

## BRIEF NEWS NOTES FOR THE BUSY MAN

MOST IMPORTANT EVENTS OF  
THE PAST WEEK TOLD IN  
CONDENSED FORM.

## WORLD'S NEWS EPITOMIZED

### Southern.

John Ross of Nova Scotia, Can., aged 63 years, a lifer at the United States penitentiary at Atlanta, is dead. He had served thirty-three years in prison.

William E. Gonzales, editor and proprietor of The Columbia State, has been nominated as minister to Cuba. Edward J. Hale, a North Carolinian, has been nominated as minister to Costa Rica. Major Hale was formerly Democratic state chairman in North Carolina and was once consul at Manchester, England.

A special from Bakersville, N. C., says that three inches of snow fell in Mitchell county. The weather in the entire mountain section has been the coldest three days that has ever been known in June. Cattle owners in western North Carolina report that they will be compelled to pen their cattle and feed them, owing to the grass all being covered with snow.

Thomas Kirby, alias Brother James, who is charged in Atlanta, Ga., with asking charitably-inclined people for funds with which to build churches to advance the Catholic faith, was sentenced by Judge Newman of the United States court, to serve three years in the federal prison near Atlanta and to pay a fine of \$1,000 for misuse of the mails. There were two similar indictments against Kirby and in each he entered a plea of guilty when arraigned. In passing sentence Judge Newman gave the prisoner 18 months' imprisonment and \$500 fine in each case.

Fire, which started in the basement of a department store at Springfield, Mo., within two hours destroyed a row of buildings on the public square, causing damage estimated at five hundred thousand dollars. The fire got beyond control because of low water pressure. Fifteen buildings, with all their contents, were destroyed. The fire was believed to have started from defective electric wiring.

### General

"Probably no fiercer battle since American occupation," is the respiration by Brigadier General Pershing of the battle with the Moros in his report by cable to the war department.

With the "little white father of all the slaves" warning the Balkan states to avoid a fratricidal war, and France keeping the war chest closed tight, the chances of preserving peace among the allies is improving. But the situation is still critical.

Falling from the fifth floor to the basement at Battle Creek, Mich., C. Arnold was instantly killed. The body, badly mangled, was picked up by employees in the domestic science department and placed in a chair until surgeons could be summoned, but Arnold evidently was dead from the moment he hit the floor. The space through which the body shot is but three feet wide and it is hard to see how it dropped so far without striking one side or the other.

A Chicago and Northwestern train crashed into an automobile near Carroll, Iowa, killing Louise and Rebecca Dudley, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Dudley of Nashville, Tenn. The parents and a negro chauffeur were injured, but will recover. Dudley, who is a hardware merchant, was on an automobile tour with his family.

Cornelius J. Ford of New Jersey, a labor leader, was nominated by President Wilson to be public printer. Ford has been at the head of organized labor of New Jersey as president of the New Jersey Federation of Labor. Among other nominations was that of Charles M. Galloway of South Carolina as civil service commissioner and H. J. Geary as postmaster at Lake Charles, La.

The naval board of inspection for shore stations will leave Norfolk, Va., on a tour of inspection of Southern navy plants, having completed visits to all stations to the north of Norfolk. The board will go first to Charleston, S. C., afterwards visiting Pensacola, Fla., Key West, New Orleans and all other ports where the department has property.

Bees which infest the First Congregational church at Montclair, N. J., are so numerous that an acid will be poured into the interstices of the wall to drive them away. Their buzzing and annoying and persons have been stung during service.

While plucking flowers for a bouquet to be sent to Secretary of State Bryan, Mrs. Emilee Neilson, a cousin of the secretary, was stricken with apoplexy and died at her home in Mt. Vernon, N. Y.

The American Cotton association held a three day session in Washington, and visited the white house.

The new home which James H. Flood, wealthy land owner, is building in the fashionable section of San Francisco, will be set off by a cornice of beaten bronze, over which will be laid a thin plating of gold.

