

LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF

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

Federal Court.—Judge James E. Boyd left last night for Charlotte, where today he opens the regular fall term of United States District court.

To Borrow \$25,000.—The city council of High Point has voted to borrow \$25,000 at 5 per cent to take up outstanding indebtedness against the city now drawing 6 per cent interest.

Football at Guilford.—Football which has been outlawed at Guilford college for some years, is to be played at the college again this year, though there are to be no inter-collegiate games.

Died Yesterday.—Mrs. Martha Scott, of Reidsville, died yesterday morning at 10 o'clock at St. Leo's hospital. She was 38 years old and is survived by her husband and nine children.

Back From West.—Mr. J. Van Lindley has returned from an extended western trip that included visits to the San Francisco exposition and other points of interest. He was away from home six weeks.

A. W. Council Dead.—Mr. A. W. Council, a well known citizen of High Point, died Thursday night, following an operation for appendicitis. He was 56 years old and is survived by his widow and seven children.

Incorporated.—The undertaking business of Poole & Blue has been incorporated under the name of the Poole and Blue Undertaking Company. The authorized capital is \$25,000 and Mrs. E. Poole and Mr. J. H. Blue are the principal stockholders.

Picnic at Park.—The employees of the maintenance of way department of the Danville division of the Southern Railway enjoyed a picnic at Lindley park yesterday. About 250 men were present, a number of them being accompanied by members of their families.

Defendant Won.—The Superior court jury that heard the damage suit brought by Mr. R. H. Mitchell, of Guilford College, against Mr. J. E. Stroud, of this city, which was in progress when Thursday's Patriot went to press, returned a verdict in favor of the defendant.

Preacher Moves.—Rev. R. P. Walker, who recently resigned the pastorate of Asheboro Street Baptist church, left Friday with his family for Albemarle, where he becomes pastor of the Baptist church at that place. His successor in this city has not been called.

Bryan's Speech.—The subject of William J. Bryan's speech in this city Friday night will be "The European War and Its Lesson to Us." The address will be delivered in the Grand opera house and will begin at 8:30 o'clock. The prices of admission will be 50 cents, 75 cents and \$1.

Founder's Day.—Tomorrow will be observed as founder's day at the State Normal and Industrial College and a program will be carried out in celebration of the twenty-third anniversary of the college. The address of the occasion will be delivered by Dr. E. W. Sykes, dean of the faculty of Wake Forest College.

Moonlight School.—The Entertainment says arrangements are being made for the opening of a moonlight, or night, school in High Point for the purpose of teaching adult illiterates to read and write. Prof. Thornwell Haynes, superintendent of the High Point graded schools, is at the head of the movement.

Former Resident Dead.—Mrs. J. M. Campbell, who formerly resided in Greensboro, died Thursday at her home in Hickory, following a long illness. The body was carried to the former home of the family in Pennsylvania for burial. Mrs. Campbell was the mother of Mrs. Henry Hunt and Mrs. Herbert Fields, of this city.

Aged Woman Dead.—Mrs. Mary R. Rives died Friday morning at 3:30 o'clock at the home of her daughter, Mrs. C. W. Buchanan, on South Elm street. She was 84 years old and had been in feeble health for some time. She is survived by three daughters and a son, who are: Mrs. Buchanan, with whom she resided; Mrs. J. Johnson and Mr. J. E. Rives, all of this city, and Mrs. A. D. Suttanfield, of High Point. The funeral was held from Centenary Methodist church, of which Mrs. Rives was a member, Saturday morning at 11 o'clock and interment made in Greene Hill cemetery. Rev. R. D. Sherrill conducted the services.

Deaths and Births.—During the month of September there were 19 deaths in the city, 10 among the white race and nine among the colored. One of the white persons who died was a non-resident. Eight births were reported among the white and nine among the colored people of the city during the past month.

