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ODD AND INTERESTING HAPPENINGS.

Cherry Tree Swindlers.

Greensboro, Oct. 7.—The celebrated Amos Owens Cherry Tree company cases were disposed of in the United States court here today. E. J. Justice, counsel for the convicted defendants, C. D. Wilkie, Rev. T. Bright, Dr. Frank Bright, C. F. Geer, G. W. Rollins and M. C. Padgett, plead that their clients could not refund the ten thousand dollars to the victims as ordered at the last term of court to avoid penitentiary, but could pay five thousand now. Judge Bynum consented to the five thousand ordering that the defendants give that amount of bond for payment of the five thousand more at the next term of Federal court to be held in Charlotte. Receiver Cowles will distribute the fund among the lady victims of the swindle, pro rata. They are countless and from Main to California, principally in North Carolina and Georgia.

J. B. Embler was convicted of forging an affidavit to obtain a pension and sentenced to fifteen year's imprisonment.

Engineer Killed.

Winston-Salem, N. C., Oct. 6.—A head-on collision occurred this afternoon one mile north of Walnut Cove. A freight engine ran into the incoming passenger train from Roanoke. Engineer W. B. Figart of the passenger train was fatally injured. Besides being scalded all over, his skull was crushed and the two physicians sent from here say he is unconscious and can not live. Capt. Figart is about 55 years old. His home is in Roanoke, Va., and he has a wife and one child. He is now at Walnut Cove. The fireman on the passenger train jumped when he saw the freight engine coming and only sustained slight injuries. Engineer Wallace and his fireman of the freight engine only sustained slight bruises. Conductor Johnson and several passengers were shaken up and a few came out with slight bruises.

Marion Butler's Brother for Congress.

Goldboro correspondent to the Wilmington Messenger: Mr. Robert Hancock, of New Bern, one of the leading Republicans of Craven county, was here today and confirmed the news that Major George W. Butler, of Clinton, brother of ex-Senator Marion Butler, would be a candidate for congress from this district on the fusion ticket against Hon. C. R. Thomse, the present incumbent, who was the unanimous choice of the Democratic congressional convention held in this city last June.

Elliott to be Tried.

Gov. Aycock issued an order Monday for a special term of Lincoln county supreme court to be convened Oct. 20, by Judge Winston to try Calvin Elliott, the negro fiend who entered the home of Caleb Brown, near Lincolnton, Sept. 27, knocked Mr. Brown senseless and dragging Mrs. Brown to an adjoining room, committed an outrage upon her. The special term of the court is to be held by Judge Francis D. Winston, and it was ordered at the special request of Judge Hoke.

Negroes Issue a Call.

Raleigh, Oct. 6.—Leading negroes of the State issued a call tonight for the State negro convention, to be held here October 10th, to "nominate a ticket to be voted for by the intelligent negroes of the State." The call denounces the action of the Republican convention as an insult to the colored Republicans. It declares Pritchard has shown himself an "ingrate" to use negroes as a stepping stone to prominence, then by shameful surrender has accepted as final an unjust qualification to suffrage of men that made him.

Grand Jury Instructed to Indict Davis Commissioners.

Mocksville, Oct. 6.—Davis superior court convened today with Judge Neal on the bench. No cases of importance are on the docket and court is not expected to last but a few days. The judge instructed the grand jury to find two bills of indictment against the county commissioners, first, for failure to have sufficient sales to which to protect the court records; second, their failure to have a jury room.

Webster's Weekly: Fay Thomas, colored, who lives a mile or so to the south of Baldeville, went out hunting last Thursday. Not finding any game, he soon returned and putting his gun on the stairs the trigger came in contact with the steps and in some way was fired, the lead hitting his ball, which was filled with shells, which were soon rattling in every direction. Thomas was hit a dozen or more times, dying at once.

SWEPT BY FLAMES.

Texas Oil Fields Again on Fire—Probably Twenty or More Lives Lost.

Beaumont, Texas, Oct. 7.—(Midnight.)—Another great fire, more disastrous than the conflagration of a week ago, swept over the oil fields here tonight, causing the loss of twelve or more lives and entailing a property damage of several thousand dollars.

