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TAR HEEL TOPICS

Items Gathered From All Sections of the State

Sensation at Fayetteville.

Fayetteville, Special.—S. M. Grant a negro teacher in the State Colored Normal School, which is located in this city, was dismissed from service as a result of his arrest for carrying a concealed weapon. Grant was arrested, a pistol having been found on his person, and in the mayor's court was bound over to the coming criminal court. Being unable to furnish bail, he was placed in jail. The directors of the normal school were notified of the affair and after a careful investigation, including a statement from Grant himself, decided that his dismissal was necessary.

Hazers Have to Withdraw.

Raleigh, Special.—The senior class of the Agricultural and Mechanical College reports that two men have been required to withdraw from the college because they were implicated in the recent sensational hazing affair, and two others are on probation pending the result of further investigation. They appeal to the people of the State that all have been done that could possibly be done in the matter, and express the belief that there is now a sentiment among the students of the college that will make it impossible for the occurrence of any more severe or brutal hazing.

Negro Killed Near Wilson.

Wilson, Special.—Wednesday night about 8 o'clock, on H. H. Walston's farm, better known as the Lane place, located about seven miles from Wilson, Davis Hagan was severely cut by Warren Ward. Both men were drinking when the fight occurred. Hagan died at 1 o'clock Thursday morning, after bleeding profusely for five hours. Both were negroes about 25 years old. As soon as Ward did the cutting he skipped, going east from Saratoga. The sheriff and deputies left for Saratoga, but the negro could not be found in that vicinity and is still at large.

Tragedy in Marshall.

Asheville, Special.—A telephone message from Marshall, Madison county, is to the effect that a fire at 2 o'clock Thursday morning in the cotton mill district at that place destroyed a large double house and that a Miss Blazer, 14 years of age, was burned to death. The girl was a member of one of the families occupying the house. The other members of the two families occupying the house barely escaped with their lives. The girl's head, legs and arms were burned off.

New Charters Granted.

Raleigh, Special.—The following new charters were granted Thursday: Cronley Brick Company, Wilmington. The capital is \$10,000, with \$25,000 authorized; G. T. Flynn, W. J. Flynn, J. H. Hooper and others, incorporators.

Amendment to Independent Ice Company, Wilmington, increasing the capital from \$100,000 to \$200,000. The David Dewyn Company, Bessemer City, with a capital of \$10,000; Robert Knuckley, of Bessemer City, and David and George Dewyn, of Charlotte, are the incorporators.

No Interruption of Publication.

Raleigh, Special.—In the Superior Court, with the consent of all parties concerned the temporary receivership of The Evening Times was made permanent and Receiver Pace's bond increased to \$5,000. There will be no interruption in the regular publication of The Times pending the adjustment of the paper's financial obligations.

A Generous Offer.

Ashville, Special.—George W. Vanderbilt has agreed to pay \$1,000 additional tax on property in south Biltmore for public school purposes if the other property owners will tax themselves another thousand, the amount being necessary to establish a high school with three teachers and an eight-months' term. The matter will be considered at a mass meeting and it is practically certain that the tax will be voted. It is probable that compulsory school attendance in south Biltmore will also be voted.

Jonesboro Mills Assign.

Raleigh, Special.—The Clark Manufacturing Company and the Eugenia Manufacturing Company, the only two cotton mills at Jonesboro, in Lee county, were placed in the hands of a receiver, ex-Judge A. W. Graham, of Oxford being named by Judge Biggs, now holding court in Raleigh, as the receiver. The mills were in charge of David Clark, the capital stock being \$53,900 with 3,800 spindles and 101 looms. The financial depression caused the application for a receivership.

Tragedy Prevented.

Concord, Special.—A tragedy almost equalling that at Fayetteville Sunday, was prevented by the coolness of our Chief of Police Booker, when one Johnson, usually a quiet citizen, tanked up on the "red-eye" and defied arrest. He had the chief covered until Policeman Sides came on the scene, when his attention was drawn to him. The chief took advantage, and before Johnson knew what he was about he was on the way to the guard house.

Burns May Prove Fatal.

Gastonia, Special.—Mrs. Rhoda Mauney, aged 35, wife of William Mauney, an employe of the Gastonia Manufacturing Company, was so badly burned that she will probably die. Mrs. Mauney was doing some washing in the yard at her home at the old mill and her dress caught from the fire under the washpot. Just one year ago their 4-year-old son met death in a similar manner.

Debtors Idle, Couldn't Pay.

Tarboro, Special.—Execution was served on M. P. Williams, a grocer of this city, judgment having been obtained by R. B. Peters Grocery Company for \$198.86. The store is closed while the inventory is being taken. Mr. Williams says the cause of his embarrassment was poor collections of debts due by those who are idle on account of being thrown out of work.

