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GRAHAM CITIZENS RESENT SHOOTING

Mayor Holmes, of Graham, Pointedly Denies That Anything Justified Firing By Guards.

MEN ON GUARD AT JAIL POSITIVE THAT MEN IN MASKS APPROACHED JAIL

Captain Fowler Regrets Killing of Innocent Bystander But Declares Men Only Followed Path of Duty; Three Negroes Removed to State Penitentiary in Special Train Early Tuesday Morning; Everything Quiet in Alamance Capital; Durham Company Returns Home; An Inquest Held.

Graham, July 20.—Bitter resentment is expressed here today over the firing on citizens last night by members of the Durham machine gun company, which resulted in the killing of one white man and slight wounding of two others.

For the first time in the history of the State probably a special train was used today to transport prisoners to the State penitentiary.

The firing at the county jail began last night at 9:30 o'clock when Jim Ray, of Graham, fell on the street near the jail mortally wounded.

Masked Men Approach. Captain M. B. Fowler and the men with him on guard are positive in their statements that masked men were seen to approach towards the jail from the corn field in the rear.

It was then that Jim Ray was killed and after this volley the guardsmen fired no other shots.

This gathering was occasioned by the earlier firing and there is no denial that it was in an ugly mood.

Mayor R. L. Holmes is among those who take exception to Captain Fowler's statement about the masked mob and tonight he issued the following statement to the News and Observer:

Referring to your statement that a mob of Alamance citizens attacked Alamance jail and were fired upon by machine gunners, beg to say that your statement is absolutely incorrect as there was no mob assembled in Graham any time during the night of July 19th.

Captain Fowler today expressed doubt as to whether his company fired the shot that killed Ray.

The captain and his detachment of 37 men were completely fatigued by their two nights of constant vigil and were glad enough to get back home.

RAIN DAMPENS OPENING OF LUMBERTON MARKET

100,000 Pounds of Golden Weed Sold; Prices For Better Grades Good.

Lumberton, July 20.—Early morning rains kept many farmers away from the opening of the Lumberton tobacco market today, when more than 100,000 pounds of the golden weed were offered for sale at prices that ranged from one to 50 cents per pound.

Judging from the figures of the initial sales, the price average this year will not be quite as high as it was last season.

The Lumberton market from now on will be open for the sale of tobacco every day except Saturdays until the season closes.

Vidalia, Ga., July 20.—Expectations of higher prices for leaf tobacco this season were realized today with the opening of the tobacco markets of Georgia.

The quality of the offerings is some better than last year's crop, with prices varying from 5 cents to 60 cents per pound for the lowest to the best grades.

Concrete Helpfulness.

Below will be found a list of those who have so generously responded to the request in last week's FRANKLIN TIMES for help for a man who has tuberculosis but who was unable to pay his expenses at a sanatorium.

It will interest those who have contributed to know that this gentleman left Tuesday for Black Mountain, N. C. for treatment and he will remain there until they are able to take him in the State Sanatorium, which will probably be from eight to ten weeks.

Sufficient funds have been raised to keep him at Black Mountain four weeks but as he will probably have to stay at least eight weeks it will require around two hundred dollars more therefore if there are any others who wish to aid him to regain his health they will kindly send or take their donation to J. C. Jones, Superintendent Public Welfare, in Louisburg, at once.

The following is a list of those who have responded to date:

A Correction. Chief of Police D. C. High requests us to state in print that in consequence of recognition of complaints coming to him recently which he turned over to Probation Officer B. H. Meadows the store of Mr. C. H. Holmes on South Main Street was searched by Federal officers on Friday.

Announcements as follows has been received here: "Mrs. James Redding Jones announces the marriage of her daughter, Mattie Hardy to Mr. Jerry Mitchell on Wednesday, July the fourteenth, nineteen hundred and twenty, Louisburg, North Carolina.

Enclosed were cards reading, "At home after July the twentieth, Thayer Apartments, Southside, Charleston, W. Va."

Miss Jones is one of Franklin's most charming and accomplished young ladies who has won a wide popularity both at home and abroad.

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Louisburg Heavies!

A local baseball team composed of rare local talent is now being organized. The first game to be played in the next few days—When the river goes down at four o'clock.