W. H. Johnson Dead.—Mr. W. H. Johnson, of Bear Creek, a half brother of Mr. J. A. Davidson, auditor and road superintendent of Guilford county, died Friday afternoon at St. Leo's hospital, where he had been a surgical patient for a week. Mr. Johnson, who was a prosperous farmer, is survived by his widow and eight children.

Contracts Awarded.—The contracts for the garage building to be erected on West Market street by Mr. W. C. Boren were awarded Friday. Longest & Tessier were given the contract for the erection of the building and the plumbing and heating will be installed by Hunt Brothers & Pettit. The two contracts amount to \$33,500.

Post Graduate Course.—Mr. Allen Adams, a son of Judge Spencer B. Adams, has gone to New York to take a post graduate course in the law college of Columbia University. He was licensed by the Supreme court and admitted to the bar about a year ago and since that time has been taking a post graduate course at Wake Forest College.

Death of Child.—Katherine, the five-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Ham, died Friday morning at the home of the parents on Wainman street, following an illness of ten days. The funeral was held from the home Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock and interment made in Greene Hill cemetery. Rev. Dr. Melton Clark conducted the services.

No Court Next Week.—The members of the bar held a meeting Saturday afternoon and decided not to arrange a calendar for the two-weeks' civil term of Superior court scheduled to convene next Monday. The jurors summoned for the term will be notified by the sheriff not to attend. The next term of court, which will be for the trial of civil cases, will convene the first Monday in November.

Two Babies Dead.—The 12-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. McClung died Friday morning at the home of the parents on Blandwood avenue. The funeral was held from the residence Saturday morning at 10 o'clock and interment made in Greene Hill cemetery. The nine-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Oakley, of White Oak, died Thursday night. The funeral took place Saturday morning and interment was made in the Proximity cemetery.

High Price For Property.—The record price for business property on South Elm street was paid a few days ago, when Mr. L. J. Duffy purchased from Mr. W. H. Stone, Jr., the property adjoining the North Carolina Public Service Company's building on the south for a consideration of \$42,500. The property has a frontage of 41.05 feet and the price paid is a little over \$1,000 a front foot. Mr. Duffy made the purchase for a customer whose identity has not been disclosed.

Declined to Bear a Share.—The city commissioners have declined to bear a share of the expense of installing sand filters to care for the sewage disposal of Guilford College, the work having been ordered done by the state board of health as a protection to Greensboro's watershed. The trustees of the college asked the city to bear half the expense, but the commissioners did not feel disposed to make the expenditure. It is estimated that the installation of the filters will cost about \$2,000.

Not a Candidate.—Mr. L. J. Brandt, who has been strongly endorsed for appointment as postmaster of Greensboro, has decided, for business reasons, not to apply for the position. The retirement of Mr. Brandt leaves the field open to Mr. A. Wayland Cooke, unless some other candidate should appear pretty soon. The term of Postmaster Douglas will expire January 25, 1916, and it is understood to be the purpose of Congressman Stedman to recommend a candidate for the appointment soon after Congress meets in December.

Mr. J. H. Neece has returned from a month's visit to the Pacific coast.

DAMAGE BY THE GULF STORM

198 PEOPLE KILLED AND 180 MISSING—PROPERTY LOSS EXCEEDS \$12,000,000.

Later reports from the tropical hurricane which swept over New Orleans and vicinity Wednesday afternoon and night, an account of which was printed in Thursday's Patriot, show that 198 lives were lost and 180 people are missing. Seven persons were killed in New Orleans and the property loss there is estimated at over \$2,000,000.

The property loss in the area covered by the storm is said to be in excess of \$12,000,000. Weather bureau reports showed that it was the worst storm ever experienced in New Orleans. Attaining at one time a velocity of from 120 to 130 miles an hour, the wind unroofed hundreds of buildings, demolished others and blew down telephone poles, signs, trees and wires.

When the storm's fury had passed the streets were littered with debris. Scarcely a large plate glass window remained intact in the downtown section and many stocks of goods were damaged by wind and rain.

