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CITIZENSMASSMEETINGS

There will be a Mass Meeting of the Citizens of Burlington Thursday Night April 20th, 8 p. m. at the following places.

First Ward	Mayors Office.
Second Ward	Smith & Qualls Store
Third Ward	Graded School Building
Fourth Ward	Laytons Store

The purpose of these meetings is to nominate two Aldermen for each ward upon a nonpartisan Citizens ticket for the coming Municipal Election, let all citizens who have the future welfare of the city of Burlington at heart attend these meetings. No politics, No clique, No cut and dried program. A free for all for those who want to better present conditions, and take the necessary steps to prevent them from getting worse, Come yourself and bring all your neighbors. Meetings will be held rain or shine, let nothing keep you away. Remember the time and the places. Pay no attention to what you hear regarding these meetings, but come see, and act for yourself.

COTTON MILL PROMOTER ENDS LIFE WITH A GUN

Lynchburg, Va., April 13.—A. C. Hutchinson, president and treasurer of the Alta Vista Cotton Mills, in course of erection at Alta Vista, twenty-five miles south of this city, yesterday shot himself through the right temple, the bullet passing through his head. He died instantly.

Persons who heard the shot rushed to Hutcherson's office. They found the body upon the floor, blood flowing from the wound. Near by in a pool of blood was the revolver from which the shot had been fired. The coroner's jury failed to find a motive for the act, but brought in a verdict of suicide.

The funds of the Alta Vista Company were exhausted last winter and construction work ceased in December. It is understood, however, that Hutchinson had sold sufficient stock to carry the work to completion, and that work was to have been resumed shortly.

Hutchinson formerly lived in Charlotte, N. C., and the body was last night sent to that city for burial.

FORMER ALAMANCE MAN DIES IN WEST DURHAM

At one o'clock this morning he passed away at his home in West Durham Mr. L. T. Rippey, a well-known Confederate veteran. Mr. Rippey had been ill for more than a year with Bright's disease. He was aged 64 years. He was a native of Alamance county, coming here five years ago.

Surviving is his wife and four children, Mrs. J. A. Perry, of North Lowell; Mrs. W. C. Warren, of Durham; Mr. L. Otto Rippey, of this city, and Mr. D. O. Rippey. There is also one brother surviving, Mr. G. L. Rippey, of Alamance county.

The funeral services will be held Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock at his late home on Yearby avenue in West Durham. Interment will be made at Maplewood cemetery.

The military boys are in Raleigh for a few days this week.

ENLISTED MEN TO GET PAY FOR BEING READY

Raleigh, April 13.—Adjutant General R. L. Leinster, of the North Carolina National guard, is just back from Washington, where he attended joint session of the executive committee of the National Guard association and the adjutant generals of the states for the consideration of a variety of matters pertaining to the guard, and is enthusiastic over the spirit of co-operation that is evident between the officials of the guard in the states and the war department. He believes that very soon now there will be enacted the law providing part pay for the enlisted men of the guard to some what compensate them for their "readiness service." This pay will, he thinks, bring with it the requirement that when war breaks out every enlisted man in the guard at the time will be obligated to serve two years from that time without regard for the time of his enlisted service in the guard. General Leinster approves this change in the law on the ground that the government is entitled to this protection in retention of men trained for the service at the expense of the government.

HUMAN FLESH BEING SOLD IN THE FAMINE DISTRICT

Seattle, Wash., April 14.—Human flesh is being sold in Manchuria, where the plague continues to abate, according to advices brought here today by the Japanese steamship Kamakura, which departed from Yokohama on March 28.

Kumatao Hishara, in charge of the crematorium in Kudzuibu, was arrested March 23, charged with selling human flesh. According to the Kokumin and other Tokio papers, a search resulted in finding a large quantity of human flesh either toasted or salted and ten human tongues preserved in pots.

Lawless continues in Manchuria. Six Japanese were killed recently on the Chinese Eastern railway.

While a party of Russian soldiers were proceeding along the border near Harbin they were fired at by 200 Chinese troops. The Russians fled.

TENNESSEE MAN AT HIS OWN FUNERAL

Bristol, Tenn., April 13.—In the midst of a solemn burial service, when members of the family were seeing lowered into the grave what they believed to be the body of their husband and father, James Swecker, the man supposed to be dead suddenly appeared upon the scene to the utter amazement of the funeral party. This happened Wednesday in the village of Timber Ridge, near Greenville, Tenn.

Swecker is a veteran of the Civil War, and a somewhat eccentric character. Last fall he announced himself as a candidate for Congress in the First Tennessee district, canvassing every county. He disappeared from his home a few days ago.

The body of a man answering Swecker's description was found by Southern Railway employes. Death resulted either from murder or from being struck by a train.

In a pocket of the dead man were found papers containing the name of Swecker, and this, together with marked resemblances led to a positive identification.

The coffin was raised from the grave and further examination leads to the conclusion that the body is that of a man named Melengore, who recently disappeared from his home at Morristown, Tenn.

PRESIDENT MAY APPOINT ANOTHER DEMOCRATIC JUDGE

Washington, April 13.—President Taft is seriously considering the appointment of another Democrat to the United States district bench to succeed William H. Brawley of South Carolina, who has indicated his intention to retire. Several Democrats have been mentioned to the President for this judgeship and today he talked with former Governor Martin F. Ansel of South Carolina and Representative Aiken of that State about the appointment. The President has disregarded party lines in his selection of judges and it is believed that he may do so in this case although he is under stood not to have decided definitely upon a successor to Judge Brawley.

