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## BAPTIST FUND GROWS STEADILY

REPORT MADE AT JACKSONVILLE CONVENTION—MORE THAN THIRTY-FIVE MILLION DOLLARS ALREADY IN HAND DESPITE OBSTACLES.

Jacksonville, Fla., May 18.—The Southern Baptist convention has raised more than \$35,000,000 of its \$75,000,000 fund for enlarging its work and its members pledged themselves here late today to push forward to completion of the fund in 1924.

More than \$10,000,000 in cash was collected in the 12 months since the last convention which, speakers pointed out, had been accomplished despite the general business depression. The ministerial relief and annuity fund has passed the \$1,000,000 mark and its goal was set at \$10,000,000 through adoption of the committee report.

After the morning session had been given over to organization and election of officers including reelection of Dr. E. Y. Mullins of Louisville, president and all others except the vice-presidents for which new men were chosen, the convention turned to its financial program during the convention and also received an invitation to meet next year at Hot Springs, Ark. Tonight the annual convention sermon was delivered by the Rev. Dr. S. J. Porter of Oklahoma City, who pleaded for a return to normalcy in religion.

"Such normalcy," he declared, "can only be found in recognition of the atonement of Christ as the basis for salvation from sin. The futility of man-made schemes for removing the penalties of sin and bringing peace to the troubled conscience is evident on every hand. The cross is the center of divine normalcy, the point of equipoise for the universe."

The first session of the Women's Missionary union an auxiliary of the convention, also was held tonight with reports of its officers showing increased growth. Women who already have been recognized as full members of the convention itself today were granted privileges of committee membership.

The goal of 100,000 societies in the Women's Missionary union will be reached by its 50th anniversary in 1938, if its recent growth is continued, members of the organization were told by Miss Kathleen Mallory, corresponding secretary.

There already are more than 20,000 local societies represented in the union the secretary said, and women in Baptist colleges of the South have 2,549 mission study classes, another report showed.

The union has pledged \$22,000,000 towards the convention's \$75,000,000 fund and already has raised more than \$8,000,000 of that in cash.

## COTTON MARKET

Cotton brought 20 1-4 cents on the local market today. Futures closed

May	21.20
July	20.21
October	19.96
December	19.91
January	19.82
Futures closed yesterday	
May	21.38
July	20.37
October	20.18
December	20.09
January	19.95

## SEARCH FOR STILL

The Sheriff had a call to hunt for a still between Diamond Springs and Craig Shoals. Deputies Prince and Ferguson made the trip yesterday but no still was found in operation. Further up, just before leaving the community a keg of moonshine whiskey was found but no still. No arrests were made.

## THE HAGUE SELECTED FOR MEETING PLACE

EXPERTS WHO ARE TO FURTHER EXAMINE RUSSIAN PROBLEM WILL GATHER IN JUNE. ARRANGEMENTS ARE PRACTICALLY COMPLETED.

Genoa, May 18.—The Hague has been definitely selected as the meeting place for the experts who will further examine the Russian problem, it was announced tonight. Arrangements for the Hague conference in June were practically completed with today's acceptance by the Russians of the proposals submitted to them which have been amended so as to provide a truce between the various powers which will continue a maximum of eight months.

A meeting of the full political commission of the conference will be held tomorrow morning, and the final plenary session probably on Friday. Premier Lloyd George hopes to start for England Friday afternoon.

The process relating to the Lloyd George plan for dual commissions to meet at The Hague, which was presented to the Russians on Monday last was adopted with annex. With the amendments carried today by the sub-commission it will be sent to the Washington government, probably with a letter of the secretary of the Genoa conference which is likely to be considered tomorrow at a meeting of the full political commission.

A second important amendment to the document provides that the truce will continue to operate for a period of four months after adjournment of the Hague meeting. This extension is considered a victory for Mr. Lloyd George because it provides more time for the consummation of the permanent, non-aggression pact into which he hopes the truce will be merged.

After a conference with Mr. Lloyd George, M. Barthou and M. Jasper announced that the French and Belgians approved today's proceedings but must refer the whole matter to their home governments for ratification. When asked tonight whether France intended to participate in the Hague meeting the French spokesman answered that it was too early to say.

