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Tar Heel Items for Tar Heel Readers---Some Happenings in Old North State.

Thirty-three inmates of the Soldiers' Home at Raleigh one fourth the entire number inmates have died during the year.

The second primary in new county of Lee resulted in the election of J. C. Watson sheriff and T. M. Cross register of deeds.

Burglars have been bothering Hickory. In the past two weeks 15 houses have been entered or attempts made to enter them.

In Wayne county a few days ago a small negro boy was going hunting. The gun was accidentally discharged and killed his little sister.

Major W. A. Graham, of Lincoln county, tells the Hickory Mercury that he raised 200 bushels of corn on two and a half acres this year.

The cotton holding warehouse at Mooresville opened for business last week and cotton is being stored. The new Merchants and Farmers Bank at Mooresville opened for business.

Madame Fribourg of Paris recently displayed jewels worth $10,000 in a New York hotel and they were stolen from her handbag while on a Pullman car enroute to North Carolina.

Carl Norwood, employed at the sawmill, at Alexis, Gaston county, accidentally fell on the running saw Friday afternoon and was killed. An arm was cut off and his head split open.

Three hundred and forty delinquent Guilford county tax-lisiters have come up to make amends for failing to list in June and as a result $94,000 worth of property has been put on the books.

Senator Simmons has secured the appointment of Mrs. Matt Ransom McCorkle, of Newton, a daughter of Gen Matt Ransom, to a desirable position in the Agricultural Department at Washington.

Reports from the several drug firms handling whiskey for medicinal purposes on prescription in Greensboro have been made to Chief of Police Neeley for the month of November. For one "patient" nineteen quarts were prescribed during the month

Ed Brown, a young white who was in the service of the Raleigh and Southport Railroad and was highly esteemed in Fayetteville was killed by a train in the company's yard on the 4th, being run over by an engine. The engine passed over his body cutting him in half.

The year just closed broke Forsyth's record in the matter of issuing marriage licenses. Since December 1st, 1906, 454 marriage licenses were issued, an increase of 40 over last year. Register of Deeds C. M. McKaughan says that this is the largest number of licenses issued in a single year in seven years.

At Hamlet late Saturday afternoon Mr. W. M. Smith had the misfortune to have one of his eyes put out. He was assisting Mr. R. S. Gaddy to do some work at his home and was holding a board for him to drive a nail, and when the hammer struck the nail it glanced and hit Mr. Smith directly on the ball of his right eye and destroyed the sight.

It is stated that a rich quality of gold ore has been found in the heart of Spencer, on the right of way of the Southern railway, where the railroad company is sinking an artesian well, the well having reached a depth of about 300 feet. If the Southern goes to finding gold mines on its right of way it will be up to the Legislature to meet and pass a law.

James Butler, a colored man living near Troy, committed suicide by jumping in a well Saturday. It seems that he was secretary and treasurer of a negro Masonic Lodge and was short in his accounts and endeavored to get his wife to sign a mortgage for nearly sixty-five dollars, that he might settle the account. Upon her refusing he took his life as above stated.

Saturday afternoon late, while Mrs. Arthur Bishop, residing at 901 Mangum avenue was on Commerce street on her way home, a negro boy snatched her hand bag containing $6. A $5 bill dropped out on the ground and was recovered while the $1 in silver was secured by the negro, who ran into the back lot of the High Point Furniture Company's store and threw the bag away, where the officers found it next day.

BUILDING UP A TOWN.

Patronize Newspaper, Banks and Merchants--They go Hand in Hand

There is no better way of advancing the interests of and building up a town than that of standing by, encouraging and supporting its newspapers and banking institutions. These institutions go hand in hand on the mission of expanding and building up the town in which they are located. The very life of each is closely interwoven with that of the town. The greater the growth and prosperity of the town, the greater will be the success of the banks and newspapers. The better, and perhaps the only way, to encourage the newspaper is for one to subscribe for it himself and induce others to do the same.

If one is in business he should advertise liberally in its columns and not expect returns too soon, remembering that we have to sow before we can reap. It is the constant dropping of the water that wears away the stone. Besides, the advertisements continued in the town newspaper is an index to the town to the outside world

A newspaper full of home advertisements indicates that the town is peopled by a live and energetic citizenship, and others are induced to move to and locate in it.

