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TAR HEEL TOPICS

Items Gathered From All Sections of the State

Farmers Alliance.

The annual meeting of the North Carolina Farmers' Alliance will be held at Hillsboro next Tuesday and Wednesday.

In a letter to the Progressive Farmer, referring to the approaching State meeting, Mr. George F. Parrott, of Kinston, president of the organization, says: "With no little pleasure we look forward to next Tuesday, August 13th, the annual meeting day for the State Alliance."

"Our meeting will be a very important one. We will probably discuss with a view to some action the buying of wrapping for our next cotton crop; also the marketing of our cotton as well as the attitude of the American Tobacco Company toward cultivation of tobacco."

"Let delegates at their leisure note just what suggestions they wish to offer, also any specific matter which they are instructed by their County Alliance to bring before the State meeting."

"Again let me urge delegates to be on hand and should anything occur so that the principal cannot attend, then let your alternate know in time for him to report at headquarters at Hillsboro at 12:00 M. on August 13th."

Broke Boys Head.

Wadesboro, Special.—Julius the 8-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Pinson, was kicked in the forehead by a horse Saturday afternoon.

Pardons Granted and Refused.

Raleigh, Special.—Governor Glenn last week granted pardons of three who had made application and refused the application of six, among these six being two negroes who are under sentence of death.

Street Railway Franchise.

Salisbury, Special.—The Board of Aldermen have granted a franchise to the Piedmont Carolina Railway Company, a Salisbury organization to operate a belt line railway starting at Newton Heights, in Spencer, thence through East Spencer and up Long street to Inness street in this city, thence through Inness street to the western outskirts of the city, terminating at the new fair grounds.

Will Double Population.

Duke, Special.—It is said that the Dukes are to erect another mammoth mill at this place. This place exclusively a factory village, has now a population of about 3,000, the largest population of any town in Harnett county, and the new factory will almost double this population.

Bitten By a Copperhead.

New Bern, Special.—The three-year-old child, a little boy, of Mr. Morrison Rowe, who lives nine miles from New Bern in the second township, was bitten by a snake Sunday morning.

New Court House Plans.

Salisbury, Special.—A movement is on foot looking to the erection of a new court house for Rowan county to take the place of the old one which has been in constant use for nearly half a century.

Awful Double Tragedy.

Asheville, Special.—A terrible tragedy was enacted here Wednesday morning shortly after 10 o'clock, when Robert Murdock, a white man 45 years of age, with a wife and several children, shot to death Mrs. Laura Ray, proprietress of the "Success Inn," a large boarding house of this city, and then turned the weapon on himself and sent three bullets into his heart.

Shot Wife in Cold Blood.

Selma, Special.—Ransom Godwin a well-to-do white farmer, 65 years old at his home five miles west of Keno, shot and killed his wife without any real cause for the deed, so those who know the family say. She was his third wife he having married her about four years ago.

Decide for Pilots.

Wilmington, Special.—Judge J. Crawford Biggs, who presided at the late term of New Hanover Superior court, and who, the past week, heard the suit to test the constitutionality of the compulsory pilotage law, applying to the Cape Fear bar, which law was recently passed by the General Assembly after a fight on the floor of both houses, on Saturday rendered his decision, holding the law constitutional and valid.

Money in Old Shoe.

Salisbury, Special.—While tearing down an old log house on the lands recently purchased by Mr. L. A. Cline the St. Paul neighborhood, three miles from this city, workmen found \$69 bid in a child's shoe underneath the large heartstone. There were six ten dollar bills. How long the money had been there no one knows.

Charters Granted.

The following charters have been issued: The First Congregational Church Company, at Mount Pleasant, is also granted a charter. The F. W. Hunt Contracting Company, of Asheville, to do general contracting for railroad construction, capital stock \$20,000.

Bridgeport Lumber Company.

Craven county, capital \$50,000 authorized, with \$16,000 paid in; A. P. Bunting, H. M. Bunting and some Norfolk parties, incorporators.

