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CAVALRY TROOP TO CAMP GLENN

The Lincolnton Cavalry Troop is planning this week to leave Saturday evening for Camp Glenn at Morehead City to spend two weeks in annual encampment. Two Pullman cars, 1 baggage car, and 2 horse cars will make up the train used by the troop, and Lieut. Barrineau will be in charge when the company leaves. Capt. Motz and Lieut. Hines having already gone to camp Glenn. The local company is in fine shape and the boys expect a successful encampment.

The Hickory Cavalry will come down, Saturday to go with Lincolnton Cavalry to camp Glenn. The full roster of the Lincolnton Cavalry is as follows:

Capt. W. C. Motz; 1st Lieut. Barlineau; 2nd Lieut. Geo. Hines; 1st Sgt. Sam Ledford, Supply Sgt. Bryan Dellinger, Stable Sgt. Robt. C. Workman; Mess Sgt. Henry Kistler; Line Sgt. Paul Kiser; Grover Sumner, W. E. Smith; Cpl. Geo. R. Avery, Berlie Link, Charlie Clark, Henry Buff, Vernon Kiser; Privates John C. Ward, W. P. Harrill, Jessie Anthony, Marvin Hull, Grady Shrum, James Sanford, John T. Williams, Henry R. Motzeller, Charles W. Graham, Roscoe Caldwell, Arthur Weathers, Louis Biggerstaff, Alton Rash, Lawrence Sneed, Coy Cannon, Joel Boyles, Ellis Brown, Francis Byers, Lee M. Byers, Steve Beatty, Oscar Beatty, Jones Bumgarner, Sidney Caskey, Frank Carrell, Everett Carpenter, Reed A. Harris, Carl Harwell, Joel P. Hull, William F. Heavner, Albert Hoke, Hugh Johnston, Henry Keever, John Lander, Carl Loftin, Clarence Lynn, Roosevelt Leonard, Joel W. McKillop, Bergrin Martin, John Navy, Roy H. Parker, Edgar Rowe, William Sims, John Stamey, Carl Smith, Earl Smith, Clarence Tallant, Alfred Williams, Wylie Woodard, Thomas Woodard, Robert Ward, Ralph Wilson, Belton Weathers, Floyd Walker, Lee Turner, Clayton Clark.

CAROLINA GIRL WINS HIGH LITERARY HONOR

Essay on Good Roads Has Been Accepted by Highway Educational Committee.

Hickory, Aug. 7.—A Hickory girl, Miss Anna Bull, 13 years old, a member of the eighth grade of the South school and a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Bull, has the distinction of being the only high school student in North Carolina whose essay on "Good Roads and Highway Transport" has been accepted by the highway and highway transport education committee for a nation-wide contest in essay writing on this subject with a prize of \$2,000 in cash for the winner.

The young lady competed against other high school students in the state and nation and the dependencies of the United States. She has just received a letter from the committee informing her of the distinction, and Superintendent Carver has written the committee, a national organization of which Dr. P. P. Claxton was chairman, confirming the facts as to the student's age and residence.

NEPHEW SUPPOSED DEAD APPEARS IN THE FLESH

Chester, S. C., Aug. 5.—To be informed of the death of a nephew in an airplane accident in Germany nearly three years ago, and to hear nothing to the contrary until just recently, and then in reply to a letter to receive a very interesting communication from the nephew in question was the experience of C. H. Culp.

This nephew, W. Cobb Morris, was working in Canada, and was just on the point of becoming a Canadian soldier, when the United States entered the war, returned to the States and volunteered in the air service. Young Morris reached the front a few days after the signing of the armistice, and was assigned to patrol duty. It was the following winter that Lieutenant Morris met with the accident that very nearly cost his life and he was, in fact, reported dead, which information got to relatives in this country, and was accepted as authentic.

Recently, however, Mr. Culp was informed by a gentleman from North Carolina that young Morris was still alive and well, and a letter from Mr. Culp brought a long and interesting reply, in which the young airman gave a detailed account of his adventures and promised to visit his Chester relatives soon. He is now a first lieutenant in the air service, and his headquarters is at Langley Field, Va.

