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NEGRO STARTS TWENTY YEAR SENTENCE IN PENITENTIARY FOR CRIMINAL ASSAULT

Half Witted Negro who Perpetrated Black Crime Begins Long Sentence—Raleigh Cotton Mills Are Curtailing Production.

Governor Glenn Finishes Prohibition Campaign in Western Part of State—Other Capital City News Briefs.

Special to The News. Raleigh, N. C., April 10.—Harry Wood, a negro 19 years old, was sent to the penitentiary to serve 20 years today for criminal assault on a white woman 50 years old. The negro is half-witted.

Secretary-Treasurer C. H. Gattis, of the Eastern Carolina Baseball League, announces an agreement has been reached that the charge for all league games in all six towns, shall be 25 cents for adults; 15 cents for children, and grand stand not over 15 cents.

Governor Glenn concluded his western Carolina prohibition campaign with an address at Newton today. He will be in the executive office tomorrow.

A. A. Thompson, president of the Raleigh and Newse Cotton Mills, has gone to Charlotte to attend the meeting of the executive committee of the North Carolina Cotton Manufacturers' Association. The Raleigh mills are now running only five days a week to avoid overstock.

Special to The News. Raleigh, N. C., April 10.—Last night William G. Hill, judge of Masons conferred the master's degree on five candidates, the lodge being in session from 8 until 11 o'clock.

The growth of Masonry in the past few years has been well nigh phenomenal and it is expected that when the three lodges of the city move into the grand lodge temple, late in the summer, a yet greater period of prosperity will come to them.

Adjutant General T. E. Robertson, of the North Carolina national guards, says there was never a time in the history of the guard when there were so many towns now without military companies asking for admission. In fact there are at least as many now out of the guard asking admission as there are now in the guard.

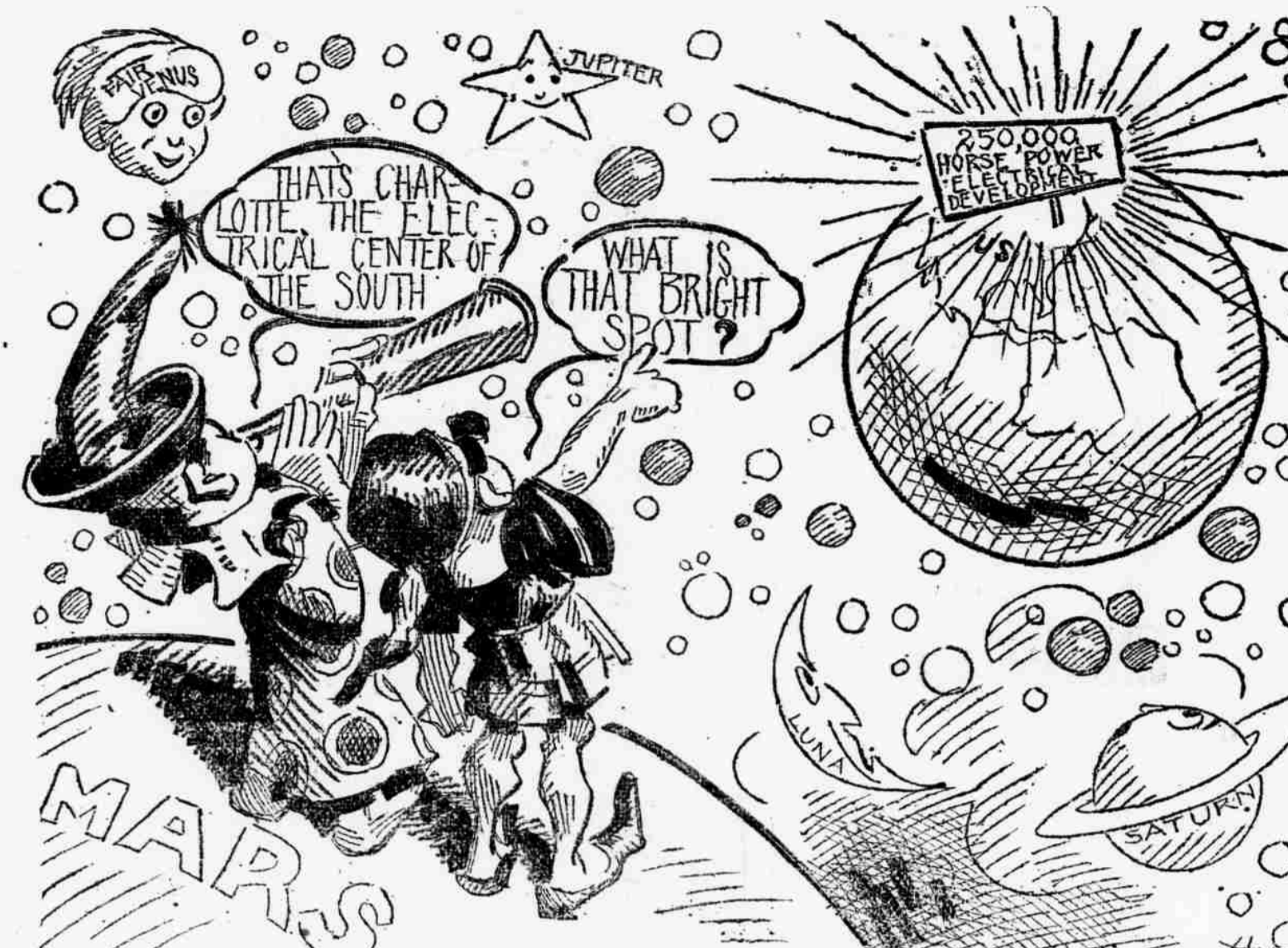
A charter is issued for the Torrence Paint Co., Charlotte, capital \$50,000 authorized and \$10,000 subscribed by Forest Torrence, Gastonia; J. E. Wilson, C. C. Brown, Charlotte. Checks have been issued for about \$20,000 of the \$30,000 placed at the disposal of Governor Glenn by the war department for distribution to the North Carolina volunteers in the Spanish-American war.