If you know your stuff come out and get a tryout for this team. Jim Allen of Red Oak fame, will chuck the ball's and "Birdie" King, who saw a game of ball at Chapel Hill, will be back stopper.

All big leagues are cautioned to keep off these players, whose names have been given the FRANKLIN TIMES in the strictest confidence.

These games will be held just across the river bridge, in Egerton's pasture, at the lower end of "Pig Trot."

Raleigh Letter.

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.

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.

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.

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 will open campaign headquarters in Raleigh about August 1, according to an announcement made by Chairman Tom Warren, who spent a portion of the week here.

The department of vocational education has called all its teachers to the Oxford Text farm for Friday and Saturday, July 23 and 24 for the purpose of participating in the tobacco growers school which will be conducted there.

The growing importance of tobacco as one of the main crops of the state caused the decision to hold this school. The Granville County farm is the only one in the United States devoted exclusively to the study of tobacco growing and tobacco diseases.

Not only members of the department of agriculture from the state will attend the school and give lectures, but Washington authorities will be there for the two day intensive course for the teachers and farm demonstrators.

I wish to extend my most sincere and grateful thanks and appreciations to the people of Louisburg and vicinity for the kindnesses they have shown me in the past few days in making it possible for me to take treatment for my health.

J. K. BREWER.

The mayor of this town has a far greater opportunity to perform real constructive work in proportion to population than has the president of the United States.

Many people destroy what popularity they have by angling for more.

We have a great admiration for the man who boosts his own town. We hope there are none of the other kind here.

AMONG THE VISITORS

SOME YOU KNOW AND SOME YOU DO NOT KNOW.

Personal Items About Folks and Their Friends Who Travel Here And There.

Mrs. W. T. Person is on a visit to friends in Newton.

Mrs. W. F. Beasley and son, W. E. Beasley went to Carthage Sunday.

Mrs. G. R. McGrady and little daughter, are visiting her people here.

Mrs. E. H. Hale and children are visiting relatives in Four Oaks and Dunn.

Misses Beatrice and Mary Sanders, of Zebulon, are visiting Misses Irene and Louise Taylor.

Rev. N. H. D. Wilson, Presiding Elder of the Washington District, was a visitor to friends in Louisburg this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter L. Ray, of Norfolk, were visitors to Louisburg Tuesday guests of his wife's niece, Mrs. L. E. McGinn.

Mr. G. G. Boddie, who holds an important position in the Radio Department of the United States Navy, is at home on a visit.

Mrs. W. H. Ruffin left Tuesday for a trip to Asheville. She was accompanied as far as Raleigh by her husband, Mr. W. H. Kuffin.

Supr. W. R. Mills returned the past week from Greenville, where he had been teaching in the Summer School at the Teachers Training School.

Mr. W. M. Person returned home the past week from San Francisco, where he attended the Democratic National Convention.

Messrs. H. M. Stovall, B. N. Williamson, L. C. Leach, Hubert Moore, Webb Loy and Lee Bonn returned Sunday from Philadelphia where they had been after Ford cars for Louisburg Motor Co.

Mrs. E. F. Early and daughter, Miss Ruth and Miss Elizabeth Allen, left this week for Jackson Springs to attend the summer school.

Miss Annie Wilder spent last week with Miss Laura Lynn Harris.

Misses Pattie Breedlove, Annie Long and Messrs. P. H. Davis and William Strickland spent last Saturday night at Mr. B. F. Stricklands.

Miss Verna Wilder spent last Saturday and Sunday with her sisters, Mrs. Bryant Strickland and Mrs. Jenkins Strickland.

Miss Marilda Strickland entertained last Saturday night, in honor of her guest Misses Annie Long and Pattie Breedlove, of Oxford.

Ice cream and cake was served at ten o'clock. Every one enjoyed the night very much.

Messrs. Rufus Strickland, Richard Eaker, Edward Strickland and William Cheaves were callers at Mr. Bob Place's Sunday night.

Miss Laura Lynn Harris gave an ice cream supper last Saturday night in honor of her guest, Miss Annie Wilder.

Messrs. Willard Cheaves, Wilbur Strickland and Misses Dinnie Card and Marilda Strickland attended preaching at Bunn M. E. church Sunday night.

