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THE WEATHER—Unsettled along the coast. Fresh north to northeast winds.

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WOMAN IN COLUMBIA SUICIDES

NEWS RECEIVED HERE TODAY OF DEATH OF MRS. ROWTON OF THAT CITY.

SHOT THRU HEART

Stated That She Could Not Wait for Her Husband and Fired Bullet Through Her Heart. Message Came Too Late.

News was received in Washington this morning of the suicide of Mrs. Charles Rowton, of Columbia, N. C., who ended her life by shooting herself through the heart with a pistol. Death was instantaneous.

It is reported that Mrs. Rowton was expecting her husband on the evening train from Norfolk, or some message from him. In the presence of some friends, Mrs. Rowton is alleged to have remarked that she would not wait any longer. She went to her home, undressed, got into bed and then fired the fatal bullet through her heart.

She was afterwards found dead by a young girl, Lillian Davenport, who was conveying to the dead woman a telegram from her husband, which asked her to hire an automobile, go to Mackeys and take the train for Norfolk, where he would meet her. The telegram was received just one hour and a half too late.

Mr. and Mrs. Rowland had been married for several years. They were people of prominent standing in the community. Mrs. Rowton was 35 years of age.

FARMERS ENJOYED MEETING

EXPRESS THEMSELVES AS VERY MUCH PLEASED WITH PROGRAM CARRIED OUT.

OTHER MEETINGS

J. F. Latham to Conduct Series of School House Meetings in Various Parts of the County. Will Begin Next Week.

"Every farmer who was present at the meeting yesterday appeared to be greatly pleased with the program. Those with whom I talked, declared that the lectures were so interesting and instructive as they had ever heard."

The above statement was made this morning by Farm Demonstrator J. F. Latham, and referred to the Farmers' meeting which was held in this city yesterday. Mr. Latham stated that he had talked to a number of those who were present and that all appreciated the program that was rendered.

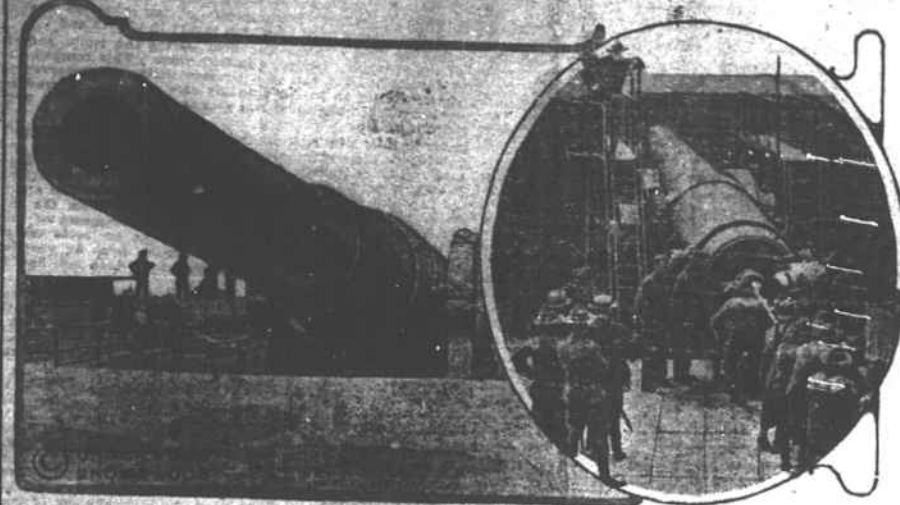
A meeting at which the same program will be carried out, is being held today in Greenville for the farmers of Pitt county.

A number of district farmers' meetings will be held in various parts of the county, beginning with next week. They will be held at the different school houses. Winter crops, stock raising and other topics of interest to the farmer will be discussed. The meetings will be conducted by Mr. Latham.

Where the meetings are held near the Pitt and Martin county lines, the demonstrators from these counties will join with Mr. Latham in conducting the meetings. The latter will also assist in holding several meetings in the other two counties.

