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NORTH CAROLINA MAN ARRESTED IN PHILADELPHIA FOR BIG INSURANCE FRAUD

Made Charlotte Headquarters When he Collected Big Sum of Money From Mrs. Hattie Bryant, of Laurinburg.

Money Was Never Placed on Deposit in Charlotte Bank - Warrants Have Been Out For Mills for Years - A Full Story.

Special to The News. Raleigh, N. C., April 27.—The arrest of W. J. Mills in Philadelphia, at the instance of the North Carolina department of insurance brings to light a most remarkable insurance fraud. Five years ago Mills, who represented the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York, with headquarters at Charlotte, collected \$9,200 in insurance premiums from Mrs. Hattie W. Bryant, of Laurinburg, N. C., who is now by subsequent marriage Mrs. Hattie S. McLocklin. The payments were for two policies of \$10,000 each and one of \$500 on the ten-payment gold bond plan. The payments as represented to her were to pay premiums within five years, which time expired last fall. Mrs. McLocklin was informed by the company that all the policies except one had lapsed, the agent having only reported one payment each on two of the policies. Commissioner Young forced a settlement whereby Mrs. McLocklin was given \$12,000 in paid up policies and \$15,000 in cash. Further fraud perpetrated by Mills was the procuring from Mrs. McLocklin of a check for \$1,400 to deposit for her with a Charlotte bank for a higher rate of interest. The amount was never deposited. A warrant for this offense has been outstanding for several years. W. A. Scott went to Philadelphia Friday to locate Mills, and Mrs. McLocklin has also gone to Philadelphia to identify him. Commissioner Young is absolutely sure he has the right man.

CRAP SHOOTERS ROUNDED UP. Police Officers Make a Good Haul on Victor Woods.

Officers Hoagland, House and Malcolm rounded up a good bunch of crap shooters yesterday afternoon about 3 o'clock in the Victor Woods, which has become lately the scene of much revelry of this nature among the white and colored population. The offenders were all white boys, and were as follows: Cliff Ellis, Henry Holler, E. V. Mullis, H. John Ritch, Chas. Pendleton, John Williams, Henry Reeves, John John Simpson and Will Donaldson. They were tried before Recorder Spear, this morning and were bound over under \$40 bond each, except Holler, who was made to give a \$50 bond.

LAND TRANSFERS. Several Deeds Filed for Registration in Clerk's Office.

The following deeds were filed for registration in the office of the clerk of the superior court today: D. A. Tompkins to Paul Chatham, a lot in "Oakhurst," 50x220 feet, the consideration being \$700. Chas. Kirkpatrick to the Southern Real Estate, Loan and Trust Company, a lot on North Caldwell street, 50x98 feet, the consideration being \$950. A. P. Brizzell to Chas. Kirkpatrick, for \$700, a lot at the corner of Oak and Frazier avenues, 185x150 feet. John E. Haughton to Lester Yandle, for \$400, a lot in Matthews, 70x175.

NO NEW REGISTRATION. Dilworth is Only Precinct in City Where There Will Be One.

There will be no new registration for the prohibition election where the booths have been lost. Dilworth precinct in the city where there will have to be a new registration. In all of the other precincts those who have been registered will not have to be registered again.

BASE BALL DIRECTORS MEET. The Schedule of the Carolina League Will Be Changed.

The directors of the Carolina Baseball league will meet here tonight at the Selwyn hotel to make a final solution of the schedule arrangement. The schedule which was adopted at Spartanburg proving, in some minor degree, objectionable. It is not thought any other business will come before the board. All of the directors are expected to be present.

BOARD OF PUBLIC SERVICE. No Matter of Grave Importance Taken Up at Meeting.

The board of public service met in regular monthly session this afternoon at 3 o'clock. There was nothing of especial importance under consideration. The members enjoyed an informal discussion of the progress of the work on the streets.