Every hotel and boarding house keeper should advertise in the home paper; so that people who visit the town from a distance can know in advance where to find a day's or week's lodging. Such advertisements assist in attracting visitors to town.

Just the same the banks may be encouraged and supported to an eminent degree by the citizens of a town by depositing their savings in the bank, where it will be safe from fire and burglars.

There is a way of handling one's money wisely and there is a way of using it foolishly. And nothing is more foolish at any time than the over-cautiousness that leads to the withdrawal of funds from the channels of trade and commerce to be tied up in an old stocking and hidden in a stove-pipe.—Exchange.

Critcher vs. Watson.

This case went up to the Supreme Court from Granville and decides that there is no error. It says: Where a tenent made a betterment to the house he was occupying an acceptance and promise to pay for the same was binding on the landlord when made during the continuance of the tenancy, the betterment being susceptible of removal—it would have been otherwise had the tenant without authority, or had the promise to pay for it been made upon a past instead of a future consideration.

Beautiful Scotch Singers Coming.

The beautiful Scotch Singers will give an elegant entertainment at the Opera House on next Tuesday night, December 17th, and don't forget your reserved seats as it is worth going to. Read what the Carlisle Press says:

The leading feature of the Scotch concert held here last night was Miss Tina Crawford, contralto vocalist. This lady came from Glasgow with a great reputation and was accorded a hearty reception. Needless to say she fully established her claim to being Scotland's premier contralto vocalist. The people were delighted with her rendering of "Annie Laurie" and in response to their demands for an encore she sang "The Auld Hoose," Many eyes were dim with tears ere the last notes of this touching old ballard died away.

Marriage of Clifton Currin.

On Wednesday afternoon Mr. Clifton Currin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Currin and one of Dutchville township's most excellent young men, and Miss Emma Umstead, one of Durham county's fairest daughters, were united in marriage. The vows were said at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Umstead, and were largely attended, the Rev. G. W. Fisher, pastor of Durham circuit, performing the ceremony.

After an elegant and sumptuous dinner served in honor of the happy event the newly wedded couple left for their home in Granville county amid a shower of congratulation. May joy and peace ever hover around their fireside is the sincere wish of the editor.

DeWitts Carbolized Witch Hazel Salve—don't forget the name and accept no substitute. Get DeWitts. It's good for piles. Sold by J. G. Hall.

It may not be cause, but there has been some mighty big changes in many men on the prohibition question since it became popular to advocate it.

NIGHT RIDERS AT WORK.

MOB OF 500 BURN $200,000 OF PROPERTY.

Marched into Hopkinsville, Ky., and Burns Tobacco Storage Houses--All Armed.

Hopkinsville, Ky., Dec. 7.—Five hundred "night riders" masked and heavily armed marched into Hopkinsville early today and destroyed property valued at over $200,000, while citizens in terror of their lives feared even to open their windows. The police, fire department, telephone and telegraph offices, and even the railroad stations were in possession of a wild mob, shooting right and left, flames from burning buildings meanwhile lighting up the city and the surrounding country until it seemed that the whole town was ablaze. Windows in the front of business houses and banks on the main street of the city were shot out and the entire front of one newspaper which had been especially severe in its condemnation of the raids of the "night riders," and which was owned by the mayor of the city, was demolished.

Only two men were injured one of them being Lindsay Mitchell, a tobacco buyer, who was severely beaten with switches and clubs, and the other, a breakeman, who was shot in the back while trying to move his train from the path of the flames. The raid of the "night riders" caught the city unaware, as for some time the depredations resulting from the tobacco war had been of a minor nature and it was generally thought that in the "dark district" at least the worst was over. The proper destroyed was as follows:

W. H. Tandy, Independent Tobacco warehouse building, and B. M. Woldridge, Associated warehouse; Tandy & Farleigh, buyers warehouse. In addition the entire glass front of Hopkinsville Kentuckian was destroyed, while the windows in the front of the Commercial Bank, the First National, the Planters Trust Company, and the Bank of Hopkinsville, were punctured with bullet holes. The large storage houses of the American and Imperial Tobacco Companies were not molested although they had a large amount on hand.

