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GENERAL NEWS ITEMS

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

Lieutenant Warneford, the Canadian aviator, who recently won the Victoria cross by destroying a large Zeppelin, was killed last Thursday by falling from his machine when over Dulke, France.

Stanly county will organize the Boys' Road Patrol in two townships soon and probably in others later.

Mr. Charles Lambeth, of Thomasville, has been elected one of the trustees of Trinity College.

Mr. J. P. Eddinger, of Davidson county, recently made the discovery that a swarm of bees had established themselves in his pantry between the ceiling and weatherboarding. It is thought the bees had made their home in the pantry several years, but at last accounts, the amount of honey had not been ascertained.

Mrs. John Hinkle, of Thomasville, who had pellagra some time ago, has lost her mind and been taken to Morganton to the State Hospital. She is said to refuse food and drink, claiming that an effort is being made to poison her.

Mr. C. M. Muse, of Carthage, is reported to have had a cherry tree in his back yard that produced 96 quarts of cherries this summer, the cherries selling for ten cents a quart, netting \$9.60 from the one tree.

The famous controversy between Judge Peebles and Messrs. C. A. and G. W. Brown, editors and publishers of the Goldsboro Record, is to be revived next month, when the editors will be the defendants in a damage suit instituted by the judge.

It is recalled that Sheriff A. D. Hood, who was killed by a mob at Winnsboro, South Carolina, a few days ago, shot a negro in Union county, North Carolina, a few years ago. The negro resisted arrest and drew a gun on the sheriff, who shot him dead, but was later exonerated.

It is claimed that there has not been a death from typhoid fever in the United States army since 1912, when anti-typhoid vaccination was made compulsory.

Telephone connection between the city of Asheville and the summit of Mt. Mitchell was completed last week.

The championship in the Boys' Corn Clubs for the year 1914 goes to Carl Graves, of Soso, Mississippi, he having raised 202 bushels of corn on a single acre at the remarkably low price of 14.5 cents a bushel.

Seven traveling libraries were sent out from Raleigh, one day last week, by Miss Minnie Leatherman, secretary of the State Library Commission, for circulation in various counties of the State. One was a farmer's library of twelve volumes; all the others regular libraries of 36 volumes each.

The nineteenth annual convention of the North Carolina Bankers Association met at Wrightsville Beach last week. There were about 200 present. Mr. J. L. Armfield, of Thomasville, was elected President.

The Orange county health survey has recently been completed. Lecturers were delivered illustrated by stereopticon slides and suggestions made for improvements. Surveys have been completed in Hillsboro town and township, and in Chapel Hill, Eng and Cheeks townships. All have met with friendliness and enthusiasm from the people and have been very satisfactory.

The Czar of Russia recently conferred the rank of General on Dr. Howard H. Egbert, the American Red Cross surgeon, who is chief of the medical staff of the American Red Cross Hospital at Kief, Russia. The Emperor conferred this unusual honor on the doctor in order to emphasize his appreciation of what the American physicians and nurses have accomplished in the treatment of wounded Russian soldiers.

The bulb business for which Holland is world famous has, like all other industries suffered, a sad blow because of the war, and one from which it seems unable to recover as the war goes on.

Sun spots acting upon the nervous system develop belligerent instincts and are responsible for war, according to the theory of Abbe Moreaux, of the Bourges Observatory. The war of 1870, he points out, followed a period when solar activity, begun in 1897, had reached its maximum and the war of 1914 was also preceded by electric convulsions in recent years.

CHAUTAQUA PROGRAM

EDWARD W. HUELSTER, OF TABULA, OHIO, THE SUPERINTENDENT—CRAWFORD ADAMS—HERE AGAIN—MANY INTERESTING FEATURES

Junior Chautauqua begins at 9:00. Afternoon session begins at 2:30. Evening session begins at 7:30.

Thursday, July 1.
Afternoon—Admission, 25 cents. Series Lecture—Superintendent, Dr. Edward W. Huelster, pastor of First Congregational church at Ashtabula, Ohio.

