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CAPITAL CITY NEWS BUDGET

News of Interest From Raleigh

NEWS CAME AS A GREAT SHOCK

Of The Death of S. L. Patterson—All State Offices are Closed Today on Account of The Funeral—Other Items of Interest.

Special to The Sun.

Raleigh, N. C., Sept. 15.—The news of the death of Hon. Samuel L. Patterson, commissioner of agriculture, came as a great shock to State officers and hosts of friends here. Practically all the heads of departments of the State department of agriculture have gone to Caldwell county for the funeral which takes place this afternoon at the late home of the deceased, notable among them being Secretary Elias Carr, Curator H. H. Brimley, Entomologist Franklin Sherman and others. It is also expected that Governor Glenn and possibly others of the State officers who are out of the city in various parts of the State, will be on hand for the funeral.

All the State offices are closed today on account of the funeral.

The deceased was born in 1850, a son of S. F. Patterson. He was prepared for his long and useful career by training in both the University of North Carolina and the University of Virginia. He first located in Salem where he was a book-keeper in manufacturing interests in which relatives of his were interested. Later he went to the Patterson homestead in Caldwell county and began farming on an extensive scale, having previously married a Miss Senseman of Salem, who survives him.

Mr. Patterson always took a lively interest in the affairs of his county, State, and the country at large. He served terms in both branches of the State Legislature, and four terms as commissioner of agriculture—two appointive and two elective terms.

One of three State cases argued by Assistant Attorney General Hayden Clement today was State vs. Wilkes from Greene county, involving the North Carolina Landlord and Tenant Act, that makes it a misdemeanor for a tenant to procure supplies for making a crop and then leave landlord and crop before the harvest with the supplies unpaid for. The defendant was indicted under the act and convicted in the trial below. The appeal is on the ground that the act is unconstitutional in that detention of a tenant for such an obligation would be penance.

The Southern Automobile Company, Charlotte, N. C., is chartered, \$25,000 capital authorized and \$3,000 subscribed by J. W. Zimmerman, J. H. Ross, E. B. Littlefield, P. P. Immerman and J. H. Harn. The company proposes to manufacture and deal in automobiles and bicycles.

The contest between the Southern Railway Company and the city of Durham over the construction of a sub way at the Gregson street crossing was up again for hearing before the corporation commission at noon today, on exceptions by the Southern to an order of the commission that the sub way with masonry abutments be installed at a cost of \$3,500 with concrete or brick and \$7,500 if stone is used, the city of Durham to pay \$1,000 of the cost, whatever material is used. The Southern offers to construct a safe crossing with wood abutments at its own expense but Durham refuses to permit it and demands the stone abutments at the whole cost of the railroad company. The commission will not make its final order for several days yet, probably.

O. K. Orr, division freight agent and traveling auditor Pogram, of the Southern Railway were before the corporation commission to answer charges filed by shippers on the Transylvania division of the Southern Railway that the freight rate on Tonic acid is excessive. The case

is taken under advisement by the commission.

State Insurance Commissioner J. R. Young announces that the Mutual Fire Company, of Philadelphia, has filed papers for entering the State for insurance business.

ENGINEER HURT IN WRECK

Virginia Carolina Train Goes Over Embankment Near Abingdon

By Wire to The Sun. Bristol, Tenn., Sept. 15.—The mixed train on the Virginia-Carolina Railway, from Abingdon to Kennorock, Va., left the track at Drowning Ford, ten miles from Abingdon, last night. The engine and two cars went down the bank to the river. Engineer William Thompson went down with his engine, and was badly injured. So far as has been learned here, the rest of the crew escaped injury.

SHOT IN A SHIRT FACTORY

Jealousy Causes Woman to Shoot a Man

By Wire to The Sun. New York, Sept. 15.—Frenzied because of his infatuation for another woman, Mrs. Lobliska, married, fatally shot Frank Pansea in the office of a skirt factory. Two hundred girls in the factory became panic stricken. The woman was arrested.

BACON HIGH IN CHICAGO

Cattle and Hogs Are Scarce and Bacon Selling at 27c. and 30c.

By Wire to The Sun. Chicago, Sept. 15.—Bacon is selling in this city today as high as port-house steak, which is 27 cents to 30 cents per pound. Cattle and hogs are scarce and are selling very high. High prices for meats may be expected for some time.