The fire was discovered shortly before 11 o'clock, and with remarkable rapidity it spread to the many derricks in the Hogg-Swayne tract. The encroachment of the flames was so rapid that many people were caught in the fiery path and at midnight it is known that twelve people have perished and the fatalities may reach twenty.

The entire Hogg-Swayne tract, comprising one of the largest sections in the oil fields, will, in all probability, be burned to the ground, forty or more of the large derricks have been destroyed by the flames.

At this hour, the fire is spreading and the property loss will be heavy. The entire oil field presents a brilliant spectacle as the flames grow brighter and brighter.

Two Government Checks.

Charlotte Observer: William K. Vanderbilt and Grover Cleveland received respectively the largest and smallest checks ever issued to individuals by the United States government. At one time Mr. Vanderbilt owned \$50,000,000 worth of government bonds and on this amount drew annual interest of \$2,000,000. At the close of Mr. Cleveland's second administration it was discovered in settling up his accounts for salary, that the government owed him 1 cent. A check for that amount was forwarded to him and as it has never been presented for payment it is probable that the recipient preserves it as a curiosity.

West Virginia Miners Resume Work.

Clarksburg, Oct. 6.—Seventeen West Virginia mines which have been idle since the inauguration of the strike started up this morning and 4,000 miners returned to work. An agreement was reached at a convention of the United Mine Workers of sub-district No. 1 of division 17. The proposition accepted provides for nine hours a day, pay every two weeks, and gives the miners the right to organize, but does not say that the organization will be recognized. No other mines are affected by the action of the convention.

Have you registered?

Molineux to be Tried Monday.
New York, Oct. 6.—The second trial of Roland B. Molineux, charged with the murder by poisoning of Mrs. Katharine Adams in December, 1898, has again been postponed. The retrial of the famous case was set for today, but Justice Barrett, who was assigned to preside, is ill and court was adjourned until next Monday.

Now, please, don't forget to register.

This Season is Good enough for anybody with weak lungs. The patient need not travel. He can get well here with the help of Allen's Lung Balm, taken frequently when coughing and shortness of breath after exercise serve notice upon him that serious pulmonary trouble is not far away. Allen's Lung Balm is free from any form of opium.

COMMISSIONERS' MONTHLY REPORT

IMPORTANT BUSINESS TRANSACTED

Some Private Roads Taken Up As Public Property.

The board of county commissioners met in regular session Monday, Oct. 6, all of the members being present.

It was ordered by the board that the road from near Sparrow's store, across south west creek on into the Tull road near Thomas Smith's, also another road leading from Stephen Turner's to Duplin line be received as public roads, and that Mr. Bob Harper be allowed to keep the gates across said road, to remain until Nov. 1, 1902.

Ordered by the board that all parties, who have not listed their tax for 1902 be charged with double tax.

The following jurors were drawn for November term of superior court for 1902:

- FIRST WEEK.
1. Harper, Simpson jr.
 2. Jones, L. P.
 3. Meadows, C. D.
 4. Byrd, Levi
 5. Jordan, C. M., sr.
 6. Arthur, J. L.
 7. Brooks, E. L.
 8. Brooks, F. F.
 9. Howard, C.
 10. Quinn, Lon.
 11. Bell, Jultus H.
 12. Haskins, F. M.
 13. Hill, Hardy.
 14. Dupree, J. E.
 15. Harper, R. M.
 16. Best, T. A.
 17. Noble, R. K.
 18. Aldridge, B. B.
 19. Hadley, G. B. W.
 20. Jones, Doy.
 21. Taylor, B. L.
 22. Sutton, Jerre.
 23. Johnson, C. J.
 24. Sutton, T. M.
 25. Herring, T. J.
 26. Sullivan, B. E.
 27. Tyndal, A. E.
 28. Capel, Geo. L.
 29. Howard, Phillip.
 30. Sutton, Geo. H.
 31. Sutton, Walter.
 32. Heath, Ira, Jr.
 33. Dawson, R. Y.
 34. Pool, J. W.
 35. Barwick, E. A.
 36. Rhodes, L. W.
- SECOND WEEK.
1. Holland, E. H.
 2. Mewborn, R. H.
 3. Gray, J. C.
 4. Ellis, J. H.
 5. Grady, Whitfield.
 6. Rouse, J. B.
 7. Wade, D. C.
 8. Taylor, L. B.
 9. Bright, S. H.
 10. Haywood, W. H.
 11. Tyndal, L. H.
 12. Phillips, W. H.
 13. Stroud, Dempsey.
 14. Sutton, Geo. E.
 15. Harris, Stephen.
 16. Kennedy, A. F.
 17. Williams, H. V.
 18. Abbott, Sam, jr.