Newton, Aug. 9.—Mrs. George Rowe was bitten by a copperhead snake at her home on Newton route 2 Friday. The bite was on one of her fingers, which was wrapped at once by a cord and the wound saturated thoroughly with turpentine. A physician was called, but she never became sick and has not suffered further from the bite.

COUNTY WIDE PICNIC AT CAMP GROUND

(W. L. Smarr.)
On Thursday of next week, August 18, a county wide picnic will be held at Mathews Camp Ground under the auspices of the State, and County Cooperative Extension Work and the Lincolnton Creamery and Ice Cream Company.

An invitation is extended to everyone to come and spend the day. This is an ideal place for a picnic, plenty of shade trees, newly covered harbor equipped with comfortable seats, a large spring, and all other features that are required to comfortably take care of a large crowd.

Speakers For The Day
Dr. Carl Taylor, head of the Department of Rural Life, A. & E. College, Raleigh, N. C., and Mr. J. A. Arey, State Dairyman, Raleigh, N. C., will address the meeting. These gentlemen will have a message that will be of interest to everyone. Their talks will be on topics that are timely.

Everyone is asked to bring their baskets well filled. Dinner will be spread by friends, communities, etc., grouping in small gatherings. Plan to meet your friends at this meeting.

Variety Test For Small Grain.
I have arranged with Dr. R. Y. Winters, Plant Breeding Specialist, A. & E. College, Raleigh, N. C., to conduct some variety test, and plant improvement work with small grain in this county. Some two or three communities have talked of taking up this work. I would be glad to hear from those who are interested so that arrangements may be made. A representative of the Department of Agriculture will be here about 18th or 20th of this month. Please act at once so that arrangements for the meeting may be made.

Dr. Winters has assisted in the conducting of some variety test of cotton in this county and is now supervising some plant breeding work with cotton as a result of these tests. Those who are interested in the cotton work are well pleased with the results. The improvement of small grain is just as important. Like begets like, and blood will tell. We can not expect maximum yields with poor seed. We send too much money out of the county for seed and invariably we get poorer seed than can be produced right here at home. Many seed houses have a profitable business of buying seed from Tom, Dick, and Harry, and selling them for a fancy price to farmers. Why not produce some grain that is well bred? There is always a good demand for good seed, at a price above the food market. Let me hear from you if you are interested in improving your seed for small grain.

Have You Good Seed Wheat for Sale?
Dr. Winters write that he has an order for 1200 bushels of Fulcaster wheat. Also have some inquiries about other varieties. If you have any wheat, of any variety that is suitable for seed, would be glad to try to find a market for you. Bring sample to my office. Want to know variety, price wanted, and number of bushels offered.

Are You Acquainted With Crimson Clover?
If not, get acquainted and see if there is not a place for this soil improver on your place.

Agricultural Meetings to Be Held.
For the purpose of discussing and planning some kind of community activities, meetings will be held as follows:

Salem, Monday night, August 16th. Reepsville, Tuesday night, August 16.
Gainesville, Pleasant Home, Leonard's Fork, Wednesday night August 17. (Place to be announced later.)
Mathews Camp Ground, Thursday August 18. All day picnic.
Macpellah, Friday night, August 19.

These meetings will be appropriate for men, women, and children and all are urged to attend.

NO CRIME REVEALED AT OLD ROCK QUARRY

Raleigh, Aug. 9.—The work of draining Cemetery lake, the state of North Carolina's old rock quarry, in East Raleigh, was virtually completed today without disclosing any "evidence of crime." The state buildings and grounds committee authorized the work begun a week ago because of belief that stolen automobiles had been submerged. The seven million gallons of water in the lake, the accumulation of years, has been pumped out by gasoline engines working night and day during the week. Hopes of city and county officials that drainage of the lake would reveal clues which might lead to arrests were blasted when only mud, trash and scrap iron were uncovered.

JITNEY DRIVER SAULTED BY NEGROES

Donald McLean at the Point of Death Three Negroes Placed in Watauga County Jail.

