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MATTERS OF INTEREST TO THE FAR AND NEAR.

Held For Court.—J. R. Moody was tried before Squire D. H. Collins Saturday on a warrant charging him with fraud in a horse trade with A. T. Lambert. He was held for the Superior court.

Took Three Games.—The Greensboro baseball team has begun the season in fine shape, having won the first three games played with Charlotte. The team is at home the first three days of the week for a series of games with Raleigh.

Another Trip.—The Chamber of Commerce is arranging for another trade extension and get acquainted trip for Thursday of this week. The business men will visit High Rock, Davidson county, the terminus of the Carolina and Yadkin river railroad.

Bold Robbery.—Just about daybreak yesterday morning a bold thief smashed a plate glass window in Opleman's pawn shop, on South Elm street, and made away with about \$250 worth of jewelry that had been left in the window. The window was broken with an iron bolt.

New Corporation.—The Farquar Heating and Ventilating Company is a new corporation organized in Greensboro by S. H. Hodgin, A. J. Brown, Thomas M. Boles, D. A. Hodgin and S. A. Hodgin. The company has an authorized capital of \$25,000 and \$5,000 subscribed.

Boy Scouts Meeting.—A meeting in the interest of the movement recently inaugurated for the reorganization of the Greensboro division of the Boy Scouts of America is to be held at the Y. M. C. A. Friday. Mr. Robert Nicholson, scout commissioner for Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina, will be present and make an address.

No Court May 10.—On account of the observance of Confederate Memorial day, there will be no court on Monday, May 10, which is the opening day of the next civil term of Guilford Superior court. Judge Lyon has given instructions that jurors and witnesses who have been summoned are not to report until Tuesday morning, May 11.

Class Exercises.—The class day exercises of the 1915 class of the Greensboro high school were held Friday night in the auditorium of the school building. John McAllister, president of the class, presided. Miss Adelaide Van Noppen read the class history. Gordon Hunter delivered the oration, Miss Kirk Callum recited the class poem, Miss Ellebre Brodnax made the prophecy and Miss Mary Rees read the last will and testament of the class.

County Tax Assessor.—Ex-Sheriff E. E. Jones has been appointed tax assessor for Guilford county, the appointment having been made by the North Carolina corporation commission to fill a vacancy created by the resignation of Mr. E. G. Sherrill, who has been appointed to a position in the office of the secretary of state. Mr. Jones enjoys a wide acquaintance throughout the county and this, coupled with his experience of a number of years in the sheriff's office, should stand him in good stead in performing the duties of tax assessor.

Temperance Meeting.—A temperance meeting was held last night at Grace Methodist Protestant church under the auspices of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Messrs. E. A. Moore and W. A. Julian, students at Guilford College, gave the orations they delivered recently in the oratorical peace contest and Prof. A. R. Williams, of the Greensboro high school, spoke on the subject, "Which is More Destructive, War or Strong Drink?" He argued that drink is a greater foe to the human race than all the wars of all the ages.

Troxler-Andrew.—Wedding invitations reading as follows have been sent: "Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Andrew request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter, Miss Leola, to Mr. Robert Guy Troxler on May 5, 1915, at Alamance Presbyterian church, at 5 o'clock P. M." The announcement of the approaching marriage of this well known young couple will be received with interest by a wide circle of friends. Mr. Troxler is a son of Mr. R. T. Troxler and a young man of fine qualities. He is engaged in business in Lexington. His bride is an attractive and lovable young woman and a member of one of the county's best known families.

Convicts Escape.—Shortly before noon Friday two negro convicts escaped from the force at work on the High Point road a short distance beyond the city limits. Despite the handicap of shackles, they managed to make a clean get-away. Residences on both sides of the road at that point are pretty thick and a number of children were playing in the yards and along the road, thus making it unsafe for the guards to fire upon the fleeing convicts. Sheriff Stafford and Deputy Phipps went in pursuit of the prisoners as soon as apprised of their escape, but returned in a few hours empty-handed. One of the negroes was serving a sentence of 18 and the other 10 months and both had been on the roads since February.

