## STATE NEWS ITEMS

HAPPENINGS OF INTEREST GATHERED FROM OUR EX-CHANGES AND CONDENSED IN BRIEF FORM.

The new Baptist hotel at Ridge est is nearing completion.

Dr. W. T. Thompson, Jr., who has een pastor of the Presbyterian heen pastor of the Presbyterian church in Lexington since 1910, has accepted a call to be pastor of a church in Knoxville, Tenn.

Last week in the Beaufort harbor there were caught four tiger or man eating sharks, the first on record as ever having been caught in that vicin-ity.

Colonel Jasper N. Craig, of Reids-ville, died last week. For years he had been colonel of the third regiment of the North Carolina National Guard.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Snipes and son recently arrived in Reidsville for a visit, having come all the way from their home in Vancouver, B. C., in an automobile.

According to the determination of the Carolina Prisoners' Aid Society reached recently, indictments for assault and battery will be brought against any guard in the service of Wake county who whips a prisoner.

Dr. Frank Siler, missionary secre-ary of the Western North Carolina tary of the Western North Carolina Conference, will move his family to Greensboro at an early date and Mrs. Siler will become dean of the Greens-boro College for Women.

Reports from Warsaw say that fol-Reports from warsaw say and early summer that that section has experienced in fifty years, the rains have fallen during the past week threatento do as much damage as the dry weather did if it continues.

The Concord Merchants' Association The Concord alerchants Assembly is planning to have a home-coming week there in September. In the undertaking the association has the cooperation of the city officials and the citizens of the town and every effort will be made to make the occasion a

Last week there came a telegram addressed to Governor Craig from Chicago appealing to him to join a world-wide movement to bring to a quick conclusion the terrible war "that threatens the devastation of Europe."

The new building at Oak Ridge which is to take the place of the one burned last January will be completed and ready for occupancy at the usual time for the opening of the fall term. The building has cost approximately eva one

Mrs. Elizabeth Hall, on trial at Louisa. Virginia, for killing her hus-band, Victor K. Hall, a merchant, on April 15, was last week found guilty of muriler in the second degree and sentenced to ten years in the peniten-tiary. Her husband was known in North Carolina.

Final action was taken last week by the city council of High Point and a white way for the city is now assured. The main street is to be cleared of poles and the street put in condition for the iron poles and a beautiful ef-fect. The material is to be ordered at once. at once.

The movement of cantaloupes The movement of cantaioupes to the Northern markets from Eastern North Carolina has practically stopped after one of the most successful seasons that the growers have had in years. From around Wilmington 650 cars were shipped north besides the shipments by express. The total receipts from the crop were more than one hundred thousand dollars.

About all the Frenchmen who wer About all the Frenchmen who were at Badin. Stanly county, working for the Southern Aluminum Company, have gone to France to fight for their country. There has been some apprehension that the company might have to close down, but the men in charge have announced that they have ample funds for the work and that it will not be hampered by the war in Europe.

The Hamburg - American Line steamer Nicaria put into Southport a few days ago because of the danger of capture by English or French war vessels. The cargo was transferred to the Clyde Line to be carried to New York. One of the mail bags on board had been gnawed by rats and Dr. C. W. Stiles would not let it go forward at first for fear of infection from bubonic plague.

In Carroll county, Virginia, leght up a miles from Mt. Airy, Cleve Belton, a well known white man residing in Mt. Airy, shot and fatally wounded Charles Albright, a colored driver employed by a livery firm at the la place because the driver refused divulge the whereabouts of a divulge the whereabouts of a wer known Mt. Airy business man whose life Belton is alleged to have threaten

Vance Heavner is the name of the Vance Heavner is the name of the 12-year-old preacher prodigy of North Carolina. He is a native of Catawba county and comes of very humble parents. He began making Sunday School talks and writing religious articles at the age of nine, and now at twelve seems almost as much at home in the pulpit as do the grown preachers. He preached to an audience of 1,800 at Shelby one night last week, and it is said his srmon, or lecture, was very good. ecture, was very good.

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Reports from the St. Helena colony in Pender county, says that the vine-yards have made an unusually good yield this year, which proves that the soil of that section of North Carolina is adapted to the culture of grapes. The residents of this colony are mostly Italians, and soon after their arrival in America, following the Italians natural bent toward the cultivation of grapes, they soon began to test the soil to see if they could grow grapes here. They found that they toward, and this is likely to become a very important industry in that part agents.

### LOONEY CHARGE EXPLODED

SILLY CHARGE AGAINST PRESI-DENT WILSON MEETING PROP-ER ANSWER.

