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## GENERAL NEWS.

### Matters of Interest Condensed Into Brief Paragraphs.

A French outpost in the Sahara recently lost 26 men in an engagement with the Arabs.

The summer town of Spring Lake, N. J., was swept by fire Wednesday, causing a loss of \$200,000.

The coal barons require the operatives to dig 2,400 pounds for a ton, but when it reaches the consumer it has dwindled to 2,000.

A bill has been introduced in the Mexican congress providing for an appropriation of \$80,000 for the sufferers from the Galveston storm.

The sovereign grand lodge of Odd Fellows, in session at Richmond, Va., Tuesday, passed a resolution appropriating \$1,500 to the Galveston sufferers.

The administration got even with Mr. Webster Davis for joining the Democratic party by bouncing his crippled brother, who was assistant postmaster at Kansas City.

The coal miners' strike in Pennsylvania continues to gain strength. About 125,000 miners are reported on a strike. The strike throws about 3,000 railroad employes out of work hauling coal.

Oom Paul Kruger will sail Monday for Europe by a Dutch steamer. Administrative home rule for the conquered Boer country is to be demanded when he gets to Europe, and he will issue a statement, probably before reaching Holland, asking the powers to help force England to yield this much to his people.

Good progress is being made cleaning up the wreckage in Galveston. Railway communication is now open. The storm wrecked almost every vault in the six cemeteries and many of the dead in metal cases were washed to sea. So far only one casket has been found. It had been carried three miles from the vault.

Germany insists that the Chinese leaders responsible for the outrages be delivered up for execution before the beginning of peace negotiations. The note sent to that effect by Germany to the other powers is considered as completely turning the tables on Russia and to be the most important declaration of policy yet issued by the allies.

A dispatch from Liverpool says: The British steamer Gordon and the German steamer Stormarn collided in Cardigan bay Sunday night and both vessels sank. Twenty persons on board the Gordon were lost. The Stormarn cut the Gordon in twain in a dense fog. The Gordon sank immediately, her boilers exploding. The Stormarn floated for an hour. Her boats saved a few of the Gordon's passengers, who were transferred to the steamer Borregard and taken to Pomfrey.

The Daily Telegraph publishes the following from Lourenzo Marquez, dated Tuesday: "A pitched battle has been fought midway between Kaap Muijen and Hestor Spruit, resulting in heavy Boer losses. The Boers removed and now threaten to destroy the cogwheels used between Waterval Boyen and Watervalonder, without which the railways cannot be worked. They have blocked and damaged the railway for six miles on the Crocodile Poort section, have destroyed the culverts and the Hector Spruit bridge and looted and burned Komatiport. The British are now at Komatiport and very heavy fighting is proceeding."

