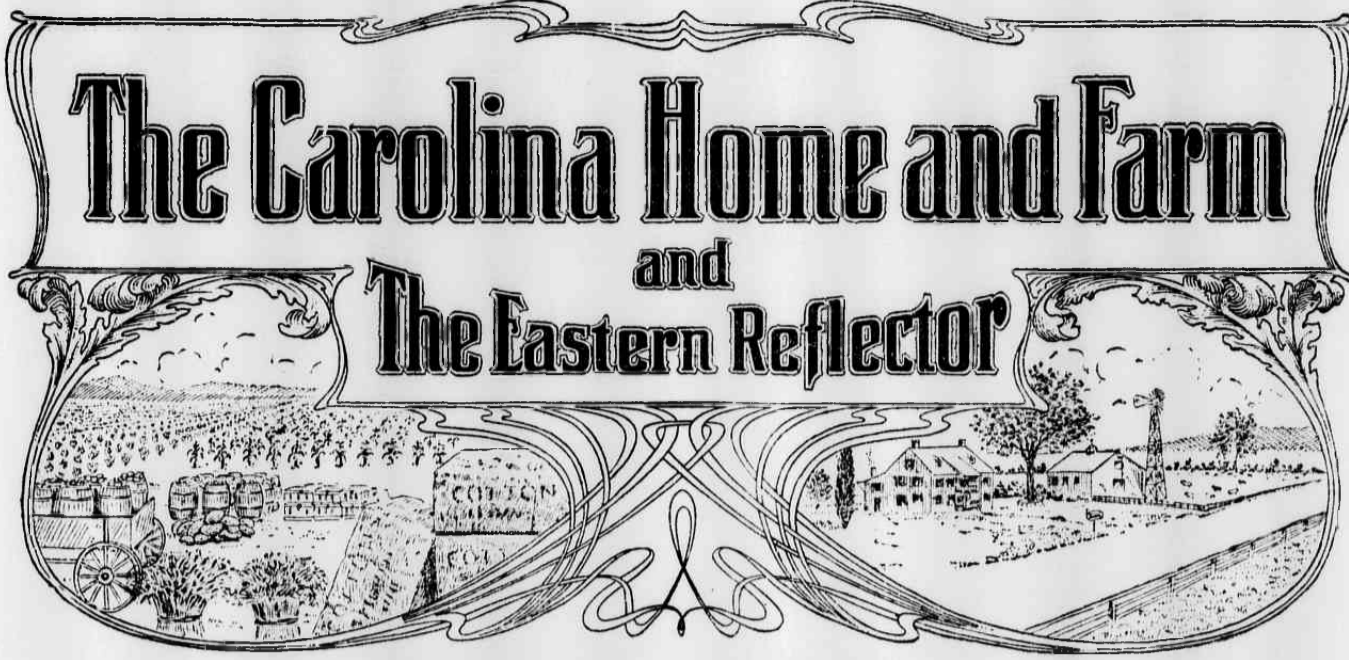


GREENVILLE IS THE HEART OF EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA. IT HAS A POPULATION OF FOUR THOUSAND, ONE HUNDRED AND ONE, AND IS SURROUNDED BY THE BEST FARMING COUNTRY. INDUSTRIES OF ALL KINDS ARE INVITED TO LOCATE HERE FOR WE HAVE EVERYTHING TO OFFER IN THE WAY OF LABOR, CAPITAL AND TRIBUTARY FACILITIES. WE HAVE AN UP-TO-DATE JOB AND NEWSPAPER PLANT.



Agriculture is the Most Useful, the Most Healthful, the Most Noble Employment of Man.—George Washington.

WE HAVE A CIRCULATION OF TWELVE HUNDRED AMONG THE BEST PEOPLE IN THE EASTERN PART OF NORTH CAROLINA AND INVITE THOSE WHO WISH TO GET BETTER ACQUAINTED WITH THESE GOOD PEOPLE IN A BUSINESS WAY TO TAKE A FEW INCHES SPACE AND TELL THEM WHAT YOU HAVE TO BRING TO THEIR ATTENTION. OUR ADVERTISING RATES ARE LOW AND CAN BE HAD UPON APPLICATION.

Torreon News Greatly Encouraged The Officials At Washington Yesterday

Reports Come That Differences In Constitutionalist Ranks Near Completion

VILLA SENDS A MESSAGE

Declared The Conference Was Progressing Satisfactorily; That The Differences Would soon be Settled.

WASHINGTON, July 7.—Reports tonight from Torreon that the Villa-Carranza peace conference ended last night and that differences in the constitutionalists' ranks had been adjusted was encouraging to Washington officials and constitutionalist agents here who say mediation of the Mexican imbroglio soon may be successfully concluded.