## TATE ISSUES CALL TO NORTH CAROLINA

### PRESIDENT JUST FREIGHT RATE ASSOCIATION ASKS AID FROM THE PEOPLE.

## NOW IS THE TIME FOR ACTION

### Mr. Tate Said That the Next Ten Days Would See People of All Sections of the State United in This Cause.

Raleigh.—Through the Charlotte branch of the association which is working to secure fair freight rates for this state comes the following "Appeal to the People of North Carolina" by President Frank N. Tate of the Just Freight Rate Association:

"Since the permanent organization of the Just Freight Rate Association of North Carolina three weeks ago when 400 of our state's foremost farmers and business men, representing as they did more than 40 counties, declared themselves by unanimous action as opposed to longer domination of the interests of our state by the railroads, and who declared themselves, without exception, as favoring a determined stand in a clean and well-prepared campaign for immediate relief, things have been coming to pass all over our great state.

"County after county has proceeded to form its local branch of the state Association until, in this short space of time, a splendid organization has already been built up.

"The whole-hearted co-operation and deep interest manifested by our people in every section of the state, means more at this time for the speedy adjustment of our troubles than the most hopeful of us thought possible a month ago. This agitation has been the means of exposing to the gaze of the long-suffering and always patient and temperate people, the unfair practices to which the railroads have subjected our farmers, mechanics, business men and manufacturers all these years. The people now are not afraid to come out and openly state their grievances for the reason that no one section of the state has been more favored than any other, but it develops that all have suffered alike and a common bond of sympathy has brought us together in a very close and sympathetic union of our forces."

### Special Commission to Hold Meeting

The special commission that Governor Craig has just named to go to the Gettysburg battlefield and mark the advanced positions attained by the North Carolina troops in that decisive battle of the Civil War is to have a conference at an early date and agree on a program for this work. The special act of the last legislature providing for this marking of the positions of the North Carolina troops specifies that they shall be marked in an inexpensive manner especially for the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary celebration by the United States government and the state of Pennsylvania July 1, 2, and 3, 1913.

### Has Recommended Title Examiner

Congressman Doughton has strongly recommended the appointment of J. C. Fletcher, of Boone, to be title examiner for this state. The duties of this position are to examine and prove title to land purchased by the government as in cases of land on which to erect a public building, or purchases made by the National Forest Reserve Commission.

### Christian Endeavor Union

The Christian Endeavor Union of North Carolina selected Greensboro for 1914 session. Officers are as follows: President, Dr. A. D. McClure, of Wilmington; vice presidents, Earl J. Harrold, of Greensboro; Dr. T. C. Smith of Elon College, Rev. T. B. Smith of Kinston, Miss Florence Ledbetter of Greensboro; treasurer, J. P. Russell of Lumberton; assistant secretary, Miss Isabelle McDougald of Wilmington.

### Teachers Training School Closes

The annual address to the graduating class at East Carolina Teachers Training School was delivered by Mr. Henry A. Page of Aberdeen. His subject was "The Bondage of Precedent." It was a great speech, containing a message of power, delivered by a man that has the courage to cast aside outgrown systems and respect the future. The feature of the day was the presentation by the two literary societies of the portraits of former Governor Jarvis and Mr. W. H. Ragsdale, founders of the school.

### To Call A Special Session

In response to a question from a citizen representative of Asheville several days ago, Governor Locke Craig declared that a special session of the legislature will be called to consider the freight rate question as it affects the state. He said: "There will be a special session of the legislature. That has been contemplated ever since the last session of the general assembly, and I will certainly take any proper action that may be necessary to secure for North Carolina fair treatment by the railroads."

