

State News.

Mr. O. G. Lowder, a prominent cotton buyer, at Charlotte, accidentally shot and killed himself while cleaning a shotgun.

State Senator Whitehead Klutz received a flattering reception at Atlantic City, where he delivered an address on the Fourth.

Col. J. S. Carr was nominated for the lower house of the General Assembly from Durham County by the Democratic Convention.

B. N. Duke, the Durham financier, who has been ill with typhoid fever, is so far recovered as to be removed to Atlantic City for his convalescence.

Burgaw suffered a severe fire on Sunday last. At one time it was thought it would be necessary to send to Wilmington for help. The loss was over \$10,000.

D. O. Everett, a prominent attorney, of Durham, who was accused of malpractice, in that he tried to induce a client to run away, was vindicated in a hearing before the Recorder.

Maj. J. M. Wilson, the creator of the Western North Carolina Railroad died at his home in Charlotte on Sunday last after a long illness. He was long active in railroad affairs in this State.

Manager Foushee, of the Manning candidacy for the Supreme Court Judge, in a compiled statement, claims the nomination of Manning by a large majority. The Allen forces, while giving no figures, are equally confident. It will be a close contest in the convention on the 14th.

W. C. Galloway, Jr., a well known young man of Washington, was arrested upon the charge of forgery. It is alleged that Galloway forged the name of his father-in-law, D. N. Chadwick, to a check for \$175, the said check having been cashed by the American National bank and the warrant was sworn out by the cashier of the bank, Galloway is in jail in default of bond.

MOCKING-BIRD'S FIFTH MURDER.

Asheville Watchman Kills City Patrol Driver—Woman in the Case—Murderer Has Bad Record.

Asheville, N. C., July 5.—James B. Allison, formerly night watchman at the City Hall, shot and killed Floyd M. McGee, driver of the city patrol wagon. After firing five bullets into McGee, Allison picked up a sledge-hammer and pounded several blows upon the skull of the dying man. The murder, within the heart of the section, created intense excitement, and great crowds soon gathered. Allison turned to walk off, and hearing cries of "Lynch him," surrendered to City Tax Collector C. H. Bartlett, and was turned over to Sheriff Hunter and landed in the county jail for safe-keeping. There appears to be a woman in the case as the cause of the trouble.

Allison has a wonderful record of killing people and escaping punishment, this making at least his fourth man that he has killed in Asheville. Each time he has escaped punishment upon one plea or another. While in the employ of the city three years ago as night watchman at the City Hall, he killed an engineer named Roberts, of Charlotte, whom he had placed under arrest, and his defense was self-defense. The killing of McGee, however, savors of the premeditated variety.

HOT FIGHT IN THIRD.

Hood Leads But Thomas Shows Up Well—Duffy Hardly in It.

Goldsboro, N. C., July 5.—Three hundred and ninety ballots have been taken. On last ballot vote is: Thomas, 41.26; Hood, 84.23; Duffy, 25.29; Robinson, 23. Takes 113 to nominate. The convention has been sitting without interruption since 1:30, held in the opera-house, looks like a continued deadlock for some time to come.

Negro Youth Buried Alive.

Winston-Salem, July 4.—Smothered by a pile of dirt as he lay asleep in the bottom of a construction car, was the fate of 13-year-old McKinley Myers, a negro boy who was employed to carry water to one of the laborer's camps. The trainmen were, of course, not aware of his presence in the car, the boy having crawled into the car and fallen asleep while off duty and a huge pile of dirt was thrown in upon him. It was not until the car had made its run, a distance of about two miles, to the fill-in of the Salem viaduct and the dirt was dumped into the fill that the dead body was discovered.

Former Congressman Atwater Drops Dead.

Durham, N. C., July 4.—Ex-Congressman John M. Atwater, of Farrington, Chatham county, dropped dead late this afternoon while plowing on his farm.

The news of his death came here by the Durham and South Carolina road and only the bare facts could be gathered. He had not been previously ill, so far as known. When found he was dead.

ATTACKED BY BURGLARS.

Hillsboro Family is Murderously Assaulted by Negroes—Ransack the House and Escape.

Hillsboro, July 1.—The home of Mr. Luther Vickers, living near Bellevue Mills at this place, was broken into last night about 2 o'clock by three negroes. The intruders entered the sleeping room of Mr. and Mrs. Vickers through a pantry window, and were in their room before their presence was known. One of the men was armed with an axe with which Mr. Vickers and his wife were beaten into insensibility. The thieves then made away with about \$50 in money.

Both Mr. Vickers and his wife are seriously hurt, Mrs. Vickers being yet unconscious. Mr. Vickers, while conscious, is in a very critical condition and death is not unexpected.

Three Suspects Captured at Burlington.

