

CONDENSED NEWS FROM THE OLD NORTH STATE

BRIEF NOTES OF INTEREST TO CAROLINIANS.

Pittsboro.—The home of Dennis Cross, a negro, two miles east of town was destroyed by fire and one of his sons, Lester, 23 years old, was burned to death.

Gastonia.—Reuben Jay, the fifteen year old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Jay, who lives near Stanley, accidentally shot and killed himself while out hunting.

Winston-Salem.—The Masons of Winston-Salem sent a purse of \$1,400 to Oxford orphanage, this being their annual Christmas donation to the children of that institution.

Raleigh.—C. P. Spruill, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Spruill, sailed from New York on the Olympic, White Star Line for England to begin his studies at Oxford university as one of the American Rhodes scholars.

Winston-Salem.—Oscar Weaver, of Davidson county, is being held under three bonds two for \$1,000 each, and the third for \$1,500 on three separate counts for blockading.

Lenoir.—Marcus Avor Deal dropped dead while out hunting. The deceased seemed to be in good health until he fell dead. The Oak Hill community has lost one of its best citizens and neighbors.

Kinston.—James Braxton 13, was instantly killed in the outskirts of this city by the accidental discharge of a gun in the hands of James Dail, Jr., 15. The boys, with others, had been shooting at a target.

Charlotte.—County demonstration headquarters at Raleigh has not yet agreed on a successor to Miss Martha Creighton, home demonstration agent for Mecklenburg, who leaves to assume charge of the work in the Greensboro district.

Kinston.—The Carteret county commissioners have authorized the issuance of \$150,000 of bonds for the improvement of roads and bridges in the county, one of the most substantial sums ever granted for the work in that county.

Gastonia.—Funeral services for Col. C. B. Armstrong were held at the First Presbyterian church conducted by the pastor, Rev. J. H. Henderlite. The church was filled by friends of the deceased, from all walks of life and from every section of the county, together with many from distant places.

Washington.—Every Tar Heel member of the congress present voted against the Fordney-Green tariff proposal voted on in the House.

Wilson.—Concerted action was taken in Wilson to impress upon the farmers the importance of reducing the tobacco acreage 50 per cent for the year 1921. There was present at this meeting bankers, merchants, fertilizer dealers and warehousemen.

Charlotte.—The largest business in the history of the Charlotte postoffice during the Christmas season was reported by Postmaster J. H. Weddington, who gave instances to show an increase in business amounting to something like 20 to 35 per cent over any previous year.

Asheville.—Charged with the murder of Berry Hensley Vernan B. Bailey of Rankin avenue, seriously wounded is guarded by a policeman in the Mission hospital.

Hensley was instantly killed Charles F. Hare, of 20 Clyde street, fatally wounded, dying and Bailey suffering from a pistol shot through the lung and liver.

Kinston.—The milk of human kindness, the joy of little children and the abiding faith of baby intellects in misshapen bodies mixed together gloriously with red tin and sparking tinsel in one little community near here where Stata Claus did not overlook a single kiddie. The Caswell Training school had a Christmas tree.

Hickory.—John Hefner, father of Cecil and Dock Hefner, was caught with eight gallons of liquor by Hickory officers as he drove into his stable. The liquor was in a keg, buried under fodder. Hefner gave bond for his appearance at court.

Hickory.—Hickory's first commercial failure of the year has been reported and it was a popular retail men's furnishing store owned by B. M. Williams and doing business under the name of the Williams Clothing company.

STATE BOARD SENDS NURSE

Dr. G. M. Cooper, Director of the Bureau of Medical Inspection of Schools, has placed Miss Dunn in the county to make a survey of the health of the School Children.

Miss Dunn has the following to say in regard to the nature of the work:

"The physical examination of school children or defects that retard normal physical or mental development of at least 50 per cent of the school children of America has begun in this county. These children are often regarded by parents and teachers as dull when, if the truth were known, in many instances the child is half blind, toxic from bad teeth, adenoids or diseased tonsils, or his brains and body are lacking the stimulus of proper food.