THE CASE OF WHITE

Against The City of New Bern Being Heard

Also The Case of Harrison vs. Bryan This is a Case of Injunction Proceedings.

Special to The Sun.

Raleigh, N. C., Sept. 15.—The case of White vs. the City of New Bern, which is one among the long list being argued on appeal in the Supreme Court this week, from the Third district is really here on its second appeal. It is the case in which the plaintiff stumbled over some steps that extended on the sidewalk. In the first appeal the plaintiff argued in addition to the liability of the city for allowing the old steps to be located as they were, there was an additional liability for not having the street at that point properly lighted. The jury gave \$1,000 damages. On appeal the Supreme Court held that there could be no damages recovered against a town for failure to light the streets or for defective light. The case was remanded for a second trial. This time with the contention as to defective lighting eliminated, the damages recovered was \$800. Now this judgment is to be reviewed. Mr. A. D. Ward represents the plaintiff and Mr. W. D. McIver the city.

The City of New Bern is the plaintiff in another case up on appeal this week. This is Harrison vs. Bryan and New Bern. The case grew out of the improvement of sidewalks. A big tree in front of the property of the plaintiff was to come down in sidewalk improvement. An injunction was secured against cutting the tree. Then the injunction was dissolved at the hearing, the tree being felled and the stump eliminated soon thereafter to give place to the improved sidewalk. The real status of the case, with the tree gone and sidewalk placed really seems hard to define. It develops that the plaintiff is a Christian Scientist and the factious comment is heard that there must be a plea that the tree is really there and that the broad scope of the imagination that characterizes treatment in Christian Science applies in this case.

HE WILL BE RETAINED

The Postmaster Makes Things O. K.

EXPLAINS TO THE DEPARTMENT

Nothing in Remaining Counts to Warrant His Removal—He Will Probably Be Retained in Office

By Wire to The Sun.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 15.—Acting Postmaster General Granfield, of Atlanta has explained to the satisfaction of the department the most serious charges which were made against him by the inspector and that there is nothing in the remaining counts to warrant the removal of the postmaster. He will probably be retained in office.

5,000 ACRES

J. T. Levy, Pittsburg, Buys at Rock Castle Colony

Richmond, Va., Sept. 15.—Mr. J. T. Levy, of Pittsburg, Pa., who has been in correspondence with and made several visits to Commissioner of Agriculture Koerner's office, has closed a deal for 5,000 acres of Rock Castle, on James River, about fifty miles above Richmond.

Mr. Levy had a long interview with Mr. Koerner on Saturday. He stated that the department had already been a great help to him, and he would look to this source for guidance and help in the future.

This large tract is to be used for colonization purposes. Fifty cottages will be built as soon as the material can be gotten in place.

The ferry at Rock Castle was washed away by the recent heavy rains, but as soon as it can be rebuilt the real work will begin and be pushed.

The Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad had agreed to bear a part of the expense of replacing the ferry. In addition to the cottages, many other necessary buildings will be built.

In addition to this large tract already purchased, about 2,000 acres more are needed.

Mr. Levy and his associates have ample means to develop the enterprise.

Mr. Koerner is greatly pleased at the establishment of this colony, as it is, he states, the most efficient way, not only to get satisfied white labor, but also puts to work the State's idle acres.

Mr. Levy's investment, it is understood, already exceeds \$50,000.

ONE KILLED, FOUR INJURED

Wheeling, W. Va., Sept. 15.—While the family of John G. Roush, a farmer of Mason county, near Point Pleasant, were seated at breakfast this morning, a can of kerosene placed near the stove, became overheated and exploded, instantly killing one of the children, and probably fatally burning the parents and three other children.

The dead: Annie Roush, aged 4.

The injured: z John G. Roush, aged 42, burned about head, face and body.

Mrs. Roush, burned about body.

Jennie Roush, aged 11, burned about body.

Eulola Roush, aged 9, burned about face and body.

Amelia Roush, burned about face.

The house caught fire and was consumed. The screams following the explosion called the neighbors, who succeeded in getting the injured out of the house.

The band concert by the Johnny Jones Carnival musicians, that was rendered on the corner of Middle and Pollock streets, last evening and noon today, was appreciated and applauded by several hundred people. The band is composed of real musicians and deliver real and high class music. It is one of the best bands that has visited New Bern for a number of years.

