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H. CLAY GRUBB'S HOUSE BURNED.	A NEW POSTMASTER.	MINISTER IN TROUBLE.	SOUTHERN GOOD ROADS TRAIN.	WATER FAMINE IN CHARLOTTE.	RAILROADS ASSESSED.	WHAT OF RECIPROCITY!
Disastrous Fire In Boone Township. Barn Also Destroyed—Some Furniture Saved.	Mr. D. F. Conrad Gets the Nomination. General Walser Seeks Fur- ther Delay.	D. P. Tate, Formerly Pastor of Lin- wood Circuit, Is Arrested on Serious Charge.	Interesting Lecture at The Star—Ex- hibit Train the Center of Attraction.	Water Actually Cut Off and City Faces Great Danger—The Measures for Relief.	Southbound Assessed at \$22,500 Per Mile—Southern Assessments Are Raised.	Unusual Combinations—A Glance at Both Sides of the Question, About the Farmer.
Yesterday Mr. H. Clay Grubb lost his fine residence in Boon township by fire. When the fire was discov- ered, the flames had already esten their way to the root and in places were bursting through. It was dis- covered at 9:30 yesterday morning. Everybody in the neighborhood was soon on the scene but there was lit- tle that could be done to check the flames. A great deal of the furniture was saved and his fine library was also saved. The barn caught fire and a great deal of feed was destroyed, along with farming utensils, harness, wagons, etc. Part of the machinery was re- moved from the barn, but a great deal was lost. The cotton gin and office were sav-	It was announced last week that President Taft had nominated Mr. David F. Conrad to be postmaster at this place and there was rejoicing in the camp of a certain faction of the G. O. P. of Davidson county. This comes after many reverses and is a genuine surprise to many. It is thought that the nomination will be confirmed this week, but that is not at all certain. The News and Observer said Sunday that General Walser had wired to have the nomi- nation held up until he could have "time to present charges." Just what sort of charges he has to present against Mr. Courad is not known. It is said that the move was made to delay and hinder confirmation, so that	Of interest to hundreds of people in Davidson county will be the fol- lowing advertisement, which was sent broad-cast over the land by the po- lice department of the city of Dan- ville, Va.: "WANTED-For Fraudulently Ob- taining Money. Look out for and ar- rest D. P. Tate, aged about 50 to 55 years, will weigh 160 pounds, 6 feet, 1 or 2 inches high, very slender, wore beard when here, wears glasses, just a little stoop shouldered, usually wears a long cut coat. He had been in the real estate business here in Danyille for the past 2 years and has defrauded a number of people in and around town. He was at one time a Methodist preacher in North Carolina, and did some preaching work	The Southern's Good Roads Train arrived Thursday morning on time and spent several bours in the city. The lecture was given in The Star by courtesy of Manager Shaw, who furm- ished the necessary current, plenty of help to operate the stereopticon, elec- tric fams and everything else acces- sary to make the lecture a success. He also ran a reel or two of first class pictures for the entertainment of the crowd before the lecture start- ed. The meeting was called to order by Mr. H. B. Varner, who introduced Mr. W. J. Hurlbut, of the Land and In- dustrial Department of the Southern. Mr. Hurlbut made a short speech in which he spoke of his admiration for Southern Good R. dis and said that it is taking hist brank among the	As cheap and plentiful as water is in this vicinity, it is hard to believe that only a few miles away people are actually in want of it and are suffer- ing greatly for the lack of it. Char- lotte has been threatened with a wa- ter famine for many days, but last week it really arrived. A news dis- patch from Charlotte Saturday tells the story as follows: Charlotte is facing the most serious water famine in the history of the city. All sources of supply have failed, practically, and today the board of al- dermen passed an ordinance ordering the mains cut off, necessitating all those who use the city water for drinking, bath and sewer purposes to look elsewhere for their supply. The action of the board of aldermen was necessary because they realized	The North Carolina Corporation Commission Saturday gave out its re- port as to the assessment of railroads for taxation. The Southbound, eight/ seven miles long, is assessed at \$22,500 per mile and the assessment of th; Southern is largely increased. A kal- eigh dispatch outlines the report of the commission as follows: The tax valuation of railroad prop- erty in North Carolina is raised by the Corporation Commission through the quadrennial reassessment just com- pleted, from \$86,780,115 to \$115,229,684. The total mileage is 4,576 as compar- ing with 4,424 included in the previous assessments. The Atlantic Coast Line assessment is raised from \$23,434,900 to \$32,995,- 567, the assessment to the mile being \$34,821, whereas it was formerly \$30	The Washington correspondent of the Greensboro News had an interest- ing communication in his paper Sun- day in regard to reciprocity, and other things concerning congress. Among other things he says: The Canadian reciprocity bill passed both houses. It will soon be in opera- tion. The newspapers like this bill. They will get paper cheaper. It is es- timated that William R. Hearst will save more than \$400,000 on his annual paper bills. A 10 or 12-page daily should be able to save at least \$300 a year. Nobody seems to doubt that the papers will profit. Therefore, most of the newspapers are pleased with the bill, and those who passed it. Presi- dent Taft is going to get most of the credit.
kitchen. Just what the damage is, and how much of it is covered by in- surance, is not known here. The resi- dence is said to have been the finest	, very popular here. He is a member of the board of aldermen and led the ticket in the municipal election in May. He will make a worthy suc-	you can give in regard to him will be appreciated and rewarded. If found, arrest and wire J. R. Bell, Chief Collea Dansille Viewinia."	that he found Southern Good Roads always present with him He then launched out into a short	could burn whether it would without hindrance. Irwin's creek and Stew- art's creek, the two streams from	raised from \$12,500,000 to \$17,500,000, this being \$29,075.56 a mile on 601.88 miles. The former assessment was	good housewife would soon feel the benefits of the reciprocity bill. Chick- ens, turkeys and many other things kept by the corner grocer would be
country home in the county and it is doubtful if there was a better house in either Thomasville or Lexington.	Everything O. K. in Panama.	ber of the Western North Carolina conference and he had charge of the Linwood circuit, now served by Rey,	that good roads mend cheaper hauling, less wear and tear on teams, harness wagon aud driver, higher land values,	which the supply has been derived heretofore, are but tiny branches of but one-tenth their usual size. The Seaboard Air Line Railroad company has offered to loan the city a	The Southern Railway assessment on owned and leased lines is advanced from \$34,073,201 to \$46,641,696, the	reduced in price. If this is true somebody is going to get hit. The man who produces the ar- ticles that drop because of the reci- procity agreement must suffer if the