Columbus Ga. Is Flooded

By Associated Press. Washington, April 27.—Serious flood conditions are reported. Columbus, Ga., is reported to be the chief sufferer. The Chattahoochee river there rising a foot an hour. The electric power house is partly submerged, factories have resigned while holding the river. Two steamboats were torn from their moorings and have gone down the river.

MR. WADSWORTH TO RESIGN. He Will Do This For Reason of His Leaving Ward One.

For some time it has been known that Alderman J. W. Wadsworth had under consideration removing from Ward One to Ward Four, which would make him ineligible to hold the office of alderman from the former ward, but this has only recently been confirmed. Mr. Wadsworth has stated that he expects to resign from the board about May 1, on account of his moving and for no other reason. This will leave vacant the office of chairman of the finance committee of the board, which seems hard to keep filled as no less than three aldermen have resigned while holding this position. Mr. C. A. Williams, one of these, resigning for the same reason as Mr. Wadsworth, that he was moving from one to another. In Mr. Wadsworth's resignation, the city will lose a good officer, and one who has taken much interest in its affairs.

Daughters of Liberty to Meet. Special to The News.

Raleigh, N. C., April 27.—The Women's branch of the Junior Order United American Mechanics—Daughters of Liberty—will assemble in state council in this city Tuesday. The membership in North Carolina is not very large. After serving with credit for some time as clerk and later as chief clerk at the Yarrowborough Hotel here Mr. W. W. Wilson has resigned to become chief clerk at the Gaston Hotel, new-borne. Mr. Wilson is especially popular.

NEGROES TO DIE FOR MURDER

By Associated Press. Fort Worth, Texas, April 27.—At Gilmer, Texas, Saturday, Ben Holland, a negro, killed his sister. Several hundred negroes were preparing to lynch him for the deed when Constable Cumbie, carrying a shotgun, attempted to disperse the crowd. The mob closed in on the officer, who clubbed his gun and started to fight his way out. In the struggle both barrels of the gun were discharged, killing Josephine Mitchell and an unknown negro man.

SENATOR TILLMAN WILL SAIL FOR EUROPE MAY 16

Special to The News. Columbia, S. C., April 27.—Senator and Mrs. Tillman, accompanied by Dr. J. W. Babcock and Dr. J. J. Watson of Columbia will sail for Europe on May 16th. Senator and Mrs. Tillman will spend the entire summer in Europe, most of the time in England, and the Senator will therefore not engage in political work or lecturing this summer at all. He will be on the ocean when the South Carolina state Democratic convention meets on May 20th at the National Convention for the first time in 20 years. The party will sail from Boston by the White Star Line and will first to Gibraltar, Genoa, and Naples, and Dr. Babcock and Watson both personal friends of Senator Tillman, will spend some time in Italy studying Pellaagra, concerning which disease they have made some remarkable discoveries during the last year.

W. J. MILLS ARRESTED

Man Wanted on Charge of False Pretense is Caught in Philadelphia. A message from Philadelphia states that Mr. W. J. Mills, at one time a resident of Charlotte, and who is wanted for having secured money from a Laurinburg lady under false pretense several years ago. Mills was in the insurance business in Charlotte, and went to Laurinburg to settle a claim against the company which he represented, and while there, it is alleged that he sold to the widow of the man insured what was supposed to be an annuity policy, and failed to make the proper returns.



Death List Has Reached 376 From Steam To Electricity

Reports Gathered from Chadwick - Hoskins Mills All Over Four States Show Near 400 Deaths as Result of Storm - 1200 are Injured. Atlanta, Ga., April 27.—All reports today indicate that the wind storm which rolled up a death list of nearly 400 and list of injured about 1200 during last Friday and Saturday has passed north. That the list of persons killed and injured is about complete is probable and there is no reason to suppose belated reports from districts remote from telephone and telegraph will increase the figures materially. A careful canvass seems to make the death list 376 for Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama and Georgia.

Reports Coming In. New Orleans, April 27.—Belated reports from Louisiana and Mississippi continue to come in from remote points adding materially to the death list. The reports from Richton, Miss., tell of the death of 15 and from Cothoula Parish, La., tell of several deaths.