Messrs. Willard Cheaves, Rufus Strickland and Misses Emma Place and Mary Gray Wheelless motored out to Timberlake's pond and several other places Sunday.

Mrs. R. H. Poythress and Mrs. G. W. Poythress spent last Sunday with Mrs. John Poythress.

Messrs. Eugene Strickland, Joseph Harris and Wilbur Strickland went to Seven Paths Sunday morning.

Mr. Karl Byron went to New Hope to see a game of base ball Saturday afternoon.

Mr. Gus Strickland has been sick for quite a while. We hope he will soon be well again.

Mrs. Norman Timberlake spent last Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Gus Strickland.

I can almost see the Editor frowning because my items are so long, so I guess I had better bid you all a sad adieu.

"SMILES."

TWO BOUND OVER

To Federal Court for Violation of Revenue Laws By Dr. Morton Monday.

Possibly the largest setting in point of attendance, that the United States Commissioner, Dr. W. B. Morton, has had in Louisburg was experienced on Monday when he bound over one negro and one white man to the Federal Court under charges of violating the Revenue Laws.

The first case was against Met White, colored, for removing and concealing copper still and two pints of whiskey. He was allowed to give a \$250.00 bond.

The next case was against Thomas Pleasants and Edward L. Bowden, for manufacture and concealment of two pints intoxicating liquor, fifteen gallons of wine, one still pattern.

It developed that the wine belonged to Bowden although it was in the barn of Pleasants. From the evidence the Court evidently believed that Pleasants was being used as a tool and owing to the fact that his mental and physical condition would hardly permit of his being guilty of the charge against him, he was allowed an acquittal.

Bowden was held under a \$500.00 bond for his appearance at Federal Court in Raleigh.

Officer B. H. Meadows, who has been assigned a territory within a radius of fifty miles of Louisburg for the present, has been doing some effective work. He went up in Haywood Monday morning and brought in a still. He also got one Saturday morning about two miles from Louisburg almost in sight of the Louisburg and Franklinton highway.

House Party at Chimney Rock.

Miss Dorcas McKinne, who has been the hostess at a ten day house party at Chimney Rock, returned the past week with her guests, Misses Lucy Andrews, Maud Ashley, Elizabeth Furgerson, Messrs. S. J. Parham, Jr., B. N. Williamson, Jr., P. A. Reavis, Jr., E. G. Allen, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. F. McKinne, who chaperoned.

It might have been possible to have gotten together a quieter crowd, or even one that would have slept more and eaten less, but for a party with a huge capacity for fun and pleasure, of so great a degree of congeniality and good comradeship, it could not have been surpassed anywhere.

There was not a single minute during the ten days when it was necessary to seek pleasure for it was always at hand. There were mountain hikes and climbs, games, trips to Asheville, Hendersonville, Lake Junaluska, Lake Canuga, Stony Mountain, Biltmore, and of course Chimney Rock, swimming parties, and dances.

The dancing pavilion was a veritable Mecca and drew the crowd with one accord, and many were the delightful hours spent in "tripping the light fantastic" to the strains of "Moonshine on the Moonshine" and "Wild Rose Waltz."

No house party would seem complete without its vocal music, and this one lived up to past precedent. Gathering together in the dusk, as the moon rose slowly across the mountain, the party would sing many of those old melodies that have long been famous for such occasions, although the latest "agonies" were not neglected, one of the greatest favorites being "That's Where My Money Goes."

One by one, the days fled swiftly by till one awoke with a start of dismay to the fact that the morrow was the day set for returning. However all good things must end eventually, and there are already enthusiastic plans for another such house party in the future.

Miss Dorcas McKinne is the perfect hostess, and to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. McKinne, too much praise cannot be given for their thorough congeniality and constant readiness to take part in anything proposed, as well as their kindness and consideration.

Water Report.

The following is a report on the condition of the city water of Louisburg:

Sent by—Dr. J. E. Malone. Location—Louisburg, N. C. Source—Spigot City Supply. Marked—Louisburg, City. Collected—July 15, 1920. Received—July 17, 1920.

Reported July 17, 1920. Sediment—heavy. Color—Platinum-Cobalt standard—0 Turbidity—Silica standard—0.

