

State News.

The Scotland Neck Graded School building was burned Monday.

Eugene V. Debbs, the Socialist leader, spoke in Greensboro Saturday night.

The next annual meeting of the North Carolina Press Association will be held at Lenoir, June 20nd to 23rd.

Bud Lowder, of Albemarle, Stanly County, was killed last Wednesday afternoon by the explosion of the boiler at his saw-mill near Albemarle.

A new military company has been formed at Dunn, Harnett County. The new company will be a member of the North Carolina National Guard.

A charter has been issued to the Atlas Manufacturing Company of Bessemer City which was organized with a capital \$100,000. The object of the company is to operate a cotton mill.

The Biscoe Foundry and Machine Company, at Biscoe, Montgomery County, was totally destroyed by fire Monday afternoon. The loss is approximately \$10,000 with no insurance.

Rev. J. W. Lynch, pastor of First Baptist Church at Durham, has resigned to accept a call at Athens, Ga. Dr. Lynch served as pastor at Wake Forest for a number of years. He was very popular with his congregation.

Mr. Samuel B. Wray, of Wentworth, Rockingham County, died last Saturday. He was Wentworth's oldest citizen. It was only a few weeks ago that Mr. Wray and a lady of Wentworth ran away and were married in Danville, Va.

The main building of the Lambeth Furniture Co.'s plant at Thomasville was destroyed by fire Saturday evening. The blaze started in the main machinery building and was beyond all control when discovered. The estimated loss is \$35,000, with one-third covered by insurance.

The twenty-first annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Baptist Church in North Carolina, which was held in Wilmington last week, came to an end Friday night. Miss Fannie E. S. Heck, of Raleigh, was re-elected President. The next meeting will be held in Wadesboro.

H. R. Smith, alias H. B. Smith, was arrested in St. Louis, Mo., Monday on the charge of swindling several parties in Gates County, N. C. It is charged that he bought railroad ties from certain parties in Gates County and paid them with worthless checks to the extent of \$4,000 or more. Smith will be brought back to this State for trial.

Quarrel Between Two Boys Ends Fatally for One.

Wilmington, N. C., March 25.—Bryant Kenneday, fourteen years old, died in the hospital here at 10:30 o'clock to-night as the result of a knife wound in the breast inflicted by Clarence Summerlin, about the same age, a half-hour earlier in the store at the Delgado mill village, east of the city. The stabbing followed a quarrel between the two boys. The county authorities were notified at midnight of the tragedy.

Insane Drayman Tries to Wreck Home.

Washington, N. C., March 27.—Cornelius Lucas, the 18-year-old son of James Lucas, a colored city drayman, suddenly lost his reason and became insane last night. It seems that he and his father were attending church and during the services Cornelius lost his mind, became very boisterous and unruly for some time, interrupting the services and had to be taken out by main force. Arriving at home he proceeded to break the windows and demolish the property, and had to be taken to the city jail and locked up by the police. Lucas was a quiet, well-behaved negro and in the employ of Mr. G. H. Baker.

Body of Walter Byrum Found in Mill Pond Near Monroe.

Monroe, N. C., March 27.—The body of Walter Byrum, a white man, aged 25 years, son of Mr. E. J. Byrum, a prominent farmer of Vance township, Union County, was found this morning in a badly decayed condition in the waters of Stewart's mill pond. Some small boys fishing discovered the body clad in Sunday clothes, in shallow water, face down. Byrum disappeared from home on the afternoon of January 22. His family went to church, leaving Walter to follow them. That was the last seen of him alive. When noticed missing, they supposed that he had left home as he has a brother in Chicago whom he had talked of visiting. It is supposed to be a case of suicide, as there were no signs of foul play, and it was impossible for the drowning to have been accidental as the water of the mill pond is shallow around the edge.

TWO WOMEN BURNED TO DEATH.