BIG FIRE IN SACO

Six Hundred People Are Homeless

\$500,000 DAMAGE TO PROPERTY

Damage Would Have Been Greater But For Help From Biddeford—Many Thrilling Escapes—Flames Subdued About Noon.

By Wire to The Sun.

Saco, Me., Sept. 15.—Six hundred people are homeless and a half million dollars damage to property.—Eighty-five tenant houses and nine million feet lumber was consumed in a fire, which swept this city today.

The fire originated in a lumber yard. A high wind caused the rapid spread of the flames. The damage would have been much greater, had not help arrived from Biddeford. There were many thrilling escapes from death.—The flames were subdued about noon.

FLOWER NEARBY

Suspected Individual Reported Not Far From Staunton

By Wire to The Sun.

Richmond, Va., Sept. 15.—Mayor Richardson received a letter this morning from Fishersville, a village just this side of Staunton, Va., saying that a man believed to be Dr. R. C. Flower had arrived and was stopping there. The letter was turned over to the Chief of Police.

The description given of the suspect suggests that he may be the much wanted man. The letter says that he is about fifty years of age, weighs about 170 pounds, and has a "new" moustache. The elusive Flower had his abundant hirsute adornment severed from his countenance just before making his final exit.

Flower is not in Richmond. That much is known from the most authoritative source, and is not doubted. When he left is another question.

Mrs. H. R. Courtland, who claimed to be his wife, is in Richmond, as is C. E. Courtland, who claims, with an equal regard to fact, to be some sort of relative. They are, however, living in extreme retirement. Mrs. Hagan is in town, and was in the Police Court this morning to answer the more or less dignified charge of beating a board bill. The warrant was withdrawn on promise of Attorney Pollock to see that the landlady got her money.

Mayor Richardson today told of some of Flower's plans and schemes on his previous visit here, when Flower posed as the great "cure-all."

"I know," he said, "of the one man who said he got \$25 from Flower." This, however, was about fifteen years ago, and Flower has probably learned better. The man's name is Charles Terrell and he is still in Richmond.

Mayor Richardson was then a practicing attorney, and when the physicians of Richmond, headed by the late Dr. W. C. Parker, proceeded against the prize fakir for practicing medicine without an examination by the State Medical Board and without a license. In that way he became known to Terrell.

Terrell came to him one day and said he was one of the two men in Richmond that Dr. Flower had surrendered real money to, and in answer to interested queries he disclosed the method. In doing this he exposed Flower's seemingly inhuman powers of analysis.

Terrell, with another man, a friend of Terrell's, were employed by Flower, whose offices were in the old Exchange and Ballard Hotels, to plead guilty of having any disease in the world. They were to get into the corridor of the hotel and associate with the patrons of the wonder-healer, and at the same time, tell how they had been cured. The corridor would be full of victims, and to them the pair would sing Flower's praises.

"He cured me," they would shout.

"What did you have?" would ask

a man who had not been cured.

They would answer and then ask the man what he had. The man would tell one of them. Then the other would slip out, get in Flower's private office, and, pointing out the man, would explain his ailment. This would be the next man who got in the private office.

"I have got," he would begin. "I know it," Dr. Flower would interrupt. "I could see it as soon as I saw you. I am a busy man, and there is no use for you to explain you have liver trouble."

It was exactly what the patient did have, and he would be so surprised he could not answer. Dr. Flower gave him a prescription and he hurried out, the next man, whose ailments had been explained to the scouts would then appear and be treated the same way.

"It's remarkable," everybody agreed. "He can tell what's wrong as soon as he sees you." And that's the story of Dr. Flower's magic powers.

SHOT BY HIS BRIDE

Wheeling Resident Victim of Accident While on Honeymoon

Wheeling, W. Va., Sept. 15.—Archibald Stewart, formerly salesman for a candy concern, of this city, was shot and mortally wounded by his young bride while spending their honeymoon on the farm of Mr. Stewart's parents, at Wilbur, near West Union. Mr. Stewart married Miss Hall, at the home of her parents, at Marietta, Ohio, on Thursday, and they went to the country to spend a few days.

They were shooting at target, and while Stewart was setting the target, the gun, in the hands of Mrs. Stewart, was accidentally discharged, the bullet passing through Stewart's abdomen. Physicians say his chances for recovery are slight.

