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## GENERAL NEWS ITEMS

### ITEMS OF LIVE NEWS GATHERED FROM OUR EXCHANGES AND CONDENSED IN BRIEF FORM FOR BUSY READERS.

Lincoln Green, traffic manager for the Southern freight department, announces that his road proposes to increase rates five per cent to be effective October 1.

Joel Green, a negro desperado, was shot to death by a posse near Pine-wood, S. C., last Saturday after he had been treed in a swamp by bloodhounds.

General Huerta, the Mexican trouble maker, has sailed from San Lopez, Spain, for the West Indies. It is feared that he will return to Mexico and start another revolution.

German headquarters at Berlin, declare that 55,800 Russian prisoners were taken by the Germans during the month of March.

Mysterious "information" recently came to Philadelphia bankers to the effect that the European war will end within thirty days. It was believed to such an extent by the bankers that they purchased \$10,000,000 worth of German Treasury 5 per cent notes, due next January, at 99 and 5-8.

Revenue officers from Statesville captured a copper still of 150 gallons capacity, near the Wilkes and Iredell line one day last week. The operatives fled at the approach of the officers.

John Haskins, a white boy of Wilson, was killed by coming in contact with a live wire that was swinging across the walk after the storm, one day last week. Attorneys for the boy's father have sued the town of Wilson for damages.

Mrs. W. A. Guthrie, wife of a prominent lawyer and sister to General J. S. Carr, of Durham, died one day last week and was laid to rest at her old home, Fayetteville.

Receivers have been appointed for the J. B. Greenhut Company, which operates a well known department store and mail order business in New York City.

The North Carolina Press Association will meet at Montreal, July 1st and 2nd.

Three hundred unemployed Americans have appealed to the State Department for transportation from Tampico to the United States.

Hon. Thomas W. Gregory, Attorney General of the United States, will address the State Bar Association, which meets in Asheville, August 2, 3, and 4.

Gifford Pinchot, ex-chief forester of the United States, who has been acting as agent for the State Department at Washington, in the European war zone, has been expelled from Belgium by the German authorities.

The town of Magnolia, this state, shipped 5,000 dozen eggs during the month of February, and more than 3,000 dozen during March.

Selection of the route for the proposed Dixie Highway from Chicago to Miami, Florida, was left to a commission of 14 men by the conference of governors and road advocates that met at Chattanooga, recently. Two commissioners are to be appointed by the governor of each state through which the road will extend as follows: Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Tennessee, Kentucky, Georgia and Florida.

Col. Thomas Leroy Kirkpatrick defeated Mr. Frank R. McNinch by a narrow margin as Democratic nominee for Mayor of Charlotte last Tuesday.

It is said to be pretty certain that E. C. Duncan will be nominated for governor by the Republican party in 1916.

Developments indicate that the government intends to do its utmost to back up Secretary McAdoo of the Treasury, and Comptroller of the Currency Williams in the legal fight precipitated by the Riggs National Bank, complainant in equity proceedings to enjoin these officials from alleged attempts to drive that institution out of business through systematic and long-continued persecution.

T. S. Adams, an express messenger of McFerrin, Virginia, and Edgar Williams, colored, who was wagon driver for Agent Lopp, at Lexington, have been arrested for connection with the larceny of three cases of shoes, and still other arrests are expected. The transfer clerk in Greensboro, who is charged with helping steal the shoes is reported to have skipped.

Agent Lopp, Messenger Fowler, and C. I. Hopkins, a merchant, were already under bond for their appearance at court in the same case.

J. A. Long, one of the most prominent citizens of Roxboro, died last Monday in the 75th year of his age.

## GOVERNOR - NAMES DELEGATES

Governor Craig has appointed the following committees to represent North Carolina at the Southern Industrial Council, in Chattanooga, April 27-30:

**Agriculture.**  
Hon. E. L. Daughtridge, Rocky Mount; John Sprunt Hill, Durham; Frank H. Fleer, R. F. D. Thomasville; John Wood, Edenton; John Wilkinson, Belhaven; J. C. Currie, R. F. D. Fayetteville; Leonard Tufts, Pinehurst; Frank Page, Biscoe; H. W. Horton, N. Wilkesboro; C. Van Leuven, Wilmington.