Anderson Cotton Mills Have Shut Down. Greenville, S. C., April 10.—The Anderson Cotton Mills shut down today. The mills have 18,000 spindles and 600 looms. They are carrying out the plan of curtailment adopted by the Manufacturers' Association.

Fuller May Sit With Pritchard. Washington, D. C., April 10.—It is understood Chief Justice Fuller has consented to sit with Judge Pritchard in the hearing of the application for a writ of supersedeas, which, if granted, would stay Judge Pritchard's order for the appointment of a receiver in the South Carolina dispensary cases.

There is a fund of about \$800,000 involved, and the state takes sharp exception to Judge Pritchard's intervention in the matter.

It is contended on behalf of the state that the action is against the state as such, and that therefore the federal court is without jurisdiction.



WATCHING CHARLOTTE GROW!

Naval Bill is Considered

By Associated Press. Washington, April 10.—In pursuance of the programme of business mapped out by the republicans through the adoption Wednesday of special rule, the house representatives began consideration of the naval bill.

Mr. Foss said despite criticism the sending of the Atlantic fleet to the Pacific had called forth it had been of inestimable value to the country. Mr. Foss commented upon the fact that the trend of America's development was westward and he foresaw "Two ocean" navy for the country.

Monument To Dead Soldiers

By Associated Press. Shiloh Battlefield, Tenn., April 9.—The monument erected by the state of Minnesota in the National Park at Shiloh to the memory of the Minnesota soldiers who fell on that battlefield, was dedicated here today.

2 Small Boys Were Cremated

By Associated Press. New York, April 10.—Two small boys were killed and several persons injured in a fire which caused a loss of \$20,000 to a five-story tenement house at 25 Pitt street this morning.

Death of Col. Blakely.

