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TAR HEEL TOPICS

Items Gathered From All Sections of the State

Wife Murderer Suicides.

Selma, Special.-After two previous attempts at self-destruction. Ransom Godwin, who on the night of August 7th, last, shot his wife in a through the heart with a gun, death following instantly, the scene of the deed being the woods about a half mile from his home. The coroner held an inquest over the dead body, officers since the night of his diabolical deed in August, but had efbeing in communication with his son. Once when officers were hot on his trail he tried to end his existence not result in death.

ately set about planning a third efnated it was found.

Godwin was in his 76th fatal results.

Straightening Out the Kinks.

a novel enterprise in this city located on Church street. It is conducted by the "Twin-City Shampooing and Hair Straightening Company." A are kept for sale among the colored Franklin Superior Court. In the case of second hand clothing. The firm for \$150 for alleged mistreatment and ed, and a great many negroes in the awarded \$1,427., city stand as living illustrations of the skill of the local "hair-straighteners." The process used in the op-

Million Increase in Tax Values.

more than this amount.

Proposal to Increase Stock.

Winston-Salem, Special.-A meetfrom \$600,000 to \$1,000,000.

Forsyth Teachers Meet.

Winston-Salem, Special. - There was a fine array of county school teachers in the Twin City Saturday register of deeds the Hunter block, afternoon, the occasion being the first in Salem, is transferred from the 1 o'clock. The feature of the meet- R. I. Jenkins, the consideration being was an addres by Col. W. A. ing \$7,500. The building is now oc Blair, who spoke to the teachers about cupied by the Salem Dry Goods Comeducational matters in genral. He pany. It has a frontage on Main made a splendid address and was lis- street of 91 feet and runs westwardly tened to very closely by the teachers. for 198 feet.

Rowan's Jail About Complete.

Salisbury, Special.-With the placing of the steel cages Rowan's jail consume but a few days. The Salem Iron Works took the contract and has given the county a \$21,000 job that is said to be very fine. Mr. H. S. Carroll is here putting on the finishing touches. The jail has attached with a special view to convenience.

The Synod Closes.

Hendersonville, Special. - Synod met at 9 o'clock, Moderator Richard in the chair. Rev. W. M. Sikes of most brutal and cold-blooded manner, Madison, conducted the devotional himself Tuesday morning exercises. Several reports of standing committees were read and approved. The statistical report shows that the Synod has given to all purposes this year \$123,364. Of this after which it was interred by rela- amount \$30,061 was for foreign mis tives. Godwin had been hunted by sions, and \$4,000 for the assemblies, Synodical and Presbyterian home feetually eluded capture, staying in missions. A resolution was adopted the dense woods in the vicinity of his requesting that Synod at its session home all the time, it is believed, and in Newbern next year convene at 8 o'clock p. m. on the fourth Tuesday in October. The report of the special with his gun, but the attempt was a committe on women's societies, comfailure. A second time, when he mending highly the work of the Wolearned that the governor had offered men's Missionary Union and other a reward of \$100 for his capture, he societies, was adopted. The report of made an effort at suicide by cutting the comittee on the Orphanage was taken from the docket and after The cold weather coming on and striking out the recommendation to the old man being unable longer to accept the resignation of Superintenlead a sylvan existence, he deliber- dent Boyd, the report was adopted fort to put himself out of this world, and Mr. Boyd's work was commend-Some weeks ago a lawyer visited him ed. Synod listened to an address by North Carolina city. The booklet and papers disposing of what prop- Rev. J. E. Snedecer, the assembly's erty he had-not a very great amount secretary of colored evangelization, were drawn up. This having been and also to remarks by J. S. Morrow, where to look later for his one of the ten colored ministers in the photograph of city, the populadead body, and at the place desig- the Synod, both speaking in the in- figures. The development of the terest of work among the colored South as a cotton manufacturing and people. The report of Synod's com- country is revealed in the booklet. ed that the mill will be operated by was in good health and sound mind. mittee on Colored Evangelization was There are 19 of these mills in Char- Captain Huss himself. The stern hand of the law was too read and adopted. At 10:30 o'clock lotte alone, and in the State there much for him to go up against, and by special order, the report of the are 245 factories, with 2,023,048 he chose rather to die by his own committee of the Sabbath and family spindles and 42,775 looms. In South hand than face the bar of justice- religion was read and considered. A Carolina there are 114 mills, with 2,as he would have had to do in a short sermon was preached by Rev. J. G. 671,410 spindles and 65,883 looms. time had he not used his gun with Gath in the interest of family relig- The city has many handsome strucion. Rev. R. F. Campbell spoke of tures and a building boom is in prothe work of the American Sabbath gress. A new hotel costing \$250,000 Union, and Rev. H. G. Hill delivered was recently finished, the money be-Winston-Salem, Special.-There is an address on Sabbath observance.

