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News of the Old North State

Kope Elias, Cleveland's Friend, Dies of Paralysis

IREDELL FARMER KILLED

Miss Alma Weeden, Bitten by a Copperhead, Better—Presbyterian Preacher Frails a Constable

Robert G. Wells, of Cleveland county, is dead in his 76th year.

The Democrats of Bertie County endorsed Joseph W. Folk for President.

Rev. D. H. Comann has just finished a successful revival in Morganton M. E. church.

Solicitor J. F. Spainhour is being urged by his friends to run for the Legislature in Burke.

J. A. Beach and Sons, merchants at Chesterfield, Burke county, have filed a petition in bankruptcy.

H. F. Zachary, a miser, was killed by a robber at Roanoke, Va. He has many relatives in North Carolina.

Rev. Dr. A. A. McGeachy, of the Charlotte Second Presbyterian church, and Miss Irving Harding, of Davidson, were married July 14.

Six deaths in one week, from pellagra, the disease which comes from eating corn bread and other things made from rotten corn, have alarmed the people of Durham.

The trustees of the North Carolina Confederate Soldiers Home elected Capt. W. S. Lineberry, of Randolph county, superintendent to succeed the late Capt. R. H. Brooks.

Lincolnton is on a building boom. R. S. Reinhardt has the material on the ground for two store rooms and J. A. Abernethy is building a handsome brick building facing the union station.

Geo. W. Wilson, of Gaston, who slipped into the solicitorship in the 12th district during the death grapple between Smith and Shannonhouse, is a Caldwell county boy and studied law under Capt. Edmund Jones.

Miss Alma Weeden, of Blowing Rock, was bitten by a copperhead snake. There was great swelling of the bitten limb and her life was almost despaired of at one time. The Watauga Democrat says she is better now.

Dr. James R. Anderson, who has been a practicing physician here for nearly thirty years, has moved to Mount Mourne, Iredell county, where he will make his home in the future.—Morganton Herald.

The Statesville Landmark says it is Cool Spring where Dr. Anderson has located.

S. M. Sloan, teller in the Bank of Morganton since its organization, has become bookkeeper at the Alpine cotton mill to succeed W. B. Bell, who goes to Vass to become secretary and treasurer of the new cotton mill at that place. Mr. Sloan is succeeded at the bank by E. D. Alexander.

A report of the number of automobiles in the State show that Mecklenburg leads with 174. Guilford is second with 135, Buncombe next with 108 and Forsyth has 106. A report by counties shows that Alexander has three machines, Iredell 34, Catawba 25, Burke 10, Rowan 34, Wake 11, and Yadkin 2.—Statesville Landmark.

Rev. A. J. Crane, Presbyterian pastor at Newell, Mecklenburg county, twice knocked down and administered a good drubbing to a constable named Teeter. The latter had cursed Mr. Crane's boy and the preacher took him to task. Thereupon he cursed the preacher. Both went to Charlotte and submitted to an affray.

HICKORY PRODUCE MARKET.

Corrected weekly by Whitener & Martin.

Hens, per lb.	9c
Spring Chickens, per lb.	12 1-2c
Turkeys, per lb.	12 1-2c
Eggs, per doz.	12 1-2c
Butter per lb.	15 to 25
Creamery Butter.	30c
Apples, eating.	30c per bu
Sweet Potatoes.	2.25 a cr
Irish Potatoes (new).	50c a bu
Cabbage, per lb.	1c
Beans, per bushel.	30c
Peaches, per bu.	50c to 1
Tomatoes, per lb.	2c

Brodie L. Duke has given his bride a handsome new business building in Durham.

Kope Elias, the picturesque Cleveland Democrat, died Monday of paralysis at his home, "Governors Island," Swain county.

The Hudson Cotton Manufacturing Co. paid a 5 per cent. cash dividend at the annual meeting July 15. The Lenoir Cotton mills pay a 4 per cent. dividend.

Miss Rosa Stine, daughter, of Miss Bavina Stine, died near Newton on the 14th. She lost her eyesight from illness when 16 years old. The funeral was at Salem church.

The Mecklenburg Automobile association will pull off a run from Charlotte to Linville on July 22, reaching Linville July 24, spending Sunday there and returning the next day.

Otis Brown, of Oxford, shot his step mother, Mrs. J. S. Brown Monday because she was reluctant to give him money which he demanded, and then killed himself. She inherited the estate of the late J. S. Brown during her life time. She may recover.

Robert L. Mills, an Iredell farmer, was dashed to death under the front wheels of his wagon at Statesville Monday afternoon. He was trying to stop the two horse team, which was running away with his son, Ernest. The horses had dashed into a train at the depot and Mr. Mills was crushed between the wagon and a car.

