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CITY WATER SUPPLY IS CONTAMINATED.

Last Analysis Shows Contamination And People Advised to Boil All Drinking Water.

Mayor C. B. Wagoner received the following letter today from Dr. W. S. Rankin, secretary of the State Board of Health, that is of deep concern to the citizens of Concord:

Hon. C. B. Wagoner, Mayor,
Concord, N. C.

Mr. Dear Sir: The last analysis of a sample from your public water supply shows that it is contaminated, and I am writing to advise that you make publication of this fact in your local paper and advise the people to boil all drinking water until further notified.

This notice is given under the provision of Section 3056 of the Revisal of 1905 as amended.

Respectfully yours,
W. S. RANKIN, Secretary.

The city water has been analyzed every month in accordance with the requirements of the State health authorities for the past ten years and this is the only report ever received showing that it is contaminated. The only source of contamination so far as the city authorities can determine is the fact that a large excavation has been made for the new reservoir just above the present reservoir and during the rainy season contained considerable water which is thought to have run through into the reservoir now in use. The reservoir is now being concreted and if this is the source of contamination, of which there is doubt, it has been stopped.

A new sample of water has been sent to the State authorities and their report will be awaited with great interest. The samples are sent in sterilized bottles packed in cotton and there is no possible way for the water to become contaminated en route.

The new report will be received in a few days and in the meantime it would be well for the people of the city to follow closely Dr. Rankin's instructions and boil all drinking water.

Throughout the long, dry summer, when other towns and cities in the State were being troubled with contamination in the sources of their water supply, Concord's water remained pure and uncontaminated and for this reason it is believed by all those familiar with the situation that the contamination is due to some unnatural cause, which, it is needless to say, they will make every effort to discover. This fact also gives credence to the theory that the contamination is caused by the excavation work on the new plant, which is being done only a short distance away from the reservoir.

The Metropolitan Concert Company Charm an Elite Audience.

Goldboro Argus.

Nothing has ever been heard before in Goldboro comparable to last night's musical rendition by the Metropolitan Concert Company. Every number on their elaborate program was superbly rendered, every note was culture, every expression was attuned to perfect—no divine harmony, leaving nothing more to be desired, save the longing of the poet—"O, that I were the viewless spirit of a lovely sound, a living voice, a breathing harmony, a bodiless enjoyment born and dying with the best tone that made me!"

Goldboro has indeed been unusually favored in the coming of this company to our city, each member of which is an artist of matchless excellence, and it is safe to say that should they come this way again they will bring to an audience that will tax the capacity of the house.

Mr. Duffy, the tenor and Mr. Martin, the basso, Miss Miller, the contralto and Mrs. Ohman the soprano are all in a class to themselves and each one sublimely endowed, while the pianist accompanist is as fine as ever sat at a keyboard.

President Will Rest at Hot Springs. Hot Springs, Va., Nov. 1.—President Taft will be a visitor in Hot Springs for five days, beginning tomorrow and continuing until next Monday, the day before election. While here the President will reside at Mrs. Seth Barton's French villa, which he has leased for a short period and where Mrs. Taft, Miss Helen Taft and members of the household are already established.

The President is coming to Hot Springs to rest. Since he left Boston, on Sept. 15 he has traveled almost 15,000 miles and has averaged four speeches a day. A few days spent on the golf links and in riding over the Virginia hills and he expects to be in physical trim to complete his tour and return to the capitol and dispose of the accumulated business before Congress assembles next month.

Georgia Lutherans in Session. Augusta, Ga., Nov. 1.—The annual convention of the Lutheran Synod of Georgia opened in this city today and will continue in session until the first of next week. The attendance includes more than one hundred delegates and visitors, among whom are leading ministers and prominent lay members of the denomination from all parts of the State.

Candidates for the mayoralty in Cincinnati have agreed that if either is elected the salary of the office will be raised from \$10,000 to \$5,000. From this day it may be judged how badly they want the office.

THE FLORAL FAIR.

To Be Given by the Ladies of St. James Lutheran Church Tomorrow.

Already it is certain that the Floral Show, to be held Thursday afternoon and night, will be surpassing anything heretofore held in our city. It is known that the number of contestants will be large and the variety and character of the flowers this year will outstrip the beauty and gorgeousness of former exhibits.

