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COURT-MARTIAL NEXT WEEK Salisbury Military Company's Conduct During Recent Lynching to be Investigated at Statesville Next Week Before Major Flannigan at Request of Capt. Barker—Assistant District Attorney Price's Resignation Becomes Effective September 1st and There is Speculation as to His Successor—A Clumsy Attempt at Robbery—Salisbury News Notes. Special to The Observer. Salisbury, Aug. 21.—Last night a negro giving his name as Oscar Harris was brought to Salisbury and placed in the Whitehead-Stokes Sanitarium for treatment of a pistol wound, made by some unknown person. The fellow says he had been to the Spencer Mercantile Company's store to have a check cashed and was returning to Salisbury when he was shot by a watchman, whose name he could not give. The bullet took effect in the back above the hip and was a severe wound, but will not prove fatal. Harris says he has been in the employment of the Southern, but he is not known here. Capt. M. A. Shank, one of Spencer's foremen and an alderman of Salisbury, left this morning for his Pennsylvania home, where he will visit and celebrate the sixtieth anniversary of the marriage of his parents. Pennsylvania Girl recently published an account of the coming event, with cuts of the aged couple. Mr. Shank being 84 and Mrs. Shank 80. Capt. Shank will be gone three weeks and will recuperate from a severe attack of rheumatism. Mrs. Shank, during his absence from Salisbury, will be in Skyland. Mr. J. M. Boyett, of Stanley, candidate for register of deers on the Democratic ticket, is in the city today. He speaks hopefully of the prospects there and thinks Hackett will speak to a big crowd Friday night. Miss Annie Wetmore, a former graded school teacher of this city, returned yesterday to Greensboro, after a visit to friends in Salisbury. Mrs. Arthur Patterson and little son, Robert Kizer, returned to-day from a visit to the little fellow's grandmother at China Grove and are visiting relatives in Salisbury. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas P. Johnston are in the eastern portion of the State taking advantage of the last few days of the summer resorts. Mrs. White McKenzie and two children, Misses Beulah and Lela Haden and Annie Kizer, are in Swannanoa for a stay of two weeks. CLUMSY ATTEMPT AT ROBBERY. There was a clumsy attempt at robbery of the Jackson Hotel safe yesterday by some one, evidently a guest. Suspicion rests upon no particular person and no investigation has been made. Mr. Jackson was in the act of opening the safe drawn when he discovered that it had been tampered with and sent for an expert lock mechanic, who found in a short time that there was a broken key in the lock and soon had it out. The safe had about \$500 in it. The court-martial of the Rowan Rifles under Capt. Max Barker will come off next week in Statesville, the investigation being conducted by Major Flannigan. This course arises out of Capt. Barker's request, made the day following the lynching of the negroes charged with the Lyley

MURDER, and is expected to exonerate him.

The family of Congressman Klutts have word from Whitehead Klutts, Esq., that he will return to Salisbury the latter part of the week after a visit of two months in Europe. During his sojourn there Mr. Klutts has toured England, France, Switzerland, Rome and Florence. WHO WILL SUCCEED MR. PRICE? The resignation of Hon. A. H. Price, assistant district attorney, becomes effective September 1st and, unless there is other action upon it, the office becomes a candidate for an occupant at that time. Although it has been generally understood that ex-Judge Coble, of Iredell, would land the position, the Stany Republicans do not think so, and at their recent meeting offered the following resolution: "Whereas, the office of United States assistant district attorney has recently been made vacant by the resignation of Hon. A. H. Price, and whereas we have among us in the person of Hon. Z. B. Sanders, both able and in every way qualified to fill said office, be it Resolved, that this convention takes pleasure in presenting the name of Mr. Sanders as being a man worthy and entitled to this honor; and we do earnestly request Hon. Z. B. Sanders, Congressman, and Hon. Spencer E. Adams, chairman of the executive committee of the Republican party of North Carolina, to use their respective influences to give Mr. Sanders this honor." Dr. C. W. Corriher, of Landis, was in the city to-day and reported the robbery last night of the Linn Brothers' store at that place. The door was forced open and some shoes missed, but no money was taken. Just what amount of goods was stolen was not learned by him, though it is thought to have been small. The officers there have no clue. The entire stock of the Dunn Mountain Company changed hands to-day and the company was entirely reorganized. Mr. W. A. Eason, of Greensboro, is practically the owner of the company, possessing a large majority of all the shares of stock. At a meeting of the new stockholders, Mr. Eason was elected president of the company, and Mr. C. S. Adams was made secretary. The new president is a man of great experience in the management of granite companies. He is now on his way to South Carolina, where he expects to take over another plant as large as, if not larger than, the Dunn Mountain. TAFT WILL REFUSE OFFER. Will notify President He Does Not Desire Supreme Court Position. Washington, Post. Secretary Taft will shortly make formal announcement to the President that he does not desire the proffered position of the United States Supreme Court bench. This statement is credited to Nicholas Longworth while discussing Ohio politics in New York a few days after his return from his wedding trip. Mr. Longworth and Secretary Taft are fellow-townsmen, both claiming Cincinnati as their home, and the above statement was incidental to a discussion concerning the Republicans who are scurrying about for an available man to lead them in the fight against control of the party machine by Senator Dick.

POSTPONED A YEAR.

