

Latest Edition THE CHARLOTTE NEWS. Latest Edition

VOL. 45. NO. 8034

CHARLOTTE N. C., FRIDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 15 1911

PRICE: In Charlotte 2 Cents a Copy Daily—5 Cents Sunday. Outside Charlotte 5 Cents a Copy Daily and Sunday.

Warrants Charging Murder Issued In Hawkins Case-- Woman Said to be Under Arrest

Penrose Woman Charged With Performing Criminal Operation --According To Report

Detective Said to Have Arrested Woman at Penrose-- Four Hendersonville Parties Mixed Up.

These Will be Charged With Second Degree Murder-- Hawkins Murder Mystery Rapidly Developing Into Sensation.

Special to The News.

Hendersonville, Sept. 15.—As an outgrowth of the murder of Myrtle Hawkins at Hendersonville, five warrants were today issued, it is reported, that a detective has arrested Mrs. Bessie Clark Guice, charging her with first degree murder in that she is alleged to have performed the operation. This report, however, is firmly denied by the solicitor and sheriff this afternoon. Subpoenas have been served on Mr. and Mrs. A. B. McCall, at whose home it is alleged the operation took place; also for George Bradley, a young married man said to have been in love with the Hawkins girl; also for Pace McCall, father of Mrs. Beatrice McCall. Warrants will not be served on these, however, until after the coroner's inquest this afternoon. These will all be charged with second degree murder.

Officers Deny One Report. A staff man of The News went to Hendersonville this afternoon and endeavored to confirm the report that Mrs. Guice had been arrested at Penrose and was being brought to Hendersonville, to answer a charge of first degree murder, in that she was alleged to have performed the fatal operation. Both the solicitor and sheriff firmly denied that she had been arrested in connection with the Hawkins case.

The climax in the now famous murder case of Miss Myrtle Hawkins will be reached this afternoon when the second inquest will be held in the solicitor's office in this city, at which time there will be evidence introduced which will implicate several persons. Working on the theory that the criminal operation was performed Thursday and that the body of the young woman was placed in the waters of the lake at an early hour Sunday morning, the detectives have been able to get to the bottom of the matter and now it is merely a matter of putting the witnesses on the stand to prove to the court's satisfaction that their theories are right. It is expected that a warrant will be served against the young man who was seen with Miss Hawkins on Thursday.

When the fact is considered that on Wednesday Miss Hawkins was in the immediate vicinity of the place where the operation was performed on Thursday it was an easy matter for the authorities to get a line on the case. They immediately started their investigation and now that every foot of ground has been covered they are confident that the people they stand ready to accuse are guilty or have criminal knowledge of the deed. The inquest this afternoon is destined to be highly sensational for the people who are now thought to be guilty will be put on the stand as witnesses and will have to fight their case first as witnesses. The testimony will necessarily be of a sensational nature for that reason.

Mr. Hal Johnson, the solicitor of this district, has made himself fully conversant with the case and will be in position to use all of his legal knowledge as well as the facts gained through the officers to get to the real truth of the matter. The Pinkerton detective that was retained in the case will have important testimony to submit.

There is the wildest excitement here and every piece of news that gets to the people is eagerly snatched up. As the inquest is to be a closed affair on the newspaper reporters and people connected with the case will be allowed in the room. The coroner has done everything possible to assist the newspaper representatives in getting the news to their papers. The most important witnesses to be put on the stand today will be Mrs. Beatrice McCall, the lifelong friend of the murdered girl and at whose home she was the day before the tragedy. Mr. A. A. McCall and Mr. Hal Cooper, the man who the dead girl was to marry in the fall. The rumor that gained considerable currency for a time that the girl's family knew of her condition has been repudiated. The girl's mother is still critically ill and will not be able to attend the second inquest. There is a possibility that the number of witnesses of the inquest will cause a continuance of the inquest until tomorrow morning but the most important evidence will come out today.