The ladies mean to have the room a scene of beauty, and the dainty refreshments to cope with the demands of all tastes. The entries must be in by 12 noon, Thursday. The doors are open at 3:30 for the public, and the admission fee of five cents will be charged.

The following are the prizes and names of the donors:

No. 1. Handsomest half dozen chrysanthemums, different colors. First prize, electric toaster, Mr. George Rutledge; 2nd prize, 50 lbs. chicken feed, Mr. H. M. Blackwelder.

No. 2. The best collection of chrysanthemums. First prize, table, mission style, Rev. C. P. MacLaughlin; second prize, portable work basket, Mr. Clay Blackwelder.

No. 3. Best single chrysanthemum of any color, first prize, check, \$2. Mr. E. E. Hendrix; second, hand-painted vase, Miss Wilma Correll.

No. 4. Best three pink chrysanthemums. Climes, Correll's jewelry store.

No. 5. Best three cream chrysanthemums. Two dollar laundry book, Mr. R. E. Ridgman.

No. 6. Best three yellow chrysanthemums. One dozen Japanese cups and saucers, Mr. H. B. Wilkinson.

No. 7. Best three white chrysanthemums. One pair silk hose, Mr. Julius Fisher.

No. 8. Best three red chrysanthemums. Three-pound box Nunnally's, Mr. Joe Goodman.

No. 9. Best three bronze chrysanthemums. One-half sack flour, Concord Milling Co.

No. 10.—Best three lavender or purple chrysanthemums. One set (shovel tongs and poker), Mr. A. B. Pounds.

No. 11. Best three variegated chrysanthemums. Brass jardiniere, Mr. L. A. Weddington.

No. 12. Handsomest bouquet of cut flowers of any variety. First prize, bottle of toilet water, Mr. Wm. Sappendorf.

No. 13.—Handsomest potted plant. First prize, one quarter sack of flour, Concord Milling Co.; second prize, Japanese tea set, Mr. Ritz.

Hallows' on Party.

Miss Evelena Coble delightfully entertained at a hallows' on party last evening at her home on Church street. The house was beautifully decorated in potted plants, autumn leaves and jack-o'-lanterns. The evening started and ended with delightful games. The jolliest part of the evening was when they began bobbing and biting for apples.

Delicious refreshments were served. But the time came when the merry crowd had to depart, everyone well enjoyed with the evening. The following young people were present: Misses Eteleka Cook, Helen Suther, Katy Lee Raiford, Manilla Uley, Lela Howell, Myrtle Petrea, Ida Suther, Grace Gibson, Messrs. Earl Blume, Jessie Raiford, Sterling Brown, Harvey Freeze, Sibley Dorton, Brice Willeford, Ross McConnell, Clyde Propst, Basil Hodson, Roy McGehee, Charles Watson, Boyd Mills, Scott Walters. ONE PRESENT.

Illinois Town Surveyed by Lincoln.

Bath, Ill., Nov. 1.—A sunrise salute aroused the residents of Bath today, when, with hundreds of visitors from all over the country, they celebrated the seventy-fifth anniversary of the laying out of the town by Abraham Lincoln, then a struggling young surveyor. Elaborate preparations had been made for the event, and early in the day the streets were thronged with visitors. Stores and residences were brightly decorated with flags, bunting and appropriate pictures and mottoes. The anniversary exercises were held in a large tent, where the crowd listened to addresses by Congressman Henry T. Rainey and other speakers of prominence.

Farce to Be Given by Local Talent.

Spook Island, a laughable farce, will be given in the opera house next Wednesday, November 8, under the auspices of Stonewall Jackson Circle of King's Daughters by some of Concord's best local talent. These young ladies have been practicing with a view of giving a first class entertainment to there is a rare treat in store for the audience that evening.

This entertainment is to erect funds to meet the demands of charity sufferers this coming winter and this being the motive behind the effort the cause will especially appeal to the great heart of the town.

To Promote Child Welfare.

Portland, Ore., Nov. 1.—A Child Welfare Exhibition, similar to the exhibition held recently in New York and Chicago, was opened in the Armory in this city today under the auspices of the Oregon Congress of Mothers. Simultaneous with the exhibition, which will continue five days, there is to be held a conference for the discussion of the case on infants, the playground movement, settlement work and kindred topics.

Use our Fanny Column—4 Pags.

COURT CASES.

