

Washington Letter

by W. E. CHRISTIAN

The writer was standing by a man this forenoon in the big Electric building—who was kicking on the size of his bill. There was a sign which he saw across the counter: "See waffles made electrically!" when he asked the counter-clerk: "Do you have any machines here that can make a living?"

Captain David Worth Bagley, U. S. N., has been selected, though not yet officially announced, as Chief of Staff to Rear Admiral Guy H. Burrage, who has been ordered from duty as president of the board of inspection and survey, here, and other duty in Washington and assigned to command American naval vessels in European waters, with rank of vice admiral. This follows, within a few weeks only the promotion of young Bagley from Commander to the rank of Captain. The writer is informed that this fine young officer will be going in October to his new duties, leaving Annapolis, where, for two years, he has been Executive Officer. Another feather for North Carolina's Capl He will be stationed in the area of the Mediterranean.

The A. P. tells of a man who placed a stick of dynamite in his mouth and lighting a fuse, leaving a wife and three children—nothing else—not even a collar button!

This week has seen the annual passing of one of the reminders of North Carolina's prosperity: the sandhill peach. It's season is over. But the fruit will come again next year to recall to all local Tarheels the beauty and sweetness of life "down home." (Ed. Note: The peach season will not be over for another week.)

Twenty years ago, the North Carolina peach and peach country were unknown to our markets—but, in a more distant day, the luxuriant possibilities of the sandhills were cried abroad, and made known beyond the seas.

This was brought home to the writer the other day by a rare pamphlet of the 18th century setting forth the good points of North Carolina.

It was published in Glasgow, Scotland, 1778—by an unknown author, with the purpose of inducing the Highlanders to leave their native heath for the lands of the Upper Cape Fear. And they left. And their descendants are there to speak for them to-day.

Such was a part of the propaganda that led 20,000 Highlanders to leave Scotland for North Carolina between 1763 and the opening of the Revolution.

Far a complete reprint of the pamphlet, readers are referred to the forthcoming October issue of the North Carolina Historical Review, which is now in the midst of publishing a series of North Carolina tracts of the eighteenth century.

This particular pamphlet was dug up by the painstaking energy of Professor W. K. Boyd, of the Chair of History in Duke University, from the catacombs of a New York library, to whose courtesy this writer is indebted for the privilege of making a complete abstract previous to its publication. The abstract covering a pamphlet of some 32 pages, Octavo, is perhaps too long for publication in a newspaper—but it would indeed interest all serious people in North Carolina—for every page of it was to the writer so quaintly sincere and entertaining and far-seeing as almost to account for the materializations that are last in sight throughout the area outlined by the canny old Scot, wherever he was.

From a selection of the Great Back of the Pamphlet:

INFORMATION CONCERNING THE PROVINCE OF NORTH CAROLINA
ADDRESSED TO EMIGRANTS FROM THE HIGHLANDS AND WESTERN STATES OF SCOTLAND BY AN IMPARTIAL HAND NOS PATRIAM FUGIUNT GLASGOW

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The old chap had already been in North Carolina, returned to Scotland and was telling his countrymen about all the good things.

After reviewing the obstacles put in the way by oppressive land-owning lairds, he proposes "to give my countrymen a short sketch of the province of North Carolina, with regard to climate, soil, produce, and manner of settling there."

The longest day in Carolina, the sun rises at four and sets after eight.

There is a great coincidence between the soil-produce and face the country with those in Virginia; but in the fertility of nature, Carolina has the advantage.

Its commodities and general produce are very valuable, consisting of rice, indigo, hemp, tobacco, fir, deerskins, turpentine, pitch, tar, raw hides tanned leather, flower, flaxseed, cotton, wine, peas, potatoes, honey-bee-wax, Indian corn, barrelled beef and pork tallow, butter, rosin, square timber of different sorts, deals, staves, and all kinds of lumber.

The province is divided into several counties, and intersected by many navigable rivers; the chief rivers are Albemarle, Pamlico, Neuse, Cape Fear or Clarendon, Watauga, Roanoke,

Pedee, etc. The harbours of Roanoke and Pimlico are famous and well known.

Wilmington is well situated for trade, as it lies at the confluence of two large branches of Cape Fear river, by which means all commodities from the Southern and middle parts of the province centre there; consequently it is, of late, become a place of elegance and wealth; there are many eminent merchants there, and much shipping from the neighboring colonies, from the West Indies and Britain.

Here the river is as broad as the Thames at London.

Nothing surprises an European more, at first sight, than the size of the trees here, and in other American colonies. Their trunks are often from 50 to 70 feet high, without a limb or branch, and frequently above 30 feet in circumference, etc, etc.

The sassafras, sarsaparilla, the China root, the Indian pink, the golden rod, the horon, and the snake root of various sorts, are native here, and found scattered through the woods, together with other medical and aromatic herbs.

There is a kind of tree, from which runs an oil of an extraordinary virtue for curing wounds, and another that yields a balsam thought to be little inferior to that of Mecca.

All the items are so interesting to the writer that it is a task to make selection: It is computed that from this province there are annually drove to Virginia about 30,000 head of black cattle, without mentioning hogs.

The relation between master and slaves is a ready answer to the outcry in the fifties against the cruelties of the South to the negro:

And I cannot help mentioning here the happiness in which the blacks live in this, and most of the provinces of America, compared to the wretchedness of their condition in the sugar islands. Good usage is what alone can make the negroes well attached to their master's interest. The inhabitants of Carolina, sensible of this, treat these valuable servants in an indulgent manner and something like rational beings. (then the manner of their living is described).