**Manufacturing.**  
J. S. Carr, Jr., Durham; T. N. Webb, Hillsboro; H. Wiel, Goldsboro; Elwood Cox, High Point; R. J. Reynolds, Winston-Salem; J. Frank Wilkes, Charlotte; S. B. Tanner, Caroleen; C. D. Bradham, New Bern; G. D. Canfield, Morehead City; Thomas Woodruff, Mount Airy.

**Professional.**  
R. R. Clark, Statesville; Dr. M. H. Fletcher, Asheville; J. Lee Crowell, Concord; Judge J. Crawford Biggs, Raleigh; Rev. W. D. Moss, Chapel Hill; Dr. J. I. Foust, Greensboro; Prof. E. C. Branson, Raleigh; T. Gilbert White, Durham; Henry Howell, Asheville.

The commissioners of Guilford county have employed Mr. T. D. Brown, highway engineer, at a salary of \$200 a month, to superintend the repairing of the roads in their county.

The people of Guilford county will vote June 1, on the question of erecting a \$225,000 courthouse. The plan is to erect a building of several stories and rent part of it for offices.

General Carranza has offered to furnish a train for all Americans who may desire to leave the City of Mexico.

Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo and Comptroller of the Currency Williams have been made defendants in proceedings begun in the District of Columbia Supreme Court by the Riggs National Bank of Washington, which alleges that these officials conspired to wreck the bank.

The body of Mr. Joe Perry, who disappeared from his home near Tarboro, some time during February, was found one day last week in an old field pine thicket nearby. Mr. Perry was in bad health at the time of his disappearance, and it is thought his death resulted from natural cause.

91 illicit distilleries were seized and destroyed during the month of March by the Greensboro division of the Internal Revenue Department.

Germany has sent to the United States a note complaining that the latter has accomplished nothing in its diplomatic correspondence with the allies to obtain for American exporters the right to ship foodstuffs to the civilian population of a belligerent country. The communication intimates also that the United States has virtually acquiesced in the British Orders in Council prohibiting commerce with Germany.

Mrs. J. R. Warren is in jail at Winston-Salem, charged with murder of her husband, whose body was found in Muddy Creek twelve miles from the city last August.

Instructions have been sent from the State Department to the American minister in Havana, Cuba, not to issue passports to Jack Johnson, pugilist, who has applied for credentials to take with him to Europe. Johnson left the United States after being convicted under the white slave law while at liberty on \$45,000 bond.

7,000 people, including 2,000 school children were present at Catawba county's first annual county commencement in Newton, last Friday.

Dr. D. C. Mebane, a native of Greensboro, now a resident of Wilkesbarre, Pennsylvania, is a candidate for the postoffice in his adopted town. He has the support of former Representative A. Mitchell Palmer and other leading Democrats.

L. L. Patterson, a prosperous farmer, of Alamance county, committed suicide by shooting himself in the temple, at his home ten miles from Burlington, one day last week. Depression over business transactions is given as a cause of the suicide. Mr. Patterson was said to be worth about \$25,000.

Miss Genivieve Clark, only child of Speaker and Mrs. Champ Clark, is to be married in June to Mr. James M. Thompson, publisher of the New Orleans News-Item.

Mt. Gilead will vote on a \$20,000 bond issue for the purpose of erecting a new school building, May 15.

## HEARD IN THE COUNTY

### WHAT OUR TOWN CORRESPONDENT HEARS AND THINKS - ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM ALL OVER THE COUNTY.

Give the farmers a decent hitch rack. Why not?

One poor old codger has to mortgage his home to help pay for his son being a sport. How we apples do swim.

Mr. A. R. Callicutt, of Strieby, has renewed his subscription to The Courier. Mr. Callicutt is as straight as a gauge and is doing a good mercantile business.

Mr. J. J. Welch, of Pisgah, has paid his subscription up to 1916. Mr. Welch is one of our best citizens and believes in paying as he goes.

News is new. But it depends on the point of view, evidently. If Sal Smith takes dinner with Jane Skinner is it news?

A number of our fishermen have been to the river fishing, but say that the fish are not biting good.

It is with a great deal of pleasure that we are calling attention of The Courier readers especially to the advertisement of the Carter Mercantile Company, of Ramseur, for a number of reasons, chief among which is that they believe in advertising and the people who have traded with them in the past have found that they do exactly what they advertise to do and also that their prices are as low as good reliable goods can be sold for. We are glad therefore, to say these words for a reliable firm and hope that The Courier readers will patronize the Carter Mercantile Company.

