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#### THE LARGEST GIRGULATION NORTH GAROLINA DAILY.

## FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS

THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST CON-VENTION WILL RAISE \$150,-000 FOR THE WORK.

## NORTH CAROLINA TO RAISE \$9,000

Within the Fifty Years of its Existence the Convention Has Contributed \$1,-800,000 for This Purpose -- Work of the Home Mission Board -- Proposition to Establish a Board to Take Charge of the Work of Building New Churches Rejected.

Washinton, D. C., May 13.—The Southern Baptist Convention re-assembled to-day. President Haralson in the

Rev. I. T. Tichenor, rising to a question of personal privilege, stated that President Whitsitt, in his historical series. mon on Sunday, in common with the popular intelligence on the subject, had totally misapprehended the purport of certain resolutions proposed at a meeting held in Atlanta some years ago. The general understanding was that those resolutions looked to the disbanding of the Southern Baptist Convention and its consolidation with the Northern Society. As the author of the resolutions, he stated what he knew when he said that the resolutions looked only to the appointment of a committee to confer with the representatives of the Northern bodies, with a view to co-operation in work. They were intended to preserve and not destroy the Southern. Baptist

#### No Church Building Board.

Rev. G. A. Nunnelly, of Memphis, from the committee to whom had been referred resolutions providing for the appointment of a church building board, reported, recommending the adoption of the resolutions. Explaining the necessity for the existence of the board, Mr. Nunnelly stated that there were 3,000 organized churches without houses of worship and that, owing to the lack of system in providing places of worship for new organizations, this number of homeless churches is constantly increasing. Until a church was provided with a permanent shelter of its own it was not only not a contributor to the funds of the convention, but a pensioner upon the bounty of the more fortunate orga-

Rev. I. T. Tichenor, Secretary of the Board of Home Missions, said the adop-tion of the report made by Mr. Nunnelly meant the dismemberment of the Home Mission Board to which the convention years ago committed the work of extending churches in securing houses of worship.

The report, which carried with it the creation of a new board to take charge of the work of providing houses for homeless churches, was rejected-ayes 80 noes 155.

Rev. A. J. Rowland, Secretary of the American Baptist Publication Society, and Rev. A. C. Wilkins, Secretary of the Baptist Young People's Union of America, made short speeches. The former recalled the fact that the Publication Society had its origin in Washington seventy-one years ago, at the residence of Mr. George Wood, and for a period had its headquarters here, its affairs being conducted by Noah K. Davis, father of the distinguished professor of the same name in the University of Virginia. He stated that the society had just agreed to enter upon the work of publishing the Baptist edition of the Chinese Bible. General John Eaton, President of the

American Society of Religious Education, ex-Commissioner of Education, was also introduced to the Convention and briefly addressed it upon the work of his society.

## Foreign Mission Work.

J. J. Taylor, of Mobile, submitted the report of the committee on the financial policy of the Foreign Missions Board, recommending that the sum of \$150,-000 be raised for the work next year, apportioned as follows:

Alabama, \$10,800; Arkansas, \$2,400; Western Arkansas and Indian Territory, \$600: District of Columbia, \$1,200: Florida, \$1,800; Georgia, \$18,000; Kentucky, \$18,000; Louisiana, \$2,400; Maryland, \$13,200; Mississippi, \$6,000; Missouri. \$9,000; North Carolina, \$9,000; South Carolina, \$13,800; Tennessee \$7, 200; Texas, \$15,000; Virginia, \$21,000; other States \$600.

The needs of the work were presented by R. J. Willingham, corresponding secretary of the board, after which the report was adopted.