Yesterday at the meeting of the directors of the Hudson Cotton Mr. G. F. Harper, Secty. of the Caldwell County Good Roads Association, appeared before the body and made an appeal for some assistance for the work of improving the Lenoir-Hickory road and the board promptly voted \$100 to the work.—Lenoir News, 15th.

State Farmers Union at Raleigh.

The North Carolina Farmers will meet at the A. and M. College in Raleigh July 26 and 27. All county Unions are asked to elect delegates.

President Hill of the A. and M. College has very kindly agreed to furnish rooms and beds free of charge; only stipulating that the farmers should bring sheets and pillow cases in their grips, as the college beds are not supplied with these articles of bed clothes. Meals will be furnished at the college dining room for 25 cents each.

Ask your railroad ticket agent for the special rates.

Among those who are to speak are Governor Kitchin, Dr. J. Y. Joyner, President D. H. Hill, Maj. W. A. Graham and others. Dr. Alexander, State president urges a full attendance, says he:

"A few days spent on the beautiful A. and M. College grounds and farm, inspecting the work of your own State institution, will be delightful as well as instructive. And of course you will visit all the other State institutions while in Raleigh. This will also be a very important meeting of the union. The report of the educational committee outlining plans for agricultural schools, should be of unusual interest to every farmer in the State.

A New School for Hildebran

Hildebran, July 21.—Miss Jessie Hahn from West Hickory visited relatives near Hildebran.

Mrs. Mosteller and little daughter spent a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Adersholt.

Mr. Shaw spent a few days with Mrs. Moore of East Hickory and brought little Josephine with her.

Mrs. S. F. Page and children returned from Florida and expect to make their home here. We are glad to have them with us again.

A subscription school taught by Miss Laxton, of Morganton, commenced Monday morning in the school building on the hill with 16 scholars in attendance and more expected in the near future.

All who are interested in farming pack your lunch baskets and take your wives and babies to the farmers institute at Connelly Springs Tuesday July 25. Don't forget it.

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Institute to be Held at Newton

Will Meet in the Court House on July 22nd.

ABLE CROP OF TEACHERS

Premiums for Best Loaf of Bread and Best Five Ears of Corn—Miss Jamison to Women

A farmers' Institute will be held in the Newton court house Wednesday, July 27. Lecturers will be:

J. L. Burgess, Agronomist, State Department of Agriculture; Dr. W. G. Chrisman, Veterinarian, State Department Agriculture; S. B. Shaw, Assistant Horticulturist, State Department of Agriculture.

At the same place and date will also be held an Institute for Women by Miss M. L. Jamison. The objects of these Institutes are to bring together the women from the farm homes that they may become better acquainted and talk over among themselves subjects tending to the betterment of conditions in rural homes, such as better and more economical foods and better methods of preparing them, home sanitation, home fruit and vegetable gardening, farm dairying, poultry-raising, the beautifying of the home and home surroundings, etc. There will be given on the grounds a practical demonstration in Home Canning by Mr. S. Shaw, Assistant Horticulturist. Every woman in the county should see the demonstration.

A premium of \$1 will be given for the best loaf baked and exhibited by a girl or woman living on the farm.

A premium of \$1 will be given for the best five ears of pure-bred corn.

Morning sessions at 10, afternoon at 1.30.

Why We Lost at Gettysburg.

To the Editor of the Democrat:

In the interesting letter by Rev. R. L. Fritz in last week's Democrat, writing of Pickett's famous charge at Gettysburg, he asks "Why did not Lee push on beyond the town and finish the job by capturing the enemy?" And several other "whys."

In McClure's Magazine for March 1908, in a sketch of Gen. Pickett written by his wife, occurs this paragraph which is a pretty good reply to the questions of Mr. Fritz: "At the wedding breakfast given for General Magruder's niece at the mansion of the governor general of Canada, the governor asked Pickett to what he attributed the failure of the Confederates at Gettysburg. With a twinkle in his eyes, he replied: "I think principally to the Yankees."

Petroleum in Watauga?

Boone Correspondence Charlotte Observer.

An interesting thing has occurred in Mr. J. S. Stanbery's well. He has had to abandon its use on account of petroleum getting in it so strong that it renders the water unfit for use. Mr. Stanbery says: "I first thought that some one had purposely thrown kerosene in my well but find on investigating that there is too much oil for some one to put it in, there is usually 15 to 20 feet of water in the well and the oil seems to be all through the water." He says further: "I drew some of the water from the well and put a paper on it and then set fire to the paper and it burned readily."

