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DANGEROUS CONDITION SHOULD BE REMEDIED

DANGER OF DISEASE FROM THE SWAMPS AT THE DEPOT.

Creek Bed Filled With Sand By Heavy Rains, and Foul Smelling Pools of Stagnant Water Are Left. Dangerous Condition Should Be Remedied Now.—The Public Health Demands It.

The people of Concord have long recognized the danger of disease from the swamps at the depot. This danger has now grown to such proportions that an epidemic of illness is imminent. The recent heavy rains filled the creek bed with sand until the waters now spread over a wide area and run in almost every direction. In many places in the marshy swamps, where the waters have receded, cess pools are filled with filthy, foul smelling, disease breeding water with neither an inlet nor an outlet.

Not only the creek and water covered area are within themselves a source of danger but this danger has been enhanced by reason of the fact that there is no proper sewer connection where the city sewer empties into the creek at the railroad bridge. Beginning at the bridge and for quite a distance down the creek the water is green colored with slime from which there emanates such a stinking, sickening odor that it is obnoxious to people at the depot and beyond.

The big freshet of 1908 broke the sewer connection. Since that time it has never been remedied. That freshet, however, did not fill the bed of the creek as the one did a few weeks ago. For this reason the water continued to flow and was not stopped and spread out on the marsh as it is at present. At a point about 200 yards from the inlet of the sewer the creek divided in three separate channels, or at least spreads out into three different directions, as there is practically no channel except the outlines of the old one that is filled with sand. This water is so shallow that it cannot carry all the grimy filth from the sewer, much of it being gathered by the bull rush and shrubbery.

The cause of the water spreading out just below the bridge can be easily seen. A representative of this paper visited the place yesterday afternoon and at the point where the creek divides the old channel is filled with banks of sand. This sand bank continues for about 250 feet down the creek. Near the point where the sand ends the three branches of the creek flow back into the old channel. If the sand were removed in this distance it would give a temporary relief. There can be no permanent relief until a drainage district is formed and the creek drained with a dredge boat.

However, the problem that Concord is now facing is too serious and the risk too great to even wait for a drainage district to be organized and the work begun, as great as the need for such a district is.

The dangerous condition should be remedied now. Every day adds a greater risk. If the work is done at once a serious public calamity may be averted, but if neglected long enough for petty politics to be played time alone can only mark the fatalities.

It is estimated by a well known business man of the city, who accompanied the writer to the creek, that the sand bank can be removed at a cost from \$250 to \$300. The place in point is just a short distance from the city limit and the question naturally arises as to who should bear the expense, the city or the county. It is very probable that the matter can easily be adjusted by the officials.

In the meantime the work should be done and done today. If a contract cannot be made at once why not let the city teams go there and haul out the sand. It might delay a little street work but street work can afford to wait but this work cannot.

The innumerable dangers that were pointed out as a result of bog pens inside the city limits pale into insignificance beside the dangers that lurk in the swamp at the depot, especially in that portion below the railroad bridge. The time is today. The people cannot afford to let this work be neglected. Public decency demands it and public health requires it.

Mr. Shakespeare Harris left yesterday for Charlotte to spend several days.

KANNAPOLIS NEWS

Mills Running Full Time.—New Buildings And Improvements.—New Baptist Church to Cost \$7,000.—Baseball.—Y. M. C. A. Work.

Kannapolis, April 12.—This is a very busy place at present. The mills are both running full time, and outside hands may be seen in every direction at work. A squad is busy excavating for the new mill, and the new bleachery is on the way also. A new store building is going up near the depot, besides a score or more new dwellings are being built at present.

The addition to the Cannon Manufacturing Co.'s spinning mill has been completed and the plumbing and wiring has been done and now the machinery is being placed.

Gardening is now the order of the day and a great deal of it is being done.

Bricks are being placed on the ground for the new Baptist church, which will be built near the Cannon Memorial Hall, and will be built at a cost of about \$7,000, which will be in keeping with the other buildings which are being built.

Easter was rather cool for our people to enjoy themselves as they would have had it warm. Services were held by all the pastors in town.

Rev. W. B. Shinn preached two exceptionally fine sermons, one at 11 a. m. on the Resurrection of the Body and the other at 7:30 p. m. on the Immortality of the Soul. We have heard a number of commendatory remarks about these sermons.

Rev. Dr. J. C. Rowe will hold the second quarterly conference for the Kannapolis circuit at Unity Saturday. Preaching at 11 a. m. and conference at 2 p. m.

The Boy Scouts, under the leadership of Mr. N. H. Coggins, marched to Concord Saturday evening, returning on No. 12.

