

## ASSOCIATION MEETS.

Industrial Session held Friday Evening.

## COUNTY EDUCATION RALLY DAY.

Will Be Held in Fall Under Direction of County Board of Education—Association Pledges Assistance—The Depot Proposition.

The Asheboro Industrial Association held an interesting meeting in the office of its president Friday evening and many matters pertaining to the social, educational and industrial development of Asheboro were considered.

The announcement that work on the proposed new and commodious Union station for Asheboro was received and a committee was appointed to confer with Superintendent Westfall with a view to securing a station that will meet the approval of our people.

County Superintendent of schools, E. J. Coltrane reported that in the fall a general Educational Rally would be held at which prominent speakers, including State Superintendent, J. Y. Joyner, would be present. An effort will be made to secure a representative delegation of both pupils and patrons from every school in the county, offering prizes to the schools which have the best delegates in appearance, numbers, etc. The details of the rally will be arranged later.

The Association was heartily in favor of the plan and appointed a committee to work with Mr. Coltrane and the Board of Education in making the day a great success and inspiration to the schools of the County.

Other matters not yet ready for the public were discussed.

## NEW STATION AUTHORIZED.

Supt. Westfall Instructed to Proceed at Once, With Erection of Union Station at Asheboro.

A letter to President D. B. McCrary, from General Manager, Ackert, of the Southern Railway, brings the assurance that Asheboro is to have a new Union Station within a short time.

In his letter Mr. Ackert says the company has authorized Superintendent Westfall of this division of the Southern, to proceed at once with the erection of the new depot. The details of the plans are not complete, but plans have been drawn for the approval of the Asheboro & Aberdeen Railway officials which will give our town a handsome station of brick, conveniently arranged for the public. Nice waiting rooms will be arranged for both sexes, with express and baggage rooms apart from the waiting rooms, and so located that the train can be reached by passengers without coming in contact with trucks of trunks, express, etc.

Besides the erection of the new station, the Southern will also increase and improve the yard facilities and also put in ample team track for loading and unloading freight.

All these improvements are ordered to keep pace with the steady growth of Asheboro and although the improvement will be beneficial to the railroads the companies have the high appreciation of our citizens for their efforts to meet the demands of the traveling public and business men by furnishing ample accommodation for passenger and freight traffic.

Below we publish Mr. Ackert's letter:

Washington, D. C.,  
July 22nd, 1909.

Mr. D. B. McCrary, President  
Asheboro Industrial Association.

Dear Sir:  
Referring to the question of improved depot facilities at Asheboro, will say instructions have been issued to make the improvements recommended by the General Superintendent, Westfall, which I understand will be satisfactory to your people.

Yours very truly,  
C. H. ACKERT,  
Vice Pres. & Gen. Mgr.

The following is a letter from Mr. Westfall:

Greensboro, N. C., 7-26-'09.

Mr. D. B. McCrary, President.

Dear Sir:  
Referring to your letter July 23rd,

## HEART PIERCED BY BULLET.

Mr. Henry Klutz Returns From Church to Find Dead Body of His Son Lying Across The Bed.

A terrible tragedy, whether suicidal or accidental is not positively known, occurred at Organ Church, Rowan county, 12 miles southeast of Salisbury, just before noon Sunday.

Mr. Henry Klutz and family had gone to Lutheran Organ Church to worship, leaving a young son, Clarence, aged about 20 years, at home, he having been complaining of feeling unwell. When the family returned from the services to their home they were horrified to find the young man lying across the bed in his room dead with a rifle ball through his heart and the weapon, a small rifle, lying by his side.

It is believed that the shooting was accidental. Later—Young Klutz killed himself at his home while his brother was taking the marriage vows at Organ church. Although reserved in the morning the family noticed no sign of his being depressed or mentally unbalanced.

## Uncle Sam Versus Railroad.

A novel case involving the right of the government to recover from transportation companies the value of contents of registered packages lost or destroyed in transit, was argued at Wilmington last week in the federal court.

The suit was against the Atlantic Coast Line and involved \$10,000. It grew out of a wreck on the Atlantic Coast Line at Lucama, N. C., in 1904, when a mail car was demolished and registered mail, including a package of diamonds, from Paris was lost.

## Galveston Sea Wall Stood Sever Test.

Another storm almost equal to one in 1900 which destroyed the city of Galveston, passed over that city last week, but the great sea wall, erected at a cost of \$200,000 and completed two years ago saved the city from destruction. Only ten lives were lost and the damage to property was only \$100,000.

The furious waves breaking against the wall, which is built of concrete and marble, threw spray more than 60 feet in the air.