JOHN WEATHERLY FOUND DEAD SATURDAY EVENING.

Mr. John Weatherly, who lived alone on his farm about six miles east of the city, in the Young's mill neighborhood, was found dead in his barn Saturday evening about 6 o'clock. The discovery was made by a neighbor who had called to deliver some mail. Not finding Mr. Weatherly in his residence, the caller went to the barn, where the dead body was found lying on the floor.

Coroner Stansbury, accompanied by Deputy Sheriff Shaw, went out in response to a telephone message and made an investigation, but an inquest was not considered necessary. All indications pointed to the fact that Mr. Weatherly died a natural death. He had not been seen by any of his neighbors since Thursday, and it is supposed that he died either Thursday evening or Friday morning while attending to his duties around the barn.

Mr. Weatherly was about 65 years of age and a most estimable citizen. He is survived by three sons and four daughters, who are: Messrs. W. M. and R. M. Weatherly, of this city; John Weatherly, of Washington; Mrs. J. M. Phipps, Mrs. George Hackett, Mrs. C. O. Reynolds and Mrs. George Forsyth. He also leaves four half-brothers—Messrs. J. A., J. P., J. L. and Frank Allred.

The funeral and interment took place yesterday afternoon at Alamance Presbyterian church, of which Mr. Weatherly had been a member for many years. The services were conducted by the pastor, Rev. Dr. E. C. Murray, and were attended by a large congregation of sorrowing relatives and friends.

FATALLY INJURED IN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT.

Mr. Alfred M. Ellison, whose home was in the vicinity of Staley, died yesterday morning at 2.30 o'clock at St. Leo's hospital from injuries sustained in an automobile accident about 5 o'clock Saturday afternoon. Mr. Ellison, accompanied by Mr. Chauncey Allred, of Liberty, was returning home from Greensboro in his automobile and when about six miles out of the city, on the Pleasant Garden road, something went wrong with the steering gear. The machine ran into an embankment on the side of the road and turned turtle. Mr. Ellison was pinned beneath the machine, the steering wheel crushing his breast. Mr. Allred escaped with a broken collar bone.

Medical aid was summoned and both men were brought to St. Leo's hospital as quickly as possible. An operation was performed on Mr. Ellison in an effort to save his life, but it was realized from the first that his chances for recovery were very slight.

Mr. Ellison was 65 years old and is survived by a son, A. M. Ellison, Jr., of Montgomery, Ala., and a sister, Mrs. Minnie Hackney, of Durham. He was a nephew of Mr. J. A. Odell, of this city.

Released Under Bond.

A. A. Jenkins, who cut and seriously wounded M. M. Mays in a fight on South Elm street last Tuesday morning and was committed to jail pending the result of the wounded man's injuries, was given his liberty Saturday under a bond of \$250. Dr. W. J. Meadows, who is attending Mays at St. Leo's hospital, made affidavit before Judge S. Glenn Brown, of the Municipal court, that his patient had passed the danger point and would recover. Judge Brown set the preliminary hearing for Monday, May 3, a week from today.

Mr. J. H. Heath, of the Pleasant Garden community, paid The Patriot a brief visit Saturday afternoon.

BELOVED WOMAN PASSES TO HER FINAL REWARD.

Miss Rhoda M. Worth, an aged and greatly beloved woman, died shortly after 7 o'clock Friday morning at the old Worth home, on Worth avenue. She had been confined to a bed of affliction for many weeks, suffering from the effects of a stroke of paralysis. She realized the seriousness of her condition from the beginning of her illness and awaited the end with patient resignation.

Miss Worth was a remarkable woman in many ways and during her long life left an impress for good upon thousands of people. She was born in Guilford county 78 years ago, the daughter of Hiram and Phoebe Worth, staunch representatives of the pioneer stock of Quakers who performed well their part in making Guilford county a happy, peaceful and prosperous place of abode.

Miss Worth was educated at the Greensboro Seminary, the predecessor of Greensboro Female College, and New Garden Boarding School, now Guilford College. Upon completing her education she became a school teacher, and for half a century or more was one of the best known instructors of the youth in this section of the state.

