River Shipbuilding Company, New York Shipbuilding Company, Bath Iron Works, Union Iron Works, William Cramp & Sons' Company and Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company have entered the race for the ships, but according to the statements of naval men who are in position to know whereof they speak, the real bidding for the vessels will be between the local yard, the Cramp yard and the Fore River company. The other companies they contend will not be in the race.

The local yard is badly in need of one of the ships just at this time and for that reason it is reasonable to believe that its officials have made the lowest possible estimate on the cost of building one of the fighting machines. The other yards are also in need of extra work, but as the local yard has underbid all the northern companies heretofore and the the probabilities are that it will again do so today.

Latest reports from navy circles in Washington are that the Newport News yard and the Fore River company will be awarded the contracts.

The Michigan and South Carolina were authorized by the last Congress and according to the terms of the bill in which the appropriation for their construction was embodied only one ship can be let to a yard. The new vessels are almost duplicates of the battleship Louisiana, recently completed at this yard, and for that reason the local yard has advantage over all the other competitors.

BALL GAME TODAY FOR BENEFIT OF NEWPORT NEWS HOSPITAL

Proceeds of Game Between Shipbuilders and Crittenden Go to That Institution.

The Shipbuilders and a nine from Crittenden, just across James river, from this city, will meet at the Casino park this afternoon for the second time this season. The game is for the benefit of the Newport News General Hospital and all of the gate receipts will go to that institution.

"Junnie" Davis, ex-first baseman and ex-pitcher, of the Shipbuilders will do the twirling for the visitors, and Dutton, formerly of the Norfolk team and well known here, will hold down first base for them. It is said that the Crittenden team is much stronger than it was before and the game this afternoon should prove at least interesting.

Mr. Eddie Dennie, who is well known as a ball player here, has been engaged to umpire all games at the Casino park in the future. Mr. Charles O'Rouke, who has been the umpire of the home club, has resigned to give way to Mr. Dennie.

Big Crowd at Opening.

The warm weather drove a large percentage of the population to Pine Beach last night to see the "Hereafter" spectacle, exhibited for the first time in the South. The management had originally intended to open the show yesterday afternoon but the scenic effects were not quite complete and the opening was deferred until last night.

Continuous performances of "Hereafter" will be given this afternoon and tonight.

See Mr. T. C. Powell with Reynolds Bros. about your real estate. 6-23 1t.

BEER BILLED "PICKLE"

C. & O. Freight Clerks Make an Interesting Discovery.

KEGS FOR LEE HALL EXAMINED

Upper Warwick and James City County Have No Saloons and Brewery Agents Have Been Using Old Trick to Avoid Attracting Attention

Billed and labelled "pickle" two beer kegs were delivered by a certain local brewery branch at the Chesapeake & Ohio local freight pier yesterday afternoon for shipment to Lee Hall. Investigation revealed the fact that the kegs contained lager beer and before they left the pier they had to be rebilled and relabelled.

There are no saloons in upper Warwick county and James City county, just above, is "dry," therefore the arrival of two kegs of beer at Lee Hall might attract undue attention. On the other hand any storekeeper might receive a consignment of pickle without causing comment.

It is stated that an enormous quantity of "pickle" has been shipped up the Peninsula from here during the past few months. According to the story told at the piers, until yesterday nobody doubted the pickle consuming capacity of the Warwick and James City county folk and with great regularity one or more of the brewery agents has been shipping beer with the pickle label.

Death of an Infant.

Archer B. Patterson, the 8-months old son of Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Patterson, died last night at the home of his parents, 618 Twenty-eighth street. Funeral services will be conducted at the residence this afternoon at 4 o'clock by Rev. W. B. Beauchamp. The body will be interred at Greenlawn cemetery.

THEATRICAL.

That Miss May Hillman and her stock company are making friends with the patrons of the Buckroe Beach casino was demonstrated by the crowd that attended the play last evening.

Although it was Friday night, generally one of small attendance, the audience last evening was as large as the one on Monday night. "The Children of Satan," a sensational melo-drama, was the bill and the play seemed to meet with the approval of those in the audience.

The moving pictures and illustrated songs were introduced between the acts.

This evening the "Children of Satan" will be presented for the last time.

In School of Methods.

Miss Charlotte Wray, a teacher in the city public schools, will teach literature and psychology at the Richmond summer school of methods this summer. The school opens in the central school, Richmond, Monday morning and will be in session for two weeks.

CHANGES ON THE SOUTHERN.

Transportation Department Officials Get a Shake-up.

(By Associated Press.)

BIRMINGHAM, ALA., June 22.—Important changes are soon to be made in the transportation department of the Southern railway. The system will be divided into four districts, each of which will be in charge of an assistant general superintendent as follows:

First district—Washington, Danville, Richmond and Norfolk divisions, with E. H. Coapman assistant general superintendent.

Second district—Charlotte, Charleston, Savannah and Jacksonville division, J. N. Scale assistant general superintendtn.

Third district—Atlanta, Knoxville, Nashville and Asheville divisions, G. R. Loyall assistant general superintendent.

Fourth district—Birmingham, Memphis and Mobile divisions, W. N. Foreacre assistant general superintendent.

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No. 316 34th Street 12.00
No. 327 34th Street 20.00
No. 318 34th Street 12.00

FLATS.

No. 248-52 28th Street .. $8.00 to $12.00
No. 2504 Wash. Ave., 12 rooms, $20.00
No. 3802 Lafayette Ave. $10.00
No. 2707-9 Wash. Ave., per room $9.00

EAST END.

No. 1240 24th Street $10.00
No. 527 31st Street 6.00
No. 542 32nd Street 11.00
No. 517-9 34th street, each 10.00

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