"Malnutrition is really one of the most fundamental causes of these ills. The teeth decay and the general bodily resistance is lowered from under nourishment. There are five million school children in the United States suffering from malnutrition. They have plenty to eat, but the parents, either through ignorance or indifference, do not select the right food to build the body. It is the balanced diet that should be put before the child.

"Among the most common defects are defective teeth, diseased and enlarged tonsils, adenoids, poor vision, bad posture, malnutrition and lack of personal hygiene.

It has been said that, "The Soul needs saving only when the mind and body are wrong." And, also, that "The manner in which its children are nurtured is in truth, perhaps, the best measure of the civilization of a race."

If this be true, then a great responsibility falls upon the parent and surely it is the first duty of every parent to see that their children have healthy minds and bodies. Mother Instinct Unreliable "Mothercraft" which means skilled motherhood, should be regarded as a profession and yet we still find intelligent women depending upon "mother instincts" to guide them in the care of "instinct", which tradition idealizes, is responsible largely for the sixteen million defective school children in this fair land of ours today.

Most of these defects are preventable and a large percent are of a remedial nature. With these handicaps the child has poor chance of attaining his normal development of mind or body and, without correction, premature death or invalidism in middle life may be expected in many cases. Only ten percent of school children reach high school. Defective children are also more susceptible to the communicable diseases and the illness-absence loss during the school age is an injustice to the child and a serious economic loss to the community and the state.

"Some authorities claim that much of crime, incorrigibility and even insanity are a frequent result of these physical defects and it has been positively demonstrated that many children suffering from these various handicaps improve in health, disposition and scholarship when proper correction is made.

Goal Is Health.

"Our goal is a healthy individual and this is attainable in a large measure through right habits in food, rest, exercise, fresh air and personal cleanliness. It is the duty of the school nurse to visit the various schools in the County, examine the children for physical defects and report these defects to the parents. Health talks are made in each school and the children are instructed in the elements of good health.

Let us remember that, "The Wealth of a Nation lies in the Health of its Children."

"B. DUNN, R. N. "State School Nurse."

A CORRECTION

In the statement of Fiduciary Funds the words "widow and heirs of H. J. Newton" was inadvertently left out of statement in column one. The statement showed that the Clerk was chargeable with \$1,010, principal and \$34.75 interest. That of this sum he has paid out \$16.50 to Mr. T. T. Hicks, Atty, leaving a balance of \$1,282.25 in the hands of the Clerk in the Bank of Warren to credit of "widow and heirs of H. J. Newton." The words in quotation were inadvertently left out and destroyed the purpose of this entry; hence the correction.

NEWS FROM MOUNTAIN VIEW AND VICINITY

The Christmas holidays passed off very quietly. There was some drinking, but no drunkenness.

There are two marriages reported: Mr. Conrad King and Miss Eunice Hary, of Grove Hill were married the last day of the Christmas. Mr. Jack Hudson and Miss Margie Rightmyre, of Vaughan, were married the second day of Christmas. Many good wishes for their happiness.

Misses Ella Belle Riggan, of Weldon and Eula Gillis, of Warrenton, spent the holidays here with their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Riggan and son, of Danville, Va., spent the Christmas holidays here with their parents Mr. and Mrs. J. Dallas Riggan.

Miss Belle Wood, our school teacher, spent the holidays with her parents near Terapin Point.

Miss Mary Ball and Gupton, of Wood, attended the Christmas tree at Embro.

Mr. and Mrs. Mick Riggan, of Portsmouth spent Christmas at Mountain Ciew with their parents and relatives.

Mr. Hampton Riggan, of Danville, has returned. There is no place on earth like "Home Sweet Home."

Rev. C. N. Riggan, of this place cut a nice watermelon for his friends on Christmas night. The melon was as nice and fresh as when pulled from the vine in August. A good many people saved some of the seed.