While no official dispatches had been received by General Carranza's agents relative to the settlement of the constitutionalists' internecine affairs, a message last night from General Villa addressed to his American agent, Felix Sommerfeld, declared the Torreon conference was progressing satisfactorily and that the differences would be settled. That terms of settlement had been reached was credited here generally.

It was believed a decision by the constitutionalists will be named to meet for their representatives to meet with Huerta delegates to discuss Mexico's internal affairs soon would follow.

Rafael Zubaran, Luis Cabrera, Fernando Iglesias Calderon and Leopoldo Hurtado Espinosa, constitutionalist agents conferred today with Charles A. Douglas, legal representative of general Carranza in Washington, after Douglas had talked with Secretary Bryan regarding future mediation plans. None would discuss details of this conference, but Mr. Douglas made this statement:

"I have every reason to believe after the trouble between Villa and Carranza are settled delegates from the Constitutionalists will be named to meet with Huerta delegates to discuss the formation of a provisional government in Mexico."

Mutiny among Mexican federal soldiers near American outposts at Vera Cruz was a subject of interest in American official quarters. Several messages from General Funston reported that fighting between the federals and mutineers was in progress. The Mexican federal commander previously had warned General Funston that the mutineers had threatened to attack the American lines.

An element humor was injected into the situation when a representative of the revolutionary junta at Vera Cruz asked General Funston for permission to go out and direct the mutiny. Officials here see danger for General Huerta should the mutiny cut off

AUTO PLUNGES OFF FERRY INTO RIVER

Miss Ruth Guard, of Coinjock, N. C., Drowned, But Her Father and Others in The Machine Are Rescued.

ELIZABETH CITY, N. C., July 7.—Miss Ruth Guard, of Coinjock, was drowned in Pasquotank river at Lamb's Ferry this morning at 10 o'clock, when her father's automobile ran off the ferry boat into the river in twenty feet of water.

Mr. J. T. Guard was coming to Elizabeth City with his daughter and Messrs. A. B. Midgette and V. B. Griggs in his car. When he ran the car on the barge the brakes failed to work, and it plunged overboard with its occupants. The three men managed to clear the machine as it rose to the surface and were rescued by the colored ferryman. The young lady was caught in the top of the car and drowned.

Her body has not yet been recovered. His exit from Mexico City. His early departure is assumed in official circles, but if the mutineers triumph it is pointed out that Huerta scarcely could expect safe conduct to the gulf coast.

A newcomer joined the ranks of the constitutionalists in Washington tonight. He is Vito Aressias Robles, a Villa adherent, who came direct from Torreon to look after the interests of the fighting general in the American capital. He conferred with members of the constitutionalist junta but would say nothing concerning his mission.

Juan Velasco Executed.

VERA CRUZ, July 7.—Delay in the payment of a ransom of one million pesos has resulted in the execution by Zapatistas of Juan Velasco, manager of a cotton manufacturing concern who was taken prisoner near Atlisco, state of Puebla, according to Velasco's brother who left Vera Cruz yesterday to obtain his release but returned tonight from his unsuccessful mission.

The prisoner Velasco was compelled to send to the officials of the company in Puebla the demand for the ransom and his brother started out immediately to aid him. He proceeded as far as Apizaco near Puebla, where he was going to get in touch with the Zapatistas when he was informed the captive already had been killed. The circumstances have been placed at the French consulate together with the claim that Velasco was a Frenchman, not a Spaniard, as previously thought.

Marriage Licenses.

Register of Deeds Brascoe Bell has issued the following licenses since last report:

- WHITE**
 Alston Grimes and Anna Laurence, N. E. Winslow and Hattie A. Whitehurst.
 Alfred Alford and Venie Taylor, W. L. Pollard and Hattie Butler.
COLORED
 Frank Mercer and Mattie Hardee, Prima Corey and Alice Henby, Turner Lucas and Lucil Graham, Ray Moye and Lillie Jenkins.

Farming Sections West of Charlotte Ruined by Hail Storm

CHARLOTTE, N. C., July 7.—Reports coming today from the country districts show last night's storm to have been severe in many places.

The territory extending along the Seaboard Air Line Railway west of Charlotte was the hardest hit and in many places cotton and other growing crops is practically ruined by the hail.

The path of the storm seems to have been most severe Cherryville, Iron Station and Stanley Creek, where the damage to crops will run into thousands of dollars.

At Charlotte the roof of the office building of the International Harvester Company was ripped off and records and other valuable papers practically ruined.

At Roaring Gap, Allegheny county, a summer resort on top of the Blue Ridge Mountains, Worth Anderson, aged 22, son of Captain William Anderson, former superintendent of public schools for Mecklenburg county was instantly killed by lightning.

Young Anderson was a Harvard student and was at the resort doing some landscape work. At Cherryville, Gaston County, the roofs of three cotton mills were so badly punctured by the hail that new roofs will be required. Water poured in on the machinery, damaging it several thousands dollars.