## SHRINERS RETURN

Shriners returning from the Rock Hill meeting report a splendid meeting, and Abbeville candidates taking honors. The small children about town, and some of the older generation looked with interest at the "start off." Bayard Swetenburg and Lowrie Wilson were dressed in ladies' attire, while R. E. Cox and Bill Jones wore overalls. They created a small sensation on the streets before taking the Rock Hill Special.

## GREENWOOD VISITORS

J. T. Cobb and son, Oscar, of Greenwood were in Abbeville today to see Oscar Cobb, who has charge of the Cooperative Mercantile store. After the first of June Oscar Cobb of Greenwood will come to Abbeville and be associated with his uncle in the capacity of book-keeper.

## FIX ARMY STRENGTH

Washington, May 18.—An army of 140,000 men with an average officer strength for next year of approximately 12,530 was agreed upon late today by the senate appropriations committee which has charge of the measure.

The Mississippi College ball team passed through Abbeville last night on their way to Newberry where they will play the Newberry College this afternoon.

## S. C. DEMOCRATS ENDORSE FARM BLOC

GO ON RECORD AS FAVORING STRICT LAW ENFORCEMENT. OTHER RESOLUTIONS ENDOORSE WOODROW WILSON AND LUXURIES TAX

Columbia, May 18.—The platform of the State Democratic party adopted at an early hour this morning before the convention adjourned at 3:30 deals largely with State economy and finance and education. It expressed sympathy and praise for Woodrow Wilson, welcomes women into the party, greets James M. Cox as leader of Democracy, charges the Republican party with being owned by the money interests, endorses the Agricultural bloc in Congress, calls on Congress to provide a system of short term credits, endorses luxury income and excise taxes, favors law enforcement, especially prohibition, urges speedy trials and hearings of appeal, especially in felony cases, disapproval of Sunday sessions of the Legislature, disapproval of infringement of federal laws on States rights and a pledge that the State take no backward step in the present financial situation.

Mrs. Leroy Springs of Lancaster was elected national executive committee woman to succeed Mrs. R. I. Manning.

## State Campaign Arranged.

Columbia, May 18.—The political campaign this summer will start June 20, and all candidates must file their entries by noon of June 19, according to decision of the state Democratic executive committee, in session at midnight last night. The assessments for candidates were also fixed as follows: Candidates for governor, \$200 each; candidates for other state offices, \$100 each; candidates for Congress, \$200 each and candidates for solicitor, \$100 each.

Edgar A. Brown, of Barnwell, is newly elected chairman of the committee. Harry N. Edmunds of Columbia was re-elected secretary, and General Willie Jones, of Columbia was re-elected treasurer. T. Haygood Gooding of Hampton was elected vice chairman.

A committee to arrange the itinerary of candidates for the summer campaign was selected, composed of General Jones, Mr. Edmunds, and George Bell Timmerman of Lexington. The campaign will end three or four days before the primary, which comes August 29.

## JURORS FOR JUNE TERM

Of Court of General Sessions Which Convenes First Monday in June

The following have been drawn to serve as petit jurors for the court of general sessions which convenes here the first Monday in June:

Cold Springs—J. R. Brown, Frank Pursley.

Donalds—J. H. Mattison, M. W. Gambrell, C. O. McLain.

Lowndesville—W. J. Hill, R. W. Carlisle, E. J. Huckabee, S. B. Cann, T. D. Morrow.

Due West—J. E. G. Ashley, M. D. Pruitt, R. H. Elgin, C. B. Ware.

J. R. Dunn, J. C. McAdams, Robert Brownlee.

Diamond Hill—W. J. Cann, W. J. Brownlee, R. E. W. Boyd, W. B. Gilmer, H. P. Prince, J. E. W. Ashley, H. E. Prince.

Magnolia—F. L. Lovern, G. O. Hall.

Long Cane—H. W. Nickles, F. P. Milford, Pierce Bowen, C. F. Cochran, F. W. Uldrick.

Abbeville—W. D. Wilson, W. E. Leslie, Jr., R. K. McKenzie, Frank Godfrey, S. R. Carlisle, Jr.

## MAYOR'S COURT

Three cases of disorderly conduct came before the Mayor this morning and each was fined \$2.50.