A number of other business houses and residences bear the marks of bullets and it is considered remarkable that no one was killed. The insurance is believed to be about $60,000.

Big Showing for Citizens!

Don't fail to read the Citizens Bank statement, of Creedmoor, in another column. This is the largest statement ever made by the Citizens Bank. They have more money on deposit than ever before, and have more people doing business with it than ever before. They have assets over $78,659.00 which speaks well for Creedmoor. Don't you think so?

Murder in Vance County.

Near Townsville, Vance county, W. T. Reece and a man named Williamson operated a blacksmith shop and lived in the same house, both being married. Saturday evening Williamson discharged both barrels of a shot gun at Reece and the latter died Monday afternoon. Williamson fled to Virginia, and was captured and is now in Henderson jail.

About eight years ago Williamson killed his son-in-law, Harris, and was sentenced to the penitentiary for life but was pardoned after a few months by Gov. Russell.

Williamson, it is said, pleads the unwritten law. It is said that after shooting Reece he tried to shoot Mrs. Williamson but was prevented by their little child clinging to its mother's dress.

This is the season of decay and weakened vitality, good health is hard to retain. If you'd retain yours fortify your system with Hollisters Rocky Mountain Tea, the surest way. 35c, Tea or Tablets. J. G. Hall.

CHRISTMAS GOODS.

The holiday season is approaching and it is time to think about gifts for Christmas. You will find a choice line of Christmas goods, suitable for both old and young, at Mrs. T. Lanier.

1,500 new books, all the popular titles at J. G. Hall's. 3t.

SEE the beautiful assortment of pictures at Mrs. T. Lanier.

NEW Crop—Nuts all kinds, raisins, figs, currents, citrons, etc. Make the cake now at Hall's Drug Store.

YOU will find a beautiful selection of trimmed hats at greatly reduced prices at Mrs. T. Lanier.

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METHODIST CONFERENCE.

IN SESSION AT NEWBERN LAST WEEK.

The Appointments for Raleigh District--Rev. F. M. Shamberger goes to Raleigh.

The North Carolina Methodist Conference met at Newbern last Thursday and after one of the best sessions held in years closed Sunday. The News & Observer says Bishop Galloway spoke tenderly of his affection for this State and her people, professing that the past week, spent with the glorious Methodist brotherhood in Newbern, had been the most delightful of his life. The changes the Bishop made in charges of stations are few, a less number having been ordered than at any previous conference for many years. The conference also passed resolutions favoring State prohibition. The financial report shows increased collections all along the line.

Here are the appointments for the Raleigh District:

R. B. John, Presiding Elder.
Edenton street, Raleigh, F. M. Shamberger. J. O. Guthrie, supernumary.
Central—L. B. Jones.
Jenkins Memorial and Apex—G. W. Stalling.
Epworth—P. D. Woodall.
Cary—J. D. Pegram.
Clayton—G. B. Starling.
Smithfield—J. H. Shore.
Selma—W. H. Puckett.
Kenly—A. L. Ormond.
Zebulon—A. D. Wilcox.
Millbrook—G. T. Simmons.
Youngsville—D. P. Parker.
Franklinton—N. E. Coltrane.
Louisburg—F. A. Bishop.
Tar River—H. G. Stamey.
Granville—C. W. Robinson.
Oxford—L. S. Massey.
Oxford circuit—A. S. Barnes.
Raleigh Christian Advocate—T. N. Ivey, editor.
Orphanage—J. N. Cole, superintendent.
Director correspondence Schools—J. L. Cuninggim.

New National Bank at Creedmoor.

We take pleasure in calling attention to the statement of the newly established National Bank at Creedmoor with Mr. W. B. Lasley, a most trustworthy gentleman, as cashier. This new Granville institution starts out under favorable auspisces and is being liberally patronized by the good people of that section of the county.

Baptist Favor State Prohibition.

The Baptist State Convention, composed of a brotherhood of men whose life work is devoted to bringing Christ closer to mankind and the world nearer to the Kingdom of heaven, declared in Wilmington last week itself emphatically in favor of State prohibition. The resolution was adopted without a negative vote and was as follows:

We wish again to declare our uncompromising hostility to the liquor traffic as the great enemy of the peace and good morals of the people, the well being of the home and the work of the gospel among men. We congratulate the people of North Carolina on the splendid progress made in temperance in the last ten years, and on the rising tide at this time to drive the liquor traffic out of the State.

