

STAGE HANDS STRIKE

Twenty Employes of Grand Opera House at Asheville Walk Out Following Discharge of One of Their Number—Murray and Mack Appear Just the Same.

Special to The Observer. Asheville, Sept. 14.—The stage hands at the Grand Opera House went on a strike last night and for a time it looked as though "Murray and Mack" in "Around the Town" would not get an opportunity to show. Two of the stage men, however, stuck to their jobs and the scenery was shifted and placed in fairly decent manner. The strikers numbered 20.

The strikers say that Stage Manager Mack kicked to Manager Reynolds the presence of so many boys and stage hands on the stage. Mr. Reynolds ordered all the workmen off the stage. The men refused to go. They contended that it was an "established privilege" for the stage help to remain behind the scenes.

NEGROES ON DECREASE

Health Record of Greensboro Shows That Death Rate is Larger and Birth Rate Smaller Among Blacks Than Among Whites in Gate City—Gulfport Republican Convention To-Day.

Special to The Observer. Greensboro, Sept. 14.—At a meeting of the board of aldermen this afternoon the superintendent of the health made his report for the month from January 1st to September 1st. A remarkable feature of the report is that, during that time, the birth rate among the whites is 19.3 to the 1,000 population, while among the negroes it is only 7.2 to the 1,000, according to the reports made to his office. The report of deaths shows a rate of 15.9 among the whites and 36 among the negroes.

CARTER FOR THE SENATE

He is Named by the Republicans of the Twenty-Eighth District—Opening Tobacco Sales on Pilot Mountain Market.

Special to The Observer. Pilot Mountain, Sept. 14.—The Republican convention of the twenty-eighth district, comprising Surry and Stokes counties, met here Saturday and nominated Hon. Guy Carter, of Dobson, for the Senate. The Farmers' and the Marion Tobacco warehouses will have their opening sales September 15th.

Mrs. Fannie Taylor, of Oxford. Special to The Observer. Oxford, Sept. 14.—Mrs. Fannie Taylor, wife of Dr. L. C. Taylor, died this afternoon at the home of her son, Mr. R. P. Taylor. She was 73 years old and was a devoted member of the Presbyterian Church from early life. She was a lovely character. Her husband was the venerable Dr. Taylor; three sons, R. P. Taylor and Arch Taylor, of Oxford, and Charles Taylor of Texas, survive her. The burial will take place Saturday afternoon at 5 o'clock from the Presbyterian church.

Perforated Sails. Leeds Mercury. Although the assertion recently made by Halls sea captain that the power of sails was increased by their being perforated was ridiculed, it has just been proved that he was right.

His theory was that the force of the wind cannot fairly take effect on an inflated sail because of the cushion of immovable air that fills up the hollow. To prevent the creation and presence of that cushion he pierced his sails with many holes, through which the wind blew, the balance of the air pressure striking against the canvas and exercising its full effect.

Several experiments have been made on these lines, and the results are declared to have been imminently satisfactory.

King Edward's Double Dead. New York Sun. Alexander Graham Kelsey, known locally as the "Double King Edward" of England, died recently at his home in Catskill, of apoplexy, aged fifty-six years.

Add to It, Anyhow. Chicago Chronicle. Without any desire to add to the burden of the sweating citizen, it is well for him to bear in mind that the late average temperature threatens him with a winter as cold as the summer has been hot.

The Type of Boy He Meant. Chicago News-Herald. When John D. Lee, a few days ago, said that the boy who has been convicted of the murder of the "mountain dew" was the same as the boy who had been convicted of the murder of the "mountain dew," he was right.

HESTER'S WEEKLY STATEMENT

Amount of Cotton Brought Into Sight During Past Week 199,000 Bales. New Orleans, Sept. 14.—Secretary Hester's weekly cotton statement issued today shows:

The amount brought into sight during the past week as 199,000 bales, against 227,127 for the seven days ending this date last year, and for the 14 days of September it has been 230,493 against 283,322 last year.

The movement since September 1st shows receipts, all United States ports, 208,116 against 247,754 last year. Overland across the Mississippi, Ohio and Potomac rivers to Northern mills and Canada 1,742 in excess of those held at the close of commercial year 15,749 against 47,219 last year. Southern mills takings 8,000 against 8,292.