It is expected that all of these sessions will be well attended by the farmers.

READY TO DEFEND THE ATLANTIC COAST



This is one of the many 12-inch disappearing coast defense guns in the forts along the Atlantic coast. It is at Fort Wright on Fisher's Island, off New London, Conn. At the right the coast defense division of the National Guard is seen at practice with this gun.

BOY IS SHOT BY PLAYMATE

ACCIDENT OCCURRED ON CAMPING TRIP NEAR CITY OF CHARLOTTE.

VICTIM DIED

Arnold Prim Killed by Shot Fired by Jack Gregory. Shooting Occurred Yesterday Afternoon.

Charlotte, Sept. 1.—Arnold Prim, the 12-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Prim, of Beaverville, western suburb of Charlotte, was shot and killed yesterday between 12 and 1 o'clock by Jack Gregory, also 16, the Prim boy being shot in the head, the ball piercing the eye and lodging in the brain. Death resulted in 10 or 15 minutes. The boys were members of a camping party at the river. The Prim boy had walked some distance up the river from the camp and was returning, coming in the direction of the tent which he and Gregory occupied.

Gregory was in the tent engaged in rifle practice through the front opening of the tent, the target being a tree some yards distant down the river. He was alone and there was no one in sight. He had fired several times. The river bank is sandy and the approach of any one cannot be heard. The Prim boy ran along the river bank and between the tent and young Gregory's target until in time to get the last bullet fired by Gregory. The ball struck him in the eye.

ORIENTAL BANK STAYS CLOSED

Doors of Institution Have Not Yet Been Re-opened.

(By Eastern Press) New Bern, Sept. 1.—The bank of Oriental, which has been closed since the cashier, J. Will Miller, committed suicide several weeks ago, has not yet opened its doors and there is much speculation as to when this will be done. An auditor has recently gone over the books of the institution but he has given out no information as to what he found or as to how affairs actually stand. During the past week or two it has been found that there are several hundred dollars in deposits which Miller never entered on the books at all, merely placing the credit on the customer's pass book. One Oriental lady has a thousand dollars deposited on interest and of this there is no record. One man had six hundred dollars credit on his pass book but there was no entry on the book at the bank. It is the opinion of the people at Oriental that Miller lost his money in speculating and is living beyond his means. His wife remains at Oriental but it is understood that she intends returning to her relatives in West Virginia.

out this afternoon, the Grimsland team has arrived in the city, and the game will take place today in spite of the weather.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED.

Dr. and Mrs. Samuel Timothy Nicholson have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Carlotta, to Mr. Harold Jennell Washburne. The wedding will take place in October.

Trouserettes; Ankle Watches; Wrist Pigeons

France May Be at War, But She's Had Time to Make up Some Freakish Fashions for This Fall.

New York, Sept. 1.—Madam, the Fall Fashions have arrived. In a very short time you will be garbed in a coat with a huge fur collar that will hide your face up as far as your nose, and you will wear short, voluminous skirts reaching but a very few inches below your knees; you've got to show the tops of your boots this season and they're making the boots very high. If you want to be dispense with this ornament. In purchase a rainbow pigeon and carry it on your wrist. This will entail getting rid of the family cat, because it is well known that pigeons don't associate with felines for any length of time. It will also mean that, since it would be rather awkward to ask the pigeon to move every time you wanted to consult your wrist watch, you will have to really come it fast, you've got to stand you will wear a watch strapped about your ankle.

It's rather a perilous procedure, consulting an ankle watch while walking the avenue, so the kind Parisian dressmakers are sending over some divided skirts. They're something like the director's, only more so. The slit is about three inches wide and starts at the hip. Pantalottes are worn under them and the trouserettes have little fur cuffs at the knee—which is the south 'erry terminal. This makes it a bit easier to get the ankle in the strategic position necessary to consult the watch, but it is probable that a majority of the women will have to catch hold of a policeman or a lamp post to see what time it is.