Lenoir, Aug. 9.—Donald McLean, a young jitney owner of Lenoir, lies at the point of death at the Green Park hotel at Blowing Rock as a result of a difficulty with some negroes which happened about 3 o'clock last night. McLean had carried a load of passengers from Lenoir to Blowing Rock in the afternoon and just about night fall was getting them rounded up for the return trip when he met an automobile in which three negroes were riding. The negroes gave very little roadway and McLean said something to them. This meeting occurred just this side of the village and the negroes drove on toward the village, where a white boy named Simmons heard them plotting to go back and overtake McLean and kill him, it is said. They overtook McLean at the Patterson place between Green Park and Skyland, where one of them, it is said, knocked McLean in the head with a bottle and another fired three shots into his breast and side. Another negro, Gene Ferguson, of Lenoir, saw the shooting. Ferguson ran and told some men, who went to the scene of the trouble and carried McLean to the Green Park Hotel.

Blowing Rock officers thought that the three negroes had driven in the direction of Lenoir and telephoned of friends here, who started out to meet them. Not locating them on the road anywhere, the local officers, with a posse, went on to Blowing Rock, where later they found three negroes. One of them was Will Shaw, a cook for Dr. Vardell of Rock Springs. Another, who is chauffeur for Mr. Williamson, was with Shaw. They were both arrested at their quarters on the Williamson place. The third was chauffeur for E. C. Holt, of Burlington. The three are held in the Watauga county jail, awaiting the outcome of the condition of young McLean.

This affair has created much feeling among the village and among those people who live in the mountain section surrounding Blowing Rock. It is claimed here that a number of instances have occurred there recently in which negro chauffeurs have taken an insulting attitude toward the villagers. The resentment on the part of those who live there, is feared, will develop into some greater trouble.

A ROAD-BUILDING PROGRAM IS ASSURED FOR GASTON

Gaston county voted overwhelmingly yesterday \$800,000 road bonds, says the Gastonia Gazette of Tuesday. This insures a system of hard surface roads that will cross the county two ways, north and south from Lincoln to the York county line from Meeklenburg to Cleveland county. In addition to these two main highways, which are to be State built and maintained, there are many other roads in the county which will be rebuilt and repaired. Practically all the old macadam roads are to be resurfaced, some of them with a hard surface finish. It is safe to assume that practically all the macadam roads now leading into Gastonia and those connecting the more important communities of the county will be hard surfaced.

The bond issue insures a program of road building that will put Gaston county far up among the front rank in the counties of North Carolina in good roads. By this vote, the citizens of the county have made it possible for the commissioners to avail themselves immediately of the aid offered by the State Highway Commission. The \$800,000 road funds of the State bond issue will have been exhausted before a fractional part of the counties have gotten their road work started. We are in on the ground floor, so to speak, and the result will be evidenced in years to come. We shall be using and enjoying our good roads when other localities are waking up.

Some days ago Editor David Clark, of the Southern Textile Bulletin, in Charlotte, in an address, openly charged that certain New England cotton mills were behind the labor troubles in Charlotte Concord and Kannapolis; that these New England cotton manufacturers had not only helped in agitating the strike, but had to a great extent financed the movement in order to receive orders. Thomas F. McMahon, acting International President of the United Textile Workers of America, a few days ago came forward with a challenge to Editor Clark to prove his charges against these New England manufacturers. A news report from Charlotte states that Mr. Clark says that he will stand by each of his statements made in his address in Charlotte, and that proper proof can be given of the truthfulness of the same. And there you are.—Stanley News-Herald.

OVERMAN WILL VOTE AGAINST LINNEY

Issues a Statement Giving Reasons for Opposition—Regards it His Duty.

(By H. E. C. Bryant in Charlotte Observer)

Washington Aug. 8.—"As my voting for Mr. Linney for a political office might be construed by some as an endorsement of his political views as well as some other statements made by him in his testimony before the judiciary committee, I regard it my duty to vote against him," said Senator Overman today in a formal statement setting forth his position on the nomination of Frank A. Linney for district attorney to succeed S. J. Durham.

Senator Overman began by stating that when the protest of the negroes was read before the judiciary committee in connection with the Linney appointment an overwhelming majority of the members voted for rejection of the nomination. The formal announcement from Senator Overman's office reads:

Overman's Announcement
"Recognizing the principle, however, that every man is entitled to a hearing before being condemned, I determined that Mr. Linney be given a square deal and not be condemned without first being given a hearing, which I would have given for any North Carolina republican or democrat. The committee, upon my motion, reconsidered its action and granted a hearing.