Opening of Wake Forest Fitting School Delayed Twelve Months—Preparations for the New College Session. Special to The Observer. Wake Forest College, Aug. 21.—President W. L. Poteat and other members of the faculty have put in a good deal of the summer visiting the different Baptist associations in session over the State and otherwise putting the college before the people. Dr. Poteat has made some able addresses at the associations. He is to attend the Liberty meeting this week and deliver an address and meet all who are interested in the college. Dr. W. R. Cullom, professor of Bible, has returned from the Mars Hill Training School for Christian Workers, where he delivered a series of lectures. The school was a great success. There were more than 150 in attendance. The first day of the coming session, August 29th, will be set apart for registration. The Wake Forest College Fitting School, which at their meeting in May the board of trustees voted to establish, will not be in operation during this session. The committee in charge has found it impossible to complete the arrangements in time for the opening. Upon their recommendation the trustees recently decided to postpone the opening of the fitting school for one year. The walls and roof of the new infirmary building have been finished and there is every reason to believe that it will be ready for occupancy the first of September. It is two stories high, with upper veranda on two sides, built of concrete blocks and costing \$7,000. It is a distinct ornament to the college grounds and a manifest improvement in the equipment of the institution for the noble work which it is undertaking to do. The following comprise the building committee: C. E. Taylor, chairman; W. S. Rankin, L. M. Gaines, C. E. Brewer, W. L. Poteat and J. B. Carlyle. Prof. Carlyle is now engaged in raising the remainder of the funds necessary to its completion and equipment. The managing committee of the infirmary is composed of Messrs. W. L. Poteat, R. E. Royall, E. W. Timberlake, J. W. Lynch and L. R. Mills. SAVED BROTHER, BUT DIED. Thirteen-Year-Old Arthur Grady, of Goldsboro, Meets Tragic Death in Little River. Special to The Observer. Goldsboro, Aug. 21.—Arthur Grady, the 13-year-old son of Deputy Sheriff Henry Grady, was drowned while bathing in Little river this afternoon. He was in swimming with a number of boys, all younger than himself. The water where he was drowned was about six feet deep and, on account of a freshet in the river, the current was unusually strong. He had just rescued his younger brother from drowning when he fell back into the stream. The river where he was drowned is about a mile and a half from the city. In a few minutes there were a hundred people on the scene assisting in rescuing the body. The news spread very rapidly and the streets were lined with people as the lifeless body of the boy was carried in a wagon to the home on Jones street.

A Song of Blueberries.

Boston Transcript. Blueberries and milk or huckleberries and cream being a favorite mid-day diet just now, the question is frequently asked whether any attempt has ever been made at their cultivation. Two of the agricultural experiment stations, one in Maine, the other in West Virginia, are engaged in this investigation. But they have not been about it long, and so far report not much more than that the bushes do stand transplanting and seem to flourish well under care. The neglect of the berry, then, that has been shown for generations is not necessary. Under the cultivation of a wizard, like Luther Burbank, the berries might grow to be as big as plums, and it is also possible that they would become seedless some day. Do we not like them for just that? We certainly do not want it changed, and we do not see how it retained its individuality it could be improved. And may it not be changed if through transplanting, the blueberry grows in gardens instead of pastures? For the strawberry and the sweet fern and all the other wildings that have from its earliest years grown happily in the same soil are said to impart to the berries flavors and fragrances of their own. The poets, perhaps, were first to discover this, but more than one New England housekeeper rolling out paste for juicy berry pies, and putting together materials for a steamed berry pudding or for a cold berry pudding, has discovered the fact, even if she has not talked much about it. Perhaps, too, some tireless persons have learned by trying that the berries have a dietic value. But if they have the rest of us do not want to know it. We like them for the taste that is good; we do not want to know any other reasons for favoring them. GALVESTON'S SEA WALL. makes life now as safe in that city as on the higher uplands. E. W. Gooden, who resides on Dutton St., in Waco, Tex., needs no sea wall for safety. He writes: "I have used Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption the past five years and it keeps me well and safe. Before that time I had a cough which for years had been growing worse. Now it's gone. Cures chronic Cough, La Grippe, Croup, Whooping Cough, and prevents Pneumonia. Pleasant to take. Every bottle guaranteed at R. H. Jordan & Co.'s Drug Store, Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

HAYWOOD COUNTY FAIR.

Extensive Preparations Making for the Big Annual Event—Waynesville to Have a New Bank and Another Newspaper. Special to The Observer. Waynesville, Aug. 21.—The Haywood County Fair Association directors are making extensive arrangements for a greater fair this year than last. A floral hall is being built and fitted up for exhibition purposes. Already the horses are being trained for the track and it is expected that some money will be put up at the coming fair. The people are becoming interested in the fair and are trying their luck on all kinds of crops. Waynesville is to have a new bank. Messrs. R. E. Osborne, former cashier of the Bank of Waynesville; Hecker, of Andrews, and prominent citizens of Haywood county are stockholders in officers. The town is also to have another newspaper. Truly the town is on a boom. Maxton Personal Mention. Special to The Observer. Maxton, Aug. 21.—Dr. J. D. Croon is attending the Confederate veterans' encampment at Morehead City this week.—Miss Pearl Morrison, of McColl, S. C., is visiting friends in town.—Mr. D. R. Barnes is spending a few days in Jonesboro with his uncle Mr. J. N. Barnes.—Mr. Evander McNair, of Winston, is visiting relatives here.—Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Evans and Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Williams spent Sunday at Wrightsville.—Mr. and Mrs. Angus D. McLean, of Washington, are visiting the family of Mr. J. A. McLean.—Mrs. E. L. McCormick left yesterday for Blue Ridge Summit, Pa., to be with her daughter, Miss Elizabeth, who is there in a sanitarium, but who is improving rapidly.—Miss Elizabeth Bonner McLean returned Thursday from a two month's visit to Washington, N. C., and Yellow Sulphur Springs, Va.—Mr. F. L. Black spent Sunday in Charlotte.—Mr. John Allen McLean, Jr., returned Friday from Raleigh after finishing a business course at Draughton's College.



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