Girl Commits Suicide.

Kinston, Special.—Miss Nellie Fields, the 15-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Fields, committed suicide about 10 o'clock by shooting herself with a pistol at their home on Peyton avenue. Several weeks ago the young girl contracted the grip and had an unusually severe attack having been confined to her bed ever since. For several days she had been despondent and depressed, but no one suspected that she was contemplating self-destruction.

Working Up Water Power.

Greenville, Special.—A promoter whose name is so far withheld, is in the city working up the organization of a power company which is to be capitalized at \$5,000,000 and whose intention is to furnish power for the mills of Greenville and vicinity. The ones promoting the enterprise have talked with mill men and a well-known mill architect. Nothing definite has been given out.

Surveys for Consideration of Inland Waterways.

Beaufort, Special.—Mr. Alfred Shoney, of Kinston, is here, where he has his headquarters while engaged in surveying and preparing maps, etc., of the waters in this section to be used by the government in the consideration of the proposed inland waterway.

Greenville Bonds are Sold.

Greenville, Special.—The city of Greenville disposed of \$18,000 in refunding school bonds at 103. The entire issue was taken by Thackston & Son, brokers of this city. The premium paid for the issue was \$525. The Thackston bid was nearly \$200 above the next highest offer, made by a Cincinnati firm. Several bond brokers were here when the bids were opened. The bonds bear 5 per cent interest and under the present unsatisfactory conditions of the market the sale is considered very advantageous to the city.

COST OF CONTROVERSY

What the Railway Rate Dispute Cost the State — Interesting Figures From the Books of the State Auditor.

Raleigh Special to The Charlotte Chronicle: An examination of the State Auditor's books reveals the following figures of expense in connection with the cost of the controversy between the State and Railroad companies in the railway rate litigation. Total litigation expense to State \$18,829.

Paid to lawyers:
F. A. Woodard.....\$3,936
E. J. Justice..... 3,759
J. E. Shepperd..... 1,301
Aycock & Daniels..... 3,150
Winston & Bryant..... 1,517
Merriman & Merriman..... 835
S. G. Ryan..... 250

Other items:
Stenographer and auditing services..... 3,086
United States Court costs..... 753
Attorney General and assistant 36
Printing..... 185

The cost of the extra session of the Legislature is yet to be added, which will fully double the amount, bringing up the total expense to the State to \$38,000 or more, into which the \$17,500 the railways offered and the Governor accepted is to be thrown and this will bring the actual expenses to the State to less than \$20,000.

Friday's Charters.

Raleigh, Special.—Among the new charters issued Friday is one for the Buckstone Lodge Association, Manchester, Cumberland county, with a capital of \$50,000. The incorporators are J. H. Alexander, of Elizabeth, New Jersey; Henry D. Spears, New York; W. Strother Jones, Red Bank, N. J.; James F. Jordan, Greensboro.

The Bradshaw Electric Company, Charlotte, amends its charter, changing its name to "The Ideal Electric Company."

The Hamilton Drug Company, of Oxford, is also chartered.

MAIN BUILDING BURNED.

\$4,000 Fire Loss Sustained By Industrial Union Training School at Southern Pines.

Raleigh, N. C., Special.—The main building of the Industrial Union Training School and Orphanage was destroyed by fire early this morning, the total loss amounting to about \$4,000. The building, pipe organ, furniture, etc., were a total loss.

This school is for the industrial training of colored youth and is under the supervision of Rev. J. M. Henderson, president. The institution had the endorsement of Grover Cleveland and other eminent men.—News and Observer, Raleigh, N. C.

The Building of the Southbound.

Winston-Salem, Special.—The building of the Southbound Railroad from Winston-Salem to Wadesboro is now being agitated all along the line. The people look upon it as a "good thing" for every section through which it would pass. It is reported that Lane Bros., railroad contractors, who double-tracked for the Southern, are now engaged in preparing a bid for construction work on the Southbound.

Looking Into Immigration.

Raleigh, Special.—Agents of the United States Immigration Commission from Washington, Messrs. Kellett, Ball and Bacon, are in Raleigh on official business. While in North Carolina they will also visit Wilmington, Charlotte, Winston, Fayetteville and some other points. They say they find out people favor a restricted immigration, limited to desirable classes.

Bond Secured For Men Charged With Murder.

Chester, Special.—Messrs. S. E. McFadden and A. L. Gaston, attorneys for W. G. Dye and Henry Gibson, two of the young men charged with killing Reuben Douglas, colored, a few days ago near Richburg while attempting to arrest one of his sons, appeared before Judge R. C. Watts at Winstonsboro and secured bond for their clients in the sum of \$500 each, the motion not being resisted by the solicitor. The bond was readily furnished, and the young men are again at liberty.