Last Night Developments. The Hawkins mystery takes on a

new phase today by the almost certain presence of a woman at the operation which cost Myrtle Hawkins her life. While the identity of the woman is withheld by the authorities, it is known that she will figure in the inquest tomorrow afternoon, and a sensation of a startling nature is looked for. It is definitely known tonight, however, that this woman attempted the operation and that she left the scene hurriedly after its fatal termination. Detective Bradford, of Washington, is now in conference with the coroner and other county officials and it is said important action is expected at its conclusion. It is said on what is regarded as reliable authority that warrants for the arrest of persons suspected of having a guilty knowledge of the young woman's death, have already been drawn up by Solicitor Johnson of this judicial district and will be served sometime tomorrow.

Evidence of a demagogic nature has been secured today and several new witnesses have been summoned to appear at the inquest which the coroner has re-opened. The officers in conference debated on the advisability of serving the warrants tonight, but it was deemed advisable to defer action until after the rendering of the jury's verdict tomorrow. It is announced that the public will be excluded from the inquest but newspaper men will be admitted. The evidence presented tomorrow will disclose the fact that the fatal operation was performed at a house near Lake Osceola and that after death, the girl's body was hidden in the adjacent woods to be later thrown into the waters of the lake.

BAD FIRE AT BIRMINGHAM. Birmingham, Ala., Sept. 15.—Fire which started from electric irons or wires twice during the night in the establishment of the Burger Dry Goods Company, a four story business structure, caused damage by fire and water to the extent of \$75,000. Insurance to the amount of \$125,000 was carried, but it is estimated that the salvage will reduce the loss. The sprinkling apparatus extinguished the first fire at 9:30 o'clock last night with about \$20,000 loss. The second fire broke out before 5 o'clock this morning and the fire department worked hard in addition to the sprinkling apparatus.

WAITING FOR FRANCE'S REPLY. Paris, Sept. 15.—The foreign office awaits quietly the presentation by the French ambassador, M. Cambon, of the French reply to the latest German note concerning Morocco. There is no reason to expect a response from Berlin for four or five days.

Earth Shock Felt. Iquique, Chile, Sept. 15.—An earthquake was felt here today. The walls of many buildings were cracked and several persons were injured.

Mr. Wade Buys At Myers Park. Mr. H. M. Wade has purchased from the Myers Park Company a beautiful lot of one and a half acres immediately facing the park, and will erect a handsome residence for himself and family thereon. Work will begin in 60 days. Mr. and Mrs. Wade at present live in one of Mrs. Latta Johnson's houses on North Church street. They will have a home, the charm of which will not be confined to beauty of structure, it will be hospitality. The Myers Park cottagers will include many delightful people.

Daughters and Veterans May Have Hall. It has occurred to the Daughters of the Confederacy to unite with the Veterans in the new hall which the latter will have over Hand's drug store. The hall was tendered by the Modern Woodmen, to the veterans. The Daughters have relics they would like to put in a hall for preservation. It is more than likely that they will occupy the new hall with the veterans, not only as a museum, but as an place of holding the chapter meetings. Fowler Will Resume Flight. Colfax, Cal., Sept. 15.—Indications today are that Aviator Robert G. Fowler will resume his San Francisco to New York flight tomorrow morning. Rapid progress has been made on reconstruction of the bi-plane wrecked Tuesday at Alta. —Cotton receipts today 98 bales at 11-14 against 85 at 13-14 same date last year.

LAST REGULAR COTTON CONDITION REPORT MONDAY

By Associated Press. Washington, Sept. 15.—The last regular cotton condition report of the season, which is a marked interest owing to a controversy over this year's cotton crop, will be issued by the reporting board of the department of agriculture on Monday, October 2, at noon, eastern time, and will show the condition of the crop on September 25. The final condition report will be preceded by two census cotton reports. The first, which will be issued September 26, at 10 a. m., will give the supply and distribution of this year's cotton up to August 31. The other will be the second ginning report of the season, to be issued October 2 at 10 a. m., giving the amount of cotton actually ginned from this year's growth up to September 24. The official estimate of the total production of cotton in the states for the growing year of 1911 will not be announced by the department of agriculture until early in December.

