

# THE CHRONICLE.

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Peace in Mexico is more dangerous than Hobson's war with Japan.

There is no law against vagrancy in the District of Columbia, or the United States Senate would have been sent to the roads before now.

"We believe in placing the watermelon on the free list."—Charlotte News.

Vote unanimous without regard to race, color or previous condition of servitude.

"The governors of North and South Carolina will meet here this week, but from what we can learn, the time-honored conversation will not be repeated."—Charlotte News.

Drug stores closed?

Judge Clark, chief justice of the State Supreme Court, has officially announced his candidacy for the Senate to oppose the present incumbent, Senator Simmons, and Governor Kitchin, who is also an avowed candidate.

His many friends all over the State will learn with pleasure that ex-Governor Chas. B. Aycock has consented to run of the Senate. A great commonwealth needs a big man to represent it in the Senate and the people of the State know that Mr. Aycock is the right man and they will put him there.

The Standard Oil decision is not so comprehensive as it might be and perhaps will not reach very far. It gives too many dodging places. But still, its general tendency will be for the good. It is a preliminary notice, at least to the trusts that the courts as well as the people are watching them and giving them warning to do better. It also opens the way for Congress to make the law more effective by amending the weak points.

Former republican State chairman Timothy Woodruff, of New York, recently made dire predictions to President Taft concerning republican prospects, and among other things, he said:

"If business conditions continue as bad as they are now, the democratic party stands an excellent show to carry the State in the presidential campaign. That is due to the practice of business interests in blaming the party in power for famine, droughts and all other natural and unnatural disturbances.

The building committee of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home, composed of Grand Master R. N. Hackette, L. M. Clymer and F. N. Winchester, met in Charlotte yesterday and opened the bids for the erection of the home. There were 12 bids for the general contract, ranging from \$16,971 to \$28,900. Ange & Co., of Winston-Salem, were the lowest bidders. There were three bidders for the heating and plumbing. Hunt Bros. being the lowest bidders. Their bid was \$1,620 for heating and \$1,285 for the plumbing. The contracts have not yet been awarded, but will be at an early date.—Greensboro Telegram.

Mr. N. B. Smitley went down to Elkin yesterday on business.

Mr. N. E. Parlier, of Ronda, is in town this week on business.

W. H. Starr's aluminum ad in this issue.

## CAPT. R. M. STALEY DIES SUDDENLY IN CHARLOTTE.

On Saturday night about 11 o'clock, this town was shocked by a telephone message from Charlotte conveying the painful information that Captain R. M. Staley fell dead on Independence Square, in that city, about 10:45 that night. The message came to Clerk of Superior Court C. H. Somers, who for many years was Captain Staley's nearest neighbor, and was later conveyed to the widow of the deceased, who together with her son Charley was at home. She had already retired for the night and although the sad news was broken to her gently as possible by a lady friend, she was prostrated by its suddenness.

The cause of Captain Staley's death was heart failure. It was not altogether unexpected to his friends, for it had been known for some time by his intimate acquaintance that he had organic heart trouble.

Captain Staley left here on the early train last Monday morning traveling in the interest of the Oak Furniture Company. The last order the Company received from him was sent in from Greensboro on Thursday. The report from Charlotte is that he was standing in front of Jordan's Drug Store, with his grip in his hand when he fell forward bruising his nose in the fall. He was immediately carried to police headquarters where he received medical attention, but died in a few minutes, probably never regaining consciousness or speaking. His remains came in on the noon train Monday. The interment was in the Presbyterian Cemetery Tuesday about noon. The funeral service being conducted by his pastor, Rev. C. W. Robinson.

The exercises were under the auspices of the Odd Fellows, of which he was a member. The old soldiers attended in a body laden with flowers to place with their love and esteem on the grave of their departed comrade. The funeral was attended by a large concourse of friends of the deceased and the services were beautifully impressive. A few old confederate Veterans occupied one section of the pews. There are not many of them left to attend the funeral of their old comrades in arms. The preacher's reference to them was tender and touching.

Capt. Robert Martin Staley was born May 11, 1844, and was therefore 67 years and 9 days old, and was the son of the late Esley M. Staley. He had one brother and three sisters, only one of whom survive him, Mrs. William R. Gwaltney, of Hickory.

When the war broke out he was but a boy of seventeen, but he enlisted as a volunteer in 1861 under Col. Wm. M. Barber, in Company F, 37th Regiment. His record for bravery and fidelity to duty was one of which any soldier might well be proud. He was seven times wounded and was promoted to the Captiancy on the field for conspicuous bravery. He was wounded at Ox Hill, Manassas, Reames' Station, Cold Harbor and at other places. At Reames' Station, the color-bearer was killed, Mr. Staley, though wounded, took the flag of Stars and Bars and carried it over the enemy's breast works till he was captured and made a prisoner.