In the Cumberland Telephone Company's exchange, 15 persons, mostly girls, were injured when all the windows in the east front on the floor where they were working crashed in. The maximum velocity of the wind was reported by the weather bureau as between 120 and 130 miles an hour. The wind blew at this rate for one minute, between 5:30 and 6 o'clock at night. The highest sustained velocity was 86 miles, about 5:40 P. M.

For more than seven hours the hurricane swept over the city at a rate of more than 60 miles an hour. The lowest mark registered by the barometer was 28.11 at 5:30 P. M., which, according to local weather bureau officials, is the lowest mark ever registered in the United States.

Police and fire departments were kept busy responding to calls for assistance and investigating reports of collapsed buildings. Two hundred young women were removed by the police in automobiles and police vehicles from a cigar factory threatened with destruction just before nightfall. They were housed in the criminal court's building until the storm abated.

Seventeen Drowned.

Jackson, Miss., Sept. 30.—A report reached here late today by railroad sources that a railroad section foreman and 16 negro section workers were drowned at Manshac, La., a few miles south of Hammond.

Four Deaths at Mobile.

Mobile, Ala., Sept. 30.—Four deaths and some property damage resulted here from the tropical hurricane which struck this section late yesterday. Two men, Albert Fritz and C. D. Smith, were killed by falling electrical wires, and the infant son and daughter of W. A. Barbar met death when the Barbar home was demolished.

Number Drowned at Frenier.

Memphis, Tenn., Sept. 30.—Seven or eight white persons and 17 negroes were drowned and a score more injured at Frenier, La., in yesterday's storm, according to reports to the office of the general superintendent of the Yazoo and Mississippi Valley Railroad here today.

Dynamite on Steamer.

Eight sticks of dynamite were found under some merchandise on the pier of an Italian steamer that was about leaving New York for Italy with 1,700 reservists on board. The conjecture of the police is that somebody undertook to carry the explosive on board, but finding that persons and baggage were critically examined, concluded that he could not get through the lines with the stuff and divested himself of it.

President Orders Economy.

Washington, Oct. 2.—President Wilson has begun to prepare Uncle Sam's pay roll for next year. All of the estimates must be presented to Secretary McAdoo before October 15, so that he can whip them into final shape after they are pared down to the last dollar.

The president has sent word along the line to every cabinet officer that he must keep expenses down to the minimum.

CONDITIONS ARE FAVORABLE

FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD IS OPTIMISTIC IN REPORT FOR THIS DISTRICT.

The federal reserve board has issued a report on business conditions in the fifth district, which includes North Carolina, that is full of hope and encouragement for the optimist. The report says:

"The near approach of the time at which cotton is to move finds general business in this district in a much more favorable position than could have been anticipated three months or more ago. At prices now prevailing for the staple, a large share of the crop will move from first hand, and consequent liquidation of seasonal trade obligations is apt to be in generous volume, either as the result of such actual sales or from the proceeds of loans negotiated upon some percentage of the crop.

"In this district there seems to be no nervousness on the part either of the producer or consumer. All appreciate the practical value of banking facilities now at their command, the absence of which last year so largely contributed to the uncomfortable and excited conditions which prevailed. Not only are collections quite fair for this season of the year, but, what is as essential, orders are being placed for the staples in increasing volume, which will be accentuated should present world conditions be maintained.

"In tobacco the possibility that the central governments in Europe, which have stored in this country a material share of last year's purchase, may not during the present season be in the market as actively as heretofore may later be a depressing influence. Meanwhile leaf prices are holding very well, while manufacturers are busy on favorable terms.

"Cotton milling in several directions is beginning to feel the effect of the absence of a proper supply of dye-stuffs.

"Great improvement is noted in the furniture manufacturing lines, an industry of considerable proportions in this district, the movement helping lumber in some slight degree. Building operations, however, are far below normal.

