

# Sylvan Valley News



You Can't Keep Down a Working Town; Let's Pull Towner.

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Occurrences of Interest Gleaned From All Sectious of the Busy Tar Heel State

AN APPEAL TO PASTORS.

Leader of Ministerial Band at Uni- The Colored Children Cremated in versity of North Carolina Writes Open Letter to Ministers of State. We are requested to publish the following self-explanatory letter: To the Ministry of the State of North

Carolina: training of young men to fill the rap- three small children, one of his own idly growing number of vacant pulpits in the State is a matter of lively and continuous interest.

of the University the importance of the ministry as a life work. It brings together all who have chosen this as a working and recruiting agency.

This letter is an appeal to pastors of North Carolina to stir up the minds of prospective students of this and other colleges to the present pressing need for ministers in all denominations. If there is a young man from your congregation expecting to enter the University who has already decided or who you think might be influenced to enter the sacred ministry, will you not write a frank letter to the leader of the band acquainting him with the fact and offering any suggestions as to how the band may be of help?

Yours truly, A. RUFUS MORGAN, Leader. Chapel Hill, N. C.

North Carolina Won't Take Leper. Raleigh, Special.—This State refuses to receive from the Federal authorities the leper, J. R. Early, of Lynn, N. C. This action being through on the ruling of Assistant Attorney fect that a State is not required by the State or Federal constitution or statutes to receive citizens from beyoud her borders having contagious the State were inclined to do this in send the man a receipt. the present instance it would be impossible, because the railroads would refuse to carry the patient, and since

child of the leper, who have gone to the listers prolonged the privilege of Washington in the interest of hus- listing by charging 25 cents until Auband and father, Mr. Clement ad- gust 1st and half a thousand derelicts vises the State board that the board took advantage of this. It is said that should write her in Washington and many of the number failing to list acquaint her with the fact that if are prominent and constantly failing she returns to North Carolina she to put up their property. The officers will be quarantined in Polk county however, deny that they have been fident that I will have perfect conby the county authorities. This, he beaten heretofore. This court will says, should be done not to prevent take no action in the matter, other her return, but in fairness to her in work being so enormous that it canorder that she may know what to not be attempted. expect should she decide to return. A despatch from Washington says:

the pension. The District Court define a revolver at a negro who atcided that it could not appoint a tempted to break into the residence guardian for Early, to whom the pen- the other night, while her husband sion money of \$72 a month could be who is a special officer at the Soupaid, as asked for by his wife. Hav- thern Railway station, was absent. ing been refused this appointment The intruders screamed, "Oh God, I'm herself Mrs. Early prayed the court hit!" and ran away. to designate the American Surety In 1900 the Republican vote in and Trust Company, but this was re- North Carolina was 133,981, while in fused. Judge Stafford expressed the 1904 it was but 82,543. Brvan's opinion that according to the laws of vote in 1900 was 150,792 and Parker's the District such a guardian should in 1904, 124,121. be appointed only in case the man is insane or habitually drunk. The Asheville to nominate a successor to bureau of pensions has no intelligence the late Judge Fred Moore, of the in it capable of discerning any way 15th judicial district, Judge J. D. to pay over the money which its of- Murphy, of Asheville, defeated the ficials declare Early is entitled to, Hon. J. S. Adams by a conventional and incapable of receiveing and dis- says they will contest some of the

# Escaped Insane Father.

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Durham, Special.-After escaping from his insane father, who, it is alleged, burnt the house to destroy his Hackett, of the State prison board, two motherless children, Lambert Riley, who lives 15 miles from Durham, was held by the anthorities ceived, five thousand bushels of corn and the young children were sent to the Oxford Orphanage this morning. The house was burned, but the child- State farms were destroyed by the ren escaped.

Killed by "Unloaded" Pistol.

Asheville, Special .- The "unloaded" pistol claimed another victim passenger station of the Southern tonight, when Wm. Palmer, aged 16, fell dead with a revolver bullet in day and the same will be used regu- Lists, \$461.50; spirits, \$25,519.89; his brain, fired by his companion, larly hereafter. The building which cigars, \$49.50; tobaccos, \$206,263.77; Nathan Arthur, aged 18. Palmer and was erected at a cost of \$125,000 is Arthur, with four other boys, were easily one of the handsomest and total of \$233,921.86. The report playing in a tent erected on a vacant most commodious on the Southern lot, when Arthur pointed the weapon system. Capt. George Wiatt, of Norwhich he believed to be unloaded, in forlk, has been appointed station Without uttering a word, Palmer fell The depot is thoroughly furnished an increase of \$27,260.43 last month dead at his friends feet. At the in the most modern manner and takes in the collections on tobaccos over dental shooting" was returned.

