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CONCORD AND CABARRUS COUNTY.

Marriages and Deaths. Boy Who is Headed for the Penitentiary.

Concord Times Jan. 6th.

Oam Poplin, the 17-year-old boy, got off the chain gang last Saturday after serving a five months sentence, and proceeded to celebrate by getting drunk. He went to the depot and got into a row with a train crew. He was arrested and put in the lock-up. After getting sober he says he remembers nothing about the trouble. He was fined \$32.50.

Mrs. D. M. Black, of No. 10 township, died last Wednesday of pneumonia, aged 50 years. Mrs. Black leaves her husband and six children. She was a sister of Harvey C. Cook.

We learn that Judge G. D. Sutton has bought the Central North Carolinian, the Republican paper, and will soon start the paper up again.

Mrs. M. C. Walter died this morning about 7 o'clock at her home on West Depot street, after an illness of eight days. On Sunday of last week she was stricken with paralysis, and her death was not unexpected.

Charlie Woodside, formerly of Concord, was known to be in Blufffield, W. Va., and his uncle, J. M. Cross, fears he may have been in the mine disaster there last week which killed about 50 people. Nothing has been heard from him.

Albert Faggart, of No. 6, and Miss Margaret Blackwelder, of No. 5, were married here last Sunday, the ceremony being performed by Esq. C. A. Pitts.

As to the Electric Chair.

The sentiment for the establishment of the electric chair in North Carolina as the way to inflict capital punishment and to be substituted for the gallows is fast growing. Another grand jury has just spoken in favor of it, and this has brought forth more favorable comment from people of this State. The establishment of the electric chair would also mean one fixed place for all executions. This matter has been brought up in our legislature before, but never vigorously, and therefore has never had an opportunity of proving whether it could be successful or not. However, the matter will very likely come before the legislature this time, and stands a fine chance of being successful. Within the past two years the people of North Carolina have realized more and more that there should be some other means of inflicting capital punishment than by hanging, and that all executions should take place at one place, the State penitentiary being the natural one under the circumstances. Within that period, too, several States, including Virginia, have adopted the electric chair. North Carolina should do so. First, from a humane standpoint; second, from a financial. All executions are gruesome, but there is no reason why many communities during each year should be distorted by the ghastliness of the hanging, especially when in some cases the privacy prescribed by law is a perfect farce, and there is no reason of placing a county at great expense in order to have an execution.—Raleigh dispatch.

If your Stomach, Heart, or Kidneys are weak, try at least, a few doses only of Dr. Shoop's Restorative. In five or ten days only, the result will surprise you. A few cents will cover the cost. And here is why help comes so quickly. Dr. Shoop doesn't drug the Stomach, nor stimulate the Heart or Kidneys. Dr. Shoop's Restorative goes directly to the weak and failing nerves. Each organ has its own controlling nerve. When these nerves fail, the depending organs must of necessity falter. This plain, yet vital truth, clearly tells why Dr. Shoop's Restorative is so universally successful. Its success is leading druggists everywhere to give it universal preference. A test will surely tell. Sold by Cornelson & Cook.

BARBEE INDICTED.

Is Charged With the Murder of Engineer Holt and Will Have to Stand Trial.

Reuben Barbee, who was discharged two weeks ago by Mayor P. C. Graham because of the insufficiency of the evidence against him, was re-arrested upon the grand jury's finding a true bill against him for the murder of Engineer J. A. Holt, and is again in jail.

Barbee was in the court room at the time of the finding. He was not the least perturbed and went to his cell as he usually does. What new evidence the State has is not known. The case had been thoroughly exploited before and the detective's hand was shown before the trial actually began. This time, if there is anything new, it will probably stay in the keeping of the lawyers until the time of the trial.

Barbee cannot, of course, be tried at this term. The arrest, therefore, means confinement until the May term of court. Whether or not there will be any effort to have him released by habeas corpus proceedings will depend largely upon his lawyers' view of the matter. They are thoroughly convinced that he is not guilty and that the fresh arrest has nothing in it.

The foreman of the grand jury is Dr. W. I. Crawford, professor of philosophy in Trinity College.

Graham Elected Speaker.