Mr. Stanbery is very much interested in his well and will have it tested soon.

Western Tour Oxford Orphanage Singing Class of 1910

After almost a month at Oxford, following its first or eastern tour, the Oxford Orphanage Singing Class will, about July 21st, start upon its second or western tour.

The concerts of the children are of great merit, interesting, refreshing, helpful.

The Oxford Orphanage is now attempting to care for about 330 of the homeless children of our State and to prepare them for useful lives. Since its establishment in 1872 it has been a greatly used agency in the salvation of souls, in the rescue of lives for service to God and humanity.

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COMMENT

THE PIEDMONT AS A FARMING SECTION.

In Rural Life, a well edited farm paper published at Rochester, N. Y., there is an article on advice to farm seekers, in which the writer, Elmer E. Reynolds, advises Northern farmers who think of buying farms in the South not make their prospecting tours in the fall or winter. It is easier to leave home then and they naturally desire to see what the Southern climate is like in the winter.

The summer, however, is the time in which the writer thinks the prospector should spy out the land. Then the crops are growing and a better idea of the productiveness of the soil can be had.

This writer gives good advice throughout his article. He knows bad and good farming lands when he sees them. He speaks well of the lands in this section and refers to Hickory's new Creamery, which is already doing so well. Says he:

In portions of Virginia and North Carolina there are many farms for sale at extremely low prices, and when listed in the real estate dealers' catalogues they are very tempting to the farm seeker. Some of these farms have been sold a dozen or more times within the last twenty years. They have been cropped and fertilized with commercial chemical manures until the humus has become completely exhausted and they refuse longer to yield average crops. The farms can be restored to a high state of productiveness by the proper management. But for the average farmer from the North, fifty acres of improved, well-kept land near a railway depot, school and church, will prove a better investment than three hundred acres of humus-exhausted land several miles back from the railroad, at the same money.

In the Piedmont region of North Carolina and Virginia where diversified farming has been carried on for many years, the farms generally are in a good average condition of productiveness, and few are for sale at bargain prices. While the yield of some of the staple crops may be smaller than those of the same products on the better class of Northern farms, these Piedmont lands are rapidly improved by green manuring and the use of barnyard manures and are capable of yielding excellent crops. The agriculture of this part of the South has made wonderful advancement in the last ten years. The surface is rolling, rising into ridges in the upper Piedmont near the mountain foothills. It is a pleasant country and possesses many advantages for the farmer. In 1900 there was less than a half dozen dairies in the Piedmont plateau of North Carolina that were making a business of producing butter for the market by modern methods. Now dairying is a thriving industry in that section. At Hickory, one of the flourishing young cities of the upper Piedmont, there is a creamery in full operation, supplied with milk from several pure-bred dairy herds that are the equal of the best dairies of New York and Pennsylvania.

There is no better farming section in the South outside the Cumberland and Shenandoah Valleys, perhaps, than here in the Piedmont, at least so far as its possibilities are concerned. Northern farmers who are contemplating coming here would do well to write to the Chamber of Commerce.

Republicans Name Ticket

The Republican county convention met in Newton Saturday and nominated the following ticket: J. Yates Killian, for the House; J. S. Leonard, Sheriff; R. P. Caldwell, Clerk of the Court; J. A. Isenhour, Register of Deeds; J. W. Lowrance, Treasurer; R. E. Bollinger, Coroner; T. L. Bandy, surveyor.

For County Commissioners; R. L. Rockett, Jonas Hunsucker, T. E. Sherrill, R. M. Bumgarner and John W. Robinson.

Donald Witherspoon of Newton was chairman and R. G. Mace, of the Times-Mercury and Dr. Everhardt, were secretaries.

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Allen Defeats Manning by 92

Brown and Lee Get the Corporation Commissionerships

THE STATE CONVENTION

Overman, Aycock and Cy Watson Make Great Speeches at Charlotte—A Strong Platform was Adopted

Judge W. R. Allen was nominated over Justice Manning at the Democratic State convention at Charlotte last Thursday by a vote of 526 to 434—a majority of 92. Manning's spokesmen were Victor S. Bryant and Cameron Morrison. Judge Allen was put in nomination by Ex-Gov. C. B. Aycock and seconded by Walter E. Daniel, Mr. Foushee, Manning's manager, moved to make the nomination unanimous.

For Corporation Commissioner from the west the vote stood 527, Graham 313, Pearson 126. H. C. Brown had no opposition for the Eastern Commissionership.

Senator Overman made a great speech as temporary chairman and received an ovation Walter E. Moore of Jackson was permanent chairman.