## BUYERS FOR BONDS SCARCE

### Bids For Only \$154,000 of the \$1,143,500 Issue Has Been Received at Last Report.

Raleigh.—In the presence of the state officers and a small party of bidders State Treasurer Lacy opened the bids for the \$1,143,500 state bond issue provided for by the recent legislature. It was found that only \$154,000 of the issue was bid for, in sums ranging from \$1,000 to \$25,000, and all except a very few being par bids. This leaves \$989,500 of the bonds untaken in the event the state accepts the bids received.—All are from North Carolinians and are as follows:

E. G. Currin, guardian, Oxford, \$5,000 at par; Murchison National Bank, Wilmington, \$6,000 at par; George W. Montcastle, Lexington, \$21,000 at par; L. H. Culter, Newbern, \$1,500 at par; Dr. C. R. Wharton, Ruffin, \$1,000 at \$3 premium; Sarah Wharton Williamson, \$1,000 at \$3 premium; E. D. Winstead, Milton, \$6,000 at \$30 premium; J. W. Burton, Jacksonville, \$4,000 at par; Frank Thompson, Jacksonville, \$5,000 at par; Bank of Lenoir, \$10,000 at par; W. J. Armfield, High Point, \$5,000 at \$15 premium; North Carolina Home Insurance Company, Raleigh, \$10,000 at par; Battery Park Bank, Asheville, \$25,000 at \$62.50 premium; W. M. Myrick, Haw River, \$2,000 at \$20 premium; C. A. Rayson, Asheville, \$5,000 at par; Lovett Hines, Kinston, \$4,000 at par; Cash (bidder's name withheld by request), \$7,500 at \$40 premium; Joseph G. Brown, Raleigh, \$5,000 at \$1 premium; Ernest Haywood, attorney, Raleigh, \$5,000 at \$1 premium.

### Important Feature of Budget

A very important feature of the \$135,000 six months budget just adopted by the state board of agriculture is \$18,000 for farm demonstration farms for men and boys, the corn clubs for the boys and the tomato clubs for girls. In addition to this the United States department of agriculture has set aside \$33,000 for similar work and 52 counties in this state have provided \$15,000 for supplemental and co-operative work. It is a no table fact that there are 67 men engaged in this work in this state and some of the larger counties have two and three devoting their time to this service.

### Nineteen New Postmasters

President Wilson sent to the senate the following nominations of postmasters in North Carolina: W. L. Ormond, Bessemer City; G. W. Hill, Vine land; E. H. Ament, East Durham; J. C. Caudell, St. Pauls; W. F. Flowers, Fremont; E. T. McKeithan, Aberdeen; A. H. Huss, Cherryville; A. N. Bulla, Randleman; H. D. Lambeth, Elton College; J. W. Noel, Roxboro; W. G. Fussell, Rose Hill; D. J. Kerr, Canton; J. H. Lane, Leaksville; Robert S. McRae, Chapel Hill; J. H. Carter, Mount Airy; C. D. Osborn, Oxford; L. M. Sheffield, Spray; S. S. Lockhart, Wadesboro; J. H. Bowen West Durham.

### Only 29 Passed Examination

The examining board of the North Carolina Pharmaceutical Association completed the work of examining the papers of 72 young men who recently met in Newbern and stood an examination for license to practice pharmacy in this state. A number of questions were asked in various branches and the examination is said to have been one of the most severe ever held. F. W. Hancock of Oxford had charge of the grading of the papers. Only 29 of the 72 passed.

### Should Finance Ship Line

That a group of North Carolinians should combine and finance a ship line to ply between Wilmington and New York and thus control for themselves the freight rate situation as applied to points in this state to points North is the interesting proposal made by Mr. C. E. Greenamyer of Wilmington at a called meeting of the Charlotte Shippers and Manufacturers' Association in the office of the Greater Charlotte Club.

### Washington

The receipts of the Washington postoffice during the past month were \$1,489.74 as compared with \$1,328.89 for the same time last year.