"Mr. Linney's statement in answer to the protest of the colored people seemed to satisfy them thoroughly but his statements were a disappointment to me. He stated he did not repudiate the circular letter because he did not think the writer's purpose was to agree to eliminate the negro voter but the negro issue. He stated in answer to Mr. Britt that in the adoption of this letter, or rather in his failure to repudiate it, he did not directly or indirectly intend to strike at the voters of the colored race in 1920 in North Carolina.

"So instead of eliminating the negro issue in his statement, he has rather intensified it.

"Pointed With Pride."
"He pointed with pride to the fact that his father had made a speech in Congress advocating legislation for the enforcement by the federal government of the fourteenth and fifteenth amendments, and he stated frankly that he himself had determined, if he could not get relief from the legislature of the state, that he would advocate federal legislation to protect the negro in his right to vote.

"I did not believe in this day and time that there was any southern man republican or democrat, who would advocate another force bill for federal legislation for the enforcement of the fourteenth and fifteenth amendments. It will be remembered that during the republican administration since I have been a member of the senate Congress almost unanimously repealed and wiped from the statute book, I hope forever, all old election laws passed during the reconstruction days providing for U. S. marshals, federal officers and the bayonet at the polls. I do not think it would be possible now to get Congress even to consider passing an act to interfere with the election laws of any state for this or any purpose. It has generally been understood that each state has a right to regulate its own election laws without federal interference.

"As a member of the subcommittee I did not object to his nomination being referred to the full committee and to the senate, always reserving the right to oppose him in the open senate if I concluded it was my duty to do so.

Simmons Will Oppose Linney.
Senator Simmons will oppose Linney. He will go to the extent of making a speech against him. He thinks that Linney was either trying to fool the women voters of North Carolina during the last campaign or has misled the members of the judiciary statement by his testimony. He is very pronounced in his views on the subject.

THE TARIFF AND THE NEGRO

(By David F. St. Clair.)

Washington, D. C. August 8.—The Republicans so far as concerns the South are trying to ride two horses, the dappled horse of the protective tariff and the black horse of the negro. They are now working through the Southern Protective Tariff Association to capture the business interests of the South and at the same time there is filed in the alcoves of the Judiciary Committee of the Senate a bill to appoint a committee, to investigate the moral, social and political conditions of the Southern negro. This latter move, it is understood is inspired by the negroes themselves with a view of demanding political and social equality with the whites in the South.

The Republicans have never faced two tasks in the Southern States so diametrically opposed to each other and so difficult to coordinate. But here in Washington we are told they are on the one hand setting great store by the South's eagerness to become the new west and on the other hand are trusting to the tire of the Southern people over the negro question in politics.

Soft Pedal on Negro.
The policy at the present moment is to play the soft pedal on the negro until it is seen how the new tariff, policy is going to take in States like North Carolina. For that reason the forth coming meeting of the North Carolina division of the Southern Protective Tariff Association at Greensboro on August 16th and 17th will be watched with the keenest interest.

For that occasion, Mr. E. P. Wharton, a prominent banker of Greensboro and a Democrat has flooded the State with circulars to bankers and business men calling upon them to endorse the policy of Southern Protective Tariff Association in its campaign to push the house tariff bill through the Senate on the claim that it will advance and conserve the agriculture manufacturing and mineral interests of the South. Mr. Wharton's activities have come to the attention of the North Carolina delegation in Congress.

Some of the delegation have received letters from bankers at home asking what is the Southern Protective Tariff Association and what are the motives of its activities in North Carolina. The reply is that it is a branch of the National Tariff Association; it is believed to be financed by that body and the Republican party is using it as a decoy to capture the South.

One member of the North Carolina delegation writing to one of his constituents concerning Mr. Wharton's letter, said, "Your letter and attached papers from Mr. Wharton are interesting. It is only another evidence of the efforts on the part of those who enjoy the benefits of public plunder, to enlarge their forces and strengthen their influence.