It was as a Christian, however, that Miss Worth's life shined brightest. She grew up in the faith of the Society of Friends and was ever active in the work of the church. Until prevented by physical disability, she was a faithful attendant upon the services of the church and delighted to minister wherever she felt she was needed among the people surrounding her.

Miss Worth is survived by two brothers—Messrs. William H. Worth, with whom she had resided for a number of years, and Mr. Joseph S. Worth, of the county.

The funeral was held at Asheboro Street Friends church Saturday afternoon, the services being conducted by the pastor, Rev. Fred E. Smith, in the presence of many beloved relatives and friends. The body was conveyed to Guilford College and interred in the Friends burying ground at that place.

ADDRESS BY FAMOUS SUNDAY SCHOOL WORKER.

The closing session for the present season of the Greensboro training school for Sunday school workers was held Thursday night in West Market Street Methodist church and was featured by an address by Mr. Marion Lawrence, of Chicago, general secretary of the International Sunday School Association.

Mr. Lawrence said that during the past winter more than 80 cities in America have had such training schools as the one in Greensboro and explained that this kind of work has grown because the leaders of Sunday school work everywhere have come to see that training is essential to success. "The time is coming when no first-class Sunday school will trust a class to a teacher who has not had definite training for the task," the speaker declared.

The Sunday school army is the largest army in the world enrolled under one banner, and the world is just beginning to awake to its greatness and its power. Striking statistics were used in this connection, bringing out in a forceful array the figures of Sunday school progress. There are over 30,000,000 enrolled; 1,600 join every day; an average of 1,000 a day come from the Sunday school into the church.

Criminal Court in Session.

A week's criminal term of Guilford Superior court convened this morning at 9.30 o'clock. There are about 100 cases on the docket awaiting trial and it is hardly possible that all of them will be disposed of during the term. The case of greatest importance is that against two negroes, Ed. Walker, and Jeff. Dorsett, who are charged with the murder of Mr. John Swaim, of Pleasant Garden, who was killed near South Buffalo creek on the evening of January 20. This case is expected to be taken up Thursday. Mr. Charles A. Hines is attorney for the defendants.

The two-weeks civil term of court adjourned Saturday afternoon. In the suit brought against the Southern Railway by Philip Nelson for \$25,000 damages for alleged permanent injuries the jury awarded the plaintiff \$6,500.

600,000 NEW GERMAN TROOPS

ANOTHER BIG EFFORT TO BREAK THROUGH ALLIED LINES IN THE WEST.

The German rushes in Flanders and the Woevre, where they claim considerable successes, are believed to be forerunners of another big effort to break through the allied lines in the west. For many days Belgium has been sealed from the observation of neutrals, while German reinforcements are being moved to the south to take part in the new offensive, which they hope is to carry them to Calais. The attack in Flanders, originally levelled at the French, has been transferred to the British lines held by the Canadians, on the immediate right of the French, and here for two days the men from the Dominion have been engaged in a deadly contest with the Germans. The Germans claim further progress toward Ypres and that British counter-attacks have been repulsed. The French, on the other hand, declare the allies' counter-attacks continue with success and that the British hold all their positions and repeat the charge that the Germans are using bombs containing asphyxiating gases.

It is believed that a half million new German troops have reached Flanders and that more guns and material are to be used than were provided for the original attempts to destroy the allied armies in the west—attempts which met with failure both in August and in October.

In the meantime the eastern front is enjoying a period of comparative calm, except in the mid-Carpathians, where the Russians continue to attack the Austrians in Uzsook pass and to the eastward, where the Austrians and Germans are trying to crush the Russian flank. Both sides report successes.

Operations in the Dardanelles still are apparently confined to the bombardment of the Turkish entrenchments, while preparations are being made for landing the allied forces, part of which is already on Turkish territory, at Enos and other points.

Italy and Greece continue to debate what steps, if any, they will take, and Roumania, it is believed, waits on Italy's decision. It is stated that Austrian and German diplomats at Rome are prepared to recommend acceptance of Italy's terms, but are waiting for instructions from Vienna, which has the last word.