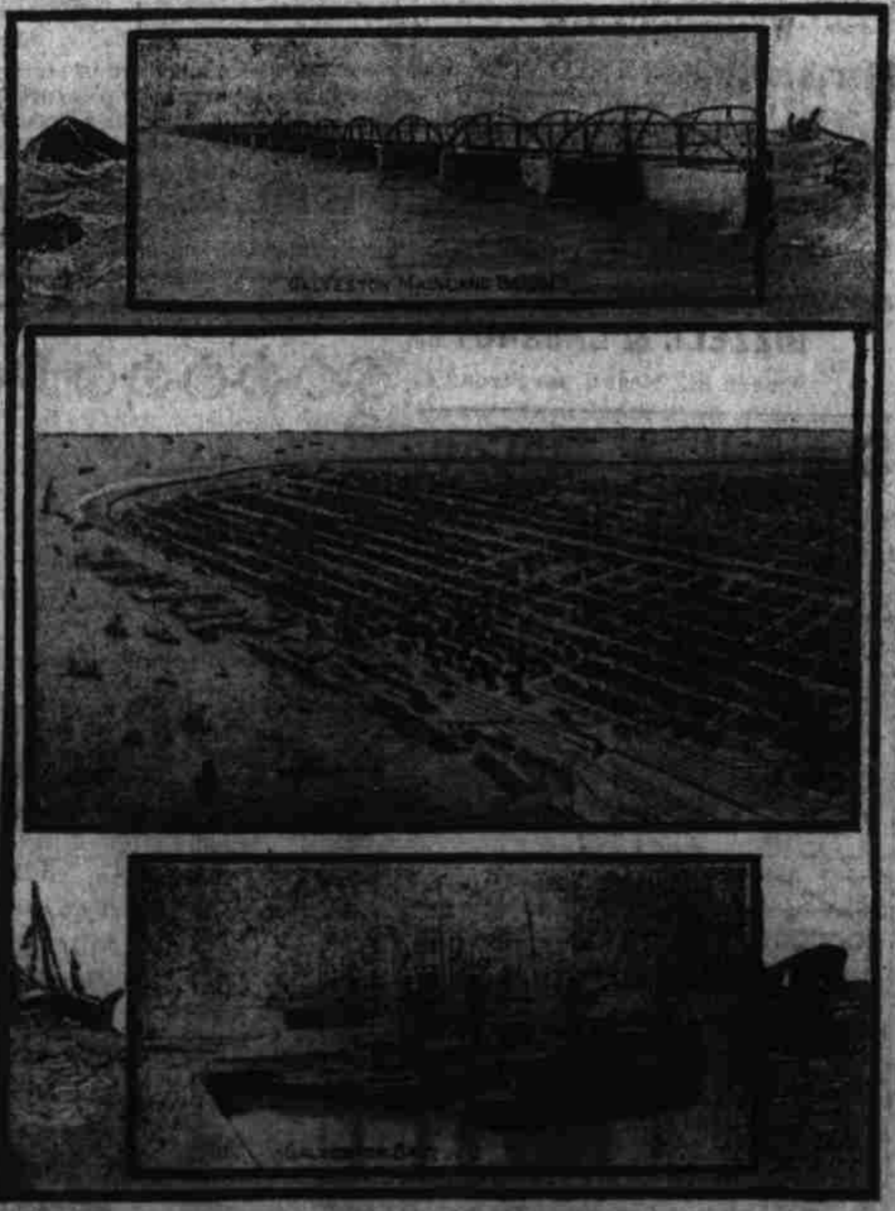
Heavy rains have caused damage to cotton in South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama and Florida. No improvement in the condition of cotton is reported from the central portion of the cotton belt, except in southern Louisiana, where, as a whole, the prospects are some better, while in Texas the tropical storm of the 8th and 9th completely destroyed the crop in the southern portion of its path and damaged it in the central and northern portions. Outside of the storm area cotton made favorable progress in Texas, although insects caused damage in some localities. The reports generally indicate that cotton is opening rapidly and that picking is well advanced and will be completed at a much earlier date than usual.



From his most recent photograph.

### PAUL LEICESTER FORD.

The marriage of Paul Leicester Ford awakens a lively personal interest in this popular writer. The author of "Janice Meredith" and many other graceful love stories, including "The Story of an Untold Love," is himself the hero of a love affair. Mr. Ford is 35 years old and lives in Brooklyn. The young lady who becomes his wife is a pretty Brooklyn girl. She is the daughter of Mr. Edward H. Kidder and has been somewhat prominent in the social circles of the City of Churches.



### SCENES AT GALVESTON.

"Mr. Maximus,"  
The result of an examination was put up on the notice board of a well known cramming establishment, and one of the attendants was scanning the list with as much interest as any of the breathless students. At the head of the list was written, "Maximus 508," and when the attendant's eyes rested thereon he exclaimed, "Why, that Mr. Maximus, he's always top, he is."—London Globe.

Not a Good Conductor.  
"Well, sir," remarked the observant passenger, after watching the conductor collect eight fares and ring up five, "you need never be afraid of being struck by lightning."  
"Why not?" asked the trusted employee.

"Because," replied the observant passenger. "It is evident you are not a good conductor."—Philadelphia Press.

LOW  
Many golden opportunities have been lost by those who suffer from rheumatism. By taking Rheumacide now they will be permanently and positively cured. Sold by J. E. Hood.

Explained.  
"Has he money?"  
"No."  
"Then he probably has family and position."  
"No; he is merely a fine man."  
"Then why in the world is Maud marrying him?"  
"For love, I understand."  
"Well, I always did think Maud was a well-queer."—Colorado Springs Gazette.