Loss is Millions. Conditions in the district stricken by the storm show no improvement, according to the latest reports. The death list may reach 450, the list of injured stands at 1,277. Relief measures have been taken in Montgomery, Mobile, New Orleans and other places. The report indicating frosts has hastened preparations for relief of the homeless. There have been no serious developments in the flood situation. Financial loss will aggregate several million in Mississippi, Louisiana and Georgia.

Heavy Damage. Atlanta, Ga., April 27.—Property damage from the flood will be heavy. At Selma, La., a terrific storm struck last night. Four negroes were killed and property damage is heavy. The Alabama river is rising rapidly and flood warnings are given.

Storm at Mobile. Mobile, Ala., April 27.—Reports from adjacent territory tell of the worst hail storm in recent years last night. All the railroads into Mobile are tied up. Reports from Lower Bay say the storm early today was fierce and many ships at anchor dragged some distance. Schooner Henrietta J. Powell went ashore.

Government Will Aid. Washington, April 27.—The President has telegraphed Governor Noel stating the War and Navy departments, Marine hospital service and Red Cross stood ready to give aid wherever it is indicated as needed.

Was Raisuli Killed. London, Eng., April 27.—A news agency here has what purports to be a confirmation of the reported assassination of Raisuli.

Torpedo Boats Sail. Mobile, Ala., April 27.—The torpedo boats Thornton, Porter, DeLong and Blakely sailed for St. Joseph's Bay, Fla.

Kings Daughters Meet This Week. Special to The News. Raleigh, N. C., April 27.—On Thursday and Friday of this week the North Carolina State Convention of the King's Daughters will be in annual session in this city, and on Thursday afternoon the Woman's Club of Raleigh will tender the visiting delegates a reception at the club building. In connection with this reception Mrs. Chas. E. Burton, of Richmond, Va., will deliver an address. Fifty or more delegates are expected for the convention.

From Steam To Electricity

The Chadwick-Hoskins company has just closed contracts with the Westinghouse company for electrical equipment to the value of approximately \$40,000. Mr. J. W. Fox, the Charlotte representative of the Westinghouse company, closing the deal for that concern. This means that the present power plants of these big mills will be discontinued and more modern and cheaper electric drive substituted instead. This will be done in the Chadwick, the Hoskins, and the Louise Mills all located in Charlotte and owned by the Chadwick-Hoskins company. This is one of the biggest orders for electrical machinery ever placed in Charlotte, and speaks volumes for the up-to-date management of the mills in question. The motors to be installed will range from thirty to one hundred and fifty horse power, the group system of driving being used. To supply the power for these mills a 3,000 kilo-watt sub-station will be built immediately near the Chadwick mills by the Southern Power company. The new power system is to be put in use just as soon as this sub-station can be built and the necessary equipment installed in the mills.

FUNERAL OF MRS. LEON

Former Charlotte Woman Died Yesterday at Wilmington. The remains of Mrs. Louis Leon, whose death occurred yesterday morning in Wilmington, were brought to Charlotte today for burial in the Jewish cemetery. The services were read by Mr. J. H. Hirsinger. The pallbearers were: Messrs. H. M. Nathan, Ike Hirsinger, Nat L. Simmons, Louis N. Schiff, Wm. Rosenthal and H. Baumgarten.

Cruiser North Carolina. By Associated Press. Newport News, Va., April 27.—The cruiser North Carolina left the yards of the Newport News Shipbuilding Company for Norfolk yard, to be turned over to the government.

Postoffice Robbed. By Associated Press. New York, April 27.—The postoffice at this place was broken into and the safe blown open and robbed of its contents amounting to about \$750. No clue as yet has been found to the burglars.

Purchase Power Plant. Special to The News. Winston-Salem, April 27.—Captain W. T. Weaver and associates, of Asheville, have purchased from the North Carolina Electric Company its fine power plant on the Ivey river and the potential possibilities on the French Broad, near Marshall and Hot Springs.

