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## LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF

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

**Theater Season Coming.**—It is announced that the theater season in Greensboro will open September 3 with the comedy "When Dreams Come True" as the opening bill.

**To Meet Here.**—The Primitive Baptist Association of this section will meet in the church here next Saturday and will last three days. The public is invited to attend the services.

**Summer School Closes.**—The summer school of the A. & T. College for negroes closed Friday evening with a musical. The enrollment was large and included students from every section in the South.

**Death of Child.**—Mary Lee, the infant child of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Dalton, died at the home of her parents on Randolph avenue Friday afternoon. The funeral was held Saturday and interment was in Greene Hill cemetery.

**Many Dogs Licensed.**—Licenses for 700 dogs in the city have been issued which, it is believed, is the larger part of the dogs in town. The police are on the look out for owners who are evading the law or neglecting to get license.

**Coble Reunion Wednesday.**—Quite a number of people from Greensboro will attend the reunion of the Coble family at Coble's church Wednesday. There will be several addresses and a big picnic dinner. This is the second annual reunion of the family.

**Will Unveil Monument.**—The monument erected by the Woodmen of the World in honor of Mr. V. A. Scott, at Center church, near Sumnerfield, will be unveiled the fifth Sunday in this month. The hour has not been fixed, but will probably be 4 P. M.

**Will Teach Spanish.**—Mrs. Jobita Thompson, of High Point, has been elected to the faculty of the Greensboro high school. She will teach Spanish. Mrs. Thompson was brought up in Mexican court circles, where pure Spanish was spoken. She came to High Point to teach Spanish to salesmen.

**Landmark Going.**—The old Mendenhall building on West Washington street, opposite Grace M. P. church, is being torn down. This is one of the old houses of the city. It at one time faced the McAdoo hotel, but was turned toward Washington street when the stores opposite the McAdoo hotel were built.

**Milk Tests Good.**—The semi-monthly milk tests last week by City Inspector Hornaday showed that the milk being sold in Greensboro is of much better quality than it was a few weeks ago. All showed that the milk had more than 3.25 butter fat, the legal standard in this state. Two or three dairies showed a high count of bacteria.

**W. O. Jessup Dead.**—Mr. William O. Jessup, formerly of Greensboro, died in New York Thursday. He was a son of the late W. S. Jessup, who was for many years with the Guilford hotel here. He was associated with Mr. P. E. Page, also a former Greensboro man, in the wholesale business in New York. The funeral was held at Fayetteville Friday.

**Picnic at Gethsemane.**—The annual children's day service and picnic took place at Gethsemane church Saturday. The morning was given over to the program by the children. At noon a picnic dinner was enjoyed. In the afternoon, Mr. Charles A. Hines, of Greensboro, spoke to the audience. His subject was "The Life of Self and the Life of Service."

**Death of Baby.**—Following a brief illness little Margaret Esther, the five-months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. West, died at the home of her parents, 38 Vine street, Proximity, Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The funeral was held Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the home, Rev. A. R. Bell conducting the services. Interment was in Proximity cemetery.

**Piano Sale.**—Prof. C. J. Brockmann has an advertisement elsewhere in this issue of the Patriot announcing that his third annual piano sale will begin Saturday, August 21, at 114 East Washington street, in the McAdoo hotel annex. The stock will consist of a number of splendid new instruments which will be sold very low for quick disposal. If you are interested in the purchase of a piano, look up the advertisement and then communicate with Prof. Brockmann.

**Hurt in Collision.**—Charles Irvin, a young white man, was painfully if not seriously injured in a collision between his motorcycle and an automobile driven by a Mr. Thompson Friday afternoon. The accident occurred at the intersection of West Washington and Ashe streets. Mr. Irvin was carried uptown for treatment. His motorcycle was badly damaged.

**Mr. Simkin to Speak.**—Following are appointments for Rev. R. L. Simkin, a returned missionary of the Friends church: Spring Garden Street Friends church, Tuesday night; High Point, Wednesday night; Deep River quarterly meeting, Thursday, 11 o'clock; Springfield, Sunday at 11 o'clock; Center, Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, and at the Asheboro Street church Sunday night.