Have you a sense of fullness in the region of your stomach after eating? If so you will be benefited by using Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They also cure belching and sour stomach. They regulate the bowels too. Price, 25 cents. Sold by J. E. Hood, druggist.

## ORMONDSVILLE ITEMS.

September 18, 1900.

Mr. Ed Coward, of Greenville, visited here Sunday.

Mrs. W. H. White, of Greenville, visited at her father's Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. R. C. Coward left last Tuesday for Charlotte, where he will attend school.

Mr. Mack Hornaday and Miss Abbie Carr visited Miss Esther Hardy Sunday.

Misses Sallie Palmer and Palmetto Taylor visited at Mr. M. E. Dail's Sunday.

Mess. Charlie Waters, Carl Sutton, Leon Aldridge, Erastus and Burton Albritton visited here Sunday.

Miss Florence Dail gave an ice cream supper at her home last Friday night to a number of her friends.

Mess. Ernest and Whit Hardee returned Friday from a pleasure trip to Washington, D. C. and Baltimore.

Misses Margaret Ormond, Lucie Turnage, Vera Taylor and Effie Grimsley spent Sunday at Mr. D. B. Taylor's.

Mr. Jim Dail, who attends school at LaGrange, visited his friends a few days last week and returned Monday morning.

Mess. J. M. Ormond, M. T. Frizzelle, J. R. Turnage, J. P. Frizzelle and R. P. Taylor left for Durham last Tuesday to enter Trinity College.

Mr. Kinsey Hardy, of Ormondsville, and Miss Bettie Munford, of Ayden, were married last Wednesday at 4 p. m. They had a grand reception at the home of the groom.

Quarterly meeting was held at this place Saturday and Sunday, but was not very largely attended on account of bad weather. Brother Rone gave us two fine sermons.

### Bryan on Race Question.

Bryan spoke Tuesday at Fort Scott, Kan. While he was discussing the colonial policy of the government some one asked Mr. Bryan about North Carolina and the race question in that State.

"I am glad you mentioned North Carolina," said Mr. Bryan. "Now I want you to read the Sulu treaty, and having done that, I think you will blush until election day and never have time to think of North Carolina."

This rally brought a prolonged cheer from the crowd, and when it had subsided Mr. Bryan outlined this treaty, showing how it tolerated and recognized slavery. He then said that the Republican party not many years ago disfranchised the negro in the District of Columbia and by legislation during the last session of congress the negroes of Porto Rico had been denied the right of trial by jury. No state legislature of the United States had gone so far. "Yes," said he, "this race question is a serious question wherever it is encountered; and is not the presence of a race prejudice in this country today a reason why we should not take the chances of increasing it by adding to our population 8,000,000 of people of a totally different race? No intelligent citizen can deny the existence of the race question here and it is such a serious question that it will take all the intelligence of both the white and black people to settle, even under existing conditions. For God's sake then, don't let us take a step which will further complicate the situation."

### Trust Methods.

Tarboro Southern.  
The American Tobacco Trust is now pursuing trust methods to crush out a small industry in this section. In Wilson there are manufactured cigarettes called "Carolina Brights" and the public here and at other points in this section of the State have received them with much favor. The A. T. company brooks no opposition, so it has cut prices in this place and others so as to underbid the Brights people. In addition, this monopoly now offers a lot of cheroots as an extra inducement for dealers to handle. As soon as the little rival is crushed prices will go back.

To crush out the manufacturers of the Brights would take away from those engaged in making their living. But this does not concern the A. T. company, whose management and most of their employees are for McKinley. Dealers will not add to their profits in this war of crushing, because the low prices they now pay are temporary.

### Is This Cuba Libre?

Santiago de Cuba, Sept. 18.—The elections for delegates to the constitutional convention have resulted in favor of the black party throughout this entire province, and the whites now openly declare themselves to be annexationists.

Ten thousand colored men who have worked themselves up almost to a frenzy and wearing badges, containing a skull and cross bones, signifying death to the Republican party, paraded through the principal streets of the city last night, carrying tallow candles and torches. A mock funeral of the Republican party was held today and was attended by about 1,000 colored persons. The white people are cautious and are avoiding conflicts.

