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## GENERAL NEWS ITEMS

ITEMS OF LIVE NEWS GATHERED FROM OUR EXCHANGES AND CONDENSED IN BRIEF FORM FOR BUSY READERS.

A deed was recently registered at Salisbury that was 87 years old.

Work has begun on a \$70,000 apartment house in Asheville.

Alamance county commencement was held at Graham, last Saturday. The address of the day was delivered by Mr. E. C. Brooks, editor of North Carolina Education, and the crowds in town were estimated at 5,000.

Edwin E. Fisher, 100 years of age, and who has worked in a foundry in St. Paul, Minn., until recently, is giving up his job, although he says he could work on, but will give place to a younger man, who needs the pay worse than he does.

Fire at Ellerbe, one day last week, supposed to have originated from one of the locomotives, switching at that station, destroyed the Bennett-Broadway warehouse with 150 sewing machines and the warehouse of Mr. Z. T. Pearson with some fertilizer.

The will of Col. A. B. Andrews has been filed in Raleigh, and shows the deceased to have owned property worth half a million dollars. The widow, Mrs. Julia M. Andrews, and the two sons, William J. and A. B. Andrews, Jr., are the executors.

Two Atlantic Coast Line trains were in a head-on collision near Tarboro, last Friday, but fortunately nobody was seriously injured. Pullman Conductor R. J. Binn, was the only one of either crew injured and he not seriously. Four passengers were slightly bruised and shaken up.

Jesse Hunter, a negro thirty years of age, was killed by being struck by the engine pulling southbound passenger train No. 35 on the Southern, near Benaja, last Saturday. The man was sitting on the end of a crate, and the engineer did not see him until it was too late.

Mr. A. H. Boyden, postmaster at Salisbury, and a well-known Confederate veteran, has been named by the board of directors of the Soldiers' Home at Raleigh, as president of the institution to succeed Col. A. B. Andrews, who was chosen as the first president of the Home and served in that capacity until his death a few days ago.

A bold robbery was perpetrated in Greensboro last Sunday morning about 5:30 o'clock, when some unknown person shattered the north window of Oppleman's pawn shop on S. Elm Street, and secured about twenty bracelets and a number of other small articles, valued at about \$250.00 which had been placed in the window for display over Sunday. The guilty person has not been apprehended.

John A. Mills, chairman of the Wake county commissioners and general manager of the Elkin and Alleghany railroad, and C. C. McDonald, a prominent stock and bond dealer, engaged in a fist fight on the streets of Raleigh one day last week and had to be separated by friends. The trouble arose from criticisms published by Mr. McDonald concerning Chairman Mills, and another member of the board of county commissioners because of alleged improper conduct in the sale of county bonds.

Frederick W. Seward, assistant secretary of state in the cabinets of Presidents Lincoln, Johnson, and Hayes, and son of late Secretary of State William H. Seward, died in Montrose, N. Y., last Sunday, in the 85th year of his age. Mr. Seward figured in some of the most stirring incidents of the country's history about the close of the Civil War, being attacked at the bedside of his sick father by Payne, one of the accomplices of John Wilkes Booth, and severely injured.

The dead body of John Weatherly was found in his home a few miles east of Greensboro last Saturday. Mr. Weatherly had not been seen since Thursday preceding, and it is supposed he had died a day or two before from natural causes when discovered. The deceased was 65 years of age, and is survived by three sons: W. M. and R. M. Weatherly, of Greensboro; John Weatherly, of Washington; and four daughters: Mesdames J. M. Phipps, George Hackett, C. O. Reynolds, and George Forsyth, and four half brothers: J. A. J. P., J. L., and Frank Allred.

## FATAL AUTO ACCIDENT

MR. A. M. ELLISON DIES FROM INJURIES—MR. ALLRED HAS COLLAR BONE BROKEN, BUT IS EXPECTED TO RECOVER.

