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LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF

MATTERS OF INTEREST TO READERS OF THE PATRIOT FAR AND NEAR.

University Trustee.—Mr. John N. Wilson has been selected as a member of the board of trustees of the University of North Carolina.

Mrs. Dick Ill.—Mrs. R. P. Dick, one of Greensboro's oldest and most beloved women, has been quite ill at her home on Church street for several days.

Crosses of Honor.—All Confederate veterans who desire to receive crosses of honor are requested to apply at once to Miss Lizzie Lindsay, of this city, for the necessary application blanks.

Men Will Attend.—The junior class of the State Normal and Industrial College will entertain the senior class of the same institution Saturday evening, and for the first time the young ladies will have as their guests their friends of the opposite sex.

To Swap Jobs.—Mr. T. H. Vandenberg, revenue agent at Greensboro, and Col. W. H. Chapman, holding a similar position in Richmond, Va., are to exchange offices. Col. Chapman has been in the service for many years and has been stationed in Greensboro before.

Died Yesterday.—Mrs. Arthur G. Gannon died yesterday afternoon at her home on South Elm street, following a lingering illness. She was 55 years old and is survived by her husband and five children. The funeral and interment will take place tomorrow.

Adjudged Bankrupt.—Alec L. Sherman, trading as the Gastonia Clothing Company, of Gastonia, was adjudged a bankrupt in Federal court here yesterday. The liabilities are scheduled at \$9,255, with assets, including exemptions of \$6,500. The matter was referred to Referee Robinson at Charlotte.

To Clean Up City.—Preparations are being made for the annual observance of "clean-up" week in Greensboro, which will take place during the latter part of March or the first of April. The work will be directed by the city health department, with the assistance of various civic organizations and private individuals.

To Meet Tonight.—The Greensboro training school for Sunday school workers, which had an auspicious opening on last Thursday evening, will hold its second meeting this evening at West Market Street Methodist church annex. J. M. Broughton, Jr., of the Raleigh bar, will deliver the first of three lectures on organization and management.

Missionary Visitor.—Mrs. Motte Martin, a missionary of the Southern Presbyterian church in Africa, is spending a few days in Greensboro. She comes upon the special invitation of the missionary societies of the Presbyterian churches of the city and while here will meet with these societies and tell of the work being accomplished in the field in which she is laboring.

Henley-Nunn.—Mr. Frank R. Henley, of Raleigh, and Miss Virna Nunn, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Nunn, of Guilford College, were married Tuesday evening at 8:30 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Moorefield, on Belmeade street. The ceremony was performed by Rev. R. G. Kendrick, of Forest Avenue Baptist church, and was witnessed by a few friends of the young couple.

New M. P. Church.—The formal opening of the new Methodist Protestant church at Oak Ridge, which replaces the structure destroyed by fire when Oak Ridge Institute was burned, will take place on the fourth Sunday in this month. The special services will be held at 11 o'clock in the forenoon and the sermon of the occasion will be preached by Rev. C. A. Cecil, president of the North Carolina Methodist Protestant Conference.

Tried to Burn House.—Sheriff Stafford was called to the Caffey farm, near Hopewell, yesterday morning to take into custody M. C. Lambeth, a white man of apparently 70 years of age and mentally unbalanced, on account of his attempting to set fire to his home. When the sheriff arrived the man was carrying the furnishings from the house and placing them on a trash heap. When asked what he was going to do, he replied that he was going to start a fire. The unfortunate man was carried to the county home.

Mrs. W. J. Johnson Dead.—Mrs. W. J. Johnson, of Mayodan, Rockingham county, died Monday night at St. Leo's hospital, following an operation. She was 39 years old and is survived by her husband and five children. The funeral took place in Mayodan yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Johnson, before her marriage, was Miss Lily May Walters, of Madison, and was a sister of Dr. D. A. and Mr. R. F. Walters, of Greensboro.