On the third ballot and by a vote of 48 to 36 the Democratic caucus of the House tonight elected ex-Judge Augustus W. Graham, of Granville, Speaker of the House branch of the Legislature of 1909, which will convene in biennial session at the Capitol tomorrow at noon, over W. C. Dowd, of Mecklenburg. The balloting was spirited and close, and, although the last choice to be made, excited the liveliest interest and discussion. Judge Graham received votes more than Mr. Dowd on the first ballot and an equal majority on the second. On the third the following of R. H. Hayes, of Chatham, fell away and Judge Graham was elected. At the same time Whitehead Klutz, of Rowan, was chosen as president pro tempore of the Senate, the election being unanimous. On motion Judge Graham's election was also made unanimous.—Raleigh correspondence Charlotte Observer.

Famous Case Will Soon Close.

Both sides concluded testimony today in the case of the eight alleged night-riders on trial for the murder of Captain Quentin Rankin and arguments will begin tomorrow. Just how long it will be before the case reaches the jury is problematical. The court failed to limit the time for argument of counsel, but intimated that he thought a day and a half for each side would be ample. There are five attorneys on either side and not either one is willing to let the case end without making an argument.

The illness of Juror Rossion is causing considerable uneasiness. Should he become too ill to finish the case, a mistrial would result, as the Tennessee laws do not permit the waiving of a single juror. Judge Jones declares that if necessary he will finish the case at the sick man's bedside rather than declare a mistrial.—Union City, Tenn., dispatch.

President Helps Orphans.

Hundreds of orphans have been helped by the President of the Industrial and Orphan's Home at Macon, Ga., who writes: "We have used Electric Bitters in this Institution for nine years. It has proved a most excellent medicine for Stomach, Liver and Kidney troubles. We regard it as one of the best family medicines on earth." It invigorates the vital organs, purifies the blood, aids digestion, creates appetite. To strengthen and build up thin, pale, weak children or run-down people it has no equal. Best for female complaints. Only 50c at all drug stores.

LEXINGTON AND DAVIDSON COUNTY.

Some Careless Shooting. Preacher Charged With Horrible Crime.

Lexington Dispatch, Jan. 6th.

Little Harold Shoaf, son of Mr. and Mrs. David A. Shoaf, on Center street, was the victim of a fearful accident last week, although it now seems that no serious injuries will result. He was shot point blank in the eye with an air rifle, in the hands of a small son of C. C. Burkhardt. The leaden pellet went as straight to the pupil of the eye as it could have gone, and caused intense pain. Shoaf was on one side of the railroad bridge, looking up in a tree for birds, while the Burkhardt boy was on the other side, when he accidentally fired and hit his companion. The distance alone saved the lad's eye sight, and possibly saved his very life.

Monday J. A. Leonard, on behalf of his niece, Miss Minnie Easter Bell, swore out a warrant against "Squire John H. Moyer against the Rev. Zachariah T. Bell, late of this place, but now of Cooleemes, charging him with incest. The young woman is less than 16 years of age. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bell, a grand-daughter of the accused. The alleged crime is said to have been committed last June, and the charge is brought by the girl herself.

Leo Morefield, the young son of Squire Morefield, who was so badly injured by the explosion of a pipe full of gunpowder during the holidays, is getting along very well. His eyes were not injured and a brand new skin is growing back on his face. His father teases him about this new skin by saying it is quite an advantage in that before the accident he was freckled, and the new skin lacks this feature. Whereas we are reminded that it is an ill explosion that blows nobody good.

The coming of state-wide prohibition has again revived discussion as to the degree in which the law will be upheld by the officers. Some think that the general assembly will appoint a special corps of agents to aid in enforcement. There is a surprising large number of citizen throughout the state who are very pessimistic as to the activity the sheriffs and deputies will put forth, many scoffing at the idea that elective officers will risk the office and their lives to put down moonshiners. Once more rumors begin to fly as to blockading going on. Several men have tried, it is said, to buy malt in town. There is another story to the effect that not far from Lexington there is an unobtrusive citizen who quietly makes corn licker every night in his house, using a big wash pot, which he sets in his fireplace, and carrying the water into the house in buckets. The officers "busted" up same such contraption in Lincoln county recently. It had a wooden cap and a long pipe to branch.

