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STATE'S NEWS OF THE WEEK

Raleigh N. C. July 21 — One man was killed and two were wounded when the machine gun company of Durham, guarding negro prisoners in the Graham, Alamance county jail, fired on a mob which had fired on the jail on Monday night. The machine gunners were sent to Graham on Sunday in response to a telegram from Alamance county officials who said that a mob of several thousand people were threatening to lynch three negroes under arrest for assaulting Mrs. A. A. Riddle a white woman living in the outskirts of the town. The assault was committed on Saturday night, and the arrest of three negroes as suspects followed on Sunday morning, when bloodhounds were used to track them. The officers are by no means sure that they have the right negroes.

The appearance of the militiamen on Sunday afternoon in all probability forestalled violence Sunday night. All was quite Sunday and Sunday night except for the crowd of peacocks Monday brought on new demonstrations, but Monday night about fifty masked men approached the jail and began firing. They attacked from all sides and several of the bullets narrowly missed the soldiers on duty in the jail. Orders had been given by Governor Bickett that the jail was to be protected and in response to these orders Captain Marion B. Fowler ordered his men to fire back at the mob. The result was that Jim Ray, a spectator and two other men who were also onlookers were struck by the bullets, Ray was killed.

The crime for which the negroes are jailed was a malicious one. According to the story told by neighbors, a masked negro approached the Riddle home, when Mrs. Riddle was on the front porch. Throwing a gun in her face he negro ordered the woman back into the house. She had fled and ran back into the house but was unable to prevent the following her. Following her complete collapse the negro made a get away. Bloodhounds were put on the trail at 5 o'clock next morning and the result of the chase was the arrest of three negroes who were placed in jail Mrs. Riddle has not yet been able to identify her assailant, and the sheriff is awaiting her recovery before holding the preliminary trial.

Three negroes, Denniston Veasley George Troxler and Arthur Lee, under arrest at Graham on suspicion in connection with the assault on Mrs. A. A. Riddle Saturday night, were brought to the State Penitentiary on orders of General Metts early Tuesday morning. The trip was made on special train from Graham.

COMMITTEES MEET

Governor Bickett has called a meeting of the sub-committees of finance and appropriations of the house and senate to meet here on August 3, one week before the convening of the special session, for the purpose of preparing bills covering the tax reform program to be completed at the special session.

This committee will work with the tax commission in getting these bills ready for the special session so that they may be introduced early in the session. Three bills will be prepared. They are:—1—The bill fixing the new tax rate much lower than the old one. 2—The bill to submit a constitutional amendment to lower the limitation of taxation from 66 2-3 cents, and 3—The bill for the income tax amendment.

RAIN AND CROPS

While the excessive rains of the past two weeks have undoubtedly damaged crops in all sections of the state to a certain extent, the reports of this damage have not yet reached the crop reporter here. His last report submitted this week shows that all growing crops are in fair condition, with cotton about normal despite the bad start it had. There are about half a million acres planted in cotton, one and a half million in tobacco and three million in corn.

Should the heavy rains continue there will be considerable damage from floods in the eastern part of the state, says the authorities.

DEMOCRATS OPEN OFFICES

The democratic executive committee

SPECIAL REPORT BY FRANK PARKER

July 17th: The crops of this section of North Carolina have improved remarkably even though they are still late, after the late winter and discouraging weather conditions during the spring. The June crop condition improved seven per cent as the weather was very favorable excepting for some spotted hail hit sections. The crop forecast is favorable at present as announced by the state's Co-operative Crop Reporting Service at Raleigh, N. C.

Hertford County has 20,040 acres of corn or 101 per cent compared with last year, averaging 83 per cent in condition. The tobacco crop averages 80 per cent in condition. The acres are estimated to be 114 per cent of the 1919 crop, and cotton is reported to be 13,870 acres, or 95 per cent of the 1919 and condition 60 per cent. The condition of the wheat crop at harvest was 99 per cent of normal.

The North Carolina corn acreage this year is four per cent below last year's and indicates 89 per cent of a full crop prospect. The forecasted fifty-seven million bushels production is three per cent better than was made last fall. The present farm price is \$2.27 per bushel or 32 cents more than a year ago. The United States acreage is slightly increased from last year but the present condition of the crop forecasts five per cent less production.

The state's cotton crop acreage is perhaps increased slightly with a 72 per cent condition. This was nine per cent lower than it was a year ago. The improvement during June was four per cent. The hail swept section around Lenoir county suffered heavily. The South's crop showed one per cent increased acreage, 71 per cent condition, the same as last year, but the crop improved during June from the lowest condition on record to the extent of over eight per cent. The present condition is slightly above the ten year average.