SHOOTING AT CHAPEL HILL PROVES FATAL

Chapel Hill, April 11.—Henry Jones, who was shot by Ernest Ray last Thursday afternoon during an affray, died last night at his home at Venable, near Chapel Hill.

The coroner's inquest, held this afternoon, found that Jones came to his death at the hands of Ernest Ray. Ray was carried to the county jail at Hillsboro last night.

JONE'S SLAYER IS RELEASED ON BAIL

Durham, N. C., April 13.—Before Judge Daniels this morning at Roxboro, habeas corpus proceedings secured the release of Ernest Ray, charged with the killing of Henry Jones, last week at Chapel Hill. The coroner's evidence was submitted to the Judge and from this he made up his mind. All the evidence showed aggression upon the part of Jones and there is testimony that he had a weapon, though did not display it. Solicitor Gattis called for \$10,000 bond, and Ray's attorneys wanted \$5,000. The judge split the difference.

JUDGE BOYD ORDERS RELEASE OF A S. C. NEGRO

Greensboro, April 13.—Judge Boyd today ordered the sheriff of Forsyth county to release from custody John Crockett, the negro who was arrested in Winston-Salem on March 23 for an offense alleged to have been committed at Lancaster, S. C. Judge Boyd found that the South Carolina proceeding was one to enforce a debt and under the rules relating to interstate extradition the defendant could not be carried to South Carolina to stand trial. The matter came before Judge Boyd on a habeas corpus proceeding instituted by defendant's attorney, ex-Judge E. B. Jones.

Miss Bettie Lyde May of the State Normal spent Easter at home. Her brother Wallis returned with her and is visiting his uncle this week.

MIDDLE WEST VISITED BY DESTRUCTIVE TORNADO

Kansas City, Mo., April 13.—Twenty-four persons are known to be dead and several are reported missing today as a result of a tornado which swept over western Missouri, Kansas and Oklahoma yesterday. Reports are coming in hourly of damage done in cities and in the country and it is estimated that the total loss to property will exceed \$1,000,000.

In Big Heart, Oklahoma, eight persons were killed. Four perished at Meeker, Okla. Three were killed at Hiawatha, Kansas.

Two were killed at Chicotah, Oklahoma; two at Lawrence, Kansas, and two in Powhatan.

In Whiting, Kansas, Manville, Kansas, and Germantown, Kansas, one person was killed.

More than 100 persons were injured and nearly all telephone and telegraph lines in the territory are down.

Another tornado was reported from Lawrence, Kansas, before the wires went down.

The wind wrecked houses and barns and tore a strip nearly 100 yards wide through some portions of its course.

ANOTHER BATCH OF STATE MILITIA OFFICERS TO FRONT

Washington, April 14.—True to its promise of permitting as many as possible of the militia officers to play at the game of war now in progress at San Antonio, Texas, and San Diego, Cal., the war department today designated the number of officers from each state who will compose the second detail of militiamen with the regulars for instruction purposes. These national guard officers will go to the southern camps on April 25 for a stay of two weeks, relieving the first detail sent southward early in the month. Two hundred and one militia officers will go to San Antonio and 35 to San Diego, collected from the various states and territories.

Southern states will be represented at San Antonio as follows: Alabama, 6; Arkansas, 3; Florida, 3; Georgia, 5; Kentucky, 4; Louisiana, 4; Mississippi, 3; North Carolina, 5; Oklahoma, 2; South Carolina, 3; Tennessee, 3; Texas, 6; Virginia, 4; and West Virginia, 2.

WHITE FURNITURE COMPANY COMPLETES BIG CONTRACT

Mebane, N. C., April 15.—There was shipped today the last of Ninety four cars of solid mahogany furniture for the War Department from The White Furniture Company. This furniture went to every State in the United States and Hawaii, Porto Rico, and Philippines, to the Homes of the Army Officers and was all solid Mahogany throughout and of high class. The Government Inspector, Capt. C. L. Johnson who has been detailed on this job since July, left tonight for Philadelphia.

Col. Baker Deputy Quartermaster General of the United States Army and in charge of the Philadelphia Depot has advised the shippers that he has not received a single complaint of any kind whatever and your correspondent has been advised that this is the only furniture contract of which this could be truly said.

Such an accomplishment by Southern capital and Southern labor should show to the world that the South can make good furniture along with the best in the world.

When one considers the magnitude of such a contract and of so high a grade of furniture; that some of the cars of rough lumber cost as much as \$3,850.00; that the contract was completed on the date agreed without the rejection of a single piece and without a single complaint though subjected to rigid inspection at destination as well; he can appreciate the efficiency of such a great Southern Establishment.

Deaths.

Herman Andrews, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Andrews of Osseipee, died Sunday April 16th, at St. Leo's Hospital Greensboro where he was carried for treatment. His death was caused by an after attack of measles. He was eight years and ten months old. Funeral and burial services conducted by Rev. J. W. Holt at New Providence.

Mr. A. P. Cates of near Orange Grove died Wednesday morning April 12th, after an attack of only three days with pneumonia. Mr. Cates was 76 years of age and is the father of Mr. Walter and Mrs. B. J. Cates of this city. Burial at Cane Creek Church.