To Amend Charter.—Senator Hobbard yesterday introduced in the senate a bill that amends the charter of the Greensboro and Northern Railroad Company and authorizes the submission of the question of bonds to aid in the construction of the proposed road by various towns and townships in Guilford, Alamance and other counties that the road would touch in reaching connection with the Seaboard or Norfolk Southern from Greensboro.

New Marble Yard.—Mr. F. E. Tipton, formerly of Hendersonville, has opened a marble yard at the corner of North Elm and East Gaston streets, and is prepared to serve the public with all kinds of monument and tombstone work. Mr. Tipton came to Greensboro from Martinsville, Va., where he was engaged in business for several years. He has had 17 years' experience in lettering and carving work and is well equipped to render satisfactory service.

Insurance Meeting.—The annual meeting of the Dixie Fire Insurance Company was held in the company's offices here yesterday. There was a large attendance of stockholders and directors. The election of new directors by the stockholders and new officers by the directors, left the personnel of the management of the company unchanged. The company has decided to concentrate its business in the states of North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia, and has reinsured its business in the outlying states. The company will continue to write business in the larger cities of New York, Philadelphia and Boston. The Dixie is the largest fire insurance company south of Philadelphia.

Aged Woman's Death.—Mrs. William Medearis died Monday morning at her home at Belew's Creek, Forsyth county, at the advanced age of 85 years. She had been suffering from a deep cold about two weeks and her death was not unexpected. The funeral and interment took place Tuesday afternoon at Bethel church, in this county. Mrs. Medearis is survived by three sons and two daughters, who are: Mr. N. H. Medearis and Mrs. J. A. Dean, of Winston-Salem; Mrs. Sallie Linville, of Belew's Creek, and Messrs. W. F. and J. H. Medearis, of Greensboro. Mrs. Medearis was an earnest Christian and had been a member of the Methodist Protestant church for about 70 years.

What a Guilford Woman is Doing in Missouri.

Mrs. Christopher Field, of Monroe City, Mo., has been kind enough to send The Patriot her poultry and dairy report for 1914, and if any other Patriot subscriber has made so good a report, we should like to hear of it.

Mrs. Field reports the following receipts for the year from her flock of from 450 to 500 single-comb White Leghorn chickens:

Eggs to the amount of	\$746.23
Chickens	90.19
Total	\$836.42

Butter and cream during year	\$ 81.30
Total	\$917.72

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In her note to The Patriot Mrs. Field says: "I will send in my chicken report so that my friends in old North Carolina will know that I have not been idle. Poultry is only a side line with me, as I am a farmer's wife and have four children and most usually a hired man to cook for, and in addition, do my own sewing, washing and ironing, and make butter, etc."

Mrs. Field writes that the weather in her section of Missouri is "right creepy." At the time she wrote the snow was six inches deep and the thermometer registered 16 degrees below zero.

Banker Sentenced.

C. H. Raine, formerly president of the Mercantile Bank, of Memphis, Tenn., yesterday was sentenced to the federal penitentiary in Atlanta for five years for misuse of the mails in connection with the failure of his bank. He had previously entered a plea of guilty.

TO ESTABLISH MODEL DAIRY

CEASAR CONE WILL OPERATE SPLENDID FARM FOR HIS MILL PEOPLE.

Mr. Caesar Cone is perfecting plans for establishing and conducting a model dairy farm that will cater almost exclusively to the trade of the people inhabiting the mill villages north of the city. The W. D. Wharton farm, which is owned by the Cone interests, and which consists of about 200 acres of land suitable for the business, will be utilized for the dairy.

Mr. W. B. Thacker, a practical and experienced dairyman, has been employed as manager of the business. He is now engaged in buying cows with which to stock the dairy. It is understood that about 100 cows of the purest and best breeds will be placed on the farm to begin with and that others will be added as the demands may justify.

Dairy barns and other necessary buildings will be erected as early as possible, and it is understood that no expense will be spared in their construction. It is said that Mr. Cone will spend as much as \$20,000 on his principal dairy barn.

Since Mr. Cone and his associates never do anything by halves, it may be expected that the new dairy will be the best that money will equip. Not even the famous Vanderbilt dairy, at Biltmore, said to be the finest in the state, will eclipse it.