M. F. Teeter Wins Case Against Cole Manufacturing Co.—Case for False Arrest.

In the case of the Singer Sewing Machine Co. vs. J. W. Isehour the jury returned a verdict in favor of the plaintiff. The suit was for the possession of a sewing machine.

In the case of M. F. Teeter vs. Cole Manufacturing Co., of Charlotte, the jury returned a verdict in favor of the plaintiff. Mr. Teeter alleged that the defendant company was due him \$206.40 on a carload of lumber that he shipped them. The defendant alleged that the lumber did not measure up to the kind specified in the contract and refused to pay the full amount. The jury awarded Mr. Teeter the amount asked for in the complaint, \$206.40. The plaintiff was represented by Messrs. Montgomery & Crowell and the defendant by Mr. L. T. Hartsell. This is the third time this case has been threshed out in court and each time a verdict has been returned in favor of the plaintiff. The first time the defendant appealed and the Supreme court granted a new trial. In the second case the jury also decided in favor of the plaintiff and Judge Biggs set the verdict aside. The defendants have not yet given notice of appeal for a new trial and it is hardly probable that they will do so.

The case of George O. Barnhardt vs. M. B. Lowings and J. E. Garrison, of Charlotte, is now being tried. The plaintiff alleged that he was damaged to the extent of \$1,000 for false arrest on the charge of not paying a board bill. Messrs. Plummer Stewart, of Charlotte, and L. T. Hartsell represent the defendants and Mr. T. D. Maness the plaintiff.

First Lutheran Church at Greensboro.

For some years it has been the desire of the Lutheran people of this State to establish a Lutheran church at Greensboro. Several attempts have been made, but always without success until about fifteen months ago when Rev. J. E. Shenk, with his family, came to Greensboro to take up this work. Mr. Shenk is considered one of the best Lutheran ministers in this state. With the aid of Mrs. Shenk, who is always ready to do everything in her power to keep the work moving onward, wonderful progress was made from the beginning, when finally on last Sunday, the new Lutheran church was opened, which is now the home for the Lutheran people of this city and vicinity.

In the presence of not only the Lutheran people, but also many kind friends from other churches of this city who have shown the very kindest feeling in assisting the Lutheran people here, and filling the building to almost its entire capacity, Rev. J. E. Shenk delivered a most excellent sermon.

There is great credit due Rev. and Mrs. Shenk for the steady pull they have continued to keep up from the first day they came here till now finally the building is all but completed, and with quite a fair size congregation to start worshipping in the new building. Ten new members were received by letter on opening day, with a number of others in sight who are expected to come in the near future.

Largest Fleet Ever Assembled Under U. S. Flag.

New York, Oct. 31.—One hundred and two vessels of the American Navy, the largest fleet ever assembled under the Stars and Stripes, in their gayest holiday dress, were reviewed by Secretary of the Navy Meyer today, while hundreds of thousands, ashore and afloat saw the spectacle. The aggregate tonnage of the assembled war vessels was over one-half million as compared with less than one-third of this total present at the Naval review by President Roosevelt in Hampton Roads five years ago. The aggregation of dreadnaughts and smaller sisters taking part in today's spectacle represented approximately the huge outlay of \$300,000,000.

Charlotte Cotton Sales Continue Small.

Charlotte Observer, 1st.

As evidence of the fact that the farmers of Mecklenburg county are holding to their cotton during the present crisis are the following figures which were yesterday given out by the officials in charge of the local cotton platform:

Receipts for October, 1910, 5,847 bales
Receipts for October, 1911, 2,573 bales
Receipts for September and October, 1910 8,881
Receipts for September and October, 1911 5,016

Jury Exonerate Antioch.

Charlotte, N. C., Tuesday, 31.—The coroner's jury at Shelby yesterday rendered a verdict of justifiable homicide, exonerating Lucius Randall, the prominent Gaffney, S. C., business man who shot and killed Sam Whitaker, a wealthy Cleveland county farmer, Sunday evening. Whitaker held up Randall in his automobile at the point of a pistol. The jury found upon examination that the weapon was empty but it held that Randall did not know this and his deed was entirely justifiable.

Independent Steel Concerns in the South.

Independent steel concerns in the south have formed a \$30,000,000 combine to fight the trust. We will leave it to Wickham if that isn't an unreasonable combination.

MARRIAGE THIS EVENING.

