

News of the State

Happenings of Yesterday Told in Paragraphs

According to a report submitted to the Greensboro Chamber of Commerce that town of 42,000 inhabitants gained 140 citizens during the past three months.

Franklin county court convenes next week with Judge W. R. Allen, of Goldsboro, presiding. There are no cases of consequence on the docket and the term in all probability will be a short one.

B. W. Hobgood, of Durham, who recently failed, his business being thrown into bankruptcy courts, has settled with his creditors and has reopened his store, being a stock of dry goods and shoes.

Congressman R. N. Hackett and Mr. J. W. Gwaltney, Democratic elector, will speak at Sparta, Alleghany county, to-morrow, the first day of court, and discuss the issues before the voters of the eighth.

John Robinson's circus exhibited in Greensboro yesterday afternoon and last night. It was the first circus seen in Greensboro in many years and over 10,000 people witnessed the afternoon performance.

Mr. C. N. Myers, assistant cashier of the Bank of North Wilkesboro, is seriously ill with typhoid fever. Mr. Myers had hardly recovered from a recent operation for appendicitis when he was again confined to his bed.

Charlie Ball, a 10-year-old boy of Durham county, is in Watts Hospital, Durham, and he may have to lose a leg as the result of a horse falling with him. The little fellow was riding the horse when it stumbled and fell, catching the boy's left foot under him.

It is rumored in North Wilkesboro business circles that the National bank with a capital stock of \$100,000 is soon to be organized in that town. Nothing definite can be ascertained until Mr. W. F. Trodson has been suggested as the president and a leading promoter of this enterprise.

The Wilkesboro Veneer Company will move its plant to Edenton in the near future. Arrangements have been made by which its work may be handled more satisfactorily, with better facilities and greater promise of growth, at Edenton than they could have reasonably expected at Wilkesboro.

The Giant Lumber Company, of North Wilkesboro, has resumed work on its twelve-mile flume. Some delay was occasioned in reaching an agreement with Messrs. R. N. and J. G. Hackett, through whose land the flume is to pass, and a satisfactory agreement having been reached, the work will be pushed to completion.

The singing class of orphans from the Oxford Orphan Asylum enjoyed their regular annual picnic Thursday, at the Curtis grove near Wilkesboro. The Masons made elaborate preparations and the results, both financially and otherwise, were entirely satisfactory. The orphans gave a very enjoyable concert that evening at the opera house, realizing over \$75.

Prominent business and professional men have effected the organization of the Wilkes County Fair Association, their object being to hold a fair at Wilkesboro the last of September to encourage agriculture, stock raising, etc. Ashe, Alleghany, Watauga, Surry and Wilkes counties will participate. Five hundred dollars in practically uncollected subscriptions was received to defray running expenses. A charter was applied for.

The graded school of North Wilkesboro will open Monday, September 15th. With two exceptions an entirely new corps of teachers has been employed for the coming year. Miss Nettie Radbill, of King's Mountain; Miss Elizabeth Hyman, of Hollogood; Miss Willie White, of Concord; Miss Annie Johnson, of Carverville, Va.; Miss Annie Sue LeGrande, and Miss Hattie Edwards will compose the teaching corps, the last two mentioned being the only ones retained from last year, except the principal and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Coitran.

KIND WORDS FOR MR. MOORE.

Mr. C. C. Moore is to be congratulated that he was nominated for Commissioner of Agriculture by the Democratic convention at Charlotte, and while the State loses the services of one who would have proved himself a most careful and useful official in this position, The Charlotte Observer Publishing Company will benefit by such loss. The recent announcement that Mr. Moore had become associated with The Observer Publishing Company as circulation manager of its three publications, The Charlotte Daily Observer, The Charlotte Semi-Weekly Observer, and The Charlotte Evening Chronicle, was received with genuine pleasure by the friends of Mr. Moore and the friends of the interests he will represent. It is a fine combination of talent, energy, capacity and worth all around. Charles "Cotton" Moore needs no introduction to the people of North Carolina. As president of the North Carolina division of the Southern Cotton Association he rendered valuable services to the farmers of North Carolina and his work brought him in close touch with the people all over the State. And in his new field we doubt not that he will prove the right man in the right place. We felicitate The Observer Company and congratulate Mr. Moore on the very happy alliance they have formed. It is a strong combination.—Henderson Gold Leaf.