**Rieves-Lassiter.**—Miss Blanche Rieves was married to Mr. Jesse C. Lassiter Thursday evening at 7 o'clock at the home of the bride's parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. T. Rieves, on Arlington street. Rev. R. D. Sherrill officiated. Only a few friends were present. The groom is well known here. Mr. and Mrs. Lassiter left on train No. 35 for Cleveland county to spend a honeymoon of several weeks. They will make their home in Madison, where Mr. Lassiter has been elected principal of the high school.

**Mr. Harold Goes to Lynn.**—Rev. E. J. Harold, former pastor of the Friends church here and secretary of the Social Welfare League, has accepted a call to a Friends church in Lynn, Mass. He and his family are now at Roaring Gap. They will stop over here the latter part of the month on their way to Lynn. Mr. Harold came here in August, 1911, from Worcester, Mass. He served the church a little over a year and resigned to become secretary of the Inter-Church Association, which later became the Social Welfare League. He and his family have made many friends here. Mr. Harold is a very efficient church and social service worker.

**Will Raise Funds.**—President Henry A. Page, of Aberdeen, of the North Carolina publicity bureau, met with Mr. J. C. Forester, secretary of the chamber of commerce, of this city, and Mr. Blon H. Butler in the offices of the chamber here last week. They discussed the plans of a more mature organization of the bureau with especial emphasis laid upon the financing of the society. Mr. Butler has been employed as field man for the bureau and will spend his time from now on in visiting the business men of the state in the interest of the bureau. Money will be solicited and it is expected to shortly raise \$5,000 or more for the beginning of the advertising abroad of the resources of the state.

**TRAGIC DEATH OF MR. CARTER AT KERNERSVILLE.**

A tragic death occurred at Kernersville Tuesday night when Mr. James Carter, aged 50 years, was caught under a freight train immediately in front of the railway station. Mr. Carter, with three of his children, had attended services at the Methodist Episcopal church and on returning home, approached the station just as a through freight came in. A lantern was being carried by the children, who on seeing the train, rushed across the tracks. The father, however, not knowing that they were safe and being blinded by the headlight, ran frantically after the children.

He was caught by the engine and dragged about 30 feet before his body was drawn under the wheels. The train then proceeded several yards before it could be stopped.

Several persons were on the railroad and saw the accident, but were unable to reach Mr. Carter before he had been horribly mangled. Life was extinct when his body was removed from the tracks.

The funeral services were conducted Wednesday afternoon at Oak Ridge by Rev. C. P. Goode, pastor of the M. E. church there, of which the deceased was a member. The interment was in the Oak Ridge cemetery. Mr. Carter is survived by a wife and eight children, the oldest of whom is only 13 years of age.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Vanstony and daughters, Misses Ruth and Janie, have returned from a trip to the Panama-Pacific exposition.

Miss Edna Moffitt is visiting friends in Ramseur.

## YEARLY MEETING CLOSES

**THE 218th ANNUAL SESSION OF FRIENDS OF STATE WAS FULL OF INTEREST.**

The 218th Yearly Meeting of the Friends of North Carolina came to a close today. Today's sessions consisted of a meeting at 8 o'clock of the committee on ministry and oversight and the closing business session at 9 o'clock.

Yesterday was the big day of the Yearly Meeting. Hundreds upon hundreds of automobiles and other vehicles brought thousands of people to Guilford College for the big day of the session.

The overflow service in the meeting house was featured by the sermon of Rev. Sylvester Newlin, of High Point.

At 2:30 o'clock in Memorial hall J. Waldo Woody talked on "Giving Christ First Place in Our Lives."

In the meeting house Eli Reece, of Greensboro, presided, and Adelbert Wood, of New Hampshire, was the speaker.

The night service was conducted by Rev. Robert L. Simkin.

Yesterday's services began with a meeting at 8:30 o'clock presided over by Mr. Davis Brannon, of Mt. Airy. The sermon was by Alvin Barrett. The 9:45 service was devoted to "Peace." The speakers were Dr. Tomlinson, of Germantown; Walter Haviland, of Philadelphia, and Robert L. Simkin.

Following the Bible schools two services were held. That in Memorial hall was conducted by Dr. Thomas Newlin. Walter W. Haviland delivered the discourse at this meeting.