Railroads Are the Winners. Louisburg, Special.-The railroads were the winners last week in the small stock of feminine furnishings numerous damage suits tried in women of the city, and also a stock of Fuller vs. the Atlantic Coast Line does a thriving business in this line, neglect of a fine mare while in transit but derives the bulk of its income resulting in her death from pneufrom the "hair-straightening" de- monia, the jury decided in favor of partment. The object of this com- the railroad and taxed Fuller with the placed in the city. It is a distinct pany is to straighten the hair of the costs. Another suit tried was Macon negroes in the city, and to eliminate vs. Seaboard Air Line for the killing ing capacity is about 4,500. The all the kinky inclinations of the same of Tom Macon, a negro, when a locoforever and eternally. It seems that motive jumped the little bluff at the there is a great demand among the depot, overlooking Main street, some sable sons and daughters of Ham to time ago and buried the darky un- money conrtibuted for these buildhave straight lines made out of that der it. The railroad offered the plain- ings all came from Charlotte. The part of their anatomy which is as the tiff in this suit some time ago \$2,200, city has fine new municipal, county sands of the sea and cannot be count- but it was declined and the jury and Federal buildings and handsome

Nearly Killed by Bull Dog.

Spencer, Special .- Mrs. Pheobe eration could not be learned. The Lineback, wife of Conductor Grov r capital. There are 180 miles of stone woman in charge of the building re- Lineback, of the Southern Railway, roads in the county as the result of fused to give out the formula, the is in a precarious condition at her a road builders' congress. secret being as jealously guarded by home in Spencer as a result of a the originators as the secrets of the desparate encounter with a large initiated members of Appolo's Temp- bull dog here Saturday. The dog, which was a most vicious animal, attacked a cow on a lot near Mrs. Line and personal, for the past 12 months of weapons were used, but without has increased approximately one mil- effect. In the fight with the dog she lion dollars, although the exact fig- was dangerously injured and was carures will probably be considerably ried to her home in a helpless condition and is still unable to be moved.

U. S. Court in Greenville.

Greenville, Special .- The civil docket will be sounded in the federal ing of the stockholders of the Wacho- circuit court on Saturday morning at via Loan & Trust Company of this 10 o'clock and parties interested city has been called, the purpose of should be present on that date. Good progress was made in the district which is to take action upon the ques- court and many cases were disposed tion of increasing the capital stock of. There were a number of convictions and few acquittals.

Transfer of Valuable Real Estate.

Winston-Salem, Special.-By deed filed Friday in the office of the

Daring Escape by Negro.

Morganton, Special .- Charles Williams, colored, confined in the county will be complete, and this work is to jail on the charge of shooting a colored damsel at a party some time ago, made a daring escape from the jail Friday night. He climbed up on top of the steel cage, went out on the roof through on air hole and, tearing his tenant, R. Daugherty. The origin of bed clothing into strips, descended to the fire is not known. The loss will to it a good residence and is built the ground, a distance of 40 feet, probably amount to \$600 or more and aking good his escape.

Convention to be Held in Philadelphia in November to Boost Waterway From Cape Cod to Beaufort.

Philadelphia, Pa., Special.-At a meeting held in the office of Mayor Reiburn, a fund was subscribed to defray the expenses of a convention to be held in this city November 19th and 20th in the interest of a proposed inland waterway from Cape Cod to Beauford, N. C. At the meeting final arrangements were completed for the convention at which it is expected representatives will be present from all the Atlantic coast

At the meeting the plan of the waterway was outlined by Congressman J. Hampton Moore of this

The meeting was attended by representatives of trade organizations from Trenton and Camden, N. J., Wilmington, Del., and other places. Among those present were Congressmai. Burton, of, Delaware; Bingham, Moon and Foulrod, of Philadelphia, and Frank L. Lanne, of the National Board of Trade.