Kissed Family Good-bye and Died

Special to The News. Statesville, Sept. 15.—Earl Lazenby, aged 14 and 15 years, died Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Lazenby, in Cool Spring township, death resulting from diabetes. Because of the circumstances attending his death the passing of this youth was very pathetic. He has been afflicted for several months but was not confined to his bed and was able to be at dinner table Monday. While sitting in his room late Monday afternoon he suddenly turned to his sister, who was in the room, and with the declaration that he was dying threw his arms around the young lady and kissed her. He then called all the members of the family who were in the house to his room and telling them that he realized the end was near kissed all good-bye. A short time later he became unconscious and never rallied, dying the next afternoon. The funeral services and interment took place at New Hope church, the services being conducted by Rev. T. S. Crutchfield, of Statesville. Young Lazenby is survived by his parents, four brothers and four sisters.

President's Birthday. Beverly, Mass., Sept. 15.—This was president Taft's 54th birthday. Congratulatory messages poured in to the executive offices from all over the world. One came from King George V of England. It read as follows: "Balmoral Castle, Sept. 15. "President of the United States: I have great pleasure in sending you my most hearty congratulations on the anniversary of your birthday and trust that the friendly relations existing between our two countries may ever continue."

MANY LIVES REPORTED LOST FROM FLOODS

By Associated Press. Pittsburgh, Sept. 15.—A number of lives are reported to have been lost today in floods that followed a cloudburst over suburbs of Pittsburgh today. The storm was general throughout western Pennsylvania, but the principal damage was done in Allegheny county. At Millvale scores of persons were compelled to flee for their lives. Dr. Wiley Pleased. Blunetown, Va., Sept. 15.—"It is a complete vindication for me," said Dr. Harvey W. Wiley today when informed of the president's opinion in his case. "But I have nothing to say in view of the fact that I have received no word officially regarding the matter." Dr. Wiley is spending a vacation on his mountain farm.

ARMY WORM APPEARS. Fort Smith, Ark., Sept. 15.—The army worm has made its appearance in great numbers in the Arkansas river bottom east of here, the richest cotton growing section of the state, and from present indications will greatly damage the crop, which is late. The pests eat leaves, blooms, squares and the tender bolls, leaving nothing but full matured bolls and the stalks. The worm is apparently moving westward.

Elizabeth College Formally Opens

College Auditorium Crowded with Student Body and Patrons—Large Boarding and Day School—Address Marked Opening Day.

Elizabeth College opened its doors this morning beginning its fifteenth session as an educational institution. The auspices are the brightest the college has ever known. A large part of the students arrived yesterday and more are arriving today. All the rooms in the institution are filled with boarding students and about 30 or 40 day students will be in attendance.

The Opening Exercises. The opening exercises took place this morning at 10 o'clock in the college auditorium, President C. B. King, presiding. The venerable Rev. Dr. G. D. Bernheim, chaplain of the institution, conducted the devotional exercises, after which President King presented Rev. Dr. J. G. Kennedy, pastor of East Avenue Tabernacle church, Rev. Dr. R. L. Patterson, pastor of St. Mark's Lutheran church, and Rev. Dr. Bombar, pastor of Pritchard Memorial Baptist church, each of whom made short but appropriate talks to the student body.

Dr. Kennedy Speaks. Dr. Kennedy spoke of the type of womanhood that is expected to be produced by an institution such as Elizabeth College. He first illustrated the type that was not expected calling the hypothetical girl the "squash girl," having in mind, he said, a type of girl that is well known everywhere and that is found in great numbers at summer resorts and other places, whose chief interest in life is the fleeting pleasures and fleeting acquaintances of the summer season; who is lacking in ideals and all the finer qualities for which such an institution has Elizabeth College stands.