Saturday was given over to the affairs of Guilford College. The report of the trustees was a splendid one. Charles F. Tomlinson and J. Van Lindley were re-elected trustees.

The meetings are being presided over by Dr. L. L. Hobbs, presiding clerk, with Joseph H. Peele, of the college faculty, reading clerk, Mary M. Petty, of Greensboro, recording clerk, and Eli Reece, of Greensboro, announcing clerk.

A thing that is always looked forward to by Friends at each year's meeting is the reading of the London General Epistle from the Yearly Meeting held in that city each year from May 19 to 26. A committee is appointed each year to receive and examine the letter and to make extracts of the message from the church on the other side of the Atlantic to be read before the North Carolina meeting. Louis McFarland was appointed chairman of the committee last year and the letter was read to the congregation Wednesday morning by Joseph H. Peele. The reading of the letter was listened to with intense interest and called for a number of discussions, among them being by Dr. Thomas Newlin, the newly elected president of Guilford College, who said that to his mind the letter could not be called one bearing a message of war but on the other hand one full of love and faith in God. Mary E. Woody, in a few words, declared that one could not help but have the impressions that have been made through the newspapers that the English Friends have repudiated their doctrine of peace allayed by hearing read such a message as that conveyed in the epistle.

Following the brief word picture of the horrible European conflict that has gone so contrary to the teachings that are laid down in the codes of the church of the Friends which were inculcated in them from the time of George Fox in England and William Penn, the father of peace in this country, the letter pleads to Friends everywhere to stand in the faith of Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace, and combine in bringing about an end to the conflict by putting their trust in "The Lord God Omnipotent."

The letter laments the fact that a number of their members are actively supporting war that they really detest as much as anyone, but on the other hand they are encouraged to know that a bulk of their young men are prepared to refuse military service of any kind, as well as the outspoken willingness of many women Friends to accept all consequences involved in the taking of their position. The letter in full will be published in the next set of minutes of this meeting.

One of the interesting sermons of the Yearly Meeting was preached by Robert L. Simkin, of New York city, a missionary to China for the past nine years.

Mr. and Mrs. Simkin have been in New York the past year, where he has been doing work in Union Theological seminary and Columbia university. They went to China as missionaries a little more than nine years ago and will return in October. Mr. Simkin is a teacher in the West China Union university at Chengtu, in the province of Szechwan, near Tibet. The story of their trip to China and some of the things as they exist there are related in a very interesting manner by Mr. Simkin.

The services began Friday with a meeting for worship at 8:30 a. m., and the sermon was preached by F. E. Smith, pastor of the Asheboro Street Friends' church, of Greensboro.

The 10 o'clock service was opened with scripture reading by John Kendall, of Indiana, following which there was a number of short talks by several members of the congregation. Reports from different committees were read and several new committees appointed. At this service Alfred J. Griffin, of High Point, president of the Negro Normal and Industrial Institute, which is under the care of the Friends' Society of New York city, made a short but interesting talk on the work that is being done at the school.

One of the largest crowds that has assembled at any one of the meetings was out Friday evening at 8 o'clock to hear the address by Thomas Newlin, the newly elected president of the college, on the subject, "The Challenge and Opportunity of Youth."

Friday evening from 7 o'clock until 8 the young people of the New Garden Monthly gave a social in honor of the young Friends in attendance at the meeting. The social was held on the campus and, with the cooling breezes and the beautiful green carpet of grass, the hour was all that could be desired. Games were played and a refreshment course was served during the latter part of the hour.