Lamp Explosion Causes Death of Misses Wilma Davis and Gracie Baucom in Union County.

Monroe, N. C., March 24.—At a quilting party at the residence of C. A. Pritchard, in Union County, about a mile from Olive Branch yesterday evening, two young ladies were burned to death and one severely injured by the explosion of a lamp. The victims are Misses Wilma Davis aged 20, and Gracie Baucom, aged 16. The injured girl, Miss Lou Baucom, is a younger cousin of Miss Gracie Baucom.

The young ladies were in a bedroom when Miss Gracie Baucom lifted a large lamp from the bureau, it exploded suddenly from some unknown cause, and spattered burning oil all over the room, igniting hair and clothing of the young women.

Their screams brought members of the party to their assistance and after a hard struggle in which Ed. Baucom and C. A. Pritchard, cousins of Gracie Baucom, were also burned, the flames were extinguished. Dr. Brooks was called and arrived within twenty minutes, and Rev. A. C. Davis, father of Wilma Davis, also arrived in half an hour. The doctor dressed their wounds and it was hoped that the girls would recover, but just as he reached his home in Olive Branch this morning about 7 o'clock, Rev. Davis received a telephone message that his daughter, Wilma, was dying. She died before he reached Pritchard's home and Miss Gracie Baucom died within 15 minutes of Miss Davis. Miss Baucom was the daughter of H. L. Baucom, former county commissioner of Union County, and Miss Davis is a daughter of Rev. A. C. Davis, a well known Baptist minister. Mr. Baucom's Home Also Destroyed.

Olive Branch, N. C., March 24.—Miss Gracie Baucom and Miss Wilma Davis were burned to death in a fire which destroyed the residence of H. L. Baucom last night. Burning kerosene from a lamp which had exploded, ignited their dresses.

Editor Saunders Fined for Displaying Weapon.

Elizabeth City, March 25.—This morning in trial justice court, W. O. Saunders, editor of the Independent, a weekly newspaper, was fined \$25 and costs for displaying a deadly weapon on the street last night.

It seems from the testimony that last night, following the adjournment of the mass meeting at the court house, Saunders was accosted by Will Hinton regarding a recent publication. Back of Mr. Hinton were several other young men. Saunders is said to have remarked that he was on his way home and that the first man who advanced on him he would shoot, at the same time displaying a big revolver in the direction of the young men.

Attorney I. M. Meekins, who represented Saunders, noted an appeal.

Wanted Postmaster Dorsett to Secure Divorce for Him.

Spencer, March 27.—Postmaster J. D. Dorsett, of Spencer, has been appealed to by a former Spencerian, Gent. R. Harding, who now lives in Water Valley, Miss., to assist him in securing a divorce. In writing to Mr. Dorsett he states that he is now courting a woman in Mississippi who is worth \$25,000, and that he expects to marry her shortly. Mr. Dorsett, however, thinks he will be unable to secure the divorce at present.

Alexander County Farmer Commits Suicide.

Taylorsville, N. C., March 27.—News reached here this morning that Daniel Austin, who lived with his widowed mother, about twelve miles west of Taylorsville, committed suicide late yesterday afternoon by shooting himself with a shotgun. The young man had just returned from a school entertainment in the neighborhood and immediately went to his room and committed the rash deed. His friends and relatives can not even surmise the cause of his troubles. He was only eighteen years of age.

Jealous Negro Kills His Wife on the Street.

Wilmington, March 27.—Angered because she had left home in company with a roomer in their house, Garfield Ford, a respectable sort of negro, to-night shortly before midnight, shot and killed his wife Julia Ford, in Price's section of the city, whither she had gone with Dave Nixon, colored, who was the cause of the jealousy of her husband. Ford was captured a few minutes later by the police and is in prison. The woman fell over in the alley dead.

Freight Train Runs Down Section Force—One Killed.