Discussion of the report of the committee on pagan fields, which was the subject of Saturday night's session, was resumed Rev. R. H. Graves, 40 years the missionary of the convention in Canton, China, came with the message of Joshua and Caleb upon their return from an inspection of the Promised land, that the church should "go up at once and occupy the land, for we are able to This was the time to extend the work of missions in that country; a fatal mistake would be made by the church if it let the present opportunity go by. He had taken possession, he said, of the province of Umchow for Christ, baptizing two converts, the first

in its history.
Secretary Willingham announced that in the 50 years of the existence of the Southern Baptist Convention its constituency had contributed \$1,800,000 to the had sent 310 missionaries into the field. if the negroes were allowed to relapse

gave a few words of greeting to the convention.

The report of the committee was

Dr. Kerfoot, of the Theological Seminary, reported that a reply, by direction of the Convention, had been prepared to the communication of the general Convention of Disciples and sent to that body during its session at Richmond. No reply had been received and the committee had been unofficially informed that action had been postponed by the B. H. Carroll, of Waco, To the committee had been postponed by the committee had been postponed by the committee had been postponed by the committee had arrayed herself in the committee had arrayed herself in the committee had arrayed herself in the committee had been received and the committee had arrayed herself in the committee had been unofficially informed by the committee had been postponed by the committee had been unofficially informed by the committee had been postponed by the c Convention.

#### Home Mission Board.

The report of the committee on that part of the report of the Home Mission Board relating to foreign population, read by Rev. J. T. Christian, of Louisville, Kentucky, quoted the commissioner of immigration to the effect that the influx of foreigners to our shores is again greatly on the increase. The report turther stated that five cities of the United States contained one-sixth of its intire population; that they were dominated by foreign-born population, and that Rum and Romanism dominated the foreign population. The committee recommended increased efforts among the foreigners and Indians of the United States. Work in Cuba, owing to the existing war there, will have to be post-

poned until a more propitious time.

The report was discussed by Dr. Christian, by Rev. Wm. Richmond, of Baltimore, who said it paid to convert Germans-that there were no anarchists among converted Germans, nor Socialists, nor "Higher critics" (laughter); and by A. J. Diaz, a native Baptist missionary in Cuba. The au horities, he said, had closed the churches outside of the city of Havana, giving the pastors but a few hours in which to leave. But in Havana the work was going on successfully. Speaking of the necessity of laboring among the Cubans, he said Catholicism there was worse than paganism. Among the agencies that aid in the work of the churches were the hospital and regular cross band.

The convention then adjourned until 7:30 o'clock this evening. This afternoon the delegates from Georgia and their friends were taken to Mount Vernon by Secretary Hoke Smith.

Secretary Smith was to have presented the delegates of the convention to the President to-day, but owing to official businesss the President was unable to meet them, but will do so to-morrow morning.

### North Carolina Honored.

At the meeting of the Women's Missionary Union of the Southern Baptist Convention to-day, the following officers

were elected for the ensuing year : President, Miss Fannie Heck, of North Carolina; Miss Annie W. Armstrong, Baltimore, Corresponding Secretary; Miss Martine, of Baltimore, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Lowndes, Baltimore, Treasurer. All these elections were

Vice-Presidents were elected as follows: Mrs. George Eager, Alabama; Mrs. E. Longley, Arkansas; Mrs. B. B. Chipley, Florida; Miss M. E. Wright, Georgia; Miss E. S. Broadus, Kentucky; Mrs. W. J. Brown, Maryland; Mrs. Aven, Missississis Mrs. W. F. Fillet Mississippi; Mrs. W. F. Elliot, Missouri; Mrs. James A. Briggs, North Carolina; Mrs. A. C. S. Jackson, Tennessee; Miss M. L. Coker, North Carolina; Mrs. A. M. Gwathney, Virginia; Mrs. F. B. Davis, Texas; Miss Comprere, Indian Territ ry; Mrs. Tucker, North Carolina.

The recommendation of the Sunday School board, that the missionary day in the Sunday Schools, which proved so successful last year, and which brought into the treasuries of the Home and Foreign Boards so large a sum of money, be made a subject of special attention on the part of the Women's Missionary Societies this year, was adopted.