Among the prominent visitors who have registered are: J. Robert Parker, Graham; Thomas F. Andrew, Staley; Eli Reece, Greensboro; James R. Jones, Lexington; Ada E. Lee, Greensboro; Jeremiah S. Cox, Greensboro; J. T. Chappell, Belvidere; Wade Adams, Yadkinville; David E. Samson, Winston-Salem; Louis McFarland, High Point; Sylvester Newlin, High Point; George J. Walker, Archdale; Davis Brannon, Mt. Airy; Alvin C. Barrett, Goldsboro; F. E. Smith, Greensboro; Prof. and Mrs. J. Waldo Woody, of Wilmington College, Wilmington, Ohio; Prof. Walter Haviland, Lansdowne, Pa.; John Kendall, Danville, Ind.; S. Adelbert Wood, Tamworth, N. H.; Dr. W. H. Tomlinson, of Swarthmore, Pa.; J. N. Elliott, Fairmount, Ind.; Helle Elliott, Richmond, Ind.; J. Elwood Cox, High Point; Prof. D. D. Carroll, of Mizpah; Mr. and Mrs. J. Gurney Briggs, of High Point; S. H. Mendenhall, High Point; L. U. Perkins, Goldsboro; R. W. Frazier, Troy; A. F. Zachary, Snow Camp; J. B. Griffin, Woodland; Emma Blair, High Point; Flemming Martin, Dobson; Henry E. Horton, Greensboro; Mrs. E. E. Mendenhall and Q. E. Petty, Greensboro, and Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Williams, Concord.

**Will Have Moonlight Schools.**

The people of Davidson county are deeply interested in the moonlight school movement and many are volunteering every day as teachers.

The county board of education in session Monday passed a resolution endorsing the movement and authorizing County Superintendent P. L. Freezer to do everything in his power to assist in pushing the movement into every school district in the county.

The moonlight school committee will have a big rally in Lexington Saturday, August 28.

**Burlington Company is Doing Well.**

Mr. R. W. Curtis has just returned from the western part of the state where he has closed contracts for several steel bridges, one 180x12, with 60 feet of steel approach; one 131x18, with 80 feet of steel approach; one 64x18, all in concrete foundations. The foregoing was in Swain county. Mr. Curtis also closed contract in Haywood county for one 108x60 feet spans, on concrete masonry. The bridge plant here is now busily engaged in getting out a number of nice bridges for McDowell county. It is the intention of Mr. Curtis to start a night force in order to keep up with the numerous orders he is receiving.—Burlington News.

## IN ACCORD WITH WILSON

**HOWEVER, PAN-AMERICAN CONFERENCE HAS NO PLANS FOR HANDLING MEXICO.**

The Pan-American conference, considering means to restore peace to Mexico, adjourned Friday after having developed no divergence of opinion as to its general purposes, but leaving undecided the exact course to be pursued. It will re-assemble in New York probably early this week.

Meanwhile the Latin-American diplomats will communicate with their governments and Secretary Lansing will confer with President Wilson. Two days of conferences and hearing reports have brought all the participants in accord with President Wilson's general plan, which is premised on the fact that the great majority of the people of Mexico desire peace. The conferees were impressed that while the armed forces are in position to keep the country in a state of turmoil, they are nevertheless only a small proportion of the people of Mexico.

While all the participants have signified their willingness to co-operate with the president's plan to induce the military factions to enter another peace conference, the South Americans are not sanguine of success unless some way can be found for elimination of the military leaders and the recognition of all classes in Mexico.

It is realized that there are questions of vast moment, when considered in the light of Mexico's international obligations, and the responsibilities of the nations which are preparing to sponsor her rehabilitation, that cannot be determined in any brief conferences, but must be the subject of deliberation.

Foremost is the extent to which the claims of the military chiefs shall be considered, and what concessions between them can be arranged. One development which emphasized the feature was the dispatch of Maj. Gen. Scott, chief of staff of the army on the Mexican border, to confer with Gen. Villa.

The war department refused to comment on Gen. Scott's mission. After a conference between Gen. Scott and Secretary Lansing and Acting Secretary Breckinridge, of the war department, it was said the general was going to readjust the American forces in the light of recent developments which have threatened attacks on border towns. It was generally believed, however, that Gen. Scott, in whom Gen. Villa has expressed confidence and to whom he often has turned for advice, will outline to the northern chieftain the need of consideration for the other factions. This was taken to indicate that some of the conferees were impressed that the military successes and the extent of territory conquered by Gen. Carranza would entitle him to a greater measure of consideration than Gen. Villa has been inclined to admit.