The ball season has come, and our boys played their first game on the home diamond Saturday evening, crossing bats with the Enochville team, which resulted in a score of 2 to 1 in favor of the home team.

Our boys expect to make improvements on their grounds and probably will have it enclosed. We are not prepared to give the personnel of the team at present but we understand that it will be a strong team.

Mr. George Sides and Miss Hettie Trantham were married last Friday night at the Kannapolis hotel, by Rev. C. S. Andrews. We wish them much happiness.

Messrs. N. A. Gregg and T. P. Moore went to Winston-Salem Saturday evening after Mr. Gregg's new auto, which he recently ordered through a firm at that place. They spent Saturday night with their friend, Mr. T. B. Moore, formerly of this place, intending to come home in the auto, but unfortunately the roads were in such a bad condition that they left it at Lexington, and came in on No. 35. The auto is a Mitchell, five passenger touring car and we understand it is a dandy.

Mr. H. W. Owens, the general secretary of the Y. M. C. A. here, will go to Greenville, S. C., Saturday, where he will address the Y. M. C. A. boys conference. Mr. Owens is never more at home than in a crowd of boys, over whom he is exerting an influence for good.

The board of directors of the Y. M. C. A. met Tuesday night to transact business and elect a new board. The following were elected: Messrs. H. L. Lips, S. F. Carter, R. D. Grier, R. H. Hare, Lee Woodall, S. T. Reeder, J. W. Bounds, R. C. Propst and S. E. Sloan. The officers will be elected at the next meeting of the board. The following is the secretary's report to the board for March, condensed: Membership at close of month, boys, 79; men 337. Total 416. No. committees, boys 12; men 32. Total 44. Religious meetings including boys meetings and Bible classes, 15; total attendance, 1,457; ladies nights 4, attendance 300. Daily average attendance in the building: Members 194; visitors 40; band concert 1, attendance 225; moving picture shows 9, attendance 2,275; Scout meetings 4, attendance 74; night school 11 sessions, attendance 194; No. library books used 144; illustrated lectures 3, attendance 450; Health League entertainment 1, attendance 300; public school entertainments 2, attendance 1,200; bath taken 1,052; Boy Scouts handled cleaning day, March 23, 127; Tomato Club organized with 20 boys.

The gymnasium is being used by the boys and men every opportunity. Pool and bowling games running at their full capacity. There are a lot of other items in the report of minor importance. Although the building is large, still the Y. M. C. A. has grown that it is thought by many that an addition is necessary, to keep pace with the growth of the town.—H. E.

CORPSE OF COLORED BABY IS FOUND

DISCOVERED IN AN OLD STABLE ON BELL AVENUE.

Seen by Colored Man While Cleaning Out the Stable.—Child Had Been Dead Two Weeks, Its Body Well Preserved.—Well Developed Mulatto Baby.—Evidently a Case of Murder.—No One as to Who Mother Is.

While cleaning out an old stable on Bell avenue in the rear of the residence of Squire G. M. Lore, John Morgan, colored, shoveled out the corpse of a little male mulatto baby yesterday afternoon about 6 o'clock. The negro has hauled several wheelbarrow loads from the stable to the garden and as he attempted to clean beneath the trough the horrible discovery was made. At the time Mr. Lore was standing only a short distance from the barn. The negro called for him and told him what he had discovered. Mr. Lore looked at the corpse and sent a call to the police headquarters, instructing them to notify the coroner. The sheriff was also notified and in a short time a coroner's jury was empaneled. Messrs. Boyd Moore, I. I. Davis, T. T. Smith, W. T. Wall, H. M. Shinn and John W. Propst composed the coroner's jury. They visited the scene with Coroner Isenhour in a short time after the body was discovered. After making an examination of the surroundings the jury decided to meet at 9 o'clock at Bell & Harris Furniture Store.

The body of the baby was remarkably well preserved. It is supposed to have been in the stable about two weeks and there is little doubt but that it was put there immediately after it was born. The baby weighed possibly nine pounds. The hair was slightly kinky and every appearance strongly indicated that it was a very light mulatto. Over its mouth and nose was tied a rag which had been drawn so tight that the features of the face were hardly discernible. There is little doubt but that the rag was tied around the baby's mouth and nose for the double purpose, to murder it and suppress its feeble cries. A short time before the inquest Dr. R. M. King and Dr. R. S. Young made a post mortem examination at the furniture store where the body had been moved. Both of the physicians stated that in their opinion the child was a well-developed and normal when born and that it was a case of murder.