Had Nothing to do with Politics. Dr. J. B. Hawthone, of Atlanta, Ga., addressed the convention. He referred to the separation between the Northern and Southern sections of the church and said there were still some people, both in the Southern and Northern parts of the Baptist Church, who insisted upon trying to recognize dead issues and intended them to exist as a sort of monument to the defeated party. This convention, however, he said, had nothing to do with Southern politics.

He spoke of the history of the board and said the first missionary work the Southern States had done was to aid the struggling city churches in the North, and that the first church in Washington had its start in life with funds from the missionary board of the Southern convention. The Southern Baptist ministers were most of them rich planters and did not need or receive salary. Fifty years ago, he added, they looked upon city churches as the worst field to which Baptist preachers could be sent. Southern churches had then relieved the struggling Northern churches in their poverty and they now rejoiced in their magnificent

He touched on the development of the South, which, he contended, was not the outgrowth of outside influences, as some people pretended to believe, but was the work of Southern effort and Southern heart, and all they needed was capital and technical skill, and there they were getting as much as they could from the best brains and blood of the New England States and the boundless North-

## The Negro Question.

As to the negro question, he claimed there was but one certainty and that was, that if the white Christians of the Southern States did not save the negroes cause of foreign missions, and the board | they would destroy the whites. He said T. C. Britton, a missionary at Foo into barbarism, as many of them showed Chow, China, from North Carolina, a tendency to do, the white people would State political convention.

be driven to barbaric methods in protecting themselves.

He then referred to the new woman and of the women divines, and said that the blizzards of last winter would be but a summarization in comparison with the Baptist minister who so far faltered from the accepted teachings of the church, and the teachings of Paul, in order to win a smile from a woman who had arrayed herself in the cast off habit

B. H. Carroll, of Waco, Texas, spoke of the glorious religious history of Texas. He said that out of 2,500 churches, 1, 500 had no places for holding services, and of these 2,500, there were scarcely 100 which could support a minister the whole year round. There were seventy two counties in the State (which together would form a State as large as Pennsylvania), in which there were not a single Baptist minister. Of the 560,000 negroes in the State, he was proud to say that one-fourth were Baptists. He then exhorted the convention to give aid to the ministers of his State to continue missionary work in Texas.

Dr. A. J. Diaz, of Cuba, followed with a short address, in which he also asked for missionary aid in his country, but stated that before anything fruitful could be hoped for a closer acquaintance with the natives of Cuba would have to be formed.

The convention then adjourned until to morrow morning. It is understood that the next convention will be held at Chattanooga, Tenn., but the question did not come before the convention to-

#### WORK AT THE UNIVERSITY.

#### Reviewing for Final Examinations is the Order of the Day. Special to the News and Observer.

CHAPEL HILL, N. C., May 13. Prof. C. R. Harding, Professor of Greek at Davidson College, on invita-tion of the University Young Men's Christian Association, delivered an address last night, which was spiritual, earnest, practical and helpful. His topic, the "Power of Influence," was clearly set forth and enforced by living examples, illustrations from history, literature and nature. Surely no man liveth unto himself. The pastors and congregations united in this pleasant service.

The Y. M. C. A. building fund has

reached \$6,000 and over just among the students and faculty. The building committee is beginning to send an earnest letter to the alumni and friends of the University to help in reaching the \$20,-000 mark when a handsome building for the association's use in its grand work will be erected.

Delegates are being selected by the Y. M. C. A. to attend the Knoxville Summer School for Christian students in

Interest is growing in the champion-ship base-ball game between the Vir-ginia and North Carolina Universities at Greensboro Saturday. A special train will probably be run.