The Seaboard Air-Line has contracted for 2,000 new freight cars.

The Best Prescription for Chills and Fever is a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. It is simply true and quick in its action. See the enclosed page. Price, 25 cents.

## STATE NEWS.

### Interesting North Carolina Items In Condensed Form.

The governor has been notified by Col. Armfield that it is impossible to have an encampment of the First Regiment this year.

Chairman F. M. Simmons has gone to Pittboro to aid in the defense of the Democratic election officers there who are charged by the fusionists with violation of the law. The fusionists are pushing the prosecution.

Daily mail service has been established between Beaufort, Ocracoke, Portsmouth and other points on Core Sound. Chadwick and Jones, who have the contract for carrying the mail, have completed two launches to be used for that purpose.

Gastonia Gazette: There is a crowd of range peddlers a short distance from town, we are informed, that are swindling a great many people out of their money. They offer a range for \$69 that could be bought here or in any town at \$30 or \$35.

Work has commenced on Tumbling Shoals Mills at Henrietta Mills, Rutherford county. It will be the largest cotton mill of the kind in the south, and will have 65,000 spindles. It is located two and a half miles from the present Henrietta Mill.

Charlotte Observer: The hope of a solid Democratic delegation from North Carolina in the next congress, in which Chairman Simmons indulges, as he expressed himself to our Greensboro correspondent, is not ill-founded. From present indications the eighth and ninth are the only doubtful districts. Even if these are lost and the others carried, of which there seems no doubt, the Democrats will have made gain of one representative, but there is good hope of a clean sweep and the Democrats should bend every energy to a realization of this hope.

Winston Sentinel: Rawley Strong, a colored blacksmith, met with a sad death Saturday night. He was drowned in a ditch on the east side of N. & W. track on 7 1/2 street. Whiskey is said to have been the cause of his death. The general impression is that he was walking along the railroad track during the heavy rain and being intoxicated he stumbled and fell in the ditch, about six feet deep. It being filled with water which ran under the track, Strong was unable to get out. The position in which he was found proved that he made desperate efforts to pull himself out.

Raleigh Cor. Charlotte Observer: Your correspondent spent an hour at the Soldiers' Home this morning, mainly in looking at the new hospital. The latter is a model of its kind, is 104x84 feet, with four wards, each 33x18 feet, and a sun-parlor, 46x30 feet. There is a reception room and a lobby, each six-sided, the former under a cupola which rises 25 feet, and there is a dining room, almost triangular. The hospital building is complete. All the interior wood work is pile in natural color, the floors and wainscoting heavily polished. The ventilation and the lighting are admirably arranged. In each ward there is a fire place, a bath room and closet and also a closet for clothing.

### Same Old Stripes.

News-Observer.  
J. J. Martin, Republican nominee for congress in the second district, is postmaster at Tarboro; Spencer Blackburn, in the eighth, is assistant district attorney; Jim Moody, in the ninth, was major of the baked beans department in the Spanish war; Holton, in the seventh, is brother to the district attorney for the western district, and was revenue officer if he is not now; Joyce, in the fifth, is stamp clerk in the revenue office; Jenkins, in the fourth, is supervisor of the census. The other nominees will also be federal officials or be controlled by them. That is the kind of "business men" the Republicans will ask the North Carolina people to vote for as representatives in congress.

Every one of these fellows used his influence to defeat the constitutional amendment, and they are all running on a platform that declares that our amendment is "revolutionary."

The Republican party in North Carolina puts up today the same old stripe of negro-voting politicians they have been nominating for thirty years, and then has the effrontery to appeal to "business men" to vote to undo the vote they cast in August. It will not avail them.

### AUGUST FLOWER.

"It is a surprising fact," says Prof. Houten, "that in my travels in all parts of the world for the last ten years, I have met more people having used Green's August Flower than any other remedy for dyspepsia, deranged liver and stomach and for constipation. I find for tourists and salesmen, or for persons filling office positions, where headaches and general bad feelings from irregular habits exist, that Green's August Flower is a grand remedy. It does not injure the system by frequent use, and is excellent for sour stomach and indigestion." Sample bottle free at Temple Marston drug store. Sold by dealers in all civilized countries.



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