At the coroner's inquest John Morgan, colored, testified that he was hauling litter from the stable for Mr. Lore in the afternoon and as he went to clean out the trash from beneath the trough in the stable his shovel struck something soft and the baby's little feet shot up out of the trash. The witness said he then called Mr. Lore, who was a few feet away and that Mr. Lore came and said that he would notify the police.

Mr. Lore was examined and corroborated the witness's testimony. He said that he phoned for the police and told them to notify the coroner. He then told Morgan to put the body back where he found it and await instructions from the authorities.

Dr. R. M. King testified that in his opinion the child had lived; that its lungs contained air and in appearance there was nothing to indicate that it was not a healthy well-developed child at birth.

There was no other evidence submitted that would in the least reveal the identity of the murderer or murderers. After going over what facts that could be gathered the jury adjourned to meet Friday night, April 15.

Every phase of the case is filled with shocking, revolting features. The perpetrator of the crime is as mysterious as when the body was found. The jury, however, has evidence to which they attach strong evidence as to the time the body was placed there and, taking this as a basis, they hope to unravel the crime. There are two other facts that stand out clearly in the case. The crime was committed by some one who was familiar with the surroundings and there is little doubt but that more than one person is guilty of the heinous, laughable attendant with such a crime. Officers are going to sift the matter to the bottom. Although they have nothing tangible now they feel that the natural circumstances and conditions attendant upon such a crime will furnish them with a source to gather evidence that will fasten the

crime upon the party or parties who committed it.

NEWS FORECAST FOR THE COMING WEEK.

Washington, D. C., April 13.—Important fixtures on the political calendar of the week will include the following:

Monday. Republican territorial convention of Hawaii, at Honolulu, to select delegates to the national convention.

Tuesday. Republican State convention of Connecticut, at New Haven, to select delegates to the national convention.

Wednesday. District conventions of Republicans in Connecticut, to select delegates to the national convention.

Thursday. District conventions of all parties in Illinois to select delegates to the national convention.

Friday. Direct primaries of all parties in Nebraska to select delegates to the national conventions and name candidates for United States Senator and State officers.

Saturday. Direct primaries of all parties in Oregon to select delegates to the national conventions and express preference for United States Senator.

Sunday. State conventions of all parties in Illinois to select the delegates-at-large to the national conventions.

Nearly all of the presidential aspirants will be in the field during the week. Col. Roosevelt is expected to confine his activities to the eastern States. Woodrow Wilson will speak in Georgia and Florida, Governor Harmon in the middle West and Senator La Follette in the far West. William J. Bryan will add to the gaiety of the situation by speaking against Harmon in the latter's home State.

The unveiling of the statue erected in the national capital in memory of John Paul Jones, the revolutionary naval hero, is fixed for Wednesday and will be made an occasion for impressive military and civic exercises in which President Taft and other notables will take part.

The consecration of Father Austin Dowling as Roman Catholic bishop of Des Moines will take place Thursday in the cathedral in Providence, R. I., with Bishop Harkins officiating as the consecrating prelate.

A central eclipse of the sun is scheduled to take place early Wednesday morning, visible as a partial eclipse in the eastern portion of the United States and Canada.

The conventions of the week will include the Episcopal Church Congress in St. Louis, the Conservation Congress of the Men and Religion Forward Movement in New York city, the national convention of the Daughters of the American Revolution in Washington, and the International Conference on the Negro at Tuskegee, Ala.

NO BASEBALL TODAY.

Charlotte Team Did Not Come Over on Account of the Threatening Weather.

Manager Clark, of the Locke Mill baseball team received a phone message this morning from Manager Osteen of the Charlotte Hornets, stating that the weather looked threatening and he could not bring his team over today for the game scheduled at Locke Mill Park this afternoon.

Only a few unpretentious clouds hung in the skies. Poor, tender, frail, fragile, dainty, winsome, weak, little Hornets. What a pity it would be for a few drops of pure rain water to fall upon your precious anastomoses.

The Giants and Athletics battled for supremacy during a snowstorm. Maek and McGraw cranked up \$20,000 arms of Combs and Mathewson during the freezing weather, but Osteen's dear, dainty boys are too precious to run the risk of being in one of April's gentle showers—should the shower come.

The violets, the little pinks and the little panics just love an April shower. It causes their little heads to pop up and smile at all the world. But the Hornets are too tender plants to be exposed.

And this is the ball game Charlotte is going to send after the bunting in the Carolina League. Here is hoping they will win, but we suggest to Manager Clark that the next time he issues a challenge to them to put it carroms instead of baseball.