After the war, in 1866, he went to New York where he spent some time. In 1871, he went to Kansas where he engaged in business. In 1876, while in Kansas, he was married to Miss Mollie Zaines, and to this union five children were born, of whom only 3 survive, Misses Frankie and Mable, both of Richmond, Va., and Mr. Charlie. He returned

## Resolutions.

Whereas, the Supreme ruler of the universe has seen wise in His divine providence to call from this earth to his home above our beloved brother, Lemuel Watson, and friends Wells Miller and Olney Walsh. We bow in humble submission to Him who makes no mistake. We commend them to the loving care the blessed Savior who has prepared a place for them and their going before to await our coming, we pray will make our hearts go out more to him as we feel assured that they are waiting and watching in the beautiful land for those they left behind. They are gone from this cold world of cares this world of bitter tears and reached the realms of bliss we trust henceforth to dwell among the just, the friends who loved them will prepare to meet them over there, where friends no more will be parted but spend eternity with Christ.

It is our desire that a copy of these resolutions be spread upon our Sunday school minute and a copy sent our county papers with request to publish.

J. W. Church,  
Julia Walsh } Com.  
D. J. Church,

To the Old Soldiers.

I have been requested to call a meeting of the Confederate soldiers of the county to meet in Wilkesboro on June 21st to elect officers to fill the vacancies caused by death since we last met. It is necessary to elect these officers if we are going to have a reunion this year, and I hope all the boys who can will be here June 21st.

J. R. HENDERSON.

Wilkesboro, May 20.

to Wilkesboro in 1885, where he has resided ever since.

Capt. Staley "Dad," as his friends knew him, was known to almost every body in the county, and was widely known throughout the state, having served two years as sergeant at arms of the State Senate. He was genial and frank in all his relations with his fellow men. One never heard him indulging in carping criticisms of his neighbors, and always had a kind, cheering word for every one, and if he had an enemy we do not know it. He was a brave soldier, a kind husband and an affectionate father. He will be missed, sadly missed, in Wilkesboro where he was such a familiar figure.

To the bereaved widow and children we tender our sincerest condolence.

## Mexican Situation at Maple Springs.

Editor Chronicle:—A little outbreak of the Mexican war broke out at Maple Springs Sunday when two young ladies met on the bridge to settle a little private matter. They got to fighting like wild cats and the parents went to make peace. But when they reached the battle ground the fighting harder, but did not last long. Some returned home minus hair and others with bruises. The sun went down the battle ended.

A shooting scrape took place Thursday on the ridge between R. W. Hamby's and William West's homes. John Dula (not the commissioner) lay in ambush near the road and shot Martin Hamby who was returning from cutting timber. Rimer received about thirty-two bird shots. Had it not been for a sack of potatoes which he had on his shoulders Rimer would, in all probability, been killed. The potatoes was entirely demolished. The last Rimer saw of Dula he was going through the woods at a fast gate. Sheriff Eledge is looking for him.

## June Weddings.

The following invitations have been received by friends here:

Misses Clara and Annie Finley request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their niece Ella Tate Finley

to  
Mr. Archie Reid Ogilvie  
on Thursday evening, June the 1st at six o'clock  
"Oakland"  
North Wilkesboro North Carolina

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Clinton Smoot requests the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter Sibyl Harriet to

Mr. Edward Gordon Finley  
Wednesday evening, the seventh of June, one thousand nine hundred and eleven at six thirty o'clock  
Methodist Episcopal Church  
Alexandria, Virginia

## BERRY BOARDING HOUSE.

The old Central Hotel Building on the corner opposite the court house.

Clean rooms, clean linen, and the best food the market affords, prepared fit to eat. Give us a trial when in town

A. H. BERRY, PROP.  
Wilkesboro, N. C.

## Wilkes Realty & Insurance Comp'y

Will, within the next few days, issue a list of properties in our hands for sale. If you have any farm or timber lands for sale, list it at once so it will appear in our lists.

WILKES REALTY & INSURANCE COMP'Y.  
WILKESBORO, N. C.

## J. Am Showing

Some New and Exclusive Patterns

In Gingham, Percats, Calicos and Suitings. A bigline of notions just received. Also a fresh line of groceries always on hand. Come and see me.

J. T. WELBORN

## BARGAINS in BUGGIES.

I have just gotten in a new line of Buggies and other Vehicles, which I can sell you at prices that will save you money.

I also have on hand a splendid lot of overhauled and rebuilt buggies, which cannot be told from new ones and will give almost as good services. These are going at specially Low Bargains.

Come and see, then you will buy.

J. L. WEBSTER.

Best Repair Shop in this section.

Main Street,

Wilkesboro, N. C.

# CLARENCE CALL,

Wholesale and Retail General Merchandise

## HATS. HATS.

Do you need a hat? If so I have them and have what you want. Anything from a John B. Stetson to the cheapest—best made.

**Straw Hats.** A very large stock of Summer every-day hats from 5c to 25c. Also the more stylish hats from 25c up. A beautiful line of neck-about hats for ladies, misses and children, as well as the boys and little folks. Plenty here and more coming soon, so come and select for your self.

YOU HAVE BEEN COMING, SO COME AGAIN.

Come and SEE ME

Clarence Call, The Biggest Merchant in Town.