



BLOODHOUNDS TRAIL NEGRO TO EARTH

News of an incendiary's act, his flight and subsequent capture has been received here from Sunbury, the principal town in Gates county.

Last Monday night the store of Mr. W. H. Elliott, a well known merchant there, was completely destroyed by fire. The origin of the blaze was sufficiently questionable to justify an investigation, which resulted in the conclusion that it was set afire. The fact being patent, the indignant citizens at once sent for 'Hurricane' Branch, of Suffolk, and his bloodhounds. The dogs were at once put on the trail and in less than half an hour had taken the posse to a tree in a nearby swamp in which was hiding a negro named Thomas Hunter.

Shortly after his arrest he was given a preliminary hearing and sent to the jail in Gatesville for safe keeping until the October term of court. His bail was fixed at \$1,000 and was signed by Messrs. L. L. Smith and Rufus Riddick.

The supposed incendiary is now at liberty.

Denies Report of Secret Marriage

In some manner not understood by the parties interested, it has become reported that Mr. Tom Williams, Jr., whose father runs a store on the corner of Poindexter and Burgess streets and Miss Lucy White, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. White, of this city, were secretly married several days ago at Richmond, or some other point in Virginia. However, Mr. Williams was asked concerning it by a reporter for this paper today and an indignant denial was the result. He said the report is absolutely false and started.

Miss White has been in Virginia sometime and it was said she was joined by Mr. Williams and that they proceeded to Richmond and that it was to be kept a perfect secret but that it leaked out.

No Election On Prohibition

Raleigh, June 27.—There will be no election in Raleigh on the question of prohibition as set out in the petition circulated by Rev. Sylvester J. Betts and others, and the vote not to grant the election asked for was by a unanimous vote of the board of aldermen.

This result came about because of the legal opinion on the petition, rendered by City Attorney W. B. Snow, who in a remarkably clear and concise opinion in which the matter was fully set out, stated that the petition was not in accordance with the provisions of the Watts law in that it did not designate any one or more of the required questions to be submitted to the voters for their determination, even while the report of the committee showed that more than the necessary names required to call an election was on the petition.

Emigrants As Textile Workers

Messrs. E. H. Smith, J. M. Sargent and T. M. Costello, of Charlotte, who are associated with the Southern Cotton Manufacturer, were in Raleigh yesterday, and discussed with Governor Glenn the practicability of bringing English emigrants to North Carolina to work in the cotton mills of the State. If this immigration should prove successful the immigrants will be encouraged to enter other Southern States.

Mr. Costello obtained a letter of introduction and recommendation from Governor Glenn, and he will leave in a few days for England, to bring the first company of immigrants to North Carolina for the cotton mills.

BERTIE SELECTS FUTURE OFFICERS

DEMOCRATIC COUNTY CONVENTION DECIDED TO GIVE COMMISSION FULL RATE MAKING POWERS.

Windsor, N. C., June 26.—At the Democratic county convention Bertie county held here today, the following nominations were unanimously made: Clerk W. L. Lyon, register, Col. Cherry; sheriff, J. F. Stokes; coroner, Dr. H. D. Dunston, surveyor, W. R. Rayner; commissioners, C. W. Spruill, George I. Madry, L. A. Nowell, Dr. Wayland Mitchell and R. J. Shields. The last two are new members. The convention instructed for Hon. F. M. Simmons for the senate; Hon. Claude Kitchen for congress; Hon. John H. Kerr for solicitor, and Hon. C. W. Mitchell for the state senate from the third district. Thomas Gilliam, president of the bank of Windsor, is nominated by acclamation for the house.

The convention passed resolutions endorsing the present policy of the party in state affairs and demand a constitutional amendment which will give full rate making powers to the Corporation Commission or some other court elected for that purpose. Hon. Jacob Long was endorsed for Corporation Commission. The resolution on the subject of rate making is as follows:

The present high passenger rate and the frequent appalling loss of life on our roads in our state point to the necessity of reducing rates and having a more rigid supervision of railroads. We favor an amendment to the constitution of North Carolina under the express terms of which it shall be made the duty of the Corporation Commission or some other body elected with judicial power equal to that of the Superior court to reduce passenger rates to the basis of a reasonable profit to the common carrier, and to investigate wrecks and accidents and prosecute those in fault for injuring persons and for loss of life.