"There is a thin-skinned variety also," said Dr. Kennedy, carrying out the figure. "which is not durable and which with the slightest bruise becomes worthless and speckled. When the good house-wife goes to the cellar in the winter months to find the fruit she has worked for, she finds that the thin-skinned variety of squash is not dependable, but that it has rotted and become unfit for use. The girl of unsubstantial attainments and character, who has not learned the finer graces of life and made them a part of her being, may be compared to this thin-skinned and worthless to the house-wife," said the doctor. "It is the solid, rugged substantial squash-melon that stands the vicissitudes of the summer age in the autumn. It is a joy and a help to the house-wife as the winter comes on and she is rewarded for the care she has given them. The girl of which this fruit is the type is never disappointing. She can be relied upon in all kinds of conditions and circumstances and helps to make this world a paradise. She may not necessarily have as much charm and as much attractiveness as some of her sisters, but she has the enduring qualities, the qualities that the world depends upon and is constantly looking for. It is the woman with sympathy, sweetness and largeness of soul that the world is looking for and that your parents, young ladies, hoping you will become your parents have sent you here believing that this is a vine of God's planting and that you will be abundantly blest by the lessons you learn here."

Dr. Patterson Speaks. President King, in presenting Rev. Dr. Patterson, stated that the doctor was a member of the faculty, teaching Bible, a course that was emphasized above all others and that was required. He stated that although Dr. Patterson was a member of the faculty, he had not been coached as to the line of talk he was expected to follow. "Young ladies," said Dr. Patterson, "you are very largely responsible to yourselves for the good results of your four-years' study at Elizabeth College. It depends somewhat on what you have brought with you, and what ideals you are possessed of, whether you will receive a maximum of the good fortune (Continued on Page Two.)

President Taft Upholds Dr. Wiley Regardless Of All Recommendations Previously Made

BANK OF MONTREAL ROBBED OF LARGE SUMS

By Associated Press. New Westminster, B. C., Sept. 15.—Three hundred and fifteen thousand dollars was stolen early this morning from the branch of the Bank of Montreal in this city.

Five robbers entered the bank by the front door, broke through the thin metal coating of the vault, bled the safe by a charge of nitro-glycerine and made their escape with their booty without being seen, except by a Chinese. They probably escaped down the Frazier river in a launch, or else by automobile toward Vancouver.

There was in all \$350,000 in the bank's safe. The robbers took all they could carry, leaving all the silver and notes of small denominations as well as damaged \$500 and \$10 bills.

Chong Koh, the Chinese caretaker, about 6 o'clock ran to the police station, less than twenty-five yards from the bank, crying that the bank had been robbed. He said he had gone into the bank at 4:10 o'clock this morning. He had no sooner set foot inside than he was seized by a large man and two others came a minute later. "If you make a noise I will kill you," said the larger man, according to the Chinaman's story, and the latter did not make the sound he was expected to gagged him, he said, with his own handkerchief. They bound his feet and hands and took him to the basement, where they tied him to a post. It was not until two hours later that he managed to free himself.

The robbers went at the job like masters. The corners and cracks were filled with nitro-glycerine and from all that can be observed from an examination it is doubtful whether more than one charge was used in smashing the front of the safe. The hole torn out and through which they crawled into the vault, they plugged with the bedding. This deadened the sound and no person has been found who heard the explosion. Three hundred and fifty thousand dollars, all in neat piles of gold and silver and bank notes, was in view when the robbers had blown the inner door. The money was carried into the sleeping room of the absent clerk and there packed up.

STRIKE SITUATION BECOMES ALARMING

By Associated Press. Madrid, Sept. 15.—The strike situation in Bilbao and through the province of Biscay grows more alarming with each day's developments, despite the vigorous measures resorted to by the government. Matters have now been aggravated by the depletion of the food supply and the tie up of the transportation system.

Moreover movement as started in Bilbao is spreading to other centers. Disturbances of a like character to those which necessitated martial law and the suspension of the constitutional guarantees in Bilbao are reported with increasing frequency from the far distant southern provinces of Malaga and Seville, as well as in the nearby province of Guipuzcoa.