Cherryville, N. C., March 23.—While returning to Cherryville on a hand-car about 7 o'clock this afternoon, the Seaboard Air Line section, force, which is doing some repair work on the track and roadbed several miles west of here, was run down by an extra eastbound freight train and John Henry, a member of the force, was instantly killed. The accident happened two miles west of Waco.

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General News.

A half million dollars has been subscribed for a new cotton mill at LaGrange, Ga.

The bill for woman suffrage passed the Illinois State Senate, without discussion, by a vote of 31 to 19.

A bill passed by the Legislature of Utah making the sale of cigarettes in that State a misdemeanor, was vetoed by Governor Spry.

Six firemen perished in a fire in Milwaukee, Wis., Friday, which destroyed the Friend building. The money loss was estimated at \$300,000.

An unknown negro was lynched near Lockport, Miss., Saturday by a mob composed of about fifty men, after he had shot and killed Daniel Basley, a white farmer.

Ten thousand dollars in currency was stolen from a mail pouch in transit between Tampa and Clearwater, Florida, Friday night. There was an eight-inch slit in the pouch when the theft was discovered.

Steamship Company and Two Railroads Fined for Discrimination in Rates.

Savannah, Ga., March 24.—Judge Emory Speer, in the United States Circuit Court here, to-day imposed a fine of \$20,000 on the Merchants' & Miners' Transportation Company for giving preferences in rates. The corporation was convicted here last Friday of having discriminated on rates on grain shipped from Philadelphia to Savannah and Jacksonville, Fla. Miller & Miller, of Philadelphia, the alleged beneficiaries under the discrimination, were found not guilty. The Seaboard Air Line and the Atlantic Coast Line railroads were adjudged guilty and fined \$2,000 each.

Want More Recruits for the Army.

Washington, D. C., March 23.—Calls for six or seven thousand recruits to bring the infantry regiments of the army mobilized in Texas and California up to full strength, have been sent by the War Department to all the army recruiting stations in the country. Two thousand recruits already have been sent to "the maneuver division" at San Antonio. To fill all the vacancies in the infantry, now in the South, between 6,000 and 7,000 more men will be required.

Farmer and Two Officers Found Guilty of Peonage and Fined.

Savannah, March 24.—In the United States Court here to-day, J. F. Smith, a farmer, L. F. Reins, a constable, and H. W. Heins, a justice of the peace, all of Bailey, Appling County, pleaded guilty to the charges of peonage. Judge Emory Speer fined Smith \$2,000; L. F. Reins \$500, and H. W. Reins \$50. The men forced to work on Smith's farm were Tennessee mountaineers, who had come to Georgia seeking employment.

Twenty-Two People Drown When Steamer Turns Turtle.

Victoria, B. C., March 25.—The British Columbia Shipping Company's little wooden steamer Sechtel, built for passenger service on an inland lake turned turtle off Beeche Head, Vancouver Island late yesterday and went down with all on board, twenty-two passengers and the crew of four men. Thirteen passengers had landed at William head just before the steamer went out to destruction.

CANAL WILL BE OPEN IN 1913.

This is the Prediction of the American Society of Civil Engineers Who Have Returned From an Inspection of the Work on the Big Ditch.

New Orleans, March 23.—Sixty members of the American Society of Civil Engineers arrived in New Orleans to-day on the steamer Heredia, from Colon, Panama, where they went at the suggestion of President Taft to inspect the work done on the Panama Canal. Other members of the party returned direct to New York from Colon.

It was announced that the representatives of the society who made the trip are unanimous in the approval of the work which has been done by Colonel Goethals, and they confidently believe the canal will be ready for service in 1913.

"The American people need not be alarmed at the reports of slides down there," said a member of the party. "This feature of the work was not overlooked by the Government engineers who planned and have so successfully prosecuted the construction of the canal. There have been numerous slides in Culebra cut and near the Gatun dam, and there doubtless will be many smaller slides in the future, but the great work undertaken by the United States will not be seriously interrupted.