WAS HORRIBLE SCENE.

Home at Cameron.

Cameron, Special.-Sunday night about 8:30 o'clock, while the family was at church, the house of Hector Cameron, a worthy negro of this Dear Pastor: The calling and place, was burned, together with and two of his son-in-law's, Alex. Worthy. The fire is supposed to Our ministerial band is trying in have originated from the overturnan humble way to show the students ing or explosion of a lamp which was left burning low. When it was first discovered the children could their profession and makes of them have been rescued had it been known they were in the house, but they were asleep and gave no alarm and when the family reached there, the house was enveloped in flames and it was then too late to save them. The grief of the terror stricken parents was touching to see and their cries with the flames leaping in air made the scene one of terror.

### Conscience Hurt Him.

Winston-Salem, Special.—A conscience striken man in New Mexico has sent a letter to Mr. W. T. Baynes, a merchant here, writing as follows: "Dear Sir: Please find enclose 40

cents for some tobacco and watermelons I sole from you several years ago, and I ask your forgiveness for stealing them. You may ask why I am sending this money for that purpose, but the Bible commands me to the State Board of Health, is based straighten up our back life, just as much as it does not to sin. So I General Haydent Clement, to the ef- send this 40 cents, hoping you will understand it."

The forty cents was enclosed and a man's name was singned. Mr. Baynes thinks he remembers the ocor pestilentious dieases, and even if casion of the petty theft. He will

Five Hundred Indictments.

Durham, Special.—The grand jury Early evidently contracted the disease made a presentment against nearly in the army service, he was a leper five hundred delinquents failing to when discharged, whether the leprosy list their taxes the past June. There had shown itself or not. Therefore, is no special excitement over the matthe United States government is mor- ter, though Sheriff Harward says it ally bound to retain and care for the is the first time such a thing has happened on such a colossal scale. When With reference to the wife and the books closed the last day of June

North State News Notes. There appears to be a hitch about At Winston-Salem Mrs. J. J. Cofer

In the county primaries held at bursing money. However, the prob-lem is likely to be solved in Early's city of Asheville, but Judge Murphy falling waters. led in the county.

Damage by Flood on State Farms.

Winston-Salem, Special.—Chairman stated that, according to reports reand a large maount of cotton on the freshet of last week.

New Station Opened. Salisbury, Special.—The large new Railway just completed here was Collector Brown's office, reports the formally opened to the public Tues-Palmer's face and pulled the trigger. master and is in charge of the station. Civil War.

Means Devised Whereby Early Signs Documents Without Transmitting Disease to Officials.

Washington, Special.-John R. Early, the leper, Saturday afternoon signed the first of the papers that will entitle him to receive a pension as a soldier incapaciated while in the performance of duty. He signed the remaining documents Monday and will receive back pay to the amount of \$165 and a regular pension of \$72 a month. His pension will be recorded as begining July, 1907.

How Early was to sign the papers without passing on the germs of his disease to the officials who would receive the documents was decided only after a long consultation. Finally Dr. Thompson, of the pension agensy, took the papers out to Early covered each in turn with a sheet of paper in which slits had been cut to allow Early to sign the official documents, touching them only with pletely wiped out. the point of the pen.

Early's wife has rented a cottage opposite the entrance of the workhouse so that she can be near her husband.

Last Saturday night Early was enrolled by proxy as a member of the Army and Navy Union. William A. Hickory, who served with Early in the Philippines, acted as proxy. When Commander Lee announced solemnly that Early was mustered in, his new comrades repeated in unison the prayer that "God in His mercy and goodness may protect our comrade and his helpless family." A committee of four called on Early Monday and gave him the bronze insigina and button of the union.

Orville Wright Makes a Flight.

Washington, D. C., Special .- Ors the drill grounds at Fort Myer, Va., its full length before landing directly in front of the tent which shelters the machine. The total time consumed in flight was four minutes and fifteen seconds, the aeroplane being under the control of Mr. Wright throughout the flight. The wind was blowing at a rate of three and threefifths miles per hour. Thirty feet from the ground was the greatest height attained. It was evident that sible." the aviator had the machine under better control than yesterday.