The tobacco crop that put us to the front and brought so much wealth into northern and eastern Carolina is increased five to six per cent in acreage with a condition of 80 per cent of a full crop. This means that we have a good crop prospect and if prices hold up, we will have another high rank in the crop's value. Perhaps we may yet convince Kentucky of the importance of the crop in this state, since we are increasing the last year's acreage which surpassed hers. The value of last year's sales were certified to by western buyers as aggregating more than those of our rival. Our certified producer's sales amounted to fourteen millions of pounds more than the production that was officially estimated. A dollar bill last season brought just two pounds of leaf.

Death of Mrs. Wynn.

Mrs. Wynn, wife of Mr. Thomas Wynn died at her home on the evening of July 18th, at 8 o'clock. She was in her 69 year. Funeral services were held at the Baptist Church at Earleys the afternoon of July 19th, at 3:30 o'clock by Rev. Fred A. Collins.

WANTED!!

A bright young lady is desired for the position of operator of the Murfreesboro telephone exchange. Position from September 1st 1920, but employment desired as soon as possible so that she may be made familiar with her duties before September. Address, or see, Manager, United Telephone Co., Murfreesboro, N. C.

Rub-my-Tism is a great pain killer. It relieves pain and soreness caused by Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Sprains, Adv. For sale by Copeland Drug Co., Ahoscie, N. C.

Two will open campaign headquarters in Raleigh about August 1st, according to announcement made by Chairman Tom Warren, who spent a portion of the week here. Mr. Warren has been looking for suitable office space, but so far has not found offices. He expects to return here soon and complete arrangements for opening the headquarters for the campaign.

HUGE AUCTION SALE A GREAT SUCCESS

The Walter and Gurley Auction Company, of Kinston, on last Thursday, July 15th, conducted perhaps the largest auction sale ever made in this section of North Carolina. On that date they sold for the heirs of the late W. P. Taylor, of Winton, the entire estate of the deceased, which consisted of several city lots, several farms, a large barrel heading mill in Winton, a tug boat "Lillian", and much personal property, including blocks of shares in several corporation of North Carolina and Virginia. Altogether the total ran high up into the thousands.

Every single article sold at this auction sale received a handsome figure, and the heirs were pleased with the outcome of the sale, as conducted by the Walter and Gurley Co., which has made for its self an enviable record in this section of the State, for the many successful sales they have held.

Mr. McNeeley, personal representative of this well known company, states that he has just landed another contract for a large sale to be conducted some time in the near future, an announcement of which will be carried in the Herald. Mr. McNeeley has been making his headquarters in Ahoscie for several months; and he will continue to reside here, his headquarters being at the Manhattan Hotel.

SUCCESS WITH SWEET POTATOES

Growing the Main Crop From Vine Cuttings

In sweet potato regions south of Virginia the main crop is very often grown from vine cuttings. The method or practice in these regions, North Carolina included, does not vary considerably. First, an area equivalent to about one-sixth of the land allotted to the crop is set to slips or draws. When these plants begin to "vine" or "run", cuttings 12 to 16 inches long are taken to set the remainder of the crop.

Some reputable growers heel-in their cuttings for a few days before planting in a trench, keeping them sheltered and watered. This encourages the roots to make a quick growth and consequently the cuttings start off more rapidly and vigorously when planted in the field. However, if cuttings are fully protected from wilting, the planting may be made directly with little probability of failure.

Plant cuttings four to five inches deep, leaving two joints out of the ground; firm the soil around the cuttings to insure good contact with the soil particles and consequently quicker absorption of soil moisture. Begin cultivation at once.

The advantages realized from planting vine-cuttings are:

1. Seed saving. Less seed need be bedded than if the crop were planted entirely from draws.
2. A disease-free seed stock for bedding the following season is practically assured, provided—no cuttings showing discoloration of the stem when cut, or that may be suspected of being unsound in any way, are planted.

The only disadvantage from this practice is that the yield from draws or slips, which are cut severely to supply vine cuttings for planting the main crop, is very materially lowered.—Extension Service.

UNIONS PREPARE TO DEMAND \$1.25 AN HOUR FOR MEMBERS

Chicago.—Thirty-three unions comprising the Chicago building trades council are preparing to demand \$1.25 an hour for their members, instead of the one dollar rate adopted last fall, union officials announced.

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE IS PLANNED ON AGRICULTURE

Washington.—Plans for an international conference on agriculture were revived at the meeting of the National board of Farm Organizations at which more than thirty agricultural bodies were represented.

