

NEGRO WANTED IN SAVANNAH STILL AT LARGE

Horror Unavenged

He is Wanted for Friday's Crime. Woman in Hospital in Her Delirium Accuses Her Husband. Victims Ase Buried.

THE REWARDS INCREASED

Savannah, Ga., Dec. 11.—Statements of Mrs. Maggie Hunter, only survivor of the three women who were attacked and two of them killed in their home here yesterday afternoon, made in her delirium at the Savannah Hospital, where she hovers between life and death, caused the arrest of her husband, J. C. Hunter, today.

Listening physicians and nurses who have hoped to catch a definite clue to the perpetrator of the crimes which caused the deaths in terrible fashions of aged Mrs. Eliza Gribble, and her daughter, Mrs. Carrie Ohlander, heard Mrs. Hunter say that her husband had struck her. The police were immediately notified and Hunter was quickly found and taken into custody. However, the police have placed no charges against him.

Despite this statement made in the injured woman's delirious babbling, few believe that anyone is guilty of the crimes except the negro man now missing, who was seen to enter the house about the time of the murders with an axe in his hands, and to leave the building late. The search for the negro has not abated, yet he seems to have disappeared as if swallowed up by the earth. To aid the search for the murderer, Governor Brown, of Georgia, today added \$300 to the reward already offered, making the total now \$1,300.

Late this afternoon a double funeral was held with every mark of the city's sorrow at the taking off of the victims and horror at the brutality of their murder. Mrs. Ohlander and Mrs. Gribble were buried and as evidence of the feeling here, the crowds that were at the scene of the crime respectfully stood back, and the two caskets were followed by but a few relatives of the slain women as they were taken to the graves.

Another Arrest Made. With the arrest of William Walls tonight it is possible the police have taken a stride toward solving the mystery of the murder of Mrs. Eliza Gribble and Mrs. Carrie Ohlander and the fatal wounding of Mrs. Maggie Hunter here yesterday afternoon. Though Walls is not formally charged with any crime yet he is closely guarded at the police station because today the police found at his home a gray sweater flecked with blood and a coat badly stained, but which has not yet been sufficiently well examined to determine the nature of the stains. The police began their investigations in regard to Walls because they were told that he had expressed an intention to visit the Gribble home a few minutes prior to the time of the murders and again appeared after they must have occurred. He, it is said, is a cousin of Mrs. Hunter, who late tonight is unconscious in Savannah hospital, even her incoherent statements in delirium from which the police hoped to learn something that would point to the double murder, having almost ceased. Little hope is entertained that she will live more than a few hours.

Despite the arrest of Walls and the stories that his acquaintances have told of his actions on the day of the murders the declarations of witnesses that the missing and suspected negro man was seen entering the house of murders with the axe that was used in the killing of the two women in his hand, is regarded here as furnishing the best clue to the murder. However, the police will continue to hold Walls and J. C. Hunter husband of the injured woman, according to their statements tonight.

CIVIL COURT.

Court opened this morning for the second week with His Honor Judge Ward, presiding. As the first week the trial of civil causes will continue. Next week the criminal docket will be taken up.

NEW PULPIT FURNITURE.

The Christian Church congregation have installed new pulpit furniture in their church auditorium. It is very attractive and has been much admired.

ANNEX COMPLETED.

The annex to the First Methodist Church building has been completed and adds considerably to the convenience of the building.

THREE MILLION MATCHES USED EACH MINUTE

The Average Per Day

Seven Billion Matches Are Struck in the World During Year—United States Consumes One-Half of This Amount.

IMPORTANCE OF INDUSTRY

By the end of the brief minute taken to read these paragraphs the nations of the civilized world will have struck three million matches. This is the average for every minute of the twenty-four hours of the day. Seven billion is the enormous number for the entire year, and those living under the American flag are said to be responsible for the consumption of one-half of this amount.

The importance of the industry which turns out the little splinters of wood tipped with sulphur or some other material ignited by friction is only recognized when the average consumer tries to contemplate his predicament if he had to go back to the time when he had to coax a spark from a tinder box. Of course, the answer is, he would smoke a great deal because of the difficulty in getting a light, or else, on the other hand, smoke continuously in order to keep alive the fire at the end of his stogie or Havana, pipe or cigarette, as the case might be.