Burlington, July 1.—Louico Brandt and James Evans, colored, were arrested here to-day and were sent to Hillsboro this afternoon to appear before Mr. and Mrs. Vickers, who were murderously assaulted and robbed in their home at about 2 o'clock this morning, for the purpose of identification. Both negroes admit having been in Hillsboro yesterday and in their statements, taken separately, widely conflicting stories were told. The third negro, Gid Potet, who the other negroes claim was with them yesterday, was found near the tracks of the Southern Railway two miles east of Burlington badly bruised about the head and unconscious. Later.—The prisoners were identified as the assailants and were taken to Durham for safe-keeping, there being fear they would be lynched.

SENSATION AT HIGH POINT.

Dr. Vestal and Wife are Arrested—Charge is Malpractice.

High Point, N. C., July 3.—As a result of abortion practiced by Dr. W. L. Vestal, this city, Bessie Thomasson, of Statesville, is dead and May Owen, of Linnwood, is in a serious condition here. In the first case the child was about 3 months old and the latter two months. Vestal is in jail, charged with murder. The jury sitting on the case, after viewing the body and hearing the testimony, rendered a verdict that said Bessie Thomasson came to her death through an unlawful act of one Dr. W. L. Vestal.

A young man by the name of Levy Maynard, who, it is alleged, was the ruin of the girl, and who figured prominently in the case up to the time of death, is wanted by the officers. Mrs. Vestal was also arrested by the officers. Vestal, it seems, has been conducting a kind of a hospital for such cases in the heart of the city, and while the medical fraternity here has known that he has practiced such unlawful business, this is the first time they have got conclusive evidence.

FIGHT IN FIFTH IS HOT.

Stedman Leads With Three-Eighths of Vote—Judge Jones Second Best, With Royster and Mebane Following.

Greensboro, N. C., July 5.—After two hours' balloting, the Fifth District Congressional Convention at 6:30 took two hours' recess for supper, the vote for the four candidates for Congress on the eighth ballot being but little changed from result of first. On the first ballot the vote was: Charles M. Stedman, of Guilford, 147; E. B. Jones, of Forsyth, 104; G. S. Royster, of Granville, 93; B. A. Mebane, of Rockingham, 61. On the second ballot Stedman lost two Rockingham votes, Mebane gaining them until the convention took a recess after the announcement of the eighth ballot, the vote then standing: Stedman, 105; Jones, 99; Royster, 92; Mebane, 68.

Democratic Sheriff "Fires" Deputy.

Asheville, July 2.—Deputy Sheriff Frank M. Jordan, serving for the past twelve or thirteen months as a deputy sheriff under Sheriff T. F. Hunter, was yesterday summarily dismissed by the high sheriff of Buncombe county. The dismissal of Mr. Jordan who together with Sheriff Hunter, Deputy Sheriff E. M. Mitchell and Deputy Sheriff C. F. Williams, were candidates before the Democratic primary last Saturday for the sheriff's nomination, came as a surprise and explanations were sought. The trouble, culminating in the discharge of the latter, was the indirect result of the Democratic primary last Saturday. In that contest Sheriff Hunter sought renomination while Mr. Jordan, Deputy Sheriff Williams, Deputy Sheriff Mitchell and Dick Penland sought a nomination, at the hands of the Democrats. Mr. Williams won a plurality with Mr. Mitchell second in the race. Mr. Mitchell would not call a second primary and Mr. Williams was declared the nominee of the party for sheriff.

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General News.

Thos. E. Watson of Georgia, is out in an open letter charging State officials with grafting and fraud. It has created a sensation in that State.

On Sunday last the negro churches in many parts of the country held special prayer services for the success of the negro prize fighter, Johnson.

War between the rival "tongs" or companies of Chinamen has broken out again in New York City and as a result a number of murders have occurred.

Asher Hinds, who has been parliamentary clerk of Congress for years, has been nominated for Congress from the 1st Maine District. He is being spoken of for Speaker of the next house.

Hoke Smith, who was defeated by a large majority for Governor of Georgia two years ago, by Governor Brown, is again in the race with Brown as his opponent.

In honor of his 16th birthday, the eldest son of the new King of England has been made Prince of Wales. The full name of the young prince is, Edward Albert Christian George Andrew Patrick David.

The intense hot weather was responsible for a large number of deaths in New York and Philadelphia. In the former city the parks are crowded nightly with the residents of the tenement house districts.

The magnificent palace of the Czar of Russia, known as Peterhof, was nearly destroyed by fire on Sunday last. Priceless articles were lost. The fire was of incendiary origin. The imperial family were not present.

The estimate of the total number of immigrant aliens admitted to the United States the past fiscal year reached 1,035,545, was made by Commissioner General Keefe. This is an increase of 238,759 over last year.

The daughter-in-law of Captain Bowers, of the Naval Academy and two midshipmen were drowned near that place last week while bathing. It is thought that two were trying to rescue one who had been seized with cramps and all three perished.

Former United States Senator Thomas B. Turley died at his residence in Nashville, Tenn., after an illness of several weeks, aged sixty-five years. He was appointed to fill the vacancy in the Senate caused by the death of Senator Isham G. Harris, the term expiring in 1903.

United States Senator Daniel died on Wednesday last. He was 68 years of age and had been a member of the Senate for many years. His health has been failing for a long time and a disgraceful struggle has been going on among Virginia Democrats ever since they have been expecting his death.

