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EDITORS IN TROUBLE

Because They Accommodate Delinquent Subscribers.

UNCLE SAM HAS A SAY.

Postal Inspectors Drop Into Newspaper Offices to see How Well Subscribers Are Paid up—Papers Must Cut Off Delinquents From List or Run Risk of Trouble.

The following is from the Publishers' Auxiliary, a newspaper published for the newspaper people:

Special agents of the postoffice department are traveling around the country dropping into newspaper offices when least expected to examine subscription lists, to ascertain if the regulations requiring payment in advance is being observed. Several newspapers have been in trouble, and here is a story told by the Des Moines Capital.

Editor Fay, of Lyons, Iowa, has been called to Washington city because his subscription list is not as well paid up as the law requires. He will have to explain to the government officials why he has not compelled his subscribers to pay up according to the postal rules. It seems a little tough that country editors have to be hauled up before the government under the charge of violating the Federal law just because they do not eternally keep dunning their subscribers for the small sum they owe on subscriptions, but it is like the end of the world; no one knows when it comes and an editor knoweth not what day the inspector may pop in and ask to see his list, and if too many subscribers are behind on the paper it means trouble with the government. It puts the editor in such a shape that he is compelled to force his subscriptions unless he has an unusually prompt paying list of subscribers.

The Bee, a newspaper published at Jefferson, has been jerked up. This is what the editor said about it.

The Bee this morning received an official summons from the postoffice department to conform with the ruling which requires the payment in advance. We can no longer send the paper to delinquents, no matter how willing we may be to accommodate them. We sometimes question the right of Uncle Sam to interfere in the conduct of legitimate business and say we shall not extend credit if we want to, but whether right or wrong we must conform to the regulation. It certainly will distress us greatly to cut off good and long time patrons who we know intend to pay, but are careless about the matter, and if such really want the Bee we know they will come to our assistance and relieve us of the embarrassment.

It is a very dangerous business for a newspaper man to send papers to subscribers who are in arrears. To be deprived of second class privileges, which is the penalty of non-compliance with the ruling, puts a newspaper out of business for the expense of putting a one cent stamp on every paper mailed amounts to more than the profits on the entire subscription business to say nothing of the increased amount of labor which is acquired in affixing the stamps.

GRAHAM HERRING DEAD.

After Lingered Three Days He Succumbs to Injuries Received in Fall From Seaboard Air Line Train.

Raleigh, June 24.—Graham Herring, the young telegraph operator who was terribly injured at New Hill nearly two weeks ago in attempting to board a moving Seaboard Air Line train to reach Apex where a fire that destroyed nearly the entire business section was raging, died today at Rex hospital after lingering for three days. His right foot had been amputated and two operations performed on his head, the skull being crushed by the fall from the freight car.

In Doubt.
"Do you think the harem skirt is really coming?"
"To look at it one can't tell if it is coming or going."

IS FOR GOOD ROADS

Fayetteville Chamber of Commerce Adopts Resolutions.

GOOD MEETING LAST WEEK.

Steps Taken to Make Fourth of July Celebration to Erect New Five Story Office Building in Fayetteville—This City Being Extensively Advertised.

"Resolved, that it is the sense of this Chamber that the building and maintenance of good roads in Cumberland county are to the best interest of the county and the city of Fayetteville."

In this resolution the Fayetteville Chamber of Commerce at its regular monthly meeting last Thursday night put itself on record for good roads in Cumberland county. The resolution, introduced by Mr. John H. Anderson, was unanimously adopted after some earnest discussion of the subject of good roads.

The meeting was well attended and the proceedings and discussions were marked by evidences of earnestness on the part of the officers and members—evidences of a growing spirit of doing something rather than merely talk about doing things. President R. H. McDuffie presided, Secretary Z. P. Smith was at his post.

Secretary Smith reported his recent efforts in the way of advertising the city. Besides discriminate distribution of thousands of copies of the attractive booklet recently issued giving facts and figures about Fayetteville, which, with other things has been the occasion of much favorable comment by the leading papers of North Carolina and other states, the secretary has inserted attractive and impressive advertisements in the Manufacturers' Record, the Tradesman and the National Coopers' Journal, also in the world's leading wood-pulp and paper publication. These advertisements are bringing numerous inquiries from manufacturers and prospective investors. For instance, Mr. Smith had just received a letter from a large northern cooperative concern asking for further information about this section bearing on the supply of black gum and sweet gum timber, availability of sites, labor conditions etc. This concern is looking for a location for a plant to make barrel headings etc. This is but an example of many inquiries from concerns in many lines of business.

