

BY BISHOP WILSON

Appointments Made at Conference Yesterday.

ONE CHANGE IN THIS CITY

Reverend A. McCullen Appointed as a Presiding Elder.

Proceedings of Sunday's and Monday's Session of the Conference.—Eloquent Sermon by Bishop Wilson. Appointments of Ministers for the Coming Year Read—Changes in the Wilmington District.

(Special to The Messenger.) Rocky Mount, Dec. 9.—The 5th day of the North Carolina Conference, Sunday has been devoid of all routine, and great crowds attended all the churches, the pulpits of which were filled by members of the conference. The day was perfect. Early the First Methodist church was filled to overflowing, the occasion of the love-feast conducted by Revs. A. D. Betts and F. M. Shamburger. The occasion was full of interest.

At 11 a. m., Bishop Wilson preached from text "Now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three, but the greatest of these is charity." The bishop more than sustained his name as a preacher, the verdict being that nothing like it was ever heard. At close of sermon the following young men were ordained: E. H. Lane, J. W. Autrey, W. L. Rexford, H. E. Spence, T. L. Singleton, E. B. Craven and B. F. Watson. This ceremony was impressive in the extreme.

At 3:30 p. m. the conference convened for memorial service, Rev. W. H. Moore in the chair. After religious service the memories of the following deceased preachers were read: J. J. Rumly, A. McCullen, T. J. Gattis by A. D. Betts; L. S. Etheredge by G. H. Doves, Jno. W. Jenkins by W. H. Moore.

At night Rev. J. R. Moore preached to a crowded house after which Bishop Wilson ordained the following elders: W. A. Piliand, W. H. Brown, J. H. Buffalo and W. E. Brown.

(Special to The Messenger.) Rocky Mount, Dec. 10.—The sixth and last day of the North Carolina Conference was called to order promptly at 9 a. m. by Rev. J. T. Gibbs, presiding elder, of Durham district. Rev. D. H. Tuttle the earnest pastor of Hay Street church at Fayetteville conducted religious service, praying most devoutly for blessing upon this closing session, and the work of the conference now being finished.

Rev. W. L. Cunningham, secretary, read the proceedings of Saturday and Sunday, which were approved. W. O. Avoys was substituted for M. O. Sherrill lay delegate, and Rev. M. D. Giles read the report of committee on church property, which was adopted. Bishop Wilson took the chair.

Rev. L. S. Massey read the report of committee on education which dealt with the schools and colleges of the church, making recommendations etc. A new woman's school to be given by Maxton to the church was ordered accepted in this report. On motion of Jno. H. Hall the names of B. B. Holder and W. F. Jones were put on the effective list again.

Rev. H. B. Anderson read the report of Epworth League committee. Resolution of thanks was read thanking the kind people of Rocky Mount, the railroad and telephone companies for courtesies, and every thing and every body who aided in the conference's pleasure. Rev. Jno. H. McCracken read the report of the Orphanage committee which deals with the future of this institution, and an arrangement is being made whereby the Western North Carolina Conference will turn its support to one common orphanage, each to be represented in its board of trustees, and patronage from the west to be according to the support given, but ownership to remain in this conference owing to legal difficulties.

The terms are clear and means that the western conference's offer is accepted in the proper spirit, the only hitch being as to legal status of endowment are such, of the ownership changes. The western conference did not ask for this joint ownership, but if the offer is accepted without proviso, the committee felt that the resolution of ownership remaining in the North Carolina Conference was necessary. Dr. Cole told of how these difficulties had come to the surface since his visit to the western conference, and for several reasons he thought the report ought to be adopted as read, but that the orphanage guaranteed to take all the children that came from that territory with support for them.

Rev. M. T. Plyler spoke in favor of accepting the offer of the western conference which originated in the North Carolina Conference as it came offering "support and patronage and joint management."

Rev. J. W. Rhodes asked Dr. Cole if he was in favor of further negotiations. Dr. Cole said he could not say; that the report settled that matter, as stated to take patronage and support as indicated, ownership to remain. The report was adopted.

Telegram from Baptist State conven-

tion read, calling attention to Hebrews 13, 20-21.

Dr. Cole took occasion to talk of the orphanage work.

Bishop and cabinet retired for a few moments, and Rev. R. F. Bumpass was called to the chair.

The secretary read his report of finances—incidental.

Rev. D. H. Tuttle read report of Church Extension committee, and Woman's Home Mission society.

Rev. W. S. Rome said if the preachers had found good food here it might have come from a cook book the Ladies Aid society had prepared and was for sale on the conference floor.

Dr. W. F. Tillett was given occasion to tell of Vanderbilt university and what it is doing for the church and especially in improving the type of the ministry.