Gold in Montgomery.

Near Onville, on the land of Calvin Ledberry, gold has been discovered in paying quantities. The Montgonerian says report has it that as much as \$100 a day can be panned on the surface around the vein. C. A. Armstrong has a bond on the property. Montgomery county is rich in gold, but this promises to be the richest mine of all.

A Horrible Hold-Up.

"About ten years ago my brother was 'held up' in his work, health and happiness by what was believed to be hopeless Consumption," writes W. R. Lipscomb, of Washington, N. C. "He took all kinds of remedies and treatment from several doctors, but found no help till he used Dr. King's New Discovery and was wholly cured by six bottles. He is a well man today." It's quick to relieve and the surest cure for weak or sore lungs, Hemorrhages, Coughs and Colds, Bronchitis, La Grippe, Asthma and all Bronchial affections. 50c and \$1. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by all druggists.

GENERAL NEWS.

Brief Items. Interesting Happenings at Various Points.

There is some talk of Congress making the President's salary double the amount it is now.

The agricultural wealth of Virginia is said to have increased 60 per cent in the past eight years.

A farmer living near Valdosta, Ga., has been arrested on the charge of holding a negro boy in peonage.

A man named Trotter, who alleged that he was divinely inspired, cut off the head of his mother the other day because, as he said, the world was coming to an end.

Roy Rogers, whose father had been whipped by night-riders in Kentucky, committed suicide. He said he felt that the family had been disgraced.

President-elect Taft has expressed his disapproval of the formation of Taft clubs in the South at this time. He thinks it may do later on.

The artistic grafter of San Francisco, Abraham Ruef by name, has been sentenced to fourteen years in the State penitentiary. It was during his trial that Prosecuting Attorney Heney was shot and badly wounded by a juror whom he had exposed.

A Terrible Death.

A special from Elkin tells of the tragic death of John T. Martin which occurred Wednesday night as a result of an accident in the Chatham Woolen Mill, where he was employed. He was engaged in doing some painting overhead, near a revolving shaft, when his overalls were caught in and he was rapidly carried around the shaft, his feet striking some timbers above. Before the machinery could be stopped, one foot was completely torn into shreds and the other mashed into a pulp. Drs. Ring and Reece hurried to the mill and gave all relief possible. They amputated both legs below the knees, and gave him every attention possible, but it availed nothing, and death relieved his suffering at 7 o'clock p. m. His remains were taken to his old home in Wilkes and buried in Pleasant Home cemetery. A wife and four small children are left to mourn the sudden taking away of husband and father.

Call for Charity's Sake.

The call published below has been sent to the churches, fraternal societies, the city officials and a number of others:

Salisbury, Jan. 6, 1909.

Dear Sirs:

Your attention is called to the following action:

"Resolved, That the Ministers' Association of Salisbury and vicinity call a meeting of representatives of all the churches, of the city government, all the fraternal and business organizations of the city to meet

"Friday, Jan. 15, 8 p. m., in the Merchants' Association Room, over First National Bank, for the purpose of organizing a society whose object it shall be to supply in a systematic and unified way the needs of the worthy poor of our city and vicinity."

Many prominent citizens including Mayor Boyden has given their hearty approval to the movement of such a charity organization.

You are therefore urged to select a representative to attend the above called meeting.

Kindly give this your prompt consideration.

W. B. DUTTERA, Pres.
C. M. SHORT, Sec. Ministerial Association.

Group positively stopped in 20 minutes, with Dr. Shoop's Group Remedy. One test alone will surely prove this truth. No vomiting, no distress. A safe and pleasing syrup—50c. Sold by Cornelson & Cook.

ALBEMARLE AND STANLY COUNTY.

Much Building Contemplated. Rowan's County Surveyor Gets the Contract.

Stanly Enterprise, Jan. 7th.

One of our leading contractors tells us that this year will likely prove a record breaker in the building line for our little city. There are several projects now on foot, but it is too early at this time to give out information concerning them. There have been doubtful ones who have been pessimistic at times as to the town's future, but in a steady growth during the past ten years the town has not yet reached a stopping place, and even the doubtful ones are now becoming optimistic, and believe that greater things than those yet achieved face us for the near future. Watch Albemarle grow?