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About the silliest charge yet fabricated against President Wilson is meeting its proper answer. It is the charge that the President has violated the Constitution by persuading Congress to give the reforms which the public is demanding.

The answer comes from members of the Congress which according to these insinuations, is being and has been "intimidated."

You may remember that President Taft was so respectful of the Constitution that he permitted Congress, then dominated by Aldrich and Cannon, to ignore his own and his party's solemn pledges while writing the Payne-Aldrich tariff in 1969. You may remember, also, the general opinion formed of Taft in consequence.

Hence the following extracts from a speech of Representative Perl T. Decker, of Missouri, a new Democratic Member, have a peculiar and timely interest:

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Decker, of Missouri, a new Democratic Member, have a peculiar and timely interest:

"Of course it was never intended by the Constitution that Congress should be browbeaten or intimidated by the President; but it was intended that he should exercise an induence over Congress by reason and by intellectual persuasion. President Wilson has exercised this kind of influence.
"Did the President 'overbear' Congress in the writing of the tariff bill? True, he uttered a protest that started the movement that dove the Mulhall lobby from the corridors of Congress with the lash of public scorn.
"True, also, that the great Ways and Means Committee submitted the tariff bill to the President and he made suggestions as to certain items. That is in harmony with the principles of the Constitution, as I will point out to you. If the tariff bill, after it had been passed by Congress, had not ben satisfactory to the President of the United States it would would have been his duty to veto it. And then, dare you tell this House and the people of the country that he was "overbearing Congress" because, before it was pased, he made his opinions known to the men who are responsible here for passing the tariff bill. esponsible here for passing the tariff

"When the tariff bill had been passed "When the tariff bill had been passed many good men said let us adjourn and rest on our laurels. Congress had a Constitutional right to adjourn, but the President has a Constitutional right to re-convene Congress. Was it an encroachment on legislative authority for him to say. You have done well, but I recommend that before you adjourn you fulfill another promise and reform the banking and currency laws!

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"Will the gentleman say that the President has overborne Congress because he has asked us to uphold his hands in the efforts which he and the great Secretary of State, Mr. Bryan, have been making, with now admitted hope of success, to save from exploitation, anarchy and strife, the unhappy people of distracted Mexico; in the efforts to save them without losing the lives of thousands of American boys and millions of dollars raised by taxing the toiling millions of the taxing the toiling millions of

And, in connection with the trust bills, it is identically the same story,

A thief entered the barn of Mr. W. H. Reece, about three miles from Greensboro Thursday night and got away with nearly everything there except the horse.

Little Samuel Carroll, said to be one of the brightest boys at the Christian Orphanage at Elon College, was crushed to death beneath a heavy piece of shafting which had been unloaded, and piled against the building.

The old Grandfather Hotel, which stood at the foot of Grandfather Mountain, was burned last week. For many years this was the only lodging place for sightseers visiting that historic section. The old building was out of commission as a boarding house.

Several men, probably as many as Several men, probably as many as ten or fifteen, formed themselves into a mob last week and about twelve o'clock at night made an attack on Contractor Younts, of Hickory, who is building a new depot in North Wilkes-boro. It seems that the cause of the assault was that colored brick layers were employed instead of white men.

The Southern Furniture Manufacturers' Association met in Hickory last week. One of the most important matters taken up was that of sending a man to South America to investigate the demand for wooden furniture, with the view of building up a large trade in Latin America. It was decided to send a representative to do this.

Some time ago W. L. Litaker, of Asheville, gave a photograph and tes-timonial to an artificial limb company who had fitted him with a leg. This testimonial fell into the hands of an unknown cousin of Mr. Litaker, living in Alabama, who had also lost a limb. A correspondence was struck up and as a result the two cousins met re-cently at a family reunion in Rowan

Mr. Baxter Shemwell, a Davidson county man, has succeeded in organiz-ing a million dollar organization to manufacture an adding machine at-tachment for typewrites. It is claim-ed that the attachment will add, subtract, carry totals forward, and in fact do everything and more than the Buroughs will do, while a litter is being written or an invoice made on the typewriter, using the figures in the ordinary way.

A bold robbery was committed in Greensboro Wednesday night of last week when robbers entered the local office of the Standard Oil Company, and blew open the safe, securing about \$50 in money, and checks to the amount of \$67. Entrance was made by boring six holes in the door and knocking out the wood between the holes, thus forming an opening large enough to admit a hand. The lock was then turned and access was easy.

