

THE WEATHER: Fair today and tomorrow.

GOVERNMENT ENGINEER OBTAINED

Letter Received from Congressman Small Relative to This Matter.

WILL BE HERE BEFORE AUG. 5

Can Only Be Here for One Day, Owing to Demand of His Services.

NO CONFER WITH MR. KUGLER

Will Suggest Plans for Improving Upgraded Streets in the City.

A letter has been received by Harry McMillan, from Hon. John H. Small, relating to the building of the proposed demonstration roads out of Washington, which is as follows:

Washington, D. C., July 19th, 1933.

Mr. Harry McMillan,

Washington, N. C.

Dear Harry:

I had a conference today with the Chief Engineer of the Bureau of Public Roads, with reference to furnishing a road engineer in connection with the construction of several miles of roads leading out of Washington. The demand is so insistent that it is becoming more difficult to secure the assignment of road engineers. I explained the local situation, namely, that it was proposed to raise a fund of approximately \$1,500, with which to construct, or re-construct, several miles of good roads, leading out of Washington. I also stated that you wished this engineer at least for a day at the earliest date, in order that your committee might confer with him with regard to preliminary plans and road appliances, and that later you would wish him to come down and make detailed plans for the construction. Mr. Pierce, the Chief Engineer, finally agreed to our request, and stated that he would send an engineer down for a day between now and August 5th, earlier if possible. I expect to be at my home next Tuesday and Wednesday, at which time I will see you and give you further details.

Very sincerely,

JNO. H. SMALL.

This will be read with interest by those of our people who are working on this project. It is proposed to try to have a meeting of the subscribers to the project, and others who may be interested in the building of these roads, sometime during the time mentioned by Mr. Small during which he will be here. Notice of the time and place of this meeting will be given as soon as it is determined upon.

The work of securing subscriptions has progressed very nicely. Quite a large number of people in the country have shown their interest in the scheme by promising financial assistance and team to work on the roads.

\$10,000 Bath for Goddess.

Washington, D. C., July 12.—The Goddess of Liberty, the portly dame on top of the capitol, is receiving her triennial bath.

For the bathing and gilding of the goddess and her approaches and foundations Congress has appropriated \$10,000. Charles Macnicol, who has twice before washed and gilded the great metal figure on the capitol, has the job.

Thousands of persons watched Macnicol and his men today as they scrubbed the goddess with soap and water.

THE BIG EVENT FRIDAY, JULY 25TH.

Locals Have Strengthened Line-up for Tomorrow's Contest With Greenville Team

Services at the Christian Church.

Rev. E. A. Lowther preached two intensely interesting sermons at the Christian Church yesterday. The morning services were excellently attended and a most attentive congregation listened to Mr. Lowther's address. In the evening, although the attendance was not as large, on account of the severe storm, Mr. Lowther delivered another impressive sermon. Good music was a feature at both services.

PINNED IN WRECK HE BEGGED TO BE SLAIN

When Friends Refused to Aid Him, He Cut His Throat With Knife.

WAS SHOT TO WED.

Decatur, Ala., July 20.—Caught under an overturned locomotive in the Louisville and Nashville yards here last night, Huston G. Fleming, a 26-year-old engineer whose wedding date was set within the week, killed himself by cutting his throat with his pocket knife to bring relief from agony he was suffering. With his legs crushed and steam fairly cooking his body, the young man begged fellow workmen to kill him. The men refused, though they could not rescue him from the wreck.

"For God's sake," the young man cried, "put me out of this living hell; kill me."

Beneath the tangled mass of machinery the man's white face was seen by the crowd. Then, with half paralyzed hands, he managed to grasp toward a pocket of his coat. Out of it he brought a pocket knife. He opened a blade of it with his teeth.

"Well," he sobbed, "if none of you men have the nerve, I'll do it myself."

Without hesitation he drew the blade across his throat. He made a deep wound that severed the jugular vein, and that instant the suffering man escaped his agony.

John Smith, a fireman, who was a witness to Fleming's terrible and dramatic death, said:

"It was too awful to look at. And we couldn't do a thing for Fleming—one of the best liked men among us. We lost no time getting the wrecker down here and trying to lift the engine, but the wrecker wasn't big enough to lift such a big locomotive. And all we could do was to stand there and see him suffer and hear him beg us to kill him. He was in fearful pain it seemed almost right that somebody should do as he asked. But, of course, none of us could bring ourselves to do that. And finally the boy got out his own knife. We were all too sick and weak with watching him for any of us to think of taking the knife away from him. We just stood there staring while he cut his throat."

The wedding of Fleming was to have taken place in a few days, and his fiancée is prostrated by the tragedy.

UNCLE TOM'S CABIN AT

THE LYRIC TONIGHT.

One of the best and strongest features in real good comedy is that of "Uncle Tom's Cabin," a burlesque comedy rippling with fun to be shown at the Lyric Theatre tonight.

This feature has a guarantee to amuse every lover of good comedy and the climax in this feature are great. It is one of those side splitting comedy pictures that has bushels of laughs and then some to carry home.

Among other features on today's bill are two other pictures that are very good and fully up to the standard of the reputation this house has. The last half of the week offers vaudeville and motion pictures. The admission prices are 5 and 10 cents.

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Base Ball Meeting Tonight

A meeting of players, rooters, fans and everyone else interested in baseball in Washington will be held this evening at the City Hall. The meeting is to be called at eight o'clock.

Baseball and its prospects in Washington will be discussed and a number of prominent rooters will make addresses. It is hoped that a large number will be present to attend the meeting.