Progress of the South.

Wilmington, Del., Evening Journal. Those who fancy that the South is still sleeping should read a fine booklet issued by an enterprising firm of Charlotte, N. C., telling of the industrial growth of that city. The book is very well prepared and it presents a pretty picture of the declares that the population of Charlotte has increased from 8,500 in 1880 to 41,500 in 1907, and judging from the photograph of city, the populaing raised by the people of the city. The finest opera house, it is asserted in the South, is located in Charlotte, and one of the realty companies has a twelve-story building. A new Y M. C. A. home to cost \$100,000 is to be erected. A Presbyterian hospital to cost \$65,000, and an Elks' temple to cost \$50,000. The elegant new auditorium just completed is undoubtedly one of the greatest puolie conveniences which has ever been eredit to Greater Charlotte. Its seatmain auditorium will hold 2,500 people with 2,300 seats in the galleries It is the boast of the city that the school houses.

The good roads movement has made great progress in Mecklenburg the county of which Charlotte is the

New Currency Law Needed.

Washington, D. C., Special-Senator Elkins, of West Virginia, declared, after a talk with the President, back's home and was about to kill that a new currency law would have Charlotte, Special .- The value of her, and Mrs. Lineback attempted to to be passed this winter to correct property in Mecklenburg county real beat the dog off the cow. All kinds the evils that are responsible for the money panic. "The business of the country has increased faster than the supply of money,' he explained, "and we must have more money to keep up with the programme."

For a Fair Election.

Memphis, Special-Friday's primary to determine whether the Williams or Walsh forces shall go against the Malone ticekt for four city offices Nov. 5, will be absolutely fair. This was made sure when the Democratic Executive Board adopted a resolution that where fraud is deteeted in any ward the box shall be thrown out.

Bell Telephone Floats Stock.

New York. Special.-Final pay payment of \$50 a share on the \$21, 925,200 additional stock issue of the large number of shares being subscribed for by English financiers and banking houses. The new stock is issued to supply the funds needed for the great improvements and extensions planned by the telephone company for 1908.

Barn Destroyed.

Columbia, Special .- A barn on the farm of Mrs. Eva Moore at Culleoks was destroyed by fire Sunday night together with two cows and a lot of farming machinery belonging to her there was no insurance.

FOR INLAND WATERWAY WHETSTONE MILLS SOLD DAY OF THANKS SET

Is Second Sale of Mill Since Bankruptcy Proceedings-Brought \$16. 000 at First Sale-A 10 Per Cent. Raise Made on Original Bid.

Charlotte, Special.-The Whetstone Cotton Mills at Bessemer City, were sold Tuesday at neon to Capt. Judson Huss, of Gastonia, for \$19,100, at a receiver's sale.

This mill was sold last summer for \$16,000, but a ten per cent bid being made later, the second sale was ordered. The mill is one of the best equipped in Bessemer City.

The original sale of this mill, together with the Vermont Cotton Mills occurred several months ago. The property has always been regarded as a paying proposition, and the bidding at the first sale was spirited and

Since the sale of the two mills, the sale of the Vermont mill was confirmed by the court, but when another party, desiring to procure possession of the Whetstone Mills, made a ten per cent bid on the original sale. when the property brought \$16,000, the court ordered a second sale, which was held Tuesday.

It is thought that Captain Huss was buying for himself, as he has been interested in cotton milling some years, having held an interest in the Loray Cotton Mills at Gastonia. H was interested financially in the Farmers' Supply Company, of Gastonia, but only a few days ago, Captain Huss disposed of his holdings in this concern.

The sale being held at noon, it was impossible to learn the plans of the of mind, and of that which stands purchaser, but it is generally believ-

Lost Half His Foot.