"Every one of the one hundred and forty members of the American Society of Civil Engineers who visited the canal on this trip feels assured that the canal will be ready for service before the end of 1913."

"BACK TO FARM," SINGS W. C. BROWN.

Railroad President Hopes to Spend Last Days "On the Soil."

Chicago, March 25.—"Back to the soil" is not a movement, it is an instinct—the instinct of every normal man. "The simple life" is not a slogan, but an inbred sentiment.

These are the words of W. C. Brown, president of the New York Central lines, in discussing his coming retirement from the railway and financial worlds and his embarkation upon a new career as stock breeder and farmer.

Mr. and Mrs. Brown were at the Blackstone Hotel today. Mr. Brown conferred with local officers of his company. They departed this evening for Iowa. A 640-acre ranch near Des Moines is to be their future home.

"The rounding out of the cycle of ambitions of the normal man leads back to mother earth, whence we all sprang," continued Mr. Brown. "The farmer's boy, lured by the labors of the field, aspires to be a merchant in the nearby county-seat. The merchant in such a town has an ambition to be a banker in a large city—the State capital perhaps. And the banker thinks he would be satisfied if he could become president of a big railroad system. If he ever attains to that ambition, he discovers that he would much rather be a farmer.

"That is what I expect to be for the rest of my life—a farmer and a breeder of fancy stock. In that work I know I will find the fullest measure of satisfaction; I will feel that I am really accomplishing something in the world."

Mrs. Brown is in fullest sympathy with her husband's plans for the farm life.

EIGHT KILLED IN WRECK.

"Dixie Flyer" Goes Through Trestle Near Tifton, Georgia—Wreck Caused by Broken Axle on Engine.

Tifton, Ga., March 25.—In one of the worst railroad disasters ever known in the South Atlantic States, eight persons were killed and more than a dozen injured when train No. 95, known as the "Dixie Flyer" on the Atlantic Coast Line, and running between Chicago and Jacksonville, Fla., went through a trestle over the Alapaha river, eighteen miles east of here early this morning. Tonight but one body, that of John T. Watson, of Lander, Wyo., remained in the cars in the river. Had it not been for the wreck Watson would have been a bridegroom today. His sweetheart, Miss Elsie Shippey, of Pasadena, who was on the train with him and to whom he was to have been married in Jacksonville tomorrow, remained at the wreck throughout the day and night, watching the efforts of the rescuers to recover Watson's body. Late tonight it was said that the wreck had been thoroughly examined and that the death toll will not be increased, as all passengers had been accounted for. All the wounded have been carried to the Atlantic Coast Line hospital at Waycross. The bodies of the dead were removed to Tifton.

The cars plunged into the river after an axle on the engine suddenly snapped when midway of the trestle. The locomotive never left the track, but the tender was derailed and the tank tumbled to the bank of the stream. The trestle is about half a mile long, but the river was low and at the point of the accident was not more than fifty yards across. The express and baggage cars, two day coaches and one Pullman were piled in an indescribable mass in the center of the stream.

O. F. Bomwart, of Henderson, Ky., was instantly killed, which his wife beside him escaped with slight injuries.

Thirty Firemen Killed—Buried Along the Railroad Track.

Lexington, Ky., March 24.—Thirty men have been killed since the strike of firemen on the Cincinnati, New Orleans & Texas Pacific railroad (the Queen & Crescent) was inaugurated, according to authentic information received here today. Most of them were negroes working as strike breakers and the majority were killed near Somerset, Ky. The railroad company has made great effort to keep the real situation secret and most of the dead men have been buried along side the railroad tracks without burial rites.

A second shooting occurred this evening near Helenwood when a strike-breaking fireman on a south-bound freight climbed out upon the tender and was shot and wounded by strikers in ambush. He was rushed to Chattanooga.

A LIFETIME TROUBLE.