"We extend our encouragement to the people now engaged in their efforts to vote the traffic out of the several cities and towns in the State where it is now being carried on, and to the Anti-Saloon League in its work.

Believing the traffic in intoxicating liquors to be inherently wrong, we emphatically declare ourselves in favor of the principle of State prohibition.

"Furthermore we favor the enactment of such laws by the Congress as shall prohibit the shipment for purposes of traffic by interstate carriers of intoxicating liquors into prohibition territory.

"We urge upon our people to continue the great campaign of education and law enforcement against the sale and use of intoxicating liquors until this great curse shall be reduced to a minimum in our State."

FRENCH Candy at 20c a pound. Best for the money at Hall's Drug Store. 3t.

IF YOUR watch has gone on a strike and your clock has quit striking why bring them to W. D. Stimson and he will adjust the matter promptly and properly. Located at Paris Dry Goods store.

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HORRIBLE CATASTROPHES.

More than 500 miners Killed in a mine in Virginia.

Fairmount, Va., Dec. 6.—It is officially announced this afternoon that more than 500 men were killed in a terriffic double explosion that wrecked mines numbers six and eight of Fairmount Coal Company at Monongah, six miles from here. There is yet no uncertainiy that the number may not reach five hundred or even more. There is a persistent report that there were 1,000 men in the mine when the explosions occurred. Not half of these men had been accounted for, and it is feared that even more than the company will admit are entombed under the hills.

The company has sent three hundred caskets to the mines, and has sent orders to all surrounding towns for more coffins. There is not the slightest hope that a single human being will be brought out of the inferno alive. The fires are still raging back in the levels of the mines and it is impossible for the rescue parties to make any headway. Frantic women, weeping hysterically, tearing their hair and inflicting shocking injuries on themselves in a delirium of despair, have gathered by the hundreds around the mines.

First National Bank of Oxford.

We are pleased to note that the First National Bank, notwithstanding the stringency in the money market, is in better condition now than it has ever been. It now has on hand more cash than almost any time since it was organized, and is not unnecessarily pressing those to whom it has made loans. So great is the confidence of its depositors in the safety and solvency that there has been no "run" on it whatever, and the splendid condition of the bank is shown in a statement published in another part of this paper. Few banks in this State can make as good a showing, which is highly creditable to its good management.

News of Rural Routes.

It afforded us much pleasure to accompany Mr. Boyd, the popular carrier on Route 6, last Saturday. He serves nice and clever people, and we are glad they appreciate his servi[illegible] We saw the place he takes his [illegible]mas dinner. Friends, don't all want your Carrier to dinner the same day for Christmas dinner; he might stop with Sister Jones one day and Mrs. Brown the next.

The mail boxes of the other routes not already numbered will be marked soon.

We regret to lose three good widow ladies and their families from Route 5, Mrs. Bettie O'Brien and family have moved on Route 7 to the R. C. Smith place; Mrs. Cary Wilson and Mrs. Tucker have moved to Dabney. Best wishes to those who have left us and the same to all the new comers.

Show some appreciation of your carrier by buying stamps and stamped envelopes, and when it is raining put a paper around your letter to keep them from getting damp. Put your mail box in the right position so as to be easy to serve. Subscribe for good literature and help your family and your route. CARRIER No. 5.

Buy Your Good Things at Dames.

I will give special prices on all Home made Candy from December 14 to Jannary 1, 1908:

Candy at	10 cents	will sell	3lbs 25cts
"	15 "	"	2lbs 25cts
"	20 "	"	15cts a lbs
"	30 "	"	25cts a lbs
"	40 "	"	30cts a lbs
"	50 "	"	40cts a lbs

All Box Goods a speciality.
½ pound box candy at 15 cents.
1 pound box 25 and 40 cents.
2 pound box 50 and 75 cents.
3 pound box 90 and $.120.
5 pound box $1.25 and $2.00.

I will give reduced prices on all fruits, celery, nutts and raisins.

