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STATESVILLE AND IREDELL COUNTY.

Died From Heart Disease. Paid for the Scrap. Good Job for Gen. Armfield.
Statesville Landmark, March 29th.

Mrs. J. H. Wychoff went to Salisbury yesterday to visit her sister Miss Woodward, and to take in a play there last night.

His friends here will be glad to know that Dr. Fred W. Phifer is meeting with great success at Wheatland, Wyo., where he is resident physician surgeon at the Wheatland sanatorium. A few days ago he was summoned to see a patient 90 miles away and was taken on a special train which made a record run.

Geo. Daniels died suddenly early Saturday morning at the home of Mrs. Wash. Sharpe, who lives near the Western railroad, about two and a half miles east of Statesville. Death resulted from heart trouble for some years and had been under treatment of a physician.

Gen. J. F. Armfield, who was last week appointed adjutant general, leaves for Raleigh this week to take up his new work, his appointment being effective April 1st. While congratulating Gen. Armfield on his appointment, his Statesville friends regret that it will take him away from home for the next four years. He will live in Raleigh during his term of office. The salary of the adjutant general is \$1,800 a year and expenses while on duty away from home.

A couple of wagon loads of college girls drove about town yesterday afternoon, displaying the class colors, screaming and making a great noise. The performance was entertaining of a nuisance, according to the point of view.

In the mayor's court Friday E. B. Leinster plead guilty of striking P. S. Pope at the railway station a few nights ago and was fined \$1 and the costs, the trouble arising from an account against Pope; and A. M. Leinster and fined \$2.50 and the costs for violation of a city ordinance.

Otto W. Henry, who has held a railroad position at Muskogee, Okla., for some time, spent Friday and Saturday here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Henry, and left Saturday night for Washington City, where he goes to take a position in the office of the auditor of the Southern Railway Co. Mrs. Henry went from Oklahoma to Mobile, Ala., to visit relatives, and will join her husband at Washington later. Mr. Henry's change is a promotion.

Dr. J. J. Mott is here for few days packing a portion of his furniture, which will be shipped to Radford, Va., where Dr. Mott has been for some time and where he will spend the summer. Miss Caroline Cowles is here from Clemmons assisting Dr. Mott in packing.

Robert S. Hartness, who is a victim of the great White Plague and has been in Billingsley Hospital for treatment, was removed to his home six miles north of town yesterday. He is gradually growing weaker and in compliance with his request he was taken home to spend his last days with his family.

When Dick Brabble walked out of the Hotel IredeU office yesterday morning and called Bob Henry to the telephone, when there was no phone call for him, an April fool joke was successfully perpetrated on Mr. Henry by Mr. Brabble; but when numbers of patrons of the postoffice yesterday morning found they couldn't get their key in the lock of their box they never thought of it being an April fool prank. They knew they were up against Uncle Sam's methods of collecting box rent.

Rev. Richard George Greene died Wednesday afternoon about 8:50 o'clock at his home on West Sharp street. Mr. Greene had been an invalid for more than four months. He became ill Thanksgiving week—the last week in November—and for weeks his death

UNCLE SAM STEPS IN.

The Way of the Illicit Liquor Seller is Being Made Hard.

Robert and Felix Combs, and probably others who were convicted of retailing at the last term of IredeU Superior Court, were surprised this week when they found that the disposition of their cases in the Superior Court was not the end of their troubles. Revenue Officer Miller, of Hickory, was here this week with a list of names of the persons who were found guilty of retailing at the last term of Superior Court and stated to a local officer that he was here to call on all the retailers and require them to pay the regular United States license tax for the time they were in the liquor business, or else they must stand trial in the Federal Court for retailing without license. The officer stated that in the cases where the retailer had plead guilty there would be no getting around the matter at all.

Just how many of the retailers (there were a number on his list) Mr. Miller waited on while on this trip is not known, but it is known that he saw the two Combs brothers, both of whom submitted to charges of retailing in quite a number of cases in the Superior Court and were heavily fined. He collected in the neighborhood of \$100 from Felix Combs and it is understood that Robert had to put up about the same amount. The regular government license for retailing is \$25 a year.

County and City Courts.

The Legislature established county or city courts as follows: For Durham and Durham township.

In the city Reidsville.

For Rowan county.

For the city of Hickory.