Mr. Raymond Riggan, of Greenville spent the holidays at home to the delight of his many friends.

Mr. Joe D. Riggan, of Hollister, spent the Christmas holidays here with his parents and relatives.

Mr. S. K. Clark, of Marmaduk, spent several hours in this burg a few days ago.

It is believed that Mrs. T. M. Rick's little child, who has been very sick with pneumonia in both lungs, is improving at this writing.

Mr. McMark, a veteran of the Civil War, is sick at his home near this place, we are sorry to report.

Mr. J. J. Stallings, of Embro, has taken charge of the R. F. D. Route leading from Manson.

Mr. C. J. Vaughn was in this neighborhood a few days ago.

Mr. J. O. Hardy left this week for a Richmond hospital. We hope he will soon be well.

A happy and successful New Year to the Record and its many readers. JUMBO.

Carries Records To Raleigh

Mr. W. Brodie Jones after several days with friends and relatives in Warrenton has returned to Columbia College, to resume his work in the School of Journalism.

In this connection it is well enough to acquaint his soldier friends with the fact that he has carried to the Hall of History, Raleigh, all additional records and photographs which were sent in after he left for Columbia last September.

He is much interested in having a complete and unbiased and truthful record of Warren County's work in the Great War, and will devote both time and energy to that great end.

Meeting Woman's Club

There will be a regular meeting of the Women's Club at the Academy next Tuesday afternoon at 3:30. JULIA DAMERON.

MICKIE SAYS

IF EVERYBODY COULD SEE HOW MANY PAPERS I FEED INTO THIS BIG PRESS, 'N THEN REALIZE THAT EVERY PAPER GOES INTO A DIFFERENT HOME WHERE IT'S READ BY ALL THE MEMBERS OF THE FAMILY, WHY SAY! I GUESS THE ADVERTISERS WOULD ALL BE 'STANDIN' IN LINE WITH THEIR COPY WHEN I OPEN UP IN THE MORNIN', I PETCHER!



MUCH DEPENDS ON RALEIGH MEET

COTTON AND TOBACCO GROWERS TO HOLD IMPORTANT MEETINGS JANUARY 12 AND 13 IN CAPITAL CITY.

Raleigh.—Secretary of Agriculture Meredith, former Governor Richard I. Manning of South Carolina, head of the cotton export corporation movement, and Aaron Sapiro of California, expert in co-operative marketing, are expected to address and confer with the cotton and tobacco growers of this State at their meetings to be held in Raleigh on January 12 and 13.

The North Carolina Tobacco Growers Association meets Wednesday, January 12, and the North Carolina division of the American Cotton Association on Thursday, the 13th. While these are separate and distinct organizations they have a great deal in common. Both are working toward the same end—that proper and the most efficient marketing facilities may be provided for the principal agricultural products of North Carolina.

In addition to the farmer delegates—and all cotton and tobacco growers of the State, regardless of affiliation with these organizations, are invited to attend the mass meetings—the banking and commercial interests are expected to be largely represented. What is done at the Raleigh meeting will doubtless have far-reaching effect upon the economic life of the State. Plans are to be laid for the future guidance of the hundreds of thousands of producers of the two chief products of North Carolina's soil.

The tobacco growers' meeting will begin at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning, January 12—both meetings to be held in the City Auditorium—with organization for business, the basis of representation being one delegate for every one hundred members in each county. Words of welcome and of greeting will be heard from the outgoing and the incoming governors, to be followed by a round table conference.

At the recent meeting held in Richmond and certain recommendations were made looking to the organization in North Carolina of a tobacco growers' marketing association modeled somewhat along the lines of the California co-operative organizations, Aaron Sapiro, who is the attorney and the guiding hand of fourteen of the most successful of these, and who has been retained as attorney for the organization committee of the Interstate Tobacco Growers Association, will explain in detail the proposed plan of operation.