The Crescent Furniture Company is one of the standbys of Ramseur. It is under the management of that well known and popular man, Chas. Reece. He is on the job for 365 days in the year and knows how to sell furniture. His line is a general one consisting of all kinds of furniture and he sells his ware at a reasonable price. Mr. Reece is a good trader and a first-class man to deal with. The Crescent Furniture Company is a firm of which Ramseur should be proud. See their ad in this issue.

Subscribe for The Courier for yourself and for your friends who may reside in a "far away" state, and induce your neighbor to take it. Do it today. The Courier will help you if you will help it.

Be sure that you are right, but don't be blamed sure that everybody else is wrong.

When you are thinking of letter heads, bill heads, statements, or blanks or in fact everything in the job printing line call on the Courier office.

Won't it be nice when we can stop talking about the war and give our time to discussing which one of our farmers is putting the most work on his corn field.

Why don't you write up the news of your neighborhood and send it to The Courier.

Why is it that cross ties are bringing more on the Ramseur market than they are on the Asheville market?

Once there was a boy who went to a circus and watching his chance managed to crawl under the tent. After the show was over he went about saying it was no good. Everytime we hear anyone say their home paper is no account, nine times out of ten we find that they are not on the list of paying subscribers, and then we can't keep from thinking about the boy who crawled under the circus tent. Don't criticize music unless you are willing to pay the fiddler.

A sad accident has occurred in Georgia. A man stopped a good newspaper because it printed an item he did not like. Now the man is dead and the paper is printed every Thursday.

All the masonry work of the Watkins-Leonard Company is now completed and it is expected that the inside work will be finished in short order. They will occupy this magnificent building as soon as the last nail is driven. The two men who run the business are too well known to need any words of commendation at our hands. They are Messrs. E. C. Watkins and E. B. Leonard and are of the best business men in Ramseur. This firm has built up a hardware business which will compete with any in the State. To them is due a great deal of the progress of the town. Their courteous treatment while in their store makes you want to buy from them and it makes you want to come back to them when in need of their goods. It leaves a lasting good feeling with each of their customers.

## NEAR RACE RIOT AT CANDOR

### One Dead as Result of Clash Between Officers and Disorderly Negroes.

A negro, George Green, about 21 years of age, is dead and two of his brothers, Will and Charles Green are in jail as a result of what came near being a race riot at Candor, last Friday night. The trouble arose at a colored school closing. Some sort of row arose among the colored people and white people hearing of it, sent a deputy sheriff over to the scene. He attempted to arrest George Green, who seemed to be the leader in the row, but the two brothers of the man appeared and spirited him away. The deputy left the scene, secured eight other men, who were deputized and returned.

When the white men returned there was some very boisterous talk going on among the negroes on the outside of the house, much profanity being used. The disturbers were told to be quiet; hereupon, they fired on the white men, and one rushed forward with an axe. The whites fired back, and George Green was killed. It is thought among the white boys, present at the entertainment, that Green was the one who had the axe, but it is not known certainly. Will and Charles Green were arrested for aiding and abetting their brother in resisting the officers.

## TERRE HAUTE ELECTION CASES

Four of the men convicted in the Terre Haute, Indiana, election fraud trial and sentenced to the Federal penitentiary at Leavenworth, were given commitment papers last Monday.

The other sixteen, including Mayor Donn Roberts, who received prison sentences, and appealed, and 87 convicted are in jail in Terre Haute. Roberts was sentenced to six years, and fined \$2,000. His was the severest sentence of all and he must furnish a \$60,000 bond to secure his liberty pending an appeal.

Federal Judge Anderson, in passing sentence, blamed nearly all the corruption in the election to the saloon.

## WILSON GIRLS WINNERS

Misses Lalla Fleming and Ethel Gardner, 18 and 17 years old, respectively, of the Wilson high school, won the Aycock memorial cup as the champions of 1915, in the debating union of North Carolina, at Chapel Hill, last Friday. These young ladies triumphed over 998 other debaters in 91 counties and 250 schools.

The winning team championed the negative of the question: "Resolved, That the United States Should Adopt the Policy of Subsidizing Its Merchant Marine Engaged in Foreign Trade." This was the third annual debate held by the Debating Union. Forty-nine schools, sending 196 debaters, twenty-nine of whom were girls, participated in the first round of preliminaries. The final victory was won from the Statesville high school, represented by Stewart Lee Cowles and Henry Cowles Bristol.

