

PROF. G. B. HANNA DIED SUDDENLY THIS MORNING

The End Came at the Charlotte Mint, Where he had Served the Government Faithfully for Nearly Two Score Years. A Notable Career.

His Body was Found by a Negro Porter. Death was Due to Apoplexy. Was President of the Charlotte Y. M. C. A. and was Prominent in Religious Work.

Prof. George B. Hanna, for more than two score years assayer at the Charlotte Mint, died suddenly this morning at fifteen minutes to nine o'clock at the mint building, shortly after coming into the building for the day's work.

Prof. Hanna's death was not discovered until a quarter past nine o'clock and at that time the body was cold. A hasty examination by a physician indicated that death had occurred three quarters of an hour before.

Mr. D. K. Pope, in charge of the Charlotte Mint, stated that he went into the work room, where Prof. Hanna does most of the assaying, in com-

pany with several gentlemen who had brought some gold to the mint, and that not finding Prof. Hanna at his post, he made inquiry if he would be at work today, and was told by his stenographer that she had not seen him this morning.

The colored janitor however, said that he had seen Prof. Hanna come in nearly an hour before.

Mr. Pope at once ordered the darkey to ascertain if Prof. Hanna was in the building, and it was less than a minute when the janitor came back with the startling news that Prof. Hanna was in the adjoining room, lying cold in death.

Mr. Pope rushed to the telephone and called for a physician and the body was examined, the result being the discovery that he had most likely been dead three quarters of an hour. The face of the venerable man was appallingly blue which according to the physician's statement indicates almost certainly that a sudden stroke of apoplexy caused his death.

His end must have been painless and without a struggle.

Tenderly, the remains were carried by friends to the home of the deceased on Tenth avenue, and in the meantime the news spread rapidly that Prof. Hanna was dead and expressions of sorrow were heard on every hand.

The news came as a startling announcement to the hundreds of people who have known Prof. Hanna for many years, and to whom the life of the deceased had been an inspiration, and to hundreds of whom the kind usefulness of the man had been as a balm in the battle of life.

George B. Hanna was born in Holbrook, Massachusetts, October 10, 1835. After receiving an education in the North he moved to Charlotte in 1868, coming here with a letter of introduction to Capt. John Wilkes.

In the fall of the same year Prof. Hanna was appointed to the position as practical assayer of the Charlotte Mint.

In 1879 Prof. Hanna was married to Miss Nina Trotter of this city, who died October 6, 1891. He was married the second time to Miss Nola Alexander, the daughter of Dr. A. W. Alexander of Charlotte, who survives him.

Besides a wife, Prof. Hanna is survived only by one brother in Massachusetts, who has been telegraphed of the sad event, and pending a message from him, the funeral arrangements are being delayed until the brother telegraphs when he can reach Charlotte.

The Christian world of Charlotte has received in the death of this good man a great blow—perhaps the greatest that has ever befallen it.

An adequate tribute to the noble



PROF. GEORGE B. HANNA.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS.

Joint Council of Charlotte, Wilmington and Greensboro.

The first meeting of the Knights of Columbus was held in the O'Donoghue Hall this afternoon at 3 o'clock when about 40 candidates were initiated.

The delegates here are from the Charlotte, Wilmington and Greensboro councils for the conferring of the three degrees.

The first and second degrees were conferred by the degree team of Charlotte council and the third under the supervision of the territory deputy, J. W. Conway.

At the conclusion of the degree work which will last until late in the afternoon an elaborate banquet will be served at the Colonial Club.

Condition of Mrs. Davis.

New York May 21.—Mrs. Jefferson Davis is reported greatly improved.

AMERICAN VICE CONSUL KILLED

The Assassin of Mr. W. H. Stewart, Vice Consul, Escaped. Mr. Stewart was an Englishman and his Life had Often been Threatened.

By Associated Press.

Batoum, May 21.—W. H. Stewart, the American Vice Consul, was shot and killed at his country place last night. The assassin escaped.

Stewart was British subject and one of the largest ship brokers and exporters of Batoum. During the revolutionary troubles last fall his life was many times threatened by the Longshoremen, and at Christmas a deputation visited his office, and practically compelled him to give them \$1,500 under guise of a holiday gratuity for dock laborers.

Was an Englishman.

Washington, May 21.—Vice Consul Stewart, who was killed at Batoum was an Englishman, 49 years old and had filled the position about two years. At the time of his death he was acting consul.