ANARCHISTS ACTIVE

Chief of Chicago Police Has a Close Call

FINALLY SHOTS HIS ASSAILANT

In Desperate Encounter With Unknown Anarchist Chief of Police Shippy, of Chicago, With Rare Courage, Kills His Would-Be Assassin.

Chicago, Special.—Chief of Police George M. Shippy, his son, Harry, and his driver, James Foley, were wounded by an anarchist who attempted to assassinate the police official in the hall of the latter's residence, 31 Lincoln Court, shortly after 9 o'clock Monday morning. The desperate struggle, in which Mrs. Shippy and her daughter, Georgiotta, joined, was terminated when the chief drew his own revolver and killed his assailant. Attempts to identify the dead man have thus far resulted in failure.

The attack is believed to have been the result of a conspiracy to harm officials who have been active in suppressing manifestations of anarchy in this community. Other city officials are said to have been threatened and a police spy who recognized the corpse of the man who invaded Shippy's home as that of a person who regularly attended anarchists' meetings, asserted that the man was chosen by lot to do away with not only the chief of police but Mayor E. R. Busse as well. The ramifications of the plot are said to extend to other cities and to be closely connected with the killing of Rev. Leo Heinrichs, a Roman Catholic priest, who was shot down at the altar of his church in Denver.

Harry Shippy was shot through the breast twice and was probably fatally wounded. His father was stabbed in the arm, while Foley received a bullet in the wrist. Mrs. Shippy was kicked by the desperado, but her hurts are slight.

Following the attack, squads of police were sent into the Italian and Ghetto quarters of the city. Places known as headquarters of secret societies suspected of anarchistic tendencies were raided and a score or more arrests were made.

"As I opened the door," said Chief Shippy later, "the man raised his hat and I allowed him to step into the hallway. He handed me an envelope. I glanced at it and then the thought struck me that the man was up to some wrong. He looked like an anarchist. I grabbed his arms and called to my wife who was in another room. When she ran into the hallway I said: 'Mother, see if this man has a revolver.' She fell in one of his pockets and said that he had.

"I tried to hold him with one hand and draw my revolver with the other, but he jerked away and fell against the door. I caught him again and while we were struggling my son, who was upstairs, started to my aid. He was only a few steps from the bottom of the stairs, when the man freed one hand, drew his revolver and fired two shots at Harry. Then Foley, who had been summoned by my daughter, stepped into the hall and the man shot him. The anarchist kicked my wife to one side and by this time I had got my own revolver, and both Foley and I opened fire. At my first shot, which struck him in the head, he fell. But fired three more, one into his head and two into his body. Two of Foley's shots also struck the assassin."

Clothiers in Session.

New York, Special.—Clothing dealers from the Atlantic to the Pacific are in attendance at the national convention of the National Association of Clothiers, which opened a two-days session in New York. The session will be devoted mainly to a discussion of trade topics.

Steamer Runs Aground.

New York, Special.—The steamer Soamo of the New York and Porto Rico line, inward bound from San Juan with a hundred and one passengers aboard, went ashore on the Long Island coast between Long Hill and Fire Island life-saving stations. She was twenty mile out of her course when she struck during a thick fog overhanging the harbor. Life-savers are standing by with apparatus in case of need. She carried a crew of fifty.

BISHOP DUNCAN DIES

One of the Ablest Preachers of His Church

WAS BISHOP FOR MANY YEARS

Died at His Home in Spartanburg Monday Morning—All the Members of His Family Were at His Bedside When the End Came.

Spartanburg, S. C., Special.—Bishop W. W. Duncan, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, died here Monday morning at 9:55 o'clock. The funeral services will be held in Central Methodist church, this city, on Wednesday. The hour for the funeral has not been fixed. Bishop Duncan has been hovering between life and death for several days and it was only by the use of stimulants that his life was prolonged as long as it was. His death, while a great blow to the members of his family and the Methodist church, was not unexpected. He had been in bad health for more than a year. Twelve months ago he suffered from an abscess on the back of his neck and his life was despaired of at that time. He recovered from the attack, but was never restored to health. About three weeks ago he was taken seriously ill and grew steadily weaker until his death. All the members of his family were at the deathbed.

Bishop Duncan was born at Randolph-Macon, Va., December 30th, 1839, being the third son of Prof. David Duncan. He received his early education at Randolph-Macon, which was completed at Wofford College, where he graduated in 1853. After being converted he studied for the ministry and upon being admitted was appointed to Elizabeth City, N. C., which at that time belonged to the Virginia Conference.

Chaplain in Southern Army.