The Salisbury German Coach-Horse Company.

Company to breed, buy and sell live stock; capital stock \$10,000; G. A. Fisher and others.

Superintendent of County Schools Chosen.

Oxford, Special.—At a meeting of the county board of education Tuesday Mr. J. F. Webb was elected superintendent of the county schools to succeed Prof. Robert Kitterell.

SCHOOL APPROPRIATIONS

New High School Law Going Into Force in the Several Counties.

Raleigh, Special.—The State board of education has appropriated about \$22,000 of the \$45,000 set apart by the last Legislature for high schools in the various counties under the new system, now being inaugurated.

A Timber Road.

Raleigh, Special.—In an interview with Mr. William Monrore, so well known in railway circles and particularly for the last few years as a builder of roads, he said that Henry E. Lichford, of Raleigh; John G. Shaw of Rockingham; D. E. McVey and C. L. Chisholm of Sanford; himself and others are now arranging to build the Bladen & Northern Railway from Stedman on the Atlantic Coast Line a distance of 20 miles.

Pinned Beneath Locomotive.

New York, Special.—Pinned beneath a locomotive, Charles S. Hudley, a brakeman on the New York New Haven & Hartford Railroad suffered the amputation of a leg before he could be extricated from under the engine, which had run over him in the railroad yards in the Bronx.

Big Canning Output.

Mount Airy, Special.—Some 25 hands are now busy at the Mount Airy Canning Factory, putting up canned tomatoes. It is learned that at least 50,000 cans of tomatoes will be put up this season by this company.

Bitten By a Spider.

Greenville, Special.—Bitten by a large black spider early Friday morning Tilden Batson a laundryman of this city, was stricken terribly ill. Two physicians were summoned before the man got relief from his sufferings.

A New Industry.

Greensboro, Special.—The Aeme Match Company, with authorized capital of \$100,000 and \$20,000 subscribed has been chartered to manufacture matches here. A site for the factory has been selected near the city limits and work will begin within 30 days.

Four Killed by Train.

Allenhurst, N. J., Special.—Four persons employes of the Norwood House, were instantly killed when their carriage was run down by a Pennsylvania passenger flyer known as the Banker's Special, at the Corlies Ave. crossing here.

Georgia Capitalist Dead in Hotel.

Atlanta, Ga., Special.—Halecomb Bacon, of Albany, Ga., aged 35, capitalist and prominent business man, was found dead at the Aragon Hotel here and on a table at his bedside were bottles partly filled, labelled chloral hydrate, bromide and bromidia.

Four Dead; Three Badly Hurt.

Dalton, Ga., Special.—Four persons are dead and three seriously injured as the result of a head-on collision between a southbound local freight and an extra freight train on the Western & Atlantic Railroad, one mile north of this place at 5 o'clock Thursday afternoon.

POSTAL'S MEN QUIT

Telegraphers in Chicago Walk Out By Hundreds

BUSINESS SERIOUSLY CRIPPLED

Resolution Adopted in Meeting of Strikers That Every Operator in the City Holding a Card Shall be Called Out.—Postal Men Demand 25 Per Cent Increase, 8-Hour Day and Recognition of Union With Ultimate Aim of Aiding Western Union Strikers.

Chicago, Ill., Special.—The 500 operators of the Postal Telegraph Company struck Friday night at 6 o'clock. This, with the 1,100 men out from the offices of the Western Union throughout the city, makes 1,600 men now on strike in Chicago.

At a meeting of the operators held in the afternoon a resolution was unanimously passed declaring that every operator in the city having a union card should be called out.

A short time after the meeting had dissolved demands were presented to the officials of the Postal company asking for an increase of 25 per cent in wages, an 8-hour day and recognition of the union. If these were not passed upon the strike was to follow.

It was said by some of the operators who were present in the meeting that the intention of the union was to cripple the telegraph facilities of Chicago in every direction, and to do it so completely that public sentiment would be brought to bear heavily on the two telegraph companies, and in this manner force a settlement between them and the operators.