For the town of Aurora and Richland township, Beaufort county.

For Edgecombe county.

For Washington county.

For Nash County.

For the city of Greensboro.

For the town of Belhaven and Pennington township, Beaufort county.

For the city of New Bern.

For the city of Asheville.

Manufacturers Forgot About It.

What is designed as a "joker" cost the consumers of tobacco in this country nearly \$45,000,000, was found to day in the existing revenue laws of the United States by Representative Dawson, of Iowa, who at once introduced a bill to correct the error.

Under the Dingley tariff law the two-ounce packages of tobacco sell to the consumer at 5 cents each and the four-ounce packages at 10 cents. In 1898, a war revenue tax of 6 cents a pound was levied on tobacco. At the same time, in order to serve the convenience of the trade, the authorization was given for the reduction of the sizes of packages from 2, 3 and 4 ounces to 1 1/2, 2 1/2 and 3 1/2 ounces, thus enabling the smoker to procure a 5-cent and 10-cent package of tobacco "at the store."

In due time, the war revenue tax was repealed. Somebody forgot, Mr. Dawson believes, to restore the packages of tobacco to the original sizes, and hence, ever since 1902, the consumer of tobacco has been paying the equivalent of the war revenue tax to the manufacturers of tobacco.

Representative Dawson figures out that the purchaser of each small package has been mulched out of 1 cent and the purchaser of the larger of 2 cents, and hence the "joker" has cost the consumer almost \$45,000,000.

Mr. Dawson's bill proposes to restore the packages to the original sizes.—Washington dispatch.

was daily expected. He rallied later but never recovered and on account of his advanced age his recovery was not expected. For several years he had been feeble but apparently enjoyed good health and was able to walk about town until his illness last fall.

LEXINGTON AND DAVIDSON COUNTY.

Large Strawberries. Rowan Getting the Trade. Pastor Resigned His Charge.

Lexington Dispatch, March 31st.
Rev. Jos. T. Watts, who has resigned as the pastor of the Baptist church, preached his farewell sermon Sunday night to a large congregation, and left Monday for Raleigh, where he will visit his mother before going on to Richmond to become secretary of the Sunday school work in Virginia.

The board of commissioners will likely name the various tax listers at their meeting next Monday. For the first time in ten years the listers will be Republicans. No Democrats will have a chance at the job, of course. The faithful will be on hand to get their names in the pot, but doubts the selections have already been made by the powers that be.

March did the lion act Wednesday night when a severe storm raged all over this section of the state. The wind attained a velocity that smashed records. Much rain fell and there was an electrical display. Further south tornadoes did much damage. In town the Williams-Holt brick building was damaged, the high brick front which stood above the roof, giving to the wind in such a fashion that it was declared dangerous and the street roped off to prevent possible injuries. Thursday was much cooler and the high wind prevailed most of the day.

Jim Green, of Boone township, was here yesterday and expressed himself to a Dispatch man as strongly in favor of bonds, tax or anything else to make our roads better. He pointed out that Rowan is gradually getting a lot of our business and will get more if Lexington business men do not get busy. We need good roads!

Davidson county moonshiners who think that the revenue officers have left the state since prohibition set in will probably be shocked to learn that Deputy Davis ran across a regular still house a dozen miles from town last week and destroyed a pretty large outfit. It seems that there was a full equipment, even a log house built for the business. The officer got everything but the still, the operators doubtless having received wireless messages to the effect that he was coming. Nobody was arrested but the officers have their eyes on some folks and they will probably make some arrests in a few days. Deputy Davis is from Statesville and was accompanied by some other officers.

W. F. Patterson, of Cotton Grove, fetched a couple of strawberries to the office Friday, taken from the patch of Mrs. C. M. Hunter, in Cotton Grove. They were big as the end of your finger and just turning red, being found under the leaves, next to the ground. It might be that with care and late methods, strawberry ries could be produced in this section much earlier than we now get them on the market. Our people have never realized the possibilities of this section in berries, fruits and vegetables.

Found Box of Money.

Down in South IredeU on last Friday, a negro, Henry Campbell, while grubbing in a field on the farm of the late John Sloop about four miles northeast of Mooresville, found a sum of money, both gold and silver. He found it buried in an old box and claims he found a gallon bucket full. It was known by some that there was some money found, as the negro showed several pieces of money to them, but it is not known how much was really found. The negro claims he found \$600 in all, and that there were twenty \$10 gold pieces in the lot.—Statesville Mascot.