The negro, Henry Young, who assaulted Mrs. James R. Moss, and who is being held for safe keeping in the Mecklenburg jail is reported insane, and Sheriff Green has been requested by the Mecklenburg sheriff to remove him. Sheriff Green acted upon the advice of Solicitor Hammer, and since the Stanly court convenes next week it is probable that no steps will be taken till then.

The county Commissioners have closed a contract with Surveyor C. M. Miller, of Salisbury, to make a map of Stanly county. The price agreed upon is \$800.00. The contract is conditioned upon the payment by the Board of Education for the county of one-half this amount. The map will show all public and principal private roads, all churches, school-houses, creeks, bridges, etc. A map of this kind would be of inestimable value in many ways. When complete the maps can be purchased at \$1.50 a piece. It is to be hoped that the Board of Education will co-operate with the commissioners.

A hearing in the Whitney Company case in New York was set for Monday. It is generally believed that the affairs of the great power company will soon be satisfactorily adjusted and the plant at the Narrows in this county will begin the work of completion.

The criminal term of our Superior court will convene next week, Judge J. B. Jones, of Forsyth county presiding. The docket is filled with a number of cases of minor importance, but with the exception of the case against Henry Young, the negro rapist, there are no cases of especial importance.

E. C. Miller, of New London, and Wilbur Arey have bought a lot on the railroad near the Sibley Manufacturing Co's plant, and will open an iron foundry there as soon as they can build.

A Nice State of Affairs.

This town tonight is a scene of terror between the two pitched camps of former Sheriff Ed Callahan and the friends of James T. Deaton and Rush Sebastian, for shooting whom Callahan is to be tried.

In the woods near Lost Creek is County Judge S. S. Taulbee, declaring that he will not return to town to hold court in the Callahan case unless the governor of Kentucky sends troops to protect him from the two bands of armed men in Jackson. Governor Wilson is absent from the state and Lieutenant-Governor Cox up to this time has refused to send troops—Jackson, Ky., dispatch.

There is no Quinine, nothing whatever harsh or sickening in Preventics. These little Candy Cold Cure Tablets act as by magic. A few hours—and your threatening Cold is broken. Candylike in taste. Preventics please the children—and they break the feverishness, always. And least of all is the ceremony. A large box—48 Preventics—25 cents. Ask your druggist. He knows! Sold by Cornelson & Cook.

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JURORS SELECTED.

Legislature to be Asked for a Better Road Tax System.

The county commissioners holding another session last week, the proceedings were not obtained in time for publication in our issue of the 6th.

One of the most important matters considered and one which will possess an interest for the citizens of the county, was that of a proposed change in the road tax system. It is designed to abolish the present system of working the roads and place a road tax upon every male citizen of Rowan county. In order to bring about such a change there will have to be some legislation on the subject, and the legislature will be petitioned to pass an act authorizing the commissioners, to carry the proposed plan into effect.

The renewed bond of A. M. Rice, township tax collector, was approved.

A request was made for certain franchises for proposed electric lines, mention of which lines has been made previously.

The following were selected as jurors for the February term of the Rowan Superior Court:

First week: Geo. Klutz, R. J. Lofin, R. C. Knox, Pink Ludwick, Caleb Cauble, Archie A. Bost, G. A. Rufty, W. J. Fesperman, J. J. Sechler, L. M. Safrin, R. F. Fleming, John A. Brady, Wm. M. L. Fesperman, C. A. Boyd, W. T. Rainey, Henry W. Cauble, M. G. Cooper, B. K. Ketchie, J. C. Sloan, Paul Peeler, C. D. McDaniel, W. R. Lyerly, A. L. Peeler, L. J. Hess, Geo. L. Klutz, G. W. Connell, T. L. Gillespie, H. N. Woodson, Julius A. Eschardt, L. E. Hailing, John B. Harton, Cleo Ludwick, H. C. Kenery, John D. Kenery, Milo, A. J. Bost, J. B. Steels.