The strike at the Chicago office of the Postal company was attended by no sign of disorder. When a whistle was blown, the operators rose from their keys with a cheer and walked out. There was not the slightest evidence of ill-feeling on either side.

The strike throughout the day has been marked by absence of trouble of any kind. Chief of Police Shiply informed the leaders in the afternoon that he would not allow any picketing or violence, and he was informed that none was intended, and that every effort would be made to keep the men peaceable.

Other Western Union offices which became involved in the trouble together with the number of men who quit work are: Salt Lake City, 36; Helena, 40; Kansas City, 330; Dallas, 105; Fort Worth, Tex., 40; Colorado Springs, 10; Denver, 83; New Orleans, 60.

Dr. J. F. Ensor Dead.

Columbia, S. C., Special.—Dr. J. F. Ensor, for the past ten years postmaster at Columbia, superintendent of the State Hospital for the Insane during reconstruction, former chief surveyor of the port of Charleston and for several years deputy collector of internal revenue, died at his home here Friday afternoon in his 72nd year.

GREAT STRIKE SPREADING

Officers of Telegraphers' Union Are Planning to Carry Strike to All Parts of United States and Canada—Some 4,000 Men Are Now Out in 50 Cities From Ohio to California

Chicago, Special.—With some 4,000 telegraphers on strike in about 50 cities from Ohio to California, and encouraged by their success in hampering telegraph facilities of both commercial telegraph companies in Chicago, where all but leased wire men are out, officers of the Commercial Telegraphers' Union are planning to carry the strike to all parts of the United States and Canada.

Instructions were telegraphed by National Secretary Russell to union telegraphers in New York and other cities, where they are still at work, to "save their money and await orders."

A telegram was sent to President Small, of the Telegraphers' Union who is in San Francisco, urging him to take the first train to Chicago to look after the situation as it is the announced intention of the men to engineer the strike from Chicago.

The telegraph companies are preparing to meet the issue, and declare that they will fight to a finish. They declare they have been temporizing with the union for months and that they will hold no further negotiations with the representatives of the men on strike.

Cities Affected by Strike.

- According to information received in Chicago Saturday night the points already affected outside of Chicago and the total of strikers are: Chicago—Western Union 1,150; Postal, 500. Houston—Western Union, 30; Postal, 10. Kansas City—Western Union, 330; Postal, 70. Topeka—Western Union, 8; Postal, 5. Oklahoma City—Western Union, 10; Postal, 10. Pueblo—Western Union, 8; Postal, 10. New Orleans—Western Union, 100; Postal, 60. Nashville—Western Union, 75; Postal, 10. Memphis—Western Union, 60; Postal, 50. Dallas—Western Union, 105; Postal, 40. Meridian—Western Union, 10; Postal, 10. Jackson, Miss.—Western Union, 15; Postal, 10. Minneapolis—Western Union, 60; Postal, 10. Milwaukee—Western Union, 30; Postal, 15. St. Louis—Western Union, 300; Postal, 100. Helena, Mont.—Western Union, 40; Postal, 10. Colorado Springs—Western Union, 10; Postal, 10. Denver—Western Union, 75; Postal, 10. Fort Worth, Tex.—Western Union, 40; Postal, 10. El Paso—Western Union, 35; Postal, 10. St. Paul—Western Union, 100; Postal, 10. Los Angeles—Western Union, 50; Postal, 10. Fargo—Western Union, 10; Postal, 10. Omaha—Western Union, 60; Postal, 25. Sioux City—Western Union, 25; Postal, 10. Knoxville—Western Union, 55; Postal, 10. Birmingham—Western Union, 35; Postal, 65. Jackson, Miss.—Western Union, 15; Postal, 5. Augusta—Western Union, 10; Postal, 25. "We are filling vacancies as rapidly as possible," said T. P. Cook, general superintendent of the Western Union and we are in better position than we expected to be. We will not deal with any representatives of the strikers, as this company only treats with its own employes. When the men quit work, they ceased to be employes of the Western Union and our relations with them are at an end. There will be no union recognition. "Will you let President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor, should he come to Chicago and offer his services?" Mr. Cook was asked. "We will not," was the emphatic answer. W. I. Capen, superintendent of the Postal Telegraph Company in Chicago, said his company was making better progress than he had anticipated. "A number of our employes have already returned to work," he declared and others have signified their intention of returning. National Secretary Russell, of the Telegraphers' Union, said: "We are highly pleased with the situation, and no matter what sort of assertions the telegraph officers may make, the fact remains, they are not doing any business. They have a few chiefs and inexperienced telegraphers at work, but as far as the company's being able to handle the public business is concerned, they are merely trying to mislead the public. We know for an actual fact in Chicago there are not 50 operators who are working for the commercial companies, where under normal con-

