

THAT was quite a sad coincidence last week when the presidents of the two most important lines of railway in this state died on the same day. They were Messrs. W. W. Finley, the president of the Southern Railway Company, and T. M. Emerson, the president of the Atlantic Coast Line. Both died quite suddenly on the same day, the former from apoplexy after only a few hours, and the latter from acute indigestion in less than a day's sickness.

The deaths of these railroad presidents is not only a great loss to their respective companies but also to this state, in whose development they had done so much. The adjustment of our railroad rate troubles is said to be due chiefly to their efforts and influence with the directors of their companies, and it is feared that their deaths may interfere with that adjustment. Mr. Finley was a Southern born man, a native of Mississippi, and did all he could, and that was very much, towards the development and upbuilding of the South.

CONGRESS met in regular session last Monday, after the adjournment of the special or extraordinary session which began last April and was the longest special session ever held by any congress in the history of this Republic. When the special session began last spring no one had any idea that it would remain in continuous session until the time for the meeting of the regular session which began on the first Monday in December. The tariff bill consumed so long a time that the special session was prolonged much more than was expected, and the Democrats deserve much credit for remaining in session until that tariff bill was passed, and for their efforts to pass the currency bill also. There was so much diversity of opinions on the features of the currency bill that it did not finally pass the Senate, although so much time was taken for its consideration.

Congressmen are now paid a certain salary annually without regard to the time they are in session, and they have certainly earned their salaries this year, for with only about one month's vacation they have been in session all this year. Many years they have been in session not half of the year, and yet are paid their full salaries just as if they had been in session all the year. It is fortunate for them this was not election year, for if it had been they would not have had time to canvass for renomination or re-election.

THE football season closed last Saturday with the annual game between the army and the navy; that is, between the cadets of the military academy at West Point and the midshipmen at the naval academy at Annapolis, in which game the latter were defeated. This game between the army and navy attracts more attention than the games of any other teams, and is usually attended (as it was this year) by the President of the United States, members of his Cabinet, and many distinguished army and navy officers. The game this year was played (or rather fought) at New York and was witnessed by 42,000 persons, nearly twice the entire population of this (Chatham) county.

The games of most interest to North Carolinians were the two games played between the teams of the University of North Carolina and the University of Virginia at Richmond, and the game between the A. & M. College and Washington and Lee College at Norfolk. In the latter game the Virginians were defeated and in the former they were victorious. Both games were played on Thanksgiving Day.

Football seems to have a fascination for many persons, who would rather see a game than to hear any kind of a literary contest. With all due respect to the lovers of football games it does seem strange that so many persons of refinement and distinction should take such delight in seeing squads of young men knock each other down and tangle in a mass on the ground.

THE Mexican situation continues about the same, but the longer this situation continues the weaker becomes the Huerta government. It is in great financial distress, without much money or credit, and no hopes of getting either. Besides this financial embarrassment the Huerta faction is daily losing ground and the rebels, or constitutionalists, are daily gaining ground. There have been several battles, and in all of them the latter have been victorious, and they boast now that soon they will be able to capture the city of Mexico and crush Huerta and his followers.

In the meantime President Wilson is patiently and serenely waiting for the two contending factions to fight it out, and is well satisfied with his policy thus far pursued so successfully, and which policy has the approval of the great bulk of the people of the United States.

THE annual session of the North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, begins today at Oxford, and is presided over by Bishop McCoy, of Birmingham, Alabama. The Conference met at Oxford in the year 1849 and since that time wonderful progress has been made in the growth of the church. The annual session of the Western North Carolina Conference was held last week at Charlotte, for in this state there are two conferences of the Methodist church.

Next week the Baptist State Convention will hold its annual meeting at Shelby. The annual sessions of the Methodist Conferences and the Baptist State Convention are looked forward to every year with much interest, representing as they do the largest religious denominations in this state.

ALTHOUGH the present members of the Western North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, may still chew tobacco, yet all new ministers of that conference must eschew it. This was the decision of that conference at its annual session last week at Charlotte, when a resolution was adopted prohibiting all new ministers from using tobacco in any manner, but allowing the present ministers to continue its use. It is certainly not very encouraging to the American Tobacco Company for such a rule to be generally adopted.

NAVY Needs More Officers. Washington, Nov. 29.—The number of officers now in the navy is not sufficient to man all fighting ships in the event of a war with a foreign power, is the declaration made in the annual report of Rear Admiral Victor Blue, chief of the bureau of navigation, made public today. He urged that Congress enact legislation providing for a gradual redistribution of officers in the various grades to obviate a condition that is growing worse.

Admiral Blue points out that there now are 1,000 officers of the grades of junior lieutenant and ensign as compared with 750 officers above these grades and at the present rate of promotion of 40 each year the junior ensign reaches the grade of lieutenant at an age at which officers are now promoted to captain.

Admiral Blue says a circular letter is being sent to the principals of high schools to ascertain if the examination for admission to the naval academy is such that the ordinary high school student should be capable of passing. Members of Congress also are being aided in their selection of candidates by the naval medical officers who conduct unofficial examinations of boys bearing letters signed by the members.