## State Board of Election.

The members of the State Board of Elections as appointed by Governor Kitchin, organized Monday. Col. Wilson G. Lamb was re-elected Chairman with J. C. Clifford of Dunn, Secretary. All the members were present, J. D. Elliott, of Hickory; Clarence Call, of Wilkesboro; A. B. Freeman, of Hendersonville; the last two being Republican members.

## Thomasville Methodists.

The Methodists of Thomasville, N. C., will worship in their new \$5,000 church next Sunday. It is a beautiful structure and a credit to that community and especially to the membership that erected it, for the pleasing announcement is made that there is not one dollar of indebtedness upon it.

## Pearson Wants Congress.

Richard Pearson, former minister to Greece, has returned to the United States and will take up his residence at his former home in Buncombe county. It is reported that Mr. Pearson hopes to run for Congress in his, the 10th, district.

## Mrs. Dandridge Dead.

Mrs. Elizabeth Taylor Dandridge, daughter of General Zachary Taylor, twelfth President of the United States, and sister-in-law of Mrs. Jefferson Davis, died at her home at Winchester, Va., Sunday, aged 85 years.

I am pleased to say that we have received authority for the improvements to the passenger depot at Asheboro, N. C. and we are now working on the detail plans, which will be completed within the next ten days, and material will be ordered as soon as the plans are made so that there will be no delay in making the improvement.

As soon as the plans are ready I will arrange a meeting with Mr. Page at Asheboro, and will also advise you so you can be on hand at the time.

Yours truly,  
A. H. WESTFALL,  
General Superintendent.

## NEWS IN BRIEF.

C. C. Strickland & Co., Salisbury merchants, are bankrupt. Assets \$3,000, liabilities \$3,500.

Lee County Superior Court, with Judge J. W. Adams presiding, is being held in the new court house.

R. M. Reece has been appointed receiver of the Greensboro Furniture Manufacturing Company.

John R. Jones, of Pinicle, was granted license to practice law at Winston-Salem Monday.

Sanford is preparing to hold an election for bonds to put in a sewer system.

Blanche Alexander was sentenced to the workhouse for women at Greensboro Monday for assault.

Thomas L. Hall, and family, of Oklahoma, are visiting at Salisbury. They went to Oklahoma from North Carolina twelve years ago.

The year old daughter of Mrs. C. E. Perry died recently at Statesville and was buried at Thomasville. The mother is seriously ill.

Fairfax Henderson, vice-president Southern railway has been elected a director of the Virginia-Carolina Chemical company.

Martin L. Cude, a prominent farmer of Colfax died suddenly Thursday. Mr. Cude is 70 years old and is survived by five sons and two daughters.

Caleb W. Bost, a well known Cabarrus county farmer, has sold 2,088 canteloups on the Concord market and his acreage will yield a great deal more this year.

George W. Swartzell, formerly of Salisbury, died at Roanoke last week, aged 24 years. At his request the remains were brought to Salisbury for interment.

R. K. Feamster who has been foreman at the Southern Machine Shops at Spencer will leave soon for Oklahoma where he has a lucrative position. J. W. Rideout will succeed him.

The Graham Real Estate, Loan & Insurance Company, will do a general real estate business, J. A. Long and others are the stockholders. Authorized capital \$25,000 with \$500 paid in.

A heavily loaded freight train was wrecked on the Cost Line near Goldsboro Friday. The train was crossing the Neuse river, and twenty-four lumber cars were hurled into the water.

Thomas C. Guthrie, attorney of Charlotte, and Miss May Penfield, of New York were married Tuesday at Worcester, Mass. Mrs. Guthrie was teacher of voice at Charlotte Presbyterian college last year.

Adam Trull, a white youth 19 years old, was killed on the Southern near Clayton Monday. Trull was tramping with Owen Murray, of Salisbury, and was supposed to have been asleep on the track.

The Reidsville Co-operative Tobacco Company, with \$10,000 paid in capital to do a general tobacco business has been chartered. About 268 of the leading citizens of Rockingham county, are noted as stockholders.

Five thousand Spanish soldiers left Madrid Monday morning for Morocco to assist in suppressing the rebellion there. It is said that 25,000 more will be transported this week. The public is indignant over sending troops to a foreign country.

The commissioners of Yadkin county at a special meeting held recently called the railroad election for the 21st of August. As it now stands Liberty township is to vote \$40,000; Booneville \$30,000; Deep Creek \$20,000, and Fall Creek \$5,000.

The citizens of Hallville, W. Va., are in mortal fear that the town will be burned by a lawless band which has disturbed the vicinity several days. Mistaking G. C. Smith a prominent business man for one of the outlaw a guard fired on him killing him instantly.

Being hurled five hundred times around a line of shafting in the Spencer shops, A. H. Brown, an employe, was dashed to the floor 15 feet away and is believed fatally injured. Every particle of clothing was torn from his body. He is 50 years old and leaves a family.