Concert—Dunbar Soliree Singers. Evening—Admission, 35 cents. Concert—Dunbar Soliree Singers. Illustrated Lecture—"Bright Eyes and Wild Hearts of our Northern Woods"—Chauncey J. Hawkins. Chronophotographs.

Friday, July 2.
Afternoon—Admission, 25 cents. Series Lecture—Superintendent. Magic and Music—Springer and Chautauqua Entertainers. Evening—Admission, 35 cents. Magic and Music—Springer and Chautauqua Entertainers. Motion Pictures.

Saturday, July 3.
Afternoon—Admission, 25 cents. Series Lecture—Superintendent. Concert—Crawford Adams Trio. Evening—Admission, 35 cents. Concert—Crawford Adams Trio. Lecture—"Modern Babylon"—Dr. S. Parkes Cadman. Motion Pictures.

Sunday, July 4.
A special program for Sunday will be arranged and announced. Offering.

Monday, July 5.
Afternoon—Admission, 35 cents. Series Lecture—Superintendent. Concert—Colangelo's Italian Band. Evening—Admission, 50 cents. Concert—Colangelo's Italian Band. Motion Pictures.

Tuesday, July 6.
Afternoon—Admission, 25 cents. Series Lecture—Superintendent. Concert—Poston Cretorio Artists. Evening—Admission, 35 cents. Concert—Poston Cretorio Artists. Lecture—"Rebuilding the Temple"—Montville Flowers. Motion Pictures.

Wednesday, July 7.
Afternoon—Admission, 50 cents. Concert—Varkony-Hines Company. Lecture—"Friends of Yesterday"—Lasalle Corbell Pickett. Evening—Admission, 50 cents. Concert—Varkony-Hines Company. "The Man From Home," presented by the Avon Players.

ROW AT HIGH POINT HAS SUBSIDED

The row growing out of the election of a chief of the fire department at High Point has subsided considerably, and official circles are once more enjoying political normality. The vacancies caused by the resignation of the members of the two departments have been filled, and on Thursday night of last week the 29 members of the department met, elected officers and had a love feast, pledging to the city one of the best fire-fighting departments in the State.

The department is now under the new system of having six full paid members and the others to be exempt from poll tax and receive \$1.00 each for each fire attended. The firemen have also been vested with police powers.

LIVELY SUMMER AT MOREHEAD

Morehead City is practically overrun with resort seekers. Is the report from this lively "summer capital by the sea." Morehead is making it plain that she proposes dealing fairly with her summer tourists in health matters and has left no gap unguarded. There has been prepared an ordinance requiring every house to connect up with sewer as soon as the latter are accomplished and formally accepted by the town.

ANTI-TYPHOID CAMPAIGNS POPULAR

So many towns and counties are asking for anti-typhoid campaigns that it will be impossible to fill all the demands, as the State Board of Health has only limited means with which to fight typhoid this summer. Ten counties will probably be the extent of the field unless exceptional offers of co-operation are made.

What Will Happen to Your R. F. D. Route July 1

July 1st the Post Office Department will discontinue or reduce service on all rural routes that are not receiving the required number of pieces of mail per month.

NOW IS THE TIME TO BOOST YOUR OWN ROUTE AND EACH PARTY MUST DO HIS SHARE.

Our Route Building Offer

For the next few days so as to get all papers started by July 1, we are offering with a full year's subscription to The Courier, a six month's subscription to North Carolina's and the South's greatest farm paper, The Progressive Farmer.

\$1.50 Value

For the next few days to help you build up your route both papers—78 papers—all for only 97c.

Fill out the following blank, attach money order and we will get both papers started going at once:

To The Courier,

Asheboro, N. C.:

Find enclosed 97c. in payment for The Courier one year and The Progressive Farmer six months.

Signed

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PRESS ASSOCIATION

The North Carolina Press Association will meet in Montreat, and Black Mountain, June 30, and July 1-2. Great preparations have been made for the meeting.