ROOSEVELT FARES FORTH. Comes to New York Today to See If He Must Run For Governor.

OYSTER BAY, N. Y., July 7.—Theodore Roosevelt tomorrow will emerge from the seclusion of Sagamore Hill, where he has been shut up for a week by his doctors' orders and again take up active political work. Early in the day he will go to New York, for a meeting with the State leaders.

The discussion of a nominee for Governor will be brought up again in the hope of deciding whether Colonel Roosevelt will run.

Colonel Roosevelt is expected to tell his assistants the result of his recent talk on the political situation with Mayor Mitchell, of New York, and to give his views on the feasibility of a coalition with the independent Democrats in the State campaign.

GRIMESLAND MAN NARROWLY ESCAPED DEATH YESTERDAY

Yesterday afternoon at the plant of the Pamlico Brick and Tile Company, near Grimesland, Mr. Thad Hodges, a young man twenty-five years old narrowly averted instant death when his clothing was caught in the machinery and his leg badly mangled, and it is feared at the Washington Hospital where he was taken immediately following the accident that an amputation will be necessary, as the limb is crushed from the knee to the ankle.

Mr. Hodges attempted to repair a broken part while the machine was in motion, and his trousers were caught in the shafting resulting as above stated.

To The Candidates For Office

There are some candidates among the long list that we are running in our columns, that seem to have forgotten that these cards must be paid for in advance, and unless we receive a remittance from those that are in arrears by next Friday, July 11th, their cards will be dropped from our columns.

Winterville Civic League Will Meet Tomorrow to Begin Their Real Work

Winterville, July 8.—Misses Mamie Carroll and Bertha L. Carroll went to Greenville Tuesday.

When in need of a mowing machine or repairs for same consult Harrington, Barber & Co.

Miss Pauline Uzzell who has been visiting Mrs. C. T. Cox returned to her home at Seven Springs Saturday.

Men and women are of a few days and full of trouble, but they will have less, if they will get an oil cook stove and a lantern at A. W. Ange & Co's.

Mrs. C. T. Cox left Monday for Seven Springs where she will spend several days.

Tobacco time is here and you need a good thermometer and the very best time, as that is the only kind B. D. Forrest & Co. keeps. You will make no mistake in consulting the before you purchase.

The Civic League of Winterville will meet Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the High School auditorium. They expect to complete the organization and begin work at once. Every member is urged to be present and all the women and girls of the town are cordially invited to attend.

We have a nice line of dry goods and notions that we are selling cheap. See us before you purchase. Harrington, Barber & Co.

There are plenty of berries and now is the time to store away your supply for the winter. To do this you need the old reliable mason fruit jar. B. D. Forrest & Co. have just received a large shipment of fruit jars and rubbers.

Miss Evney Street, of Kinston, is visiting Miss Dora E. Cox here this week.

They are yet selling those nice pants cheap at A. W. Ange & Co.

Mr. H. L. Scott left Tuesday for his home in Eureka to spend a few days.

Misses Dora E. Cox and Evney Street and Mr. Leo Hatsell went to Greenville Tuesday afternoon.

SMITHTOWN ITEMS

SMITHTOWN, N. C., July 7.—Miss Etta Nunn of New Bern made a very interesting talk on C. W. B. M. work in the Christian Church at Arthur Thursday night.

Mr. T. E. Little of Wilson came down on the train Saturday morning to be present at the quarterly meeting at the Free Will Baptist church and returned Sunday afternoon.

Little Christian Smith who has been attending a house party at Mrs. Elbert Tyson's has returned home.

Mrs. Ivy Smith Misses Agnes Trilby and Mr. Mark Smith, Mr. R. E. Willoughby, Mr. J. R. Smith and Miss Low Crawford went to Morehead Sunday.

Mrs. Pattie Smith is visiting her daughter Mrs. Lizzie Flanagan.

Mr. Leon Tyson and Miss Alma Speight of Benston was visiting Mrs. R. A. Willoughby's Sunday.

Some of our church going folks are still enjoying the series of meetings that are being held in Farmville at the Christian church.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to express our heartfelt thanks and deep appreciation for the many kindnesses shown us during the illness and death of our husband and father.

Mrs. W. H. Rives and children. 7-7-14d.-1w.

Have an eye on the bank statements now being published and note the good showing our financial institutions of the county are making.

The Curfew Law is Being Agitated Among Many of The Ayden Citizens

Miss Keel who taught here in the Graded School a few years ago is visiting Mrs. Lena Brown.

Mr. S. Ed. Harrington, has bought himself a handsome touring car, a Paige, and also secured the agency for same.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Dump Tripp a daughter.

Mr. S. W. Newton, who is Superintending the erection of the Graded School has moved his family to town and occupies a portion of the Boys Dormitory, on Lee street.