Ingram, Texas.—"Ever since I became a woman," writes Mrs. E. M. Evans, of this place, "I suffered from womanly trouble. Last fall, it got so bad, I had to stay in bed for nearly a week every month. Since taking Cardui, I feel better than I have for years." You can rely on Cardui. Prepared especially for women, it relieves womanly pain, by acting on the cause, and builds up womanly strength where it is most needed. Purely vegetable. Mild, but certain in action. Try it. At your druggist's.

Farm Topics.

MR. PATE LIKES THE FARM COLUMN.

He Favours Early Planting of Corn and Cotton—An Early Gardener—Glad The Caucasian Is in Harmony With Farmers' Union.

Editor Caucasian:—In the last issue of your excellent paper Mr. Ivey spoke the sentiments of a score of your readers all through my section where The Caucasian is a welcome weekly visitor. I join him in all the praises he gives your paper, and hope the farm columns may add new laurels for each of you. I want to challenge the State of North Carolina on gardening. I have been getting garden greens in plenty since March 15th, and I hereby ask all the readers of your paper not to sow their garden seed any later than January 20th any year. This has been my custom for six years and I have always been successful in having salad from my garden by April 1st.

On March 4th, the day Mr. Taft was inaugurated as President, I began planting corn in lowland, and have never housed a better crop from the land. On April 5th the same year I began planting cotton (only ten acres) as an experiment and I made a full crop from the said land. This was the early King variety. I take personal pride in seeing your paper so much with the farmers and the Farmers' Union, and I want to ask all the members of the Union to well consider what is before them, as planting time is drawing near. I have been president of my local union three years. I will not write any more at present, as I am expecting something better from some one else; so come along, gentlemen, and let's help a good cause.

LEWIS B. PATE. Goldsboro, N. C., March 27th.

Farmers' Union Growing.

A Farmers' Union was organized at Wilson last Saturday. A good number of farmers were present and much interest was manifested in the meeting. Other county unions will be organized in the near future as follows:

- Bertie County, at Mars Hill, May 17th. Hertford County, at Ahoskie, May 15th. Northampton County, May 19th.

"Ged Rid of the Pessimist on the Farm."

In a recent address the Secretary of Agriculture, Hon. James Wilson, used this sentence: "Get rid of the pessimist on the farm; he is dangerous. The farm is not the place for the man who is not hopeful."

The dream of the man who writes this column is that the time may come when the pessimist will be persona non grata everywhere. After all, there is no place for him. In business, in the professions, on the farm—everywhere—he is decidedly a menace. Hopefulness is a necessity and essential to success.—T. W. C., in Charlotte Observer.

Caldwell's Champion Potato Raiser.

Lenoir News.] Mr. J. Calvin Coffey, our champion potato raiser, who lives in the Mulberry Creek Valley, sold last week four hundred bushels of fine potatoes. This is only a part of his crop of 1,200 bushels which he harvested. Mr. Coffey finds ready sale for his potatoes at good prices and finds it one of his most profitable crops.

Science on the Farm.

Monroe Enquirer.] "It is an inspiration to see how farmers are studying improved methods of farming," says Mr. T. J. W. Broom, who has been on a tour through a number of the eastern and Piedmont counties recently. "Everywhere they are waking up to the growing of larger crops and to soil improvement." Mr. Broom continued, "and this year they are going at it with more intelligence than ever before."

No More Galluses or Cowhide Boots.

While the railroads are being peppered with advice on scientific reductions of expenses, and city folk

SUFFERED 23 YEARS

Constant Sufferer From Chronic Catarrh Relieved by PERUNA.