Read the pain formula on the box of Pink Pain Tablets. Then ask your Doctor if there is a better one. Pain means congestion, blood pressure somewhere. Dr. Shoop's Pink Pain Tablets check head pains, womanly pains, pain anywhere, try one, and see! 20 for 25c. Sold by Cornelison & Cook.

TEDDY WAS EXTRAVAGANT.

An Enormous Increase in Expenditures During His Administration.

"In no period except in time of war have the expenditures of the Federal government increased so rapidly, both in the aggregate and per capita, as these expenditures have increased during the past eight years."

This is a comment which Representative James A. Tawney, chair of the House committee on appropriations, makes upon national expenditures during the administration of Roosevelt. A large proportion of these excesses is due to the rapid growth of the military and naval establishments. Mr. Tawney is of opinion that the great increase in expenditures "is attributable chiefly to insistent executive recommendations and a misguided public demand for the inauguration and execution of new projects without a due realization of the consequent dangers."

Appropriations for public expenditures are made upon estimates submitted by the executive department to Congress. The aggregate of these estimates for appropriations during the past eight years, including the fiscal year 1910, for which appropriations were made by the session of Congress just ended, equals the stupendous sum of \$7,291,841,806.29. Congress has appropriated during that period the sum of \$7,007,889,183.46, or \$283,952,622.83 less than the amounts estimated by the administration.

The rapidity with which national expenditures have been increasing during the Roosevelt period is shown by the total appropriations for the fiscal year 1908, which were \$996,688,864.79, and the total appropriations at the second session of the Sixty-sixth Congress, just ended, for the fiscal year 1910, which amounted to \$1,044,298.23, the difference between the amount appropriated for the public service eight years ago and the amount required now being \$247,880,883.44.

The President was always crying for millions more and frowned down the efforts of Congress toward economy. Had the amount of his estimates for the past few years been appropriated, the deficit would exceed \$500,000,000 instead of being in the neighborhood of \$150,000,000.—Washington dispatch.

Some Venerable Customs.

The Presbyterian Standard happily advert to some changes that are taking place in the conduct of funerals, all of which, it says, are improvements, and all of which are coming about only too slowly. "It is pleasing," says the Standard, "to see the practice of opening the coffin at the grave disappearing. One notes its continuance now only in dark corners or where the objectionable habit is very inveterate. The custom of making elaborate addresses in eulogy of the dead is also passing away. It is distressing, he it said, that it passes so slowly. All such, heathenish things owe their existence either to lack of education or the great power of custom among men." The adjective "heathenism" is not at all too strong. The fascination of gazing at a dead face comes up from the dead ages. It is far more in accord with enlightenment and civilization that one should prefer to remember a friend as he looked in life rather than as he appeared when turned to clay. The age of morbidity is, indeed, passing away, but less speedily than could be desired. The habit of laying in state the bodies of public men is a heathen origin, and should have no further countenance by and enlightened people. The best service for the dead is to put them away decently and in order and with no undue pomp or ceremony.—Charlotte Chronicle.

Builds up your whole body. Regulates the bowels, clears the blood, aids digestion, makes you well from head to feet. That's what Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea will do, greatest spring regulator. Tea or Tablets, 35c. Cornelison & Cook.

CONCORD AND CABARRUS COUNTY.

Rev. J. H. Sellers Sick in Charlotte Hospital. Jailor Cline's "Boarders" Escape.

Concord Times, April 1st.
R. W. Biggers, of Salisbury, came down this morning and went to No. 10 township.

Mrs. Jessie Johnson, of Salisbury, is visiting friends here.

Mrs. T. P. Johnson, of Salisbury, is visiting Mrs. John M. Young.

C. A. Guffy, of Rowan, is visiting his son, H. P. Guffy.

We regret to note that Rev. J. H. Sellers, pastor of the Kannapolis Methodist charge, is ill in a Charlotte hospital, and will be unable to meet any of his engagements made for this week. We trust he will soon recover and return to his work.

When Malcom G. Lantz and family, of No. 7 township, returned home from church last Sunday they found 14 nice chickens lying dead in the yard. Two dogs of a neighbor had done the work, and had they not returned when they did the dogs would no doubt have killed all their chickens.

