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

Death at Pomona Mills.—Mrs. J. A. Upright, wife of the master mechanic of the Pomona cotton mills, died shortly after noon Friday, following a long illness. The funeral and interment took place Saturday afternoon at Landis, Cabarrus county.

Charity Fair.—The members of the Greensboro lodge of Elks are greatly interested in a charity fair they will hold in their club rooms during the week of April 12-17. Mr. C. M. Vanstony has been made chairman of the general committee on arrangements.

Mrs. McAlister Improving.—Mrs. A. C. McAlister, of Asheboro, who has been quite ill at the home of her son, Mr. A. W. McAlister, on West Market street, for the past two or three weeks, is reported to be improving and it is hoped that she will be able to return home soon.

Going to New Mexico.—Mrs. E. L. Stamey and children will leave Thursday for Alamogordo, N. M., where they expect to spend some time in the interest of the health of little Miss Eunice Stamey, who recently contracted an illness that gives her family alarm. Dr. Stamey will remain in Greensboro.

Aged Man Dead.—Mr. J. D. Horner died Friday at the home of a daughter, Mrs. J. S. Leonard, of Revolution, at the advanced age of 82 years. He is survived by two sons and three daughters. The body was carried Saturday to Salisbury, the former home of the deceased, for the funeral and interment.

Snow Yesterday.—Greensboro was visited yesterday afternoon by one of the prettiest snowstorms of the year. The snow began falling about 3 o'clock and continued until late in the afternoon, and but for the fact that it followed a rain, the ground probably would have been covered to a depth of two or three inches.

New Negro School.—The city has received the deed to the lot on East Washington street upon which the new colored school building is to be erected to take the place of the present building on High street. The lot is 177 by 348 feet in size and will afford ample room for the building that is to be erected upon it.

Y. W. C. A. Growing.—Reports submitted at the monthly meeting of the directors of the Greensboro Young Women's Christian Association the latter part of last week showed satisfactory progress in all departments of the work. During the past month 26 new members were received, which brings the total membership of the association up to 620.

Dwelling Burned.—A ten-room dwelling situated between Greene Hill cemetery and the Southern Power Company's sub-station was destroyed by fire Saturday evening. The building was occupied by three colored families, who lost practically all their furniture and other effects. The house was set on fire by children playing around an open fireplace.

Barn Burned.—A barn on Mr. B. E. Bouldin's place, a short distance south of the city limits, was destroyed by fire Saturday afternoon. The fire originated from sparks from a fire that had been built in the barn to cure a quantity of meat. The loss amounts to several hundred dollars. Mr. Bouldin has been in Kentucky for some time as an agent of the internal revenue department.

Sunday Morning Fire.—The office of B. MacLenzie, who is engaged in the steam heating business on West Market street, was gutted by a fire that was discovered about 1 o'clock yesterday morning. All the contents of the office, including a number of valuable records and papers, were destroyed and the building was badly damaged. The extent of the loss will not be known until an inventory is taken.

Aged Woman's Death.—Mrs. Maria Huntington Kingsley died Friday night at the home of her daughters, Mrs. W. E. Ashley, on North Elm street, at the ripe old age of 90 years. The funeral was held from the Ashley home Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock and was conducted by Rev. Robert E. Roe, rector of Holy Trinity Episcopal church. Interment was made in Greene Hill cemetery.

Mr. Scroggs Ill.—Rev. J. R. Scroggs, one of the most prominent members of the Western North Carolina Conference and a former presiding elder of the Greensboro district, is seriously ill at his home in Shelby, where he has resided for the past two years as presiding elder of the Shelby district. The absent members of his family have been called to his bedside. Dr. Scroggs has many friends among the readers of The Patriot who will wish for him a speedy restoration to health.

Novel Sentence.—Because they defaced the public school building at Pleasant Garden and wrote indecent phrases on the blackboards, Arthur Brown, John Kindell and Aster Adcock will serve in the place of the hired help for the building for one year. They will clean up the building, keeping it immaculate, and see that the surrounding yards are in fine shape for the entire twelve months. This sentence was imposed upon the boys Saturday, when they were tried before Justice of the Peace D. H. Collins.