In the conference were Secretary Lansing, Paul Fuller, President Wilson's unofficial adviser in Mexican affairs, and the diplomatic representatives of Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Bolivia, Uruguay and Guatemala. At the conclusion of a session lasting three hours Secretary Lansing said there was nothing to be announced except that the conference would be continued in New York. He will notify the diplomats when he is ready to resume. New York, he said, was selected for the convenience of the diplomats, many of whom have summer places near there.

There was no change in the first step to send final representations to the military leaders, and to General Carranza in particular demanding for the sake of the millions of non-combatants, that they form a new government that can be recognized and supported by the American nations and the world.

An alternative proposes the selection of a strong man for president whom a majority of the people would support. One who has not been engaged in the civil warfare would be insisted upon.

Involved in such a plan are many obstacles, but it was agreed that they are surmountable. That the plan might necessitate an embargo on munitions of war to any faction which refuses to recognize the new government is probable.

Rumors that a breach had occurred over personalities were emphatically denied and it was said the dis-

cussion had not yet reached the stage where the presidency was being considered. The status of General Carranza and General Villa was freely considered and debated. The fact that Carranza has refused to confer with his adversaries whom he considers conquered was discussed.

Questions of international law, various provisions of the Mexican constitution and the probability that many of Carranza's adherents might not follow him into defiance of a genuine Pan-American effort to restore peace and government in their country, are to be carefully studied before the final program is determined.

## JUDGE BOYD ALLOWS RELEASE OF MCCOY.

Judge James E. Boyd, of the United States court for the western district of North Carolina, sitting at Asheville, upon a preliminary hearing in the case of the United States government against Thomas C. McCoy, charged with conspiracy to defraud the United States in connection with the operation of the Casper and other distilleries in Arkansas and Missouri, Friday dismissed the warrant of arrest and discharged the defendant on the ground that the record of the bill of indictment at Fort Smith, Ark., was imperfect, and that the government had introduced no evidence whatever in its effort to show cause why the defendant should be taken to Fort Smith for trial on the charges named.

Judge Boyd in disposing of the case held that although the indictment against McCoy was sufficient in form and substance, there was not certified any record to show that a criminal term of court had been held at Fort Smith with a judge presiding, that any grand jury had been sworn and empaneled, or that the indictment had ever been returned to court by a grand jury sworn and empaneled.

The government rested its case against McCoy by offering this bill of indictment, whereupon the court held that there was no evidence, dismissed the warrant and discharged the defendant.

Judge Boyd then stated to the attorneys for the government that he was ready to hear the case upon the affidavit and warrant, and that they might introduce any testimony in their possession tending to show probable cause against McCoy as to the offenses charged in the copy of the indictment. The government, however, declined to present any evidence further than to offer the copy of the indictment returned at Fort Smith.

McCoy's arrest followed the returning of the bills by the Fort Smith grand jury some weeks ago against a large number of defendants in various sections of the country wherein the government alleged that it had lost millions of dollars through distilling frauds which evaded the payment of taxes. Defendants who have been indicted and arrested in connection with the alleged frauds include:

Knox Booth, of Nashville; James Serber, of Atlanta; John L. Casper, of Fort Smith; Fred Bowles, of Oklahoma City; J. B. Thomas, of Millner, Ga.; S. L. Williams, of McDowell county, North Carolina; Newton C. Spradley, of Springfield, Mo.; J. Henry Brown, of Fort Smith, and Moses P. Brock, of Davie county, North Carolina.

## PICNIC FOR CANNING CLUBS NEXT SATURDAY.

Miss Grace Schaeffer is planning a picnic for all the canning clubs of the county to be given at the Battle Ground next Saturday, August 14. Members of the boys' corn clubs are also invited to meet with the young women. There is a probability that T. E. Browne, of the state department of agriculture, Raleigh, will be present for a talk. There will be an appetizing basket dinner, and those who do not expect to enjoy themselves had best not go.

Miss Schaeffer is in receipt of a letter from Mrs. T. N. Sellars, her assistant at Brightwood, who writes that a very good meeting of the club of that vicinity was held at her home last week. The members put up over 100 cans of tomatoes, besides making a quantity of catsup and grape juice. This is considered an exceedingly good record for a day for amateur workers.

## Mrs. R. W. H. Stone and daughter, Miss Myra, are spending some time at Piedmont Springs.