"With each succeeding flight," said Mr. Wright, after le landed, "I will secure a better control of the aeroplane. The difficulty I now experience is that I pull levers too far. This is not surprising in view of length of time since my last flight, but with a few more trials I am control of the planes.

An enthusiastic crowd witnessed the flight. The parade grounds was kept clear by cavalrymen and artillervmen stationed at Fort Myer. Mr. Wright was greatly pleased with the

Provisions for the Sufferers.

Wilmington, N. C., Special.—Three boats well laden with nearly one thousand dollars worth of provisions and supplies were sent on Friday by the Wilmington relief committee to the flood sufferers in the Canetuck Kelly's Cove and Holly Shelter sectoins of Pender county. All will arrive at their destinations tomorrow in charge of persons acquainted with local conditions there so that the distribution will be equitable and where it is needed. The committee will not relinquish its efforts any further relief boats will be sent out from time to time as the need may appear because they say, he is segregated vote of 13. Mr. Adams' manager | There was no change in the flood situation here today. Reports come from nearly all sections of rapidly

Tax on Circuses Not to be Ratsed. Winston-Salem, N. C., Special.-Following a little agitation of the project of raising the tax on circuses n this city from \$100 to \$500, the board of aldermen has decided not to make the change. There are three circuses scheduled for this city with-

Collections on Spirits Decrease.

Statesville, N. C., Special.-Cashier R. B. Roberts, of Internal Revenue following collections for August: special tax, \$727.20, making a grand shows a decrease of \$21,404.46 in the collections on spirits last month compared with the collections on spirits during August, 1907, but there was coroner's inquest a verdict of "acci- the place of one erected before the August, 1907. The total collections continental Europe 959,000 against for August, 1907, were \$229,392.02. 1,310,000 last year.

# HAPPENINGS LEPER'S PENSION SIGNED GREAT FOREST FIRES

Chisholm Minnesota, Entirely Wiped Out

FIRES CHECKED: GREAT LOSS

The Town of Chisholm Wiped Out and Thousands of Acres of Minnesota Land Burned Over-Many Persons Left Homeless and Desti tute Property Loss Runs up in Millions.

Duluth, Minn., Special.-After destroying the town of Chisholm on the Mesaba range, and burning over thousands of acres in St. Louis Carleton and Itasca counties in Minnesota, and in Douglas county, Wisconsin, the many forest fires which have been raging in these regions were checked on Sunday.

Chisholm, Minn., a town of 4,000 inhabitants on the Mesaba Iron range 90 miles north of Duluth, was com-

The damage to real property is now estimated at \$1,000,000 and that of personal property at \$750,000. The insurance carried by Chisholm mer-

chants was about \$500,000.

Governor Johnson Issues Appeal For Aid.

St. Paul, Minn., Special.-Goverlowing proclamation:

"A great disaster has come to northeastern Minnesota. Chisholm, one of the splendid cities of the Mesaba range, has been totally destroyed by a destructive forest fire which swept over a large portion of St. Louis county. Every home and business house of that community is burned, and 6,000 people are sudden. ly rendered homeless, the property loss amounting to millions of dollars. ville Wright made another flight over Early reports indicate also the total destruction of the mining locations Friday in wihch he encircled the of Shenando, Hartley and Pillsbury. field five times in addition to going The total number of people rendered Judge Thomas G. Jones, of the Unitbeen devastated.

view of the appalling calamity, I ap- at the express office. The city judge peal to the generosity of the people held that the interstate haul ended of Minnesota for liberal aid, and ow-

The loss on the buildings at Chisholm is estimated at \$2,000,000. est iron producing area in the world. statutes on interstate orders. Refuges poured into Hibbing until the population of 10,000 was almost doubled. Chisholm presents a scene of ruin and desolation. Blackened and smoking piles of charred wood, little heaps of gray ashes, scorching gaunt comprise what was one of the most flourishing towns on the great Masaba iron range. The only remaining buildings are the new high school a graded school, a Catholic church, the Italian church and a dozen dwellings in the southernmost part of

# FIRE SWEEPS RAWHIDE.

Three Thousand People Rendered Homeless.

