

State News.

Washington, N. C. is planning to have a modern system of sewerage installed.

M. D. Foster, manager of the Foster Electric Company, of Mt. Airy, has disappeared. Financial matters are supposed to be the cause.

Fayetteville is to have a \$40,000 union station, built by the Atlantic Coast Line, who will charge rental to the Raleigh and Southport.

Unknown miscreants attempted to wreck the Southern Railway train near Charlotte. Bloodhounds were put on the scent, but failed to trace them.

W. L. Sanders, a chicken raiser of Durham county, has lost over 4,000 young chickens by crows stealing them. Investigation showed over a bushel of bones around the crows' nests.

Last Saturday a large steamer was observed off Beaufort, blowing signals of distress. Owing to the condition of the weather boatmen were unable to go out to see what was the matter.

The mullet catch near Beaufort is the largest in years, 300,000 pounds having been landed in sixty hours recently. The large catch has materially reduced the price, which is now only two cents.

In Anson County court last week, Milton Tillman was sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary for the murder of Tom Burch, Maria Sellers, convicted as an accessory, was given two years in jail.

Rainet Cottran, a young farmer of Durham County, was held for court on a charge of criminal assault on the wife of a neighbor. The woman is weak-minded and there is a large element of doubt in the case.

While at work in a chemical plant at Washington, N. C., Mr. Augustus Allgood tripped on a wire and fell a considerable distance, his ear catching on a hook and being torn off. Physicians succeeded in sewing it on again.

Attorney Lovenstein, of Durham, who is under indictment for embezzlement, has charged G. C. Farthing, a wealthy citizen of Durham, with extortion and usury, he alleging that he borrowed \$5,400 and signed a note for \$7,500.

L. A. Dougherty, of Black Mountain, has been arrested for forgery in writing a letter to the prosecution in the case of F. C. Watkins, accused of murder, in which he offered to give the names of witnesses who would testify to Watkins' bad character, but to which he signed another man's name.

H. L. GODWIN IS THE NOMINEE.

Beats O. L. Clark in Second Primary in Sixth District—Majority About Four Thousand.

Wilmington, N. C., Sept. 15.—It is certain that Hannibal L. Godwin, of Harnett County, has been nominated by the Democrats of the Sixth District for Congress against O. L. Clark, of Bladen County. His majority will be in the neighborhood of four thousand.

Robeson County gave Godwin 700 majority, while Cumberland, in which a bitter fight had been waged against him by the Fayetteville Index and by prominent men, gave Godwin a majority of 300.

The primary to-day was the outcome of a contested nomination. In the first convention O. L. Clark, of Bladen County, was nominated for the place, but Hannibal's followers withdrew, held a separate convention and declared Godwin to be the nominee. The matter was carried to the State Executive Committee, and this body appointed a sub-committee to investigate the matter. The sub-committee reported irregularities in both conventions, and recommended another primary. The primary to-day, with only Godwin and Clark entered, was the result.

Half-Peach, Half-Apple.

Waynesboro, Pa., Sept. 19.—Undertaker J. A. Heffner, of this city, has procured a "freak" peach from the orchard of J. M. Newcomer, near Quincy.

The fruit is half-peach and half-apple, one-half being hard and smooth, while the other half is soft and velvety.

Mr. Heffner explains the phenomenon by claiming that the bees carried the honey of the apple blossom to that of the peach blossom.

Editor Julian Passes.

Salisbury, N. C., Sept. 16.—John M. Julian, editor of the Salisbury Evening Post, died at his home in Salisbury this afternoon from pelagra, from which he had suffered for two weeks. His condition had been serious for ten days and he had been unconscious since Sunday.

He is survived by a wife and three children. He was a member of the North Carolina Legislature and was secretary of the Bill Nye Memorial Association of this State.

ROBESON DEMOCRATS SPLIT ASUNDER.

Respectable Element of the Party Denied Representation. Call Mass Meeting—Separate Ticket Named—A Bitter Fight.