As the girl fell her mother ran from the house and was immediately attacked by Cole, who rendered her unconscious with a single blow. He then drew a revolver and killed himself.

OFFICIAL PROGRAM.

TUESDAY.

9:30 A. M. The Third Regiment Band and Keesler Concert Band will play for an hour on the Grand Stand at the corner of South Tryon and Second Sts.

11:00 A. M. Military and Fireman's Street Parade. Regular Army Troops, State Troops, Veterans and City Fire Departments will take part in this parade. Human Flag on Grand Stand at the corner of South Tryon and Second streets. Governor R. B. Glenn and his staff will view the parade in full uniform.

12:30 P. M. Veterans' Drill in front of the Grand Stand at corner of South Tryon and Second streets.

3:30 P. M. Balloon Ascension at the Fair Grounds.

4:00 P. M. Exhibition Drill by Infantry, Cavalry and Marines (Regular Army) at the Fair Grounds. Governor Glenn and his staff will attend. Marine and Third Regiment Bands will play at these exercises.

7:30 P. M. Carnival of Lights on main streets.

8:30 P. M. Special Concert by Marine Band in Academy of Music (benefit of Marine Band.)

United Commercial Travelers' Carnival on South Church street and Battery "A" Carnival at the Fair Grounds. Open from 8 A. M. until midnight.

NEW RUTHERFORD BANK.

Has Been Organized at Ellenboro—Interesting News Notes.

Rutherfordton, May 21.—A large number of people from both our town and county will attend the 20th of May celebration at Charlotte this week. The marine band and many other excellent attractions on the program have greatly interested the people and they are looking forward with much pleasure to the fast approaching event.

Mr. and Mrs. K. J. Carpenter, Mrs. Mary Carson and Misses Mae Fisher and Laura Bartlett left Thursday for Greenville, S. C., to attend the meeting of the Presbyterian General Assembly, which convened in that city yesterday, and also to visit relatives and friends.

Messrs. M. L. Justice and O. T. Waldrop are now beginning the work of erecting their brick block of three handsome stories on the Bartlett property on Main street which will be a great addition to our town. The new structure will have iron fronts and French plate glass and will be up-to-date in every particular.

Messrs. K. J. Carpenter and C. D. Greer are just finishing two handsome new residences in the western portion of the town, which are located near the site for the new sanitarium.

Dr. M. H. Briggs, one of the Philadelphia parties interested in the sanitarium, was here last week and closed the contract for the building of the institution. The promoters hope to have the work completed by the first of September when the sanitarium will be opened up.

Beginning on Monday the 21st instant, the new passenger train recently put on the Southern, will carry mail which will give us still better mail facilities. It is also said that mail service will be placed on the new S. A. L. train recently put on between this place and Wilmington.

The fourth bank for Rutherford county has been organized at Ellenboro and will begin business early next month. Mr. Simmons, of Haw River, together with several Ellenboro business men are the stockholders. The new institution will have a paid up capital of \$5,000. A charter has been applied for and the safe is expected to arrive next week.

Rev. W. R. Minter, principal of the Westminster School at Widemore, is holding a series of meetings at the Presbyterian church, assisted by the pastor, Rev. S. L. Cathey. The meetings began Sunday morning and will continue throughout the week. Mr. Minter is an earnest and forceful preacher and has many warm friends and admirers here where he was formerly pastor.

PARDON WILL BE ASKED.

Governor Will be Asked to Grant Conditional Pardon to Susie Hannon.

Special to The News.

Concord, May 21.—Governor Glenn will be asked to grant a conditional pardon to Susie Hannon the twelve year girl under sentence to five years in the penitentiary.

Under the law the governor has the right to grant a conditional pardon and the purpose in this application is to ask him to have her placed in some school or preferably in some private family, on condition that she there remain during the term of her sentence and that no friend or member of her family interfere during the term if these conditions be broken then the governor has the right and power to revoke the pardon.

DANGER FROM FIRE PAST

The Loss is Thought to Have Been Only About \$200,000.

By Associated Press.

Marionette, Wis., May 21.—All danger from the Forest Fires is past. The loss is believed to have been greatly exaggerated. The total damage will not be more than \$200,000.

ABOUT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS

Mr. Goulden Said that to be Senator at Albany was Worth \$50,000 and More a Year, and that Money Came Mostly from Insurance Companies.