Arrested For Theft.—Three young white men giving their names as James Benjamin, James Thompson and Eugene Hesse were arrested here Friday on suspicion of being guilty of the theft of a quantity of clothing in Roanoke, Va. They were arraigned in Municipal court yesterday and ordered held until the charge against them could be thoroughly investigated. When arrested they had in their possession several garments that were identified by a Roanoke business man as clothing that had been stolen from his store.

Ship Cotton to Russia.—The J. E. Latham Cotton Company, of this city, has just filled one of its largest orders, the purchaser being a large concern in Moscow, Russia. The shipment, instead of making the 4,000 mile trip across the Atlantic ocean, will go through the Panama canal, by way of Vladivostok and over the Trans-Siberian Railway, a distance of more than 15,000 miles, or more than two-thirds the distance around the world. This routing is necessary on account of the danger to shipping in the European waters of the Atlantic.

Prof. Foust Named.—At a meeting of the county school board Saturday, to consider the extension of the work of the Greensboro public library to the rural districts of the county, Superintendent Foust was designated to represent the board in the matter. He becomes ex-officio a member of the library board of trustees and will sit with that body in determining the manner in which the \$1,500 appropriated by the county shall be used in carrying the circulation of the library into the country districts. Through this new department it is intended that the public library will be made as accessible to the rural population as it is to that of the city.

Cornerstone Laid in Storm.—The cornerstone of the new house of worship of the Church of the Covenant was laid yesterday afternoon, and despite the snowstorm that was in progress at the time, a crowd of 200 or more people gathered on the church lot for the exercises, which were of a very interesting nature. The services were opened with a prayer by Rev. A. W. Crawford and Rev. Charles E. Hodgkin read the scripture lesson. Appropriate addresses were made by Rev. Dr. Melton Clark, Mr. A. M. Scales and Rev. R. Murphy Williams, pastor of the church. The stone was lowered into its place by Mr. P. R. Coble, one of the two oldest members of the church. The new church is to be a handsome structure that will cost about \$30,000.

Shot on a Train.—Arthur Haynes, a member of a theatrical troupe that has been playing in this state for several weeks, is a patient in St. Leo's hospital suffering from a pistol shot wound inflicted by a fellow passenger on northbound train No. 30 yesterday morning about 2 o'clock. The shooting was occasioned by Haynes remonstrating with the man for making impertinent remarks to some of the young women members of the company. The trouble occurred just before the train reached the station in this city. As the train was coming to a stop the man who did the shooting jumped from the steps of a car and ran. Several railroad men and others about the station gave chase, but the man made good his escape. Haynes was shot in the right hip and the wound is not considered dangerous. He is the former home of the family.

Deaths From Pneumonia.—Mrs. Tabitha Hester died Friday morning at her home three miles south of the city, following an illness of pneumonia. She was 80 years of age and for a number of years had resided with Miss Martha Coe, the two women living alone. The funeral and interment took place Saturday afternoon at Moriah Methodist Protestant church, the services being conducted by the pastor, Rev. T. M. Johnson. Miss Coe, who was ill of pneumonia at the time of the death of Mrs. Hester, died shortly after noon yesterday. She was 66 years old and a daughter of the late Wesley Coe. The funeral and interment will take place at Moriah church this afternoon, the services to be conducted by Rev. T. M. Johnson.

New Officers Elected.—The annual election of officers of Greensboro Lodge No. 602, B. P. O. Elks, took place at a regular meeting of the lodge Friday night and resulted as follows: J. C. Pierce, exalted ruler; T. J. Murphy, esteemed leading knight; W. B. Merrimon, esteemed loyal knight; C. M. Vanstony, esteemed lecturing knight; E. P. Ross, secretary; F. N. Taylor, treasurer; W. R. Butler, tiler; Julian Price, E. G. West, L. J. Brandt, J. W. Cone, R. N. Hadley and J. Frank Palmer, board of governors; W. B. Vaught, trustee for three years. Mr. G. S. Bradshaw, the retiring exalted ruler, was elected to represent the lodge at the next meeting of the grand lodge, which is to be held in San Francisco.