Prof. Craighill Returns. Prof. J. H. Craighill of Atlanta, has returned to this city to take his old position as director of the First Presbyterian church choir, and presided at the organ at the services yesterday morning. His many friends are delighted to see him back. Miss Penfield, of New York, who is to be soprano in the choir will arrive this week. Dr. Shaw and Dr. Kincaid exchanged pulpits yesterday.

Fillbuster to Continue. By Associated Press. Washington, D. C., April 27.—In a speech in the house, Minority Leader Williams said the democratic filibuster would continue until the house decided to consider the campaign publicity bill, a bill putting print paper on the free list and the anti-injunction bill.

South Celebrates Confederate Memorial Day. Jacksonville, Fla., April 27.—Confederate Memorial Day was generally observed throughout Florida today. Banks and state offices were closed and memorial exercises were held under the auspices of the various patriotic societies.

Jackson, Miss., April 27.—Memorial Day was generally observed in Jackson and other cities and towns of Mississippi by the closing of the schools, the banks and all public offices.

Atlanta, Ga., April 27.—Today's observance of Memorial Day in Atlanta was one of the most notable occasions of its kind in the history of the day. The program included an elaborate military parade followed by exercises in the Grand Opera house this afternoon. The oration was delivered by Judge George Hillyer, a member of the state railroad commission. The graves of Confederate veterans in Oakland and other cemeteries were decorated by the Ladies' Memorial Association.

Augusta, Ga., April 27.—In observance of Memorial Day the public schools, the banks and courts were closed in Augusta. State Treasurer R. E. Park delivered the oration at the annual exercises given under the auspices of the Ladies' Memorial Association.

Gov. Glenn Making Many Prohibition Speeches. Special to The News. Raleigh, N. C., April 27.—In his campaign work for state prohibition Governor Glenn spoke at Arlander, Bertie county, Saturday; at Kelford yesterday. Today he spoke at Windsor, Bertie county. Tuesday he will be at Nashville and Wednesday at Spring Hope, Nash county; April 30th at Conetoe; May 1st at Robersonville, and May 2nd at Charlotte; May 4th (day and night), at Statesville; May 5th at Morganton; May 6th at Waynesville and Dillsboro; May 7th at Canton, and Asheville at night.

GENERAL SOCIETY OF D. A. R.'S MEET. New York, April 27.—The seven-teenth annual meeting of the General Society, Daughters of the Revolution, convened in this city today, with headquarters at the Waldorf-Astoria. The roll call showed an attendance of delegates representing practically every state and territory in the Union. The meeting will continue through the week.

More interest than usual attaches to this year's meeting because of the election of officers. Mrs. Adeline F. Fitz, of Massachusetts, is being boomed for the presidency. Eight proposed amendments to the constitution also are to be voted upon at the meeting. The six days' program calls for many attractive features of social entertainment, beginning with a reception at the Plaza today in honor of the delegates. Tomorrow there will be a banquet at the Waldorf for members and their guests. Other features of the entertainment program will be excursions to West Point and to Edgar Allen Poe's cottage at Fordham.

Special to The News. Raleigh, N. C., April 27.—The select committee of the house, to inquire into the complaint of the American Newspaper Publishers' Association, regarding the price of print paper continued its hearing. John Norris, representing the paper committee of the American Publishers' Association, resumed his testimony. As a bearing on the determination of paper makers to raise the prices, Mr. Norris read a number of statements made at the meeting of the Publishers in September, 1907. One of these made by Gen. Agnus of the Baltimore American, who said that while he had at one time enjoyed favorable paper contracts he had been forced to pay \$2.50 per hundred. "That was blood money," Gen. Agnus was quoted as saying. Another statement was by Editor Haynes of the Patuxent News, who said that the director of the International Paper company, "after he had a few drinks in him," said they were going to check up the price of paper to three dollars a hundred. Mr. Norris submitted to the committee the list of 202 newspapers, whom the price of the paper had been raised, the list showing increases that ranged from \$2 to \$17 a ton in the last two years. For the most part he said these papers were printed in smaller cities. He said it was not accurate to say that as a rule the large newspapers have been able to buy their paper supply at less cost than the small papers. Testimony of Morris. Mr. Morris insisted that the paper companies were attempting to establish a uniform price for everybody on the basis of \$2.50, and that during the past year many contracts had been re-adjusted at prices up to \$2.20 because, he said, two years ago they made five-year contracts with Pittsburg, Buffalo and Chicago papers whereby at the end of one or two years there would be a readjustment of the price. "That readjustment," he asserted, "has taken place." "If," said Chairman Mann, "you desire us to believe these increases were for the purpose of equalizing prices, or raising prices to a certain figure, you owe it to us to present some testimony on the subject." Mr. Morris responded that he would do so. A recess was taken until 2 o'clock.