Small and insignificant as it is, the match demands perhaps as much attention in the choice of the wood going into its manufacture as any other forest product. Only the choicest portions of the best trees are suitable. Sapwood, knotty or cross-grained timber will not do. Instead of being a by-product of other articles of manufacture the little match is turned out at hundreds of mills over the country where the by-products are bulky objects like doors, sash, shingles, siding, posts, and cord wood. The pines, linden, aspen, white cedar, poplar, birch, and willow are the most suitable match timbers.

The match makers—not the matrimonial kind—are already finding that the amount of choice timber available is dwindling. Forest conservation, if applied to the holdings of the match companies, like it is on Uncle Sam's National Forests in the West, will do much to make the supply sufficient for a longer number of years than would be the case if the old-time waster lumbering methods of a few years ago should continue. The rapid increase in stumpage prices is one of the chief factors in encouraging the wise use of the forests where suitable match timber is available.

ODD FELLOWS ATTEND SERVICE

Hear Sermon of Rev. H. B. Searight at Presbyterian Church.

The Phalanx Lodge, No. 10, I. O. O. F., attended the First Presbyterian Church Sunday evening in a body to hear a special sermon by the pastor, Rev. H. B. Searight, from the topic David and Jonathan. A large number of the lodge were present. The sermon was highly enjoyed and today has been much complimented. Mr. Searight is a speaker of magnetism and always preaches with power. The music by the choir was one of the features.

THE WORSTED MAN.

Those of our citizens wishing to see a first-class performance should not fall to witness "The Worsted Man" by local talent at the school auditorium next Friday night. It will be for the benefit of the Methodist Church organ fund and should be liberally patronized. An excellent performance is promised.

STORM WARNING.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 13.—Observer, Washington, N. C.: Southeast storm warning, 10 a. m. Storm over Indiana, moving northeast. Brisk to high southeast to southwest winds this afternoon and tonight in eastern part to Charleston. MOORE.

PURCHASES RESTAURANT.

Mr. M. P. Wright has purchased the restaurant of Mr. J. W. Brabble, Water street, and will continue the business at the present stand.

REPAIRS TO BE MADE.

There's nothing that requires such constant repairing as a good resolution.

NEXT MEETING TO BE HELD IN HENDERSONVILLE

Convention Has Closed

Baptists Smoked Out of Their Church and Had to Borrow the Methodists' Building—Good Reports from the Colleges.

STUDY OF HOME MISSIONS

Wadesboro, N. C., Dec. 12.—The Baptist State Convention, adjourned yesterday afternoon. The next convention will be held in Hendersonville. Rev. J. J. Hall, D. D., was chosen to preach the convention sermon.

Yesterday was a busy day with the convention. The first thing in the morning Pastor T. W. Chambliss was brought face to face with a proposition. Somehow a brick from the top of the chimney fell into the furnace pipe and the building was filled with smoke. In a short time the Methodist Church was secured and heated and the convention moved in a body to the other building. President Dowd remarked that it was another instance of "Chambliss ready on the spot."

The trouble was remedied during the day and the building was ready for the night session.

The report of the board of trustees of Merced College as submitted was in part: "The record shows the names of 371 matriculates of the session, 21 above the enrollment of last year to date. These students are distributed over five States and seventy-seven counties and represent twelve Christian denominations. No sickness of any consequence has yet appeared and the spirit and deportment of the students have been very gratifying."

The report of the trustees of Wake Forest College was read, which shows that the college has 362 students and owns \$445,000 worth of property. There are 73 ministerial students in the institution. Professor J. B. Carlyle spoke on the report in a magnificent address.

The report on home missions was read next, which said in conclusion: "We must pull up on home missions. We need to study it. No pastor who has failed to study the subject can teach his people. Emotional appeals will not do the work. We must use of tracts, of our home field, and of the mission study course. Let this convention urge upon the churches of North Carolina the raising of the \$21,000 for home missions which the Southern Baptist Convention requested us to raise. Home missions for this year is laid out on a basis of \$343,500. Let us make good."

FORTY CASES REPORTED.

Dr. Joshua Tayloe has returned from Wilson where he was called Saturday as smallpox expert, for the Eastern district of North Carolina, to consult with the physicians and county commissioners of Wilson county, in reference to the spread of that disease.