Mr. J. Lindsay Ross and Miss Gertrude Lafferty to Be Married at 6:30 O'clock.

An event of interest to the people of this city and section will be the marriage this evening at the First Presbyterian church at 6:30 o'clock of Miss Gertrude Lafferty and Mr. J. Lindsay Ross. Rev. J. W. Lafferty, of Summerville, S. C., an uncle of the bride, will perform the ceremony assisted by Rev. Dr. J. M. Grier. Miss Lucy Lore will play the wedding march and Miss Kathleen Smith will sing "All For You." Miss Allice Mabrey, of Albemarle, will be maid of honor and Misses Ashlyn Lowe and Kathleen Smith bridesmaids. Messrs. C. B. Wagoner, Joe Hill, P. M. and Dr. R. S. Lafferty, brothers of the bride, will be ushers. Mr. Galloway Ross, a brother of the groom, will be best man, and Messrs. Cameron MacRae and Robert Westbrook, of Greenville, S. C., will be groomsmen. Misses Mary Lafferty and Irene McConnell are the ribbon girls.

In the Cotton Belt.

Charlotte Chronicle.

Reviewing weather and crop conditions, The New Orleans Picayune says the past week has witnessed the advent of the first winter weather. Frost has been experienced over a good portion of the cotton belt and in the more northerly portions it here have been killing frost and even freezing temperature. Ordinarily killing frost at such a date means more or less damage to the crop. Last year, for instance, a severe cold spell about the same time in October set the crop materially, but this season, owing to the fact that the crop is much earlier than usual and has practically matured, even in the most northerly portions of the belt, it is not believed that any damage worth mentioning has been done. All that can be safely claimed is that the cold weather has put an end to any further making of the crop, hence estimates of yield will now be safer and more to be relied upon than made heretofore.

The feature of the past week has been the showing of the Census Bureau to the effect that 7,740,000 bales had been ginned up to October 18. While many contend that this heavy total of ginning is due to the forwardness of the crop and the excellent weather for picking and ginning, the fact that the total ginnings have been all records by a large margin can also be accepted as indicative of a large crop. Aside from the cold spell, which has put an end to further ginning, there has been little delay to harvesting operations and the movement of cotton to market has been of record proportions.

Work at Pioneer Mills Gold Mine.

Arrangements are being made to again operate the Pioneer Mills gold mines. The mines are owned by McCullough & Co., of New York, and were at one time operated extensively. The men are now at work opening up the old tunnels and drives and in a short time a Cornish pump and other mining machinery will be put in operation.

Meeting of Floral Club.

The Floral Club met this morning with Mrs. A. E. Lentz. Mrs. W. J. Adams, of Carthage, Mrs. W. C. Houston, Mrs. Finlayson, of Baltimore, who is visiting her daughter, Mrs. E. T. Cannon, Mesdames W. J. Swink, of China Grove, J. F. Cannon and E. T. Cannon were the invited guests and the meeting proved a most delightful one. The next meeting will be held the first Wednesday in December with Mrs. Maggie Ervin, who is an honorary member.

Looks as if Home Run Baker may be Held in Stanley county next Tuesday, November 7.

A Farm Life School election will be held in Stanley county next Tuesday, November 7.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Some of the People Here and Elsewhere Who Come And Go.

Miss Nettie Glass is visiting friends in Charlotte.

Mr. Earl Patterson, of Charlotte, is here today.

Mr. J. W. Peeler, of Rockwell, is a Concord visitor today.

Squire S. H. Hilton, of Charlotte, is a visitor in the city today.

Attorney Plummer Stewart, of Charlotte, is here attending court.

Mr. Charles A. Cook has gone to Spartanburg on a short business trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Petrea returned last night from their wedding trip.

Mrs. Hugh Propst and Mrs. L. E. Boger spent yesterday in Charlotte.

Mrs. J. N. Cannon, of Spartanburg, spent yesterday in the city at the home of Mr. A. P. Cannon.

Mrs. John Fox has returned from Greenwood, S. C., where she has been visiting relatives for several weeks.

Mrs. H. J. Kizziah has returned from Spencer, where she had been visiting relatives for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Locke Erwin will return tonight from Baltimore where they have been visiting for sometime.

Rev. and Mrs. A. W. Plyler, of Charlotte, are visiting Mrs. Plyler's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Barnhardt, at Pioneer Mill.