Should Abolish Tariff. Washington, D. C., April 27.—When the house convenes the special committee investigating the wood pulp matter brought in a resolution asking authority to spend the necessary money to carry on its work. Minority Leader Williams asserted that democratic agreement on the special committee had been created for the purpose of delays, that it was a "dilatory and filibustering process, in order to prevent legislative action to produce relief." "Quick relief," Mr. Williams asserted, "could be had by abolishing the tariff on news print paper and wood pulp and by asking that it go through under a suspension of rules." The resolution was adopted upon roll call, which Mr. Williams insisted should be taken.

Caucus on Tariff. Washington, D. C., April 27.—As a result of the representations of the American Newspaper Publishers' Association, Speaker Cannon has agreed that the subject of the removal of duty on wood pulp and price of print paper in the United States shall be discussed at a caucus of the republicans to be held this week provided a reasonable number of republican members make the request to that effect.

Traveler's Protective Assn. to Meet in Wilmington. Special to The News. Raleigh, N. C., April 27.—The Raleigh post of the Traveler's Protective Association known as Post E, now has a membership of 43 and several applications for membership on file. Mr. Clem Wilder has been named by the post as delegate to the state convention to assemble in Wilmington May 16. Mayor James I. Johnson has been re-elected president, L. C. Bagwell vice president and Clem Wilder secretary. State Secretary C. C. McLean spent Saturday and Sunday here and expressed gratification at the excellent working trim in which he found Post E. The literature department of the Women's Club and the general meeting will be held next week instead of this week as formerly announced.

Gubernatorial Bulletin. County. C. K. H. Stanley 3 1 3 Buncombe 22 0 0 Iredell 12 1 1/2 Yancey 7 0 0 Polk 3 0 0 Mitchell 3 0 0 Graham 2 0 0 Ashe 5.07 3.27 .56 Alexander 4.50 0 .50 Burke 6.45 .46 .09 Swain 3 0 0 McDowell 6 0 0 Wilkes 3.98 6.16 .86 Hertford 0 0 0 Johnston 0 0 0 Watauga 6 0 0 Clay 2 0 0 Macon 6 0 0 Randolph 10 3 3 Lenoir 1.50 2.50 .45 Washington 2.50 0 .50 Totals 107.25 22.99 26.76

Hertford's 5 delegates are un-instructed.

COMPLAINT OF PUBLISHERS AS TO INCREASED PRICE OF PAPER HEARD TO-DAY

Grant Day is Celebrated

Galena, Ill., April 27.—In honor of the memory of one of the most illustrious of the sons of Illinois, the people of Galena, his home, united today with a great concourse of visitors, including a large delegation from Chicago, in celebrating the birthday anniversary of Gen. U. S. Grant. Great crowds from surrounding towns attended the exercises held in Grant Park, where stands the magnificent monument to the warrior, presented by H. H. Kohlsaat, of Chicago, 18 years ago.

Pittsburg, Pa., April 27.—The American Club, of this city, has completed arrangements for its customary banquet tonight in celebration of the birthday of General Grant. A number of noted speakers are on the program, among them Senator Nelson A. Miles will preside and Congressman Washington Gardner, of Michigan, will deliver the principal oration. Justice J. M. Harland and Congressman J. A. Hull, of Iowa, are also to be included among the speakers.

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