

State News.

Two farmers institutes are to be held at the test farm near Rocky Mount on August 23rd.

The Southern Bell Telephone Company is preparing to re-build its plant at Spencer.

Col. W. L. DeRossett, a leading citizen of Wilmington, died on Sunday last and was buried on the following day.

By direction of the Corporation Commission a new railway station is to be erected at Shelby in place of the old one.

A wireless telegraph system is to be started at Thomasville by B. F. W. Bryant, manager of the electric light plant at that place.

Fourteen of the men belonging to the High Point Rifles are reported by their commanding officer to be suffering from the hookworm.

While riding his wheel in Asheville, last Friday, Thomas Justice, aged 16, collided with a delivery wagon and was seriously hurt.

Sufficient money has been raised for the completion of the Memorial Church at Durham, nearly \$17,000 having been subscribed to date.

A new division of the State Naval Reserves was mustered in at Hartford on Monday night. C. W. Morgan will be the officer in charge.

At Lincoln last week a small child of S. B. Hunnicutt fell from an upper window and received injuries that are expected to prove fatal.

The Coast Artillery Corps of North Carolina, in camp at Fort Caswell for ten days for annual practice and drill, left for their several headquarters on Monday.

On August 24th, T. A. Stephens, of Macedonia, will give a barbecue to the farmers of that neighborhood. Dr. J. M. Templeton will be one of the speakers.

Requests are being received from many State for the bulletins issued by the North Carolina Department of Agriculture on the subject of canning fruits and vegetables.

In Wilson County last Sunday Calvin Thorn and Zeb. Griffin became involved in a brawl and Thorn was struck by an axe and cut with a knife in the hands of his assailant, dying shortly afterwards.

Report comes from Montgomery County that a Republican paper is soon to be established there. The curious part of the report is that the publisher formerly ran a Democratic paper in that locality.

The coroner's jury in the case of John McDougal, colored, of Lillington, charged with the murder of his wife, has returned a verdict of guilty and the defendant was bound over to the Superior Court without bail.

The proposed Salisbury-Asheville highway is attracting wide interest and plans are afoot for a big conference at Hickory of all the townships and towns along the line. The meeting will probably take place September 1st.

A meeting of the Board of Trustees of Wake Forest College was held on last Monday in Raleigh, with a full attendance of the members. A committee was appointed for the purpose of procuring additional instructors in English.

Preparations are being made for the opening of the fall session of Trinity College on September 7th. For some time a force of men have been at work renovating the dormitories and making general repairs about the buildings.

An order has been issued by the Federal Court restricting the sheriffs of Currituck and Pasquotank Counties from levying on any property of the Norfolk Southern Railway Company until an investigation can be made on September 6th.

It is stated by The Tribune, of Concord, that Mr. E. H. Morris, formerly editor of the Record, at Mocksville, will arrive in Concord shortly to consult with the local Republicans about running a Republican paper during the campaign.

The Peoples' Bank at Chapel Hill has been re-organized and an order issued by the court dismissing the receiver. The depositors will lose nothing by the temporary suspension, the full amount of the doubtful assets having been made good by a committee appointed for that purpose.

An order has been issued by General Julian S. Carr, commanding the North Carolina Division of the United Confederate Veterans, calling the attention of the members to an invitation from the Norfolk, Va., Board of Trade to attend the annual reunion in that city on September 6th to 8th.

Plans have been drawn for the erection of a large warehouse, at Richmond, Va., by the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, of Winston-Salem, this State.

Announcement was made yesterday that Murdock Strickland escaped last Saturday from the convict camp at the Halifax farm. He was under a sentence of eight years for larceny.

J. B. Allison, of Asheville, sentenced to be electrocuted for murder on February 24th, has decided not to take an appeal to the Supreme Court, as had been his first intention.

The new First Baptist Church building at Lumberton narrowly escaped serious damage, if not total destruction, by fire Monday afternoon, as a result of spontaneous combustion.

A brakeman named E. D. Howard, running on a Southern Railway train, was killed at Spencer on August 13th, falling under the wheels of a freight and being literally ground to death.

John H. Haeke has been arrested charged with an attempt to burn the Newton hosiery mill near Hickory last November. His arrest has caused considerable sensation in the vicinity of the alleged crime.

The young son of M. C. Heath, of New Bern, suffered from an attack of typhoid fever for several days, during which time his parents, believers in Christian Science doctrine, refused to call in a regular physician, with the result that the boy died in terrible agony.

A race riot, which for a time threatened to assume very serious proportions, occurred one night last week in Southampton County, Va., on a mixed excursion train returning from Norfolk to Greensboro. As a result of the trouble Tom Stanley, a young white man of Guilford College, was shot in the breast and perhaps fatally injured.

The heaviest rainfall of 15 years occurred at Bladensburg on Monday night, lasting over five hours. Bridges were swept away and cotton, corn and much fodder was destroyed. The lowlands throughout the county are completely inundated and there has been much damage to the crops. A number of washouts have been reported on the railroads in the county.

CHILDREN KILLED BY TRAIN.

Sad Accident Near Thomasville Sunday Morning.

Thomasville, Aug. 14.—This morning about 8.30, Vada Cook and Hazel Myers, two little girls between 8 and 10 years old, were killed about five miles north of this place by north-bound passenger train No. 44. The two girls, accompanied by their mothers, had gotten off of train No. 11, from High Point, at Lake, and were coming up the railroad track to a Mr. Freedles, a relative of theirs, who lives a mile north of Lake. As they were coming up the track they met a freight train going south and getting out of the way of the freight train got in the way of train No. 44 going north. The two little girls were struck in the back of the head and their skulls were crushed, killing them instantly, the mothers barely escaping death by being only a little further away from the track. The remains of the two children were carried to High Point for burial. The inquest will be continued on account of the lack of witnesses until Wednesday morning. Cononer Dr. J. W. Peacock started the inquest at the scene this morning.