The meeting Thursday of the cotton growers will be, in point of fact, the annual convention of the North Carolina division of the American Cotton Association. It will open with a word of welcome from Governor Morrison. The recommendations of the Southern Cotton Conference, held in Memphis, December 7 and 8, having to do with such important matters as reduction of acreage, credits and advances, diversifications and warehousing and classification of cotton, will be considered.

The principal matter of business, however, will be the working out of plans to better facilitate the marketing of the staple. The co-operative plan will be considered in all its phases. Mr. Sapiro will address the cotton growers Thursday morning.

Cotton Export Corporation.

At the morning session on Thursday, the 12th, former Governor Richard I. Manning of South Carolina will address the convention, explaining the plan of operation of the so-called cotton export corporation movement, which is the outgrowth of the American Cotton Association, and tell of the progress that has been made. Governor Manning, himself a farmer, is president of the American Products Export & Import Corporation, which organized in South Carolina in the fall, is already a going concern, with more than \$2,000,000 of its capital stock subscribed in that State alone. The export of cotton to reopen the markets of Europe to the South's staple has already begun, although the movement is still less than three months old. The first shipment was made from the port of Charleston just before Christmas.

The cotton export corporation movement will be extended into North Carolina, as throughout the cotton growing South, and, although not intended to conflict in any way with any strictly co-operative marketing program that may be adopted, will be launched, it is hoped, at the Raleigh meeting as among the activities of the American Cotton Association in this State. Already there is much interest felt throughout North Carolina, among farmers, bankers and business men, in the movement which has made such wonderful headway.

Secretary of Agriculture Meredith

WARRENTON ON THE ROUTE

Mr. Howad F. Jones, Editor, The Record, Warrenton, North Carolina.

My dear Mr. Jones: Will you please express through the columns of your valuable paper my sincere appreciation for the courtesies extended to me on my recent visit to Warrenton.

I have the deepest feeling for Warrenton, its people and its future, and shall always be consistent in my desire to see the town constantly improve.

It is a very natural thing for the people of Warrenton, or any other town, to unconsciously slip into a feeling of satisfaction as regards history has shown many, many times that satisfaction is the beginning of the end of endeavor. This is true of the individual as well as of the community and it was with some feeling of uneasiness that I detected this disposition of the people of Warrenton.

As one, who dearly loves his state, and particularly the town of his birth, I can be pardoned for making this criticism, because it is sincere. The people of Warrenton have much to live for if they will only appreciate that fact. It is unfortunate that our forefathers prevented the railroad from going through Warrenton. It is an instance of that they were satisfied with what they had with the result that Warrenton has suffered ever since.

We are entering a new era of transportation, the best from every point of view ever discovered. It is the navigation of the air, and if the people of Warrenton will arise to the situation, appreciate the great value of aerial transportation and lend their assistance to Warrenton in this direction, our town will immerse into the full light of industrial progress and become a place teeming with activity, social prominence and considerable financial importance.

One of the great commercial trade routes that will soon be established in this country will lie between New York and Galveston. It so happens that Warrenton is in the direct path of this great aerial route and as she is fortunate in this direction, her people should lose no time in realizing this fact and bestir themselves into such activity that will insure for her an attractive stopping place and great service station. There are many municipalities through the country, and they are rapidly increasing in number, that are using every effort to attract aerial navigation in their direction. Our company have innumerable letters from all over the United States asking our advice as to the best method that should be pursued in giving certain municipalities the best of air service. We very promptly answer these communications, because they are absolutely vital to the interest of the United States. It would be very natural then of course for our company, and me personally, to take great interest in any possible development along aerial lines that Warrenton should in the near future determine.