Post Office Will Move Tomorrow

First Mail Will Be Given Out in New Office Tomorrow Morning.

CONTAINS ALMOST 300 BOXES.

Present Office Will Close After Carriers are Dispatched in the Morning.

The postoffice department will move from their old quarters into the new Federal building on Second street tomorrow. The first mail to be received in the new office will be the Washington-Vandemere mail at 10 a. m. The present office will be closed tomorrow morning at 7:30 after the carriers have been dispatched on their routes.

The new office is one of the handsomest in Eastern North Carolina. It is completely equipped and is handsomely furnished throughout. Keys have been given to the patrons of the office for letter boxes, of which there are almost five hundred. There will be no change in the present force, although it is hoped to increase it later on.

JUNIOR AID SOCIETY LAWN PARTY

To Be Held Tomorrow Night at the Corner of Eighth and Market Streets.

The Junior Aid Society of the Baptist Church will hold a lawn party at the corner of Eighth and Market streets tomorrow night. The committee, which has the party in charge are working hard in the endeavor to make this one of the best parties of its kind that has ever been given in Washington. It will be an ideal place in which to spend the evening.

EASTERN DOUBLES TOURNEY.

Boston, July 21.—The tennis championship of the East for doubles and the twenty-third annual tournament for singles began today on the courts of the Longwood Cricket Club, with many of the leading players of the country in competition.

The prizes in the doubles will be first, second and consolation. The first prizes will be awarded to the winners, and the second to the runner-up. The consolation will be open to all pairs defeated in the first match actually played. In the Longwood Tournament the 31st Longwood Challenge Cup is offered by the Club. E. P. Larned won the first leg on the Cup in 1911; M. E. McLoughlin won the second leg in 1912. The cup will become the property of any one winning it for three (not necessarily consecutive) years. First and second prizes will be given, first prize to the winners, and second prize to the runner-up.

All matches will be three in five advantage sets, except the first two rounds of the singles and all consolation matches, which will be two in three advantage sets. Edwin Sheafe is referee.

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PRISONER JUMPS FROM N. S. TRAIN WHILE CROSSING SOUND AND DROWNS

Louis Phelps Escapes Law While In Charge of Officer Chesson of Washington County

After Having Obtained Permission From Recorder Windley to Have Hand Cuffs Removed, Phelps Ran to Rear of Train and Jumped Into Water

Louis Phelps of Reper, Washington county, jumped off the Norfolk Southern train yesterday morning while it was crossing the bridge over Albemarle Sound, and was drowned.

Phelps some few months ago resided in this city. He was employed in one of the factories here. About two months ago he was charged with stealing a rifle. He was brought up before Recorder Windley of Washington, who placed him under a one hundred dollar justified bond. Roger Dillon, a merchant of this city, acted as his bondsman.

Phelps skipped his bond and left the town. His whereabouts were kept secret for some time, but recently Officer Chesson of Washington County was notified that he was in Smithfield, Va. The sheriff went to Smithfield and found his man.

Yesterday he left Smithfield with his prisoner with the intention of bringing him back to this State. Phelps wife accompanied them. On the same train with them, coming out of Norfolk, was Recorder Windley, who had been spending a few weeks' vacation in Virginia. Chesson called to Mr. Windley and told him of the capture of Phelps, who was seated beside him, handcuffed.

Mrs. Phelps tearfully begged the judge to ask the sheriff to take off the hand cuffs and allow her husband a little freedom. Windley, finding that the prisoner had committed no offense in any other court beside his

own, granted her request and the officer removed the cuffs. While the train was crossing the long bridge over Albemarle Sound, Phelps rose from his seat and stroled to the rear of the car. Without warning, he suddenly sprang forward when a few yards from the rear platform, jumped over the rear railing and leaped into the waters below. Three persons, including the porter on the train, saw the man's act and screamed loudly. The porter pulled the signal cord and the train stopped. Mr. Chesson, accompanied by the conductor and several of the passengers went back up to the bridge at the point where the man had jumped off. Although they searched for about half an hour, no trace of him could be found. He failed to appear above the surface of the water, and although the party looked behind every pole and underneath the trestle, they could see nothing of him. Finally, they were forced to give up and returned to the train, which continued on its way.

It is believed that Phelps was brooding over what would happen to him when he returned to Washington and was also worrying over having to face his bondsman, whom he had defrauded. These facts, coupled with the disgrace he was under, and his belief to have been the cause of his act.

The deceased was twenty-eight years of age and was well known in the county where he resided.

JULY 21 IN HISTORY.

1773—Pope Clement XIV. signed bill pronouncing the extinction of the Society of Jesus.

1804—Emperor of Germany congratulates Napoleon on his accession to the throne of France.

1814—King Ferdinand re-established the Inquisition in Spain.

1841—Heavy fighting continues at Battle of Bull Run.

1885—Mills' tariff reduction bill passed the House.

1902—King Edward and Queen Alexandra warmly received in Ireland.

1911—Senate passed the Canadian reciprocity bill.

1912—Republican leaders in several States begin negotiations to conciliate dissatisfied voters bolting to Progressives.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that H. W. Tarkington is no longer connected with the firm of W. R. Swain, Son & Co., the co-partnership now consists of W. R. Swain and Carly Swain, trading as W. R. Swain, Son & Co. This the 21st day of July, 1913.

W. R. SWAIN, SON & CO. 7-24-4wc

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Washington Tobacco Market Will Open

Wednesday August 20th.

The Highest Prices Paid For All Grades. All Farmers Needing Aid in Housing Their Tobacco Crop Will Be Taken Care Of