Second week: H. C. Williams, G. Y. Thompson, J. L. Carricker, Tobias Lyerly, W. S. Beger, H. C. Daggett, G. M. Bernhardt, S. M. Sloop, J. S. McCurdy, W. J. Swink, J. B. Goodnight, A. E. Bost, Luther G. Blackwelder, F. L. Robbins, G. F. Wise, John Trexler, Maxwell Holshouser, W. A. McCorkle, Milo A. Klutz, David L. Risher, Milas M. Holshouser, M. C. Rufty, P. M. Barger, J. A. Ludwick.

H. W. Klutz secured the contract for furnishing supplies for the chain gangs during the month of January.

Sensation Sprung in Night Rider Trial.

Union City, Jan. 2.—A sensation was sprung in the trial of the night riders today, when Attorney General Caldwell recalled Mrs. Wood Morris to the stand. The husband of Mrs. Morris testifies that he was one of the crowd that helped to lynch Captain Rankin. The wife testified when first called that her husband did not leave home that night at all. Today she says her first testimony was false, and that her husband's confession was true. She says she told the first story because members of the gang warned her that they would kill her if she didn't contradict her husband's evidence. Her story today has thrown the defense into confusion.

A Sad Sight.

A drunken white woman, Mrs. Eugene Stack by name, gave all sorts of trouble to the policemen as well as to the residents of south Greensboro yesterday afternoon and last night. She took possession of the delivery wagon of the C. D. Kenny Co., held the driver at bay while she drove the wagon over the town just as a real bad man would do in the bad lands. It took two policemen to land her in the lock-up and two other officers to place ice water at her convenience in the cell.

Her husband is a respected and hard-working man.—Industrial News.

STATESVILLE AND IREDELL COUNTY.

A Pious Fraud. County Get Cash and Would Take Cigarettes.

Statesville Landmark, Jan. 6th.

The Landmark mentioned in its last issue that a foreigner, name unknown, but who said he was from Asia, was in Statesville Thursday working the religious lay and soliciting for a church. This foreigner, a tall fellow, wore a clerical coat but it did not hide his dirty shirt nor entirely cover the ear-marks of a tramp which he bore. Approaching a victim he would bestow his blessing, making free use of the name of Jesus Christ, and then solicit a donation. The Landmark hopes that he got small comfort in Statesville, for he was evidently a faker. In one business house he asked for money and was refused. Seeing a package of cigarettes on the counter he asked for the cigarettes for a donation "to the cause." This request, too, was refused. He went out but returned later and again made an unsuccessful effort to get a package of cigarettes in aid "of the cause." The fellow seemed to be helped—helped out of town with some force.

The friends of Hon. R. Z. Linney will regret to learn that he is confined to bed at his home at Taylorsville. It will be recalled that he suffered a sudden and severe attack of illness while making a speech in court in Bakersville more than a month ago. He recovered sufficiently to come home and was able to go about for a time, but his condition became worse recently and he is now confined to his room.

P. B. Summers, a well known citizen of Cool Spring township, died last night about 9 o'clock at his home near this creek. He had been ill a long time and his condition was critical for some days. Funeral services and interment will take place at Bethany church tomorrow at 12 o'clock, the services being conducted by Rev. W. S. Wilhelm.

With the beginning of the year Messrs. W. E. Nattress, of Statesville, and C. B. Moore, of Ashville, clerks in the office of the internal revenue collector, retired from the service, the force being reduced on account of a loss of business. The order was rescinded in the case of Miss Mary Lee, who was also slated for retirement, and she retains her position for about two weeks.

Liquor Hard to Save.

The closing days in wet Reidsville were made remarkable by the amount of money raked in by the bar keepers. It was so large that they didn't stop to count it, but carried it to the banks under guard and dumped it on for the bank folks to count. The sum is not known, but it was large. In all wet sections enormous quantities of whiskey were sold to those who fondly believe that they laid up a supply for dry weather. As a matter of fact they will soak it up sooner than ever, and the more they get, the more they drink. There is no such thing as "saving" whiskey.—Lexington Dispatch.

Don't Get a Divorce.

A western judge granted a divorce on account of ill-temper and bad breath. Dr. King's New Life Pills would have prevented it. They cure Constipation, causing bad breath and Liver Trouble, the ill-temper, dispel colds, banish headaches, conquer chills. 25c at all drug stores.

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