The two prisoners confined in the jail (these being the only "boarders" Jailor Cline had) walked out of the jail this morning at 8 o'clock and made good their escape. In some way they escaped from their cells, and the door leading down stairs, both of which are supposed to be kept locked, and then rushed down and out, passing by Mr. Cline, who was standing out in the yard.

Any lady reader of this paper will receive, on request, a clever "No-Drip" Coffee Strainer Coupon privilege, from Dr. Shoop, Racine, Wis. It is silver-plated, very pretty, and positively prevents all dripping of tea or coffee. The Doctor sends it, with his new free book on "Health Coffee" simply to introduce this clever substitute for real coffee. Dr. Shoop's Health Coffee is gaining its great popularity because of: first, its exquisite taste and flavor; second its absolute healthfulness; third, its economy—1 1/2 lbs 25c; fourth, its convenience. No taddlers 50 to 80 minute boiling. "Made in a minute," says Dr. Shoop. Try it at your grocer's for a pleasant surprise. Sold by all Grocers.

Another Convert.

"Cut the tariff on steel or anything else you please. American labor can stand it. I don't care," said Charles M. Schwab, president of the Bethlehem Steel Company, to-day, as he stood in a lobby at a local hotel waiting for a train.

"I believe in a reduction. I feel just as Andrew Carnegie does on that matter. American labor can make the best steel in the world and with it we can compete with the world. I know nothing about other lines, that is, technically, but I have enough confidence in American labor to believe that the tariff can be cut without injuring business."

"I have been in contact with labor of all kinds for many years, and I know what I can do. I know that American workmen can produce more steel in a given time than any others in the world. We have nothing to fear from a cut in duties, because we have the best goods. It is true that we pay our workmen more money than other nations, but you always have to pay skillful workmen the highest wages. Therefore the highest paid labor is the most profitable to the employer. The skillful man makes money for his employer."—Chicago dispatch.

Rheumatic poisons are quickly and surely driven out of the blood with Dr. Shoop's Rheumatic Remedy—liquid or tablet form. Dr. Shoop's booklet on Rheumatism plainly and interestingly tells just how this is done. Tell some sufferer of this book, or better still, write Dr. Shoop, Racine, Wis., for the book and free test samples. Send no money. Just join with Dr. Shoop and give some sufferer a pleasant surprise. Cornelison & Cook.

PRAYED FOR RAIN.

Holiness Preacher's Petitions Followed by Copious Supply of Rain.

Like Moses of old calling down judgment of the Lord on the land of Pharaoh, Rev. Charles Ford, a Holiness preacher, called down a plague on Bokhoma in the form of a drought, and scarcely a drop of rain has fallen here for six months until yesterday, when the minister prayed for the drought to end.

During the drought business was paralyzed and hundreds of men moved their families that were in actual want, to other parts of the state.

Rev. Mr. Ford's congregation at Bokhoma is small and, in addition to his clerical duties, the minister worked at the mill of the Frisco Lumber Company. Last September the pastor resigned at the mill and charged that he did not receive all the salary that was due him. He then announced his intention to ask the Lord to withhold the rain from his locality indefinitely.

The following Sunday he made his prayer from the pulpit. Within a radius of 50 miles of the stricken town rain was plentiful on every side, but the nearest to a rain Bokhoma got was a thunder storm and a darkened Saturday. The water supply gradually grew smaller and the mills shut down. At the end of four months the big pond which supplied water for the Frisco Lumber Company was as dry as tinder, and the plant was forced to shut down.

When the workmen's families began to suffer, Rev. Mr. Ford announced that he would pray for enough rain to enable the mills to resume operation for a week, and cautioned the men to be careful of their earnings and make them go as far as possible. His advice this time was heeded by men outside his congregation. As if in answer to his applications, a heavy rain fell that night and continued throughout the next day, and the mills started up and worked just eight days before the supply again gave out and operation ceased.

In his farewell sermon Rev. Mr. Ford told his congregation he would pray for rain as soon as he crossed the river into another county and bade them to prepare to return to work. The next morning—yesterday—he took his departure, and three hours after he left Bokhoma the heaviest rain in more than a year set in. For six hours—an hour for every month of the drought—it poured in torrents without ceasing—Bokhoma, Okla., dispatch to Baltimore Sun.