F. A. Bishop offered a paper asking our representatives in congress to have passed a law against shipping liquor to prohibition territory. Accepted.

Rev. R. H. Willis read report of Board of Missions, which was adopted.

Dr. W. W. Pinson addressed the conference on missions again.

Dr. L. L. Nash was elected missionary evangelist.

Minutes of morning session read. Appointments read. Adjourned sine die.

RALEIGH DISTRICT.

R. B. John, Presiding Elder.

Raleigh—Elderton Street, R. H. Bumpass, J. O. Guthrie; Supernumerary Central, L. T. Singleton, E. Pope supply; Brooklyn and Apex, G. W. Starling. Epworth to be supplied.

Cary—J. D. Pegram.

Clayton—G. B. Starling.

Smithfield—J. H. Shore.

Selma—F. A. Bishop.

Kenly—A. L. Ormond.

Wakefield—A. B. Wilcox.

Millbrook—G. T. Simmons.

Youngsville—D. B. Parker.

Franklin—N. E. Colterane.

Louisburg—L. S. Massey.

Tar River—H. G. Stoney.

Granville—C. W. Robinson.

Oxford Circuit—W. H. Puckett.

Oxford N.—W. H. Puckett.

Raleigh Christian Advocate—T. N. Ivey, editor.

Methodist Orphanage—J. N. Cole, Supt.

Missionary Evangelist—L. L. Nash.

WARRENTON DISTRICT.

W. S. Rome, Presiding Elder.

Warrenton—W. W. Rose.

Warren—B. C. Allred.

Ridgeway—L. M. Chaffin.

Henderson—R. C. Craven.

North and South Henderson—J. J. Porter.

Littleton—G. B. Perry.

Weldon—H. A. Humble.

Roanoke Rapids and Rosemary, J. T. Draper.

Roanoke—G. B. Webster.

Enfield and Halifax—H. B. Anderson.

Battleboro and Whitaker—J. P. Pate.

Scotland Neck—J. E. Holden.

Hobgood—R. D. Daniel.

Williamston and Hamilton—C. L. Read.

Garysburg—J. G. Johnson.

Northampton—J. O. Humble.

Conway—W. F. Craven.

Rich Square—B. C. Thompson.

Murfreesboro and Winton—P. D. Woodall.

Harrellsville—C. A. Jones.

Bertie—W. C. Merritt.

Littleton Female College, J. M. Rhodes, President.

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.

J. T. Gibbs, Presiding Elder.

Fayetteville, Hay Street—G. F. Smith.

Fayetteville Circuit—V. A. Royall.

Hope Mills—T. H. Sutton.

Cokesbury—N. M. McDonald.

Roseboro—To be supplied by M. D. Hussey.

Bladen—E. B. Craven.

Buchhorn—J. H. Buffalo.

Dunn—J. A. Lee.

Duke—J. M. Daniel.

Newton Grove—N. H. Guyton.

Pittsboro—C. P. Jerome.

Haw River—E. E. Rose.

Goldston—C. O. DuRant.

Carthage—H. M. Eure.

Elise—J. W. Hoyle.

Sanford—R. W. Bailey.

Jonesboro—J. C. Humble.

Filington—To be supplied by L. B. Pattishall.

Siler City—E. R. Welch.

DURHAM DISTRICT.

J. B. Hurley, Presiding Elder.

A. McCullen, Presiding Elder.

Washington—A. P. Tyler.

Bath—J. M. Lowder.

Aurora—J. H. M. Giles.

Swan Quarter—E. C. Sell.

Mattanuck—R. R. R. Gant.

Fairfield—J. L. Rumley.

Greenville—M. T. Plyler.

Grimesland and Vanceboro—B. E. Stanfield.

Farmville—W. A. Forbes.

Robersonville—To be supplied by T. H. Bain.

Bethel—J. W. Martin.

Tarboro—R. H. Willis.

Rocky Mount—First church—D. H. Tuttle.

North and South Rocky Mount—B. H. Black.

Nashville—W. H. Kirtan.

Spring Hope—J. A. Sharp.

Elm City—C. C. Brothers.

Wilson—F. D. Swindell.

Stantonsburg—R. E. Hunt.

Fremont—C. R. Taylor.

Missionary Secretary—R. H. Willis.

WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

W. L. Cunningham, Presiding Elder.

Wilmington—Grace—N. M. Watson.

Fifth street, K. D. Holmes; Bladen street, A. J. Parker; Market street, W. L. Rexford.

Scotts Hill—J. T. Stanford.

New River—J. C. Wheabee.

Onslow—D. C. Geddie.