From the granaries, on the farms, a man for 6d Sterl. may buy what will maintain him 8 days at 3 meals a day.

The power of vegetation has been found so great, that a peach tree will bear in three years after putting of the stone into the ground. The fig-tree will bear two crops in the year, of large and luscious fruit. Melons, the Canada peach, and the common white peach, grow well and large, as do grapes, and all kinds of fruit, (except currants, gooseberries, and the red cherry) from the small cherry to the large melon, nothing can be more luscious.

Prodigious quantities of honey are found here, of which they make excellent spirits, and mead as good as Malaga sack.

The area described includes particularly Anson, Robeson, New Hanover, Randolph, Cumberland, all the sand-belt throughout the Hamlet way.

HE TAKES PLEASURE IN HANGING 51 IN 39 YEARS

Man in Illinois Has a Grossome Hobby and Serves Anyone Without Pay.

Most persons have a hobby of some sort, but the strangest that has come to our attention is that of Phil Hans, a farmer of White county, Illinois, whose hobby is hanging people. According to a writer in *Crit*, Hans has hanged 51 men within the past 39 years.

Strange to say, Hans is said to be a very humane man; in fact, he declares that he hangs people "out of a humanitarian interest and a desire to help sheriffs who have no experience." He has a horror that some nervous sheriff might bungler a hanging job and cause the condemned man needless suffering.

Therefore, when he learns of a man condemned to be hanged he offers his expert services to the sheriff concerned without a fee, frequently even paying his own expenses to the place of execution. It is said that he has performed this service for sheriffs in Illinois, Missouri, Indiana, and Arkansas.

Hans has a complete hangman's outfit with the exception of the gallows itself, including ropes, black caps, and straps to bind the condemned man's arms and legs, which he carries with him on his engagements. He says that he arranges all details so carefully that death is almost instantaneous.

As souvenirs of his gruesome hobby Hans has newspaper clippings telling the story of each execution at which he officiated, and other relics. He also has a large collection of "black hand" letters threatening to kill him, to dynamite his home, and to kidnap his family, but no attempts have ever been made to carry out these threats, and he says these letters never worry him.

According to Hans's hobby appears at first glance, it may be a commendable one after all. If he has really saved condemned wretches from prolonged agony, who can say that he has not performed a humanitarian service?

About Your Health

Things You Should Know



by John Joseph Gaitan, M. D.

YOUR KNEES.

A perfect knee is a wonderfully constructed hinge, with its shock absorbers, its firm connecting bands, and its smooth, gliding "bearings." And, the knee-joint is a mighty ugly proposition when it is injured or diseased.

Knee injuries are very common, and even slight injury may result in serious damage. Overuse in heavy patients may result in diseased cartilages, and roughened friction-surfaces which will take months, or years to cure, even if cure be possible. The cartilages are often crowded out of place by pressure or strain, requiring surgical removal before relief may be had.

Even the knee-cap may be involved in inflammations about the joint; the "Synovial Membrane" lines the joint, and, when inflamed, becomes "synovitis," a most painful condition, and one always hard to cure. It is a serious matter when the synovial fluid escapes from its natural situation, and accumulates in a bag-like cavity, requiring tapping sometimes for relief of the severe pain.

Volumes could be written on the knee-joint and its diseases. I would like my readers to remember these points:

- (1) That all knee affections are serious, or capable of becoming so.
- (2) That rest and heat are among the first things thought of in successful treatment.
- (3) That massage in any form may be positively injurious.
- (4) That a skilled physician and surgeon should be consulted on the appearance of knee-symptoms.

Next Week—"REST"

Call off Guernsey Sale

The North Carolina Guernsey Breeders' association has called off the sale of Guernsey cattle to have been sold in Asheboro on Thursday, August 19th, on account of the inability of the association to secure enough high grade cattle for the sale.

In Memory of Clara Mae Rush

Clara Mae Rush, daughter of A. S. and Cora Rush, was born July 4, 1902, departed this life July 17, 1926, at the age 24 years and 13 days, after an illness of about 10 months. She was laid to rest at Mt. Shepherd M. E. church where she was a devoted member, Sunday afternoon following her death. The funeral was conducted by her pastor, Rev. G. W. Clay.

Mae was a good girl and loved by all who knew her. She bore her suffering without a murmur and realized her condition and said that she knew she could not live. Saturday morning she called all the members of the family to her bedside and told them that she could not live but she was ready to go. Her last request was that they all meet her in heaven. —One Who Loved Her.

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- Second best yellow dahlias.
- Best white dahlias.
- Second best white dahlias.
- Best vase pink dahlias.
- Second best vase pink dahlias.
- Best vase lavender dahlias.
- Second best vase lavender dahlias.
- Best vase variegated dahlias.
- Second best vase variegated dahlias.
- Best vase mixed dahlias.
- Second best vase mixed dahlias.
- Best white or cream roses.
- Second best white or cream roses.
- Best vase of pink roses.
- Second best vase pink roses.
- Best vase of red roses.
- Second best vase of red roses.
- Best vase of mixed roses.
- Second best vase of mixed roses.
- Best vase red zenias.
- Second best vase red zenias.
- Best vase white zenias.
- Second best vase white zenias.
- Best vase mixed zenias.
- Second best vase mixed zenias.
- Best vase marigolds.
- Second best vase marigolds.
- Best asparagus fern.
- Second best asparagus fern.
- Best Boston fern.
- Second best Boston fern.
- Best sprengera fern.
- Second best sprengera fern.
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4:30 P. M.	3:15 P. M.
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