Final examinations will be held May 21st to 31st. Reviewing is in order. The rhododendron is fine this year, but will not last many years at the reckless rate the branches are being broken. The painting of the wood work of the buildings, which was much needed, is going forward. Everything is pushing to get ready for the great centennial commencement. The Baccalaureate sermon will be preached by Rev. Alex Phillips, of Alabama., (a son of the University, or rather a grandson). He follows in distinguished ability and earnestness in the footsteps of his beloved and honored ancestors, Revs. Charles and James Phillips, his father and grandfather respectively.
Mrs. Charles Phillips is here, the

guest of Dr. Battle. The King's Daughters will give a strawberry festival to-morrow night. Dr. Winston has sufficiently recovered

#### from his illness to take a trip North. KILLED BY HIS MISTRESS.

#### A State Senator Shot while Asleep by a Jealous Woman.

St. Louis, Mo., May 13.-State Senator Peter R. Morrissey was murdered while asleep in bed this morning by Maud Lewis, at her home. She sent a bullet through Morrissey's brain, placing the pistol against the sleeping man's left aud pulling the trigger. She also shot him in the mouth.

The deceased was a single man, 32 years of age, and had been living with the woman who was of a jealous nature. It is supposed the killing was the result of a quarrel. The woman is half crazed over her deed and is strapped to a cot in a cell at the city hospital.

#### CARLISE'S MONEY CAMPAIGN. The Secretary Will Leave Washington

### Next Sunday Afternoon. WASHINGTON, D. C., May 13 .- Secre-

tary Carlisle announces the following dates upon which he will deliver speeches on the financial question: At Covington, Ky., Monday, May 20th; before the Memphis "Sound Money Convention," Thursday, May 23rd; at Bowling Green, Ky., Saturday, May 25th; at Louisville, Tuesday, May 28.

The Secretary will leave Washington next Sunday afternoon, going direct to Covington. All the addresses will be delivered in the evening except that at Memphis, which will be delivered in the

COLOMBUS, Ohio, May 13.—Mrs. Henrietta J. Moore, of Springfield, was to-day chosen temporary chairman of the State prohibition convention, which meets at Springfield on the 8th and 9th of June. This will be the first time in Ohio that a woman has presided over a of \$250 has been offered for the capture

## ROGERS IS COLLECTOR

THE CHIEF DEPUTY APPOINTED YESTERDAY TO SUCCEED CAPT. CARTER.

## WAS HE KOPE ELIAS' CHOICE?

North Carolina Honored By the Southern Baptist Convention -- Miss Fannie Heck, of Raleigh, Elected President of the Woman's Baptist Missionary Union -- Mrs. Gwaltney Addresses the Ladies' Auxiliary -- Hon. Carroll D. Wright Coming to the Unveiling. Special to the News and Observer.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 13. Samuel L. Rogers, Chief Deputy Collector, has been appointed to succeed Hon. Melvil E. Carter, deceased. It is understood that the telegraph wires between Franklin, Macon county, and lars. this city were used to some extent by the President and Kope Elias.

Mrs. Dr. Gwaltney, of Wake Forest, addressed the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Southern Baptist church to-day. She is the only North Carolinian who has delivered an address before any branch of the Convention. No Carolina minister has made any speech.

The Woman's Baptist Missionary Union held its last day's session to-day and elected Miss Fannie E. Heck, of Raleigh, President. This is great honor and was deserved, as she has been one of the hardest workers in the Union.

There was some opposition in the Baptist Convention to the adoption of the report in favor of the system of tithing. But it was adopted, and all good members will hereafter be expected to give one tenth to the Lord.

Secretary Hoke Smith chartered the steamer River Queen to-day and took all the delegates to Mt. Vernon.

Miss Fannie Heck, of Raleigh, spoke to the intermediate class at Calvary Baptist Church Sunday morning. Miss Heck also took part in the discussion of mis-sion work at Woman's Union on Satur-

Mr. Bright, of North Carolina, speaks to the people to-night at the Independent Order of Mechanic's Hall.

The Convention to-day made its assessment on the different States for missionary purposes. North Carolina was assessed \$9,000.