Mr. Alfred M. Ellison, who lived a few miles from Staley in the eastern part of this county, was fatally injured; and Mr. Chauncey Allred, of Liberty, suffered a broken collar bone, when Mr. Ellison's automobile ran into an embankment and turned turtle six miles south of Greensboro last Saturday afternoon. The steering wheel struck Mr. Ellison in the chest, crushing the bone and badly bruising his body. Both men were taken to St. Leo's Hospital, an automobile carrying a physician having been hurried from Greensboro to the scene of the accident, and all assistance possible rendered. Mr. Ellison, however, died Sunday morning from his injuries. Mr. Allred, who is a son of Sam Allred, who formerly lived in Asheboro township, is expected to recover.

Mr. Ellison was 65 years of age, and is survived by one son, A. M. Ellison, Jr., of Montgomery Ala., and one sister, Mrs. Minnie Hackney, of Durham.

The burial was at Patterson's Grove Tuesday. The deceased was a well-known school teacher, having taught the school at Patterson's Grove the past term.

The public schools of Durham county held their first annual commencement last Friday.

Forest fires have been raging in the vicinity of Black Mountain for several days.

Secretary Redfield estimates that American exports for the current fiscal year will reach \$2,750,000,000.

Five hundred pints of corn whiskey were seized at the Atlantic Coast Line depot in Wilmington, last Thursday, under the search and seizure law.

Jamestown township, Guilford county, has voted \$15,000 bonds to rebuild the school house recently burned.

Prof. J. M. Moore, of Beaufort, S. C., has been elected president of Statesville Female College, to succeed Dr. J. A. Scott, resigned.

The annual convention of the North Carolina Christian Endeavor Union will meet this year in Wilmington June 4-6.

The Westinghouse Air Brake Co., of Pittsburgh, Pa., has received an order from the Russian government for 17,500 airbrakes, worth about a million dollars.

Five defendants were convicted of blockading in the United States district court at Statesville, last week, and sentenced by Judge Boyd to the Federal penitentiary at Atlanta.

The Corporation Commission has ordered the Forsyth Bank and Trust Co., of Kernersville, closed on account of irregularities in bookkeeping and management.

Virgil A. Scott, a well known citizen of Guilford county, who moved to Houston, Texas, a month ago, died in his new home last Thursday morning, and the body was brought back for burial.

John Bunney, the famous moving picture comedian, whose antics have made millions laugh, died in his home in Brooklyn, last Monday, after suffering from a complication of diseases for three weeks.

Mrs. Hattie Ponder, of Spartanburg, county, South Carolina, has been fined \$50 for an assault on Miss Nannie Huckabee, a young school teacher, who had whipped Mrs. Ponder's small son.

Harry K. Thaw's sanity is to be determined by a jury. Supreme Court Justice Hendricks, of New York, has granted the application for a jury trial made by Thaw's lawyers on a writ of habeas corpus.

The report comes from Vera Cruz that Phillip E. McCleary, an American newspaper man, has been imprisoned and sentenced to be shot by Carranza authorities for having sent out uncensored news dispatches.

Ed. Walker and Jeff Dorsett, two negroes, are to be tried in Guilford Superior Court this week for the murder of Mr. John Swain, which occurred on the night of January 20, on the Pleasant Garden road, and aroused no little feeling at the time.

## MANY MARRIAGES

SMITH-FOSTER

Mr. Will Smith and Miss Lula Foster were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents a mile south of town, on Wednesday night of last week. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. E. Thompson, of Asheboro, and was witnessed only by relatives and intimate friends of the contracting parties.

Mr. Smith is a son of the late Albert Smith and Mrs. Cornelia Smith, of Asheboro township, and has been for several years one of Randolph county's well-known school teachers; his bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Foster, and is a young lady of attractive qualities.

Immediately after the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Smith left for Randleman, where they will make their home and will be the managers of the Randolph hotel there.

RITTER-GARNER

Mr. John Wiley Ritter, of near Moffitt, and Miss Candies Garner, of Spies, Route, were married at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Garner, on April 11th. The ceremony was performed by Mr. Henry Scott, Justice of the Peace.

Mr. and Mrs. Ritter will make their home near Spokane, where Mr. Ritter will engage in farming.

KISER-HAYES

Mr. R. L. Kiser and Miss Dottie Hayes, of Kanoy, were married at the home of the groom's parents, on April 11, the ceremony being performed by Mr. G. F. Gatlin, Justice of the Peace. After the words had been spoken that made the young couple man and wife, all were invited to the dining room, where a bountiful dinner was served; and later in the day, the bride and groom drove to the home of Mrs. Kiser's parents for a short visit before returning to their future home in the same neighborhood.