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Miss Zula Hedrick Entertains. Miss Zula Hedrick entertained Fri-ay evening in honor of her guests aurinburg. The Hedrick home was

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er, Mr. Jos. W. Terry, in Little River there had been excavated 142,967,554 township. After graduating, Dr. Ter- cubic yards, leaving a balance of 39ointed assistant acting sur-Marine Hospital at Louis-vated. Over 56 per cent. of all the ointed assistant acting surtitle. The police have five warrants against Tate, two of which are for felry was geon in the ville. This position he has resigned concrete work in the locks and dams and will locate at Lexington, N. C., to is also complete. During the month onles. It is expected that numerous practice medicine. The Observer pre- of June, 1911, there was excavated days. dicts that Dr. Terry will make good. from the canal 2,646,442 cubic yards, The The amount of money secured by

and this is the rainy season too. By

**Fatal Boller** Explosion.

A telephone message to The Trib-une Thursday afternoon told of the bursting of the boiler at the sawmill orge P. Blackwelder, in No township, by which four persons ful progress "at home."

his son, Martin, aged 24, and his daughters, Misses Laura and Tina, aged 16 and 12 respectively. The girls had been assisting Mr.

elder and his son in removing slabs from the saw. Without warn-ing the boller burst and all four were badly scalded and also injured by the flying pieces of timber and machinery. The youngest girl, Miss Tina, is so badly hurt that it is not expected that will live.

A telephone message from Mt Pleasant this morning at 10 o'clock says that Miss Tina, the young daugh-ter, died a few minutes before that

A message received by phone this afternoon at 1 o'clock from the scene of the tarrible accident says that Miss Lisora also is not expected to live. All were burned worse than it was Mr. Blackwelder

All were burned worse than it was first thought. Mr. Blackweider and son are also in a very serious condi-tion. This is from the Concord Tribune of Friday. Saturday the Tribune carried the following: Miss Lisora Blackweider, who was fatally injured in a bolier explosion at after father's saw mill in No. 7 town-ship Thursday evening died Saturday. A change for the worse has taken place with Mr. Blackweider and son, who were also in the explosion and their recovery is considered doubtful. ——Elsewhere in The Dispatch todar are given the new assessments of rail-reads. The Southbound has 42 miller of road in Davidson county, or nearly half of its entire mileage. Assesses at \$32,600 per mile it will increase the taxable values of the county by \$345, 000. It will be noted that the assess-ment of the North Carolina railroad, which is leased by the Southarn, is in-