Color, cold—0. Alkalinity (in terms of Calcium carbonate)—acid. Colon bacilli in 1 c. c.—0. Colon bacilli in 10 c. c.—0. Total number of bacteria at 20d C per c. c.—150.

Total number of bacteria at 38d C per c. c.—25. Total number of acid-producing bacteria—0.

State Laboratory of Hygiene, By J. W. Kellogg.

Messrs. F. A. Roth, Ben T. Holden and Dr. A. H. Fleming left Sunday for an extended trip to Washington, New York and Atlantic City. They made the trip via automobile.

BRIDGES COST \$42,524.31

INCLUDING LABOR AND MATERIAL TO DATE.

Forty-Three Bridges Built and Under Construction at An Average Cost of \$986.62.

Register of Deeds Holden furnished the TIMES man Tuesday with the figures showing the cost of constructing the bridges in Franklin County that were washed away by the heavy rains last Summer and including those that were built in townships made necessary by the new roads. In the total number of forty-three there is one concrete bridge, eight steel bridges, twenty-nine wooden bridges that have been completed, practically all of which had to have concrete pillars and buttments, and one steel bridge and four other bridges that will require concrete buttments and steel girders. The total cost of material including the five unfinished bridges, with everything except a small amount of cement to complete the piers already brought up to or above ground level, is \$18,807.72. The cost of labor, team for hauling, steel, stone, cement, etc., amounts to \$23,716.59. This makes a full total of \$42,524.31.

Among the bridges built is the Clifton's Mill bridge, which is one of the best bridges in the State. In fact Franklin County stands among the first counties of the State in so far as bridges are concerned. It is our information that practically all of these bridges were built a little stronger than necessary to withstand the floods of last summer and other precautions were taken to insure the County against another experience of the same kind.

In the face of the difference of opinion in regard to the bridge work the figures tell a complimentary story for the wisdom of the Board of Commissioners and it is our opinion that the life of the bridges as compared with the ones we have had before, will add quite a bit of praise to the good judgment these gentlemen have shown when future years have caused our people to realize the benefits from the quality of the structures.

Barbecue Postponed.

We are requested to state that on account of the weather conditions the community barbecue, that was to have been given on Wednesday afternoon in honor of Mrs. Ivy Allen has been postponed to Tuesday afternoon, July 27th.

Victory Medal.

Since the 21st of June 1920 the War Department has been busy accepting applications for the issue of the Victory Medal which is being awarded to all Veterans of the World War and the first medals to be received in North Carolina are now in the hands of the ex-soldiers who fought for the Liberty of the World.

This beautiful medal which is a masterpiece of art is made of bronze one inch and a half in diameter on the face of which is a representation of Winged Liberty stands in relief and on the reverse side the words: "The Great War for Civilization" with an appropriate insignia of the United States, are stamped together with the names of the countries which joined forces to free the world of Imperialism: "France, Great Britain, Belgium, Serbia, Russia, Montenegro, Italy, Greece, Brazil, Portugal, Roumania, Japan and China." The ribbon to which the medal is suspended is one inch and a quarter in width and the length varies according to the Battle Clasp awarded for active service in the thirteen major operations and other Defensive Sectors, or for service in France, England, Italy, Russia and Siberia. The color of the ribbon embraces the seven hues of the rainbow dark blue, sky blue, violet, yellow, orange, pink and red, properly blended.

As much as five Battle Clasps have been received by soldiers in North Carolina and to those who were not fortunate enough to go overseas the Victory Medal without any clasps have been awarded for their response to the Call of their country.

Applications for this medal have been pouring in at Headquarters of the Recruiting District of North Carolina at Greensboro where claims are approved and forwarded and the ex-soldiers who have received their medals are well pleased.

The different posts of the American Legion have helped considerably with this work and representatives from these Headquarters are being sent to make short talks to the members of the Legion at their monthly meetings but still there are a great number of ex-soldiers who, for one reason or another, have failed to send in their applications and who should do so at once.

Now is the time to make application for your Victory Medal by sending your discharge certificate to the Army Recruiting Station, at Greensboro, N. C.

WALTER R. COX, Capt. C. A. C. Recruiting Officer.

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