The convention was entirely harmonious.

Bar Association Meets Tonight

The Eighth annual meeting of the North Carolina Bar Association will be held at the Seashore Hotel on Wrightsville Sound this evening. The association will continue in session throughout tomorrow and Friday. A very large attendance of members is expected and the meetings will be of great interest to all parts of the state which will be represented by members.

The speech of welcome will be delivered by Mr. J. O. Carr, of the Wilmington bar, and the response there to by Mr. E. T. Cansler, of Charlotte. President Clement Manly will deliver his address to the association and the annual address will be delivered by Hon. Hannis Taylor, of Washington, D. C., a native of New Bern, and minister to Spain at the outbreak of the Spanish-American war.

Other addresses and reports of committees from the last session of the association held at Toxaway will be delivered and presented as follows:

Mr. T. W. Bickett, of Louisville, will deliver an address on "The Personality of the Judge as Affecting the Case."

The reports of the standing committees will be presented at Wednesday evening's session, except the report of the committee on memorials, which will be presented at Thursday morning's session. The report of the committee on admissions will be presented by the chairman, Mr. E. F. Aydtlett, of Elizabeth City.

COMES BACK AT MR. NICHOLSON

MR. HOCUTT EXPLAINS HIS FORMER LETTER AND BRINGS OUT NEW MATTER—WHY HE OPPOSES DANIEL.

To the Editor:

I wish to make the following reply to B. B. Nicholson's charges of ignorance and slander. At the time I wrote my former article, the only people that I knew of who were making a fight on H. S. Ward were the blind tiger crowd, and some others who were seeking to conceal the identity of the perpetrators of one of the most dastardly crimes ever committed in this county. If Mr. Nicholson will publish all the facts as they developed, and the means used to conceal the guilty parties who made an assault upon that helpless infant child then I will be willing to leave it to the public as to whether I was trying to slander any good man in this or any other county. If Mr. Nicholson will make affidavit that these parties and their friends did not oppose H. S. Ward on account of his efforts to prosecute them, then I'll withdraw every reference to them and apologize.

With these I do not wish to include Mr. Ward's opponent. So far as I know he had nothing to do with this matter whatever. My only objection to him is his age. This he will overcome in time if he lives. I disclaim any intention of reflecting on his character in anyway. I am glad to read in the papers that he is a young man of honor, and I accept it at face value.

As to the blind tiger element fighting Mr. Ward, he is the man who informed me that they had organized to defeat him. These are the people I referred to as criminals and perpetrators of crimes. No apology. Since writing the first article there has developed an opposition to Mr. Ward among quite a different class of people, and for quite a different cause. And I do not mean to allow what I said to be applied to these good men who may oppose Mr. Ward because he favors a new court house. I am glad that Mr. Ward is not willing to have these good people who oppose him on honorable grounds called criminals. It was only the developments that took place after I wrote that article that put me in a false light before Mr. Ward and many other good people. I furthermore intended no contrast between Mr. Ward and any other solicitor of recent years. Judge Ward made a good solicitor, as he is making a good judge.

In conclusion permit me to say that my first article was written in haste, and some of the language did not convey the thought intended—and with the explanation here given, if B. B. Nicholson is a fair minded man he will retract his charges; if he lets them stand they will fall with redoubled force upon his own head.

Will the Tar Heel and Transcript please copy this.

W. E. HOCUTT.
Pantego, N. C., June 26.

Pic Nic At Albemarle Church

Mr. J. B. Walker, one of Washington county's most prominent merchants and substantial farmers and incidentally one of our most valued correspondents, is in the city on business of a mercantile nature.

Mr. Walker is interested in all things that pertain to the well fare of his community.

He announces that his people will have a mammoth pic-nic of the old fashioned type on the last Thursday in July, (the 26th) at Old Albemarle church near Bay, N. C.

The annual pic-nics at this church have become historic as social features in this community, since tremendous crowds assemble upon such occasion to avail themselves of the unstinted hospitality of the good people of the Bay community.

The projected pic-nic of this year bids fair to exceed all former efforts.

