

SPORTING NEWS

Results at New Orleans.

New Orleans, Feb. 14.—Excite, at 5 to 1, won the opening event at the Fair Grounds today. Miss Haysburg, at 6 to 1, finished second and Miss Snackal, 40 to 1, third. Jockey Powers rode four straight winners. Weather wet; track heavy.

First race, 3 furlongs, selling. Excite, 5 to 1, won; Miss Haysburg, 40 to 1, second; Miss Snackal, 40 to 1, third. Time, 1:27.4.

Second race, 6 furlongs, selling. Lotus Brandt, 13 to 2, won; Variety, 5 to 2, second; Insurrection, 5 to 1, third. Time, 1:13.3.

Third race, mile and a sixteenth, selling. Alcide, 10 to 1, won; Flora Riley, 7 to 1, second; Sylvia G., 7 to 1, third. Time, 1:56.

Fourth race, 4 furlongs, selling. Graculum, 9 to 10, won; Baleshed, 9 to 1, second; Posing, 9 to 2, third. Time, 1:23.2.

Fifth race, mile and three-sixteenths, selling. Donna, 2 to 5, won; Flavius, 5 to 1, second; Delphi, 7 to 1, third. Time, 2:06.4.

Sixth race, mile and a sixteenth, selling. St. Noel, 4 to 5, won; Dapple Gold, 20 to 1, second; George Viala, 100 to 1, third. Time, 1:54.5.

Seventh race, mile and a sixteenth, selling. Grande, 4 to 1, won; Telegrapher, 6 to 1, second; High Bear, 8 to 1, third. Time, 1:55.5.

Progress of Auto Race.

Albany, N. Y., Feb. 14.—The last of the three French automobiles in the New York-to-Paris race, the Sicaire-Naudin, August Poni driver, arrived to-night. This is the fifth of the six cars in the race to reach Albany. One machine is yet to be heard from. Poni will continue his journey early to-morrow.

GUILTY OF MANSLAUGHTER.

This the Jury's Verdict in Boston Case, and Also the Plea of Will Burns, Indicted for Murder—Witness Got Ready for the Lawyer.

Sallybury, Feb. 14.—The jury in the Boston case found the defendant guilty of manslaughter after four hours' deliberation. Will Burns, indicted for the murder of Charles Neal at Ben Ludwick's farm January 17th, after much evidence had been taken through his counsel, Mr. E. C. Gregory, pleaded guilty of manslaughter. Both prisoners will be sentenced to-morrow.

Quite a genius took the stand in an assault case to-day in the person of Adam Frazier, colored, who was charged with the murder of a young boy. One machine is yet to be heard from. Poni will continue his journey early to-morrow.

THE DEATH RECORD.

Mrs. Nancy Fowler, of Burlington, Correspondence of The Observer.

Burlington, Feb. 13.—Mrs. Nancy Fowler, wife of Mr. H. M. Fowler, of East Burlington, died at her home Tuesday morning and was buried at Pin Hill Cemetery yesterday. Mrs. Fowler was 78 years of age. To-day marks the 55th anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Fowler's wedding.

Mrs. Angeline Faust, of Alamance County, Correspondence of The Observer.

Burlington, Feb. 13.—Mrs. Angeline Faust died at her home in south Alamance yesterday after an illness of a few days. Mrs. Faust leaves three sons and three daughters: Messrs. W. A. Faust, of Burlington, John M. Faust, of Oxford, and Albert L. Faust, of south Alamance; Mrs. W. G. Holmes, of Oxford; Mrs. R. S. Thompson, of Alamance, and Mrs. Sam McPherson, near Liberty.

Mr. C. C. Cockerham, of Surry County, Elkin, Feb. 14.—Mr. C. C. Cockerham died at his home near Kapp's Mills last Thursday. He was one of Surry county's leading citizens, a splendid farmer and had accumulated a nice little fortune.

For the past four or five years his health had been gradually declining until about a week before his death a stroke of paralysis hastened the end. He was about 73 years old and all his life had been spent in this county. A wife, three sons and two daughters survive him.

Mr. Charles W. Taylor, of Washington, N. C., Special to The Observer.

Washington, N. C., Feb. 14.—One of Washington's most prominent and respected citizens, Charles W. Taylor, died at the home of his mother in this city at 7:20 o'clock this morning after a lingering illness with cancer of the throat. He was 47 years old and the oldest son of the late Dr. David T. and Mary Taylor of this city. He was postmaster here during Cleveland's second administration and at one time was a prominent merchant here. Mr. Taylor was an Elk, a Royal Arch Mason and a member of the charitable brotherhood. Until his sickness he was a popular knight of the grip, traveling for the Routes Company, of Richmond, Va. He is survived by his only daughter, five brothers, three sisters and his mother. The funeral will be held Sunday at 3 p. m. from St. Peter's Episcopal church, conducted by Rev. Nathaniel Harding. The interment will be in Oakdale Cemetery, the local Elks conducting the services at the grave.