ditions the number amounts to 1,550. We are in this fight to stay, and we must have recognition, or our union might as well go out of business."

The developments Sunday in the great strike of the telegraphers were not such as to warrant optimism. Practically all union commercial operators are now out, and all the large cities are crippled. The special wire men and the press operators are preparing to join in the walkout, and the tie up will likely be complete.

Bomb Laboratory in School.

Moscow, By Cable.—The police searched the imperial technical school and discovered the central revolutionary laboratory for manufacturing bombs of a new pattern and tremendous explosive powder, regular supplies of which were being shipped to various interior points.

Liner City of Panama Sinks the Steamer Alliance.

Portland, Ore., Special.—The Portland & San Francisco liner City of Panama enroute from Portland with a full list of passengers, collided with and sank the steamer Alliance from Coos bay, for Portland, with passengers and freight. The collision occurred in a fog near the mouth of the Willamette river.

NEWSY GLEANINGS.

Estimates of damage caused by the cyclone at Kurrachi, India, are between \$3,000,000 and \$6,000,000. Canadian Government experts estimate that \$4,000,000 worth of gold remains in the districts of the Yukon. High Point, N. J., voted down Mr. Andrew Carnegie's proposition to give that town \$15,000 for a public library. The farmers of the Southwest are making a strenuous effort this year to combine in a demand for higher prices for their cotton. Cases of death from hunger are so common in New York City that only those attended by peculiar circumstances receive mention. Julius Leck, a New York City policeman, swam two miles through the waters of Hell Gate, towing a boat which contained three men. The American delegates were praised at The Hague Peace Conference for taking the initiative in what was considered the first real work for peace. According to an expert, the State of Pennsylvania was charged \$1,500,000 too much for \$2,000,000 worth of metal furnishings for the Capitol building. Ex-Judge Roger A. Pryor pointed out the possible public danger that lies in the present system empowering a president to fill the Federal courts with his own judges. Judge Pryor contended that judges should be elected. Saying she wanted to see how it was possible to watch the blood stop in the ends of her fingers and the nails turn blue, Carrie Mattison, a farmer's daughter, took strychnine and died within an hour in Sioux City, Iowa. American tourists fill the hotels of Paris to overflowing.

PROMINENT PEOPLE.

Secretary Root is said to be the most inaccessible man in Washington. Ferdinand of Bulgaria is the only sovereign in Europe who speaks Yiddish. The oldest member of the Institute of France is M. Rousseau, who is in his ninety-first year. Secretary Taft says that he is anticipating with much pleasure his visit to the Philippines. Abbe Curran, in Paris, has hit upon the scheme of giving a lottery ticket to every person who attends mass, good for a drawing of provisions. The King of Siam is a practical exemplar of nepotism. His one brother and twenty half-brothers fill all the important administrative and executive posts in the government. Nearly all the sovereigns of Europe have essays painting at an amusement, and King Edward of England and the Kaiser have been more than ordinarily successful with the brush. King Carlos of Portugal, however, is by universal consent the ablest artist among crowned heads. The statue of Parnell, the Irish leader, has arrived at Liverpool from Rome, where it was cast from the model executed by Mr. Augustus St. Gaudens. H. F. R. A., the distinguished Irish-American sculptor, is to be erected in Dublin's principal thoroughfare, O'Connell street—better known as Sackville street. Augustus St. Gaudens, noted sculptor, who died in his home in Cornish, N. H., was born in Dublin, Ireland, March 1, 1848. He was brought to America by his parents when he was only six weeks old, and after a very indifferant education in the primary schools of New York he was apprenticed to a cameo cutter at the age of thirteen. IT TASTES JUST THE SAME. "You say you were in the saloon at the time of the assault referred to in the complaint?" asked the lawyer. "I was sir." "Did you take cognizance of the barkeeper at the time?" "I don't know what he call it, but I took what the rest did."—Lippincott's Magazine.