By Associated Press.

Washington, May 21.—Representative James A. Goulden, of New York, testified before the House committee on Judiciary which is considering the Ames bill for the regulation of insurance in the District of Columbia. Mr. Goulden is general agent of the Penn Mutual Life Insurance Company in New York.

"Why," he said, "it was a well conceded fact that to be a Senator at Albany was worth anywhere from \$50,000 to \$100,000 a year, and that the money came largely from insurance companies. This is no secret. Every New York man knows it. I know it. I know it."

Touching on the subject of campaign contributions, Mr. Goulden said his company had been coerced into giving \$10,000 to a National Campaign Committee in 1896. He did not say which campaign committee received the money, but remarked that the same thing was tried in 1900 and 1904 but without success.

IS THE WEATHER PREDICTION FOR TONIGHT AND TOMORROW.

Cloudy and continued cool weather is the prediction for tonight and tomorrow. Observer Bennett says: "An area of low pressure central this morning over the Gulf of Mexico has caused cloudy weather generally over the South Atlantic States, with light rain in some localities. To the northward fair, cool weather has prevailed under the influence of a high pressure area which is moving out this morning over New England. A low pressure area this morning has caused rain over the Missouri and upper Mississippi valleys. The indications for this vicinity are cloudy and continued cool weather tonight and Tuesday."

CONCERNING "THE HUMAN FLAG."

Mr. R. L. Keebler asks that the parents of the Children who are to take part in the "Human Flag" see to it that they are at the grand stand, on South Tryon street tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock. It is very essential that they be on hand promptly at the hour named.

POPE IMPROVING.

Passed a Good Night But Physician Advises Against Audiences for the Present.

By Associated Press.

Rome, May 21.—When Dr. Lapponi visited Pope this morning he found the Pontiff had passed a good night, that the gouty pain in his knee had almost disappeared and his general condition had improved.

Although his temperature was again slightly above normal, the doctor allowed the Pope to get up for a few hours, but advised him not to resume his audiences until the end of the week, and even then only if he continues to make satisfactory progress.

ASSASSINATION ATTEMPTED

Count Keller Seriously Injured from Explosion of Bomb.

By Associated Press.

Kalisz, Russian Poland May 21.—Count Keller Colonel of the Dragoons, was severely wounded by the explosion of a bomb thrown at him, while returning from review. His horse was killed, and his orderly injured. The would-be assassin escaped.

Count Keller, has been prominent in suppressing the disturbances here, and in this vicinity.

CLASS OF DEAF MUTES

Confirmed by Bishop Cheshire at Durham Last Night.

Special to The News.

Raleigh, May 21.—Bishop Joseph Blount Cheshire, of Diocese of North Carolina, returned this morning from Durham where last night he confirmed a class of 17 deaf mutes, one of the most remarkable services ever performed in this State. He was assisted by Rev. Oliver Wheden, who interpreted the service between the Bishop and the class.

END OF MAN HUNT.

After Months Land Fraud Man is Captured.

By Associated Press.

San Francisco, May 21.—S. A. D. Puter, accused of complicity in the Oregon Land Frauds and who has been hunted for months by the federal authorities since he escaped from the detectives at Boston, was arrested at Alameda yesterday by secret service men.

THE LIST OF CASES BEFORE RECORDER

Man Charged with Robbing a Visitor. Oglesby and his Eggs. Ben Lay Charged with Assaulting a Soldier. Other Cases Passed on.

M. Oglesby, fined \$25 for allowing decayed eggs to remain in his premises; Ben Lay, fined \$20 for assaulting a soldier Saturday night; W. F. Vaughn, a railroad man, placed under a \$500 bond charged with the larceny of about \$65 at a boarding house from a Twentieth of May visitor; John Thompson, fined \$5 for beating his wife; Jim Steel, under a \$20 bond charged with being drunk, failing to appear, and ordered to be taken on a capias, case continued; Os. Baker, carrying concealed weapons, and under a peace bond, sent to Squire Hilton's court—these were the principal cases disposed of in the Recorder's court this morning.

The most serious charge was that against young Vaughn, who, according to the statement of the young man Fort, a visitor from Forest City, is alleged to have taken between \$60 and \$70 from under his pillow Saturday night, the two men with Fort's brother and another youth occupying the same room.

