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AMERICANS FIRE **ON MEXICANS**

NO STRESS LAID ON IT

Official Washington Thinks Incident Will Be Good Lesson For Brown Warriors of All Factions Who Have seen Prone to Insuit United Sta Flag.

Eagle Pass, Tex., March 23 .- American soldiers and Mexican Federals engaged in a battle yesterday at Mc. Gee Crossing, three miles above Del Rio, on the Rio Grande, in which several Federal soldiers are reported to have been, killed. A patrol from I woop of the Fourteenth Calvary retarned the fire of the Mexicans across the Rio Grande and for ten minutes the shooting continued. None of the Americans were injured.

"Good," Says Washington.

Washington, March 23 .- Frank approval of the action of the American troopers who returned the fire of Mexican Federals at Del Rio yesterday was expressed here today in official News of the incident was received at the War Department as an incident of border patrol work, and created no great stir. Army reports created no great stir." Army reports told of the exchange of shots and assounced that 25 Constitutionalists had been taken into custody after affines, had been killed as they field across the Rio Grands from the Fed-erals. There was no mention, how-wer, of any Federals killed or Ameri-

cans wounded Mexicans Fire First. According to theofficial reports about 45 Constitutionalists attacked by 250 Federals sought refuge across the river and as they came upon American soll were met by a detachment of troop E Fourteenth United State Calvary. Pursuing Federals were pouring their fire upon the fugitives and as the Constitutionalists reached the Texas side according to the report the shots were deliberately directed at the Americans. The report merely added that the fire was returned.

Endorses Blisses' Program.

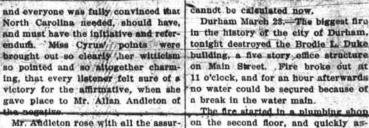
The War Department stands square ly behind Brigadier General Bliss in his determination to inflict prompt punishment upon Mexicans of any faction who willfully fire across the line and endanger American life and property. Some time ago General Bliss, after having repeatedly warned the Mexican military commanders against indiscriminate shooting across the line, instructed the officers in command of the American border patrol to refurn any such fire if they were satisfied that American soldiers were being made targets.

There is no idea here that this in cident will lead to any serious consequence though it is hoped it will be a warning to the Mexican soldiery to refrain from shooting across the line.

High School Debate.

The most interesting and closely contested debate ever held in Louisburg took place at the Graded School Auditorium last Friday night, when the Mathew Davis Debating Society locked horns with the Aycock Debating Society of Weldon:

The subject of the debate was; "Resolved that our constitution should be so amended as to allow State-wide legislation by the initiative and refer-



ance of a conquerer and delivered an cended the elevator shaft, and reach argument that it would have been ed the top floor. The fire was still raging at midnight, and other buildhard to believe came from a high school student. His wit and scarcasm kept the audience on the alert, and block are threatened. The damag from the first moment he held his audience in the closest attention. will amount to about a half million dollars.

The rejoinders were spirited and original and the judges, Mr. S. P. Boddie, Mrs. W. E. Uzzell and T. B. Wilder retired to come to a decision. They were not long in doing this,

as the decision was ananimous. The affirmative, won and Miss Beulah Cyrus accredited the honor of the lesson, a discussion on the civic and public life of Germany, was less first speaker, any

The decision was greeted with wild applaues shu the young ladies over-whelmed with congratulation by

This was without question the most spiriton and best debate held since the founding of the society; and has been muchtightenessed bac of the noclety; and has been cussed by the townspeople sine

PRESIDENT WILSON ADVISES ATE-WIDE PRIMARIES Char.

ses Movement in North Carolina End Declares He Is Surprised That State Is So Far Behind In a other meeting until after Easter. r Such Capital Importance to People.

ocracy in North Carolina is call upon by President Wilson to ward. Here is his letter which move

the party to action: March 21, 1914. The White House,

Washington, ar Mr. Poet

have notiled with a great deal of interest the movement interest a law yourself and others to secure a law State-wide primaries in North Carolina. I must admit that I was very much surprised to learn that so and progressive a State was so whind the procession in a matterior such capital importance to the people. May D'not express my deep interest in your efforts to bring about the necessary legislation? I am sure would cheer Democrats everywhere this done by North Carolina Cordially and sincerely yours.

(Signed) WOODROW WILSON Mr. Clarence Poe, Editor.

Progressive Farmer. Raleigh, N. C.

Old Veterans to Meet.