"Retailers are doing better, and with the advent of cooler weather look for further and pronounced improvement. Labor is fully employed and in some neighborhoods is scarce.

"Coal is continuing to hold the improved position it has gradually been occupying during the past 90 days.

"Banks throughout the district are in an easy position, and in only a relatively few instances, to be found in strictly agricultural sections, is there any evidence of overborrowing. By far the greater number of banks are either rediscounting very modestly or have idle funds awaiting investment.

Heavy Revenue Collections.

A. D. Watts, collector of internal revenue for the fifth North Carolina district, reports that the collections in his district during the month of September amounted to \$1,035,463.23. The source from which this income was derived is as follows:

Tobacco, all forms, \$1,022,556.80; emergency (war) taxes, \$11,257.94; income taxes, corporation and individual, \$1,248.74; fines and penalties imposed, \$246.74; liquor license, \$89.69; and narcotic license and order forms, \$63.41.

This is the largest amount ever collected in the district in one month, and by comparison with the same month last year shows that the collections for the present month exceeded those for September, 1914, by the sum of \$413,775.29, or 66 2-3 per cent.

Governor's Son Turned Back.

Arthur B. Craig, a son of Governor Craig and a member of the sophomore class at the United States Naval Academy, is one of 15 students turned back to the next lower class by order of Secretary of the Navy Daniels for the offense of hazing. Another of the hazers thus punished is a son of Admiral Benson.

Canal Reopening Delayed.

Colonel Harding, acting governor of the Panama canal, has cabled the war department that further earth movements would delay reopening the canal until October 10, or five days longer than had been previously reported.

FAIR MAKING STRONG APPEAL TO FARMERS.

The Central Carolina fair, which will be held October 12-15, will emphasize the development of soil culture in Guilford county and will provide the best sort of advertising for this section. Visitors from a distance who make a practice of judging sections by the showing in exhibitions of this nature cannot help but be impressed by the showing at the local fair, according to those in touch with conditions. There are in Guilford a number of leading farmers who can be counted upon each year to produce the very best of their farms for the exhibition at the fair.

Several of these Guilford men go to Mecklenburg and to the state fair with their exhibits and are winners of the chief notice because of their variety and size. The local fair is this year making a stronger appeal than ever to the farmers and there is a wider, more intelligent interest in the rural districts in the fair. The farmers have come to know that what their lands need is advertising and to recognize the fact that they not only get free advertising by putting their produce on exhibition at the fair but are actually paid premiums for taking advantage of the opportunity.

Mr. Garland Daniel, secretary of the Central Carolina Fair Association, has been spending the past few days in a round of the cities where the fairs are now in progress with an eye to the midway. He has already gone as far as is humanly possible, he thinks, in looking after the other departments for the coming event and the attractions inside the grounds for those who are looking for entertainment and fun is the final consideration. The secretary is not unaware of the demand for clean attractions and he expects to have the very best midway shows in the section on the line at the Central Carolina fair, which is now approaching its dating.

Wireless Talk to Hawaii.

New York, Sept. 30.—That wireless telephone communication from the Atlantic seaboard to Hawaii, a distance of 4,600 miles, is now an accomplished fact, was announced today at the offices of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company. Exceeding even in success the transmission of the human voice from Arlington to Mare Islands, California, a distance of 2,500 miles, accomplished yesterday, it was stated that subsequent experiments had resulted in successful telephone communication between Arlington and the naval radio station at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. The distance over which this wireless communication was held is greater than the distance from New York to London, Paris, Berlin or Rome. The voice had to travel over the whole of the United States, a distance of 2,500 miles, before it encountered the more simple wireless conditions which exist over large bodies of water. For the purpose of this test, it was stated that the receiving was done on small wireless antennae erected by engineers of the telephone company by permission of the naval authorities in the Pearl Harbor station.

May Resort to "Military Ballot."