Greece, too, is considering terms, which, however, come from the allies, and Athens is torn by divided opinion.

Another Engagement Near Ypres.

That a severe engagement has taken place near Ypres is confirmed by official reports, but these are so contradictory that the actual result of the preliminary fighting is not known. It would appear, however, that following their loss of Hill No. 60 and their failure to recapture it, the Germans have begun an offensive from the northeast against the Anglo-French line in front of Ypres, the scene of such bloody battles last autumn, and also against the Belgian line farther west.

The Germans claim they drove the allies back to the Ypres canal, taking 1,600 British and French prisoners and a number of guns. The French admit that the allies had to fall back, but declare this was due to the use by the Germans of asphyxiating gas bombs. Paris asserts that in counter-attacks the allies took many German prisoners and that the Belgians repulsed German attacks. It is believed that these operations are only the beginning of another battle of Ypres.

Although a dispatch from Holland gives a rumor that the Germans are about to fall back to the Liege line, to have troops ready for possible use against Italy, should Italy join the allies, it is considered more likely in military circles that the Germans will give battle where they are, preferring to be the first to attack, having learned from recent experiences that it is difficult to hold the strongest positions when an extremely heavy cannonade is directed against them.

Both Sides Claim Victory.

Fighting continues in the Woevre and here also both the French and Germans claim successes. The French in this region seemingly still are on the offensive and apparently determined to attempt further to squeeze the German wedge which has its apex at St. Mihiel.

The prediction of a naval battle

in the North sea, based on reports from Scandinavia of activity by the warships, the prohibition of shipping between England and Holland, by the British admiralty and the announcement from the German admiralty that the German high seas fleet several times lately has been out in the North sea without encountering British ships, is causing much discussion.

There again have been reports of Zeppelin airships making their appearance along the northeast coast of England. These reports lack confirmation. No bombs have been dropped on the coast towns and it is thought probable that if Zeppelins again have been along the North sea coast it was for the purpose of reconnoitering for the German fleet.

GREENSBORO'S FIRE LOSS LAST YEAR WAS SMALL.

Mr. F. N. Taylor, chief of the Greensboro fire department, has just compiled and submitted to the city commissioners a detailed report of the department for the year 1914. The total fire loss in Greensboro during the year was \$44,272.46 on property valued at \$252,174. This is considered a very good showing and reflects credit upon the efficiency of the fire department.

Chief Taylor recommends that the department be equipped with motor-drawn apparatus entirely, saying this would both add to the efficiency of the department and decrease operating expenses. A portion of the report follows:

"With the growth of the city the number of alarms has greatly increased over the preceding years, this year having reached 105 alarms, the largest number ever recorded in the history of the department for a single year. There were 67 bell alarms and 38 phone alarms.

"I wish to lay particular stress in this report to the importance of putting the whole department as rapidly as possible on a motor-drawn basis. The efficiency of the department could be increased 100 per cent if it were possible at this time to supply every hose-drawn piece of apparatus with a modern motor-drawn equipment.

"During the year the fire truck has answered 105 alarms, at a cost of \$69.22 for oil, general repair and surplus gas.

"The cost of feed for four horses for one year is \$720. This fire truck will do the work of six horses. Four horses were taken out of service when we bought the new fire truck.

"At present the equipment of the department consists of one hook and ladder, three hose wagons, two steamers and one triple combination auto hose wagon and pump."

FIELD DAY EVENTS AT STATE NORMAL COLLEGE.

Friday at the State Normal and Industrial College was given over to field day events by the several classes, and a varied and interesting program was carried out. The exercises began shortly after 9 o'clock with marches by the students in class divisions. The freshmen were awarded the prize for displaying the greatest originality in the march.

The second event was a Swedish drill, in which the seniors carried off the honors.

There were a number of athletic events, including the hurdles, throwing the baseball, the 80-yard dash, the hop, step and jump and a relay race. The young ladies acquitted themselves well and showed that they had received splendid athletic training.

A silver trophy cup was awarded to the junior class for winning the greatest number of the day's honors.