### Enforce Prohibition Laws

In his charge to the grand jury at the convening of the federal court at Raleigh Judge Connor especially stressed the importance of the enforcement of the federal laws designed to stamp out blind tigers, especially the enforcement of the Webb-Kenyon act to prohibit interstate shipments except in specified quantities for personal use. He declared that this act can but have a beneficial effect in aiding the state in stamping out the illicit sale of whiskey.

## WITHDRAW CONVICTS

### STATE AID WILL BE TAKEN AWAY FROM TRANSCONTINENTAL RAILROAD.

## VERY LITTLE WORK IS DONE

### State Prison Board Visits Camp—Convicts Have Been in Mountains Over Two Years and Less Than Mile of Road-Bed Graded.

Raleigh.—A special states that the North Carolina State Prison Board composed of Chairman Varner and Directors Edgerton, Gilliam, Chatham and Buckingham and Superintendent Mann, visited the convict camp of the Transcontinental Railroad near Waterville, which is located on the Tennessee-North Carolina state line and found there 19 convicts under the charge of Captain Hoskins. As the result of the visit the convicts will be withdrawn from the work and put where they can bring some revenue to the state of North Carolina.

The convicts have been in the mountains two years and in that time have made a roadbed of less than a mile at a cost to the state of something like \$50 a day, and to the board it appeared as though Colonel Jones who is at the head of the Transcontinental railroad was merely killing time, hoping to make an advantageous sale and which would leave the state of North Carolina high and dry.

It was shown that the three employees of the Transcontinental Railroad at present on the works have a six-months claim for wages against the Transcontinental.

The members of the board went to the convict camp from Newport, Tenn., by way of the Tennessee and North Carolina Railroad to a point within one mile of the camp. Here they had to walk up the mountain through the roughest country several of the members had ever seen, and they came upon the camp, ideally located on a mountain branch three or four hundred feet above the river. A quarter of a mile further they found the 19 convicts at work with two guards standing on the hillside, overlooking them.

While it was shown that some good work had been done, yet the general impression was that the Transcontinental Railroad would never be built and that the state could put its \$50 a day to better use.

### League of Municipalities

Charlotte.—The North Carolina League of Municipalities will meet this year at Wrightsville Beach, August 11, 12 and 13 at the Oceanic Hotel, Mayor Charles A. Bland of this city making the announcement. Mayor Bland received from the secretary of the League, Mr. O. P. Shell, of Dunn, a copy of the program prepared for the occasion.

### Governor Issues Requisition

Raleigh.—A requisition was issued by Governor Craig on the governor of Pennsylvania for Harry Green, colored, alias William Harris, who is wanted in Durham county for the alleged murder of another negro. He is being held in Pennsylvania for the Durham authorities. John F. Harwood is the officer designated to go for the prisoner.

### Road To Be Changed

Lenoir.—The road leading from Lenoir to Hickory is to be materially changed in the near future so as to eliminate the heavy grade over the rough hill from the creek to the top of the ridge. It is one of the worst pieces of road in this part of the country for short distance for automobiles to get over.

### Knights of Pythias Meet

Winston-Salem.—The election of officers, hearing reports from the Grand Lodge officers, and the supplying of vacancies on the various committees constituted the order of business transacted at the session of the Grand Lodge, Knights of Pythias, held at the Masonic Temple.

### To Be Contest Over Fifth Seat

Charlotte.—As a preliminary to the swearing in of the new members of the county board of education the first Monday in July, there is talk of a contest for possession of the fifth seat on this board, Mr. W. B. Estridge of Morning Star Township claims that he is legally elected since he ran on the same ticket with the others who were elected and since Mr. John C. McNeely who defeated him has died. Having received the next highest vote he claims that he is entitled to the place.

### Wants Plans of Building Changed

Winston-Salem.—Citizens of Winston-Salem were very much exercised when they found that the plans for the handsome new public building which is to cost \$250,000 did not provide for an entrance on Trade street. There was one entrance on Liberty and three on Fifth street but no door on Trade. Senator Overman at the request of P. H. Hanes called on the supervising architect of the treasury department and also on Secretary McAdoo to urge that the plans be changed.