All this is according to the European buyers of the Fifth avenue shops, a large number of whom came over on the French liner Es-pange today.

BANKS TO CLOSE.

The banks of the city will be closed all day Monday, it being Labor Day.

NEW THEATRE

TO-NIGHT

"It's a Long, Long Way to Tipperary."

3 Reel Feature

"The Gutter-snipe"

1 Reel

"A Night in Kentucky"

1 Reel

"Count Macaroni"

1 Reel

Price 5 & 10c

COTTON MILL RE-OPENED AT TARBORO

FOUNTAIN MILLS RESUME OPERATIONS AFTER BEING CLOSED 12 MONTHS.

General Feeling of Optimism in Nash and Edgecombe Counties in All Lines of Industries. Crops Reported Good.

(By Eastern Press) Rocky Mount, Sept. 1.—General conditions in Edgecombe and Nash counties—both from a business and agricultural standpoint—are assuming a most healthy and prosperous aspect. Crops of all kinds are well above normal and indications are that the farmers will have a most successful season.

An event occurred this morning which has added to the general spirit of optimism that prevails in this section. This was the opening of the Fountain cotton mills at Tarboro, which have been closed during the last twelve months. The mills will be operated on an even larger scale than heretofore.

All lines of business have recovered from the summer period of comparative depression and on every hand the opinion is expressed that a most profitable season is ahead for all branches of industry in this section.

CASE IS ARGUED.

The case of the Board of Education vs. Beaufort County Commissioners, was argued before the Supreme court in Raleigh yesterday. The Board of Education was represented by Small, MacLean, Bragaw & Rodman, while Daniel & Warren represented the county.

SEPTEMBER MORN BRINGS BETTER PAY

Increase in Wages in Several Plants Throughout the Country is Announced.

Baton Rouge, La., Sept. 1.—Eighteen hundred workers at the local refinery of the Standard Oil Company receive a ten percent increase in wages today. The men benefited are mechanics and laborers.

Springfield, Mass., Sept. 1.—A five percent increase in wages, in the form of bonuses, goes into effect today at the revolver plant of Smith & Wesson. The bonus will run for one year, and will be paid quarterly.

ELIZABETH CITY WILL HAVE FAIR

ALBEMARLE COUNTY INVITED TO TAKE PART.

PLANS ARRANGED

Association Has Been Formed. Officers Have Been Elected and Stock is Being Sold at Ten Dollars Per Share.

(By Eastern Press) Elizabeth City, Sept. 1.—Unless all signs fall Elizabeth City will have a real Fair this fall—a fair in which the nine counties of the Albemarle will be invited to take part.

A number of the town's most progressive citizens and most trustworthy business men met last night at the Southern Hotel and organized a permanent Fair Association.

The Association decided to accept the generous offer of ex-Sheriff F. F. Cohoon, under which the grounds will be leased to the Association without any stipulated rental provided that in case the fair during these two years is a financial success, the board of directors will then pay Mr. Cohoon a nominal rent.

Such an agreement with Mr. Cohoon was then drawn up, and this morning the agreement was duly signed and recorded.

Stock in the Association is to be sold at ten dollars a share. No one person will be allowed to hold more than ten shares, and a minimum of \$2,000 must be subscribed to make subscriptions binding.

All this has quite a business like look, and subscriptions to stock are already being taken. Interest in the work is at high pitch and results are looked for.

BEEAUFORT COUNTY WILL GET \$903.00

(By Eastern Press) Raleigh, Sept. 1.—The automobile revenue collected by the State for licenses to operate machines amounting to \$96,211, during the fiscal year ending June 30, and under the law 30 per cent of this is to be refunded by the State treasurer to the counties, each county to receive the 30 per cent of the license taxes actually paid in from the county. The statement on which this refund is to be made was submitted to the treasurer today by the secretary of state and he checks are to be mailed out this week. The total amount of the refund is \$86,169.