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY GIVES SUPPORT

The Northampton County campaign for signers to the EXCHANGE contract opened Saturday with a record-breaking meeting at Conway that afternoon, when 48 growers signed in addition to the 11 growers who had signed in the morning. Meeting at Woodland and Rich Square the same afternoon also netted additional signers and showed a marked interest on the part of the peanut growers in this great forward movement.

Northampton now has about 100 growers who have signed the contract and indications are most favorable for her going Southampton one better though that county is still signing them up. Now that the total number of signers has passed the 1000 mark the campaign is getting a momentum that will make for its final success. Arrangements are now about perfected for some additional men to assist in carrying on the canvass for signers and there will be more activity in conducting this canvass for signers.

A marked feature of this effort on the part of the peanut growers to organize their Exchange on the basis of the California plan is the widespread attention it is attracting. Many letters of congratulation on the progress that it is making are coming in from leading agricultural workers in various sections of this country. The eyes of the business world are on the peanut growers in their efforts to perfect a co-operative system for the better marketing of their peanuts. Should they succeed, in their efforts, as they unquestionably will, the growers of other products will also organize.

The peanut growers of Virginia and North Carolina are heartily in accord with the movement to secure a tariff on peanuts and will do their full part to that end. But they are right on forward with their organization work so that whether they secure a higher duty on peanuts or not, they will have that protection that comes from organized efforts.

POWELLVILLE NEWS.

Mrs. W. S. Taylor who has been visiting her daughter Mrs. J. R. Phelps, returned home last Sunday.

Dr. L. A. Nowell was called to see John C. Britton Saturday.

Messrs L. R. Sessoms, W. S. Taylor, S. W. McKeel, Mesdames C. C. Mitchell, S. W. McKeel L. R. Sessoms and Miss Mary Overton attended the Quarterly Conference at Lewiston Saturday.

Mr and Mrs J. W. Tayloe and Miss Hattie Tayloe were visitors at Merry Hill last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs Clyde Harrell were the guest of their parents Mr. and Mrs. Walter Early Sunday.

Mr. T. R. Gilliam of Windsor was in town Monday.

Miss Virginia Early who has been visiting relatives in Norfolk returned home Saturday.

Mr. Archie Thompson of Ahoscie conducted service here in the Baptist church Sunday morning.

Miss Henderson who has charge of community Service work in the County was in town Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs John T. Smith and children of Windsor visited in the home of Jno. C. Britton Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs H. C. Waters and children spent Monday in Ahoscie with relatives.

Misses Lucie Tayloe, Elizabeth Ruffin, Ruth Early and Mr. J. A. Bass attended the ball game at Colrani between Colerain and Edenton Saturday.

Mr. Hubert Tripp who has been visiting relatives in Green county returned home last Wednesday.

Mr. J. E. Wynns attended the burial of his brother-in-law, Mr. Alex Askew, who died very suddenly last Friday.

Mrs. P. L. Rayner was in Ahoscie last Friday.

Mesdames L. H. Freeman J. J. Alston, J. B. Ruffin, P. L. Rayner and Mr. L. H. Freeman attended the missionary Union at Kelford last Wednesday.

E. L. Freshman of Rosemead was in town Monday looking after the telephone conditions.

B. S. McKeel of Ahoscie was in town last Thursday.

Remember the Herald, to pay your subscription.

TO THE FRIENDS OF CHOWAN COLLEGE

The location of the College seems to be settled. It may not be where you want it, or it may be. However that may be, we want you, and God wants you, to fall in line in the forward march for Christian Education. We are a democratic people. We believe in making democracy safe for the world, and we know the fundamental principles of our faith will do it. We know the best way to make strong influential Baptist leaders is to educate them in our own schools.

A tremendous responsibility we have. The coming generations of centuries look to us. Shall we falter and fall back? Shall we not prove equal to the task God has given us? Shall our own personal preference block God in his great purpose? Shall we not let him use us to serve His will? Yes is the only answer.

Chowan College is in an ideal location for study and work. And girls associates here are other girls from Christian homes, and a faculty of college and university graduates—each member selected for her worth as a Christian as well as an educator. The student has every opportunity to develop a strong Christian character here. She can return to her home, or wherever she may go, and take the lead in her church in the various departments of the work. Chowan College girls have always done this, with very rare exceptions. They are at ease in church work at home, and in state conventions. They know how to do the Lord's work after being graduated here.

Our Science Department and our Education Department shall be second to none in the state from now on. We are in close touch with the State Board of Education and we have their co-operation in our efforts. We have strong teachers for every department. Our work shall be standard. Our building and grounds are being put in better condition than ever in the history of the College.

MEMBERS OF CHOWAN'S FACULTY COMES RECOMMENDED BY PRES. WILSON.