A NAVAL MONSTER

England Building Largest War Vessel Ever Planned

UNITED STATES TO BETTER THAT

Washington Naval Circles Excited Over Report That Keel is About to be Laid Down New Ship to be of No Less Than 30,000 Tons Displacement, and Design is Believed to Include Many Novelties, Including Assembling of Three Guns in Each Turret.

Washington, Special.—Naval circles are agitated over a report which reaches Washington that the British admiralty is about to lay down the keel for a giant ship that will be 50 per cent greater in tonnage than the redoubtable "Dreadnought." It is unlikely to secure any information respecting the plans for this ship, and it is said that the British government is agian proceeding, as it did in the case of the Dreadnought, to build the vessel behind closed gates.

It is understood that the new ship is to be of no less than 30,000 tons displacement, against 20,000 tons of the Dreadnought, but aside from the mere matter of superior size, the design is believed to include many novelties some based on the experience of the Dreadnought. Such a one, for instance, is understood to be the contemplated assembling of three guns in each turret, so that if the new ship is equalled with the six turrets, she will carry no less than 18 guns in her main battery. The calibre of the guns, however, will, it is believed, remain at 12 inches, the present standard.

The report of the British plan has caused some of the bolder designers to proceed to greater length and to propose the laying down of a battleship of 40,000 tons displacement, placing the American navy clearly in the lead. Naval designers are believed to be willing to undertake the construction of such a ship. It would cost no less than \$20,000,000, but in view of the predominance it would give to America as a naval power it is argued by the advocates of the proposition that such a ship would be an economical investment by leading to ensure peace.

100 Additional Union Mechanics Join Building Trades Strike.

Washington, Special.—Acting on orders from the executive officers of their unions 100 more union mechanics joined the building trades strike here Saturday. According to the labor leaders every building under construction, where non-union mechanics were employed, is now tied up and nearly 300 men have quit work. The employers' association claims that it has been able to fill the places of all the strikers with the exception of bricklayers. The union men declare that the strike will be extended next Monday.

Lumber Company to Build Railroad.

Mount Sterling, Ky., Special.—Clearfield Lumber Company, of Clearfield, Pa., closed a deal for 30,000 acres of Walnut, oak and poplar timber lands in Morgan county for \$100,000. It is announced that the company will extend a line of railroad 18 miles up Rush branch and will spend \$1,000,000 in improvements.

Officers Raid Counterfeiter's Den.

Uniontown, Pa., Special.—In a raid on an alleged counterfeiter's den at Smithfield, several men were arrested a large number of moulds captured and a big quantity of spurious coins found concealed about the place. The men were all foreigners. It is claimed that the plant has been in operation several weeks, as the neighborhood non-a still hunt for the counterfeiter money. The authorities have been on a still hunt for the counterfeiter for some time and believe all implicated have been captured.

Martin A. Knapp Weds Miss Nellie Maynard Gardner.

New York, Special.—Martin A. Knapp, chairman of the inter-State commerce commission and Mrs. Nellie Maynard Gardner, daughter of the late George L. Maynard, of Syracuse, were married at the Hotel Manhattan, in this city in the presence of a few family friends by Bishop Edward C. Andrews, of the Methodist Church.