Special rates will be given at the Alba Hotel. A special musical program will be given on Thursday evening, and a trip to Mt. Mitchell will be taken on Friday. For this trip, only \$2.25 will be charged for each person if as many as 50 go; and if as many as a hundred go, only \$1.90.

The South Carolina Press Association, which will adjourn at Chick Springs, June 30, will join the North Carolina editors at Montreat, on July 1, and all will have a good time together.

Those coming from Goldsboro and the east should leave Goldsboro on train No. 21 at 6:45 a. m., going through to Black Mountain without change, arriving at Black Mountain at 7:20 p. m. Those who take the train at Greensboro or west thereof should take train No. 11, leaving Greensboro at 6:45 a. m., Salisbury at 9:10, Statesville at 10:05, Hickory at 11:18, reaching Black Mountain at 2 o'clock p. m. Those who go from Charlotte or via Charlotte may leave that city at 7:50 a. m., and connect with this train at Statesville. A special Pullman car for the use of the party will be attached to this train at Salisbury. Trains No. 21, running from Goldsboro to Waynesville, carries a through parlor car.

Those coming from west of Black Mountain should leave their homes so as to reach Black Mountain on train No. 12 at 3:05 p. m., or not later than train No. 16, leaving Asheville at 6:45 p. m., and arriving at Black Mountain at 7:20. It is hoped that every member, who can possibly do so, will leave home so as to reach Black Mountain on the afternoon or evening of Wednesday, June 30.

It is most earnestly hoped that every member will be present at the opening session Wednesday night and remain until the close on Saturday. There will be something worth while the entire time. No. 12 leaves Black Mountain Saturday, going east at 3:05 p. m., and No. 16 at 7:45. Both make close connection at Salisbury with the northbound trains. No. 11, going west leaves Black Mountain at 2 p. m.

MORRIS-ANDERSON

The Courier is in receipt of the following:

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Harris Anderson announce the marriage of their daughter Lucile to

Mr. William Flaud Morris on Tuesday, June twenty-second nineteen hundred and fifteen Raleigh, North Carolina

The Supreme court has affirmed the death sentence of T. U. Vaughn, former superintendent of the Odd Fellows' Home for Children at Greenville, on a serious charge.

STRONACH-LEACH

A very pretty, quiet home wedding was solemnized at the home of Mr. Jonah Leach at Star when Miss Lydia Leach became the bride of Mr. W. B. Stronach, of Raleigh. Miss Catherine Burns, of Asheville, as maid of honor, was the only attendant. The bride wore a navy blue tailored suit which was unusually becoming. She is the daughter of Mr. A. Leach, a prominent merchant of that place. Since graduating at Salem College a few years ago she has been teaching school. The bride is very popular in Asheville as well as in her home town having visited here quite often.

Mr. Stronach is from Raleigh, but for several years he has had a railroad position, and a part of the time has been located at Star.

The bride and groom passed through Asheville Wednesday morning on their way to Asheville where they will be for a few weeks, later coming back to Black Mountain for a month.

Both have many friends who wish them happiness.

THE DEATH ROLL

Mrs. C. A. Wicker, of Moore county, recently, aged about 45 years. She is survived by her husband and eight children, besides a number of other relatives.

Miss Rebecca Phoenix, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Phoenix, died at St. Leo's Hospital, from cancer, aged 21, on last Thursday. Funeral was conducted by Rev. Melton Clark and burial in Greene Hill cemetery, Greensboro.

Mr. Elkany Moore died in Troy, one day last week, aged 47, and was buried at Shady Grove in Little River township.

Miss Elsie Rebecca Gilliland died suddenly in Siler City, one day recently, and was laid to rest at Love's Creek.

DEATH OF MRS. ALLRED

Mrs. Ella May Allred, wife of Norman Allred, died at her home in North Asheville last Sunday and was buried at Valley's Grove on Monday, the funeral service being conducted by Rev. Robert. Before her marriage, she was a Miss Langley. She had been in bad health, caused by pneumonia, for some time. She is survived by a husband, three sons, and one daughter. The surviving children are Mrs. Gurney Hanson, of near Rambleman, and Messrs. Floyd, Roy and Fletcher Allred.