The following accounts were ordered paid out of general county fund:

- J. B. Temple, for aged and infirm.....\$206 50
- Thos. Fuller, for burial of pauper Jao. E. Harrison, age and infirm 1 00
- J. G. Cox and D. F. Wooten, fees in cases vs. Hughes Metts, et. als..... 7 05
- J. D. Gardner, keeping iron bridge..... 7 00
- W. F. Dibbles and D. F. Wooten fees case vs. Koonce et. als 4 65
- S. H. Isler, repairing court house tower..... 39 00
- D. F. Wooten account filed 25 10
- Dr. C. L. Pridden medicine acct 16 50
- A. L. Johnson poll tax refunded 2 45
- H. L. Shaw 2 days on election board..... 2 00
- Einstein Bros supplies for jail 7 50
- Plato Collins acct. filed 2 00



GENERAL WILLIAM BOOTH'S TOUR OF THIS COUNTRY.
1 William Booth, who is now in this country, is the commander in chief of the army. He is here to further the work of his organization, and it is his intention principal cities of the United States before returning to England.

Plato Collins repairing office	28 00
J. P. Smithwick, mayor, case vs. John Davis.....	8 10
Geo. West coffin for pauper	3 00
Kinston Pub. Co., acct. filed	14 92
Wiles Parker poll tax refunded	2 45
A. L. Waller (all account)	118 25
Police Dickens training blood hounds.....	25 00
J. T. Cockrell 2 months phone	4 90
A. W. Whitefield 6 days com. 43 miles travel.....	16 30
D. W. Wood 5 days com. 15 miles travel.....	11 50
B. W. Canady 1 day com. 2 00	
E. Brinson keeping blood hounds	35 00
W. D. Sugg 1 day as clerk 58 orders et.....	33 00
The following amounts were ordered paid out of road fund.	
Ira Smith work on road	20 20
Henry Sutton work on road	2 00
Henry Cunningham work on roads.....	95 60
T. C. Phillips work on road	1 00
G. W. Warr see supplies for road	9 60
T. W. Beckon work on road	50
Stephen McCoy keeping ferry	50
F. C. Hooker work on road	8 95
H. J. Williams supplies for road	
for.....	27 95
A. L. Daugherty work on road	9 44
J. H. Roushshankles for road force	7 10
G. L. Capel feed for county team	34 45
Dr. J. C. Green visit to road force	3 00
Jas. Sutton feed for road team	7 81
W. D. Adams lumber for road	6 84
Jas Hill sr. work on road	69 42
P. Otthingham and Wren Co., lumber for road.....	8 04
P. H. Crawford, damage to buggy.....	5 00
W. E. Stroud, work on road.....	21 37
S. S. Turner " ".....	10 40
J. R. Croom " ".....	75
Moore & Hooker supplies for road force.....	6 62
Ben Herring keeping Hardy bridge.....	12 00
N. B. Wooten, road account.....	125 98
Jas. Closs, work on road.....	3 85
B. W. Canady, supplies for road force.....	17 20
B. W. Canady, supplies for road force.....	5 90
B. W. Canady, supplies for road force.....	12 70
B. W. Canady, supplies for road force.....	3 95
The following amounts were ordered paid out of fence fund.	
O. Hill work on fence	2 25
W. N. Parks work on fence	1 00
On motion the board adjourned.	
W. D. Stooz, Clerk.	