Winston-Salem, Special-Mr. Hen ry Groner, aged 23, lost about half of his right foot Tuesday as a result of an accident. Mr. Groner, who has held the position of motorman with the Fries Manufacturing & Power Company for three months, was at tempting to board a moving est which was passing his home, he lost his hold and footing and fell. His right foot was caught and run over by the wheels. The member was so badly crushed that Dr. J. F. Shaffner the attending physician, decided to wounded man was removed to the hospital where the operation was parformed. He will be laid up for several weeks, but Dr. Shaffner says his patient will get along nicely. Mr Groner says that he alone is responsible for the accident.

Fifth Victim of Rudd Wreck.

Greensboro, Special-Sun av morn ing at 11 o'clock death claimed Mr John Lineberry, of Randleman, as another victim of the wreck Thurs day night of train No. 34, which collided headon with a freight train at Rudd. This makes a total of five deaths resulting from the accident Of the nineteen injured people taken to St. Leo's Hospital from the scene of the wreck, two have died and the following have recovered sufficiently to go home, leaving the hospital Messrs. John W. and Mulla Gibson and W. O. Wemple and Capt. June P Thomas, of Danville, Va., and Mr Charles A. Kindley, of Gastonia. The hospital authorities report that those remaining there for treatment are getting along very well.

A Beat That is Hard to Beat.

Mooresville, Special.-Mr. O. P Harrilson, a tenant on Mr. H. A Neill's place, near Troutman, brought to Mooresville something unusual in the beet line. This monstrous beet measured 26 inches long, 14 inches in circumference at the largest part and weighed 7 1-2 pounds. The beet was large enough to feed an ordinary family for a week.

Rally For School Tax.

Durham, Special .. - Next Friday there will be a school rally at Redwood school, Oak Grove township. fall meeting of the Forsyth County executors of the estate of C. V. Win- Company, popularly known as the the interest of the special school tax Tenchers' Association, which was free, and the administrators of Wil- Bell "telephone trust," was made that is proposed for that district in held in the court house, beginning at liam H. Loyd to Messrs. G. F. and The entire issue was disposed of, a order to make a better school. It is expected that there will be a large number of people present for the exercises of the day. The principal speaker will be Mr. J. Y. Joyner, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, and there will be several others to make talks.

> Dropped Down Elevator Hole. Winston-Salem, Special. - S. F. Wade, aged 62, an apple peddler, was killed instantly at 10 o'clock Tuesday by falling into an elevator hole in the building of the Carolina Cold Storage and Ice Company. He alone when the accident occurred. I the aid of bloodhounds, are searching

President Names Last Thurs-

day in November

CHARACTER THE GOAL SOUGHT

Democracy Must Use the Ten Talents Entructed It and Pray for the Spirit of Righteousness and Justice in which Lies Hope of Nation's Perpetuity.

Washington, D. C., Special. - President Roosevelt Saturday issued his Thanksgiving preclamation, through the Secretary of State, naming the last Thursday in November, the twenty-eighth.

The proclamation follows: "Once again the season of the year

has come when, in accordance with the custom of our forefathers for generations past, the President appoints a day as the especial occasion for all our people to give praise and thanksgiving to God.

"During the past year we have been free from famine, from pestilence, from war. We are at peace with all the rest of mankind. Our natural resources are at least as great as those of any other nation. We believe that in ability to develop and take advantage of these resources the average man of this nation stands at least as high as the average man of any other . Nowhere else in the world is there such an opportunity for a free people to develop to the fullest extent all its powers of body, above both body and mind-char-

"Much has been given us from on high and much will rightly be expected of us in return. Into our care the ten talents have been entrusted; and we are to be pardoned neither if we squander and waste, nor if we hide them in a napkin; for they must be fruitful in our hands. Ever throughout the ages, at all times and among all peoples, prosperity has been fraught with danger, and it behooves us to be eech the Giver of all things that we may not fall into love of ease and luxury; that we may not forget our duty to God and to our neighbor.