It is the purpose of the management that the dairy provide for the needs of the people of the mill villages. At present some of the people keep their own cows, and their manner of keeping them leads to question as to the sanitary condition of the milk they produce. Others buy from just as questionable sources, in many instances, while many are doing without milk altogether, a condition which is considered evil by those interested in the welfare.

Despite the employment of trained nurses and other precautions for the sanitation of the villages, and for the health of the people, it is said that the loss of young babies is still greater than it should be, and it is believed that the supply of good milk at reasonable rates would lessen children's diseases. It will be seen to that the milk of the new dairy is of the richest and that it goes into the homes clean and pure.

Golden Wedding Anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas C. Foust, who are among the oldest and best known people of Alamance county, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at their home near Graham Tuesday. A reception was held from 2 to 5 o'clock in the afternoon, and during these hours many friends and relatives called to pay their respects to the aged couple.

Mr. Foust is in the eighty-third year of his age and his wife is six years younger. Both appeared to be in perfect health and received their callers with a warm welcome.

The children of this aged and happy couple are: Dr. Julius I. Foust, president of the State Normal and Industrial College; Prof. Thomas R. Foust, superintendent of the Guilford county schools; Prof. Frank L. Foust, principal of the Pleasant Garden high school; Mrs. A. L. Henley, of Greensboro; Mr. J. A. Foust and Miss Mary Foust, of Graham; Mrs. Lea G. White, of Winston-Salem, and Mrs. Smith, of Elon College.

To Represent President.

Washington, Feb. 10.—Duval West, formerly United States district attorney at San Antonio, was selected today to go to Mexico as personal representative of President Wilson. Secretary Bryan announced the selection. Mr. West's mission is similar to that of Paul Fuller, who some time ago conferred with Mexican leaders and reported to President Wilson. Mr. West is commissioned to make general inquiries into conditions and to interview leaders of all factions, making clear to them the position of the United States government with respect to the protection of foreigners and their interests.

It is understood that while Mr. West will point out the growing necessity for a permanent settlement of Mexican affairs, he does not take suggestions from the United States. He has lived a number of years in Mexico and is understood to be familiar with the situation.

IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

PROCEEDINGS OF THE STATE'S LAWMAKERS IN THE SENATE AND HOUSE.

If the bill introduced by Dr. Foster, of Randolph, becomes a law the electric chair at the state prison will be relegated to the junk heap and there will be no more legal executions in this state, for his bill calls for the abolishment of capital punishment in North Carolina.

Two bills affecting the forests of the state received favorable reports, one of having allowing the state to purchase forest areas and the other to protect the forests of the state from the ravages of fire.

Mr. Clark, of Bladen, is the author of an important bill which would allow husbands to convey their real property without the signature of the wife, where the latter is insane.

Despite the earnest plea of Representative Brockett, of Guilford, the house refused to amend the law raising the age of consent from 14 years, the present statute, to 16 years. The Guilford member argued for the adoption of the substitute bill which came before the house on a minority report which changed the penalty in the original bill, making it a misdemeanor instead of a felony.

He said that he spoke for the girls of the state of tender age who were forced to go out into the world to make a living and be subjected to the wiles and chicanery of unprincipled men. He said that he did not propose to deal in the sensational and spectacular but only give the cold facts. When you see the soul of a girl he declared she carried the scar to eternity. Her wrong step blasted the hopes of a sister, crushed a loving father, brought sorrow to the face of a brother and sent a loving mother to her grave in anguish and despair. He argued for the cause of civilization, the cause of womanhood and begged the members of the house to stand like men among men and support the bill.

With hardly a dissenting vote, the senate passed the Snow bill to prohibit the trial of persons charged with crime in the garb of convicts or with shaven heads.

Liquor Bill Up.

The joint committee from the senate and house having in hand the bill of the State Anti-Saloon League to stop the shipment and delivery of liquors for beverage purposes heard advocates of the bill for an hour Tuesday afternoon under the direction of Superintendent R. L. Davis, of the Anti-Saloon League, who offered a substitute for the original bill that so changed the measure proposed as to make it possible to ship wines out of this state and prevent only those shipments and receipts of liquors involved in interstate shipments.