Jacksonville and Richlands—W. H. L. McLaurin.

Kenansville—F. E. Dixon.

Burgaw—C. T. Rogers.

Magnolia—W. E. Brown.

Clinton—A. S. Barnes.

Whiteville and Chadbourn—Y. E. Wright.

Columbus—C. W. Smith.

Carvers Creek—To be supplied by J. M. Marlowe.

Shallowford—L. E. Sawyer.

Shallotte—A. A. Watkins.

Town Creek—A. D. Betts.

Southport—G. D. Langston.

Student Vanderbilt University, J. M. Culbreth.

NEW BERN DISTRICT.

M. Bradshaw, Presiding Elder.

New Bern—Century—R. C. Beaman.

Goldston—St. Paul, E. H. Davis; St. John, W. C. Constable.

Goldston Circuit—To be supplied by J. M. Carraway.

Mt. Olive and Faison—J. J. Barker.

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LaGrange—H. E. Tripp.

Hookerton—R. F. Taylor.

Snow Hill—J. M. Benson.

Kinston—J. D. Bundy.

Dover—W. F. Galloway.

Grifton—W. Y. Everton.

Craven—To be supplied by W. B. Humble.

Jones—J. M. Wright.

Pamlico—D. A. Furell.

Oriental—W. T. Urey.

Catarent—W. A. Piliand.

Morehead—C. J. W. Potter.

Beaufort—J. H. Frizzelle.

Atlantic—To be supplied by F. S. Beaton.

Stratton—M. W. Dargan.

Ocracoke and Portsmouth—To be supplied by B. F. Watson.

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT.

J. H. Hall, Presiding Elder.

Elizabeth City—First church, L. E. Thompson; City Road, S. A. Cotton.

Paquotank—W. F. Jones.

Camden—D. L. Earnhardt.

Mayock—B. B. Holden.

Curtis—H. M. Jackson.

North Gates—E. N. Harrison.

Gates—Rufus Bradley.

Perquimans—R. L. Davis.

Hertford—N. H. D. Wilson.

Edenton—L. P. Howard.

Chowan—William Towe.

Plymouth—L. T. Singleton.

Roper—J. Y. Old.

SAN FRANCISCO STORM SWEEP

High Winds Create Great Havoc in the City.

MANY WALLS ARE BLOWN DOWN.

Blocking Streets and Interrupting Traffic—Street Car System Badly Damaged—Storm Terrific on the Bay—Panic on Ferry Boat—Shipping on Coast Likely to Suffer.

San Francisco, December 10.—A heavy east gale, sweeping along the coast at a registered velocity of 48 miles an hour struck San Francisco today and resulted in the death of a laborer and the severe injury of several who were caught by a falling wall.

Shipping in the harbor was damaged considerably and in all quarters of the city walls were hurled to the ground, blocking the streets and interrupting traffic. Street car service was about entirely suspended.

On the bay the storm was terrific. The ferryboats, proceeding with extraordinary caution, were tossed about until scores of passengers were made sick. The lower decks were awash most of the time and occasionally the crest of a wave leaped on to the hurricane deck.

What threatened to result in a serious panic occurred on the Kay route boat San Francisco when an unusually large wave struck the vessel carrying her to leeward. Women screamed and fainted—men rushed for the life boats and only the advice and command of the cool headed prevented injury and perhaps loss of life among the passengers.

The large building at Polk street and Van Ness avenue gave in before the storm and all the valuable merchandise housed was ruined. The buildings occupied by the Mann Trunk company, the Hahnemann Pharmacy and the Meiji Art company. The loss through this disaster is \$200,000.

The building occupied by the California Notion and Toy company at 600 Post street collapsed and most of the stock was destroyed. The firm will lose nearly \$100,000.

The British ship Palgrave and two tugs went ashore on Alcatraz island. While the vessel is pounding she has not been leaking. Several flat buildings were wrecked. The spire of St. Peter's church was carried away. The roof of the Durant school met the same fate.

The remaining walls of the burned Poodle Dog restaurant at Mason and Eddy streets collapsed, destroying the temporary hall of justice in course of construction on the site of the Old Tivoli Opera House.

It will take several days fully to restore the street car system. In many places the trolley wire was broken by falling buildings and walls.

Fears are entertained for the safety of shipping along the coast.

BRAVE DEED OF A SEAMAN.

Mitchel Bruso, at Imminent Risk of His Own Life, Saves Two From Barge.

His Heroism no Less Remarkable Than His Escape From Death.