## NEWS OF NORTH CAROLINA

### Latest News of General Interest That Has Been Collected From Many Towns and Counties.

Raleigh.—In every county in North Carolina July 10 and 11 there will be held examinations of teachers for the purpose of issuing certificates for teaching in the public schools of the state.

Salisbury.—Henry Stirewalt, who accidentally shot himself while after a cat at his home near Enochville, Rowan county, died from the wounds. He was 50 years old and is survived by a wife and one daughter.

Dunn.—Dunn, and the surrounding community are going to celebrate the fourth of July in grand style. McD. Holdday is chairman of the committee on arrangements; Eugene T. Lee has been chosen as chief marshal.

Lenoir.—Caldwell county and Lenoir have now fallen in line with all other progressive counties and towns of the state and organized a Just Freight Rate Association to work in co-operation with the state association.

Statesville.—The Statesville board of aldermen has decided to make a pass at the flies. The sanitary laws and regulations are being more strictly enforced in an endeavor to get rid of the breeding places and to do away with those which come into existence.

Asheville.—Jack Britton, colored, alias Jack Berry, who is alleged to have killed Ella Austin and Susie Copending, both colored, at a dance hall on South French Broad avenue, the night of Saturday, May 31, was caught in Transylvania county.

Washington.—Congressman Gudger has recommended to the census bureau the appointment of Pink Harris, of Charlotte, to be cotton ginners reporter for Rutherford and Polk counties, with A. H. Long, of Forest City, as alternate, to succeed Robert K. Hoffield, of Forest City.

Graham.—The General Assembly authorized the town of Graham to issue bonds not to exceed \$50,000 for paving streets and sidewalks and ordered an election to be held submitting the question to the citizens of the town and at the election held the issue was carried by a handsome majority.

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## METAL SCHEDULE BEING WIDELY CUT

### IRON AND STEEL RAW MATERIALS TRANSFERRED TO THE FREE LIST.

## WILL BE LOSS OF \$27,000,000

### It Has Been Predicted That The Debate on the Tariff Measure Can Begin in the Senate on Wednesday, June 25th.

Washington.—The transfer to the free list of the tariff bill of iron and steel raw materials, with an estimated dutiable value of more than \$600,000 a year was approved by the majority members of the senate committee. This increased the Senate's addition to the Underwood free list to an aggregate annual loss of \$2,000,000 in revenue, making the total estimated annual revenue loss from the free list about \$27,000,000.

After an entire day spent on the sub-committee's report of the metal schedule, Chairman Simmons announced it had been widely cut, nearly every item of the schedule being reduced. To the free list were added pig iron, ferro manganese, steel blooms, slabs and billets. On all finished steel products an average reduction of 10 per cent was made from the Underwood rates. Lead, zinc and aluminum were left uncut to be disposed of Monday.

Aluminum will be changed from an ad valorem to a specific tariff basis and the duty will be reduced but it will not be transferred to the free list as many had advocated. Aluminum experts will be called in to go over the committee's proposed specific rates.

All structural steel, which was made dutiable at 12 per cent in the Underwood bill has been reduced compensatory to the free listing of raw materials, the average rates being about 10 per cent ad valorem. The raw materials were placed on the free list largely because they are controlled by the United States Steel corporation. Senator Simmons said the administrative features of the bill which have presented such a problem would be acted upon soon and that the bill would be ready for the caucus by Wednesday or Thursday.

Secretary Lane After Drainage.  
Washington.—Secretary Lane submitted a recommendation to congress for a law authorizing the drainage and reclamation by the United States of public swamp and overflowed lands in any state or territory. While the proposed measure is designed primarily for the reclamation of public lands, it authorizes inclusion in the drainage projects, under specified conditions state or privately owned swamp land contiguous to the public land or located in the same drainage basin.

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