## VETERANS ELECT CLARK COMMANDER

COLUMBIAN HEADS SOUTH-CAROLINA DIVISION—PENSION MONEY CONSIDERED. REUNION BROUGHT TO A CLOSE

Darlington, May 18.—With the dance at the reunion hall tonight and the old folks' concert by the Darlington Music club, the 31st annual reunion of the South Carolina division of the United Confederate Veterans came to a happy close, and tomorrow the veterans will bid each other goodbye and depart for their homes.

There may be other reunions of the old Confederates whom South Carolinians delight to honor—and there will be other reunions, but the town that surpasses the standard established by Darlington this year will indeed have to exert herself, and tonight the old soldiers are outspoken in their praise of the whole-hearted hospitality which has been extended to them with a lavish hand during the past two days.

Some of the old soldiers tonight were threatening to spend the balance of the week here, and their proposition seemed entirely satisfactory to the charming young sponsors who were gathered about them.

The dance tonight was greatly enjoyed and again the veterans had everything their way. The old folks' concert, which was given immediately before the dance was also appreciated and the old familiar melodies brought forth hearty encores from the soldiers and visitors.

At the business meeting this afternoon, which meeting was held after dinner, the invitation of Florence to the veterans to hold the reunion in that city next year was accepted. W. R. Barringer, mayor of Florence, championed the cause of the city in person, extended the invitation and told of the pleasure Florence would have in entertaining the veterans next year. The invitation of Florence was accepted.

At the meeting today officers for the ensuing year were elected, the following being chosen:

Commander of the South Carolina division, Gen. W. A. Clark of Columbia.

Commander of the First Brigade, D. W. McLaurin of Columbia.

Commander Second Brigade, W. H. Cely, Greenville.

Maj. Gen. C. A. Reed, formerly the commander of the division, was made honorary commander for life.

## DUE WEST OPERETTA

Pleases Abbeville Audience Wednesday Evening.

Owing to the hard rain which was falling just at show time Wednesday evening scores of Abbeville folk were disappointed at not being able to get to the Opera House to witness the presentation of The Egyptian Princess, a lively and beautiful operetta, by the students of Due West Woman's College, assisted by several Erskine students. The costumes were made for the operetta by a New York house and were gorgeously oriental. The queen's peacock robe of yellow satin was particularly handsome and the white brocaded satin costume of Alva, the Irish slave girl, was beautiful, probably especially so because of the natural beauty of the young lady taking this part. The attendants to the royal family were splendid in their acting and costuming.

The acting of Miss Bertha Ashworth as Alva, of Miss Mary Ross as Grania, and of Miss Sara Plaxco as Tabubu, stood out above amateur dramatic work. It is to be regretted that the great number of people who had planned to witness the production were prevented by the extremely bad weather and the management appreciates the presence of those who did brave the elements to greet the

## PRESBYTERIANS HONOR COLUMBIAN

THE REV. R. C. REED, D. D., IS ELECTED MODERATOR OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY NOW IN SESSION AT CHARLESTON, W. VIRGINIA.

Charleston, W. Va., May 18.—The Rev. R. C. Reed of Columbia, S. C., today was elected moderator of the general assembly of the Southern Presbyterian church. Only two ballots were cast. Dr. Reed failed of election on the first ballot by only 11 votes.

Dr. Reed is professor of church history in Columbia Theological seminary.

Others nominated for moderator were the Rev. Theron H. Rice of Richmond, the Rev. William C. Crowe of St. Louis and the Rev. T. W. Sloan of Greenville, S. C. The resignation of the Rev. Thomas Law of Spartanburg, S. C., who had been stated clerk of the assembly for many years, was presented by R. E. Magill of Richmond owing to Dr. Law's illness. The Rev. J. D. Leslie, permanent clerk was named to act in his place and the Rev. E. L. Siler of Maxton, N. C., was chosen temporary clerk.

The report of the executive committee of foreign missions presented by the Rev. S. H. Chester showed an encouraging growth of the work, especially within the past 20 years, it was said, both financially and spiritually. The Rev. James I. Vance reminded the assembly that an increase of funds was necessary to carry on this work and added that it would be an unwise policy for the committee, to increase its present indebtedness, which is said to amount to more than \$400,000.

