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WEATHER—Generally fair tonight. Moderate easterly wind.

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NORFOLK SOUTHERN SHOPS WERE DESTROYED BY FIRE

Big Conflagration Occurred Last Night at New Bern Shortly After 9 O'clock

DAMAGE ESTIMATED AT OVER \$90,000

Practically All of the Buildings Destroyed as Well as Locomotives and Freight Car. Partially Covered With Insurance.

(By Eastern Press) New Bern, Nov. 17.—One of the most disastrous fires in the history of New Bern occurred here last night shortly after nine o'clock when the planing mill, machine shop, boiler room, blacksmith shop and part of the round house of the Norfolk Southern Railroad were destroyed by fire. The damage is conservatively estimated at \$90,000, which is partially covered by insurance. In addition to the destruction of the buildings and contents, one locomotive was so badly damaged that it will have to be practically rebuilt, one freight car was totally destroyed and another locomotive was badly damaged.

One hundred and fifty men are employed in the shops and practically seventy-five per cent of these have been thrown out of employment. The origin of the fire is not known, but as it started in the planing mill it is believed to have been caused by sparks igniting a big pile of shavings that had accumulated. Owing to the fact that forest fires have been burning for the last few days near here and have filled the city with smoke, passers-by, it is believed, failed to notice the smoke from the shops until the fire had burst into full blaze. The only buildings left standing are the paint shop, the car repair shop and part of the round house.

SCENE IN ALPINE WARFARE



A dangerous climb made by an Austrian troop close to the frontier in an engagement with the Italians. The photograph shows the hazardous position of one of the wounded Austrians, who is being aided up the mountain side by his comrades above him, while two other members of his troop are below ready to save him should the rope break. Such sights as this are almost a daily occurrence in the Alpine fighting.

'BLE SPEAKERS AT THE MEETING HERE FRIDAY

PUBLIC CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND THE RECIPROCAL MEETING ON THAT DAY.

AT NEW THEATER

Mrs. Lingle and Mrs. Cotton Among the Prominent Speakers. Meeting Will Begin at Three O'Clock.

One of the features at the "Reciprocity Meeting" of District No. 10 North Carolina Federation of Clubs, which is to be held in this city Friday, will be the address by Mrs. T. W. Lingle, president of the State Federation of Clubs. Mrs. Lingle is recognized as one of the most able speakers of the women of the State. Her talk Friday will be devoted largely to educational work in North Carolina.

Another interesting number on the program will be an address from Mrs. R. H. Cotton, honorary president of the State Federation. Mrs. Cotton is one of the pioneers of club work in the State. The South Carolina Cotton educational fund for girls of the State is a memorial of her great work for women. It provides a certain amount each year for those girls who are in need of financial aid in securing their education.

The address of welcome from the citizens will be made by Judge Stephen C. Bragaw, while the welcome from the local women's clubs will be given by Mrs. S. R. Fowle. The response will be made by Miss Sadie B. Walt. A number of musical selections will be featured on the program.

The meeting will be held at the New Theatre beginning at three o'clock. The public is cordially invited to be present and enjoy the excellent program that is to be rendered.

OWENS TRIAL BROUGHT UP NEXT WEEK

IS CHARGED WITH ABDUCTION OF MRS. LANGLEY OF PACTOLUS.

OTHER CASES

Superior Court to Try Criminal Docket, Beginning Next Monday. Number of Interesting Cases Set for Trial.

Superior court will convene in this city next Monday, taking up the criminal docket. A number of interesting cases will be tried. Judge Cooke, of Lewisburg, who is holding court in Pasquotank county this week, will preside.

The case against W. R. Owens, of Elizabethtown, charged with the abduction of Mrs. Nettie L. Langley, of Pactolus, will be brought up for trial. Owens was given a hearing before the local magistrate's court some time ago.

Jack Cheatham, colored, of Pine-town, is charged with incest, the crime alleged to have been committed against his daughter.

Jim Staton, colored, charged with the murder of John Howard, will also be tried during the coming term of court.

J. C. Harris, charged with coming to Washington from another State and endeavoring to hire labor here without first paying a State license, will also be tried.

A number of cases of violations of the State liquor law are also on the docket.

ADDISCO CLUB MEETING.

Will Be Held Tomorrow Afternoon With Mrs. John C. Rodman. The Addisco Book Club will meet tomorrow afternoon at four o'clock at the home of Mrs. John C. Rodman. An interesting program of papers and discussions has been prepared.

CHAUTAQUA CLUB MET LAST NIGHT

Interesting Meeting Held. Miss Harding Read Papers on Prominent Men of Early Times.

The Chautauqua Literary and Scientific Circle held a highly interesting meeting at the public library last night. Some excellent papers were read and the discussions which ensued were extremely entertaining.