Judge Roan sentenced the four negroes convicted of the murder of Motorman S. T. Brown, in the Druid Hill street car last April, to be hanged together July 29th in the DeKalb County jail at Atlanta Ga. The negroes are Bill Black, Charles Julian, Ed Weaver, Charles Walker both made confessions preceding their trials, but on the stand testified that the confessions were untrue.

The Italian government took the last step preparatory to making its demand upon the United States for the surrender of Porter Charlton to be tried in Italy for the murder of his wife at Como Lake, when the final papers in the case were drawn up in the foreign office. The belief prevails that the United States will recognize the justness of Italy's claim upon Charlton and surrender him with little formality.

At Rodini, near Corsicana, Texas, a negro entered the home of Hub Bailey, a merchant, and brandishing a knife, threatened a criminal assault upon Mrs. Bailey, a bride of three months, who grappled with him, securing the weapon and forcing the negro to take flight. Posses caught the negro to-day near Richland Creek bottom, and after he was identified he was hanged to a tree near by.

Young Watterson Shoots a Man.

Kingston, N. Y., July 2.—Ewing Watterson, the son of Colonel Henry Watterson, the well known Louisville, Ky., editor, was arraigned to-day at Saugerties on a charge of assault of first degree. It is charged that Watterson, who is forty years old, shot and wounded Michael Martin, a saloon keeper at Saugerties yesterday. An application for bail was refused by Police Justice Rowe and the prisoner was committed to the Kingston jail for further examination next Thursday.

Mr. Settle's Appointment.

Washington, July 2.—Thomas Settle, of Asheville, N. C., has been appointed by Attorney-General Wickersham to assist Assistant Attorney-General Lloyd in the conduct of custom cases. His headquarters will be at New York and his salary will be \$5,000 a year.

PRIZE FIGHT CAUSES RIOTING.

Clashes Between Whites and Blacks All Over the Country as a Result of the Prize Fight—Seven Riots at One Time in New York.

As a result of the Reno prize fight in which the negro, Jack Johnson beat Jeffries, clashes between the races are reported from all over the country. In Roanoke, Va., six negroes were nearly killed and one white man fatally wounded. In New York seven riots were going on at one time between large crowds. A negro was pulled from a street car and nearly beaten to death. A negro's house was burned. Seventy negroes were jailed at Baltimore for rioting. Two were killed at Little Rock, Ark. Serious disturbances are reported from Philadelphia, Pittsburg, St. Louis, Washington City, Atlanta and numerous other places. It is feared that more trouble will ensue and the authorities in a number of cities are taking precautions.

Casualties resulting from race riots throughout the country as a result of Johnson's defeat of Jeffries:

The dead: Uvalde, Ga., 3; Mounds, Ill., 2; Lake Providence, La., 2; Little Rock, Ark., 2; Cincinnati, O., 1; Omaha, 1; Houston, Tex., 1; Keystone, W. Va., 1; New York, 1; Tallulah, La., 1; Northern Louisiana, 3. Total, 18.

Injured: New York, 45; Omaha, 15; St. Louis, 27; Philadelphia, 19; Washington, 35; Norfolk, Va., 13; Keystone, W. Va., 10; Wilmington, Del., 12; Roanoke, Va., 10; Uvalde, Ga., 8; Louisville, 7; Tallulah, La., 1; Houston, Tex., 3; New Orleans, 7; Atlanta, 7; Mount Sterling, Ky., 3; Macon, Ga., 9; Cincinnati, 4; Baltimore, 6; Clarksburg, W. Va., 3; St. Joseph, Mo., 2; Pueblo, Col., 6; Pittsburg, 16; elsewhere (estimated), 100.

JEFFRIES DEFEATED BY NEGRO.

The White Champion Was Outclassed From the Start and was Badly Beaten—Largest Purse Ever Known.

Reno, Nev., July 4.—The greatest prize fight that has probably ever been pulled off ended to-day here in the fifteenth round when James J. Jeffries, the winner of twenty-two championship fights was all but knocked out by Jack Johnson, the negro. The negro had the white man beaten from the start, and punished him unmercifully.

The defeat was a great surprise, as the betting was two to one on Jeffries. The white champion has been out of the ring for over six years and he had lost the speed and youthful stamina that had made him the greatest man of his class in the world.

The purse was \$101,000, of which the winner received sixty per cent, and the loser forty. There were also side bets by each man of \$15,000.

Blockading on the Increase.

Washington, D. C., June 29.—Commissioner of Internal Revenue Cabell recently gave orders dispatching eight agents to Oklahoma, Tennessee, and North Carolina to assist in enforcing the laws against illicit distilling. Reports received at the Bureau show the great extent to which the business has developed in those States of the South and Southwest, which local prohibition laws have relegated to "dry" territory. Mr. Cabell says there is more illicit distilling now than ever known before in the States referred to.

The field force has been increased to the limit of the appropriation. Round-ups of moonshine outfits are frequent and a count kept, recently showed that five agents or deputies had been shot in a period of sixty days.

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