Mrs. John H. Loudon, of Rock Hill, Special to The Observer.

Rock Hill, S. C., Feb. 14.—The death yesterday morning of Mrs. John H. Loudon at her home on Johnson street, this city, was a surprise and shock to her many friends, it not being generally known that Mrs. Loudon was sick. She had been indisposed for a week before the end came, but it was on Wednesday that the deep-seated pneumonia secured such a hold that with the untiring assistance of doctors, friends and loved ones, she gradually grew worse until 10:30 yesterday morning, when the death angel came. The young husband is prostrated with grief.

Mrs. Loudon was before marriage Miss Annie Leitner Shurley, and it has been only about five months since this popular young couple were united, the tie only to be broken so soon by death makes this death doubly sad.

The funeral services were held at the home on Johnson street to-day at 2 o'clock, and will be conducted by Rev. H. Maynard Marshall, of the Episcopal church. The interment took place in Laurelwood Cemetery.

ELKIN ITEMS OF INTEREST.

Dr. H. W. Reece to Move to Mount Airy—The Town to Have a Building and Loan Association—News in Brief. Special to The Observer.

Elkin, Feb. 14.—Dr. R. W. Reece has sold his farm here to George Chatham for \$4,500. The doctor will move to Mount Airy about the 20th of March and engage in the practice of dentistry. Elkin regrets to lose this excellent man and his family but is glad that they will still be in the county.

Mr. George Bailey has gone to Mount Kisco, N. Y., to visit his mother and other relatives. He was accompanied by his father, Mr. E. T. Bailey, who has been spending the winter here.

The Elkin Chair Company shipped two car loads of chairs from here this week to Philadelphia, and the Carolina Casket Company shipped a car of furniture to Sears, Roebuck & Co. at Chicago.

Frank Sharp, L. P. Jones and J. H. Greenwood left to-day for Florida, where they expect to spend a month or more combining business and pleasure. Mr. Sharp owns an orange grove here and he makes a visit to it every winter to see how it is being cared for and to supervise the shipping of the oranges to different markets.

The two new brick stores on Main street near the depot have been completed and Atkinson & Co. now occupy one as a wholesale house, while the other is being filled with a general retail stock of merchandise by Holcomb Bros., lately of Hamptonville. This gives two additional stores to the town since New Year's.

A building and loan association is being promoted among the citizens here, and nearly enough stock has been subscribed to organize and begin work. This is something that has long been needed here and it will be a great factor in building up the town.

ICE MEN MEET SECRETLY.

Representatives of Various Towns Hold a Conference at Durham, But Not a Word About the Meeting is Given to the Public. Special to The Observer.

Durham, Feb. 14.—There was a meeting of the ice manufacturers and managers of the various ice plants over the State in this city last night. The meeting was held in the Crocoran Hotel behind closed doors from 8 to 11 o'clock, and nothing was known of it until to-day. No information in regard to the meeting would be given out by those who were approached. Just what the meeting means cannot be told at this time. It was evidently for the purpose of discussing the ice manufacture question, but whether it is a trust or that ice men have reached an agreement as to prices could not be learned.

There were thirteen men in the meeting, these being as follows: W. F. Bennett, of High Point; Henry Wall, of Goldsboro; W. E. Worth, of Wilmington; William Dunn, of Newbern; A. R. Jordan, of Raleigh; John F. Farrison, of Fayetteville; A. J. Boykin, of Wilson; T. F. Pomeroy, of Graham; W. Thomas, of Winston; A. E. Corbett, of Oxford; C. H. Turner, of Henderson; J. W. Hines, of Rocky Mount, and R. L. Lindsey, general manager of the Durham Traction Company, which owns the ice-making business here.

SALE OF BANKRUPT STOCK.

I am now offering for sale the entire stock of T. T. Lucas, Bankrupt, of Gastonia, N. C. This stock consists of Dry Goods, Shoes, Clothing, Notions, etc. I invite prospective purchasers to correspond with me or to call at the store in Gastonia and see me in person.

J. Q. HOLLAND, Trustee, Gastonia, N. C. Feb. 11th, 1908.

IMMIGRATION CONVENTION ADJOURNS.

Tampa, Fla., Feb. 14.—After adopting resolutions referring to the immigration question back to several States and expressing preference for securing settlers from other States rather than from foreign countries, the immigration convention adjourned sine die.

THE WEATHER.

Washington, Feb. 14.—Forecast: Virginia, rain Saturday, colder in southwest portion; Sunday fair, colder; brisk to high south wind shifting to west and northwest.