## BRUTAL MURDER IN GUILFORD

Aged Maiden Lady Victim of Mysterious Tragedy.

## HORRIBLE DEATH OF MISS LINDA NEWMAN.

Living Alone on Her Farm, Helpless Woman Could Not Fend Attempt of Her Assailant—Body Found Two Days After Tragedy Occurred.

A shocking murder which occurred 10 miles from Greensboro on the Climax road, was discovered Saturday, when the dead and mangled body of Miss Linda C. Newman, aged 75 years, was found by her tenants, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Rayle, who live on her place. Miss Newman was last seen alive Tuesday and circumstances indicate that the crime was committed Tuesday.

The coroner's investigation developed the following: Finger marks on the neck of the ill-fated woman indicated that she was grasped by the throat and prevented from screaming while the inhuman wretch, who took her life, clubbed her into insensibility with his disengaged hand.

Near the body was found the club with which the murder was committed. It was of green dogwood, though not freshly cut. The length was about 2 1/2 feet, while at one end it was three quarters of an inch thick and at the other an inch and a quarter. Wielded with a vigorous arm, it made an exceedingly effective and deadly weapon. Strands of hair were found hung in the stick, while at one place, so savage were the blows inflicted on the woman's head, the bark was peeled off.

Some distance farther from the body than the stick, there was found the false teeth from Miss Newman's mouth. At that point where it is supposed the attack was made, there were found the combs from her head. These had been broken by the rain of blows with the dogwood stick or club. Here also was found the milk crock and cup. Not far off was found the cow, tied out to graze.

From the point where the combs were found and where no doubt the woman was seized, the ground slopes gently to a growth of pines. The condition of her clothing indicated that Miss Newman, either alive or dead, was dragged by the feet into these pines and there left. The grass around the body was trampled considerably, indicating, possibly that Miss Newman struggled for a time after having been left by her murderer.

The motive of the murder is thought to have been a desire to get money. Whether rightly or wrongly, Miss Newman was supposed to have hoarded up money. Her bed was found upset and everything in the house ransacked, the murderer evidently searching the house after he had disposed of the body.

Miss Newman lived alone in the house which was in a secluded place away from the main road.

As yet there is no clue as to the identity of the brutal murderer.

A gentleman who visited the scene of the murder tells The Courier that a close examination of the premises by the neighbors has placed strong suspicion on a person whose name is not disclosed. The body was partially decomposed when found, and neighbors report that the cow and calf bawled all day on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday and on Saturday were weak from starvation. It was found that the bludgeon was cut from a thicket near the house, and from this thicket the murderer sat and watched the house which was in full view.

A rubber stool which was almost new, was found near the place and an empty purse, on which the impression of coin still remained was also found a short distance from the body.

## Officer Charged With Murder.

Policeman N. B. Williams, of Winston-Salem, has been indicted in Forsyth Superior Court for the murder a few weeks ago of a negro, Will Freeman, who was insane and who the officer was attempting to arrest. The charge is murder in the first degree.

Two hundred shoe packers at Lynn, Mass., remained away from work, pending readjustment of wages last week.

## BREESE CASE AGAIN.

Asheville's Famous Bank Case Being Heard for the Fifth Time.

Asheville, July 26.—Sentences amounting practically to life imprisonment may be imposed upon three former officials of the defunct First National Bank of Asheville if they are convicted on all the counts contained in the indictment on which they were arraigned for trial today before Judge Newman in the United States District Court. The three defendants, who are charged with conspiracy and embezzlement, are Major W. E. Breese, Joseph E. Dickerson and W. H. Penland.

The First National Bank of Asheville closed its doors twelve years ago. Since that time the cases against its former officers have been before the United States courts in North Carolina almost continuously. Major Breese, who is the most prominent of the three defendants, is now to face a jury for the fifth time. The original indictment was found at Greensboro in October, 1897. Later another indictment was returned at Asheville, charging the defendants with embezzlement, misapplication of funds and fraud. The Asheville indictment was held by the United States Court of Appeals to be defective because two of the members of the grand jury—two negroes—who returned the bill had not paid their taxes. The defendants are now to go on trial on the Greensboro indictment.

## INCREASE IN BANK ASSETS.

\$5,023,120 Gain For Private, State and Savings Banks.

That state, private and savings banks of North Carolina have an aggregate of \$50,389,829 assets, a gain of \$5,023,120 over a year ago, is the showing of the summary of the corporation commission issued today. There are 315 banks against 294 one year ago. The aggregate deposits are \$37,068,790.