Rawhide, Nevv., Special.—As a result of a disastrious fire which ravaged this city on Friday three thousand people are homeless and property is destroyed to the amount of \$1,000,-000. The fire started in the Rawhide Drug Company's building and fanned by a gale the flames swept eastward over the town until they reached the People's Hospital.

As a last resort tons of mining dynamite were wheeled into the town square in truks, placed under the block of buildings and touched off by short fuses. The hospital was saved. Miners from surrounding mines aided the fire fighters.

So far as known no one was seriously injured. President King, of the Rawhide Coal and Iron Company, ordered a special train to bring lumber sufficient to erect five large temporary buildings at Rawhide. The ruins were searched to recover valuables lost in the flames. Reconstrucn the next few weeks. Ringling's, tion work will occupy five hundred Coles and Gentry's Dog and Pony carpenters, commencing next week. Laborers are being imported.

The Visible Supply.

New Orleans, Special.—Secretary Hester's statement of the world's visible supply of cotton issued last week shows the total visible to be 1,691,549 against 1,710,592 last week and 2,211,364 last year. Of this the total of American cotton is 969,502 against 966,546 last week and 1,288, 389 last year. And of all other kinds including Egypt, Brazil, India, etc., 722,046 against 744,046 last week and 922,975 last year. Of the world's visible supply of cotton there is now afloat and held in Great Britian and

# 111 PERSONS INDICTED

Participants in the Springfield Riot

Have to Answer to the Law. Springfield, Ill., Special.—the special grand jury called to probe the recent race riots, adjourned Thursday after returning twenty more indictments. This makes a total of 117 during the session. Among the indictments returned were four against Sprinfield policemen, Oscar Dahlkamp, Jose Ferendez, Joseph H. Ohlman, and George W. Dawson. They are indicted for alleged failure to suppress the riot when detailed for that duty. Sheriff Werner, Chief of Police Wilbur Morris, Captain Charles Walsh, of troop D. Springfield and other officers are commended by the grand jury.

The report condemns alleged "cowards" among the officials and says:

"We condemn in unmeasured terms the cowardly, contemptible action of those members of the force, who, having taken the oath of office, failed to do their duty; men who were paid from money from the pockets of the people of this city to protect life and property; men who were ordered by the heads of departments of the police to go out and disperse the mob, and not only failed to use a club, handle a pistol or raise a voice against the mob, and on the side of law and order, but some of whom are shown to have assisted by act and word in doing the work that has brought destruction to thousands of dollars of property and has nor Johnson Sunday issued the fol- brought the blush of shame to every lawabiding citizen of this city.

"We recommend that the civil service commission of the city of Springfield, without fear or favor, and while evidence can easily be obtained, determine by fair trial who failed to prove himself a worthy member of the force, and deal with him accordingly."

Cannot Stop Beer Shipment. Montgomery, Ala., Special.-In restraining the Birmingham city authorities from interefering with the shipments of beer into that city homeless will reach 12,000 and vast ed States Court held that the shiptracts of agricultural lands have also ment was an interstate shipment until it reached the purchaser. The "This disaster is without parellel Lemp Brewing Company, of St. Louis in the history of Minnesota and in made a shipment which was held up at the depot and that it was unlawing to the great necessity, ask that ful to deliver the consignment by this assistance be as prompt as pos-transfer wagon to the place of the consignee. Judge Jones holds that such is not the case and that the transfer company as well as the ex-Chisholm is in the center of the great- press company are within national

Her Body Found Without a Head Boston, Mass., Special.—Chester Jordan, aged 29 years, of 509 Medford street, Somerville, was arrested by Boston officers late Thursday skeletons of brick and mortar, all afternoon on the charge of having canopied with a dense pall of smoke, murderd his wife, Hanorah Jordan, whose body minus the head was discovered dismembered in a trunk at 7 Hancock street, Boston. The head is believed by the police to be in a furnace of the family home in Somerville. The police state the murder was committed two days ago. Jordan is an actor and his wife was also connected with the stage. Her age

> 36,500 Cold Baths and Still Lives 108 Years Old.

New York, Special.-Mrs. Elizabeth Hunt celebrated her hundred and eighth birthday in Brooklyn. Every morning in the last 100 years, she says, she has taken a cold plunge. She says that she is the only living woman who was kissed by General LaFayette. The incident occured on the steps of the City Hall 84 years ago, and Mrs. Hunt tells how the General had remarked about the brightness of her eyes and said he wished France could boast of women so fair. Mrs. Hunt is a native of Lancaster, Pa.