## **GENERAL NEWS ITEMS**

TEMS OF INTEREST TAKING PLACE THIS WEEK THROUGH-OUT THE DIFFERENT SEC-TIONS OF THE WORLD.

An agreement has been reached be tween the United States governmen and the New Haven road for a peace ful dissolution of the system.

Mr. and Mrs. Archer M. Huntington Americans, who were held at Nuem-berg, Germany, as spies, have been re-leased. Nearly half a milion dollars is

he expended in the near future at Co-lumbus, Ohio, for a home for aged school teachers, under the provisions of the will of Mrs. Virginia Gay. Secretary Bryan announces that En-gland, Austria, and Russia have ac-knowledged the the receipt of media-tion proposals without any indication

Eyes of politicians throughout the country were turned toward Ohio last week when voters there cast their bal-lots in the first state-wide primary in the history of the state.

Secretary Bryan's peace treaties with the Netherlands and Norway, have been ratified. They provide for commissions of inquiry before resort to arms in international disputes which ordinary resources of diplomacy fail to settle.

The House and Senate conference. on the emergency shipping bill reached a complete egreement last Thursday, recommending that foreign built vessels registered under the act, be permitted to engage in coast wise within two years within its passage.

Switzerland, the country which gave origin to the Red Cross movement, is going to be a refuge for the wounded of the European war. The little coun-try is neutral, and is to be made a hospital for the wounded of all arm-

The necessity of a merchant marine the flecessity of a merchant marine just at this time is being impressed upon the minds of the leading men of the country and many take the position that with a sufficient number of vessels, this country night in a few weeks come in for a big share of the world's trade.

Brazil has demanded an explana-tion from Germany on the report based on the declaration of the French consul at Stuttgart that Bernado de Campos had been assaulted and rob-bed by German soldiers. The Brazil-ian, who is blind, was formerly pres-ident of the state of Sao Paulo.

The Chesapeake & Ohio Railway Company are to build a bridge across the Ohio river, about eight miles above Fortsmouth, Ohio. It will in-volve about twenty thousand tons of steel and the estimated cost is two million delines.

The peaceful transfer of the Mexico City government from Carbajal to the constitutionalists, actually began last week, according to official advices. The federal troops evacuated the cety and the municipal police who are regarded as neutral were left in charge. The federals went to a nearby point await an amnesty announcement from Carranza.

General Branwell Booth has offer-General Branwell Booth has offer-ed a number of Salvation army insti-tutions to the War Office in London for hospital and other services, in-cluding naval and military shelters at Portsmouth, Harwich and other places. Many of the Salvation Army halls are already being used to house troops and the Salvationists are obliged to hold their megtings in the streets instead of in the halls.

In his testimony before the Senate banking committee last week, Paul M. Warburg, revealed the fact that as a member of the Federal Reserve Board he will divest himself of all financial connections, even though not required by law to do so. He said: "I think a man who is on the Federal Reserve Board ought to be like Casar's wife, he ought to be above suspicion; he ought to be without any entangling alliances."

# **OUR FARMERS' COLUMN**

ARTICLES ON AGRICULTURE THAT WILL BE OF INTEREST TO THE FARMERS OF OUR CIR-CLE OF READERS.

How to Plant Winter-Growing Crops Every farmer in the state should b Every farmer in the state should be interested in getting planted a large acreage of winter cover crops, such as rye, clovers, vetches, grasses, etc. These crops are needed to hold the soil together, to prevent washing and leaching, to furnish grazing and forage, to gather nitrogen from the air and to turn under to improve the soil. Next in importance to good, sound seed, is a good seed-bed. The land should be broken not less than eight inches deep from two to six weeks.

seed, is a good seed-bed. The land should be broken not less than eight inches deep from two to six weeks before time to plant so that it will have time to settle. Shallow ploving does not let enough water into the soil. If breaking is done immediately before planting and no rain falls the soil should be rolled (when dry) to make it firm, but should be well disced, or harrowed to make the top loose and fine. The matter may be summed up by saying that a good seed bed requires deep breaking, settling, thorough harrowing and moisture. The farmer who neglects these things will generally fail to procure a stand. By all means watch soil conditions and, if possible, plant when there is moisture.