ELIZABETH CITY DEFEATED VISITORS

FINAL SCORE WAS 7 TO 3—FEAT- URE WAS PITCHING OF FEAR- ING, WHO STRUCK OUT 12 MEN —TWO GAMES ON JULY 4.

Atlantic City failed to retrieve the laurels she lost last year, when defeated here by the score of 6 to 1, yesterday when she crossed bats with the locals at the Park grounds. The final score was 7 to 3 and the visitors would have been shut out but for a couple of unfortunate errors. It was a rather listless game; the locals letting up after the first two or three innings, when everyone on the field knew the winners. It was only a question of how large the score would be.

The single feature was the pitching of Fearing, who had the Virginians at his mercy at all stages of the game. In one inning Atlantic City had three men on bases, and in another two, with no one out, when Fearing struck out the next three up. The locals fielded well and there was a marked improvement in their hitting.

Following is the score by innings: Atlantic City . . . 0 0 0 0 2 1 0 0 0—3
E. City . . . 2 0 2 0 0 0 2 1 —7

Batteries: Atlantic City, Lowder and Jones; Elizabeth City, Fearing and Williams.

Struck out, by Fearing 12; by Lowder, 4.

Next Wednesday the locals will play two games with a fast team from Norfolk.

Summary Of Weather Condition

The general summary of the weather for the week ending June 25 is as follows:

The weather during the fore part of the week was partly cloudy with numerous thunderstorms, while during the latter portion there were fewer thunderstorms and less cloudiness. The rainfall over the state as a whole was somewhat below normal and was not well distributed. At New Bern 3.26 inches was reported, which is much above normal, while at Hatteras only 0.01 inch fell, which is much below normal. In Beaufort county there is some complaint of too much rain, the fields being under water one-fourth of the time; and in Montgomery and Forsyth counties the rains were so heavy as to cause damage. In Chatham county the land is reported as being badly washed. In Burke, Davidson, and Wilkes counties damage by hail which accompanied a thunderstorm on the 21st was reported, which damage in places was severe. A correspondent of Montgomery county reports that after his report of the week ending June 18th was mailed a severe wind accompanied by a destructive hail storm occurred on that day. The average temperature for the state was about normal. The day temperatures rose very high, while the nights were relatively cool. The highest temperature reported was 95 degrees on the 21st in Johnston county, and the lowest was 52 degrees on 23rd in Buncombe county.

MEETING OF DELEGATES.

A meeting of the congressional delegates from Pasquotank county is called to meet at the office of Mr. J. B. Leigh at 10:30 a. m. tomorrow, Thursday, June 28th, for the purpose of selecting members of the different committees.

A. L. PENDLETON.
The family of Mr. W. H. Jennings, clerk of the Superior court, are spending some time at Virginia Beach.

JUDICIAL DELEGATES.

The delegates from Pasquotank county to the judicial convention are requested to meet in Mr. J. B. Leigh's office tomorrow (Thursday) morning at 11 o'clock for purposes of organization.

EAST LAKE TO HOLD BIG RALLY

CITIZENS OF THAT SECTION ENTHUSIASTIC ON SUBJECTS OF SUNDAY SCHOOL AND PUBLIC EDUCATION—PLANS FOR GREAT TIME.

The citizens of East Lake in Dare county are preparing for a big time on July 27th. The occasion will be a combined educational and Sunday school rally when the citizens of that section will gather for the promotion of these two great causes. Mr. Isalah J. Lamb who is superintendent of the Methodist Sunday school at East Lake was in town today and told of preparations for the event. A large crowd will be in attendance; music will be furnished by the two brass bands from East Lake and Mann's Harbor. Mr. Walter L. Cohoon, of this city, has been tendered an invitation to address the citizens at the meeting and has accepted.

East Lake is one of the most flourishing and progressive communities in eastern Carolina. Like all of Dare county, they have caught the educational spirit and are keenly alive to that important question. They have a handsome two story school building and maintain a good school which is well attended and does thorough and efficient work.

The rally on July 27th will be a notable occasion and the citizens of that section are already looking forward to it with pleasant anticipation.

2 Men Thrown From Buggy

Yesterday afternoon when driving back from the ball game, Mr. F. H. Ziegler and a drummer in the buggy with him, narrowly escaped injury. The horse took fright at a large crowd saw on which the sun shone brightly in front of Kramer's saw mill and in swerving to one side ran the buggy into a post. The vehicle was overturned, the occupants being thrown out and it appeared that they could not escape serious injury, but both arose from the mud with only slight bruises. The horse made no attempt to run.