SOIL SURVEY IN DAVIDSON
The North Carolina Department of Agriculture is co-operating this season with the United States Department of Agriculture in a soil survey of Davidson county. The report of the men who are doing the work will be accompanied by a large map showing in colors the location of the various soils, with reference to roads, schools, watercourses, churches and other features of the county.

N. C. PRESS ASSOCIATION

THE FORTY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION TO MEET AT MONTREAT JUNE 30 TO JULY 2, 1915—THE PROGRAM.

Following is the tentative program of the 42nd annual session of the North Carolina Press Association, Montreat, June 30-July 1-2, 1915. All sessions should begin promptly:

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 30.

Evening Session, 8:30 o'clock.

Prayer. Address of Welcome by Rev. R. C. Anderson, D. D.

Response to Address of Welcome by Archibald Johnson, editor of Charity and Children.

Report of Executive Committee; Election of new members; Reading of Messages.

Address of the President, Wm. C. Hammer, Esq.

THURSDAY, JULY 1.

Morning Session, 9:30 o'clock.

"Advantages and Disadvantages of the Clubbing System"—H. C. Martin, of the Lenoir News.

"The Best Methods of Securing Circulation"—R. F. Beasley, of the Monroe Journal.

"Extension Activities in Our University"—Prof. E. C. Branson.

"The Importance of the Editorial Page"—A. Johnson, of Charity and Children.

"The Field of the Country Weekly"—S. T. Meares, of Bladen Journal.

"Why Not Cash in Advance for Subscriptions?"—James W. Atkins, of the Gastonia Gazette, and J. A. Sharp, of Lumberton Robersonian.

"The Fellow on the Outside Looking In"—James H. Cowan, of the Wilmington Dispatch.

Afternoon Session, 2:30 o'clock
"Newspapers and Town Booming"—J. F. Hurley, of Salisbury Post.

Historian's Paper: "Veteran Personalities of North Carolina Journalism"—B. H. De Priest, of the Shelby Highlander.

Address by Dr. J. Y. Joyner, State Superintendent of Public Instruction. Memoir of Thad R. Manning, by J. A. Robinson.

"Various Ways of Securing Free Publicity"—J. V. Simms, of the Charlotte Observer.

Paper by Miss Lucile Smith, editor of Skyland.

Paper by A. F. Johnson, of the Louisville Times.

Evening Session, 8:30 o'clock.
Annual Poem—Wm. Laurie Hill.

Annual Oration: "The New Flight"—Sanford Martin, of the Winston-Salem Journal.

A musical program, arranged by Mr. Adams, will be rendered in connection with the program of the Press Association.

FRIDAY, JULY 2.

On Friday a trip to Mount Mitchell will be taken over the railroad to that point, consuming the entire day.

SATURDAY, JULY 3.

On Saturday a barbecue and picnic dinner will be tendered the editorial party by the citizens of Black Mountain.

MR. WEBB CHOSEN COUNSELLOR

Mr. C. B. Webb, of Statesville, was chosen Counsellor of the Junior Order United American Mechanics, at their National Convention at Cedar Point, Ohio, last week. Mr. Webb succeeds Mr. A. B. Wilson, of Pittsburgh, Pa.

BUSINESS GOOD IN HIGH POINT

Mr. J. Elwood Cox has recently returned from a trip through the New England and as far West as Battle Creek, Michigan. He says the conditions in High Point are just as good as in any of the States he visited. In the course of Mr. Cox's conversation with the reporter he said: "I have neither the time nor the inclination to be a candidate for governor."

CONVICTS ABOUT TO APPEAL TO LYNCH LAW

The 1,600 inmates of the Illinois State penitentiary rose up in a demonstration last Monday against Joe Campbell and Walter Edwards, negro convicts, suspected of slaying the wife of Edmund Allen, warden of the State penitentiary, and threatened to lynch them. That night the prison officials saw that each convict was locked in his cell. Even the trustees, for the first time in the history of the prison, were locked up.