Mr. Kiser is a young farmer, the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Kiser; while Mrs. Kiser is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Hayes.

LEACH-SLACK

A quiet home wedding was solemnized at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. F. Beck, at Kanoy, on April 22, when their daughter, Miss Grace Beck, became the bride of Mr. W. G. Leach, of Erect. Mr. G. F. Gatlin, Justice of the Peace, officiated, with only immediate relatives and friends of the two families present. After the ceremony, a bountiful wedding supper was served to all present.

Mr. and Mrs. Leach will make their home near Erect, where the groom, who is a son of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Leach, is engaged in farming.

In the Field Day exercises at the State Normal College, Greensboro, last Friday, the Junior class received the silver cup for winning the greatest number of the day's events.

Robert F. Rackley, a traveling man, of Greensboro, was walking in his sleep last Sunday morning about four o'clock, and stepped through the window of his room falling from the fourth floor of the Guilford Hotel to the roof over the office and lobby below and suffering two broken bones in one arm.

Fourteen persons drowned, two hundred houses washed away, and property damaged to the amount of half a million dollars, are the results of a flood that swept down Shoal and Waller Creeks on the outskirts of Austin, Texas, last Thursday. Ten inches of rain fell in two hours and twenty bridges were washed away.

A deed for nine acres of land in the heart of Greensboro filed last week had \$152 worth of revenue stamps on it. The deed was made by E. P. Wharton for the consideration of \$151,600 from the Georgia Industrial Realty Co., of Atlanta, and the property will be used by the Southern Railway for a huge freight station and tracks.

Mr. A. L. Barker, owner of the Virginia cotton mills, at Swepsonville, has made a proposition to donate \$5,000 if Alamance county will do the rest for the construction of a road from Graham to Swepsonville, a distance of about three and a half miles, the road to be of the same material and construction as the streets of Graham. It is estimated such a road would cost from \$18,000 to \$20,000.—Alamance Gleaner.

## YOUNG PEOPLE MEET

YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONVENTION MET AT THOMASVILLE LAST WEEK.

The first annual Young People's convention of the North Carolina conference, Methodist Protestant church, convened in Thomasville last Friday. The opening session was presided over by Rev. A. G. Dixon, of High Point, and several five-minute talks were made.

The evening session was presided over by R. M. Andrews, at which time two interesting addresses were delivered. One by Rev. S. M. Taylor and the other by Rev. T. M. Johnson, D. D.

At the Saturday morning session Rev. A. G. Dixon and Prof. T. C. Amick delivered addresses. Also Miss Hattie Harris read a paper on "The Development of the Young Christians." The outstanding feature of the afternoon session was the entertainment by the children from M. P. Orphan Home at High Point. Saturday night Rev. H. L. Feeman, of Maryland, will deliver an address, "I Serve."

The convention sermon was preached Sunday morning at 11 o'clock by Rev. T. H. Lewis, D. D., president of Western Maryland University.

This convention is the result of a resolution passed by the last annual conference of the Methodist Protestant church held in Asheville last fall. Rev. J. E. Pritchard, pastor of the Thomasville church, was largely instrumental in securing the passage of the resolution which authorized the holding of this convention. Mr. Pritchard, who is a Randolph boy, was also made chairman of the committee that selected the place for the first convention to be held, as well as being chairman of the program committee.

## CANNING CLUBS IN RANDOLPH

State Field Agent Here Last Week—Two Districts in This County—Mrs. White and Miss Neece, the County Agents.

Miss Margaret Scott, State field agent of the canning club work, Raleigh, was in Asheboro last Friday organizing the work in this county. Randolph county has two canning club districts, one in the Ramsour section, of which Mrs. W. P. White is the agent. The other is in the Providence region, with Miss Estelle Neece as agent. The U. S. Department of Agriculture pays part of the expenses of the work and the county pays part. Up to the present, thirty-five or forty girls have enrolled in the canning clubs of Randolph, and it is to be hoped many others will enroll. The clubs this year are open, not only to the girls but also to their mothers and other older women.