New Orleans, April 10.—Col. Andrew R. Blakely, one of the most prominent hotel men in the country, died here. Col. Blakely served in the Confederacy throughout the Civil War and was prominently identified with every important movement in the ranks of the United Confederate veterans.

Prim to Answer For Peonage

Superintendent of the Anchor Mills at Huntersville Indicted on Such a Charge by Federal Grand Jury.

The News yesterday contained a dispatch from Greensboro saying that the federal grand jury there had found a true bill against Mr. J. W. Prim, of Huntersville, charging him with peonage.

Mr. Prim is superintendent of the Anchor Mills, of Huntersville, in which a number of Charlotte people are interested. The circumstances are about like this: Some time ago Mr. W. R. Hammond and his wife were arrested on a warrant sworn out by a justice of the peace in Huntersville, charging them with obtaining goods under false pretenses.

S. C. REPUBLICANS FAVOR FORAKER

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Cost Of Big Storage Plant

Wholesale Fruit Dealer Doubts Whether it Would Pay to Turn The Rock Quarry to Such Purposes.

The novel scheme proposed by Mr. Fred Oliver in The News yesterday afternoon for converting the huge rock quarry into an immense cold storage warehouse attracted much attention and The News heard a number of people speaking of it today.

Sanitarium Now Opened

Special to The News. Greensboro, N. C., April 10.—Dr. B. Williams and Mr. John R. Robinson have opened at 1020 West Market street, the building formerly occupied by Mr. P. D. Gold, Jr., as a residence, a sanitarium for the treatment of the drug and liquor habits and neurasthenia.

WILL NOT INSTRUCT

Prominent Republican Says Delegates Will Go Untrammeled. The republican primaries for Mecklenburg are being held in the country districts this afternoon, and those for the city will be held tonight at 8 o'clock.

When asked this afternoon, a prominent member of the party said that he thought there would be no instructing of delegates at the convention tomorrow, but the delegates would go to all the conventions untrammelled.

NEGROES WANT SAME ACCOMMODATIONS AS GIVEN TO THE WHITE PEOPLE

Interstate Commerce Commission to Hold Hearing in Regard to Enforcing Law Requiring Roads to Give Equal Accommodation

Washington, D. C., April 10.—The interstate commerce commission expects soon to hold a hearing in a case of great interest in connection with the letter sent by President Roosevelt to the department of justice in regard to enforcing laws requiring equal accommodations for colored and white passengers.

The case is that of five bishops of the African Methodist Episcopal church against four large railroads of the south and the Pullman Company.

Inferior accommodations for passengers of the African race, refusal of sleeping car and dining car facilities and other alleged discriminations constitute the grounds for the complaint.

The letter to the department of justice, made public by the president on Wednesday resulted from the decision of the interstate commerce commission in the case of Georgia Edwards against the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis Railway Company, in favor of the complainant.

The president wrote his letter to the department of justice after receiving a letter from a member of the interstate commerce commission to the effect that the order of the commission requiring a railroad company to provide equal accommodations to all passengers had not been complied with by the road.

It is held that the law permits separate accommodations for whites and negroes, but requires the same facilities for both.

Night Riders Again Busy

Lexington, Ky., April 10.—"Night riders" are again becoming active in Montgomery county. Warning notes have been sent to various farmers threatening them with whipping by the riders, who say they will make their visit in the day time if the offending persons are not found at home at night.

DEATH OF MR. L. D. GORDON.

Special to The News. Winston-Salem, N. C., April 10.—Mr. L. D. Gordon died yesterday at the home of his son, Mr. L. K. Gordon, of Thirteenth street. His death was caused by heart trouble. Besides the son above mentioned, with whom he made his home, he leaves a wife and two other sons, the elder, Mr. N. W. Gordon, residing in Elkin.

LAND TRANSFERS

Two Deeds Filed For Registration in Clerk's Office. Two deeds were filed for registration in the office of the clerk of the superior court today.

A Divorce Suit.