--Elsewhere in The Dispatch today are given the new assessments of rail-reads. The Southbound has 42 miles of road in Davidson county, or nearly half of its entire mileage. Assessed at \$23,500 per mile it will increase the increase of the county by \$245,-000. It will be noted that the assess-ment of the North Carolina railroad, which is leased by the Southarn, is in-creased 50 per cent. Dader the old assessment, the Southern paid tax on it at the rate of \$46,500 per mile. With the fifty per cent added the road will be assessed at close to \$70,000 per mile. There are 34 miles of road by the county and there will be an in crease in taxable values therefrom amounting to nearly half a million do lars. Added to the values of the county will feel an increase of at les \$1,500,000 from its railroads, and the total of taxable values for the count will access \$11,000,000. values for the co

these figures you can see that the fifteen to twenty-five thousand dollars. work is nearing completion at a It is not known whether he will conrapid rate. It is a great work and something for all Americans to be sent to return to Danville without regulsition. proud of, but even at that, I cannot close without mentioning the wonder-90 Children at Methodist Hame.

The Methodist Children's Home is Those scalded and injured by flying nal the Southbound Railroad has Since I came to work on the ca rapidly becoming one of the greatest agencies in North Carolina in the conhai the Southbound Rairoad has been built; Lexington has secured a public building which is now under construction; Good Roads for David-son county are in sight; the Civic servation of the unfortunate children

of the state. The number of children sent to the institution is increasing all the time and has outgrown the present capacity League has beautified the public squares of Lexington; Ray McCrary squares of Lexington; Ray McCrary has established a Daniel Boone Me-morial Association, also erected bitching posts for the farmers; and there has been 5 democrats elected to office in Davidson county. Really the world does move." of the home until the new buildness are completed. In order to accommodate the addi-

In order to accommodate the addi-tional children, however, Supt. H. A. Hayes has had two large tents erected on the grounds and sixteen of the boys will be given accommodations in the tents during the summer and the new building will be completed by fall.

Where Slaves Were Sold.

Mark McCrary, an aged colored man of this city, is a very interesting old fellow. He is full of interesting remainscences and can tell tales of happenings before the war that are There are now ninety children at the home. Work is progressing nicely on the

new cottage and it will add very much to the facilities of the home. Other buildings will be erected as required and as the subscriptions to the buildnot only entertaining but are worth remembering. Last week in conver-sation with Mr. J. Ray McCrary, and others, he explained the old time use ing fund are paid .-- Winston Sentinel.

Ten Per Cent Dividend in Bankruptcy Case.

cent, dividend was A ten per cent. dividend was de-clared in the bankruptcy case of the Eureka Trouser Company, of Lexing-ton, at the hearing here before Major J. E. Alexander, referee in bank-ruptcy. This company went under in 1909 and it is alleged that one of the creditors took over all the assets and suit was brought by the other credi-tors to recover. Present at the hear-ne in this city were: M. J. I. Scales

suit was brought by the other credi-tors to recover. Present at the hear-ing in this city were: Mr. J. I. Soales, of Greensboro, trustes; ex-Judge T. J. Shaw, of Greensboro counsel for the trustes, and McCrary & McCrary, of Lexington, counsel for the credi-tors.--Winston Journal.

Washington was visited by another ostly fire which broke out in the Mor-on building on Main street, right in he heart of the business section, bout 4 o'clock Wednesday morning,

Mr. H. B. Varner left for Newbo about 4 c'clock Wednesday morning, and in a few hours the entire build-ing was completely guited by the flames. Among the buildings destroy-ed was that in which was installed the plant of the local paper. Losses \$20,-000, with only \$10,000 insurance. The fire originated in the press-room of the Tidewater Printing Company, sit-uated in the rear of the building and Mr. H. B. Varner left for Newbord Sunday night to spend a weak fishing in eastern waters. He will be the guest of Mr. William Dunn on his handsome yacht, "The Spartan." Dr. Pratt, Col. R. M. Phillips, Mr. J. A. Wellons and another good roads crank or two, will make up the party. Mr. K. E. Surratt, of The Dispatch

fire originated in the press-ro the Tidewater Printing Compar-uated in the rear of the buildin the flames had gained consid-Leadway before they were discu-it was rumored on the streets was the work of an incendiary yet there is but little evidence. force, is spending a few weeks a Jackson Springs, Moore county. Mrs. J. W. Robertson will leave this internoon for Burlington to spend a reek or two with relatives.

ed that many of his rest entrot take that which contain descriptions and re-actions here were criminal, and that which contain descriptions and re-he sold property to which he had no sults of its investigations and experiments for free distribution. It also furnishes engineers, free of cost, to advise in regard to road improvement other warrants will be issued in a few and to superintend construction model roads. Só