Miss Sallis Morgan has returned to her home in Heath Springs, S. C., after visiting her father, Mr. A. W. Morgan, for several days.

ARRESTED AT THE WHITE HOUSE

FOUND UGLY LOOKING CLASP KNIFE IN MAN'S POCKET.

Arrested After Twice Forcing His Way Into Private Part of Mansion.—Claims to Be a German Subject.—Said He Didn't Intend Any Harm to President Taft.

Washington, April 13.—A man giving his name as Michael Winter, was arrested at the White House today after he had twice succeeded in forcing his way into the private part of the executive mansion. The guards found an ugly looking clasp knife in the man's pocket. This is the first time in years that an unwelcome visitor has entered the Presidential home. The man claimed to be a German subject, and said he had applied unsuccessfully to Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, for a letter of introduction to President Taft.

When Winter reached the White House he ran up the steps and dashed past the doorkeeper. For a moment he was lost in the darkness of the hall from the searching ushers. A few minutes after being ejected, Winter repeated the performance. He said that he lived in Baltimore, and protested that he did not intend to harm the President. Winter is 30 years old.

Birthday Party Monday.

The following invitations have been issued:

Come play with me from 4 to 6 Monday afternoon April fifteenth
George Elizabeth Calloway.
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Another Aeronaut Killed.

Bernede, France, April 13.—Lieutenant Bonecourt, reconnoitering in a monoplane today today, lost control of the machine, fell 200 feet and was instantly killed.

RECEPTION YESTERDAY.

Brilliant Function Given in Honor of Mrs. R. S. Sanders.

The home of Mrs. A. M. Brown was the scene of a festive occasion yesterday afternoon, the event being a reception by Mrs. Brown and Miss Blanche Brown in honor of Mrs. Roy S. Sanders. For more than three hours the handsome home was marked by the visits of throngs of handsomely gowned women and the affair was one of the most elegant and charming social events of its kind of the spring season.

Welcoming the guests at the door were Mrs. C. P. MacLaughlin, Mrs. L. A. Fisher and Miss Maude Brown. Mesdames A. M. Brown, R. S. Sanders, R. A. Brown, E. H. Brown, W. M. Linker and Misses Blanche Brown, Ruth Coltrane and Grace Patterson received in the parlor, which was beautifully decorated in white lilies and white iris. From the receiving line the guests were ushered into the hall, which had been converted into a veritable flower garden with huge banks of white apple blossoms, thence into the dining room by Misses Myrtle Pemberton, Zula Patterson and Wilma Correll. Receiving in the dining room, which was most gorgeously decorated with huge bouquets of wisteria, lavender lilies and pink apple blossoms displayed with remarkably pretty effect, were Mesdames E. A. Moss, R. E. Ridenhour, M. M. Linker and Miss Rose Wilford. A delightful salad course was served. From the dining room the guests were shown to the coffee room. Coffee was poured by Mrs. D. B. Coltrane and served by Misses Laura McGill Cannon, Alice Brown and Mary Pemberton. The spring-like effect of the lovely apple blossoms was most attractively carried out in decoration in this room.

From 150 to 175 guests called during the receiving hours.

The town of Albermarle has let the contract for waterworks to the Central Construction Co., Lexington, Ky. The men are there and the work will begin in a few days.

PLOT TO ASSASSINATE PRESIDENT MADERO

DISCOVERED THIS MORNING ACCORDING TO REPORTS.

Plot Also to Dynamite Public Buildings in Mexico.—Twenty-Five Arrests Are Reported.—Police Are Trying to Suppress News.

New York, April 13.—A plot to assassinate President Madero, of Mexico, and to dynamite the public buildings has been discovered, according to advices received here today by financial interests. It is reported that twenty-five arrests have been made. Advices say the police are trying to suppress the news.

TWELVE SERIOUSLY HURT.

Floor Collapses in Distillery, Injuring a Score of Students.

Peoria, Ill., April 13.—A score of students of the Bradley Polytechnic Institute were injured, twelve being hurt seriously, today when the floor collapsed at the Woolner distillery, throwing 50 young people to the ground. The party were inspecting the fermenting room.

A Mysterious Murder.

Lynn, Mass., April 13.—The police are baffled over the murder of Millionaire George E. Marsh. It is declared to be the most mysterious murder in the history of the Commonwealth. An examination of a woman, supposed to have been seen riding with the millionaire, proved that she was not in his company after 3 p. m. Thursday. It is certain that Marsh was not slain until that night. The police are convinced that jealousy or revenge was the motive for the crime.

Miss Lennie Mann, of High Point, is the guest of Miss Edna Correll.

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