Miss Myrtle Trusty has been elected teacher of Expression of Chowan College. Miss Trusty comes highly recommended by such distinguished people as Dr. J. A. Jones, Rome Italy, the Governor of Porto Rico, Pres. Wilson and others. She is a graduate of Emerson School of Expression, Boston, Mass., a graduate of the University of Miss. and did post-graduate work for one year with Dr. J. A. Jones of Italy.

In addition to her excellent training she has had a number of years experience, having held responsible positions in Kentucky, Tennessee, New Mexico and Porto Rico. Miss Trusty has traveled extensively in America, Europe and on the Islands. This with her other accomplishment will make her quite an addition to the faculty.

Miss Martha Bond sister of Miss Juanita Bond, who has so creditably filled the chair of Modern Language of the College for the past four years, has been elected Assistant Prof. of Piano. The following is a quotation from Prof. Karl Eschman of Denison University:—"Miss Martha Bond is an accomplished pianist she should be able to fill any place in a private school or Conservatory or could readily turn her attention to the supervision of Public School Music."

The College is to be congratulated in being able to secure the service of these excellent young women.

SHOULD HAVE BEEN MR. ALEX ASKEW

The Herald was in error last week in stating that Mr. Alex Lassiter had died of paralysis; it should have been Mr. Alex Askew, instead. The writer confused the two names at the time of composing the article, which was hurriedly set up in time to get in the last issue.

Mr. Askew died of apoplexy. He was buried at his home last Friday afternoon.

Watch that label on your paper. To be on the safe side it would be better that the last two figures were '20.

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FOR A TARIFF ON PEANUTS

The first National Peanut Convention was held in Norfolk, Va., July 12th—13th. This was attended by Peanut Growers and Peanut Mill men from every peanut producing section in the South. It was the first annual meeting of the United Peanut Associations of America.

The first day was devoted entirely to consideration of matter of protection for the Peanut Industry. The necessity for some action being caused by the ever increasing quantity of importations of peanuts from China, Japan and India, which have during the past four months, demoralized the American Markets so that today the manufacturers are holding back their purchases of Domestic grown peanuts, because the imported nuts are being offered at a price from three to five cents per pound less.

This is the cause of the weak market for farmers peanuts, and it can be expected to continue until the Oriental supplies are lessened, and are out of the way. The delegates attending the peanut convention were firmly convinced that the South must have a tariff on imported peanuts sufficient to equalize the cost of production, or else go out of business.

The committee on legislation of the Virginia—Carolina Peanut Growers Association, presented the following resolutions which were endorsed by the United Association of America:

"Whereas by reason of the fact that the peanut industry of the United States is seriously menaced and is threatened with ultimate destruction by the importation of peanuts into this country, delivered under conditions of low Ocean freight and produced under conditions of the cheap labor of the Orient in competition with American labor and as the encouragement of the importation of any agricultural product, with a tendency to render the nation dependent upon foreign countries for any food is shortsighted and indefensible economically."

"Therefore be it resolved that we, the growers of peanuts in convention assembled in the City of Norfolk, Va. this 12th day of July 1920 do declare that it is our expressed judgement that a fair protection to equalize conditions of production and delivery (the present tariff being entirely inadequate) shall be accorded to peanuts, peanut oil, peanut butter, and all by-products of peanuts and we call upon Congress to pass such tariff legislation as shall save the industry at large and avert disaster to the peanut producing lands."

"And we further declare that our support shall be given to such candidates for Congress who shall declare themselves in favor of an adequate tariff for the protection of the peanut industry and who, if elected, pledge their efforts and vote for necessary legislation for such protection."

The convention made further plans to organize locals in every peanut growing section of the South, organized solely for the purpose of making the fight for tariff. Pamphlets on the subject of tariff for peanuts will be sent to every peanut mill in the South for distribution to the farmers who are growing peanuts, and all farmers who desire to help save the Peanuts Industry for American Farmers, should see their local mill manager and sign application to join. The dues are but one dollar per year; and if all the peanut growers will do this the industry can be saved for America. United action on the part of the Growers at this time will make it possible for them to continue to grow peanuts at a profit.

HERALD GETS PEACHES

Several days ago, one of the faithful friends of the Herald brought to this office two boxes of the most luscious peaches seen here this season. They were beauties; and they were as tasty as they were beautiful.

The Herald is indebted to Mr. W. T. Holloman, of route 4, for these banner peaches; and agrees most heartily that Mr. Holloman can raise banner peaches as well as prize watermelons. He has for several years won the free subscription to the Herald for the largest watermelon. The contest is again open this year; and we expect Mr. Holloman to hold the prize.