North Carolina and South Carolina, rain Saturday, colder in east portion; brisk to high southwest to northwest winds; Sunday fair, colder in east portion.

Georgia, rain Saturday, colder in north and west portions; brisk to high southwest to northwest winds; Sunday fair, colder in east portion.

Tennessee, fair in west, clearing in east portion Saturday, much colder; Sunday fair.

East Florida, local rains Saturday, colder in northwest portion; increasing south wind becoming high over north portion; Sunday fair, colder.

Alabama, West Florida, Mississippi and Louisiana, fair, much colder Saturday, with high northwest to north winds; Sunday fair.

East Texas, fair Saturday and Sunday, warmer Sunday; diminishing north winds.

West Texas, fair and warmer Saturday; Sunday fair.

Arkansas, fair Saturday, colder in central and east portions; Sunday fair, warmer.

Kentucky, fair in west, rain or snow in east portion Saturday, much colder; Sunday fair.

West Virginia, colder Saturday with rain probably turning to snow; high northwest winds; Sunday fair, except snow in the mountains.

LOCAL OFFICE U. S. WEATHER BUREAU.

Charlotte, Feb. 14.—Sunrise 7:10 a. m.; sunset 5:35 p. m.

TEMPERATURE (in degrees):
 Highest temperature 62
 Lowest temperature 30
 Mean temperature 45
 Excess for the day 11
 Accumulated excess for month 11
 Accumulated deficiency for year 45
 Total for 24 hours ending 8 p. m. 0.62
 Total for the month 1.52
 Accumulated deficiency for month 0.52
 Total for the year 1.46
 Accumulated excess for year 1.46
 Prevailing wind direction S.
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A Pittsburg, Pa., Young Lady to Take Charge at Winston-Salem. Special to The Observer.

Winston-Salem, Feb. 14.—The board of directors of the Young Women's Christian Association held an important meeting yesterday morning at the home of the president, Mrs. Erasmus B. Jones, on West Fifth street. One of the most important matters to come before the board was with reference to the selection of a general secretary. The board elected Miss Sarah Shaw, of Pittsburg, Pa., who has been in charge of the work here for some time and comes here highly recommended. Miss Shaw is expected to arrive the 1st of March to take charge.

The committee which had in charge the matter of securing suitable quarters for the association reports that it had secured the Gilmer Building. The rooms will be handsomely fitted up.

STILL IN BUNCOMBE JAIL.

Madison County Prisoner Not Taken to Waynesville, Jail at Asheville Being Considered Safe. Special to The Observer.

Asheville, Feb. 14.—John Randall, the Madison county man accused of the murder of his wife, who was brought to Asheville last evening by Sheriff Cole for safe-keeping, is still in the Buncombe county jail, where he will remain until the next term of Superior Court for Madison county. The original plan of Sheriff Cole to take Randall to Waynesville to-day in order to get him further away from Madison was abandoned, the jail here, the officers consider, being perfectly safe. Randall is feeling good and easier since being brought to Asheville. He has been made fully aware of the feeling against him in Madison and while apparently indifferent to the crime feels safer in Asheville.

AUDITORIUM AT HENDERSONVILLE COLLAPSES UNDER HEAVY SNOW.

Hendersonville, Feb. 14.—The Hendersonville Auditorium, which has been a storm-centre of note, is now a hopeless wreck, the roof having fallen in Wednesday night under the weight of snow that covered it. The walls also partially collapsed and it seems that this town is to have no more chautauquas.

The auditorium was built by the Hendersonville Auditorium Company in September, 1906, at a cost of \$5,000. A contract was made with Dr. Clarence B. Strouse to hold an annual chautauqua in the building and this resulted in a sensational suit. The loss falls on Dr. Strouse and it is not very probable that he will hold any more chautauquas here.

Was Killed by Shotgun in Hands of an Ex-Legislator.

Asheville, Feb. 14.—The tragedy at Elk Park, Mitchell county, Wednesday, when A. H. Cline was shot and instantly killed by Luther M. Banner, created considerable comment here among friends and acquaintances of Banner. A gentleman here to-day from Mitchell said that Banner shot Cline with a shotgun loaded with buckshot and that the victim's head was practically blown off. Banner at one time represented Mitchell county in the Legislature.

Caution Boasted of His Crime—Feeling High at Christiansburg.

Roanoke, Va., Feb. 14.—In the trial of Frank Casborn for the murder of his former sweetheart, Mrs. Ada Jones, at Christiansburg, to-day the jury was completed and a number of witnesses were heard. The prosecution offered testimony showing that Casborn had boasted of his crime. Tension is said to be high at Christiansburg and a failure to secure a conviction may result in violence. The defense is insanity.

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