Miss Jessie Harding read a paper on the lives of four men who were prominent in the early history of our country: Cotton Mather, who wrote 32 books; George Whitefield, an early and strenuous clergyman; John Witherspoon, a prominent and governor, and another clergyman. Miss Harding read a paper on "The Money," in which she made mention of the fact that before the Revolutionary war every State made its own money and brought out other interesting facts. She also read a number of inscriptions from the early coins that were made.

Several new members were added to the Circle last night and interest in the meetings is increasing steadily.

CHILDREN MUST ATTEND SCHOOL

Compulsory Attendance Law Will Begin Operating on Nov. 22.

The patrons of the public schools of the county will take notice that the Board of Education has set November 22nd as the date on which the Compulsory Attendance Law will begin to operate. All persons having children of their own, or having children in their charge are required to put them in school and continue them there for four successive months from the above named date. Non-attendance may be excused only in case the child lives over two and one-half miles from the school house by the nearest travelled route, or in case the child is physically or mentally unable to attend as attested by a legally qualified physician, or where the parent or person in charge of a child is unable to provide the necessary books and clothing to enable the child to attend as attested by such witnesses as the Attendance Officer may see fit to have testify.

It is not the intention of the law that it should work a hardship on any one, but unless a child comes under one of the above named cases he must attend school, or the parent or person in charge of such child will be subjected to prosecution.

Signed, W. G. PRIVETTE, County Supt. of Schools. 11-17-15c.

HOUSE BURNED UP NEAR GREENVILLE

(By Eastern Press) Greenville, Nov. 17.—Fire last night destroyed the home of L. H. Johnson, who is well known throughout the county.

PROMINENT LADY BURNED TO DEATH

Tragedy Occurred Last Night at Rocky Mount. (By Eastern Press) Rocky Mount, Nov. 17.—Miss Mollie Chappin, aged 67, a prominent lady of this city, was burned to death last night when her clothes caught fire as she was standing in front of a grate in her home. She was rushed to the hospital and died at three o'clock this morning.

BELLMO

5 GOOD ACTS. A renewed programme from now on. Our posters will be exhibited after tomorrow as before.

"THE DIAMOND FROM THE SKY" FRIDAY NIGHT.

SAYS BAKER. Yesterday was quite a busy day in our studio. We can hope to be as busy today. On what day can we expect you? Is it likely you are going to let the year 1915 pass and no photo, no record made, no identification of yourself? BAKER'S STUDIO.

FRESH CORNED HAM—E. K. Wills, Main Street store. 11-17-15c.

BULGARIANS PUSH BACK THE FRENCH

NEW OFFENSIVE MOVEMENT OF BULGARIANS THREATENS SEVERAL POINTS.

OTHER WAR NEWS

Believed That Conscription Will Not Be Necessary in England. No Recent Activities in the Western Theatre of War.

London, Nov. 17.—The French are being pushed back in sections of their line in Southern Serbia under attacks by the reinforced Bulgarians a despatch from Saloniki states.

The French retreat was at two points near Gradisce, only twelve miles north of the Greek border.

On the Cerma river the French succeeded in beating off desperate attempts by the Bulgarian forces to pierce the French center, the troops of King Ferdinand being checked along the whole front in this fighting zone.

The new Bulgarian movement at Babuna pass threatens Perlepe and Monastir. It is declared, and the diplomatic corps in Serbia is preparing to proceed to Scutari, Albania, instead of to Monastir.

Conscription Not Necessary. Premier Asquith informed the British House of Commons today that he still hoped and believed that a resort to coercive measures in recruiting Great Britain's forces would not be necessary.

Want Word from Greece. Definite guarantees regarding her attitude are sought from Greece by the allies because they purpose sending large numbers of troops into the Balkans, establishing an entirely new front, according to an Athens despatch forwarded from London.

All Quiet in West. Quiet has prevailed along the Franco-German front, according to the French statement. Only artillery exchanges and bomb fighting have occurred on the Dardanelles front. The Turkish official communication states.

DOLLAR DAY AT JAS. E. CLARK'S

Will Be a Feature at That Store Tomorrow. Many Attractive Bargains Offered.

As a special feature of its big sale, the store of James E. Clark has set aside tomorrow as "Dollar Day." They are advertising today a large number of articles, the prices of which have been reduced to one dollar. Some of the values are truly astonishing and there is no doubt that the feature will draw a large number of patrons to the store tomorrow.

The event is in keeping with the progressive spirit shown by the store in the past and is a distinct novelty here. A few of the many bargains that will be offered tomorrow may be seen in the advertisement of the store in another part of today's issue.

MUNFORD IS IN BAD SHAPE

Person Who Was Hurt, Worse than First Supposed. Many Bones Broken in Accident.