Made Millions and Kept Them. St. Louis, Special.-Judson M. Thompson, 77 years of age, one of the most frugal millionaires in the city, and for many years a conspicious figure in St. Louis financial afgairs, died at the home of his son. It was his custom to buy clothing at a little outlay of expense and wear the apparel as long as it would last.

General Stewart's Funeral.

St. Louis, Special.—Gen Alexander P. Stewart, with one exception the last of the lieutenant-generals in the Army of the Confederate States, who died at Biloxi, Miss., last Sunday at the age 86, was buried in Bellefontaine Cemetery, this city, late Wednesday afternoon. In accordance with the custom of the United Confederate Veterans, the interment was not marked by the call of the bugle or by the beat of the drum, 24 last. The report says, among the absence of these martial tributes signifying for the veterans that their in the jail "demoralizes the discipline warfare is over. in the jail "demoralizes the discipline of the inst" tion."

Fifty Drown Within Sight of Their Families.

WERE POWERLESS TO LEND AID

Were Powerless to Help-Stranded a Hundred Yards From Shore Crew of Portugese Steamer Louiza One by One Drop Into the Sea and Drown.

Badajoz, Portugal, Special.-Within sight of their frantic families, one hundred yards away, the crew of fifty of the Portuguese steamer Luize, were drowned Friday morning from the stranded vessel off Figuera DaFoz. The vessel was from Brazil. The sea was roug and the lifeboats useless. The crew dropped into the sea and their bodies were washed onto the sand some hours later. Relatives of the men recognized the men as they fell into the water. The scene was heartrendering and tragic in the

### PANIC TIDE HAS TURNED.

So Says President Van Cleave of the National Association of Manufacturers-An Interesting Letter.

President Van Cleave of the National Association of Marufacturers. has issued a circular letter to the three thousand members of that association stating that the adverse tide has turned and that business conditions are now improving all along the lines. The letter follows:

"Dear Sir: The business outlook is a matter of vital importance; the future looks bright, and we invite your attention to a few lines from President Van Cleave's article in

"The general aggregate of the crops promises to be greater than ever before. Money is plentiful and low. A country so well endowed as the United States, with the things which the world must buy from us, cannot be held down long by any sort of adversity.

"On all sides we see evidences that the tide has turned. A steady improvement from this time onward may be looked for with confidence. In New York, Chicago, Pittsburg, St. Louis, Boston, and other industrial centers, mills are re-opening their doors. The stocks of goods in the hands of manufacturers and wholesalers have been reduced to low figures, and the resumption of purchases, which is under way in all the great lines of trade, is beginning to send in orders to the factories with a little of their old-time volume."

### Mr. Watkins Notified.

Ada, O., Special.—Before a large audience in Brown Auditorium of the Ohio Northern University tonight Prof. Aaron S. Watkins was officially notified of his nomination as the candidate for Vice President by the national Prohibition party.

Felix T. McWhirter, of Indianapolis, treasurer of the national Prohibition organization was the chairman of the evening. He spoke at considerable length and then introduced National Chairman Charles R. Jones, of Chicago. Mr. Jones made only brief remarks, and then Hon. Robert Patton, of Springfield, delivered the formal notification address.

When Professor Watkins arose to respond the vast audience was on its feet cheering and waving hats and handkerchiefs, while little girls presented the candidate with huge bouguets of flowers. The ovation lasted several minutes.

Two Aged Women Burned to Death. Gadsden, Ala., Special.—Mrs. Elizabeth McNeal, aged 75 years, and her invalid daughter-in-law, Mrs. Joe Mc-Neal, aged 55 years, were burned to death in a fire which destroyed their home on Lookout Mountains, eight miles north of this city. It is thought the fire originated from a defective flue. The two women were alone in

Presence of Thaw Demoralizes Prisoners.

the house at the time.

Abany, N. Y., Special.-A protest is made in a report submitted to the State Commission of Prisons by Secretary George McLaughlin against the further confinement in the Dutchess County jail at Poughkeepsie of Harry K. Thaw, acquitted on the charge of murder on the ground of insanity. Mr. McLaughlin's report is on an inspection he made on Aug. other things, that Thaw's presence