The following pulpits were occupied yesterday by North Carolinians by assignment: Fifth Baptist, J. H. Mundy; Westminster Presbyterian, W. C. Tyree; Sixth Presbyterian, Thos. E. Skinner; First Baptist, in Richmond, Dr. Pritchard, of Charlotte.

The Washington correspondent of the Charleston News and Courier on Sunday night telegraphed his paper that Justice Jackson was thought to have thrown his vote to sustain the constitutionality of the income tax. The decision is expected March 20th.

Cadet Worth Bagley, who was recommended to be dropped by the Annapolis Medical Board for heart trouble, was given a re-examination on Saturday by the Surgeon General. To-day Secretary Herbert approved the becision of the Washington Board to hold him over for final examination after two years' course. He will graduate on the 7th of June, and will be assigned to duty on the Montgomery on the Atlantic Squadron.

Marriage license was granted today to James Deal, of Fayetteville, and Susan Jackson, of Washington.

Carroll D. Wright said today that he looked forward with pleasure to seeing the monument unveiling and having another chance to decorate Confederate graves. He had several relations in the Confederate army.

Thomas Wilder and sister, of Louisburg, are visiting their sister, Mrs. J. S.

## MURDER AND MARRIAGE.

#### A Lover Kills his Sweetheart's Father and Then Marries Her. COVINGTON, Ga., May 13.—A tragedy

occurred near Newbern in this county yesterday afternoon that has woven into its startling plot love, romance, vengeance, murder and marriage.

In Morgan county, just over the line from Newton, there lives the family of a rich and well known planter, J. Estes. He had a daughter and she had a lover named Green.

The family of the young lady objected to the marriage of the young people and they determined to take matters into their own hands. Yesterday afternoon Will Green met Miss Estes by appoint-ment and the two proceeded in a buggy to the residence of Rev. Mr. Harwell who was to perform the ceremony.

Just as the couple were getting from the buggy they saw Mr. Estes and his son coming rapidly towards them. Green quickly pulled a revolver and fired at Mr. Estes, the ball entering near the heart, killing him instantly. Green then fired two shots at young Estes, but without effect.

Leaving her father dead in the road, and shot to death by her lover, and her brother bending over the inanimate form, Miss Estes went on with her lover to Broughtonville, where they were married.

The sheriff of Newton county has received a telegram stating that a reward

### WORK OF THE COLD WAVE,

## Many Sections.

MONTICELLO, N. Y., May 13 .- A cold wave struck this section last night. The thermometer dropped 45 degrees in almost as many minutes. Ice formed during the night and in some sections of Sullivan and Delaware counties the fruit blossoms are badly frozen. At 7 o'clock snow was falling at Livingston, Manor and Liberty and also in most of the up towns of the New York, Ontario and Western Railroad.

WATERTOWN, N. Y., May 43.-Northern New York points experienced a drop of 40 degrees in the themometer in 15 hours, the change taking place from 2 p. m. Saturday to Sunday morning.

Thousands of Dollars Damage. LOCKPORT, N. Y., May 13 .-- The thermometer registered as low as 28 last night. Fruit and vegetables suffered in Niagara county, and although the extent of the damage is not yet ascertained, it will reach thousands of dol

NYACH, N. Y., May 13.—The cold weather this morning made thin ice in this place and vicinity, and a continuance of the low temperature, it is believed, will injure the fruit prospects.

## Snow Storm in Michigan.

DETROIT. Mich., May 13.—Frederick, Michigan, reports 9 to 10 inches of snow; Ossinike 3 inches and still snowing; Lewiston 8 inches and still snowing; Menominee 4 inches with all gardens and many fruit and shade trees ruined, and Manistee 2 inches. The frost did no damage to fruit trees at Grand Haven, and it can be possible that generally throughout the State fruit has escaped serious injury.