Uncle Jack Hart, as soon as he can harvest his growing crop, he will extend Lee street through his property to the county road on the North, and Blount street running the same direction, and this will give ample opportunity for home seekers to pitch their tent, this will be a long looked for prize, as it is valuable building sites.

When Thomas Jefferson, was drafting the Declaration of American Independence he looked centuries ahead, and we see the fulfillment of it each day. When it comes to the promotion of domestic happiness and comfort, there is no better way to demonstrate it than buying the family an oil cook stove from J. R. Smith & Bro., to use in the good old summer time.

Mrs. Lewis McGlohon spent the week end with her parents Mr. Bob Nelson, near Kinston.

The Curfew Law is a matter being agitated in our town.

Mr. Enoch Ludford is in town, on business. He is the champion of all timber buyers, when it comes to botany, he is on the job.

You can never tell the fortune of a snuffy kitten, lousy calf or a red headed boy, they often times make the most successful Cats, Cows and Men.

Mr. Will B. Alexander has bought him a Henry Ford and seems to have taken a new lease on life.

Miss Velma Harrington, of Kinston, is visiting relatives in Ayden.

Good rains and good crops makes us all rejoice.

Pearline Gurganus says that his oil cook stove is all that its claimed to be. Will cook pound cake and then fry white side meat. J. R. Smith & Bro.

Mr. Wilbur E. Tingle returned Monday to his work in Richmond, after a brief illness.

Fruit jars, rubbers and caps at J. R. Smith & Bro.

Messrs. H. A. White, J. A. Lang, F. D. Foxhall, W. B. Wilson, J. A. Andrews, Richard Williams and R. A. Tyson were here Thursday at the installation of the Masonic officers of Ayden Lodge.

There will come before the members of the Christian Church next Sunday after the morning service a proposition to sell to the property owners a ten foot strip on the west side of their church, as an alley way to be kept open and maintained as such. The price offered is \$127.50 per square foot, making a total of \$785.00 for 100 feet. All the members are requested to be present. This shows that town property is valuable. The deal has been made, and the deed will be executed in short.

Just received a car each of lime, cement, cement plaster, top dresser and Galvanized roofing. J. R. Smith & Bro.

Prospects are now very good for a full crop of cotton and corn and all who succeeded in getting their tobacco set early, so as to get a stand, have nothing to regret. Some have topped

Martin County Woman Is Held For Husband's Death

TARBORO, July 7.—Deputy Sheriff Thomas, of this place, this afternoon arrested Mrs. Joseph Johnson in Speed, near here, on a warrant charging her with the murder of her husband, Joseph Johnson, a prosperous farmer in Martin county, who was shot to death Saturday night near Holy Ghost church.

According to reports received here, Mr. Johnson Saturday night took his wife riding. Shortly afterwards the runaway horse was stopped at the church; closely followed by Mrs. Johnson, who said her husband had been shot from the roadside not far off. Investigation revealed the dead body of Mr. Johnson lying in the road about 100 yards distant. Subsequently the coroner investigated the killing and with the result that Mrs. Johnson was released.

A more thorough investigation of the tragedy was made, however, and a pistol found beside the dead man. The pistol was new and had only one chamber fired. At the time of the shooting, it is alleged, that Mr. Johnson was riding on the right side of the buggy. He was shot through the left side of the head being badly powder burned. Mrs. Johnson, at the time of her arrest, is reported to have said, "I wouldn't care a bit about this if it were not for my baby." The only child is a baby about six months old.

Mrs. Johnson is 22 years old and is very pretty. She sticks to her original story that her husband was shot from the roadside. She is in jail in Wilkesboro, where she was taken today to await preliminary hearing before Justice of the Peace R. J. House at Oak City tomorrow.

The prominence of the people involved in the tragedy has caused a sensation in this county and the adjoining county of Martin.

Quite a number of out of town contractors were in town today for the opening of the bids for the erection of the new County Home.

out their best tobacco, and getting ready for curing. Mr. John G. Stox tells us that his progressive neighbor Mr. William G. Smith in Fork Swamp will cure a barn next week, when it comes to farming Contentnea keeps her tail light shining bright, not to keep from being run over, but to show how far she is in the lead.

Henry Jones, and Emma Braxton two dusty damsels were up before Mayor Kittrell Tuesday for pulling hair on the streets.

Monday while Mr. Bill Smith was clinging up a barn with tobacco, on the East side of Ayden, Mr. Lorenzo McGlohon was setting out and watering on the West side. This shows that Contentnea, soil is adapted to all seasons and crops.

Mr. Jim Bright said that these nights are so short by the time he eats supper, reads the Daily Reflector, chews a little Apple Sun cured, lies down, he can meet himself getting up next morning, but if you have an oil cook stove you don't have to cut no stove wood. See J. R. Smith & Bro.