WILL NOT ACCEPT

So Wires David Jaye Hill This Morning

Doesn't Want the Honor of Being Governor of New York—Anti-Hughes Elements Hope Lost.

By Wire to The Sun.

Saratoga Springs, Sept. 15.—David Jaye Hill, the ambassador to Germany, cabled today that he would not accept the New York Governorship. Thus the last hope of anti-Hughes element to unite on man is lost. Many others of prominence have been offered but they all decline to accept and leaders are floundering about hopelessly.

JEALOUSY CAUSES KILLING

Girl Over Whom Men Quarrel Arrested Slayer of Admirer

By Wire to The Sun.

Wheeling, W. Va., Sept. 15.—Jealousy was the cause of the killing of Manual A. Blevins, foreman on the Virginia Railway, who was shot by Joseph Williams on a lonely country road near Cirtsville, Raleigh county, yesterday. The tragedy was witnessed by Miss Lucy Browning, with whom both were in love. She attempted to stop the quarrel before Williams pulled his revolver and fired six shots in the other man's body.

Blevins called at Miss Browning's home in the afternoon, and they strolled out for a walk. Williams arrived a few minutes after they left, followed, and killed Blevins. Miss Browning grappled with the murderer, grasped the revolver and held him at bay until help arrived. Blevins' home was in Saltville, Va.

NIGHT RIDERS ARE ORGANIZING

Farmers Are Being Held Up and Threatened

By Wire to The Sun.

Jonesboro, Ark., Sept. 15.—Night riders are organizing in Northeastern Arkansas for the purpose of reducing the cotton acreage next year and compelling the holding of this crop.

The farmers are being held up and threatened.

FOUND DEAD BY HIS WIFE

Nominee of Primaries Commits Suicide

HAD BEEN DEAD SOME TIME

Was of Nervous Temperament of The Strain of The Campaign Told on Him—Was to Have Gone off Today.

By Wire to The Sun.

Columbia, S. C., Sept. 15.—John D. Farr, who was nominated in the primaries for the superintendent of education of Lexington county, died by shooting himself in the head. He had been dead several hours when he was found by his wife and daughter.

Farr was of a nervous temperament and the strain of the campaign told heavily on him. He was to have gone to Winthrop College today, where his daughter was to begin her third year in school.

MAINE ELECTION

Republican Majority Is Reduced to 8,000.

Portland, Me., Sept. 15.—The republicans carried Maine yesterday by about 8,000 plurality as against 26,816 in the last Presidential year and 8,064 in 1906. Returns are slow coming in those that are coming in does seem to change materially the figures sent out last night.

The figures as sent by the Associated Press last night are Bert M. Fernald, of Poland, republican, 71,714.

Obadiah Gardner, of Rockland, democrat, 64,628.

In 1904 the same places gave 74,419 for Governor Cobb, republican and 49,141 for Davis, democrat. The missing towns which are small, four years ago cast 2,545 republican votes and 1,005 democratic.

This shows a republican loss of 4 per cent and a democratic gain of 32 per cent. On this basis the republican plurality in the state was estimated at about 8,000.

FACING A SERIOUS CRISIS

St. Petersburg Has a Bubonic Plague Epidemic

By Cable to The Sun.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 15.—This city is facing a very serious crisis from the bubonic plague.

Forty deaths have occurred in the last twenty four hours and one hundred new cases been added to list.—There have been four hundred and five deaths in four days.

The authorities seem to be unable to cope with the situation. There has been three thousand deaths since the outbreak.

LITTLE CHANGE IN OUTLOOK

Less Than One Third Delegates in Hall at Noon

By Wire to The Sun.

Rochester, Sept. 15.—There is but very little change in the political outlook here today up to noon, the time of calling the convention to order. Chanler is the favorite among delegates and he will probably be the nominee. Less than one third of the delegates were in the hall at noon, but in a half hour most of them were in their places.

OHIO RIVER AT LOWEST TIDE

Can Drive an Automobile Across The River

By Wire to The Sun.

Wellsville, Ohio, Sept. 15.—The Ohio river is lowest in history. You can drive on automobile across the river at Wellsburg. The dam work is hindered by low water.

SOUTH CAROLINA LOSES OUT

Judge Fritchard's Decisions Sustained In Every Point

By Wire to The Sun.

Richmond, Va., Sept. 15.—South Carolina loses its dispensary case. Judge Fritchard being sustained in every point.