We are requested to state that Comnander H. C. Kearney, of Col. R. M. McKinney Camp No. 1527, request all the members of the camp to meet in the courthouse in the fown of uisburg on Saturday, April 4th, 1914, at 11 o'clock, a. m., to make arrangements to go to Jacksonville, Fla. to attend the reunion. All Confederate soldiers are invited to be present and meet with us. The camp requests the members of the Jos. J. Davis Chapter U. D. C. to meet with us also on that date. H. C. KEARNEY, Com-

A. S. STROTHER, Secy.

THE COUNTY, THE STATE, THE UNION. LOUISBURG, N. C., FRIDAY, MARCH 27. 1914.

FRANKER TIMES.

The fire started in a plumbing

ings in the center of the business

Current Literature Book Club.

met on Thursday afternoon with Mrs

F. B. McKinne.

The Current Literature Book Club

The meeting was opened by the

eading of one of Martin Luther's

by Mrs. T. W. Bickett, followed by

responded with a quotation from som

A Reading, by Mrs. B. F. Davis

College Notes.

was rendered by Miss

The Freshman class entertained the

Sub-Fresh Saurday night, March 21st.

Ruth Hall, and delightful refresh-

ments overe served. Everyone enfoy-

Protracted services began at the

the roll- call, in which each me

favorite German author.

beth Allen.

A vocal solo

ed themselves fine.

hymns, by Mrs. F. B. McKinne. Th

ANNUAL COUNTY Durham March 23 .- The biggest fire in the history of the city of Durham COMMENCEMENT tonight destroyed the Brodie L. Duke building, a five story office structure NEXT FRIDAY, APRIL SRD THE on Main Street. , Fire broke out at BIG DAY. 11 o'clock, and for an hour afterwards

An Immense Gathering of School Children and Others Expected-Order of Exercises of the Different Features. Notable in the educational history I Franklin County will be the gathering of school children, their parents, relatives and other people from every

the following points:

4. Execution.

be decided by lot.

anner and colors.

direct visitors.

present.

parade.

minutes

3. Physical training value.

Some Final Points.

Ground marshals, appointed from

the Louisburg Graded School, will

Any pupil enrolled during the year

The total enrollment for the year

ess any pupils who have removed

from the district, will be used as a

basis to determine beat percentage

Number in line will be noted on a

card furnished the teacher in charge

The declaimers and those who will

receive certificates will assemble in

auditorium of graded school before the

The assembling points, in the grad-

ed school grounds for the various

schools for thep arade will be in-

disated by placards. At a fignal each

school will assemble and form? its line at the place agaigned under the

The athletic contests for the boys

under thed irection of Mr. Beam will

take place at the ball ground and the

demonstration of prayground games

for girls under the direction of Miss

Arrington will be at the graded school.

FARMERS TOBACCO CO.

To Do a General Tobacco and Ware-

house Business.

With Messrs. S. S. Meadows, K. P.

Hill, F. B. McKinne, D. F. McKinne,

Malcolm McKinne, J. N. Harris, G.

C. Harris and J. P. Hill as the pro-

moters, a company has benn formed

in Louisburg with a capital stock of

\$25,000 to manufacture and deal in

leaf tobacco and do a warehouse busi-

ness. The company has been charter-

ed the Farmers Tobacco Co., and is

to begin business with a subscribed

This company will operate the

Farmers Tobacco warehouse formerly

run by Meadows and Harris, as a

sale warehouse and will also use a

large storage house as they propose

to buy tobacco on the floor. Later

on they will probably begin the

manufacture of the weed. The com-

pany will be a stock company and

stock will be sold to those who wish

to buy. At present no organization

has been perfected owing to the fact

that the promoters wish to leave this

portion of the business over until

This will make quite a strong com

pany and will add to the value of the

market to the tobacco growers, as

the promoters are experienced tobac-

Bound Over to Court.

Will Morton, colored, was bound

This

more stockholders have qualified.

conists and business men.

captital stock of \$16,050.

directions of its teachers.

and the card will be handed in as

the procession leaves the grounds.

is entitled to join the parade.

ection of the county in Louisburg ext Friday, April 3rd for the Annual County Com nent Order of Exercises.

10:30 a. m.-Parade.

11:15-Song. "America." Invocation, by Rev. G. M. Duke. Presentation of prizes given by he Louisburg Chamber of Com o winning schools by F. B. McKinne Presentation of diplomas by Supt R. B. White.

Song, "Carolina." 11:45.-Declamation Contest. Prentation of medal to winner by Hon W. Bickett.