Many fields will need lime, especially if any legume is to be planted there. Determine this in time and apply lime before planting, if it is need ed. All legumes will need inoculation to furnish beneficial bacteria, unless

All legumes will need inoculation furnish beneficial bacteria, unle of furnish beneficial bacteria, unless esoil already contains the germs occulation may be had by spreading oil from fields where the speciar oup has grown and been found to contain the germs. The State Department of Agriculture, Raleigh, is not repared to furnish inoculating mate and at fifty cents per acre. The U. state of the contains the

ment of Agriculture, Raleigh, is now prepared to furnish inoculating material at fifty cents per acre. The U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., will furnish it free. It can be had from there through the demonstration agents. In getting it from either department, the order should be sent in three or four weeks before time to use the material. The best time to plant winter grasses and clover in this state varies very much on account of our varying altitude. In a general way the best 30 days for planting are about as follows: In the mountains, from August 15 to September 15; in the central part of the state, from August 25 to September 25; in the constal plains, from September 15 to October 15. Remember that these crops should be planted early enough to get a good hold in the soil by winter, and yet late enough so that they will not be killed by the hot sun of late summer. This requires good judgment and knowledge on the part of the farmer.

Keeping Farms Clean.

Many a farmer is resting now when he ought not to be. He has just laid by his crops and has got all of his hay up, and is taking life easy. That's all right, but if he will but think he can do valuable work on his farm and that is to clean out his fence corners and put in new posts where the old ones are rotten. Many farmers leave the briers and weeds that they cut down in their fence corners lying right where they cut them, and they ought not to do that. I pull them out on the field about ten feet and let them rot on the ground. You get the benefit of them there and they make the soil better, and you always notice that your best wheat is around the fence.

Many farmers don't cut the wheat up next to the fence at all, and many run over it the first time when going around the field the first time, but the best way is to cut next to the fence first and you get the good wheat then. Then have a fallow come along with a pitchfork and straighten up the wheat where the bull wheel has run over it. It adds more profit. It makes your farm look better when you clean out your fence corners. If you wanted to sell your farm, the man buying would give more for it than he would if the fences were hidden by briers and bushes and just a piece of a fence there.

Have the hedge rows or fences trimmed up well with all the brush

# REPUBLICAN PARTY DEAD

COL. FAIRBROTHER DISCUSSES
COMING CONVENTION. — SAYS
TATTERED REMNANT HAS
BEEN CALLED TO MEET IN
RALEIGH—CALL TO THE DEAD

Despite the fact that the Republi-Despite the fact that the Republican party ceased to be a state party after the last general election, John M. Morehead, as chairman, and Gilliam Grissom, as secretary, have issued a "call" for a state Republican convention to be held at Raleigh, August 20. According to the laws of North Carolina, a party, to remain a state party, must poll a minimum of 50,000 votes at the Presidential election. Neither the Republican nor the bull moose parties polled the requisite number of votes at the last election, and as a result, the Democratic party is the only recognized party in the state.

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In view of the non-existence of the Republican party in the state, the call issued by Messrs. Morehead and Grissom has called forth varied comments by the press of the state. Among the sarcastic remarks, those of Col. Al Fairbrother, in "Everything," stand out conspicuously. Col. Fairbrother writes thusly:

and attempted to rally the dead from under their tombstones.

It is as though a dairy maid were to go to the slaughter house and expect to milk the cows that had been turned into beef the year before; as though the fond lover sat in his lonely room and looked back at the faded ribbon and the lock of hair cut from the forehad of a girl long years in glory, and expect to see her materialize and tell him again that she loved him.

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It is as though a weeping mother would go to the urn and take the askes of her first-born and talk o them and coo with them and dream that the living flesh were present.

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The Republican party in North Carolina—the followers of the (we quote) "Party of Lincoln, and Grant, of Garfield, and McKinley, of Roosevelt and Taft."—and here is Teddy telling them that he would see the Republican party further in the Bad Land than you could throw a buil moose by the tail before he would give it recognition.

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"War prices" for food in the United States resulted last week in the introduction into the House of Represent with the germs, which live on the steep of the state of the if foreign markets, should go up in the domestic markets, was asked.

There is a report that the Bank ed England is going to try to establish a branch in should be a branch in secondary gold holdings, pending adjustment of the house that any effort thus encroastics that any effort thus encroastics that any effort the steerong with the steering of the steering of the steering of the steering of the steering the steering of t will be a failure, with them it will probably be a success.

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# **BUSINESS BOOM BEGINNING**

NORTH CAROLINA MANUPAC' TURER IS OPTIMISTIC—FINAN. CIAL ATMOSPHERE BUOYANT,

A Washington newspaper corre-pondent to one of the North Carolin-dailies last week had an interview with Hon. A. W. McLean, of Lumber-ton, a prominent cotton grower and manufacturer, who was on his way home from New York City, where ha

home from New York City, where ha had spent several days conferring with big Wall Street bankers, exporters and prominent manufacturers of the North. He was very optimistic regarding general business conditions.