Lumberton, N. C., Sept. 15.—Pursuant to a call by many of the most prominent Democrats in Robeson County, a large delegation assembled in the court-house here to-day in a mass meeting which had as its object the uplifting of politics and raising a higher standard of civic righteousness.

Mr. J. S. Oliver, of Marietta, was made chairman of the meeting which was opened with a prayer by Rev. C. H. Durham. Mr. R. D. Caldwell in stating the object of the meeting said that it was a voluntary gathering of the citizens and the call did not come from the county executive committee and its purpose was to overthrow the present management of the Democratic party in Robeson County and restore harmony to the party.

A committee was appointed to draw up an order of exercises and while this committee was absent from the room several men in the audience were called upon to make short talks. Prominent among these were three ministers of the county who declared in one accord that the time had come when the righteous citizen of the county should rise up and put an end to this corrupting influence in certain branches of Robeson's politics.

The committee on the order of business reported several recommendations some of which were: That the mass meeting endorse two men for the Legislature and five county commissioners. That Mr. Geo. B. McCleod be asked to resign from the chairmanship of the Democratic Executive Committee and that Sheriff E. C. McNeill be endorsed for sheriff. All these recommendations were accepted by the meeting. Dr. B. F. McMillan, of Red Springs, and J. O. McArthur, of Thompsons Township, were endorsed for the House. The men endorsed for county commissioners were: A. J. Floyd, of Whitehouse Township; D. Z. McGowan, of Lumber Bridge; J. A. McPaul, of Blue Springs; J. A. McCormick, of Pembroke; and W. H. McClelland, of Thompsons.

A very hot fight is being waged for the office of sheriff, ex-Sheriff Geo. B. McCleod contesting with Sheriff E. C. McNeill for that office, honors appearing at this time to be about even between them. The mass meeting demanded the resignation of Mr. McCleod from the chairmanship of county executive committee because he is a candidate for the office of sheriff, but at this time he has not resigned and there seems little likelihood of his doing so. The fight in Robeson seems to be taking on the form of a ring and an anti-ring encounter.

Badly Mangled Bodies Found on B. & O. Train.

Philadelphia, Sept. 17.—Tightly wedged in the pilot of a Royal Blue express train on the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, the bodies of two men, badly mangled, and supposed to be those of Winfield D. Cullin and Jesse Cullin, of Belcamp, Md., were found early today when the train arrived in this city.

In addition to the bodies, parts of which were missing, a piece of a horse blanket and a portion of what is believed to have been a carriage wheel, were also found on the locomotive.

In the pockets of the clothing of the bodies was found letters containing the names and addresses above given. These letters are the only clue the railroad people have to the identity of the men. The fact that the men were killed by the train was not discovered until the train neared this city.

Davidson Man Held for Murder of His Wife.

Lexington, N. C., Sept. 17.—Charles Ashby, an employe at the Nokomis Mill, was arrested this morning at 3 o'clock and placed in jail accused of beating and poisoning his wife. At the preliminary trial this afternoon he was bound over to court and placed under a \$5,000 bond, which he failed to give.

From what can be learned Ashby is of a brutish disposition, and has been mistreating his wife for some time. The wife died Thursday night and bruises on her body aroused the suspicions of the people and an autopsy was held of the woman's stomach, this showing traces of poison. Mrs. Ashby was about twenty years of age and left a baby about five months old.

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General News.

It is estimated that the strike of the 44,000 coal miners in Illinois cost them \$12,000,000 in wages and cost the operators \$15,000,000.

The estate of the late Chief Justice Melville W. Fuller has been appraised at \$950,000, which was left to his children and grandchildren.

Dr. Frederick A. Cook, it is said, is in the Far North looking for the records that he thinks will prove him the discoverer of the North Pole.

Officials of the Rockefeller commission announce that the dreaded hookworm disease is decreasing not only the United States, but throughout the world.