New Five-Story Building.

The plans of a rich foreign life insurance company to erect a five-story office building in Fayetteville were outlined by Mr. H. L. Cook. This company has such buildings in other cities. A committee consisting of Messrs. T. G. McAllister, J. O. Ellington and J. S. Schenck, was appointed to investigate and report to the Chamber.

Fourth of July.

Mayor Jas. D. McNeill spoke enthusiastically in favor of the celebration of the Fourth of July in a manner to make it a red letter day for Fayetteville. The Chamber took hold of the matter in earnest and appointed a committee to co-operate with the citizens' Fourth of July committee, of which Mr. C. J. Cooper is chairman, to raise funds, arrange program of celebration, etc. The committee of the Chamber is composed of Messrs. Z. P. Smith, T. G. McAllister, J. H. Anderson, J. O. Ellington, John Underwood and W. F. Smith. It is planned to have military parades, sham battles, horse racing, baseball, comic races, fire works, etc.

The Chamber is giving attention to the matter of securing an improvement in the cars operated by the A. C. L. and Southern between Wilmington and Mt. Airy.

After some tender remarks by Secretary Smith on the death of the late C. R. Munroe, a faithful member of the Chamber, a committee was appointed to draft suitable resolutions in memory of deceased, the same to be published in the city papers and spread upon the minutes of the Chamber; also a copy to be sent to the bereaved family.

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ON CROP CONDITIONS

Notes From Some Little Trips in The Country.

OBSERVATIONS OF THE EDITOR.

Something of the Conditions in Certain Parts of Cumberland, Robeson, Bladen and Sampson Counties—Something of Points Recently Visited.

By J. A. PARHAM.

Since last issue of The Index I have visited Steadman, Antrimville, Parkton, Pembroke, Clarkton and Maxton, in the counties of Cumberland, Sampson, Robeson and Bladen. Everywhere I have seen fine corn, crops and some fine cotton, though in some places, notably around Parkton, corn was suffering for rain. But a large percentage of the cotton acreage in all this territory has either poor stands of cotton or good stands of late cotton, that can not make a full crop without a late fall. If frost should come early this fall the cotton crop would be cut off considerably because such a large percentage of it was so late coming up.

Perhaps never has it been so difficult to make any definite estimate as to what the cotton crop in this section is going to do. Wherever cotton was planted early—away back in those cool days early in April—it came up before the drought became so severe and it is now very fine. Some farmers who planted early say they have the finest prospect they ever had for a good cotton crop. Then there are farmers who have both kinds of cotton—that which came up before the rain and that which lay in the ground for weeks and came up after the rain or was replanted. Then some farmers have little but "after-the-rain" cotton and there is no guessing what this is going to do. It is very small but for the most part, it is very green and thrifty. Ordinarily cotton does most of its valuable fruiting in July. This late cotton will not likely be ready to do any great amount of fruiting before August. If this happens to be a year when there is no killing frost, the crop will be a gain, as before stated an early frost would catch this late cotton before it matures and in that case the crop would be short. However, if the seasons should prove favorable to cotton in August and the first killing frost should come late, this late cotton would make a fair crop. The possibility of a good crop is being greatly enhanced in some sections notably around Parkton and Clarkton, by the use of nitrate of soda.

The farmers are in much better heart than they were a few weeks ago, so are the time, merchants and farmers supply men. Some of them are still rather pessimistic, but most of the farmers and merchants are now taking an optimistic view of the crop prospects.

The Parkton section in Upper Robeson seemed to be suffering for rain more than any other. I was there Friday afternoon, and rain was beginning to fall in the middle of the day, while in places the lower blades were parching. Clarkton and vicinity were needing no rain. That town and vicinity had torrents of rain last Saturday afternoon. It was almost a cloud-burst. I was told by several of the inhabitants that they never saw a heavier rain. Lumberton and the territory a few miles west of there were visited by heavy rain Sunday.