## NEW TRAIN ON NORFOLK SOUTHERN

The following will be of interest to the travelling public:

The morning train out of Raleigh for Charlotte, No. 31, will leave Raleigh at 7:10 and will reach Charlotte at 1:55 p. m. It will reach Star at 10:56 a. m., and at that place will make connection with trains to Ellerbe, Candor, Asheville, and Aberdeen.

The morning train out of Charlotte for Raleigh, No. 30, will leave Charlotte at 6:30 and arrive at Raleigh at 1:20 p. m. It will arrive at Star at 9:30 a. m. and make close connection with the Asheville and Aberdeen branch for Ellerbe, Candor, Asheville, and Aberdeen. At Asheville connection will be made for High Point and points on the Southern Railway.

## COX-CURTIS

Mr. J. M. Cox and Miss Mattie Curtis were married at the residence of the officiating justice of the peace, Mr. P. A. Routh, near Gray's Chapel, on April 7. The ceremony was performed with the candidates seated in their buggy; and immediately afterwards, the newly married couple drove to the home of the groom nearby, and spent the evening meal together, and spent the first night of their married life in their own home.

Mr. Cox is a son of Mr. George Cox, of Ramseur, and is an industrious young farmer, while his bride is an attractive young lady from near Liberty.

## ANOTHER GERMAN RAIDER

### ARRIVES AT NEWPORT NEWS IN ALMOST HELPLESS CONDITION - TELLS THRILLING STORY.

The German converted cruiser Kronprinz Wilhelm arrived at Newport News, Virginia, last Sunday morning after stealing past four allied warships off the Virginia capes, and asked for fuel and supplies. This raider left New York last August as a German merchant and passenger steamer; and since then, had never touched land, destroying fifteen merchant ships, 12 of them British, two French, and one Norwegian; capturing 960 prisoners, most of whom were sent to South American ports on German ships, which at various times responded to wireless calls from the raider. The value of ships and cargoes destroyed is estimated at \$7,000,000.

When the raider reached Newport News, she was in an almost helpless condition, with less than 25 tons of coal and scanty provisions for her crew of 500 and 61 British prisoners taken in the South Atlantic from merchant ships which were sunk. The raider has been reported sunk many times during her remarkable cruise.

The commander Lieutenant Captain Thierfelder, said "We got in without being seen by the enemy, and we can get out the same way."

## POWERS-SPOON

Bear Creek, April 9.—At the home of the bride's parents, on Bear Creek Route 1, Miss Lucy C. Powers, the beautiful and accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Powers, and Mr. Samuel Phalt Spoon, of Randolph county, were united in Marriage on Wednesday, April 7, 1915, at 3:30 p. m., Rev. Grover C. Phillips, a former teacher of the bride, officiating.

The parlor was tastefully decorated with white Easter lilies, ferns and evergreens. The bridal party entered in the following order: Miss Lina Powers, becomingly attired in white embroidery voile with Mr. Lester L. Powers; Miss Eva Scott, gowned in net over white, with Mr. Oscar Powers; Miss Tamar Scott, maid of honor, gowned in white embroidery voile, with Mr. George R. Phillips, best man. These formed two parallel lines on the right and left of the officiating minister, between which marched the bride, attired in white silk crepe and the groom in blue serge with white tie. The bride's father stood on the left of the minister while the simple words were spoken which united them for life.

Immediately following the ceremony the party repaired to the dining room, where the same color-scheme was used in the decorations as in the parlor. The bride's father sat at the head of the beautiful and sumptuous dining table, the young gentlemen sat on the right and the young ladies on the left in the same order in which they marched into the parlor, and Rev. Mr. Phillips faced the father at the foot. Miss Lina Powers and Mr. Lester Brewer served.

Mr. and Mrs. Spoon left Thursday for Mitchell, Randolph county, where they will make their future home.

The bride is one of the most accomplished and best loved young ladies of her community and the groom is a hard-working young man, quiet and prepossessing in manner and is well thought of in his community.

Their many friends unite in sincere wishes for a long, prosperous and happy life for them.