1 p. m. Basket picnic. \$:30 p. m.-Athletic conte The parade will be formed in th ollowing order:

Pearce, Pine Ridge, Pilot Bunn. 4. . HARRIS TOWNSHIP. Math Rock, Clifton, New Hope, Roch

5. YOUNGSVILLE TOWNSHIP Youngsville Graded School, Garner

6. FRANKLINTON TOWNSHIP.

Winn, Whitaker.

Laurel, Moulton, Ingleside, Kear eys, Mountain, Alston.

Centreville, Woods, Sandy Creek earce.

Wilder, Cedar Rock, Red Bud, White Plains.

Oak Ridge, Justice, Seven Paths.

ouisburg Graded School.

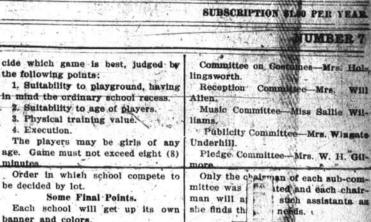
leclaimer.

ment, as follows:

has in parade the largest per cent. of its enrollment. Fifteen dollars for the school having the second largest per cent. of en-

the targest number of pupils in the parade on that occasion Prizes for Atheltic Contest. Through the, generosity of the Louisburg merchants, it has been an easy task to secure a prize for each event in the athletic contest. Below

given: 100-rard Race .- A pair of roller skates, given by Godfrey-Egerton Drug Co.



nion To Heet. Farm As will be from the following letter a mee zation of th of the county organi-mens' Union will be Union will be g on next Thursday. held in Lon

Mr. A. F. J ц.,). С.

Louisbu Dear Sir use announce in the Times that th are will be a mosting of the Franklin County Farmers Union in Louisburg, Thursday, April 2. 1914.

> T. J. HARRIS, Pres. J. C. JONES, Secy.

To the Public Generally.

The ladies of the Joseph J. Davis Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy earnestly request all who are wishing to aid us in erecting and unveiling the monument the first part of May, will kindly send their contributions by the middle of April to Mrs. K. P. Hill, treasurer-and those who so kindly gave their notes will try to have the amount as early as possible, as a committee has been appointed to collect same and other contributions.

MRS. J. P. WINSTON, Pres. MRS. K. P. HILL, Treas

Delightful Rook Party. 415.

Mesdames J. C. Watkins and J. P. Turner were hostess at a delightful rook party at the Turner home on West Market Street in honor of Miss Helen Meade Bolling, Mrs. Garland Ricks and others. Rook was played at four tables;

The reception was given in celebration of St. Patrick's Day, and the decorations were beautiful and were carried out in honor of the day, being green. Palms, ferns and green carnations composed an array of decorations which were beautifully displayed over the home.

A course of refreshments consisting of sandwiches, coffee, mints, etc., was served, the color scheme, green, being carried out in them.

The guests present composed the following: Miss Helen Meade Bol² ling, Mrs. Garland Ricks, Mrs. Emer-son, Mrs. Hutchins, Mrs. R. N. Hadley, Mrs. T. G. Frasier, Mrs. Hal Price, Mrs. Garland Daniels, Mrs. J. R. Cutchin, Mrs. Charles Hines, Mrs. Haywood Alderman, Mrs. W. E. Allen, Mrs. Archie Sykes, Mrs. James Mc Alister, Mrs. Elmer Leak, Mrs. Paul Mrs. B. F. Ricks .- Greensboro News. W. Lindley, Mrs. John Ricks and

0 Attention Confederate Veterans.

The members of R. M. McKinny Camp No. 1527 U. C. V., are hereby notified to meet in the courthouse at Louisburg on Friday the 10th of April 1914, to select delegates to attend the Annual Reunion of Confederate Veterans which meets at Jacksonville, Fla., on May 1, 1914.

be a very successful meeting. On March 16th, the Y. W. C. A. elect-ed new officers for the coming year. They are as follows:_ Lottie Kerr. president; Bonnie Lofter, vice-president; Marie Long, secretary; Belle Foscue, treasurer: . We are all very much supprised to see the snow Sunday morning, but t seems now to have all disappeared. The medal examination on Latin

as given Monday afternoon, March 23d. Those girls have a long wait from now until commencement to see who will be the lucky one.

Mrs. Allen has been sick right, re cently but is able to be up again. Mrs. Hannibal Godwin, of Washington, D. C., spent Saturday and Sun-day at the college with her daughters, who are students here.

Rev. J. E. Underwood spent Sunday here with his daughter, Miss Mary Underwood.