The Southern Railway Good Roads Tate is variously estimated at from Train is equipped with models illus-trating all types of modern highway construction, and working models of road machinery operated by electric

ity. Exhibits and views of fine high ways are arranged in one of the cars The other car is fitted up for the giv-ing of lectures, and is used where the speakers have not access to a

suitable building. He told of the journey of the train, starting May 1, 1911, at Mobile, Ala From North Carolina it will go to Viron the dollar. ginia and later double back to Ge

gia and Florida. The tour will end at Richmond, Va., October 29th, in at Richmond, Va., October 29(h, in time for the meeting of the American Association for Highway Improve-ment which is to be held in that city beginning October 30th and ending

beginning October sola and ending November 3rd. The speaker gave some good ad-vice as to spending good roads funds and advised the employment every time of a competent highway engi-neer to map out a system of highways and superintend their construction. and superintend their construction He gave two examples which had come under his own personal observation He said that two counties in Alabama voted bonds for \$200,000 each. One county hired a competent engineer and today has a system of fine road

all over the county. The other coun ty did not want to go to the expen

ty did not want to go to the expense of hiring a competent engineer and divided the \$200,000 up among eight supervisors. They spent the money and the county is today in debt with-out a single mile of good roads to show for it. The other county that spent wisely, has reduced its tax rate, farming land has gone up in value and the population has largely in-oreased.

Mr. Hurlbut concluded his addres Mr. Hurlbut concluded his address by inviting the andience to go to the Southern station and see the good roads train and introduced Mr. L. E. Boykin, of the United States Office of Public Roads, who gave the illus-trated lecture. He was assisted by Mr. H. S. Fairbanks, also of the Of-fice of Public Roads, who handled the slides. Both of there gentiemen are skilled highway engineers and know how to build roads.

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Mr. Boykin has a good voice and his lecture was heard with great in-torest. The pictures were intensely interesting. They showed good roads and bad roads from all over the Unit-ed States. They showed now physi-cians are held up by bad roads on their way to see patients and the dif-ference in the hauling power of teams over good roads and over had roads. Children were pictured going to school over roads of red mud, dead matches for Davidson county roads in the winter time, and contrasted this with bands of happy children walk-(Continued on Pars Eight) ir. Boykin has a

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in the Federal Court for fraud. Three of the passenger coaches on the train of the promoters are in the Atlanta from Wadesboro was inadequate to acpenitentiary, and the other, a man by comomdate the crowds gathered alons the name of Marsden, is a fugitive the line, and at Norwood, ten miles be from justice. low Albemarle, two box cars were

of these lots were sold by the thrown open and when the train pulled promoters several times over, and into Albemarle both were loaded with therefore, it is difficult to find the people to the fullest capacity. A train people to the fullest capacity. A train loaded with ten coaches of people rightful owners.

They would sell a lot and "throw in" a free trip. Their plan was to iscame in from Winston-Salem One of the features of the day wa a uniform drill by the degree team of sue a certificate with a number corresponding to a number on a plot, and the Woodmen of the World. All the when they sold out the land they had orders of the county joined the Masons would issue more certificates against the same land and have another sale. in making the occasion one of the most successful ever held in Albemarle. Of course the receiver can only di-vide out of the \$10,000 among those which shows the friendly feeling exist ing among the members of the variou who paid \$328,000 for their experifraternities.

which will be about three cents The receipts from the variou sources amounted to more than \$500 which was turned over to the superin tendent of the orphanage.

Erring Minister Captured. A special from Shelby Friday told

Lutherans in Reunion.

At the present rate of progress this prediction will unquestionably come Hagerstown, Md., dispatch, 30th.

Since April 1 four aeroplanes have been found in a hotel, occupying an at Pen-Mar Park today, and the crowd adjoining room to that of Miss Carrie was variously estimated at from 12,000 been purchased by the Signal Corps-two Wrights, one Burgiss-Wright, and been found in a hotel, occupying an at Pen-Mar Park today, and the drowd adjoining room to that of Miss Carrie was variously estimated at from 12,000 Stockton, a pretty young girl of Kings Mountain. Padgett is a Holiness church reunions ever held at the Pen-preacher and claims to be the girl's Mar mountain resort. "spiritual adviser." Attorney N. F. Rev. Dr. J. B. Reimensnyder, of New a Curtiss. Two of these are now at College Park, one Wright is in San Antonio, supplanting the 1909 model,

preacher and claims to be the girls "spiritual adviser." Attorney N. F. McMillan of this county is in Atlanta, having been sent there by Mr. A. J. Stockton, father of the girl and a Stockton, father of the girl and a Stockton, father of the girl and a States, presided. Rev. Dr. J. B. Reimensnyder, of New York, president of the General Synod States, presided. Rev. Dr. J. B. Reimensnyder, of New States, presided. Rev. Dr. J. B. Reimensnyder, of New States, presided. Rev. Dr. J. B. Reimensnyder, of New States, presided. Rev. Dr. J. B. Reimensnyder, of New States, presided.