An event of the day that may or may not have been on the set program was a baseball game between two teams of students known as "Ugly Ducklings" and "Spring Chickens." There was a great deal of rooting, and when the game was called at the end of the third inning the score stood 6 to 4 in favor of the "Ugly Ducklings."

The strenuous and happy day was brought to a close with an outdoor supper in Peabody park.

J. P. Bunch, a worthy and industrious colored farmer of Summerfield Route 2, called at The Patriot office Saturday and left his subscription to the paper.

Mr. H. A. Whiteley, of Greensboro Route 6, was among Saturday's callers at The Patriot office.

CONTESTS OF THE EAST CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOLS.

The contests and track meet of the state high schools of the east central division held in this city Friday night and Saturday attracted many visitors. The program opened Friday night with the recitation contest at the State Normal and Industrial College and the declamation contest at the Y. M. C. A.

Miss Bessie Woodruff, of the Walnut Grove high school, was awarded the medal as the winner of the recitation contest. The subject of her recitation was "Mamma's Lil' Boy." There were seven other contestants, of whom two were from Guilford—Miss Nellie Haynes, of the Jamestown high school, and Miss Louise Rankin, of the Pleasant Garden high school.

The medal for the best declamation was awarded to Frank Upchurch, of the Cary high school. There were ten contestants for this honor, the Jamestown high school furnishing one in the person of Newlin Hodgkin.

The spelling contest resolved itself into an unbreakable tie between Wade Hussey, of the Farmer high school, and Miss Blanche Farlow, of the Trinity high school, both of Randolph county.

Miss Vivian Hayworth, of the Jamestown high school, was declared the winner of the contest in composition.

The track meet was held at the baseball park Saturday morning and the following events were pulled off: 100-yard dash, pole vault, high jump, 220-yard dash, 44-yard dash, shot put and broad jump. The Friendship high school, of Alamance county, carried off first honors in all the events, the total scores being: Friendship, 54 points; Siler City, 9; Pleasant Garden, 4.

The girls' basketball teams from Chapel Hill, Friendship, Jamestown and Summerfield engaged in an elimination contest at the State Normal and Industrial College Saturday forenoon, the honors going to Chapel Hill and Jamestown. These two teams played a match game in the afternoon, Chapel Hill winning by a score of 22 to 5.

Saturday afternoon the baseball teams of the Jamestown and Summerfield schools played a five-inning game at Cone park. Summerfield winning by a score of 3 to 2.

VIRGIL SCOTT DIED IN NEW HOME IN TEXAS.

Mr. Virgil A. Scott, a well known citizen of northern Guilford, who left a month ago Friday to make his future home in Houston, Tex., died in that city last Thursday morning. The first intimation his friends and relatives here had of his illness was the message announcing his death.

The body reached Greensboro early yesterday afternoon, accompanied by Mr. Charles McNairy, a brother-in-law of the deceased, who went with Mr. Scott to Texas. The remains were conveyed to Center church, in Center Grove township, where the funeral and interment took place. The funeral was in charge of the Woodmen of the World, of which Mr. Scott was a member, and was attended by a great throng of people. Rev. T. B. Johnson, pastor of the church, conducted the services.

Mrs. Scott is ill in Houston and was unable to accompany the remains of her husband home.

S. G. Otwell Injured.

Mr. S. G. Otwell, a well known citizen of Summer township, was brought to St. Leo's hospital yesterday suffering from serious injuries received early in the day, when a mule he was driving attempted to run away. Accompanied by his daughter, Miss Myrtle, and Miss Winnie Coble, Mr. Otwell had started to Sunday school at Center church and had proceeded a short distance when the mule hitched to the buggy attempted to run. Mr. Otwell held tightly to the reins, and when the mule found it inconvenient to run, it began to kick. The young ladies jumped out of the buggy and escaped injury further than slight bruises and shock. When Mr. Otwell jumped from the vehicle he fell and sustained serious injuries, including a broken rib. At the hospital he is reported to be resting as well as could be expected.

Mr. D. L. Hodgkin, of Randleman Route 1, gave The Patriot the pleasure of a call while in the city Saturday.