The Wilson Times says that about 40 cases have been reported in that county by the health officer. As no fatalities have occurred a great many think the so-called smallpox is nothing more than ordinary chickenpox. However, that paper states, it is more than likely a rigid vaccination and quarantine will be required.

Public Hearing Next Wednesday

A public hearing will be held at the Chamber of Commerce rooms on Wednesday, December 15, at 11 a. m. relative to the harbor lines, all persons who feel interested are requested to be present. This is a matter of vast importance to Washington, its citizens should look after its harbors for upon this Washington expects to gain a greater part of its support.

LUCKY YOUNG LADY.

Miss Mabel White, daughter of Mr. E. K. Willis, is receiving the congratulations of her many friends for her good luck at the Gem and Gaiety theaters last week. She held the lucky coupon at the Gem on Friday evening and on Saturday night at the Gaiety also held the winning ticket.

GETTING ON NICELY.

Master Joshua Tayloe who was accidentally shot in the hand by his playmate, Master Murry Short, Saturday last, is getting on nicely so far. This will be welcome news to his friends.

SAVE WOMAN FROM DEATH BY HEROIC WORK

A Thrilling Rescue

Three Firemen by Heroic Work Rescue Mrs. Caroline Richmond from Fourth Floor After Flames Were Licking Widow Sill.

WERE GIVEN OVATION

New York, Dec. 12.—One of the most thrilling mid-city rescues ever effected by New York firemen was made by three men of truck 24 in the course of a \$20,000 fire in the seven story loft and office building at 1428 Broadway today. Mrs. Caroline Richmond was seen in the window of her manicuring parlor on the fourth floor, wringing her hands and apparently making ready to jump with clouds of smoke and an occasional tongue of flames showing behind her. Firemen Robert Nelson ran up the extension ladder, which was seen to be several feet short, carrying a light scaling ladder. Hooking this on the sill of the window above he mounted to where the woman had fallen unconscious across the sill.

By this time a sheet of flame had burst from the window below.

With the unconscious woman over his shoulder Nelson climbed half way down the scaling ladder to a point between the two floors.

In the meantime a longer extension ladder had been run up to the fourth floor far enough aside to escape the flames from the window below. Firemen Edward Keegan and Patrick Kerwin mounted until they were but a foot away from Nelson and his helpless burden. But apparently that foot could not be bridged, and Nelson and the woman were doomed.

Then came the almost miraculous rescue. "Hold her tight," said Kerwin. Keegan encircled both him and the ladder with his arms, while Kerwin, bending over until he could grasp the hook of the scaling ladder, swung it and its two occupants clear of the window sill and with herculean strength, swung it, pendulum-wise, until its sweep was sufficiently wide to permit the lower end to be grasped to the ladder on which he and Keegan stood. The rest was easy and the three men bearing the still unconscious woman descended to receive one of the greatest ovations that even a New York crowd has ever given its heroic fire fighters.

CAPITAL CITY'S RICHEST WOMAN

Mrs. Florence Tucker Dies in Raleigh at Age of 72.

Raleigh, Dec. 11.—Mrs. Florence P. Tucker, widow of the late Rufus S. Tucker, died this evening at 6:30 o'clock, aged 72 years. At the death of her husband fifteen years ago Mrs. Tucker assumed the management of his estate, then estimated at half a million dollars, and has since, by close personal management and judicious investments, fully doubled the value of the estate. She was easily the wealthiest resident of Raleigh.

She has been in failing health for more than a year, but her condition became critical only the past week. She submitted to an operation Thursday, from which, in her weakened condition, she could not rally.

A HANDSOME EDIFICE.

The building of the colored Zion M. E. Church, which is to cost approximately \$15,000, when completed, is progressing slowly. It is the intention of the members to have an early rally for the building fund at an early day. This edifice, when completed, will be an ornament to the city.

ARE IN THE CITY.

Messrs. Henry Bonner, Glen Bonner, W. H. Hooker, L. C. Caton, W. E. Swain, R. T. Bonner and Dr. Montague Bonner, of Aurora; L. H. Ross, L. G. Caton, P. Stille and Dr. W. H. Dixon, of Edward, arrived in the city this morning via the Washington & Vadesmore train to attend court.

STARTLING FACTS AS TO CONVICTS OF MECKLENBURG

They Eat With Chips

The Grand Jury Also Condemns the Action of Allowing Bloodhounds at These Camps to Run at Large During the Day.

