

LINCOLN COUNTY FARMERS INSTITUTE THIS WEEK

At Asbury schoolhouse Monday. At Bass Chapel, Tuesday, August 8. At Gainesville schoolhouse, Wednesday, August 9.

EUROPEAN CONFLICT.

For the past several days the allies have been making gains on Germany; heavy artillery playing an important part in the fighting.

LOCAL FLOOD FLOOD.

A local citizen started Lincolnton fund for flood sufferers recently, leaving a contribution to the fund at this office, and suggesting that an opportunity be given others to contribute.

SHORT NEWS ITEMS

During the 24 hours ended Thursday morning at 10 o'clock 217 new cases of infantile paralysis developed in New York and during the same period there were 43 deaths, the epidemic reaching the high mark.

TRAMP WRITES MORE POLITICS

He Is Wise To Deception Practiced By Republican Politicians -- Think The People Have Democratic Tendencies To Be Thankful For--Those Who Think See Through Republican Trickery.

GERMAN CAPTAIN TELLS HOW GERMAN MERCHANT SUBMARINE GOT AWAY.

Norfolk, Va., Aug. 3.--So far as is known here tonight the Deutschland is safely at sea on her way to Bremen after successfully running through the patrol of Allied cruisers of the Virginia capes.

THREE BIG DAYS' PLEASURE

At Lincolnton--Season Tickets May Be Obtained From Any Member of The Chautauqua Committee -- Something of Those Who Come To Our Town.

Special emphasis will be given to the diversification of crops, soil improvement, live stock, marketing, etc.

On one of the counter attacks the Germans came forward holding up their hands. Behind them the British guns had placed curtains of shellfire through which it was impossible for them to retreat.

That there were 125 bridge spans of fifty feet or more each swept out by the Western Carolina floods, representing a loss of about \$1,000,000 and that the damage to highways was around \$5,000,000 is the estimate on the flood damage by State Highway Engineer W. S. Falls.

All over the country publishers are either cutting down the size of their publications or advancing the price, or both, and introducing other economies because of the continued advance in the price of paper.

Editor of The News: In my tramps over the country I happened on a copy of the Lincoln County Times of July 11 in which one Erebus undertakes to reply to my article in The News of June 29.

It is not believed the Deutschland experienced the slightest difficulty in evading the cruisers. Captain Hirsch, of the war-bond German liner Necker, who directed the departure of the submarine said today that the underwater freighter passed unobserved within one hundred yards of a United States destroyer on neutrality duty about a mile off the capes.

The Chautauqua dates for Lincolnton this year are August 14, 15 and 16th. The Chautauqua is an ideal form of entertainment. It comes but once a year and lasts only three days, but they are three days that will never be forgotten.

MAN TELLS OF FINDING BODIES OF WIFE AND LITTLE TOTS, DOWN THE RIVER.

Hendersonville,--special to the Observer, Aug. 4.--B. E. Huntley, the man who lost his wife and two adopted children, his home and all his belongings in a landslide at Bat Cave on the morning of July 10, was in the city yesterday for the first time since the catastrophe.

DEMOCRATIC SENATORS BOUND BY CAUCUS.

Democratic Senators, in a caucus Monday night, voted to postpone action on the immigration bill until the next session of Congress and adopted 38 to 9, a resolution, binding all Democratic Senators to that decision.

ASHEVILLE WANTS PORTION OF MONEY COMING THAT SECTION FROM THE U. S. TREASURY FOR FLOOD SUFFERERS SPENT IN REBUILDING THE ROADS DESTROYED.

Asheville wants the portion of money coming that section from the U. S. treasury for flood sufferers spent in rebuilding the roads destroyed. In this way it is hoped to give employment to heads of families made destitute by the floods.

HELD UP BY THE FLOODS.

Sir Samuel Thomas Evans, president of the British prize court, has conferred in that court 3,000 bags of coffee shipped from America to Gothenburg by Swedish steamers. The court held that the cargoes were in reality intended for Germany.

AT A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF CATAWBA COUNTY AT NEWTON, WEDNESDAY, IT WAS DECIDED TO BORROW \$50,000; OR, IF NECESSARY, TO JOIN CALDWELL, ALEXANDER AND IREDELL COUNTIES IN BUILDING BRIDGES ACROSS THE CATAWBA RIVER.

At a special meeting of the commissioners of Catawba county at Newton, Wednesday, it was decided to borrow \$50,000; or, if necessary, to join Caldwell, Alexander and Iredell counties in building bridges across the Catawba river.

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NEGRO ELECTROCUTED AT RALEIGH FOR MURDER.

John Savage, a colored man, was electrocuted Friday for his part in the murder of an aged white man in Washington county, this State, he having been aided in the foul deed by his wife and son who are both serving terms, the wife 30 years and the son twenty years. It was partly on the basis of the evidence that Savage was convicted and sentenced to die.

COTTON PRICES THE HIGHEST SINCE THE WAR.

Montgomery, Ala., Aug. 3.--The highest price for cotton here since the outbreak of the European war was reached today when 3,296 bales were sold for 13 1/4 cents a pound, the transaction involving over \$200,000.

GEN. CARR GOES TO MOUNTAINS TO SEE AND HELP THOSE IN DISTRESS.

Gen. Julian S. Carr is in the mountain sections inspecting the damage done by the flood. The Charlotte Observer interviewed him in Charlotte, and says:

CHARGED WITH ABDUCTING A WELL-KNOWN MARRIED WOMAN OF EAST SPENCER, N. C., IS IN HOWELL JAIL AWAITING TRIAL.

Arthur Smith, a negro who narrowly escaped violence at the hands of members of his own race at Fayetteville several months ago, after he had killed his wife, was electrocuted in the State prison Tuesday for his crime.

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CLONBURST IN TENN.; MANY LIVES LOST.

Middlesboro, Ky., Aug. 3.--Twenty-five persons are known to have lost their lives as a result of the clonburst which caused Blair's Creek to run its banks near Tazewell, Tenn., late Wednesday night.

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THE BOYS ON THE BORDER.

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WORK BEGINS ON S. A. L. DEPOT AT CHARLOTTE.

A contractor began work Friday remodeling the passenger depot of the Southern Air Line Railroad in Charlotte. The plans call for the expenditure of between \$25,000 and \$30,000 on the building. The present structure, a two story brick affair, will be supplemented on the east side with a wing 18 feet long, and on the west with a 35-foot wing. Each wing will be one story.

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