It is in my opinion that Warrenton has been possible lax in this direction, not so much because she did not care about it, but because her people had no one sufficiently interested to put the matter in such a light that it would be interesting both from a commercial and social point of view. It is difficult indeed to exaggerate the importance of this matter, and the people of Warrenton can rest assured that the town would rapidly increase in population, real estate values would be much enhanced and it would be only a very short time before everyone living within the confines of the United States would have a more or less amount of information about Warrenton. It is a matter of history that every town or city that has interested itself in aerial navigation has assumed (Continued on Page Four)

has been invited to close the two-day meeting with an address on Thursday night. He is a forceful speaker and always has a message to deliver. The trio of speakers secured for the Raleigh meeting have been selected with special consideration for the intimate knowledge they possess along lines bearing directly upon the problems the cotton and tobacco growers now face and in the hope that they may be able to give some practical advice and suggestions toward the solutions of these problems, rather than a by-product of their oratorical powers.

NO JUSTIFICATION FOR OUR CONDUCT

SENATOR THOMAS USES SHARP LANGUAGE IN DISCUSSING PANAMA CANAL MATTER.

OLD TALE OF WRONG RETOLD

Speaks to Question of Paying a Long Overdue Claim of \$25,000,000 Owning to the State of Columbia.

Washington.—American conduct in the negotiations for the construction of the Panama canal, begun first with the republic of Columbia and later carried on with the revolution built State of Panama, were "without justification and therefore indefensible," Senator Thomas, democrat, Colorado, declared in the senate, speaking for ratification of the treaty involving payment of a \$25,000,000 indemnity to Columbia, which has been pending several years.

He recounted the involved story of the diplomatic and commercial dealings of 1903 that finally resulted in the canal's construction and charged that President Theodore Roosevelt "acquired the right of way for the canal from a band of filibusters by bartering for it the honor of the nation."

"The only comfort one gathers from the shameful and sordid story is that it finds no precedent in our history," he said in stating his conclusion. "I trust that we may soon acknowledge the wrong and make some reparation lest it be invoked sometime to shelter or justify assault upon the integrity of some weak and helpless nation."

Decrease are Set Aside.

Washington.—Federal court decrees holding that the Clayton act in effect legalized "secondary boycotts" by organized labor, were set aside by the supreme court.

The court held in the case of the Duplex Printing Press company of Battle Creek, Mich., against the International association of Machinists to restrain the latter from boycotting its product, that the "immunity clause" of the Clayton act could not be stretched to cover "illegal" acts of labor organizations.

Joins the Plain Smiths.

New York.—Alfred E. Smith, retiring governor of New York, ended a twenty-two year career in public life when he shed his hat and coat in the offices of the United States Trucking corporation and went to work as chairman of its board of directors.

Anarchy in Armenia.

Constantinople.—News from Armenia continues confused. The territory of the Armenian soviet republic is the scene of important military movements of Russian troops. The country appears to be in a state of complete anarchy; the bulk of the Armenian army has taken to the hills and many towns and villages are being looted.

Planning a Sick Spell.

Washington.—A bill designed to prevent the doctoring or adulteration of the sick man's liquor was introduced by Representative Vore, republican, of Pennsylvania. Specifically it would stop the manufacture and sale for medicinal purposes of whiskey containing less than 45 per cent of alcohol.

Surrender Much Material.

Paris.—Marshall Foch's report on Germany's disarmament, according to The Temps, says that the Germans have surrendered 41,000 cannon, 39,000 unmounted cannon barrels, 163,000 machine guns and barrels, 2,300,000 rifles, 16,000 airplanes and 25,000 airplane motors.

Cone Reduces Wages.

Greensboro, N. C.—Cotton mills of the Cone interests, employing 3,000 workers, announced a wage reduction of 25 per cent. The company also announced a reduction of 25 per cent in the prices of merchandise handled in its stores, which supply the employees.

Hawaii's Great Sugar Crop.

Honolulu, T. H.—There are prospects for an enormous sugar crop in Hawaii in 1921 with comparative low prices prevailing, according to the Hawaiian Trust company.

Made Homeless by Earthquake.

Paris.—Fourteen persons were killed, 300 injured and 10,000 rendered homeless by an earthquake which nearly obliterated the city of Ebnesh, Albania, according to an undated despatch, received here from the American Red Cross at Tirana.