Lord Kitchener is reported as saying that he prefers volunteering to conscription, but the volunteers are not coming forward fast enough, and unless enlistment is accelerated he would favor what is known in England as the "military ballot." Every district would have a quota of soldiers to raise, and if it did not get enough volunteers the deficit would be made good by drawing lots by all men of military age in the district. The Philadelphia Record thinks if the men of England will not volunteer in sufficient numbers, and resist conscription, they deserve to be conquered by Germany and its system of universal compulsory military service, which is conscription even in time of peace.

Ready to Surrender.

Three former Villa officers, according to an announcement from the Carranza agency in Washington, are en route to Vera Cruz commissioned to arrange for the surrender of many of the chiefs of Villa's army.

The announcement says they are "traveling incognito because Villa is ignorant of their intention and secrecy must be preserved to avoid assassination of such of them as still remain within his reach."

DEPENDENT ON PRAYER ONLY

WOULDN'T PERMIT PHYSICIAN TO ATTEND SICK CHILD AND DEATH FOLLOWED.

William Marion Embler and wife, Charles Plemmons and Lewis Ramson, the last a negro, all of Asheville, were held for trial on a charge of manslaughter following the returning of a true bill by the grand jury Friday in which it is charged that through their refusal to allow physicians to attend 10-year-old Ezra Embler they were responsible for the child's death following a long siege of typhoid fever.

Allegations made by officers are to the effect that they depended on prayer to cure the child and kept physicians from the boy's bedside. Their prayers were continuous by day and night; but the little fellow died.

Bonds for the appearance of the four defendants at the next term of Superior court were named in the sum of \$500 and the three white defendants furnished bail, while the negro went to jail. He refused to employ an attorney, stating that he would depend on prayer to save him. The white people, however, employed counsel.

It is charged that a nurse who was sent to attend the child by the county was unable to perform her work and protect her patient by reason of the loud and boisterous praying of the members of the sect and finally was driven from the house when she demanded that the prayers be less noisy.

The conversion of the four to the strange creed followed an open-air meeting conducted by a visiting minister who based his hope in the future and his protection in the present on prayer.

Martha Washington's Will Returned.

J. P. Morgan has sent to Justice James Keith, president of the Virginia Court of Appeals, to be disposed of by him at his own discretion, the will of Mrs. Martha Washington, taken from Fairfax court house by a Union soldier during the war, and bought by the late J. P. Morgan for his library.

Fairfax Harrison, president of the Southern Railway, was the mediator between Mr. Morgan and Governor Stuart and Justice Keith. The will probably will be placed, by consent, in a fire-proof vault at Mount Vernon. The state of Virginia has a suit pending in the Supreme court of the United States to compel Morgan to return the will. The suit probably will be dropped.

To Test "Blue Sky" Law.

North Carolina's "Blue Sky" law is to be tested through litigation just started in Buncombe Superior court, thence through the Supreme court of the state to the United States Supreme court, according to information received by the state department of insurance. It comes through the case of J. W. Agey and other agents of the Southern Orchards Company, of Tatum county, Ga., arrested in Buncombe and Alamance counties for selling stock in the company without having license from the department of insurance. The agents are out under \$250 bond each and their trial in Buncombe comes up this week.

J. S. Mann For State Treasurer.

J. S. Mann, superintendent of the state penitentiary, has announced his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for state treasurer next year. Mr. Mann said he wants it understood that he will not make any fight on the administration of Treasurer Lacy, and in fact, regards the Lacy administration as above criticism. He proposes a friendly contest on the principle that this office should not be too long monopolized by one person.

Mr. Mann's home is Hyde county. He served four years as superintendent of the penitentiary through appointment of Governor Aycock, was reappointed by Governor Glenn for four years and then dropped out for the four years of the Kitchin administration. He was reappointed when Craig became governor.

600 Saloons Closed.

The increase of \$300 in the New York state retail liquor license fees, which became effective October 1, closed 600 saloons in Manhattan and Brooklyn. The increase brings the cost of a liquor license up to \$1,500.