H. K. Munford, the Norfolk Southern flagman, who was seriously hurt at the Washington station yesterday morning while coupling cars, is today lying in the Washington hospital in a critical condition. His injuries are much greater than was first supposed and grave doubts are being entertained as to his recovery. Practically every bone in his right arm was broken and all of the ribs on the right side of his body were crushed. In spite of the pain which his wounds are causing him and in spite of the fact that he realizes how badly he was hurt, Munford is showing remarkable nerve and vitality and was able to talk with his wife for some time last night.

"THE WHITE SQUAW" HERE TONIGHT

Is Said to be of a Distinctly Different Type. Curtains Will Rise Promptly at 8:30.

A play which is said to be distinctly different from any that has ever been presented, will be the offering at the New Theatre tonight. "The White Squaw," which will be the attraction, is described as an emotional drama in which noble sentiments are spoken and heard by faster than the falling leaves from the fast withering forest in which the action takes place.

The New York Producing Company has given the play an elaborate production and engaged an excellent company of metropolitan players. The curtain will rise promptly at 8:30 and the audience is requested to be present on time in order to avoid all noise and confusion.

WASHES HANDS OF BLIND TIGERS

Solicitors in Fayetteville Are Disgusted Over Court Proceedings in That City.

Fayetteville, Nov. 17.—A nol proes was taken in each case against 10 defendants charged with selling beer and whiskey in the recorder's court here today at the request of H. L. Rothers, acting solicitor, after Solicitor A. B. Breese had refused to further prosecute the cases on account of a mistrial in the first case and a verdict of not guilty in another. The prosecution was recently instituted by the city against certain women and one or two men upon evidence secured by a detective from Chatham county, and as the evidence of this young man alone was that upon which the prosecution relied, Solicitor Breese gave that as his reason in refusing to further prosecute the case, adding that he saw no obligation on his part to further incur expense to the county. Mayor John S. Gibbs and Attorney Brothers objected to the court permitting nol proes to be taken at that time, and as they agreed to take charge of the cases Judge Henry L. Cook overruled the solicitor's motion. In washing his hands of the job today Mr. Brothers said that it was evident to him that "Fayetteville wanted blind tigers, and as far as he was concerned it could have them even if to the extent that whiskey flowed in the streets knee deep."

J. K. HOYT STARTS BIG 10 DAY SALE

Will Begin on Friday. Special Page Advertisement Carried in Today's Paper.

J. K. Hoyt, in another part of today's paper, announces the opening of a big reduction sale, which will start Friday and will continue for ten days. Reductions have been made in every department and some exceptional values are offered in men's, women's and children's wearing apparel. Mr. Hoyt is advertising the sale extensively and in addition to a full page advertisement in today's Daily News, has sent out several thousand circulars to all parts of the county. A heavy business is expected during the time of the sale.

FRESH CORNED HAM—E. K. Wills, Main Street store. 11-17-15c.

W. H. EVANS' HOME DESTROYED BY FIRE

Pactolus Man Lost Home and Contents Last Night.

(By Eastern Press) Greenville, Nov. 17.—W. H. Evans who resides two miles from Pactolus lost his home and the entire contents last night when the building was burned to the ground.

HIGHEST Averages by the Leading Warehouse

Highest Price \$70. Highest Average for 774 Pounds \$37.45



Prices for the past three weeks on any tobacco showing color have been higher than we have seen them for several years past considering the quality of the tobacco. We are selling tobacco for the highest prices that the markets of North Carolina pay, and if you will bring us a load at any time we can please you, and show you that we have the house to handle your tobacco, and the money to make the prices what they should be. Below we give a few sales made within the past day or so; these are only a few of the best. Chas. Gussom—\$20.50, \$21.50, \$25, \$28, \$30, \$31, \$35, \$49, \$50, \$50, \$70. Average 774 pounds, \$37.45. W. C. Cherry—\$18, \$18.50, \$18.50, \$20.50, \$25, \$25. L. W. Allgood—\$15.50, \$16, \$16.50, \$21, \$21, \$23.50, \$25, \$28, \$40. Oca Hardin—\$20, \$22, \$27. Milton Hill—\$15.50, \$16.50, \$20.50, \$23, \$25, \$27. S. R. Warren—\$20, \$21, \$22.50, \$27, \$30, \$17.50, \$19.50, \$20.50, \$22.50, \$22.50. J. E. Glenn—\$14.75, \$16, \$20.50, \$20.50, \$30, \$31. Warren Latham—\$20.50, \$25, \$31. Porter & Edwards—\$15, \$19, \$21, \$23.50, \$28, \$35. R. N. Barr—\$13.50, \$17, \$19, \$19.50, \$21, \$34. N. R. Daniels—\$14.75, \$19.50, \$23.50, \$32, \$42, \$18, \$20, \$22, \$32. T. J. Cox—\$18.50, \$17.50, \$20.50, \$21, \$21.50, \$23.50, \$34, \$70.

SHELBURN-BAUGHAM COMPANY.

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