Altogether, wherever I have been in the last few days, I should say the crop prospects are fair, though the chances are unfavorable for an average cotton crop.

(Since the above was written copious rains have fallen at Parkton and all along the line from Fayetteville to Maxton. Prospects are brightening.)

Clarkton, the largest town in Bladen county, is a clean, attractive, comfortable little town on the Seaboard Air Line about 20 miles east of Lumberton. It is the home of the Bladen Journal, the only newspaper in the county, published by Rev. W. M. Shaw. It is also the home of Hon. O. L. Clark, who (Continued on page four.)

THE GLORIOUS FOURTH

To be Fittingly Celebrated in Fayetteville Tuesday

A BIG TIME AHEAD.

Low Rates on Railroads and Steamboats—The Day to be Completely Filled up With Events of Interest—Sham Battles and Fire Works.

Chairman Jas. D. McNeill, of the Central Committee for the arrangement of program and for the promotion of the Fourth of July celebration to be held in Fayetteville next Tuesday, makes the following announcement:

The citizens of Fayetteville and the surrounding country again propose to patriotically celebrate our National Holiday in a way worthy of the day and the men who made the day the most memorable in our history.

Let everybody come—old and young, big and little, rich and poor, white and colored, saint and sinner, and give the day to enjoyment and renew their youth and patriotism. Let the mills shut down their busy machinery and allow their operatives a day off.

Let the plow stand in the furrow for one day, hitch up the team and bring all the folks to town, and old and young live in the inspiration of the glorious days of 1776.

Let the merchants give his subordinates a half holiday at least to enjoy the day and add to the gaiety of the occasion.

The day will be completely filled up with events of interest from sunrise until bedtime—a whole day of fun, frolic, excitement, pleasure and enjoyment, commencing at sunrise when a detail will fire a salute of 12 guns, one for each of the original 13 states in 1776, and at night when the most elaborate and beautiful display of fireworks ever shown in Fayetteville will be exhibited.

The detailed program, now being arranged will be a big parade, both military and civil, patriotic orders, boat races and automobile reading of the Declaration of Independence and patriotic songs.

The Military Companies from Clifton Lumber Bridge and Dunn have been invited to attend and with our own two patriotic companies, engage in a sham battle from 1 to 2:30 p.m. upon our streets that will make even the old veterans think that the war is broken out again.

From 2 to 3 a game of base ball will be played at the ball grounds while from 3 to 7 the Fayetteville Fire Department will amuse and entertain the people with their water contests, watermelon picnic, etc. The efforts of the coast to capture amelon under very hot circumstances always affords much fun and amusement.

Other events, amusing and entertaining will be announced later.

Low rates on Railroads and Steamboats' Come to town and enjoy yourself. Bring the wife and babies. Let a little patriotic sunshine into their daily lives. It will make us all better citizens to lay aside for one day all our cares and worries.

Hurray for the Fourth of July! It's our day! Let's all enjoy it!

JAS. D. McNEILL, Chairman
Central Committee

AWARDED \$1,000.

Jury Fixes Damages For V. M. Dorsett on Account of Ejection From Train of the Atlantic Coast Line Company.

Sanford Special.
V. M. Dorsett vs. Atlantic Coast Line Railway for ejecting him from passenger train in Manchester, conductor refusing to accept Mileage book as fare and demanding excess fare. Mr. Dorsett claimed he had asked for ticket Red Springs to Siler City when he only received one to Fayetteville at which place he was not given time between trains to purchase ticket. Jury rendered a verdict for \$1,250, which was reduced to \$1,000 by Judge Allen. The railroad's attorney gave notice of an appeal after a motion for new trial was denied.

GEORGE V. CROWNED

Great Coronation Scenes in London Marked by Splendor.

MILLIONS PAY HIM HOMAGE.

New King Over Dominion on Which Sun Never Sets—Crowned With Crown of Edward and Anointed With Holy Oil.

London, June 27.—On this day of the crowning of George V., King of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the seas, nothing has been wanting to make the solemn and impressive ceremony one long to be remembered not only throughout the country but in every corner of the great empire.

Never before in history has the Imperial note been struck in such a magnificent manner. Its imperial aspect undoubtedly was the most remarkable feature of the coronation.