Last year Miss Neece conducted clubs in Providence township, and 5,000 cans of tomatoes were put up and a profit of \$400 realized. This year, she will have charge of clubs at Providence, Julian and Plainfield.

Miss Scott will be in Randolph again Thursday and Friday of this week. She and Mrs. White will meet the ladies of Parks' Cross Roads, Center, and Pleasant Ridge to organize clubs.

It is to be hoped that large numbers of women and girls will enroll in the clubs, as this is an opportunity for improvement in many lines. The work gives the women of the rural communities an opportunity for learning better methods of canning fruit for themselves, it brings them into pleasant social intercourse, and last, but by no means least, affords an excellent means of earning pin money.

## LATE WAR NEWS

The greatest battle of the war is said to be in progress on the plains around Ypres. The battle began with an attack by the Germans on the Allies' front.

A German fleet is reported to be headed for the Atlantic coast of Canada to bombard important cities and fortifications there.

Commander Theirfeldt, of the German raider Kron Prinz Wilhelm, which arrived at Newport News, a few days after the Prinz Eitel interned, announces that he will intern his ship, also. He claims that sickness of 60 men on board with inability to get others to take their places on neutral soil is the principal reason for internment.

Mr. Henry B. Adams, one of the most prominent lawyers in his part of the State, died at his home in Monroe, last Tuesday, aged 65 years.

## MRS. CHRISTENBERRY

WELL KNOWN RANDLEMAN LADY PASSED AWAY YESTERDAY MORNING.

Randleman, April 28.—Our town was saddened this morning by the news of the death, yesterday at 7 p. m., of Mrs. Christenberry, wife of Rev. G. H. Christenberry, pastor of St. Paul and Naomi Falls M. E. churches.

Mrs. Christenberry had been in declining health for several months past. Some weeks ago she was carried away for treatment, with the fond hope that the change, new environments, and special medical attention would restore her.

On last Saturday her condition grew worse and Mr. Christenberry hurried at once to her bedside; the two sons going Monday morning.

Mrs. Christenberry was born January 22, 1874. Before marriage was Miss Mattie Jordan, of Huntersville, N. C. She is survived by her husband and two sons, Lisle and Chas. Her mother is still living at the old home at Huntersville, to which place Mrs. Christenberry's body has been taken for burial.

Since coming to our town, in the fall of 1911, Mrs. Christenberry, by her lovable disposition and noble traits of character, had endeared herself to all who knew her.

When condition of health permitted, she actively identified herself with all movements for good in our town; loved the Sunday school and was a faithful worker in this and the Ladies Aid Society. She was also vice-president of the Woman's Betterment association.

She was a splendid type of Christian womanhood. Her passing has taken from the home a devoted wife and mother, and from our town and community a greatly beloved woman.

## SUPT. TEAGUE RESIGNS

Mr. C. E. Teague, who has been the popular and efficient superintendent of the local graded school for the past year, has tendered his resignation to become effective with the present term of school. It is with much regret that Asheboro loses Mr. Teague as the school this year has been one of the most successful in the history of the town.

The retiring superintendent will locate in Lee county for the practice of law, having been sworn in as a lawyer at the last term of Randolph Superior court. Two of Mr. Teague's brothers are also lawyers.

## MAYOR OF SANFORD COMMITS SUICIDE

Mayor T. L. Bass, of Sanford, killed himself by shooting with a rifle through the heart, while alone in the front room of his residence last Monday afternoon. A note was found in his coat pocket, stating that continued bad health was the reason for his determination to end all.

Mayor Bass was a candidate for reelection, and spent most of the day Monday till within about an hour of his rash act, in soliciting support for the coming primary, and was heard frequently to express himself as confident of success.

Mayor Bass was serving his fourth term as mayor of Sanford. For 18 years he held the position of agent for the old C. F. and Y. V. Railroad and the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad at that place. Mr. Bass was a prominent Mason and Odd Fellow, and was a member of the board of stewards of Steele Street Methodist church.

There survive him, his wife, four sons and a daughter. They are: Mrs. Mrs. Caroline Bass, of Sanford, Capt. Ira T. Bass, of Atlanta; Messrs. Otis and Addis Bass, of Greenville, S. C.; E. C. Bass, of Sanford, and Mrs. Virgie Warren, of Dunn.