JURORS NARROW ESCAPE

Charlotte, N. C., Dec. 11.—That the convicts of Mecklenburg eat with chips and pieces of bark, in the startling disclosure made by the regular report of the grand jury, which late today completed its six months' term of service under Judge James Webb, and there is great danger in letting run loose the "so-called" bloodhounds at the convict camps is another declaration of the grand jury, following the narrow escape of a juror who was attacked viciously by a dog and was saved only in the nick of time.

We recommend, says the report submitted today: "That the dogs at the camp be held in leash, at least during the day, as one of the grand jurors, while inspecting the camp, was attacked by one of the so-called bloodhounds which was finally subdued after a fierce fight. We deem it a menace to the public to let these beasts run at large in the day time."

In regard to the lack of means for transferring their food from the little plates of tin to their mouths at meal time, at the camps, the grand jury says:

"We recommend that spoons be furnished the convicts to eat dinner, as we found most of the convicts eating dinner with chips and pieces of bark."

What excuse the keepers of the three camps in Mecklenburg county, with their seventy-five to one hundred charges, will make to this sensational report is not known, as the camps are located out in the country and are not easy of access. The grand jury was perhaps reduced to a state of mind bordering on paranoia by the vicious attack of the so-called bloodhound, and was not in a frame of mind to hurl over many bouquets at the managers of the camps and those who look after the convicts' welfare. It should be said, however, that this jury, which so stirred the wrath of the cannies about the camps reported that the convicts were well fed and clothed, and had sanitary advisory quarters.

LIVELY THIS WEEK.

A turkey given away each night next week at the Gaiety theater and a handsome present nightly at the Gem theater this week doubtless will make both of these playhouses a mecca for our citizens.

MINE DISASTER.

Johnstown, Pa., Dec. 13.—Three men died of suffocation and twenty-one others were overcome and rescued with difficulty late last night as a result of a fire which broke out in the fan house of the mine of the Shoemaker Mining Co.

This Torpedo Picks Up Sound

London, Dec. 11.—A wonderful torpedo, which picks up sound and tracks it down is reported to be in the hands of the British admiralty, by whom it will be subjected very soon to exhaustive trials. The principle of the microphone is utilized.

The "torpedo with a brain," as the new weapon has been dubbed, is fitted with a delicate mechanism, which is controlled by a microphone attached to the torpedo's rudders. When the microphone picks up a sound it deflects the rudders in such a manner as to guide the torpedo straight to the source of the sound waves. Properly aimed, the inventors claim that the torpedo will pick up the propellers of an enemy's vessel.

Further than this it is claimed that the mechanism is such that it can be so adjusted that the torpedo will strike not at the immediate origin of the sound, but thirty or forty yards to the right or left of the sound, at the will of the manipulator. The feature, if proven, would make it possible to place the torpedo in the vital part of a ship that was steaming across the new weapon's track.

A woman's faith is based upon what she wants; a man's lack of it upon what he doesn't want.

THE TAR HEEL RAD VERY ACTIVE IN WASHINGTON

May Be Duncan's Gain

The North Carolina Republican Committeeman Has Been in the Capital City Several Days—Active With Politicians.

THE SUPERVISOR'S FINISH

Washington, D. C., Dec. 11.—The opposition to the confirmation of the nomination of Hey Cabell, of Virginia, to be Commissioner of Internal Revenue, has upset Southern Republican politicians. They do not know what to make of the situation. There was a story this afternoon that Cabell cannot be confirmed by the Senate, that he is to be made first assistant Postmaster General, and that E. C. Duncan, of North Carolina, is to be appointed Commissioner of Internal Revenue in his place. No confirmation can be had of this rumor. Duncan has been here for several days, and has been very busy with the politicians. It will be recalled that Mr. Duncan was once before discussed for the Commission of Internal Revenue. It was over this office that Judge Adams broke with the national committee.

The ten census supervisors in North Carolina who have been here receiving instructions as to their duties, returned home tonight. One of the things that Director Durand emphasized in his talk to them was that "there must be no politics in the selection of enumerators of the census." No, gentle reader, Director Durand was not joshing himself when he made that statement. He was talking for newspaper consumption. He knew that the supervisors in North Carolina were appointed solely from political consideration, and that they are going to make the selection of enumerators in the State as politically partisan as it is possible for them so to do. Examinations for the position of enumerator will take place February 5, and appointments will be made by the middle of March.