"Wharton knows, as well as you and I, that the Fordney tariff and all other protective tariffs are frauds on the agricultural interests. He knows that agricultural products are exported and look for their markets in foreign ports, and that exports must certainly be stimulated by imports. He knows that ships cannot bring money to American ports to buy agricultural products, but that there products are exchanged for things produced in foreign countries. He knows that taxing imports cannot increase their activities, and knowing these things, he knows that tariff does not stimulate exportation of agricultural products and raise their prices to your depositors, who are Hertford Co. farmers. He knows further that his bank has made more money since October 1913 than in any other eight years of its existence, and that those eight years have been low tariff years giving no direct protective tariff to agricultural products, but his game is strong, and the hand that he plays carries a four-flush. As long as the tariff stays in politics, the beneficiaries of it must get votes and in order to get votes they must throw their arms around every interest that can be discovered, and if they can get the agriculturalists to think he needs a tariff and decoy him into his fold, he is simply strengthening his own opportunity to plunder the American consumer. I hope you will not sign the letter, and you may use this letter for any purpose in the world that suggests itself to you."

But it should be well understood that the North Carolina delegation is not in the least disturbed by the activities of the Southern Protective Tariff Association. The universal friendless reception of the Fordney tariff bill by the Country, it is declared, makes Mr. Wharton's organization a complete misfit in the sphere of things. The South was never less in need of a protective tariff than now

STATE WANTS REMOVAL OF KINCAID CASE FROM BURKE

Prominent Burke Man Who Slew His Wife May Go On Trial Next Wednesday.

Morganton, August 9.—Soon after opening court this morning Sidney Kincaid, prominent Burke farmer and merchant and recent member of the board of county commissioners, was arraigned on the charge of murder of his wife, Lillie Kincaid, at their home near Chesterfield on the night of July 18.

This case holds the center of interest for this term of Burke court and when the prisoner was brought in this morning the courthouse was crowded to its utmost capacity. Kincaid, who is a man much above the average in intelligence and personal appearance, was pale and nervous and his answers to the solicitor's questions were barely audible.

The one surprising turn in the case at this stage was the request contained in an affidavit made by Solicitor Huffman for removal of this trial to another county. The solicitor stated in the affidavit that because of the wide acquaintance and relationships of the defendant and because the case had been discussed, in his opinion, in practically every household in the county, he believed that it would be hard for the state to get a fair and impartial hearing.

Wednesday of next week was practically agreed upon as the date for opening the trial.

Closely following Kincaid's arraignment true bills were brought in by the grand jury against Walter Brittain and Charlie Crawley, two young white men charged with criminal assaulting a 15-year old girl. A special venire of 100 was requested and ordered summoned and trial set for Thursday morning.

These are the only two capital cases on the docket, a major part of which is made up of blockading and retailing cases.

Charlotte, Aug. 9.—H. L. Morrow and company (Inc.) agents for the Studebaker automobile and one or two makes of airplanes, made a voluntary assignment today. The creditors elected W. L. Nicholson to settle up the affairs of the company, and prorate the recoverable funds among the creditors. It is said \$60,000 is about the amount of the outstanding stock of the company and that the assets and liabilities may be found to be not far apart.

"Watchful waiting" as a Mexican policy was much ridiculed and condemned by Republicans during the Wilson administration. But, as in the case of many other Wilson policies, they have now adopted it as their own.

\$100,000 WORTH OF JEWELRY STOLEN ON PULLMAN

Chicago, Aug. 9.—A police investigation was under way today in connection with the disappearance of \$100,000 worth of jewelry while the Twentieth Century Limited, on the New York Central Railroad, was speeding toward Chicago yesterday.

Max Levy, Chicago wholesale jeweler, reported on his arrival here that a brief case containing the jewels had been taken from under his pillow in the Pullman car. He says one of the pillows had also been removed from under his head while he slept.

Why Overman Opposed Linney
Republicans here have been saying that the Democratic newspapers can no longer scare the white people in North Carolina with the revival of the ghost of the negro in politics. They have been pointing to the slight reaction of the State to the reports of the Linney case as proof. But the change of mind of Senator Overman from a friend of Linney's nomination as district attorney to a pronounced opponent shows that he fears the Republicans are going to try to use the negro politically through such men as Linney. At first he trusted Linney as a man of honor and integrity and secured for him a hearing before the Senate Judiciary Committee. But Linney's repudiation of the letter to which his name was attached as Chairman of the Republican State Committee and his advocacy of a force bill for the South have convinced Senator Overman that this Boone lawyer is an apt agent for the Republican party to revive the menace of the negro in politics.