## "CUPID."

## FRANKLINVILLE SCHOOL CLOSING

Franklinville school will close next Saturday. There will be all-day exercises, beginning at ten in the morning, consisting of songs, recitations, declamations, etc. At night, the play, "The Old Oaken Bucket" will be given, for which an admission fee of 25c for adults and 15c for children will be charged.

Mr. D. M. Weatherly has been the popular principal at Franklinville for several years, and he will again open the fall term on August 30, 1915.

The Seward-Fairbanks route has been selected for the government railway in Alaska, and property for a part of the route has been purchased for \$1,150,000.

It is, of course, amusing, when a reception is held to read the names of the "guests present." Comment is unnecessary.

## BASS-BURGESS

The marriage of Miss Cosie Mae Burgess to Mr. Clyde H. Bass, of Charlotte, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Burgess, in High Point, on April 7, was a simple but pretty affair. Only the family and a few friends were present as guests.

Just before the ceremony Miss Cletus Burgess sang very sweetly "Wonderful Garden of Dreams," accompanied by Miss Maude Armentrout, following which Mrs. C. E. Reitzel rendered Mendelssohn's wedding march, to the strains of which the bridal party entered the parlor. Miss Blanche and W. W. Burgess, the only attendants, came first. During the ceremony, Mrs. Reitzel played "The Barcarolle" from Hoffman. Rev. A. G. Dixon, pastor of the bride, performed the ceremony that made them husband and wife, using the beautiful ring ceremony of the Methodist Protestant church. The out-of-town guests were: Mrs. W. F. Burgess and daughter, Mae; Miss Grace Hatcher, of Charlotte, and Miss Lillie Fentress, of Asheville.

After the ceremony a most delightful salad course was served. Great interest was centered around cutting of the bride's cake, which contained a ring, a dime, a thimble and a button. The bridal party left for the South on train No. 35.

Mr. Bass is a promising young business man of Charlotte, occupying the position of purchasing agent for the Ford Motor Car Company. The bride is the second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Burgess, of High Point.

Mrs. Bass is a sister of Miss Cletus Burgess, of the Asheville graded school faculty.

## BYNUM-PAGE

The marriage of Miss Florence Page of Aberdeen and Mr. Fred Williamson Bynum of Pittsboro at the Page Memorial Methodist Church in Aberdeen on Wednesday of last week at 9 p. m., was of interest to many in this part of the State.

Immediately after the ceremony at the church a reception was given by the parents of the bride, at which several hundred guests were present.

Mrs. Bynum is the eldest daughter of Mr. Henry A. Page, twice a member of the General Assembly. She is a niece of Walter Hines Page, United States Ambassador to the Court of St. James, and Hon. Robert N. Page, Representative in Congress from the Seventh North Carolina District. She was educated at Miss Shipp's school at Lincolnton, Randolph-Macon and Converse. She is a young woman of much personal charm and has a large circle of friends. Mr. Bynum is a young lawyer, practicing his profession in Pittsboro. He has already served two terms in the General Assembly.

## ASHEBORO MONTHLY MEETING ORGANIZED

At a quarterly meeting of the Friends church, at Back Creek, the fourth Sunday in March, a committee was appointed to establish a monthly meeting at Asheboro. Accordingly the following members of the committee met in the new Friends church building at Asheboro last Friday morning at ten o'clock and organized Asheboro Monthly Meeting: Mrs. David Farlow, Marlboro; Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Spencer, Poplar Ridge; Mr. and Mrs. Levi B. Lowe, Back Creek; Mrs. William Winslow, and Mrs. Semira Lowe, Science Hill; and Mr. Benoni Stout, Holly Springs. Mrs. Milner Angel Cox, and Rev. Elwood Cox, of Ulah, were also present and took part in the deliberations.

A considerable number of the Friends denomination are found in Asheboro; but until recently, they had no regular organization here. However, a number got together, held services for some time in the armory, and a little after Christmas completed the erection of a neat and commodious building for worship. Now the organization of the monthly meeting completes the establishment of a church. Mrs. Milner Angel Cox is the pastor.

After the business of the meeting had been completed, Friday, the Asheboro Friends brought forward well-filled baskets and served an appetizing dinner, even including coffee, to the visitors.

Francis N. Wachter, a native of Germany, living in Thomasville, has just received notice that a rich aunt has died in Germany leaving him \$8,000 in currency and some valuable real estate.