While admitting that he was rather downcast at the prospects of marketing crops this fall before he went to New York, he stated that the conversations he had had with the big financiers in Wall Street opened his eyes and that he now sees nothing but extremely good times for the American farmers, manufacturers and bankers.

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"I was surprised to find the finan-cial atmosphere in New York ex-tremely buoyant. In former periods of threatened financial distress Wall

out conspicuously. Col. Fairbrother writes thusly:

A little late to call the remnant together—a little late in the day, the year, the age, to attempt to rally and a rattling of dry bones—but John M. Morehead, as chairman, and Gilliam Grisom, as secretary, have called tomeet, in North Carolina, a state Republican convention, at Raleigh, on Thursday, August 20.

At this time and place, it is gravely stated, state officers will be nominated, and such other business as may properly come before the convention, will be conducted.

In the old days such a call would be a commonplace agair; a matter of course—an expectancy—but this is the first time, in our recollection, that a sexton has gone to a grave yard and attempted to rally the dead from under their tombstones.

It is as though a dairy maid were in the seas of German battleships and make the way clear for us to market ures will be taken to quickly market all our crops and produce abroad with little difficulty and at higher prices than we have heretofore re-ceived. The opinion is almost unan-imous in well informed circles that the British and French fleets will clear the seas of German battleships and make the way clear for us to market our products in great volume to our biggest foreign purchasers.

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"I have an appointment to meet Secretaries McA doo and Houston tomorrow morning to advise with them regarding securing ample money to move North Carolina crops and for marketing them abroad."

# DOESN'T LOOK LIKE DEPRES-

A Big Automobile Manufacturer Points Out Strong Business Facts. London, Aug. 18.—Instead of "paychological," John R. Willys., president of the Willys-Overland Automobile Company, believes that the "present business depression is purely sentimental." This was his characterization today of the business outlook in America. He gave it just before leaving for Carlsbad.
"In the next twelve months," said Willys, "we expect to turn out 75,000 automobiles. Last year we manufactured 45,000 and sold them all. It is strange that all this sentimental talk about business depression increases so the demand for good automobiles, isn't it?
"Business is good for those who have good stuff. The best shops and high-class materials are continuing to win all along the line. We expect to ship 7,500 automobiles to Europe next year. The majority of the 75,000 cars

ship 7,500 automobiles to Europe next year. The majority of the 75,000 cars we will turn out will be \$1,475 cars. We will sell them all."

### COOKING RECIPES

Following are a few cooking reci-pes that have been tested and are known to be good. We recommend them to all our readers who are house-Sandwich Biscuits

Sandwich Biscuits
Roll some biscuit dough thin like
pie crust and cut with a small biscuit
cutter. Spread one-half of it with a
mixture of finely chopped ham seasoned to taste with salt, pepper and a
little mustard. Cover with the remaining half of biscuits and bake in a
hot oven.

Pocketbook Rolls
Roll biscuit dough very thin and cut
with ordinary biscuit cutter. Fold
each one into triagular shape, brush
with milk and bake. After removing
from oven open and cover bottom of
roll with grated cheese, marmaiade or
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Tomate Catsup
To make tomato catsup, take one peck of ripe tomatoes and cook without water until they are tender. Four through a sieve, return to the fire and boil until thick. They must be constantly stirred to prevent burning. Now add a pound of sugar and a pint of vinegar, a half a cupful of salt and two teaspoonfuls of pepper. Boil again until thick; pour into bottles and seal or cork tightly. To seal bottles, drive the corks in even with the neck of the bottle, wipe off and pour melted sealing wax over the top of cork and bottle.

Cheese and Tomato Patties
Moisten a pint of stale bread crumbs with a cupful of staved tomatoes, add two eggs, one large cupful of grated chees, a medium sized onion finely minced, and a piece of butter the size of a walnut. Season with salt and Pepper. Knead thoroughly. If too hot to mold, add some the cracker crumbs until of the right consistency. Mould into small patties. Dip in beaten egg and then in crumbs and fry in hot butter until brown. Serve hot.

Stuffed Peaches.

Wash the peaches which have been made clear seed, then remove the seed by cutting a slit in the side. Now put them into a scalding hot brine, not too strong, and let stand until cool. Make a mixture of different kinds of spices and horse radish mustard seed, and ginger root. Tie all together in a muslin bag and dip several minutes in scalding water. This will make the spices less strong. Fill the seed cavities with this mixture and place the peaches, tied around with thread, into jars.

The British steamboat Lorca sailed