Another Crumpacker.

Representative Bennett, of New York, has offered a bill for the amendment of the appointment act of the fifty-sixth Congress reducing the representation of states which deny to negro citizens the right of franchise. Mr. Bennett's bill specifies the reduction he would have made, giving Alabama five instead of nine representatives; Arkansas five instead of seven; Florida two instead of three; Georgia six instead of eleven; Louisiana four instead of seven; Mississippi three instead of eight; North Carolina seven instead of ten; South Carolina three instead of seven; Texas thirteen instead of sixteen, and Virginia seven instead of ten.

Words to Freeze the Soul.

"Your son has Consumption. His case is hopeless." These appalling words were spoken to Geo. E. Blevens, a leading merchant of Springfield, N. C., by two expert doctors—on a lung specialist. Then was shown the wonderful power of Dr. King's New Discovery. "After three weeks use," writes Mr. Blevens, "he was as well as ever. I would not take all the money in the world for what it did for my boy." Infallible for Coughs and Colds, its the safest, surest cure of desperate lung diseases on earth. 50c. and \$1.00. All druggists. Guaranteed satisfaction. Trial bottle free.

ALBEMARLE AND STANLY COUNTY.

Rural Carriers Appointed. Will Locate in Spencer. Wedding This Week.

Stanly Enterprise, April 1.
M. M. Clark will move his family to Spencer, where he has opened a barber shop. "Mich" is a fine barber.

Miss Annie Kizer arrived Friday and spent Saturday and Sunday with her sister Mrs. A. L. Patterson. Miss Kizer is always a welcomed visitor to Albemarle.

The bill looking to the sale of the old court house, in Albemarle, and to the issuing of bonds for the purchase of a site and erection of a new one passed the House, but was "killed" in the Senate. Representative Campbell gave us this information on Monday. The county was hardly ready for this venture just at present, but the plan is a good one, and it would be well for our people to keep it in mind until the next session of our Legislature.

B. G. Whitley has been appointed carrier on Albemarle Route 8, with Willie Carter as substitute. And Robert L. Green on Norwood Route 1, with A. D. Green as substitute.

Arnold A. Crowell, is to be married on Wednesday next week to Miss Lizzie L. Vickers, who lives near Mt. Gilead. Mr. Crowell lives about 6 miles northeast of Albemarle, and is a well known farmer and one of the county's best citizens.

Some Timely Comments.

It may be seriously questioned whether it does more harm than good to send out a lot of small children on the streets of a small town or city to raise money for the church. It is annoying to a great many people to be continually accosted by a swarm of little ones. Better for the official members to take a subscription book and present the matter in a business like way—first to all the members of the church, then to the friends among the outsiders. This will usually bring in ten times as much as the small coin collected by the little ones. When the church house is in need of repair it is the duty of the trustees to raise the money and do it. Do not make a pack-horse out of the little ones of the League, Missionary Society, or Sunday school, to carry the financial burdens which belong to the whole church.—Insurgent, in North Carolina Christian Advocate.

Try It on Your Grouchy Husband.

When it rains in the London Zoo hot milk is fed to the lions, tigers and monkeys. It has been found that rain "gets on the nerves" of these animals, and that the hot milk produces contentment and sleep. The hot milk treatment might be tried on our grumpy friends, and we wouldn't have to wait for rain, at that. The London Zoo man says the wolf perks up the minute his instinct tells him rain is approaching, and when the rain comes down he is so happy he wouldn't hurt a fly. The snakes also are in their best humor when the weather is wet. As soon as the monkeys are seen clapping their hands over their heads the keepers know it is time to put the milk on the fire. The hands in this position are described as the primitive umbrella, the hands over the head forming the only shelter the monkey knows.—New York Press.

Sweet Over Niagara.

This terrible calamity often happens because a careless boatman ignores the river's warning-growing ripples and faster current—Nature's warnings are kind. That dull pain or ache in the back warns you the kidneys need attention if you would escape fatal maladies—Dropey, Diabetes or Bright's disease. Take Electric Bitters at once and see Backache fly and all your best feelings return. "After long suffering from weak kidneys and lame back, one \$1.00 bottle wholly cured me." writes J. R. Blankenship, of Belk, Tenn. Only 50c at all druggists.