Nice French baskets of Fruit at $4 for $3.50.

Cream at $2 per gallon at $1.75.
Cream at $1.50 gallon at $1.25.
1-6 of gallon 65cts; 1 quart 35cts.

Will sell mixed nuts, raisins and candy at wholesale prices. If you want the freshest and best come to see us. L. A. DAMES.

TURN over a new leaf. Buy a Bible at J. G. Hall's.

DON'T buy your Christmas presents until you see those displayed at Mrs. T. Lanier.

FRESH lot of Huylers, Lowneys and Royster's candies. J. G. Hall.

HANDSOME Japanese China just the thing for a nice Christmas present at Mrs. T. Lanier.

ITEMS FROM EXCHANGES.

NEWSY, POINTED ITEMS GATHERED FOR OUR READERS.

Short and Seasoned, Wise, Pert, Gay and Solemn Things Talked About in the Merry-go-Round.

Confidence is a harmless remedy and it would be hard to take an overdose. —Newbern Sun.

An Idaho murderer first establishes an unshaken reputation as a liar and then confesses.—Philadelphia Ledger.

The alienist who formulated that 13,000 hypothetical question in the Bradley case must be a woman.—Wilmington Star.

Perhaps that kind of a eagle was put on the new gold pieces so that people would feel no temptation to hoard them.—Press.

Senator Elkins, of West Virginia, wants the Government to put out a billion in greenbacks, and Brother Simon Guggenheim wants the government to buy the output of silver mines. Next gent!—Rochester Herald.

A Washington pastor has discovered that the money stringency has put a stop to matrimony. If Roosevelt caused the panic, as some claim, he should talk no more about others being guilty of race suicide.—Columbia Record.

It looks as if the rising tide for Bryan will compel the Republicans to re-nominate Roosevelt, and that the Foraker element will knife him as the Stalwarts did Blaine, and Bryan will sweep the country. Democratic prospects are brightening every day.—Webster's Weekly.

Ladies! Ladies! For the Lord's sake have some consideration for the people behind you in church, and wear the smallest hat you possess. The Lord will know that you are in church without wearing an umbrella covered with an ostrich farm or a poultry yard. —Durham Sun.

It is reported that Old Man Henry G. Davis, of West Virginia, is going to marry. Mr. Davis is 84 years of age, 3-years older than when he ran for the vice presidency with Judge Parker. He should have known better then and if he should know better now as he has gained a few years of experience.—Concord Tribune.

The Norfolk Landmark says in an editorial discussing the close of Jamestown Exposition: "And among the States we have to express with special warmth our gratitude to North Carolina and Maryland, our next door neighbors. To North Carolina are we indebted for the heaviest attendance that came from any State—and that, of course, is the greastest debt of all."

Death Mr. W. C. Reed.

The many Oxford friends of Mr. W. C. Reed learned with deep sorrow Saturday afternoon of his death at his home in Richmond after a short illness. For several years he was a citizen of our community and he and his cultured wife won the love of our people. Mr. Reed was truly a high-toned christian gentleman and was manager of the Imperial Tobacco Co. in Richmond, and made the company an admiral official. May God of Love sustain his devoted wife in the hour of deep grief.

Death of Mrs. J. W. Wright.

On the morning of the 22nd of October the angel of death visited the home of Mr. J. W. Wright and bore away from him his much loved wife. Mrs. Wright was sick about eight weeks with fever. The best medical aid was secured, and all that human skill and loving hands could do was done for her relief but in vain. She was buried in the family graveyard near her home. The funeral service was conducted by her pastor, Rev. P. H. Fontaine.

Mrs. Wright, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Clark, was born June 30, 1870. She was married March 14th, 1894 Since then she has lived at Cornwall. She was a sweet-spirited, cultured christian woman and a member of Amis Chapel church. She was always ready and anxious to do any thing for her master. The entire community was in gloom over her death, and the many beautiful flowers bore testimony to the esteem in which she was held.

Mrs. Wright was only about 35 years old, but her life had been well spent, her mission on earth accomplished, and she has gone home to await the resurrection morning, for ere this she has seen her pilot "face to face" for she has "crossed the bar" and found a resting place in the land beyond the skies.