Providence, R. I., December 10.—A tale of heroism seldom surpassed was brought to this port today by the tug Walter A. Luckenbach. When every other man on board the tug declined to risk his life in an effort to rescue two men on the foundering barge Buena Ventura, which was in tow of the Luckenbach, off Montauk Point last Friday, Mitchell B. Bruso, a Greek seaman stepped up to Captain John Daly and said he would make the trip alone. In a small boat at the height of a fierce northeast gale Bruso rowed to the barge and rescued the captain. Ole Odsand, whom he found frozen to the topmast and as soon as he placed the helpless captain on board the tug without a moment's rest and covered with a coating of ice from head to foot, put out again and released Seaman Charles Martin who was frozen to a floating hatch on which he had been carried away from the sinking barge. The two men of a crew of five were the only ones to escape death.

The heroism of Jack Bruso was looked upon by his ship mates as no less remarkable than his escape from death in the little boat which every moment seemed likely to be swamped by the mountainous seas. The barge from which three men met death was, before being converted for the coal carrying trade, a Spanish tramp steamer. She was the first prize of the United States, immediately after the war broke out, the gunboat Nashville capturing her while she was bound for Cuban ports.

The Buena Ventura, coal laden was the last of a tow of three barges which left Norfolk, Va., in tow of the Luckenbach. The other barges similarly loaded, were the Carrie Clark and the Annie H. Smith.

SPECIAL TERM ORDERED.

Judge Guion Will Hold His First Court in Caldwell.

(Special to The Messenger.) Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 10.—Gov. Glenn today commissioned Owen H. Guion, of New Bern, judge and ordered him to hold a special term of Caldwell superior court, beginning January 8th, for two weeks.

The bar of that county, through William C. Newland, asked that Judge Guion hold his first court there.

Among the callers at the executive office today were Walter E. Moore, of Jackson, Stephen C. Bragaw, of Beaufort, and John Brooks, of Greenville, the latter appearing in the interest of Sylvester Barrett, who is to be hanged Dec. 18th. Neither the judge nor the solicitor recommended pardon.

SHIPWRECKED CREW LANDED.

Taken off Waterlogged Schooner Charles L. Mitchell, Lumber Laden From Savannah to Boston.

Baltimore, Dec. 10.—The steamer Manahatta which arrived here today from New York landed a shipwrecked crew of seven men who had been taken off their vessel waterlogged off Hatteras Island by a passing schooner and transferred to the steamer.

The wrecked vessel was the Charles L. Mitchell, lumber laden from Savannah, Ga., to Boston.

The Mitchell became waterlogged and preparations were made to abandon her on Friday last when 60 miles east of Cape Henry. The life boat being launched the four sailors of the crew entered it and cast off, leaving the captain, mate and cook aboard the waterlogged vessel. On Saturday morning the life boat was still near the schooner and the captain, mate and cook were taken off the Mitchell, which was then awash. On Saturday evening the Schooner Alice J. Crafter, of New York bound for Tampa from Philadelphia was met and the officers and crew of the Mitchell were taken aboard and cared for. On Sunday afternoon, twenty miles northwest of Hog Island, Captain Gray and his men were transferred to the Manahatta, which brought them to this port. The Mitchell is said by Captain Gray to be in the track of coastwise vessels and to be exceedingly dangerous to navigation.

HIS CONDITION CRITICAL.

Little Hope is Entertained for the Recovery of Former U. S. Senator Brown.

Washington, December 10.—The life of former United States Senator Arthur Brown, of Utah, who was shot by Mrs. Annie M. Bradley in his hotel apartments here Saturday afternoon, tonight is hanging by a thread. Little hope for his recovery is held out by attendants at the emergency hospital, but his physician, Dr. W. P. Carr, still has some hope that his patient may survive.

Mrs. Bradley spent another restless day in her cell at the house of detention and her only thought seems to be for the man whom she shot down.

Assistant District Attorney Given today announced that "if Senator Brown is still alive tomorrow I shall issue information against Mrs. Bradley for assault with intent to kill, and she will be given a preliminary hearing in police court at once. In the event of his (Senator Brown's) death murder will be charged."

R. F. AND P. RAILROAD.

William H. White, of Norfolk, Will be Elected President Today.

Richmond, Va., December 10.—At the conference of the representatives of the state's interest in the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac railroad and of the six railroads composing the holding company which owns a majority of the stock, William H. White, of Norfolk, one of the leading lawyers of Tidewater Virginia, was this evening elected president of the board of directors.

The selection of Mr. White came after the position had been practically offered and declined by several others after they had refused to permit their names to be presented. The states proxies insisted throughout on the selection of some other person than a representative of the Pennsylvania railway and they carried their point. Mr. White was district attorney under the second Cleveland administration.

NEW METHODIST MINISTER.