A suit for divorce has been instituted in the superior court by John Wherry against Mary Wherry.

Mr. L. L. Probst, the proprietor of the Selwyn Hotel Pool Parlor, was tried this morning before the Recorder on the charge of keeping his place open after midnight, which is a violation of an old ordinance, which could not be located yesterday morning, when the defendant appeared in court.

Col. Kirkpatrick represented Probst and contended before the Recorder that Probst could be guilty of only a technical violation, if guilty of anything.

Probst testified that he closed the place at 12 o'clock Thursday morning and all of the crowd left except Paul Young and two other men, who remained in order to eat a lunch ordered from the cafe. He stated that after eating he went to sleep on the table, and he woke up at 5 o'clock, the officers were in the room. He claimed that he was not aware that the others were playing, and that he received no pay for the games.

Officers Henry and House testified as to going to the place and finding Probst asleep and the others with cues in their hands.

Chief Christenbury stated that about a month ago, he had warned one of the proprietors, a Mr. Winterfield, that it was contrary to the city code to have games going on after midnight, but that he had never spoken to Mr. Probst on the subject.

Alderman Shelor went on the stand and testified as to the good character of Mr. Probst.

Mr. Probst was fined \$10 and the costs, but gave notice of appeal, and a cash bond of \$25 was required.

HONORABLE MRS. REDWINE, OF MONROE, IN HOSPITAL HERE.

Hon. R. B. Redwine, a prominent attorney of Monroe, arrived in the city this morning with his little six-year-old son, who was kicked by a horse yesterday afternoon, and sustained a serious fracture of the skull.

Dr. Pressley and Gibson were called to Monroe last night, and operated on the child successfully, finding the bone badly fractured, and the wound a serious one. It was thought best to bring the little fellow to the hospital, and he is resting easy at St. Peter's this afternoon.

The little boy was playing at the heels of an old family horse yesterday when the animal gave a vicious kick, striking the boy on the side of the head.

Annual Meeting Will Be Held on 29th. The annual meeting of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod and Ministerium of North Carolina will be held at China Grove Wednesday, April the 29th, the sessions to be held in the Lutheran Chapel church, of which Rev. C. A. Brown is the pastor. The synodical sermon will be preached by Rev. George H. Cox, D. D.; beneficiary education, by Rev. C. M. Fox; missions, by Rev. R. C. Holland, pastor of St. Mark's Lutheran church in this city, and benediction, by Rev. George S. Boardman.

Cochrane Show Case Company Gets Contract to Install Furniture. The Cochrane Show Case Company has secured the contract to furnish the office fixtures and furniture for the Union National Bank, in the Buford Hotel building. The fixtures will be the handsomest yet turned out by the show case company. They will consist of white Vermont marble and mahogany and bronze gridd plate-glass. The bank's offices will be fitted as handsomely as could be done by any concern in the country.

The Cochrane Show Case Company, since it started in business here several years ago, has won a wide reputation on its work, which is considered as fine as may be turned out anywhere in the south.

"Peculiar Pumpkins" is the attraction at the Royal today. This is a good production and will please all.

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The features of the convention was the election of delegates to the district and state conventions, and the fact that the delegates go uninstructed, to vote as they deem best for the presidential nominee, is of interest.

From what can be gathered it seems that the majority of them are for Foraker, being opposed to Taft, although Taft is supported by Hon. John G. Capers, state federal referee.

A resolution was passed criticizing President Roosevelt rather severely for his action in dismissing from the army the soldiers whom it is alleged were engaged in the Brownsville riot, without giving them either military or civil trial.

Dr. Williams has been engaged in this line of work for 12 years and is well known throughout the state as a specialist in the work. Mr. Robinson also has had experience which qualifies him for his new undertaking. The institution will be known as "Williams' Private Sanitarium."

The North Carolina Mattress Company, which started the manufacture of mattresses a few weeks ago in a small building on lower Asheboro street, has outgrown these quarters and moved to 103 South Davie street.