Dr. Clarence Pickens Kills Two Brothers Near Asheville.

Asheville, Aug. 13.—As the result of a dispute over office rental, Dr. Clarence Pickens a dentist of Weaverville ten miles from here, to-night shot and instantly killed two brothers, Rome and Furman Capps. Dr. Pickens claims that he had to shoot in self defense. He is now in the custody of officers. As best the facts can be obtained at this time, it seems that some days ago Dr. Pickens, who rents an office from the father of the Capps boys, had a dispute as to the rent. To-night this dispute was renewed, Pickens claiming that he had paid the rent in advance. Then he claims that the Capps boys jumped upon him, cutting his coat in several places and making several flesh wounds, when he was compelled to shoot in self defense. Weaverville is all wrought up about the affair.

This makes three of the Capps boys that have been shot to death. It was last fall that the first was killed by young Ben Morris, Jr., near the Morris home on the road to Weaverville. After being cleared by the coroner's jury on the grounds of self defense, young Morris was re-arrested and tried, and is now serving a year in the penitentiary at Raleigh.

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General News.

King Victor Emanuel, of Italy, is said to be in daily dread of assassination and extra precautions are being taken to guard against it.

An extra session of the Louisiana Legislature has been called for the purpose of making sufficient appropriation for the exposition to be held in New Orleans in 1915.

The body of an infant turned to stone was found recently in the coal bin of a Brooklyn apartment lately vacated by Stephen Buse, a waiter, and the man is now held at the Ralph Avenue Station pending a further examination.

The striking cloak-makers in New York City number more than 80,000 men and women, according to a brief submitted to the Supreme Court there by their employers, who seek to have the union restrained by a permanent injunction.

Tobacco men from all important markets gathered at the inspection tables of the Burley Tobacco Society in Louisville, Ky., this week, to examine samples of the 120,000,000 pounds of 1909 tobacco offered for sale by the society.

A dispatch from Massena, N. Y., dated August 15th, says fourteen men were killed there by the falling of the concrete foundation of a power-house and an Ogdensburg dispatch says that probably fifty are dead and that many are entombed.

Directors of the Standard Oil Company held their midsummer dividend meeting August 16th, and declared the regular 6 per cent dividend, which calls for a distribution to the Standard stockholders of \$6,000,000.

Official announcement that the twenty-first reunion of the United Confederate Veterans will be held on May 16th, 17th, and 18th of next year at Little Rock, Ark., has been made by General Wm. E. Mickle, Adjutant-General, and Chief of Staff.

The condition of Mayor Gaynor, of New York, who was shot and seriously wounded on Tuesday of last week by a discharged employee of that city, is now reported as decidedly improving, with the chances in favor of a complete recovery at an early date.

To determine what lands in the national forests in Arkansas can be thrown open to homestead entry under the forest settlement act, Prof. George L. Clothier, of the University of Mississippi, has begun a scientific investigation of the national woodlands in that State.

Reports from scattered localities in the Houston district in Texas tell of a heavy rainfall the first of the week, at least temporarily ending a drouth which threatened to seriously damage the growing crops of rice and cotton. In Houston the precipitation measured 1.43 inches.

Several different posses have been scouring the country in the vicinity of the Virginia-North Carolina border line, five miles south of Danville, searching for Jesse Watkins, a negro, who on Saturday night fatally injured William Nash, aged fifty-years, a farmer of Purley, N. C.

Gibraltar, Aug. 16.—Thirty-two passengers and seven of the crew of the Spanish steamship, Martos, were drowned to-day in the sinking of the ship off Tarifa Point. The Martos was in collision with the German steamer, Elsa, in a dense fog and foundered a few minutes after being struck.

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A Sparta, Tenn., dispatch says that a fire at an early hour Tuesday morning practically swept the business portion of that town, causing a loss estimated at \$120,000, well covered by insurance. A number of the best business houses were destroyed. The origin of the fire is a mystery.

More than a thousand men, women and children spent a perilous half hour in Hell Gate, N. Y., Monday, when the steamboat Sam Sloans, with an excursion party aboard, became disabled a short distance above the Astoria ferry slips, shortly before noon, and went drifting into the dangerous currents that boil and surge through the Gate. A holocaust was narrowly averted.

The unprecedented flood in Tokio, Japan, has already claimed seven hundred lives according to an estimate made there. The death list will probably run into thousands as a result of the destitute condition of sufferers and the inability of the authorities to render any but the slowest relief. Reports from other cities show conditions to be bad as in Tokio.

\$3,000,000 More for Census.

Washington, Aug. 16.—The appropriation of \$12,000,000 made by Congress to meet the cost of the thirteenth decennial census will be too small by about \$3,000,000. Of the \$12,000,000 only \$5,111,617.18 was balance on hand July 1, and much of that has since been paid out. Approximately 5,000 of the 70,000 enumerators employed are yet to be paid. Congress will be called upon to supply the deficit.

Will Not Use Pass Books.

Washington, Aug. 16.—Certificates of deposit in place of regular pass books are to be used in the postal savings banks, it was announced today at the Postoffice Department. The certificates of deposit under consideration are similar in principle, though not in design, to coupon bonds. The Postmaster General today approved a design of a stamp of deposit for amounts less than \$1.

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