During the Confederate war he was chaplain in the Confederate army. From the time he entered the ministry he proved a hard and zealous worker and filled a number of important charges. For a number of years he occupied the chair of mental and moral philosophy at Wofford and was also financial agent of that institution. The degree of doctor of divinity was conferred upon him by Central College, Missouri, and Emory College, Georgia. In the years 1878-82 and of '86 he was a member of General Conference and in 1881 he represented his Church at the Ecumenical Conference held in London, England.

The funeral services will be conducted in Central Methodist church Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock by Rev. Dr. J. C. Kilgo, president of Trinity College, Durham, N. C., assisted by well-known Methodist ministers. Dr. Kilgo is in New York but will reach Spartanburg in time. The funeral will be one of the largest ever held in the city, as many ministers from various places will be present.

Bishop Duncan was chairman of the board of trustees of Wofford College and the college in respect to his memory suspended exercises until Thursday morning. All the students will attend the funeral in a body.

Bishop Duncan is survived by his wife (who was Miss Medora Rice), one brother and three children. His children are Thomas C. Duncan, of Union; Mrs. A. G. Rembert and Mrs. Warren Dupre of this city.

Can't Find Hidden Fortune.

Monmouth, Ill., Special.—Unsuccessful attempts have been made to uncover the \$100,000 in gold believed to have been buried near the home of the late Benjamin Scull, an eccentric citizen of this county. Scull lost the power of speech before his death and was unable to tell where his fortune was hidden.

Priest Guarded by Detectives.

Chicago, Special.—Plain clothes detectives and uniformed policemen both guarded a number of the Catholic priests in this city to and from their churches on Sunday by request. During the services officers were stationed on each side of the altar in the Bohemian and Italian quarters of Chicago. Trouble growing out of the assassination of the Denver priest and the subsequent denunciation of anti-clericals were feared. No arrests were made.

ROADS TO COMPLY

Agree to Adopt the Nine-Hour System Without Delay

CLAIM IT WILL WORK BADLY

New Order of Affairs Will Mean the Employment of Thousands of Additional Operators, the Closing of a Large Number of Small Stations and General Inconvenience to the Traveling and Shipping Public.

Washington, Special.—American railways have made arrangements to comply with the provisions of the "nine-hour law." The operation of the law will mean the employment by railroad companies of several thousand additional operators and the closing of a large number of small stations on the 4th of March. The discontinuance of railway service at many points, it is realized, will induce at least temporary inconvenience to the traveling and shipping public, but, in order to reduce operating expenses which now seem necessary, the operating officials of the railways believe that this is the only way they possible can meet the situation with which they are confronted.

Astonishing Statements.

During the hearing of applications for an extension of the nine-hour law by the inter-State commerce commission some astonishing statements were made by the operating officials of important railways. A good many lines, owing to a reduction in their revenues, and to their inability to command the cash necessary to meet their pay rolls, have been forced, during the past four months, almost to the point of asking for receivers. In the opinion of railway officials expressed at the hearing under oath and in private conversation this condition does not seem to have been due to the enforcement of legislative laws or to the incapacity of railway management. Most of the railroad officials attribute the difficulty to the unfortunate banking situation which developed last September. The railways did not feel the stringency in money until about the 1st of November. In fact, the month of October was one of the best in the history of the business of American railroading.

One railway official ventured the statement that in the country to-day there were 300,000 idle freight cars, and one line which he instanced was declared to be hauling empty cars backward and forward because it had not yard room or sidings to accommodate them.

Note of Confidence.

Not a single official of a single railway line who appeared before the commission, however, expressed the belief that the present industrial depression would be lasting. In the testimony of nearly every witness before the commission there was a note of confidence because all of them practically believed that the stringency in the money market from which the country has suffered is not due to fundamental causes. They point out that the crops last year were good; that prices were excellent; that industrial enterprises throughout the country were flourishing. It was merely the inability to command ready cash and the hoarding of money by panic-stricken individuals which produced so suddenly the remarkable depression from which all have suffered. They practically uniformly express confidence that the return of prosperity will be almost as sudden as was the coming of adversity and in their arguments as to the enforcement of the nine-hour law they pointed out to the commission that such a return of prosperity might seriously embarrass them in complying with the law, because it would render it difficult to command the services of competent operators in sufficient numbers to meet the needs of prosperous conditions.

Falls Through Trestle and is Drowned.

Gaffney, S. C., Special.—Coroner Vinsett was notified that a negro had been drowned Saturday night in Buffalo creek, about four miles north of Gaffney. Accompanied by Dr. J. N. Nesbitt, the county physician, he repaired to the scene and learned that while two drunken negroes were crossing the trestle over Buffalo creek (a large and deep stream) one of them fell through.