As usual The Charlotte Observer is getting ahead of the news when it comes to doing the proper thing and doing it first. This time it has put Charlie "Cotton" Moore in charge of its circulation department, and in doing so has made a ten-fold increase in its circulation. Mr. Moore is not only a popular man, he is an energetic man, and no business committed to his hands will be allowed to drag. The management of The Observer is to be congratulated on this new move and acquisition.—Laurinburg Exchange.

A NOTRE DAME LADY'S APPEAL

To all knowing sufferers of rheumatism, whether muscular or of the joints, sciatica, lumbago, backache, pains in the kidneys or neuritis, please to write for a home treatment which has repeatedly cured all of these tortures. She feels it her duty to send it to all sufferers FREE. You cure yourself at home as thousands will testify—no change of climate being necessary. This simple discovery banishes pain from the blood, loosens the stiffened joints, purifies the blood, and brightens the eyes, giving elasticity and tone to the whole system. If the above interests you, for proof address Mrs. M. Summers, Box E, Notre Dame, Ind.

A FREAK BET ON ANSEL.

Dignified Columbia Citizen Will Roll Pumpkin in Main Street if Blease is Elected—Graters Making Much Out of Negroes on Industrial Insurance.

Observer Bureau, 300 Skyscraper Building, Columbia, S. C., Aug. 22. Among the freak bets that have been made on the gubernatorial race is one in which Mr. W. L. Bennett, a wholesale grocer of this city, agrees in case Blease is elected Governor to roll a 40-pound pumpkin up Main street from the State house to the postoffice. He wagers this performance against nothing on the other side, having failed to find a Blease man to agree to do the like in case Ansel succeeds himself.

"It would go hard with me to have to roll that pumpkin," said Mr. Bennett, who is a dignified business man who doesn't do things to attract attention, "but I will do it if Blease gets the necessary votes. The pumpkin will be the biggest one I can find. However, I don't think there is any danger of my being called upon to perform the task. I wish I was as sure of a great many other things as I am that Ansel will be re-elected. The ignorant negroes in the industrial insurance business is proving profitable to a number of white men throughout the State, who have organized themselves into so-called committees at different localities, securing charters from the Secretary of State to do business but being under nobody's supervision or control, and whose policy-holders in many cases are as gray without protection as these concerns are apparently doing a straight and honest business, as straight and honest as this kind of insurance can be conducted perhaps, but there is extensive room for grafting under the present law, and if the Supreme Court does not decide that the Insurance Commissioner has power to force all these out of business which decline to take reasonable steps to protect their policy-holders as is designed to have it decide in the proceedings that will be instituted, this wildcat business promises to grow still further, as the clients of these people are still as ignorant as the ignorant enough to know how to select the straight and honest companies seeking this business.

One of these companies, whose collections amount to an average of over \$200 a week, experienced death losses last year of only \$4,100. The remainder of the \$26,000 a year income goes to pay salaries and expenses, mostly, an officer explained. The premiums are collected weekly at the rate of from 5 cents to 25 cents a policy-holder.

Another company which Commissioner McMaster has been trying to force to put \$1,000 in approved securities for the protection of its hundreds of policy-holders has finally consented to set aside 20 per cent of its capital stock of \$5,000 for this purpose, all of which causes the Commissioner to smile. In case of a collapse what would the capital stock be worth is what the Commissioner wants to know.

In the case of another company whose collections amount to a small fortune annually, the Commissioner inquired to see the bank books. When he expressed surprise at the small showing of cash it was explained that the company had changed its policy of allowing the savings bank to keep its money. The president of the company agreed to take over this class of assets, promising to pay 7 per cent for the money as against only 4 per cent paid by the savings bank, a stroke of financial genius which the Commissioner, who has had his sense of humor cultivated in a newspaper office, was prompt to appreciate.

MR. WEBB AT CHERRYVILLE.

A Campaign Speech That Pleased the People Delivered There Thursday Night.