GRAYLING, Mich., May 13.—A terrific snow storm set in yesterday and this morning the snow is twelve inches deep on the level. It is still snowing and drifting badly.

## Heavy Frost in West Virginia.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., May 13.—There was a heavy frost throughout this section this morning, but owing to the dry weather no damage of any importance was done. The thermometer to-night is 54 and falling, with a cold rain.

Grapes Killed in Pennsylvania. ERIE, Pa., May 13.—A killing frost fell from midnight last night and did very extensive damage in the grape belt.

Crops Injured in Ohio. and Eastern portions of the State last night. In some places ice was frozen a quarter of an inch thick. Fruit of all kinds was destroyed. Along the lake shore grape growers kept fires burning all night in their vineyards, but the damage done to the vines is very great and the loss will amount to many thousands of dollars. Wheat, which had commenced heading, is badly injured. Garden truck is ruined and young corn frozen in the ground.

### Heavy Frost in Virginia. LEXINGTON VA. May 13 -This se

tion was visited by a heavy frost last night and in one locality there was ice. The fruit and gardens were very slightly damaged. The temperature is 50 degrees and falling slowly. Wind South and indications point to rain.

## BASEBALL YESTERDAY.

At Chicago: Chicago-New York, game postponed on account of a snow storm.

At Cleveland: Cleveland-Boston game postponed on account of cold weather and rain.

At Cincinnati: Cincinnati-Baltimore game postponed on account of rain.

At Louisville: Louisville--Washington game postponed on account of wet grounds. At St. Louis:

St. Louis, 0 2 4 1 0 0 4 1 0-12 2 0 0 4 2 3 2 0 0-13 Brooklyn, Batteries: Breitenstein and Miller; Gumbert and Dailey.

At Pittsburg: Pittsburg, 300010000000-4 Philadelphia, 3 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 4-8 (11 innings) Batteries: Killen and Sugden; McGill and Buckley.

At Norfolk: Norfolk, 6 1 0 1 0 0 0 0 2--4 Portsmouth. 2 2 0 2 0 0 0 0 x-6 Batteries: McCreery. Purcell and Geier; Tirandt and Vetter.

At Atlanta: Atlanta. Nashville, 1 5 0 0 0 0 3 3 0—12 Batteries: Schmidt, Callehan and Wilson; Herman and Trost.

At Roanoke: 0 1 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 -- 2 Roanoke. 21000000x-3 Richmond, Batteries: Gaffney and Ganzell; Flynn and Foster.

#### ADMIRAL MEADE'S SUCCESSOR. Will Not be Appointed Till After the Kiel Canal Celebration.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 13 .- The announcement is made that Rear Admiral Meade's successor as commander-in-chief of the North Atlantic squadron will probably not be appointed until after the Kiel canal celebration.

Secretary Herbert intimated this morning that no urgent necessity for filling the command existed just at present and as the fleet was widely scattered, most of them being under repairs at navy vards or on detached duty, squadron organization had no advantages.

Of the seven vessels which were nominally under Admiral Meade's command, practically every one has been detached. The New York and Columbia will leave for Europe next Monday under orders to return before July 1st.

### SUN'S COTTON REPORT.

#### Crops Damaged by Frost and Snow in | Speculation Slightly Influenced by Cold Weather in the South.

New York, May 13.--Cotton rose 3 to 4 points but lost this and declined 2 to 3 points, closing easy, with sales of 68,500 bales. Liverpool advanced 1 1-2 points, closing quiet and steady, with prices 1 to 1 1-2 points higher than at the close on Saturday. The spot sales were only 8,000 bales. New Orleans advanced 2 points but lost this and dropped 4 points.