The assembly was commended in its united stand in the interest of personal evangelism by the Rev. C. L. Godell, chairman of the department of evangelism of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America.

## CLAUDE P. CROMER

Claude P. Cromer, son of J. D. Cromer, died at his home in Abbeville at 7 o'clock Thursday morning. Mr. Cromer married Miss Nina Beauford about two years ago, and she with one son survive him. He is also survived by his father, J. D. Cromer and one brother, John Cromer of this city, one sister, Mrs. Mary Jackson of Ninety-Six. Funeral services were held this afternoon at Long Cane by Rev. G. M. Telford and interment was in Long Cane cemetery.

Mr. Cromer was a World War veteran, being stationed in Siberia. He was a Regular Army soldier, having been a member of the United States army for seven years.

## DEATH OF AN INFANT

Eugene Wesley, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. McCurry, died last Tuesday and was buried at Melrose cemetery Wednesday.

## IN NEED OF AUDITORS AND INSPECTORS

The Internal Revenue Department is in need of eligibles to fill positions of auditors and inspectors under the income tax unit of the bureau of internal revenue in Washington and in the field. An examination will be held June 14, to fill the position.

students in their operetta.

The music furnished by the Orchestra of the two colleges, and the singing of Herub, Grania and Alva was very much enjoyed. A write-up of the operetta would not be complete without reference to the realistic dancing of Miss Margaret Phillips in the snake dance—it was so realistic you could hear the snake's bones crack.

## DEMOCRATS VIEW WITH OPTIMISM

RESULTS IN PENNSYLVANIA ENHEARTENS MINORITY—OLD GUARD MACHINE BADLY IMPAIRED BY THE ELECTIONS TUESDAY

Washington, May 18.—"Those in the United States who protest and stand against the reactionary policies of the Harding administration and record of the Republican congress can not be other than greatly stimulated and encouraged by the result of the gubernatorial contest in Pennsylvania," thus in part reads a statement issued tonight by the Democratic National committee. While there is still doubt as to the winner in Pennsylvania, the fact that Gifford Pinchot, even if not nominated, has to all practical purposes smashed the magnificent machine which Boies Penrose so successfully operated, is taken to mean by Democratic politicians here that even "reactionary Pennsylvania" is sore with conditions.

Democratic senators refrained from expressing themselves formally because of the existing uncertainty. But informally, they declared that the result in Pennsylvania reflects the opinion of the people of the United States, even those living in the most rock ribbed Republican of commonwealths, as to the record of the reactionary wing of the Republican party both national and local.

Republican "old guard" leaders, not yet recovered from the blow from Indiana some days ago, find unctious today in the fact that Senator Pepper was nominated over Representative Burke. While the latter is a "laborite" there is no essential difference between the two inasmuch as both are regarded in congress as administration Republicans. The senatorial race was completely overshadowed by the gubernatorial, it is pointed out. Pinchot made his fight against reactionary ring rule of Republican bosses, local and national.

In the senatorial race, Pepper unequivocally declared against the soldiers' bonus, while Burke appealed to the former soldiers with the bonus as an issue. This feature of the senatorial race has had the congress guessing today.

"There has been a revolution in Pennsylvania," was the way minority leader Underwood characterized the result. "The Penrose machine has apparently gone to pieces. It is probable that in the future Pennsylvania, if it continues to improve, will not be regarded as a certain Republican state."

## INVITED TO GREENWOOD

The Greenwood people have recently organized a Parent-Teacher Association and at their meeting Wednesday (which will be the last for this season) Miss May Robertson principal of the graded school, was invited to come to Greenwood and talk to the association at their opening meeting in September. Miss Robertson has accepted the invitation and will make the association a valuable talk.

## CLUB MARKET

The Abbeville Club market is getting in shape now and is proving quite a success. It is being held on the platform in front of the court house, one of the large court house tables being used to display the things brought in from the country for sale. Many of the ladies of the city are seen on Friday morning carrying home vegetables and other good things to eat.

## AT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rev. Melton Clark of Columbia will preach in the Presbyterian church Sunday morning and evening.