George V., more than any sovereign of the past, represents the embodiment of the Imperial idea. He only of all his predecessors on the throne traveled through his vast dominions and thus acquainted himself at first hand with the needs and aspirations of all the various peoples of his empire.

Then the happy coincidence of the Imperial Conference sitting at the time of the coronation enabled all the representatives of the king's over-seas dominions to participate in the significant ceremony at the opening of the new reign, which, if the hopes of those attending the conference bear fruit, will bring all parts of the empire into closer and more intimate relations.

The great state pageant was carried through with dignity and impressiveness and made a deep impression upon all those privileged to witness it and it was accompanied by an outburst of loyalty throughout the kingdom that might appear surprising at a period in the world's history when theories of liberty appear to be established on the sacred foundations.

The coronation took place in the great city and every village in the land brought gifts of devotion and loyalty to the throne. Not the humblest home but displayed a flag or illuminated device, portraits of the King and Queen and a loyal motto.

The starting points of the day were carried through without hitch or serious accident of any kind. The weather was less favorable than had been hoped for, but the rain was not sufficient to detract seriously from the splendor of the pageant.

The attendance of the general public in the streets did not approach that at King Edward's coronation. This probably was due to fears engendered by the unusually severe police regulations and the barricades erected to protect the line of the procession's route which under the circumstances therefore proved needless. Gloomy prognostications of trouble arising through public resentment of these precautions as an infringement of British liberty proved quite groundless. Everything was carried out with smoothness and in perfect order, which excited universal admiration.

Perhaps never in history certainly never in the experience of any person who witnessed it, has there been an historic scene so magnificent as the ancient Abbey of Westminster presented, when George V. and Queen Mary were seated in state upon their thrones.

All who attended the crowning of Edward VII. agreed that today's ceremony surpassed that spectacle in every circumstance of stately stage setting of solemn ritual, inspiring music, the host of royal and eminent personages, the wonderful display of rich uniforms, bright gowns, marvelous jewels, which combined to create an impression of awe and admiration.

For First Ripe Watermelon.

The Index will give a year's subscription to the person bringing or sending us the first ripe and eatable watermelon grown on his own farm this year. This offer is open to all farmers of Cumberland, Robeson, Sampson, Bladen, Harnett and Hoke counties.

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Home From Honeycomb.

Mr. and Mrs. George B. Underwood have returned from their bridal trip and are residing at the home of Mr. J. A. Moore on Green street for the present. Shortly they will be at home at Miss Alice Mallett's residence on Rowan street.

Everybody's Column

(One Cent a Word)

ADVERTISEMENTS inserted under this heading at the rate of one cent a word for each insertion. Persons and firms who do not have advertising contracts with the paper will be required to pay cash in advance. No ad taken for less than 25 cents for first insertion. These ads read by 15,000 people.

TRAYED FROM MY FARM NEAR IRONDALE SPRINGS one dark red cow, horns sawed off, short tail. Any information leading to recovery will be appreciated and well satisfied any one for care and trouble. G. W. McLamb, Fayetteville, R. F. D. No. 6, N. C.

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MACHINERY FOR SALE ONE 40 H. P. Return Tubular Boiler almost new. One 30 H. P. Center-Crank Engine, in good order. One 20 H. P. Engine, fine for cotton gin. One automatic feed single machine. One swing cut off saw, frame and saw. Three log carts all good. Two almost new. All offered for no fault, but on account of change in business. Will sell cheap and on easy terms.—J. T. Denny & Co., Cronartie, N. C.

WANTED—POSITION AS BOOK-keeper or salesman by young man sober, industrious, and not afraid of work. L. V. Parker, Hope Mills, N. C. R. F. D. No. 1, care of D. J. Pridgen.

FOR SALE—PEAS \$2.10 BUSHEL. Clay mixed Good vinegar at 16 cents gallon in 25 gallon barrels.—W. H. Davis Vinegar Works, Atlanta, Ga.

WHOSE YEARNING?—ONE BLACK and white yearling, about one and a half years old. Marks: circle in top of right ear, took up at my place last winter. Owner can get same (anytime within 30 days) by paying for this notice and keep of yearling.—J. A. Howard, Manchester, N. C.