"A great Democracy like ours, a Democracy based upon the principles of orderly liberty, can be perpetuated take off about half the foot. The only if in the heart of the ordinary citizen there dwells a keen sense of righteousness and justice. We should earnestly pray that this spirit of righteousness and justice may grow ever greater in the hearts of all of us, and that our souls may be inclined evermore both toward the virtues that tell for gentleness and tenderness, for loving kindness and forbearance one with another, and toward those no less necessary virtues that make our manliness and rugged hardihood-for without these qualities neither nation nor individual can rise

to the level of greatness. "Now, therefore, I, Theodore Roosevelt, President of the United States, do set apart Thursday, the 28th day of November, as a day of general Thanksgiving and Prayer, and on that day I recommend that the people shall cease from their daily work, and, in their home or in their churches meet devoutly to thank Almighty for the many and great blessings they have received in the past, and to pray that they may be given strength so to order their lives as to deserve a continuation of these blessings in the future.

"In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

"Done at the city of Washington the twenty-fifth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred an seven and of the Independence of the United States the one hundred and thirty-second.

"Theodore Roosevelt." "By the President: "Elihu Root, Secretary of State

To Inquire Into Seizure of Tobacco. Washington, Special.-The British embassy has been charged by its government to inquire into the action of American Telegraph & Telephone This will be a township rally and in the Federal authorities in seizing 7,-500 cases of cigarettes at Norfolk intended for shipment to the British American Tobacco Company. The British embassy reopened for business in Washington after being located at Intervale, N. H., all summer. Mr. Watson, one of the secretaries, is in charge, pending the arrival of Ambassador Bryce, who is coming from Intervale in an automo-

Sheriff Killed While Attempting to Arrest Negro.

Carrollton, Miss., Special .- While endeavoring to arrest Bob Myers, a negro, charged with several petty dropped two stories and was dead crimes, Sheriff A. C. McDougall, of when found. The purpose of his visit this county, was fired on by the negro to the building is not known. He was and killed. Sunday posses, with Wade came here six years ago from for Myers and if captured a lynching

Brother of Saloon Keeper, a Blockader, Under the Influence of Liquor, Kills His Mother and Then Cuts His Own Throat.

Wadesboro, N. C., Special.-As a result of a protracted spree and drunken debauch Mr. Elis Hightower, middle-aged man who lives in the southern part of this county, right near the South Carolina line, shot and instantly killed his mother with a pistol Friday night. It seems that Mr. Hightower was at his home on his front porch in a semi-conscious condition from the influence of whiskey when his mother approached him to get him to go in the house, and he suddenly drew his pistol and shot her through the heart. When the pisto! fired Mrs. Hightower said, "Son you have killed me," and expired imme-

Saturday morning, after realizing what he had done, Mr. Hightower cut his own throat and died about 10 o'clock. Mr. Hightower had a reputation of being a noted blockader and dealer in illicit liquor.

diately.

He was a brother to Mr. F. M Hightower, who is in the saloon business in Wadesboro, and who has made arrangements to go to Wilmingten and run a saloon after the first of next January.

RATE CASE COMPROMISED?

Governor Glenn Returns to Raleigh, and It Is Positively Announced on the Authority of Person Com-State of North Carolina and the Change the Rate of 21-4 Cents.

person that the passenger rate question in dispute between the State of North Carolina and the Southern settled The final arrangement may be made by the Legislature, which fixed the rate at 21-4 cents Governor Glenn has no power to change that rate himself. The reports made by the Southern show the average a mile paid by passen-

gers to be 2.41 cents. It has been known for some days by those on the inside that a settlement was in sight. It is now known positively, though details are as yet ncomplete.

Governor Glenn may make recommendations to the Legislature. This is most probable.

Gas Tank Explodes, 4 Injured and 3 Missing.

Chattanooga, Special.-Four working men were injured by burns and two or three are reported missing as a result of an explosion followed by fire in the plant of the Chattanooga Gas company, shortly before o'clock. The explosion is said to have been caused by the dropping of a lighted match over an open jet of a tank in the purifying department. The injured are: B. A. Broder, Dan Hemmill and Henry Hemmill and an unknown negro.

announced that a majority of the positors have been paid off. At the since August 11th will resume work Monday. They will go back on both the Western Union and Postal, under practically the same conditions they were working under when called out.

Texas Banks Consolidate.