Mrs. J. H. Bourland, San Saba, Texas, writes:

"For twenty-three years I was a constant sufferer from chronic catarrh. I had a severe misery and burning in the top of my head. There was almost a continual dropping of mucus into my throat, which caused frequent expectoration. My entire system gradually became involved, and my condition grew worse. I had an incessant cough and frequent attacks of bilious colic, from which it seemed I could not recover. My bowels also became affected, causing alarming attacks of hemorrhages. I tried many remedies, which gave only temporary relief or no relief at all. I at last tried Peruna, and in three days I was relieved of the bowel derangement. After using five bottles I was entirely cured. I most cheerfully recommend the use of Peruna to any one similarly afflicted."

Mrs. J. H. Bourland.

are wrought up over local politics and the management of public-service corporations, attention must be called to the fact that the old conventional idea of the farmer must be changed, for the present-day agriculturist is a different being.

Now, the keen eye of the railroad magnate can see where the farmer is letting millions of dollars go to waste but perhaps the farmer, on the other hand, can show the railroad man a thing or two. The gaunt, poorly-clad individual of former days, with demoralized "galluses," the traditional cowhide boots, jeans and unbleached "hickory" shirt, belongs to a past day and age. To-day, when three fair hogs can be sold for a hundred dollars apiece each season, and when good money can be had on farm products, such "luxuries" as collars, cuffs, derbies and neckties have a ready sale at the village store.

While the subject of the cost of production is being investigated by scientists, the farmer has unostentatiously, but practically, been giving the same problem effective attention. "Affairs at Washington," Joe Mitchell Chapple, in the National Magazine for April.

cutting Mrs. Haynie.

Shreveport, La., March 25.—Representing the family of the deceased, Attorney N. W. Outlaw, of Goldsboro, N. C., arrived here to-day to investigate the killing of C. G. Kornegay, a railroad rate clerk formerly of that city, with a view of assisting the State's force in the prosecution of Mrs. Leotah Haynie, who is imprisoned here for fatally shooting Kornegay through jealousy.

The grand jury, which convenes the last of April, will investigate the case and the trial will follow immediately.

Only yesterday Mrs. Haynie's husband made announcement that he would be in Shreveport as soon as he could wind up his business affairs and would spend every cent he had in the attempt to clear his wife of the charge of murder.

Seaboard to Expend \$2,000,000 for New Equipment and Supplies.

Baltimore, Md., March 23.—It was announced here to-day that the Seaboard Air Line Railway is about to expend \$2,000,000 for new equipment and supplies. Bids will be asked for twenty-five locomotives, 1,200 freight cars and 15,000 tons of steel rails for delivery without delay. It was added, to meet the requirements of the rapid growth of traffic in the South.

FREE TO YOU—MY SISTER Free to You and Every Sister Suffering from Woman's Ailments.

Advertisement for a women's health product. Text includes: "I am a woman. I know woman's sufferings. I have found them. I will mail, free of any charge, my best... with full instructions to any sufferer from woman's ailments. I want to tell of women about this cure—yes, my reader, for yourself, your daughter, your mother or your sister. I want to tell you how to cure yourselves at home without the help of a doctor. Men cannot understand women's sufferings. What do women know but experience, we know better than any doctor. I know that my home treatment is safe and sure... I want to send you a complete list of my treatment... will not interfere with your work or occupation. Just send me your name and address, tell me how you will receive the treatment, and I will send you the treatment for your case, entirely free. In plain words, by return mail, I will also send you the best of my book, 'WOMAN'S OWN HEALTH', with explanatory illustrations showing why women suffer, and how they can easily cure themselves at home. Every woman should have it, and learn to take it herself. Then when the doctor says 'You must have an operation,' you can decide for yourself. Thousands of women have cured simple home treatment which speedily and effectively cures Leucorrhoea, Green Discharge, Painful or Irregular Menstruation in young Ladies, Pimples and health always results from its use. Wherever you live, I can refer you to ladies of your own locality who know and will gladly tell you sufferings that this treatment really cures all women's diseases, and makes women well, strong, plump and robust. As you may not see this offer, Address: MRS. M. SUMMERS, Box H, South Bond, Ind., U. S. A."