After the hearing the joint committee went into executive session and decided to have the bill and substitute with amendments printed and set the bills for further executive session consideration on Wednesday night of next week.

What some are pleased to call another "entering wedge" in the cause of woman suffrage, gained a signal victory in the house Tuesday, when that body by a vote of 68 to 34 passed the senate bill providing that women property owners shall have the right of petition where elections are to be held in which taxes would be assessed against their property. Different and sundry methods were used to defeat the bill, but all such efforts failed.

Banks in Fine Shape.
Washington, Feb. 10.—Loans and discounts on the books of national banks of the country at the close of business December 31, 1914, amounted to \$6,347,636,510, an increase over October 31, of more than \$31,000,000 according to a statement today by Comptroller of the Currency Williams. Demand and time deposits December 31, amounted to \$6,346,362,250, an increase over the amount at the time of the last comptroller's call of about \$167,000,000.

White Man Lynched.
Thomas Tinker, a white man, charged with shooting and killing Constable Richard Park, at Melber, Ky., was taken from the jail at Mayfield, Ky., Tuesday night and lynched by a band of 50 or more men. Tinker killed Park when the officer attempted to arrest him on the charge of housebreaking.

YOUNG MAN FINDS HIS WAY INTO TROUBLE.

Elbert B. Tucker, of Greenville, S. C., spent a few unpleasant hours in Greensboro yesterday, and after being freed from certain legal entanglements, left for home with the avowed intention of never again voluntarily setting foot on North Carolina soil. Tucker arrived in Greensboro early yesterday morning and applied to Squire Dave Collins for a warrant for Miss Pearl Tucker, aged 16, who was described as a fugitive from justice.

The complaining witness explained that the girl had been adopted by his mother some years ago and recently had left home without any cause or excuse. An officer found the girl at the home of a sister, Mrs. Thomas Calhoun, at Pomona, and she readily went to the magistrate's office, where she told a story of mistreatment in the Tucker home that caused her to leave. She admitted that she had been adopted by Mrs. Tucker, but said the papers in the case provided she was to be free after she reached the age of 14.

When Squire Collins dismissed the warrant, the girl turned the tables by asking damages for false arrest. The magistrate entered judgment in her favor for \$50, and it was about that time that Elbert Tucker realized that he was "up against it." He didn't possess the necessary amount of coin to satisfy the judgment and was about to be sent to jail by Squire Collins when the girl relented and permitted him to go free.

The young man from South Carolina caught the next train that would carry him home, while the girl for whom he had come returned to the home of her sister at Pomona.

In the Superior Court.

Only a few cases, and none of them of special importance, have come before the civil term of Superior court that convened Monday morning.

R. O. Brann was granted an absolute divorce from Hannah Brann, and Beatrice Jordan secured a divorce from Lonnie Jordan. Neither suit was contested.

A verdict for the plaintiff was allowed in the suit brought by Mrs. Amanda M. Robinson against the Brotherhood of Locomotive Fire and Engineers. The face value of a policy on the life of her husband, who died a few years ago, was allowed, the sum being \$2,000 and the interest.

Double Murder Discovered.

New Britain, Conn., Feb. 9.—A double murder was discovered today, when the bodies of Rev. Joseph Zebris and his housekeeper, Iva Gilman, were found in the rectory of St. Andrews Lithuanian church here. There were bullet wounds in both bodies and a rope tied tightly about the neck of each. The bodies were found in different parts of the house.

The police say they have no clue to the identity of the murderer. It is believed that the priest was killed first and that Miss Gilman, coming to his rescue, was pursued upstairs and shot and strangled.

It is known that the priest received threatening letters demanding money. Tools used by burglars were found in the rectory. It had been ransacked.

Judge Fined Solicitor.