Special to the Observer. Cherryville, Aug. 22.—Hon. E. Y. Webb, Congressman from this the ninth district, made one of the most interesting and attractive campaign speeches Thursday night ever made here. He spoke in the graded school auditorium to about 600 enthusiastic Democrats including some ladies. Mr. Webb was invited here by the Bryan-Kitchin Club (the first of the kind in Gaston county) and after a spicy talk by Emmett Witherspoon in his first (only) race for the nomination he got in our primary 121 votes to his opponent's one vote. He would get that one here now. Politics is taking the day here now.

Rockingham to Have Home-Coming Celebration.

Special to the Observer. Rockingham, Aug. 22.—The "Push Rockingham Forward" Club proposes during the month of September to have a big home-coming celebration. A public meeting will be held in the new opera house and a banquet given in honor of the visitors. The former residents will be shown the many new sights of the old home. Among those expected to attend and deliver addresses are: Judge P. D. Walker, Judge W. H. Neal, Corporation Commissioner Franklin McNeill, Rev. Livingston Johnson, Mr. Archibald Johnson, Dr. E. R. Russell, Rev. T. S. Wright, Messrs. C. W. Tillet, P. C. Guthrie, Cameron Morrison, P. C. Whitlock, L. B. Williams, W. E. Harmon and E. M. Watson.

Lineman Falls From Telephone Pole.

Special to the Observer. Goldsboro, Aug. 22.—L. C. Calhoun, a lineman for the Southern Bell Telephone Company, to-day while working at the top of a telephone pole fell and was seriously hurt.

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THE WEATHER.

Washington, Aug. 22.—Forecast: Virginia, fair, cooler Sunday; Monday fair; light northwest wind. North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, local showers Sunday and probably Monday; light to fresh winds mostly southwest. East Florida, local showers Sunday and Monday; variable winds. West Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, local showers Sunday and probably Monday; light southwest to south winds. Louisiana, showers Sunday; Monday partly cloudy, with showers in east portion; light south winds. East Texas, showers Sunday; Monday generally fair in north, showers in south portion; light to fresh south winds on the coast. West Texas, local showers Sunday; warmer in extreme north portion; Monday fair. Arkansas, local showers Sunday; Monday fair. Tennessee, local showers Sunday; slightly cooler in northwest portion; Monday fair. Kentucky, West Virginia, fair, cooler Sunday; Monday fair.

LOCAL OFFICE U. S. WEATHER BUREAU.

Charlotte, Aug. 22.—Sunrise 6:48 a. m. Sunset 7:03 p. m. TEMPERATURE (in degrees). Highest temperature 85 Lowest temperature 64 Mean temperature 76 Accumulated excess for month 42 Accumulated excess for year 198 PRECIPITATION (in inches). Total for 24 hours ending 5 p. m.01 Total for the month for month 5.83 Accumulated excess for month 1.80 Total for the year 31.59 Accumulated deficiency for year 3.10 Prevailing wind direction S. W. W. J. BENNETT, Observer.

A GUTTER DRUNKARD

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Bids For Construction of Winthrop Dormitory

Sealed bids will be received at the office of D. B. Johnson, Pres., Winthrop College, Rock Hill, S. C., for the construction of a dormitory building to be erected on the grounds of Winthrop College and for the heating of said building, until noon of September 15th, 1908. Each bid for construction of the building must be accompanied by certified check for \$5,000 and each heating bid by a certified check for \$200, made payable to D. B. Johnson, Pres., as a guarantee that if awarded the contract the successful bidder will execute the contract and furnish bond as required by the specifications. The right is reserved to reject any and all bids. Plans and specifications may be seen at Winthrop College and at the office of Edwards & Walter, No. 621 Candler Bldg., Atlanta, Ga., on and after August 15th, 1908. Contractors wishing to bid may obtain drawings and specifications from the architects by depositing certified check of \$25 as a guarantee that they will present a bona fide bid on the plans and specifications and as a guarantee of their safe return to the office of Edwards & Walter, Architects, without cost to said architects. D. B. JOHNSON, O. B. MARTIN, J. J. RODDY, Committee for Trustees.

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