Rev. A. J. Parker was one of the college's guests on Sunday night. The Seniors are joyously anticipat-

ing their annual Easter trip to Washington, D. C. Misses Williams, Frye and Joyner

went to Raleigh Friday night to see Faust.

A Correction.

In the correspondence from Prospect last week a dance at Mr. W. D Weathers was reported, which we have received information fr Men T

Instrumental Solo, by Miss Suther The Parale A Paper of Germany, by Miss Eliza-1. The Declamors. Graduating Class. A Vocal Solo, by Miss Pearle Brig-S. DUNNS. TOWNSHIP. After the program delightful .refreshments were served and it was Springs, Riley, Prospect. decided that there would not be an-

Oak Level, Tharrington, Flat Rock Popes, Mt. Olivet, Franklinton Grad

d School, Mitchiner, Katesville. 7. HAYESVILLE TOWNSHIP.

8. SANDY CREEK TOWNSHIP.

Methodish Church Sunday night. Let us all hope that this may prove to 9. GOLD MINE TOWNSHIP.

10. CEDAR ROCK TOWNSHIP.

11. CYPRESS CREEK TOWNSHIP.

12. LOUISBURG TOWNSHIP, . Mapleville, Hickory Rock, Pearce

The Declaimation Prize.

The Franklin County Club at Wake Forest offers a gold medal to the best Chamber of Commerce Prizes.

Chamber of Commerce of Louisburg. appropriates fifty dollars for prizes to be given at the County Commence.

Twenty-five dollars for school that

rollment. Ten dollars for the school that has

is the event, prize ,and by whom over to court under a \$300 bond on last Tuesday by Justice J. L. Palmer, for carrying concealed weapons and for an assault upon the chief of po-

Yates, after which the secretary, oMiss May Cooper, called for the first speaker on the affirmative. Miss Lil- lie Maye Ayoock remonded with a forciful, conjincing, and thoroughly able, argument, detailing the origin, growth and success of the initiative and referentium in counsiles and States in which it had been employ- ed. A definite of such full spirit and ability is soldons heard from a high school student. There was wildly ap- ided again and again. The negative was then represented by Mr. Chas Pilley of Weldon. For a time it memod he would shake the boundations from Miss Aroughts so negative man they ballared as in initiative and information. Then are the memod he would shake the boundations from Miss Aroughts as in initiative and information. Then are Miss Balakations and an the and initiative and an information.	Fire that has swept the richest basi- ness block with a million dollar loss, has crossed from thist Main to Man- gum and Corcoran Streets, and is now alarmingly near the First Baptist Church. The tall Duke building, more than a hundred feet highl acattered flames all over Durham, whill the firemen were forced to look on the destruction with their apparatus, and state of almost total paralysis are tallore of the water has remarked building fremen with their apparatus. There is no place to job the host "The Buke building caught about 20.50 and the "finites went upward abor the reach of the teeble streams that were positing the tallors for the light to to. Varying hose the iso- lation of the fire would stop the spread prove of the use of highlestic spread cuttor at occur every few moments. 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This contest is own to givery school box is the contest, and it is boyed that wary boy who can rule and jump he at the unschall part or agein the state of the unschall part or agein the state of the unschall part or agein the state of unschall part of the unschall part or agein the state of unschall part or agein the state of the unschall part or agein the state of the unschall part of the unschal	Chief Cooke when he tried to arrest the negro at Franklinton on Sunday night, March 25th. The Methodist Church. Revival services at this church next Sunday, There will be plenty of good music with solos by Miss Benton and Mr. JW. Price of Chattanooga, Tenn. Mr. Price has already won the ear and the heart of the people. He has a sweet tenor voice of fine quality. Subject of morning sermon is "Dy- mamic Penitence." Then ight sermon, "The Atyum." In the afternoon the pastor will conduct a sermon for men- only. This sermon will begin at 3 o'clock. Mr. Price will sing at all sermons. Jubliste Camalities. The Woman's Missionary Union of the Louisburg Baptist Church has ap- pointed the following committee and sub-committees to take in charge the bublist service plained for Ayell 1994 and 2006. Gendral Committee Mrs. W. E. Ha- ment and the Beins Athen, Mrs. The Woman's Miss Beins Athen, Mrs. The Stateman: Miss Beins Athen, Mrs. The Witten and Missionary Williams, Mr. Wingste Union fill.	dief in the county is asked to play for house prizes."" There, will also be a Witch of call dollar for the best per- fermer on the banjo. Get your dudin in a row and be at Upe-Oue Fiddent Convention on the
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