made a historical address reviewing the history of the Lutheran reunions

d from his wife and two daughters, at the same time attributing his do-mestic trouble to the influence exerted over Mrs. Stockton and the girls by Padgett while he was boarding in the family. It is said they were almost re-ligious famatics and the teacher and expounder of the doctrine in which canton the sixteenth they believed gained.

A feature of the reunion was the singing by the congregation of Mar-tin Luther's famous battle hymn, "Ein Feats Burg," which was render-ed by 5,000 voices, led by the choir and orchestra. It was decided to hold the next re-union at Pen-Mar in July, 1912. It was announced that the money above exponses derived from the reunion would be given in equal proportions to the Lutheran pastors' fund and the Tabitha Home, Lincoln, Nebraska. Direct lineal descendants of Mar-tin Luther in the eighth generation were present.

himself obnoxious. The Atlanta officers raided a Madi-son avenue hotel and found Padgett and the 16-year-old Stockton girl and he is being held on a \$1,000 bond for immoral conduct and kidnapping. In lew of the fact that Padgett is a na

tive of Burke county, has operated in this section of the state and the young girl belongs to a prominant further this section of the state and the young girl belongs to a prominent family at Kinga Mountain, there is quite a good deal of interest manifested here in the outcome of the case. Attorney McMil-las will bring the girl back to her father where she will remain until the Padgett trial.

### Meeting at Taylor's Grove.

Chandler July 29.—The protracted seeting at Taylor's Grove will com-

ently wrecked at College Park, is on its way here. An Injunction to Stop Prayers. the

From Florence, S. C., comes following very unusual story: cause his prayers for rain during cause his prayers for rain during the recent dry spell were followed by such a copious and prolonged down-pour that their cotton crop was dam-aged, neighbors of the Rev. Mr. Moore, a Methodist minister, threat-ened to get out an injunction re-straining him from offering such prayers in the future. After much tall the proposed proceedings have been dropped. Mr. Moore is the father of "Jerry" Moore, the 15-year-old champion corn grower. the

Guilford county will probably action at an early city of Greensboro to stitute an against the ne right of the m work on the mission form of go effect the commission -Marriage licenses have been is-sued to the following: Walter Gar-ren and Miss Loula Hughes; Brady Everbardt and Miss Sadie Leonard. J. R. Sink and Miss Sadie Leonard. d the co been seeding all able-he the street force and the browe is being depicted. he men convicted in t ourt had been going to the boart had been going to the boart and been going to the

A special from shelpy Friday toid of the arrest and detention of one B. L. Padgett, a Hollness minister, who is not unknown in this section. It said: A charge of kidnapping will be in-A charge of kidnapping will be in- Lutheran churches of Maryland, Vir-stituted against Rev. B. L. Padgett ginia, West Virginia, Pennsylvania who is under arrest in Atlanta, having and the District of Columbia was held

prominent cotton mill superintendent at Kings Mountain. There has been bad blood between the Holiness

ence over them. Attorney McMillan will charge that by the action of the "spiritual advaler" over the feminine members of the family, Padgett made

were present.

Prof. A. H. Jarrett, Paul Hinkle, Roswell Robbins, Willis Vostal and Frank Hill left for Boone's Cabin yes-terday afternoon to spend a week

## Nation to Have Airship Fleet.

Washington Dispatch, 28.-An ap-propriation of \$125,000 in the military budget for the purchase and mainte-nance of aeroplanes means that the United States will have a formidable aerial fleet for coast defense before another year has passed. The program of the Signal Corps is

ambitious. The co-operation of Con-gress having been gained, all that now remains is to buy the machines and train the aviators. It is figured that at least twenty aeroplanes can be pur-chased this year, with sufficient funds left of the appropriation for upkeep of hangars and other necessary appurtenances

General James Allen. chief of the Signal Corps, is quoted as saying that within a year the United States will have a fleet of twenty aerial warships, manned by forty officers, giving the United States a lead in aero strength.

The twenty-fifth annual reunion of the Lutheran churches of Maryland, Vir-is now progressing by leaps and bounds.

which has just been presented to the National Museum, and one Burgess-Wright machine, as substitute for that