The buggy was badly damaged and had to be left on a vacant lot.

The N.&S. Bridge Question Referred

The application of the Norfolk & Southern Railroad Company for permission to construct a bridge across Albemarle Sound, has been referred by the War Department to Major E. Eveleth Winslow, U. S. Engineer in charge at Norfolk.

The bridge which will give Norfolk closer connection with the coast region of North Carolina than ever before, will be about five miles long. It will do away with the sound ferry formerly operated by the railroad, reduce the time of the travelers and contribute to their comfort and safety.

TOO MUCH RAIN.

Farmers in town yesterday and today expressed alarm at the continued rains which have visited this section recently. It is feared that in some sections the crops are seriously damaged. The shipping of potatoes engaged the attention of the planters to such an extent that corn and cotton were neglected and they were already beginning to suffer for care. The recent rains were a serious set-back to some. Farmers are now bending every energy to catch up in their work and the next few days will be exceedingly busy ones.

Mr. E. T. Burgess, of Shiloh, county superintendent of schools for Camden, is in the city today.

READY FOR THE BIG CONVENTION

TWO IMPORTANT GATHERINGS TO MEET HERE TOMORROW AFTERNOON—POLITICAL EVENT OF GREAT INTEREST—CONGRESSMAN, JUDGE AND SOLICITOR TO BE CHOSEN.

Everything is now in readiness for the two big Democratic conventions which will meet in this city tomorrow. A few delegates have already arrived, more will come in this afternoon and tomorrow and by the time of meeting tomorrow afternoon a full attendance is expected. The judicial convention is held for the purpose of nominating a judge and solicitor for the next term. The congressional convention will nominate a congressman.

The Representation. There are eleven counties in this judicial district with a total delegation of 170 delegates. The representation is: One delegate and one alternate for every fifty Democratic votes and one delegate and one alternate for every fraction of fifty votes over 25 cast for governor in the last preceding gubernatorial election. The list of counties comprising the district with the number of votes cast for governor Glenn and the consequent representation in the judicial convention is as follows:

County.	Dem. Vote.	No. Delegates
Beaufort	1,943	39
Camden	412	8
Chowan	625	13
Currituck	548	21
Dare	429	9
Gates	763	15
Hyde	686	14
Pasquotank	1,061	20
Pasquotanna	655	13
Trenton	593	12
Washington	500	10

Totals for Judicial District . . . 7,962 170
Added to these, the following three comprise the congressional district:
County Dem. Vote. No. Delegates
Hertford . . . 804 16
Martin . . . 1,446 29
Pitt . . . 2,298 18

Totals for congressional Dis. 12,510 228

Judicial Convention. The judicial convention will be called to order in the court house at two o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

It is conceded that James G. W. Ward will be nominated without opposition to succeed himself. The only contest will be for the office of solicitor. The two candidates are Hon. Hallett S. Ward, the present incumbent, and Mr. E. A. Daniel, of Washington. Both have strong friends and both have expressed their confidence of securing the nomination. An unbiased estimate would seem to point to Ward as the victor. He already has a large number of votes instructed for him.

As noticed elsewhere, the Pasquotank delegates in this convention are requested to meet at 11 o'clock tomorrow morning for purposes of organization.

Congressional Convention. At three o'clock the congressional convention will be called to order in the court house. In the morning at 10:30 there will be a meeting of the delegates from Pasquotank in Mr. J. B. Leigh's office. The task of the congressional convention is the nomination of a congressman from this district. Hon. John H. Small, the present faithful incumbent, has no opposition and it is understood that his nomination will be unanimous. Notwithstanding the fact that the action of the convention is practically certain, a large attendance of delegates and visitors to the city and the gates will be thrown wide open to receive them. Elizabeth City will be in the hands of the Democrats tomorrow.

NEW PASTOR HERE.

Rev. L. T. Singleton, of Roper, who will supply the pastorate of City Road M. E. church until the meeting of the annual conference arrived in the city yesterday afternoon and is now the guest of Rev. H. M. North. He will enter upon his duties after this week.