Houston, Tex., Special-The Planters & Mechanics' National Bank capitalized at \$500,000, and, according to the last statement, issued in Augusta, carried deposits of \$1,000,-000, has been absorbed by the Union Bank & Trust Company. The consoli dated bank will continue as a State bank. The cause of the liquidation of the Planters & Mechanics' Bank it was said, was the extended illness of its president, F. A. Richard.

Pennsylvania Trainmen on a Strike Huntington, Special-Trainmen o

the Huntington and Broad Top Rail road went on strike for higher wage and practically tied up the entir road. Only two engineers and on fireman out of a total of 150 trainmen remain at work. The men d mand wages equal to these par Pennsylvania Railroad trainmen.

will be made, WHISKEY CAUSED DEATHS SIX BANK FAILURES

The Chatham Record.

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Friday a Bad Day For Financial Institutions in New York

THINGS NOW MORE SETTLED

The Institutions Affected Were Miner Banks and Had No Important Connection With the Larger New York Banks and Their Closing, It Is Declared, Had No Effect on the General Situation, Which Is Improving.

New York. Special--Another nerveracking day has passed but the financial institutions of New York have shown extraordinary power of resistance to the pressure put upon them. While it is true that several minor institutions have been forced to close their doors, yet two things should be said about them-first, that the amount involved was not so great as to exert any marked influence on the general situation, as these banks were located in residential quarters and did not come into touch with the larger financial institutions of the metropolis, and second, that there is every reason to believe that these banks and trust companies are entirely solvent and their di culties will prove to be only temporary and due entirely to inability to secure ready cash on the gilt-edge securities in their vaults.

Withdrawal Rule Enforced.

In the light of the general excitepletely Informed in the Matter ment the savings banks thought it That the Dispute Between the wise to put into effect the rule requiring thirty to sixty days' notice for the withdrawal of deposits, and Southern Railway Is To Be Settled this will prevent the withdrawal of By the Legislature, Governor money which would otherwise be put Glenn Having No Authority to in safety deposit boxes. The savings banks, if they continued to make payments, would be obliged to with-A special from Raleigh, N. C., to draw funds from the national banks, he Charlotte Observer of Monday, thereby causing additional strain on the general banking institution. There was not the least doubt but It can be safely said on the au- that the institutions were in anything thority of a completely informed but the soundest condition and it was pointed out that the savings banks of this State are so restricted by law in investing their money that there can be no question that all of Railway since last spring will be the securities in their possession are of good value and readily salable in

The institutions which closed their doors with the sums due depositors, were:

> The Banks Affected. The United States Exchange Bank,

Harlem, \$600,000. International Trust Company,

about \$100,000. The Borough Bank of Brooklyn,

\$4,000,000. The Brooklyn Bank, \$2,300,000.

Williamsburg Trust Company, Brooklyn, \$7,500,000. The First National Bank of Brook-

lyn, \$3,500,000. The First National Bank of Brooklyn, the Williamsburg Trust Company and the International Trust Company were allied institutions. None of these companies had any important business connections with the larger banks which are representatives of

the city's financial affairs. Favorable Features.

On the other hand a number of favorable features marked the day. The Trust Company of America and the Lincoln Trust Company, the two organizations which have suffered most from runs, have been slowly paying out to their depositors and closed Birmingham Telegraphers Return to with all demands having been met. In the case of the Trust Company of America the run has well nigh spent Birmingham, Ala., Special.-It was its force as the great bulk of the detelegraphers who have been on strike close of business there were a good many in line at the Lincoln Trust Company but also there was a marked reduction in the number of anxious depositors.

The most favorable incident of the day was that the stock exchange was provided with funds ample to meet its immediate necessities by a money pool headed by J. Pierpont Morgan, which sent about \$15.000,-000 to the exchange during the afternoon. As all of the loans made hold over until Monday, the stock exchange situation will not be a factor in the problems that the bankers may be called upon to solve. A very encouraging feature of the afternoon's developments was a signed statement by Clark Williams, the newly appointed State superintendent of banking, affirming the solvency of the local institutions.

News Notes.

Secretary Taft postponed his departure from Manila to look after the fortifications at Lubig Bay. The trial of Editor Harder in Berlin

for libel was marked by the attendce of many of the Emperor's Court Havana strikers were forbidden to hold open-airmeetings.

Truck growers held in important convention in Norfolk.