Fort says that the money was placed inside his pillow, and that after he had nearly dozed to sleep his brother not liking the pillow which was on the same bed threw it off, that Vaughn had it on his bed next morning, where it had been thrown. The money, according to Fort, was gone. Officers stated that they had taken charge of the railroad man, and had found a considerable sum of money on him. Unless he can give a \$500 bond he will be kept in confinement until tomorrow when the case will be heard before the Recorder.

The case against M. Oglesby was somewhat humorous. The chief read the warrant and said that the defendant was charged with keeping decayed and aged eggs on his lot. Officer Barnhardt had warned Oglesby to remove the eggs but had told him that he might put one crate in the barn until Monday. Later officer Bell saw a crate on the back porch and had them removed.

The Recorder took occasion to warn the police that they should never say anything that might be taken as a half concession to anybody to do anything to violate the law, stating that he was not reprimanding any officer but speaking for the future. In view of the tangle which had resulted from the Oglesby case and the crate of eggs.

The case against Lay and Shue, the latter being a soldier from Richmond, was more than amusing. Shue said he had been assaulted by Lay Saturday night without cause, and had run when he found out that Lay was showing fight. The soldier was discharged and Lay was fined \$20 and costs.

TROUBLE AVERTED.

Threatened Storm Has Blown Over—To Proceed With Regular Business in Parliament.

By Associated Press.

St. Petersburg, May 21.—The threatened storm over the Emperor's refusal to receive the delegation from the Lower House of Parliament, appointed to present to him his reply to the speech from the Throne, has been averted. The House this afternoon adopted a resolution to proceed with the regular order of business and a discussion of the Agrarian question began.

WRETCH KILLS WIFE DAUGHTER AND SELF

John Cole, a New Jersey Engineer Attacks Daughter Just after her Sweetheart had Left her Home. Mother Rushed to Rescue and is Killed.

By Associated Press.

Woodcliff, N. J., May 21.—John Cole an engineer, killed his daughter Maria with an axe today, attacked his wife with the same weapon, striking her on the head and probably fatally injuring her and then killed himself by shooting.

The tragedy followed the departure from Cole's house of a young man to whom it is said the daughter was engaged. The girl was still looking in the direction in which the young man had disappeared, when her father, axe in hand and unopposed, sprang out at her. The girl jumped back, but as she dodged her father drove the axe into her skull and she fell, dying instantly.

As the girl fell her mother ran from the house and was immediately attacked by Cole, who rendered her unconscious with a single blow. He then drew a revolver and killed himself.

THE CASE OF SENATOR BURTON.

The Supreme Court Affirms the Decision of the U. S. Circuit Court for the Eastern District of Missouri.

By Associated Press.

Washington, May 21.—The Supreme Court of the United States rendered a decision in the case of United States Senator Joseph R. Burton of Kansas, against Burton, affirming the decision of the United States Circuit Court for the Eastern district of Missouri, by which Burton was sentenced to six months imprisonment in the jail of Iron county, Missouri, required to pay a fine of \$2,500 and deprived of the right to hereafter hold an office under the government.

All points made in Burton's interest were overruled. Senator Burton was prosecuted on the charge of violating section 1782 of the revised statutes which prohibits Senators and Representatives from receiving compensation for services rendered before any of the government departments in any matter in which the government may be interested. He was specifically charged with accepting a fee of \$500 per month for five months from the Rialto Grain and Securities Company for services rendered that company in an effort to prevent the issuance of an order by the Postoffice Department prohibiting the use of the mails by that company.

Justices Brewer, White and Peckham, united in a dissenting opinion which was based on the theory that the United States was not legally interested in the case against the Rialto Company, in which Burton was employed as counsel.

Immediately after promulgating its decision in the Burton case the Supreme Court granted a motion to give 60 days to Senator Burton, in which to prepare his decision for a re-hearing. This section will have the effect of taking the case over until the next term of the court beginning in October, as the present term will expire next Monday.

More than Half a Century.

Mr. M. M. Cline, who has been a subscriber to The Charlotte Democrat and The Times-Democrat for the past 54 years is a visitor to Charlotte. Mr. Cline is always a welcome visitor to Charlotte.

SUNDAY TRAGEDY NEAR PINEVILLE

Susan Cooper a Negro Woman, Killed by Perkins Cooper. Cobb Weathers Held as an Accessory Both Men are Now in Mecklenburg County Jail.