Held His Wheat and Got Good Profit.—How Mr. Henry Gordon, of Center Grove township, made a profit of \$50 on 50 bushels of wheat by holding the grain a few months is explained in a story related to The Patriot by a business man of this city. It seems that soon after harvest last year Mr. Gordon sold his wheat to a miller in Greensboro at \$1 a bushel, delivery to be made not later than a certain day. He was a day late in bringing his wheat to market and the best offer he could get was 90 cents a bushel. Mr. Gordon thought he was entitled to \$1 a bushel, and not being able to get it, hauled his wheat back home and stored it in his barn. Recently, when wheat went to \$1.60 a bushel, he hauled his 50 bushels back to Greensboro and sold it at that price to the miller who was willing to pay him only 90 cents last summer.

Transfers of Real Estate.—Following are among the transfers of real estate recorded in the office of the register of deeds during the past few days: Martin F. Douglas to W. H. Palmer and Lottie Palmer, a lot 50 by 125 feet on Central avenue, Greensboro, \$550. W. G. Wyrick to A. E. Cook, a tract of 50 acres in Washington township, \$950. Juanita L. Shaw to L. M. Ham, a lot fronting on Fifth avenue, in the city of Greensboro, 75 by 145 feet, \$10 and other valuable considerations.

Talmadge V. Rochelle to Lillie Rochelle, two tracts—a lot on Willoughby Reade street in the city of High Point, 63 by 137 feet, High Point township, and a lot in the city of Reidsville, Rockingham county, 35 by 100 feet, for both, \$1,000.

No Decision as to Road Work.—The adjourned meeting of the board of county commissioners held Friday to consider matters in connection with contemplated road improvement work did not result in any definite decision. As previously announced in The Patriot, the commissioners desire to select the very best materials and methods available in road-building work, and this is proving to be no easy task.

The commissioners are making a very careful investigation of the matter and hope to be able to reach a conclusion soon, as it is desired that the work be begun with as little delay as possible.

Postoffice Robbed.—For the third time within the last four months the postoffice at West Durham was robbed Friday night and about \$3,000 worth of stamps and \$100 in money was secured. The door of the safe was blown completely off and across the room of the building. The inner door of the safe was also completely smashed so it was possible for the robbers to get into the interior and loot the office of everything in the way of a valuable.

LEGALIZED PRIMARY BILL

THE MOST IMPORTANT MATTER BEFORE THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

The constitutional limit of 60 days in which members of the legislature may receive pay for attending a session expired Saturday and found neither house ready for adjournment. Nearly all the members pledged themselves to remain in Raleigh until the work of the session could be finished, and it is thought that formal adjournment can be had by tonight or tomorrow at the latest.

The Hobgood-Weaver state-wide legalized primary bill, which had passed the senate with a number of amendments, was passed by the house Saturday night with still further amendments and will be taken up by the senate again today.

The bill as it stands provides for holding a primary for all parties in the state on the first Saturday in June and covers all nominations except those for legislative and county offices. About a third of the counties of the state are exempted from the provisions of the bill.

The Guilford primary law was repealed so that this county may come within the provisions of the state law.

The fight in this legislature for state control of fire insurance rates as recommended by the special legislative commission for the investigation of the conduct of fire insurance companies in North Carolina terminated in the house Thursday afternoon, when Representative Henry Page, who, with Representative Seawell was a member of the investigating commission and put the state regulation through the house some days ago, moved "very regretfully," as he ironically expressed it, that the house concur in the senate amendment striking out all 11 sections of the bill that provided the state rate regulation feature.

Mr. Page said that there was still some good in the bill in the way of advanced insurance regulations and he was unwilling to have the state lose whatever there was of benefit left in the bill. The vote for concurrence was immediate and practically unanimous.

The Stacy bill for making kindergartens a part of public school work passed the house Thursday.