Chief Justice Clark and Justice Platt D. Walker were renominated by acclamation. C. B. Watson, of Forsyth, and Ex-Gov. Aycock made great speeches, the former in presenting the platform, which declared for good roads, fair supervision of public service corporations, against illegal monopolies and for a revenue tariff.

Doughton Nominated.

R. L. Doughton was nominated for Congress in the 8th district at Statesville July 16 on the 58th ballot, which stood: Doughton 158; L. C. Caldwell 51; Walter Murphy 103.

The first ballot gave Doughton 112, Caldwell 74; Murphy, 85; Gwaltney 4. Doughton went as high as 152, and then fell back under 95, Murphy reached over 100, and Caldwell withdrew on the 57th ballot. Capt. E. F. Lovell, of Watauga, was chairman. The voting strength of the counties in the convention was as follows: Alexander, 16; Alleghany, 13; Ashe, 34; Cabarrus 32; Caldwell, 30; Iredell, 51; Rowan, 54; Stanly, 31; Watauga, 20; Wilkes, 32. Necessary to nominate a little more than a 156.

Webb Renominated

Hon. E. Yates Webb was renominated at Shelby on the 13th for a 5th term by an enthusiastic convention over which J. L. Scales presided. B. T. Falls put Webb in nomination, ably seconded by W. C. Dowd and others. Mr. Dowd reminded the convention that eight years ago he promised that Mecklenburg would furnish enough Democratic majority to cover up the Republican majorities of Madison and Mitchell and that they had made good. That he now renewed that promise and to give the biggest majority ever yet given.

Mr. Webb accepted in one of his characteristically able speeches. The following executive committee was elected for next two years:

E. S. Williams, Charlotte; C. B. Armstrong, Gastonia; R. S. Pion, Kings Mountain; Edgar Love, Lincolnton; J. D. Elliott, Hickory; Manly McDowell, Morganton; Guy V. Roberts, Marshall; E. F. Watson, Burnsville; Col. I. H. Bailly, Bakersville.

A resolution endorsing W. C. Dowd, of Charlotte, for Speaker of the next House was unanimously passed.

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Whitener, of Hickory, for judge and of Linney for solicitor, were endorsed.

Catawba County Court.

Newton News.

Judge Biggs has merited the commendation of all law abiding citizens by the manner in which he treats offenders. There has been very little judgment suspended upon payment cost. Violators of the law may well fear to fall into the hands of this fearless occupant of the "Bench." It is he and not the attorneys that run the Court.

The following cases have been disposed of since our last issue. State vs. Sid Seapock and Will Deal, etal disturbing religious worship, these two fined \$25 and one-half cost each.

State vs. Bob Keever, John Hewitt, etal, Larceny, Keever fined \$50 and 1-6 of cost, others \$25 fine and 1-6 of cost. These are the boys that entered L. S. Jones' residence last fall, and stole some money. All placed under bond for 12 months for good behavior.

State vs. Marvin Cook, cruelty to animals, not guilty.

State vs. Anderson and J. J. Hudson, obstructing public road, Judgment suspended on payment of cost.

State vs. Russell Bolick, Ralph Bolick and Thos. Gilbert, affray, Ralph Bolick 18 months on roads, Russell, 4 months on roads, each one-third of cost, Judgment suspended as to Gilbert, on payment of cost.

State vs. Timothy Matthews, larceny, not guilty. This is the negro charged with stealing a pocket book and about \$100 from Mr. Saunders at the show in Hickory last May.

State vs. Cletus Poovey, larceny. Fined \$25 and costs. Bond for good behavior for 12 months.

State vs. Columbus Spaker embezzlement, 12 month on Roads.

Lowry Reunion at Yorkville

The Columbia State of July 10 had a full account of the reunion of the Lowry-Avery families—relatives and descendants of Dr. and Mrs. James Lowry, Mrs. Lowry was Miss Louisa Avery. There were 75 visitors from Arkansas, Oklahoma, Florida, the Carolinas, Virginia and Maryland. A permanent organization was effected with Sumter Lowry, of Tampa, chairman and Rev. W. T. Matthews, of Oklahoma, secretary. Papers of value in the family were read. Interesting members of the clan were four old family servants: Noah Avery and Het, Mima and Lucy Lowry. Hickory people will be interested to hear that among those present were Dr. and Mrs. Sydney A. Lowry, of Luxora, Ark. In a note to the Democrat Mrs. Lowry says that Hickory is her old home. She returns to Luxora next week.

Sets a Stiff Pace for Hickory's Creamery.

Edw. Gilliam, of Boston, in Charlotte Observer.