Newbern, Feb. 9.—Probably no incident in the history of Superior court circles of Craven county has caused as widespread interest and as great sensation as the placing of the fine of \$50 yesterday on Solicitor Charles L. Abenethy, by Judge Carter, of Asheville, who is presiding over a three weeks' session of criminal and civil court.

Judge Carter adjudged the solicitor guilty of contempt when he refused to obey his orders and forthwith placed the fine upon him and ordered him into the custody of the sheriff until it was paid. After a delay of a few hours Mr. Abenethy paid the fine under protest and was released.

21 Drowned in Mine.

Nanaimo, B. C., Feb. 9.—Twenty-one men employed in the mine of the Pacific Coast Coal Mines, Limited, at South Wellington, seven miles from Nanaimo, were drowned by a rush of water today.

Evidently one of the old flooded workings of the Alexandra mine, which has not been operating for years, was broken into by the men in the South Wellington, which adjoins it on a lower level.

BATTLES ARE IN PROGRESS

FIERCE FIGHTING IN CARPATHIAN MOUNTAINS—RUSSIANS CLAIM VICTORY.

The Russian and Austro-German armies are fighting another series of battles for possession of the snow-covered Carpathian passes to decide whether the Russians will commence another invasion of Hungary or evacuate part of Galicia, as they have evacuated Bukovina.

The Russians have issued two official reports of the operations, claiming the better of the fighting. Their right wing has crossed the mountains and has been engaged in a battle near Bartfeldt and Svidnik, on the Hungarian side of the Carpathians.

This army, too, threatens the rear of the Austro-Germans, who having entered Lupkow pass to the east, have suffered severe losses in a battle with another Russian force.

The hardest fighting has occurred on the Galician side of Tukho'ka pass, where Sunday the Austro-Germans captured the heights in the region of Kozioiwka, only to be driven back after a bayonet fight which the Russian report describes as being "without precedent in history."

Correspondents say this battle was terrific. The Germans brought up their best reinforcements to aid the Austrians, and themselves led the attack. Backed by heavy artillery, they assaulted the Russian position on the Kozioiwka heights, but found themselves under fire by the Russians on parallel hills and were cut off from the main German column. The Russian infantry then attacked, driving them back at the point of the bayonet.

Attack followed counter-attack until the Russians had gained their old position, leaving the slopes, according to their report, "littered with bodies of dead Germans."

The fighting here seems to have been as desperate and as sanguinary as that before the Warsaw lines during last week and so far as can be judged by official and unofficial reports has been just as unsuccessful for the Germans. The Germans now have assumed the offensive on the southern border of east Prussia and as a result another important battle is developing in that region. Of the battle in the northern part of east Prussia neither official communication speaks. At the other extreme end of the line, in Bukovina, the Russians are falling back before superior Austrian forces but still hold the greater part of that province.

There has been little or no fighting in Flanders, France or Alsace, although artillery and airmen continue active. It is believed the Germans are preparing for another attack on the British line near La Bassée, which if successful, would open the door to the French coast, from which the Germans hope to threaten England.

Meanwhile the allies are reported to be making slow progress along the coast of Belgium, where the capture of the Great Dane was of considerable advantage, as from it almost the entire coast as far as Osten can be controlled by artillery.

The Russians are meeting more stubborn resistance in east Russia. The Germans have received reinforcements there. At the same time German troops appear to have been withdrawn from at least one position in the Carpathians.

On the right bank of the Vistula Russian light horse is sweeping northward on a wide front, mounted, and fighting with bayonets afoot. These troops have driven the Germans out of the villages commanding the main roads toward the German frontier. Nadroge, one of the villages, is only twelve miles from the German frontier and about twenty-eight miles east of Thorn.

In the Carpathians the Russians are moving steadily forward on the right wing. The Bukovina movement is plainly sporadic, the Russian object here having been to draw as many as possible of the enemy's troops eastward, pending an advance on the Russian right.

Merchant Found Dead.

"Jack" Robertson, a well known retail merchant of Salisbury, was found dead early yesterday morning in the room of a club of that town. He spent Tuesday evening with friends at the club and appeared to be in his usual good health. His death is said to have been due to heart trouble.