Spot cotton here was dull and unchanged; sales of 84 for spinning and 2,300 delivered on contract. The New Orleans receipts to-morrow are estimated at 1,500 against 4,061 last Tuesday and 605 last year. In Manchester yarns and cloths were dull. The Bombay half weekly receipts were 37,000 against 22,-000 last year. The Southern spot markets were quiet and unchanged. Port receipt were 5,535 against 8,863 this day last week and 4,704 last year. Port ex-

ports were 9,791, mostly to the continent. Elliston & Co., of Liverpool, estimate the weekly consumption during April the same as in previous months, Great Britain 82,000 and Continent 98,000 bales of 400 pounds each, a total 180,000 bales, against 80,000 and 91,000, making 171,000 last year. The surplus mill stocks on May 1st were: Great Britain 287,000 and Continent 773,000, a total of 1,060,000, against 180,000 and 582,-

#### 000, making 762,000 last year. To-day's Features.

The speculation was a small local affair. Early in the day there was a rise owing to the cold weather in the South. Later on, however, prices receded, mainly owing to a pediction by the signal service of fair and warmer weather at the South. Some of the German houses sold the distant months and bought August this afternoon. Grain, stocks and iron were stronger, and the bull fever seems to be on, not only in this country, but in Europe. Some think cotton has had all the rise that it is entitled, to but others and among them not a few experienced operators and prominent houses here, believe that 1895 is going to he a bull year in cotton.

#### IMPROVEMENT IN CROPS.

#### But a Week of Continuously Fair Weather is Needed Everywhere.

The reports of correspondents of the Weekly Weather Crop Bulletin, issued by the North Carolina State Weather CLEVELAND, Ohie, May 13.—A heavy and killing frost visited the Northern May 13th, show some improvement over conditions of the preceding week. The rain-fall was apparently not much above the normal generally, but the ground was wet at beginning of the week from rains of the last days of the preceding week, so that plowing could not be done during more than four days of the week anywhere, and in some places hardly any plowing was done. The temperature was considerably above the normal until the last two days, when a cold wave prevailed. Vegetation has progressed rapidly in nearly all sections. and oats continue to look well. Truck crops generally are reported fairly good. Tobacco plants and sweet potatoes are being set out. What is needed everywhere is a week or ten days of continuous fair weather, which would enable farmers to finish planting and get their

crops in good condition. Eastern District.—The rain-fall was unevenly distributed in this district. majority of correspondents report the ground too wet for much plowing. A large portion of seeds planted just before the wet spell rotted in the ground and some farmers are plowing up and planting corn over. About half of the reports say stand of corn and cotton is poor, while the rest report fair stands. In Pitt a hail-storm damaged tobacco beds on the 9th. Sweet potatoes and tobacco plants are being set out. The weather has been very warm until last two days of the week, and while it was not generally a good week for work, it was favorable for growing crops. Cor-respondents in the following counties report the week favorable for growing crops, viz: Columbus, Brunswick, New Hanover, Onslow, Wayne, Craven, Carteret, Pender, Northampton, Nash, Robeson.

Central District. - The amount of rain in this district was generally not above the average, but the ground being so wet from previous rains prevented farin some of mers from doing much plowing. The following counties seen to have suffered most from the rains: Person, Chatham, Orange, some parts of Johnston, some parts of Richmond, Randolph, Alamance, parts of Anson, parts of Cumberland, Montgomery and Guilford In a majority of the central counties the week was a favorable one for work and for all growing crops. Light showers occurred but there was an average amount of sunshine and temperature was high during most of the week; vegetation made good progress. A week or ten days of continuous fair weather would put crops

in good condition. Western District.-There were frequent'showers in the west, which hindered farm work in many localities; but a large number of correspondents report the week favorable for work, and everything that is up is growing rapidly. The temperature was high until last two or three days, when a cool wave prevailed. Farm work is still behind nearly everywhere. A week of fair weather is what is needed. Crimson clover is about ready to

Wheat is generally fine, and the outlook for fruit continues good. At Memphis:

## Memphis,

Montgomery, 0 0 1 3 0 1 0 1 1-7 Batteries: Burrell, Quigg and O'Meara; Maloney and Kehoe.