Mr. Overman's conviction in this matter is strengthened by his knowledge that there is on file in the Committee of which he is the ranking Democrat the bill mentioned above to investigate the social and political condition of the negro. He is hoping that he can put this mischievous bill to sleep. He is telling his Republican friends in the Senate that the bill has only T. N. T. for their party in the South.

SHORT ITEMS

Winston-Salem, Aug. 8. At a meeting here tonight, attended by about 150 men, steps were taken for organization of the Ku Klux Klan in this city. About 40 remained for the final membership ceremony.

Asheville, Aug. 8.—Telegrams were received today by Governor Morrison from New Orleans and Austin, Tex., asking that the proposed cotton conference be held in those cities. Governor Morrison would not make a statement on the proposed conference place, but it is understood the convention in all probability will be held in North Carolina.

Washington, Aug. 8.—Agreement to eliminate the taxes on fountain drinks and ice cream and the so-called luxury tax on wearing apparel is understood to have been reached today by Republican members of the house ways and means committee, sitting in executive session. A reduction of one half in the 10 per cent levy on sporting goods also is said to have been agreed upon.

Countess von Bernstorff, wife of the former German ambassador to the United States, has retained possession of stocks, bonds and cash totaling \$1,100,000, which were seized from her by the alien property custodian at the beginning of the war. The victory of the countess ended a fight she began on September 25, 1920, when she filed a claim for the return of the property.

Goldsboro, August 8.—Rev. W. H. West, well known in Goldsboro and throughout the county as a holiness preacher, was sentenced to 12 months in jail today by Judge Bland after West had been found guilty in the county court on the charge of criminally assaulting a number of young white boys here.

Charlotte, Aug. 8.—Because of the belief that between \$12,000 and \$15,000 for entertainment could not be raised and 3,000 homes secured for the Widwits Veterans association to meet here in second reunion in September was withdrawn today. Business depression was assigned as the reason for the inability to raise the money, and an acute house shortage will not allow placing of ex-soldiers in private homes it was agreed.

Jacksonville, Fla., Aug. 8.—A detachment of national guardsmen was held in the army today as a result of hostile threats against Henry Hamilton, negro, held in connection with the murder of Mrs. J. B. Lee, killed in her home Saturday night supposedly by a burglar.

Newton, Aug. 9.—Rev. S. A. Ewart, who has been pastor of the First Presbyterian church, in this city, for the past three years, tendered his resignation as pastor at the 11 o'clock service on yesterday to take effect on September 1st. This announcement came as a surprise to his congregation. Mr. Ewart has accepted mission work in Patrick county, Virginia, near Mt. Airy. He will also be pastor of Blue Ridge church and superintendent of the Blue Ridge Academy.

Houston, Texas, Aug. 8.—Fifteen men, unauthorized persons aboard, are believed to have been burned to death in the wreck of Gulf Coast line freight train Number 32, eastbound, near Dequincy, La., today according to advices received at the general offices of the railroad company here tonight. Work of clearing the debris is proceeding. The bodies are burned beyond recognition.

Automobile and truck owners paid last year in state and municipal taxes, registration fees, etc., nearly \$200,000,000 white excise taxes levied by the federal government on passenger cars, motor trucks, parts, tires and accessories amounted to more than \$150,000,000. It is now proposed to add to this burden of taxation an additional federal tax which would bring the nation's auto tax bill up to half a billion dollars annually—an amount which not many years ago was sufficient to run the government.

The Ku Klux Klan has been disbanded in North Carolina by Bruce Craven the head of this secret order according to a statement made public by that official. Greensboro and High Point are said to have charters of the Klan and that efforts were being made by organization to place charters of the order in other town in the state.

The more or less frequent rains the past few days are attributed to "dog days," about which a great deal is always heard at this season of the year, but concerning which there seems to be more or less disagreement and misunderstanding.