Foreign exports for the 14 days have been 12,498 against 12,322. The total of American cotton, North, South and Canada, thus far for the season have been 121,559 against 121,231 last year.

Stock at the Seaboard and the 23 leading Southern interior centers have increased during the week 29,149 bales, against 29,149 bales, the corresponding period last season of 137,707. Including stocks left over at ports and interior towns from the last crop, the supply is now 418,233 against 423,324 for the same period last year.

The Visible Supply. New Orleans, Sept. 14.—Secretary Hester's statement of the world's visible supply of cotton issued today shows 1,741,392 last week and 1,733,861 against 1,741,392 last week and 1,666,662 last year. Of this total of American cotton is 923,981 against 922,247 last week and 923,981 last year and of all other kinds, including Egypt, Brazil, India, etc., 823,000 against 811,614 last week and 817,880 last year.

Of the world's visible supply of cotton, 75 per cent is now afloat and held in Great Britain and continental Europe 784,000 against 1,427,800 last year, and in the United States 376,000 against 424,000 last year.

Weekly Cotton Statistics. Liverpool, Sept. 14.—Following are the weekly cotton statistics:

Total sales all kinds 47,000 bales; total sales American 35,000; English 12,000; total exports 3,000; imports, all kinds, 17,000 bales; American, 15,000; stock, all kinds, 27,000; stock, American, 25,000; quantity afloat, American, 8,000; total sales on speculation 1,200; total sales to exporters 1,500.

Miller & Co.'s Cotton Letter. Special to The Observer. New York, Sept. 14.—The American cotton crop was again credited with forcing the early advance in Liverpool, and there were evidences that the same would be repeated in this market.

On the first call, short covering on stop orders was the principal feature, and prices were lifted 10 points from last night's closing. The opening, however, proved to be the highest of the day.

When the longs tried to realize they found very little support and later in the day when a report came from Liverpool that the crowd was again offering spots freely, a continued decline followed.

Which reached about 15 points from the highest of the day. The rally at the end was insignificant, and the close showed a net loss of 4 points as compared with yesterday.

This is the fourth or fifth time that prices have advanced sharply at the expense of the short interest, but in every instance renewed offerings of spots whenever January reached either 2.50 or 2.40 checked the advancing movement.

On the basis for January, exporters can pay 9 cents in the interior for forward shipments and it is evident that farmers will be most willing to sell at that figure that it will be extremely difficult to advance January as high as 2 3/4 cents, unless weather and crop conditions should change materially.

Receipts in the Atlantic district are beginning to increase, while those in Texas, Mississippi and Louisiana are coming in at a very full rate. Think market continues to be a sale on all rallies.

Liverpool is due to come 1 lower in the morning. MILLER & CO.

New York Produce. New York, Sept. 14.—Floor firm with quiet trade. Rye flour firm. Corn meal firm. Rye quiet. Barley steady.

Wheat firm, No. 2, red 74 1/2 elevator. Options 74 to 75. State daisies, May 83 1/2. Sept. 77 1/2. Dec. 67 1/2.

Corn, spot firm; No. 2, 59 elevator. Options unchanged. May 47 1/2; Sept. 56 1/2; Dec. 42 1/2.

Oats, spot steady; mixed 37. Beef firm; Cut meats steady. Pork, Western prime 20 to 20.00. Lard firm; Western steady. Tallow steady.

BRADSTREET'S TRADE REVIEW

Trade, Crop and Industrial Reports Continue Almost Uniformly Favorable. Car Shortages and Terminal Facilities Unusual to Demand of Trade.

New York, Sept. 14.—Bradstreet's Commerce will say: Trade, crop and industrial reports are still almost uniformly favorable. An immense business is doing in the West and Northwest, Southern jobbing trade shows expansion and inability to procure adequate supplies of many lines of goods is the main subject of complaint at Eastern markets.

September, like August, appears to be securing heavy gains. A corresponding month a year ago. Official crop reports confirm previous public and private advices of very large, if not record, yields, but prices and traffic conditions are a bar to a free movement. Car shortages is no longer a subject of speculation, but is an economic fact, and terminal facilities are also unequal to the strain.