Mrs. L. C. Caldwell, of Statesville, arrived yesterday afternoon and will spend several days here with Mr. Caldwell, who is attending court. They are stopping at the St. Cloud.

How Come?

The Lexington Dispatch says that a Davidson county merchant was busy one day last week unloading carloads of hay from Oklahoma, whereas right in that county as good hay can be raised as anywhere in the world.

The Salisbury Post, noting the shipment of twenty carloads of hogs, sheep and cattle through Salisbury from Eastern Tennessee to Richmond wonders "why it is that so much of the fresh meat shipped to the people of North Carolina comes from the great packing houses of the West," and asks "why should not the North Carolina people raise all their own cattle sheep and hogs?"

Daughters of the King.

The local assembly of the Daughters of the King, which has been in session at All Saints Episcopal church, has adjourned. The assembly will be celebrated by the Holy Communion and sermon by Rev. Harris Mallinkrodt, of Charlotte. At the afternoon session a business meeting was held followed by a charge to the Daughters delivered by Rev. W. H. Ball. A large delegation was present from the local chapters of St. Peter's and St. Mary's of the Thompson Orphanage, Charlotte. Rev. Harris Mallinkrodt and Rev. W. J. Smith, of Charlotte, were among the visiting rectors.

Marriage of Miss McCartney.

Announcements reading as follows have been received in the city:

Mr. Albert Cassel Winger and Miss Mary Elma McCartney Married

on the twenty-fourth of October nineteen hundred and eleven at South Pasadena, California.

At home after November first Owen-go Station, Lone Pine P. O., California.

Mrs. Winger has many friends here where she was a member of the faculty of Sunderland Hall School for several years.

Why is President Taft staying away from the White House so long? Washington will soon be advertising "Come home and all will be forgiven."

Being a matrimonial martyr is the job of the big majority.

HOLD EVERY BALE.

That is Plan Conference of Governors Suggests—Reduce New Year Acreage.

New Orleans, Oct. 31.—The farmers of the South must withhold from the market every remaining bale of the present season's crop of cotton and follow this with a concerted and binding agreement to reduce next season's acreage at least 25 per cent if they hope to restore the South's great money staple to a normal price level and retrieve the losses sustained by reason of the present low prices.

This is the plan which the conference of Southern governors adopted at its concluding session today to secure immediate relief from the depression in the price of the staple.

As a means of securing permanent relief from such conditions and to guarantee the cotton farmer in the future against the necessity of glutting the market with his supplies in the opening of the season the conference adopted resolutions favoring the establishment in every cotton growing State of State-controlled warehouses and the collection and periodical publication of statistics bearing upon the world's demand for and consumption of American cotton.

The proposal of foreign banking interests to finance a holding movement covering 2,000,000 bales of the present crop was referred to a special committee for future action.

Winston-Salem Girl Asks Damages of a Salisbury Mill.

Salisbury Post.

A suit has been instituted in Forsyth Superior court against the Kessler Manufacturing Company for damages in the sum of \$5,000, the plaintiff being 15-year-old Lillie Painter, of Winston-Salem, who is suing in the name of her father and next friend, J. E. Painter.

The complaint which has been filed with the clerk of the Forsyth Superior court, alleges that the child had two of her fingers cut off by cog wheels while at work in the cotton mill operated by the defendant. It is claimed that the girl was operating spinning frames and had been told to remove the lint from the machinery. And it is asserted that in removing this lint she had her hand caught in the cog wheels, because of a defect in the boxing covering the wheels.

An Almost Destitute Family.

There is a destitute family on Meadow street, that of Mr. John Vincent. Mrs. Vincent is ill in bed and has two small children, the youngest not being able to walk. The Ladies' Home Mission and Aid Society of Central Methodist church has given and to the family, and will be glad to have and contributions for that purpose. The family is in need of almost everything, as they are almost entirely destitute. Send your contributions to Mrs. J. B. Sherrill, chairman of the committee.

Pugilist Goes in for Ministry.

San Francisco, Oct. 31.—Eddie Young, of San Jose, a well known featherweight pugilist, has announced he will enter the ministry and become an evangelist. "Religion needs men who can put a kick in it," said Young today. "I'm there with the kick and now you can sit back and watch me slip the devil some of the old sleep drops."

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