Recruiting for the navy last year was unsatisfactory until June when there was an unprecedented number of enlistments in large part due to the approaching European cruise of the battleship fleets.

New Jersey is the only state of any importance as a mineral producer in which the utilization of the clay resources constitutes the chief industry and represents over 50 per cent of the total output of the state.

Congress will have to appropriate just \$1,108,681,777 to operate the government of the fiscal year 1915 according to estimates prepared by each department and sent to the House Monday by Secretary McAdoo of the Treasury.

Three Fatal Accidents. Yadkinville, Nov. 28.—While out hunting Wednesday afternoon, Farris Caudle, son of Rev. Thomas Caudle, of Mt. Nebo, of this county, was shot by his own gun, and from which wound he died in a very short time. The story goes that young Caudle, who was 17 years old, was standing still and placed his shot gun in a stump, which happened to be decayed and started to turn round when the gun slipped from its place and the hammer struck the side of the snag, firing the contents of the gun into the left side of the body, barely missing his heart.

The third person to die from a gunshot wound in this county within the past 24 hours, died a few miles above Yadkinville, on the farm of J. G. Ray, when the twin brother of Calvin Jenkins accidentally shot and killed him, literally blowing the top of his head to pieces. They were standing on the porch at their home playing with a shotgun, and in some manner the gun was fired and the entire load went into the mouth of Calvin Jenkins, and his head was almost blown to atoms. The boys were about 18 years old.

Hr. Hobson's Ointment Heals Itchy Eczema. The constantly itching, burning sensation and other disagreeable forms of eczema, tetter, salt rheum and skin eruptions promptly cured by Dr. Hobson's Eczema Ointment. Geo. W. R. Hobson, of Meadville, Pa., writes: "I purchased a box of Dr. Hobson's Eczema Ointment. Have had eczema ever since the civil war, have been treated by many doctors, none have given the benefit that one box of Dr. Hobson's Eczema Ointment has." We so positive it will help you we guarantee it or money refunded. At all druggists or by mail 50c. Pfeiffer Chemical Co., Philadelphia or St. Louis, adv.

Woman Suffrage Charter. From the Raleigh Times. The equal suffrage league of North Carolina was incorporated today in the office of the secretary of state. The principal office is in Charlotte, and the main object is to promote equal suffrage, principally in North Carolina. It is a non-stock corporation and to be a member of it is essential only to be a citizen of North Carolina, in favor of equal suffrage and a subscriber to the by-laws governing the corporation.

The incorporators are Anna Forbes Liddell, Suzanne Bynum, Laura Holmes Reiley, Anna B. Abbott, M. L. Bynum, Alma B. Maxwell, Mary B. Palmer. It is planned to have local organizations throughout the state, whose chairmen, together with the state officers, are to form the board of directors of the corporation.

Croup and Cough Remedy. Croup is a terrible disease. It attacks children so suddenly they are very apt to choke unless given the proper remedy at once. There is nothing better in the world than Dr. King's New Discovery. Lewis Chamberlain, of Manchester, Ohio, writes about his children: "Sometimes in severe attacks we were afraid they would die, but since we proved that a certain remedy Dr. King's New Discovery is, we have no fear. We rely on it for croup, coughs and colds. So can you. 50c and \$1. A bottle should be in every home. At all druggists or by mail, H. E. Bucklen & Co., Philadelphia or St. Louis, adv.

Child Fatally Scalded. From the Albemarle Enterprise. Annie Mae, the three-year-old daughter of Mr. John F. Lowder, on last Thursday morning at 8 o'clock was fatally scalded by falling in a tub of boiling water.

Preparations were being made to kill hogs that morning. Water had been boiled and poured into the tub which was afterwards covered with a cloth. The little girl, while playing about the tub, fell in backwards. When pulled out of the boiling water it was found that she was terribly scalded from chin to knees. Death came to the relief of the little girl early in the afternoon.

Mrs. McClain's Experience With Croup. "When my boy, Ray, was small he was subject to croup, and I was always alarmed at such times. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy proved far better than any other for this trouble. It always relieved him quickly. I am never without it in the house for I know it is a positive cure for croup," writes Mrs. W. R. McClain, Blairsville, Pa. Sold by all dealers. adv.

A Peculiar Accident. From Winston-Salem Republican. The wife of Deputy Sheriff Jones, of Walkertown, this county, met with a peculiar accident recently. While she was sitting before the fire, an artificial eye which she uses, expectedly exploded. No cause can be assigned except that the heat from the fire caused the glass to explode, an occurrence which is rare in the case of those who use the artificial members. A doctor was called and it was found that a large piece of glass from the back of the artificial eye had been forced back into the socket, cutting a wound that bled profusely.

Constipation Poisons You. If you are constipated, your entire system is poisoned by the waste matter kept in the body—serious results often follow. Use Dr. King's New Life Pills and you will soon get rid of your constipation, headache and other troubles. Only 25c. All druggists or by mail, H. E. Bucklen & Co., Philadelphia or St. Louis, adv.