That the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution may establish in North Carolina the Patriot's Memorial school, the senate has passed a bill appropriating \$3,500 for the promotion of North Carolina's claim for the institution. Senator Steamden, of Halifax, introduced the bill, which looks to the location of the school in Halifax, on the site of the home of John Paul Jones.

Both the senate and the house Friday passed without opposition the bill agreed upon by the joint conference committee as a substitute for the anti-liquor bill that the senate had amended to require a referendum. This means that prohibition legislation is terminating in a bill that will limit deliveries of "spirited liquors" to one quart within 15 days to one person and of five gallons of malt liquors with not over five per cent alcohol within a 15-day period when the bill had been passed without amendment.

The senate killed the bill for a constitutional amendment to permit a system of rural land segregation between the races. The bill was endorsed by the Farmers' Union.

Increased Pensions For Veterans.—An increase of four dollars annually is given the Confederate pensioners of the state by a bill which passed the house Saturday. Pensioners of the first class will hereafter receive under the provisions of this bill, \$76; second class, \$64; third class, \$52, and fourth class \$36 annually. The widows of Confederate veterans are included in the fourth class. The bill does not apply to soldiers or widows worth \$500 and above.

Another important bill to those who intend to take up the practice of law in the state is that which provides that hereafter a committee from the North Carolina Bar Association will conduct the examinations for applicants for license to practice law in the state of North Carolina. This relieves the Supreme court from having to give these semi-annual examinations. Guilford is included in the county

ties for which a bill has been passed permitting the county commissioners to provide rules and regulations for building bridges, specifying the width of roads, the width of wagon tires and other regulations concerning roads and bridges.

MURDER NEAR CLIMAX YESTERDAY AFTERNOON.

As the result of a fight yesterday afternoon in Randolph county, about three miles south of Climax Frank Garner was killed by his brother-in-law, Ernest Kime. The trouble occurred at the home of Garner and appears to have been caused by liquor. It is said that Kime went to Garner's home drinking and the row started soon afterwards.

During the progress of the fight in which the two men engaged Kime drew a knife and cut Garner's throat, the wound resulting in almost instant death.

After the homicide Kime fled and had not been captured when The Patriot received a telephone message of the affair this morning.

Trouble Over Management of Hotel.

It would seem a little tough when a man is ejected from his own premises—at least, that is doubtless the way it looks to Mr. Will McAdoo, who was arrested on a charge of forcible trespass the other day when he went into the McAdoo hotel and attempted to take possession of the property.

The trouble started when Mr. McAdoo engaged Mr. J. L. Clements, formerly manager of the Guilford hotel, to take the management of the McAdoo. Mr. M. W. Sterne, who says he has a contract to manage the McAdoo until the first of next October, refused to surrender possession of the building. When Mr. McAdoo went into the hotel and began issuing orders to servants and other employes, explaining that Mr. Clements would manage the house in the future, Mr. Sterne caused the warrant to be issued charging his landlord with forcible trespass.

The case was tried in Municipal court Friday, and after hearing the evidence, Judge Brown decided that Mr. McAdoo was not guilty of the charge brought against him and dismissed the warrant. Judge Brown was of the opinion that the matter in dispute was one that belonged to the civil courts.

Court House Bond Election.

While no official announcement has been made, it is understood that the election on the proposition of issuing bonds to the amount of \$250,000,000 for the erection of a new county court house will not be called for any time in the near future. The county commissioners have discussed the matter informally and decided that there is no occasion for any special haste. The election has been authorized by the legislature, but it will not be held until later in the year, probably in the fall.

Postoffice Department Making Money.

The secretary of the treasury a few days ago received a check from Postmaster General Burleson for \$3,500,000,000, representing the surplus in the revenues of his department for the fiscal year which ended June 30, 1914. For the fiscal year of 1913 the postal revenue surplus was \$3,800,000, which also was turned over to the treasury. In acknowledging the receipt of the check Secretary McAdoo said these payments were the first representing surpluses made by the postoffice department since 1836.

Impeachment Proceedings Dropped.