Susan Cooper, a well known negro woman of the Pineville section, was instantly killed yesterday afternoon by Warren Perkins. The weapon used was a pistol and Cobb Weathers, a friend of Perkins is also charged with being in the crime.

Both Perkins and Weathers were arrested by Constable Culp yesterday afternoon and were brought to Charlotte and lodged in the county jail.

Early this morning Coroner Gresham left for the scene of the tragedy. A jury was empaneled and the verdict was that "the deceased" came to her death from a pistol shot wound, the pistol being in the hands of Warren Perkins, and that Cobb Weathers is an accessory to the killing.

The jury of inquest was composed of the following: W. C. Owens, S. B. Bales, S. W. Blackwelder, Joshua Davis, C. W. Zeigler and D. H. Robinson.

The facts in connection with the killing of the woman are meagre. It is said that Perkins walked into the woman's house and tried to kill her with his own pistol. The gun would not fire, so he went out and borrowed Cobb Weathers' gun. He returned to the woman's house and shot her dead.

FIRST DAY OF BIG CELEBRATION HAS BEEN BIG SUCCESS

Visitors are Crowding in From all Sides. The Marine Band Concert this Morning one of the Chief Attractions of the Day. Other Attractions.

The Big Cavalry Drill out at the Park this Afternoon. To-night "The Pike and Artillery Carnival will be the Most Sought for Attractions.

Today marks the beginning of the celebration of the 131st anniversary of the signing of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence.

The city awoke to find the heavens shrouded with lowering clouds. Hearts beat fast and there were many sighs for sunshine and a clear sky.

As the morning wore on, rain commenced to fall and the crowds that lined the streets and public places made a rush for cover. But thanks to the weather god, the clouds soon began to break and a clear sky formed in the heavens.

Charlotte is celebrating; she has invited friends and the public generally to come within her gates and help her do honor to an occasion that truthful history records as one of the great events of the world's history.

Nothing shall mar the greatness of this celebration. Charlotte's warm and hospitable heart is in it and the truth is that North Carolina, the South, and our common country, is watching in breathless silence the turn of the historic wheel.

For the past two months the Old North State's proudest, largest, and most important city, has been preparing for the occasion we now have ushered in. How well these preparations have been made the people who come among us are to determine. It is enough to know that incessant work has been the watchword and the Sentria Executive Committee has gone the limit of endurance.

So, The News, in the name of the good people of Charlotte thrice welcomes all who may come within the gates of the Queen City.

As for the attractions that have been secured for the entertainment of the visitors it is useless to elaborate on. At every turn one can find amusements that really amuse. There are some specially fine attractions and for a number of these Charlotte is indebted to the National Government and especially to President Roosevelt, who has taken an unusual interest in our celebration. Yesterday morning early, Troop "G" of the Thirtieth Regiment of Cavalry arrived and are quartered just in front of the grounds. The cavalrymen are under Capt. T. M. Corcoran, First Lieut. A. H. Davidson, and Second Lieut. M. C. Bristol. They came here from Fort Meyer, Va. There are 58 men and as many horses.

This afternoon and every afternoon during the celebration the troop will give drills in front of the main grand stand.

Companies "H" and "K" of the Seventeenth Regiment, came in last night and the men are quartered on the old Wilson lands now known as Wilmore. The officers in charge are Major F. D. McCoy, Capt. Durfee, Capt. Huget and Lieuts. McConnell, Brockman, Bankhead, Holliday, Murphy, and Ostrom and Chaplain Doherty.

The Marines, which arrived last night from Norfolk, are camped near the Infantry. They are in command of Capt. Louis M. Gulick, First Lieut. Ross R. Kingsbury.

The Marine Band—that great aggregation of musicians—arrived this morning from Washington. Soon thereafter the musicians appeared at the big grand stand, on South Tryon street, where they delighted a large audience for nearly two hours. It was an inspiring scene and one that was enjoyed to the fullest extent.

CLOUDY AND COOLER.

Cloudy and continued cool weather is the prediction for tonight and tomorrow. Observer Bennett says: "An area of low pressure central this morning over the Gulf of Mexico has caused cloudy weather generally over the South Atlantic States, with light rain in some localities. To the northward fair, cool weather has prevailed under the influence of a high pressure area which is moving out this morning over New England. A low pressure area this morning has caused rain over the Missouri and upper Mississippi valleys. The indications for this vicinity are cloudy and continued cool weather tonight and Tuesday."