Senator Gore Denies Report.

By Associated Press. Muskogee, Okla., Sept. 15.—Senator Thomas P. Gore, of Oklahoma, today requested the Associated Press to say that the story of yesterday to the effect that he had been invited by Premier Laurier, of Canada, to assist in the campaign for reciprocity is entirely without foundation.

—Mr. E. L. Propst has purchased from Mr. Frank L. Jones, a house and lot on East Ninth street. Consideration \$1,700.

Pure Food Expert Wins Out Over All His Enemies

PROPERTY LOSS FROM ERUPTIONS OVER \$20,000,000

By Associated Press. Catania, Sicily, Sept. 15.—Clouds of smoke from Mount Etna hid the sky and made the atmosphere intolerable today. The volcano continued to throw lava from the craters and a hundred new fissures.

The river of lava flowing to the north has separated into four main streams, the largest of which is moving toward Alcantara and is two miles from Francavilla. The railway station of Solichchata is in immediate danger.

It is estimated that the present eruption has caused so far a property loss of \$20,000,000.

DIEGLE GETS SUSPENSION OF SENTENCE.

By Associated Press. Dayton, O., Sept. 15.—In the circuit court today a suspension of sentence was granted in the case of Henry J. Diegle, convicted sergeant-at-arms of the Ohio senate, until the court can pass upon a writ of error in his case.

BIG CROWD SEES GAME AT COLUMBIA.

Columbia, S. C., Sept. 15.—When Columbia and Columbus play at Elmwood this afternoon at 4:30 o'clock, will witness the game, which is the opening event in the Columbia South Atlantic League end of the championship series. All reserved seats have been sold for today's and tomorrow's games: The batteries announced are: Columbus, Weems and Reynolds; Columbia, Fulewider and Powell.

ASSASSIN ARRESTED.

By Associated Press. Anniston, Ala., Sept. 15.—Ross Chatman, assassin, it is alleged, of deputy revenue collector S. C. Zaner, was surrounded in the mountains where he had been living and captured by a posse today. He was brought to this city.

Ward Plans Flight.

Calicon, N. Y., Sept. 15.—James Ward, who is attempting to fly from New York to San Francisco, said today he would not leave here, where he alighted last night until the weather cleared.

Maine Results.

By Associated Press. Portland, Maine, Sept. 15.—Unofficial returns today indicate that Monday's election resulted in a majority in favor of retention of the constitutional prohibition clause of 361. The vote in seven towns differs from the vote being canvassed in Augusta, which, it is said, shows a majority of 134 in favor of repeal.

GEN. WILLIAM BOGGS DIED SUDDENLY

Special to The News. Winston-Salem, N. C., Sept. 15.—General William R. Boggs, one of the few remaining Confederate generals, died at 3:15 this morning at the home of his daughter, Mrs. W. B. Taylor. General Boggs was well last night and ate a hearty supper and his death this morning came very suddenly. He was 83 years old. General Boggs was a native of Augusta, Ga., a graduate of West Point and served throughout the civil war attaining to the rank of Brigadier General. Since the war he had served as architect and civil engineer and was for five years professor of mechanics in the Virginia Mechanical College. William Robertson Boggs was graduated from West Point in 1853. He entered the service of the Confederacy in 1861, attaining the rank of Brigadier general. He was appointed chief of the staff of the trans-Mississippi department of the Southern army in 1863, and served in that capacity until the end of the war. He married in 1855, Mary Sophia, daughter of Col. John Symington, U. S. A. Since 1865, General Boggs has followed the occupation of architect and civil engineer and was for five years professor of mechanics at the Virginia Mechanical College. The president's conclusions, he says, were ready weeks ago but he did not put them on paper because he hoped for a time for the report of the committee of the house of representatives (Continued on Page Eight.)



LATE PHOTOGRAPH OF DR. WILEY.