MASS MEETING TUESDAY NIGHT

To Be at Chamber of Commerce Rooms—All Invited.

All citizens who feel interested in holding an agricultural fair in Washington next year, will please meet at the Chamber of Commerce rooms tomorrow night, December 14. It is time that we were getting together, organizing and getting things in shape.

We are going to hold this fair in 1910. If we start now we will give the farmers time to prepare to raise record-breaking crops. If we start now the merchants who donate prizes will get a year's advertisement from their gifts. If we wait until a few months before time for holding the fair, we will have to pick up whatever the farmers may happen to raise. If we wait until a few months before holding—the fair the merchants will not get much advertisement from their donations, neither can the fair be so well advertised, so let's get together on tomorrow night, December 14, and make preparations to get to work.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE Will Deliver Temperance Address

Miss Elizabeth Moore returned from Aurora this morning where she spoke yesterday on temperance. This afternoon in the public school auditorium she addressed the students of that institution. Tonight at 8 o'clock Miss Moore will deliver a temperance address in the Chamber of Commerce rooms to which the citizens are cordially invited. She is reputed to be a speaker of ability. The lecture will be free. This gifted lady should have a large audience.

MR. ELLIS PICKLES KILLED

A telegram was received this afternoon by Mrs. J. L. Phillips from Wadesboro, announcing the sad intelligence that Mr. Ellis Pickles was killed this morning at that place. No particulars were given in the wire. Mr. Pickles married a sister of Mrs. Phillips, and at the time of his untimely death was manager of a large saw mill in Wadesboro. The Daily News will give further details in tomorrow's paper.

CONVENTION ADJOURNS AFTER 3 DAYS SESSION

Appeal to Congress.

Will Ask for Appropriation of \$50,000,000 Annually for Period of Ten Years—New Directors.

HAS ENDED ITS WORK

Washington, D. C., Dec. 11.—What is declared by its officers to have been the most successful convention of its kind ever held came to end today when the National Rivers and Harbors congress adjourned after a three days' session. Captain J. F. Ellison, of Cincinnati, was elected secretary and treasurer, and John A. Fox, of Arkansas, special director. Vice president to represent States also were named.

The new board of directors met immediately after adjournment and took up the question of the date and place for the next convention. The matter, however, was put over after much discussion until a later date.

The resolutions adopted by the convention make an appeal to Congress for an appropriation of \$50,000,000 for river and harbor work; and \$50,000,000 annually for ten years thereafter; expresses the belief that the rivers and harbors bill should be placed on an equal footing with the other great appropriation bills and condemn what is declared to be the present method of appropriation whereby the river and harbor bill carries only what may remain after the other budgets have been authorized. It is declared that unless the waterways of the United States are so improved as to provide the proper transportation facilities, the country cannot hope to increase its domestic commerce or extend its foreign commerce as it should, or to take advantage of the opening of the Panama canal, in order to compete with the markets of the world. The resolution suggests the creation of a bureau of public works with a cabinet officer at its head, which department should have charge of river and harbor improvement and other work of a similar character.

MUTUAL CO'S OFFICE ENTERED

Books and Papers Disturbed by Intruders Yesterday.

Sometimes Sunday a party, or parties, forced an entrance into the business office of the Mutual Machine Company plant, on Water street, and proceeded to demolish things in general. The typewriter ribbon was taken out, the books displaced, and papers scattered over the floor. The managers are at a loss to understand what was the motive of the intruder, as nothing of value has been missed. Our readers will remember that a few nights previous some parties entered the office between midnight and day and accosted one of the employes, demanding money. The matter is now in the hands of the local police.

AN EXCELLENT ADDRESS.

Those who were present at the meeting of the Young Men's Christian League Sunday afternoon heard a most excellent address by Collin H. Harding, Esq., his theme being the "Observance of the Sabbath." Mr. Harding is a most attractive talker and always interests his hearers. The meeting was well attended.

New Advertisements in Today's News

- The Hub—Stockings. J. K. Hoyt—Xmas Shopping. Building & Loan Association. Faro Olentang. J. L. O'Quinn, Florist—Duba. Chesapeake Steamship Co. Vick's Remedies. Capudine. Gilhooly's Irish Liniment. Gem Theater. Gaiety Theater. Gowans' Preparation.