MR. SMITHERMAN DEAD

PROMINENT MONTGOMERY COUNTY CITIZEN VICTIM OF SUDDEN HEART ATTACK

Mr. Sam J. Smitherman died at his home in Troy at 12:05 Thursday morning from rheumatism of the heart. For ten days Mr. Smitherman had suffered from an attack of rheumatism but for three or four days previous to his death he seemed improved and had been attending to business.

Mr. Smitherman was the owner of more real property than any other man in Montgomery county, owning about 12,000 acres and considerable town property. He was founder and president of the Smitherman Cotton Mills, of Troy, which has been operated successfully and continuously since 1898. He also owned and operated several farms in the county. His estate, real and personal was valued at about \$500,000.

Mr. Smitherman was nearing his sixty-first birthday being born in Montgomery county in 1854. In 1874 he was married to Miss Jeanette Monroe, who survives him. The children surviving him are as follows:

Mrs. Minnie Frye, Troy; Mrs. W. R. Royal, Fayetteville; Mrs. W. M. Taft, Mount Gilead; Mrs. J. Frank Hurley, Mrs. J. C. Hurley, Troy; Mrs. W. L. Trotter, Greensboro; Mr. W. H. Smitherman, Durham; Messrs. W. Guy Smitherman, J. S. Smitherman and Misses Mary and Grace Smitherman, Troy.

Also two sisters, Mrs. A. W. E. Capel, of Troy; and Mrs. W. H. Watkins, of Rameur.

The funeral services were conducted Friday morning by his pastor, Rev. J. T. Draper, of the M. E. church. Mr. Smitherman's membership dates back among the oldest of those who have held their membership there. He was a man of large sympathies and perhaps will be more generally missed than any man in the county.

SENTENCE OF FRANK COMMUTED

The death sentence of Leo M. Frank, for the alleged murder of Mary Phagan, the fourteen-year old employee of the pencil factory, of which he was superintendent, has been commuted to life imprisonment by Gov. Slaton. Frank was taken secretly to the Georgia prison farm, and began serving his sentence on last Monday.

There was great demonstration against the Governor by those who opposed the commutation, especially in Newnan, Georgia, the former home of the murdered girl. There Gov. Slaton and Frank were hanged and burned in effigy; and in Atlanta, the Governor thought best to call out the militia to prevent the angry mob from doing violence.

MARRIED

Dr. Ben H. Ruckelshaus, of Chatham county, and Miss Lilla Eloise Weathers, of Raleigh, recently. They will live at Bynum, the home of the groom.

Mr. J. E. Haynes, of Greensboro, and Miss Grace Frazier, of Gulf on last Thursday, in the Episcopal church at Gulf, Rev. H. O. Nash performing the ceremony.

Dr. Roger L. Offen, of Stamford, Conn., and Miss Anne Lee Gleason, of Greensboro, one day last week, in West Market Street Methodist Church, Greensboro, Rev. Dr. C. W. Byrd and Rev. Dr. J. H. Weaver performing the ceremony.

Mr. O. H. Milhous, of the Southern Railway, and Miss Lilla Eloise Weathers, of Raleigh, recently. They will live at Bynum, the home of the groom.

Mr. Baxter Lee Fontaine and Miss Julia Miller Blake, both of Greensboro, at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Blake, by Rev. Melton Clark one day last week.

Mr. Edwin Lee Jones, of Charlotte and Miss Anabel Lambeth, at the country home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Brantley S. Lambeth, near Thomasville, one day last week, Rev. W. A. Lambeth, a cousin of the bride, performing the ceremony.

Mr. Cleve Weaver and Miss Alma Cross, both of Lexington, by Rev. J. E. Pritchard on June 12th.

Two illicit distilleries of large capacity, located on the top of Green mountain, some four or five miles from Lenoir were seized by officers last Saturday and Sunday.