Coal Strike Settled.

Settlement of the trouble in South Wales which threatened to develop into a serious coal strike is announced.

Blow Up Bridges.

It was again reported today that a submarine of the Entente allies had blown up a portion of the bridge connecting Constantinople with the suburb of Galata.

Aviators Destroy Building.

A Belgian aviator is reported to have destroyed a large building in Ghent, Belgium, used by the Germans for housing aircraft.

TEUTONS APPROACH GRODNO

ANOTHER RUSSIAN STRONGHOLD IS THREATENED BY ADVANCING TEUTONS.

FRENCH ACTIVE

Are Destroying German Trenches and Shelter Camps. Little Change in Affairs on Gallipoli Peninsula.

London, Sept. 1.—Nearer approach by the Germans to the Russian fortress of Grodno is indicated in today's official statement from Berlin that they are moving toward the stronghold from the east and south as well as from the west.

The advance on the Grodno-Vilna railway is being continued, and the headquarters of Prince Leopold and Field Marshal Von Mackensen both report that the Russians are being driven back along a wide front.

In the Gallician operations, recently resumed, the Germans have met with a check on the Stripa river, where strong Russian forces counter-attacked, and according to Berlin "partially stopped" the Austro-German pursuit.

Destroyed Allies Position.

Constantinople reports the destruction by Turkish artillery of a position occupied by the allies near Seddul-Bahr on the Gallipoli peninsula.

French Active.

The French artillery is successfully continuing its work of inflicting damage upon German trenches, shelters and camps at various points along the front, the Paris war office reports.

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CHILLY WEATHER RECALLS BIG STORM 2 YEARS AGO

Cold Spell Has Hit This Section. Reports From Other Parts of the Country Indicate That the Cold Weather is General.

Tomorrow night marks the anniversary of the big storm which visited Washington two years ago and which did heavy damage in this city and other sections of eastern Carolina. A number of comments regarding the storm were made on the streets today, being brought on by the cold, wet and cloudy weather that has been in effect during the last few days.

Reports today from Kingston, Greenville and other points in this section, state that the wind is blowing quite heavily and that damage is feared to the crops from the cold spell. A hard rain fell in Kingston last night.

News from other portions of the country is to the effect that the cold spell is general.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 1.—Summer's coldest weather was spread today over the northern part of the country from the Rocky Mountains to the Atlantic and southward well into the Gulf States.

W. O. T. U. TO MEET.

A meeting of the W. O. T. U. will be held tomorrow afternoon at the home of Mrs. O. B. Carmalt. The meeting will start promptly at four o'clock. Business of importance is to be brought up and a full attendance is requested.

GAME AGAIN POSTPONED

Weather Man Intervenes in Schedule Between Wallpapers and Grimsland.

Evidently the weather man is a Wallpaper fan and is afraid that the locals will get trimmed in their contest with the Grimsland team. At any rate, he has twice caused a postponement of games between these two aggregations.

Grimsland was to have played here last week, but rain intervened. Today, another game was scheduled, but O. D. Jupp, Playus is again on the job. If the weather moderates tomorrow, the contest will be adjourned. The fans in both cities are well-played.

According to information given

AT THE BELLEMO

"Mutual Movies" "THE SECRET OF LOFT RIVER" in 3 Parts. Edwin Thalhouser presents Helen Badgely and Letaud Bealham in "THE TWO-CENT MYSTERY" Don't fail to see this. "MILLION DOLLAR MYSTERY" THURSDAY "THE DIAMOND FROM THE SKY" FRIDAY

BARBER SHOP MOVES.

The Palace Barber Shop has moved from the corner of Main and Market street to the Small-McLean building, on Market street, opposite the city hall.

PASSENGERS WORK IDENTIFICATION TAGS

New York, Sept. 1.—Passengers arriving today aboard the steamer Espagne from Bordeaux wore identification tags, issued to them before sailing, so that they might be identified in case German submarines should send their ships to the bottom.