Money is rather scarce, especially at the east, where large stock imports on special terms have weakened rates. Cotton fabrics easily lead the list of textile products which are very active. Some lines of spring goods have been withdrawn owing to the mills being sold up. Cotton manufactures are active with jobbers. Worsted fabrics are also in good sale, and even woolen fabrics are active.

There is further evidence of improvement in the silk industry, which sees some light after a rather protracted season. The raw cotton market shows some strength this week. Crude steel is very scarce. Business failures for the week ending Sept. 13 number 164 against 121 last week.

CRUSHED BY FALLING TREE. Buncombe County Lumberman Meets Instant Death While at Work. Special to The Observer. Asheville, Sept. 14.—A message received here today from Democrat, in the Big Ivy section of Buncombe county, tells of the tragic death of Sid Stone on the head of Ivy Trunk road, after a fall from a tree.

Mr. Stone was 23 years of age and a resident of the northern portion of the county. He had been employed by Mr. Anderson and Birch Anderson, lumbermen, to cut logs from timber.

Mr. Stone was engaged in this labor when a great limb of a tree fell on him and almost instantly crushed him to death. Surviving are a widow and three children.

Probably Mutual. Louisville Courier Journal. Dr. Madison C. Peters, of New York, deploras "the decrease of marriage among American men." It is just possible that the same condition exists among the women.

THE WEATHER

Washington, Sept. 14.—Forecast for Saturday and Sunday: Virginia, fair Saturday and Sunday, fresh northeast winds. North Carolina, fair Saturday and Sunday, cooler Saturday in east portion; fresh northeast winds becoming brisk off the coast.

South Carolina and Georgia, fair Saturday and Sunday; fresh northeast winds. Eastern Florida, generally fair Saturday, Sunday showers; fresh northeast winds.

Western Florida, Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana, fair Saturday and Sunday, light variable winds. Eastern Texas, fair Saturday and Sunday; fresh south winds. Arkansas, showers Saturday and Sunday; cooler Sunday (in inches). Tennessee and Kentucky, fair Saturday and Sunday, except showers Sunday in west portion.

LOCAL OFFICE U. S. WEATHER BUREAU. Charlotte, Sept. 14.—Sunrise 6:05 a. m.; sunset 4:22 p. m.

TEMPERATURE (in degrees). Highest temperature 87. Lowest temperature 67. Mean temperature 77. Accumulated excess for the month 46. Total for the month ending 8 p. m. 21. Accumulated deficiency for the month 17. Total for the month 4. Prevailing wind direction N. E. Prevailing wind force 2.

AUCTION SALE MULES; HORSES AND RAILROAD CONTRACTORS' SUPPLIES

By virtue of an order of the District Court of the United States for the eastern district of North Carolina, in the case of C. D. Rigbee, bankrupt, I will on Saturday, the 22nd day of September, 1906, at 11 o'clock a. m., sell at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash, the following personal property, to-wit: 28 Mules, 5 Horses, Harness, Wagons, Dump-Carts, Wheel Scrapers, Drag Scrapers, Plows, Wheelbarrows, Comminary Supplies, Cook Stoves, Horse Ears, Bedsteads, etc. The articles above enumerated forming a complete equipment for railroad contractors.

This property is in good condition, and can be inspected at any hour of the day at Hooker's Stables, in the city of Durham.

J. E. BOWLING, Trustee of the Estate of C. D. Rigbee, Bankrupt.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS. Sealed proposals will be received until noon of Monday, October 8th, 1906, for the erection of a three-story Bank Building for the First National Bank of Wadesboro, N. C., according to plans and specifications prepared by Cook & Rogers, architects, Charlotte, N. C., copies of which may be seen at the office of the architect, also at the office of the bank, after September 17th.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish a satisfactory surety bond for the faithful performance of his contract as stipulated in the specifications. The right is reserved to reject any and all proposals. All proposals are to be addressed to the undersigned.

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(Signed) F. M. STALENGS, Chairman Board of County Commissioners. Warrenton, N. C., Aug. 29, 1906.

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