It was my pleasure, with my wife, to attend, July 4, the opening session of the National Education Association at Harvard Stadium and hear Governor Kitchin of North Carolina, deliver to some 20,000 people one of the most eloquent and effective addresses which has been heard in these parts since Henry Grady delivered his immortal message.

"The South, Governor Kitchin said, was making wonderful progress educationally, and industrially and to show how it was getting along industrially he told the following story of two Southern gentlemen who met an Englishman in London.

"The talk drifted to things of magnitude and mammoth size when the Englishman observed that the United States was a great country, but it had few things of really mammoth proportions in it.

"One of the Americans said he was from Hyde county, North Carolina, and spoke of a dairy owned by one Colonel Henry Clay Carter. This dairy produced, said the Southerner, 1,000,000 pounds of butter and 1,000,000 quarts of cream a week.

"When the Englishman seemed to doubt the truth of the assertion the American called upon his companion for corroboration of his statement. Well," replied the other Hyde county man, "of course I know Colonel Henry Clay Carter, and I have heard about his dairy. I don't know how much butter and cream it produces, but I do know that he runs 12 sawmills all with buttermilk."

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Mr. Click Struck By Prof. Heafener

Editor of Lincoln Times Attacked By School Superintendent

RESULT OF CRITICISMS

Former Hickory Editor Had Been Caustic in Comments on Handling of School Funds

It is reported here that one day last week Editor J. F. Click, of the Lincoln Times, was beaten pretty badly by County Supt. Heafener at Lincolnton. It is said Mr. Click had accused him of misappropriating school funds, that he had sent a statement of expenditures to the editor designed to correct the statements with a demand that the attacks cease; that Mr. Click continued to make them and that Mr. Heafener met him near the Times office, that some hot words passed during which Mr. Click was knocked down by the superintendent, who had drawn blood before a policeman and citizen could interfere.

The following is in part Mr. Click's own account in this week's Times:

As we walked up and met, we said "good morning, Professor," he spoke, and then said, "will you publish in your paper that I did not steal that money?" We told him yes, and added we had never said any one had stolen it, but had said no one believed any one had stolen it. He then said, "you have treated me mean," and struck us on the head and face several times. Whether he knocked us down or we stumbled, anyway we fell and he on us. He struck us several times after we fell, before the police came and took him off.

As to our wounds, we had a black face, and head was sore and gave us much pain. We are still suffering with it. It caused excitement in the home and a physician was called in. But we believe we shall eventually get over it, and continue to run the Times as an earnest advocate of the peoples' rights, based upon truth, horse-sense and corn field logic.

We were both tried before Squire Padgett Saturday morning. Mr. Heafener swore I was a Republican, because he was a Republican. We had more faith in human justice and let the Democrat court try us. He put a penny and cost on us both alike. We took an appeal, but the Square finally took it off of us.

Reformed Church Notes

The Educational and Missionary Campaign which was conducted throughout the Reformed church in the state came to a close last Sunday night. As far as reports have been received the audience at the different places were fair, the collections reasonable and the interest manifested great. The plan was received with such great favor that there is a general desire to have such a canvass annually.

Dr. Murphy went to Maiden last Sunday night and preached the sermon at the ordination of licentiate C. C. Wagoner. Dr. Foil and Rev. W. W. Rowe were the other members of the committee who took part in the ordination. Mr. Wagoner is a native of Cabarrus. He was graduated from the Central Theological Seminary of Dayton, Ohio. He becomes the pastor of the Lincoln charge, living at Maiden.

Miss Lottie Albea delighted the audience last Sunday with her singing.

The pastor, Dr. Murphy, will preach next Sunday morning and night. The public is invited.

Caldwell Will Cooperate

Lenoir Topic.

The Hickory Democrat recent began agitation for a good roads conference to be held in Hickory, the object being to consider the proposed Salisbury-Asheville Highway proposition. The branch line also leading out from Hickory by way of Lenoir and Blowing Rock will also receive due consideration. It is a pleasure to learn from the last issue of the Democrat that its efforts have brought forth fruit and the citizens along the line of the proposed highways will likely hold a good roads conference in Hickory this summer. Caldwell county has numerous good roads enthusiasts who will be glad to cooperate in every possible way in this worthy movement.

ARRIVAL OF TRAINS.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

No. 21 going West.	4:30 p m
" 11 "	11:30 a m
" 35 "	11:21 p m
" 12 " East.	5:30 p m
" 22 "	10:57 a m
" 36 "	9:54 a m

C. & N. W. RAILWAY

No. 10 going North.	11:55 a m
" 9 " South.	2:55 p m
Mixed train going North.	8:35 p m
" " South.	8:40 a m