Impeachment proceedings against Alston G. Dayton, federal judge in the northern district of West Virginia, have been dropped by the judiciary committee of the house of Congress. A majority report, drafted by the sub-committee which investigated charges against Judge Dayton, held that while his conduct in some instances had been "reprehensible," there was "little possibility of maintaining them to a conclusion of guilt." A minority report recommending impeachment was rejected.

To Make Railroads Liable.

The senate bill to make railroads and other common carriers liable for actual loss, damage or injury caused to property they carry, regardless of limitation of liability or amount of recovery in any receipt, lading bill or tariff filed, was passed by both houses of Congress.

GEORGIA MAN KILLS FIVE MEN AND WOUNDS 32.

Brunswick, Ga., March 6.—Armed with an automatic shot gun, Monroe Phillips, a real estate and timber dealer, ran amuck in the business district here today, killed five citizens, wounded thirty-two, and was himself shot dead. Of the wounded, Gunner Tolnas, a bank collector, and Ernest McDonald, probably will die. The dead are: Harry F. Duwoody, prominent attorney.

William M. Hackett, undertaker. R. M. Deaver, policeman. L. C. Padgett, former policeman. George W. Ashbell, motor man. Monroe Phillips, real estate and timber dealer.

The police believe that Phillips became suddenly insane because of alleged financial difficulties.

It was at the busiest hour of the day that Phillips, carrying a shot gun, entered the office of Harry F. Duwoody, a lawyer, against whom he is said to have cherished ill-feeling, and killed him. Phillips then shot Albert M. Way, who was in Duwoody's office. Although badly wounded, Way probably will recover.

Fires Into Street Crowd.

Walking calmly from the office, Phillips faced a crowd which had been attracted by the firing. Without a word he suddenly began shooting into the throng and a wild stampede for shelter followed. R. M. Deaver, a policeman, was killed when he attempted to arrest the crazed man. Phillips continued to fire on everybody in sight until he was shot down by E. C. Butts, an attorney, more than half an hour after Duwoody had been killed. Butts had been wounded before he killed Phillips.

ARMY CHIEF GOES ON A MISSION OF PEACE

On a mission which will be attended by much personal risk to himself and those accompanying him, Brigadier General Hugh L. Scott, chief of staff of the army, left Washington a few days ago for Utah to attempt a peaceful settlement with the recalcitrant Piute Indians. As he started he announced that he would proceed by rail to Morrison, Utah, then strike into the mountains on horseback for a distance of 170 miles through the snow. Besides Colonel Michie, his aide, General Scott will be accompanied by an orderly. It is also possible that he will take with him some Navajo Indians living in the vicinity to act as guides and to make camp.

Reports to the Indian office in Washington say there now are nearly 200 Piute warriors off the reservation. They are said to have the sympathies of many of the reservation Indians, and, with three feet of snow in the mountains and no railroad communication within several hundred miles, members of the army general staff, familiar with Indian fighting, think a campaign would be attended by great difficulties.

General Scott has a long record, not only as an Indian fighter, but also as a mediator among the Indians, whose dialects he speaks and whose habits he knows thoroughly. War department officials say he has more influence with the Indians of the west than any other white man. About a year ago he brought the recalcitrant Navajos into camp without bloodshed.

Ask Pardon For Wilcox.

Another effort is to be made to secure a pardon for James Wilcox, of Elizabeth City, who is serving a 30-year sentence in the state penitentiary for the murder of Nellie Crosey. He has served something like twelve years. Governor Craig, who has the petition from Mr. Roscoe Turner, attorney of Elizabeth City, will give a hearing at 11 o'clock on Wednesday, March 24, at which time those who favor the pardon and those who may oppose it are invited to be present. It is said that Wilcox has tuberculosis.

Will Banquet Taft.

The lawyers of Durham will give a banquet to ex-President Taft, at Durham, on the occasion of Mr. Taft's visit to Chapel Hill, where he lectures on the 17th, 18th and 19th.

Veteran Editor Dead.

Thad. R. Manning, former editor and owner of the Henderson Gold Leaf, died Thursday at his home in Henderson, aged 53. He had been an invalid for several years.