Don'ts to Prevent Fires. Don't fill the oil lamps at night. Don't use a paper shade on any kind of light. Don't place rubbish in a stairway or cellar. Never use gasoline for cleaning indoors. Use only safety matches, and keep them away from children. Don't drop a burned match in a rubbish pile or in the dry grass. Keep curtains and draperies tied back to prevent them swinging against the gas jets. When you use a match, be careful where you put it. Careless disposal of burning or smoldering matches may cause a big fire.

Sick Headache. Sick headache is nearly always caused by disorders of the stomach. Correct them and the period attacks of sick headache will disappear. Mrs. John Bishop, of Roseville, Ohio, writes: "About a year ago I was troubled with indigestion and sick headache that lasted for two or three days at a time. I doctored and tried a number of remedies but nothing helped me until during one of those sick spells a friend advised me to take Chamberlain's Tablets. This medicine relieved me in a short time." Sold by all dealers. ad

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For the convenience of the tax-payers of Chatham County I will be at the following places on the dates mentioned for the purpose of giving you another opportunity of paying your taxes. The law requires me to settle the State taxes by January 1st. The new school law requires the public school teachers to be paid monthly. It takes money to do this.

WILL YOU NOT COME FORWARD and do YOUR PART?

Fearrington	Thursday	Dec. 4—morning
Council's Shop	Friday	4—evening
J. D. Jones' Store	Friday	5—morning
M. E. Mann's Store	Friday	5—evening
Thraillkill's Store	Saturday	6
Merry Oaks	Monday	8
Corinth	Tuesday	9
Gulf	Wednesday	10
Goldston	Thursday	11
Bear Creek	Friday	12
Bonlee	Saturday	13
Gains' Store	Monday	15
Carbonton	Tuesday	16
Harper's X Roads	Wednesday	17
Bennett	Thursday	18
Siler City	Friday	19
Siler City	Saturday	20
Kimbloton	Monday	22

Please meet me and save trouble and costs.
Nov. 12, 1913. Yours truly, LEON T. LANE,
Sheriff of Chatham County.

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Sanford Express: While cutting a tree last Thursday John Riddle, son of Mr. H. Riddle, of the Jones chapel neighborhood, was fatally injured by a limb striking him on the head.

Sick Two Years With Indigestion. "Two years ago I was greatly benefited through using two or three bottles of Chamberlain's Tablets," writes Mr. S. A. Keller, Elida, Ohio. "Before taking them I was sick for two years with indigestion." For sale by all dealers. adv.

MORTGAGE SALE.—By virtue of a mortgage executed by W. W. Dunn and wife to Lew W. Cochran, receiver of Bridges & Flora, dated December 17, 1912, and registered in book "F.A." page 64, in the office of the register of deeds of Chatham county, we will sell for cash at the court-house door in said county on

Saturday, December 27, 1913,

the real estate described in said mortgage, as follows:

One tract containing about 185 1-2 acres about 13 miles west of Pittsboro, adjoining the lands of William Dark, Mary L. Pugh and others, bounded on the north by the lands of A. J. Temple, on the east by the lands of the late Mary L. Pugh, on the south by the lands of said Mary L. Pugh and on the west by the lands of William Dark, being the tract whereon the said Dunn was living at the date of the execution of the said mortgage.

One other tract about 8 miles west of Pittsboro, bounded on the north by the lands of the late William Bradford, on the east by the lands of Joseph Burke, on the south by the lands of Joe Green, and on the west by the lands of Mary Ann Burke, containing about 2 1/2 acres and being the place known as the Elijah Fike place.

This Nov. 26, 1913.
H. A. LONDON & SON,
Attorneys of Mortgagee.

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MORTGAGE SALE.—By virtue of a mortgage executed by Kemp Kirby to me on the 11th of March, 1912, and registered on page 140, in book "E.W." in the office of register of deeds of Chatham county, I will sell for cash, at public auction, at the court-house door in Pittsboro, at noon, on

Saturday, December 27, 1913,

all the interest of said Kirby in and to the following tract of land in Baldwin and Williams townships, Chatham county:

Beginning at the forks of the Fayetteville and Pittsboro road, thence with the Fayetteville road in a southerly direction 21 chains to a stake thence east 28 1/2 chains to a stake thence south 10 1/2 chains to a stump thence west 45 chains to a sour wood thence north 28 chains to a poplar on the bank of a branch, thence down said branch as it meanders 13 chains thence south 30 deg. west 1 1/2 chains thence south 70 deg. west 10 chains thence north 5 deg. w. 5 1/2 chains to a pine on the Pittsboro road, thence with said road 33 1/2 chains to the first station, containing about 100 acres known as Lot No. 2 in the division of the Jones Grove tract of 30 acres devised by Miss Mary R. Smith to Annette Kirby for life remainder to her children. This 26th November, 1913.

THADEUS LLOYD,
Chapel Hill, N. C.