## VIRGINIA LOSES TO JOHNS HOPKINS

In the Johns Hopkins-Virginia-Carolina triangular debate at Chapel Hill, last Saturday, on the question, "Resolved that the Policy of Colonial Expansion is Desirable for the Modern State," Virginia lost to the negative by a vote of two to three. Mr. Clifford Cox, an Asheboro boy, was one of Virginia's representatives.

The judges were Dr. Charles Lee Raper, Dr. George Howe, Dr. Archibald Henderson, Prof. Lucius McGee, Mr. W. S. Bernard, with President E. K. Graham, of Carolina, as the presiding officer.

## EDWARD K. GRAHAM

MADE PRESIDENT OF UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA WITH IMPOSING CEREMONIES.

Dr. Edward Kidder Graham was inaugurated tenth president of the University of North Carolina, at Chapel Hill, Wednesday of last week, with imposing ceremonies. Fifty college presidents, numbers of State officials, and many other distinguished visitors were present.

Governor Craig presided and in brief words presented the various visitors who spoke before the inaugural address of the president. Among these speakers were: Dr. Frank J. Goodwin, President of Johns Hopkins University; Dr. Edwin A. Alderman, and Dr. Francis P. Venable, former presidents of the University. Chief Justice Walter Clark administered the oath of office; after which, followed congratulatory speeches from Dr. George H. Denny, of the University of Alabama; Dr. W. J. Martin, of Davidson College; State Superintendent J. Y. Joyner, for the whole State; Mr. George Stephens, of the class of 1896, for the alumni; Mr. Thomas C. Boushall, of Raleigh, for the class of 1915; and Dean McGeehee, of the Law School, for the faculty.

From the inaugural ceremonies the alumni went to Swain Hall where 600 former students and perhaps a score of women were served. Secretary Josephus Daniels presided as toastmaster and 62 of the University's young men volunteered as waiters. They performed this function in such style as to get an ovation when Mr. Daniels referred to it.

## DAVIDSON NEWS

An Accommodating Man—A Hog Story.

(From The Davidsonian.)  
Mr. Joseph Everhart, of the Hanes section, who died last week was one of the most accommodating men that has ever lived in Davidson county. It is said that on hot summer days he would meet his friends at the public road in front of his house with a cold drink of water. For a number of years the rural free delivery carrier stopped at his house to water his horse. On rainy and cold days Mr. Everhart was at the roadside with a bucket of water so that the carrier would not have to get his feet cold or wet.

E. M. Michael, the man who made the largest yield raising wheat last year has come out with a hog story that can't be beat, and he says his figures can be proven. Mr. Michael gives the following facts about his neighbor, Mr. J. W. Massey's hogs: A Poland China sow three and one half years old has had five litters of pigs, numbering 68. These pigs were sold at an average of \$4, or a total sum of \$272. Hogs, as well as wheat do well in this neighborhood.

## DEATH OF MISS LUTHER

Miss Mary Elizabeth Luther died at her home, Eleazer, last Friday, and was laid to rest in the cemetery of Eleazer Methodist church at two o'clock on Saturday. The funeral services were conducted by the pastor, Rev. Mr. Williams.

Miss Luther was 63 years of age. For the past eight or ten years, she had been partially crippled and unable to get about much; and for three or four months, had been confined to her room. The deceased was a daughter of Jacob and Mary Luther, both of whom have been dead for several years. One brother, Mr. W. H. Luther, of Eleazer, survives, and two brothers and one sister passed away years ago. Miss Luther was an estimable woman, who is mourned for by many friends.

## FIRE AT COLERIDGE

The Enterprise Manufacturing Company, at Coleridge, came near having a serious fire last Monday, but prompt efforts of the company's fire fighting department stopped the blaze before extensive damage was done. As it was, five or six bales of cotton on the platform in front of the buildings were practically ruined, though not entirely burned up. The fire was very near the "Lapper" house, and if it had gotten inside before being stopped the loss would probably have been large.

The flames are supposed to have originated from a match carelessly thrown down by a child, who did not realize the danger until the cotton began to blaze.