It is announced that a party of Englishmen will attempt to ride in a motorcar from Cape Colony to Cairo, a distance of more than 6,000 miles.

Chicago now has a population of over two millions, making it the second city in population in this country, New York leading with over four millions.

A scourge of grass-hoppers has invaded the Argentine Republic and the crops are all but ruined. The government is taking hand but the damage is almost incalculable.

The alarming report is issued by the Pennsylvania Board of Health that there are 658 cases of infantile paralysis in that state. The disease is becoming generally epidemic.

Complying with an imperial edict of the Chinese government Chinamen in this country are having their queues shorn off. One with a queue is a rarity in New York's Chinatown.

The bodies of the two young Americans, Groce and Cannon, who were shot by order of President Zelaya of Nicaragua, will be brought to this country and buried at the expense of Nicaragua.

George W. Fitzgerald, former asortment telled in the Chicago Sub-treasury, was arrested, charged with the theft on February 19, 1907, of \$173,000 from the United States Sub-treasury. He had been indicted secretly last December.

While purchasing a ticket at a Columbus, Ohio, depot, Mrs. Hawley, a wealthy woman of Washington City, was robbed of a bag containing several thousand dollars worth of jewelry and a large sum of money. There is no clue to the thief.

Mayor Gaynor of New York, who was recently shot by a discharged city employe, has resumed reading the papers. Since he was shot he has not read a paper and he now says that he never proposes to read a line concerning the assault on him.

From Baden-Baden, Germany, comes news of the destruction of Count Zeppelin's latest dirigible, the Zeppelin VI, which took fire after an explosion while being warped into her shed. This is the fifth serious accident that has befallen Zeppelin's dirigibles.

Representatives of manufacturing interests met in New York and formed the American Manufacturers' Export Association, to promote exports to American products to South America. It is said that 160 leading corporations, with an aggregate capital of \$300,000,000, were represented.

Events are moving with great swiftness toward a satisfactory adjustment of relations between the United States and Nicaragua. It was admitted at the State Department that the Estrada government is to be recognized immediately, as far as it is possible to do so at this stage.

Dr. H. H. Crippen, accused of the murder of his wife, Belle Elmore, the actress, has been undergoing his pre-

liminary examination in London, but inability of the prosecution to identify the body found as that of his wife has been in his favor. Miss Le Neve, the companion of his flight, has been near physical and mental collapse.

Since 1901 9,771,512 aliens have arrived in the United States. The races represented have been classified into forty subdivisions by the statisticians of the Immigration Bureau. Southern Italians lead all in numbers, with a total of 1,761,948, with Hebrews second at 976,263. Polish home-seekers were third in numbers with 873,660.

A Heart Rending Wall.

A drowning man will catch at a straw. This fact is clearly evident from the manner in which the Democratic press of the State have taken up the fight against Hon. Marion Butler. But their wallings will not hurt any one, the people of North Carolina have reached the point that they will not be dictated to by men who have not the best interest of the State at heart, men who are not the equal of Marion Butler.

The time has been when Josephus Daniels and men of his ilk, could crack their whip and the boys would fall over each other getting in line, but not so now, the people refuse to be scared by your cry of alarm, or to be bull-dozed by such methods. The great cock and bull story about those old bonds scares nobody, they will resort to some other lying scheme to get the boys in line. The time is at hand when the intelligent, thinking people of the State are going to cut loose the party of obsolete ideas and issues and turn the affairs of the State over to a party that stands for progress, a party whose principles mean something. Raise your cry louder, we would like for every voter in the State to hear that heart rending wall.

Claims Reward for Locating Wendling.

Seattle, Wash., Sept. 16.—Asserting that he had informed the Seattle and San Francisco police of the whereabouts of Joseph Wendling, wanted for the murder of 8-year-old Alma Kellner at Louisville, John Taub, a clerk, who resides here, left last night for Louisville to claim the \$13,000 reward offered for the suspected murderer's capture.

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