RESAOA. October 7.
Preaching closed at Smith's Chapel last Thursday night.
Mrs. Nannie Smith, we are glad to say, is very much improved.
Miss Mabel Maxwell visited at Mrs. Walter Smith's last Wednesday night.
Several from here attended the carnival last week they report a pleasant time.
Mrs. Job Stroud is visiting her mother, Mrs. H. J. Kennedy, of Cabln.
Mr. Gilbert Maxwell has purchased Mr. Isaac Stroud's saw mill and will be ready for sawing in a few days.
New top buggies are getting to be very numerous in this section.

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NEWS FROM THE NATIONAL CAPITOL

ITEMS OF INTEREST TO EVERYBODY

Since congress adjourned an appropriation of \$15,000 has been expended in the decoration of Statuary hall. This hall was supplied last winter with an iron roof. The ceiling was replaced with plaster casts in relief, and since March fifty artists have been at work decorating this new ceiling as well as the brownstone interior walls of this historic hall. The lumber—20,000 feet—used in the scaffolding for the artists was removed the other day. With the removal of the lumber the revelation was most magnificent.

The brownstone walls that were are now huge blocks of Sienna marble, rich in color and veined in varying hues of dark red. The recess panels in the ceiling are done in pure gold, which is lighted in the most effective way through the new and handsome "lantern" skylight. The hall has been transformed from a place of dingy reflections to one of cheerful brightness. Its strong and beautiful architectural features stand out as never before, and to the sentinel line of marble statemen which circles its walls are added new attractions by the more appropriate surroundings.

The hall is illuminated in the evening by the glimmer of 300 concealed electric lights placed in the cornice so as to light the gilded ceiling and reflect from that to the floor below. A huge chandelier is to be suspended below the lantern containing fifty more electric lights. This is intended to be the last artistic touch.

Uncle Sam's Big Printery.
The new government printing office now nearing completion, although it has seven acres of floor space, will be only large enough for the current work of the government and does not make any substantial allowance for future growth. Yet the structure is so large that it has consumed in its erection 14,000,000 pounds of steel, one-seventh as much cast iron and 45,000 barrels of portland cement. The doors have been made of an asbestos composition, the door and window frames of iron, and the whole structure is as near fireproof as it was possible to make it. The cost when it is completed will be about \$2,400,000.

The first public printer was appointed under a law passed in 1852. His salary was only \$2,500, and the office had been in operation ten years before its employees numbered 300. Today more than 4,000 persons draw salaries at the government printing office, and at the present rate of increase it is fair to assume that 10,000 will be employed by 1912. The bookbinding alone employs 900 persons. There are 1,200 compositors.

Big Year For Patents.
The annual report of the commissioner of patents has been completed and is at present in the hands of the printer. The past year has been one of unusual activity among the inventors, the report showing that during the period between June 30, 1901, and June 30, 1902, 45,562 applications were received for mechanical patents, 1,807 applications for designs, 139 applications for reissues, 1,849 caveats, 2,400 applications for trademarks, 1,020 applications for labels and 270 applications for prints. Of these applications for patents 27,387 were granted, covering designs and reissues, and 163 prints, 750 labels and 1,864 trademarks were registered.

Cleaning Up For Company.
The British embassy is to be renovated and modernized as to its interior. It needs this work very badly. While one of the most imposing residences in Connecticut avenue, it is one of the stuffiest.

It is understood that Hon. Michael Henry Herbert, the new ambassador, will come to this country long enough to present his credentials and then will return to England for a short time while the embassy is in the hands of the artisans. It is expected that the embassy during the coming winter will be one of the most brilliant places in Washington official life, as Mrs. Herbert's relatives in New York, the Vanderbilts, the Wilsons and the rest, will be here during the season, and there will be much entertaining.

Government's First Flower Show.
An exhibition of chrysanthemums is to be held in November at the department of agriculture. This will be the finest display of these flowers ever made in America. Some idea of the beauty, extent and magnificence of Uncle Sam's first flower show may be had from the fact that the department has 150 varieties, two plants of each, growing on its grounds. All of them have been brought by intelligent cultivation to a very high state of perfection, so that both plant and bloom will be seen in their best possible development.

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