## Mr. J. M. Burgess of Yadkin Dead?

Mr. J. M. Burgess, of Hamptonville, Yadkin county died suddenly of heart failure near his home in Yadkin Saturday. Mr. Burgess was born in Yadkin, September 18 1842, and was therefore 67 years old. In 1866 he was married to Miss Fannie Jane Johnston and his wife, nine children and many grandchildren survive. Mr. Burgess was a well-to-do citizen who enjoyed the respect of all who knew him.

## Slenderer Seriously Cut.

Because Oscar Atkins made slender remarks about Mrs. Moore, her husband, John Moore, assailed and seriously cut him at the station at Mt. Airy Tuesday. Atkins is 18 years old and on his body are a dozen or more ugly wounds, one a gash extending across his face, which narrowly missed his eye. Moore is in the custody of the officers.

## New Disease at Thomasville.

There are two cases of Pellegria in Thomasville, one a girl ten years old who has it in advanced form, the other a lady about 25 years old and she has had it for two years. The physicians in charge will be glad to have any physician who is interested and would like to see the case, come and look at them as they are both typical cases.

## State Printing Awarded.

The biennial contracts for the state printing the award of which by the State Printing Commission has been hanging fire for some time goes to the E. M. Uzzell Co. and the Edward & Broughton Co. as joint bidders on a counter proposition that was made to them some days ago by the commission.

## See Burlington For Damages.

Suit for \$20,000 damages has been brought by Mrs. Denny, widow of Mr. Denny who was killed last spring while working on the city reservoir, against the city of Burlington, J. L. Russell and Grover Harris, contractors who had the work in charge. The city of Burlington will show that Denny was not in its employ.

## Jefferson Davis' Daughter Cremated.

All that is mortal of Mrs. Margaret Hayes, daughter of Jefferson Davis—the tiny urn of ashes,—was interred at Colorado Springs last week. The final rites were attended by hundreds of southerners who seemed deeply affected as the casket containing the urn was carried to the cemetery.

## TO 40 PER CENT.

Rise in Price of Clothing Has Been Announced.

## NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CLOTHIERS.

Warning to President Taft of the Woolen Trust's Intentions Should Tariff Schedule Not be Modified.

Washington, July 27.—Of all the protesting delegations and committees who have visited Congress and the President on the tariff bill none has made more of an impression on the President and rate tinkers than the special committee of the National Association of Clothiers.

Specific facts were laid before the President and the Conference Committee that the retail clothiers throughout the country had been notified that an advance of 25 to 40 per cent, would be added to men's clothing unless the wool rates underwent a decided change.

The claim of the clothiers was presented to President Taft, who turned the committee over to Congressman Payne.

"You are too late," was the reply of Payne.

"It is not too late for the President to object to that portion of the bill," replied the committee. And that is what Congress expects the President will do.

President Taft was informed by manufacturers that they represented 95 per cent, of the men's clothing made in this country. The protest they were making on the wool rates was due to the fact that the consumer would be forced to pay a decided increase or take an inferior grade of goods.

## In Behalf of Consumers.

"In no way will our profits or our business be affected," the committee informed the President. "We are making this plea to you in behalf of the common people."

President Taft was so deeply impressed by the letter presented by the committee that he requested further data and information. Congressman Payne was willing to listen to the committee, but even the following statement failed to change his opinion that the Conference Committee could do anything:

"We do not come to plead our own case, as we have been successful manufacturers under the Dingley rates and can see no serious reason why we should not remain prosperous under a continuation of these rates, but we feel that new issues have been injected into the woollen textile situation which will make the failure of the Republican party to redeem its pre-election promises of a revision downward serious burden on the ultimate consumer.

## Combined Dictating Prices.

A combination of warred mills openly claiming to produce 66 2/3 per cent of all the worsted clothes used for men's wear is to day dictating not only the price of American wool, but arbitrarily fixing the price of cloth, and unless schedule K is so changed, by substituting ad valorem duties for specific duties, as to permit the manufacturers of woollens to secure raw materials at reasonable rates, the advance in the price of worsted cloth will continue and will be limited only by the will of the domestic worsted manufacturer and the tariff.

"In so far as we are concerned the issue presented is a moral issue, and to you, as the custodian of the interests of the common people of the United States, we appeal to interpose your veto against the continuation of the iniquitous woolen tariff which favors certain classes, including the sheep ranch man, the yarn spinners and the worsted manufacturers, at the expense of the small sheep raisers, the woollen manufacturers and the ultimate consumer.

"We do not assert that we as manufacturers of clothing will suffer financial loss, as the selling prices of our product will naturally be based upon the price of materials entering into its manufacture, and if prices are high it will tend to increase the volume of our sales, while the percentage of our profit will suffer no diminution, but the consumer will either have to pay a much higher price or content himself with an inferior article. We are therefore appearing in the interest of the consumer, who is not organized to present his case in person, but who will take the first occasion to manifest resentment at the pill."