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SIXTEEN CATTLE KILLED BY HAIL

STORM OF DIREFUL FURY— CROPS ARE RUINED.

In Sections of Two States Corn and Cotton Stalks are Torn in Shreds. —\$100,000 Damage in Gaston County.—Hail Oats Off Chicken Wings. —Fruit Crop Destroyed.—Storm Very Severe at Mooresville.

Rock Hill, S. C., July 7.—The severe hailstorm of last night, which visited this section between 9 and 10 o'clock, was as its worst in a section of York County near here. Crops on an area several miles wide, being beaten level with the ground, while at least 16 head of cattle were killed and little could be told of the storm's effects last night, but today its ravages appeared awful. Chickens and birds were killed in large numbers, and in drifts the hailstones reached an almost unbelievable depth. A half acre flat on the Brown McFadden farm at 11 o'clock this morning 13 hours after the storm, was covered to a depth of four feet, while hundreds of people who went to see the sight report gullies in the same borsho to full eev eign boaed-vedn neighborhood to have been filled to a depth of from eight to 14 feet.

On the farm of R. S. Fewell six of his cattle were killed and their bodies literally buried under the ice. Ten or twelve of John T. Roddey's cattle were killed.

Fruit was all knocked from the trees in the devastated area, gardens were ruined and what was left of the cotton and corn stalks could scarcely be recognized as such. Beginning just south of the city, the storm continued at its height to G. L. Suggs' farm near Nennie's Mountain.

Gaston Suffers \$100,000 Damage From the Storm.

Gastonia, July 7.—Damage which may approximate \$100,000 was done in Gaston County last night by the wind, rain and hailstorm which, according to the oldest residents, was the most severe within the memory of living men. In this county the storm entered at the northwest corner, devastating a section about four miles wide, sweeping through Cherryville, Stanley, Hickory Grove, McAdenville, Belmont, Mayesworth, Bethesda, Newhope, and on into York county, South Carolina, through the Bethel section.

Cotton and corn fields this morning presented a scene of utter destruction, nothing but the bare stalks being left to mark the places where a few hours previous good stands of cotton and grain grew. Southport township was perhaps the worst sufferer, scores of farmers there having everything on their farms in the way of growing stuff absolutely annihilated.

Out Of Chickens' Wings.

Fort Mill, S. C., July 7.—This immediate community was passed by the violent hailstorm which prevailed across the river several miles from here, where it seems the storm began.

At the farm of S. H. Hutcheson the wings of chickens were cut off as they attempted to fly to places of refuge. E. T. Whitesell, agent of the Southern Railway here, who owns a farm near Ogden, received report this morning that, besides great damage to his crops, his barn was struck by lightning and destroyed together with two mules which were in it.

It is reported that some of the tenant farmers, feeling that it is too late to make another crop, are seeking employment and abandoning the farms.

Severe at Mooresville.

Mooresville, July 7.—A destructive and probably the heaviest rain and

hailstorm that has visited this section in 30 years, came down yesterday afternoon and last night in three separate and distinct installments. Between 4 and 5 o'clock a storm passed over, a sizzling hail along a line from a short distance east of Mooresville to a distance of three miles west of town, doing considerable damage to foliage and growing crops. About 7 o'clock yesterday evening another storm came up, covering practically the same route, except extending from Catawba station on the western road to a point near Derita in Mecklenburg county. In some parts of this county west of town pine trees and other timbers have been totally stripped, corn fields have been shredded and the cotton stalks are sticking out of the ground completely stripped of their limbs. It is a great calamity to many of the croppers, who had little prospects for anything like a fair crop before and now they are in a great deal worse condition. At the Chal Cornelius place 19 window lights were knocked out, and at Frank Jones' there were 50 windows shattered and some sections of the sash broken. On Bud Watts' place the roof was broken through in numerous places and his cows, when they were brought from the pasture, bore marks of blood and bruises caused by the terrific force of the hailstones. It was said by many reliable men such as Frank Jones, Bud Watts, H. N. Johnston and others that hailstones as large as goose eggs, and B. A. Trotman this afternoon brought to town a water bucket full of hailstones, which averaged in weight two ounces each. Several of these stones were weighed at H. N. Johnston's grocery store and were the exact weight of an average hen's egg—two ounces. At H. D. Mills' place where Charley Wilson lives, the crops and forests look as if a great battle had taken place, and at 3 o'clock this afternoon a wagon load of hailstones could have been gathered with all ease. At George Brown's, south of town, cotton and watermelon patches are stripped of their foliage. Many of the farmers along the line of desolation were in town today looking for early corn, and will endeavor to raise a late corn to help out this fall. About 8 o'clock still another hailstorm came up, but had spent itself before reaching this section and very little fell.

Mr. Odell Returns to Service.

Salisbury Post.
Mr. Ralph Odell, of Concord, is ordered by the government to go to India in the interest of American cotton. Mr. Odell, it will be remembered, was appointed a foreign agent to study trade conditions with a view of extending the cotton trade of America and has been in the home land for some months. To Senator Overman it was who secured the first appropriation for this work and only after hard work in the senate. The service ought to be worth a great deal to the South and the longer it is continued the more useful it ought to become. Senator Overman has had a great faith in the undertaking and has never lost an opportunity to boost it. It ought to grow more useful every year and eventually be a great and useful boost to the South's cotton trade.

The Light Bearers of Central Methodist Church will have their annual picnic Friday instead of Saturday, as previously announced. All the children of the society are requested to meet at the church lawn Friday morning at 8:30 o'clock.

George Fred Cables.

Boston, July 8.—George Fred Williams cables: "Have resigned as minister to Greece, to work for freedom of Albania without embarrassing my government."

Two Dead in Overturned Automobile.

Patchogue, L. I., July 8.—Under an overturned automobile the bodies of State Senator Bailey and a passenger were found dead.

Think Have Person Who Murdered Mrs. Bailey.

New York, July 8.—The authorities declare that they have discovered the person they hope to indict for the shooting of Mrs. Bailey. They believe that Dr. Canman could be of more assistance if he wanted to talk.

Ports Closed to New Orleans Ship.

Washington, July 8.—The State Department has received advice from the American minister at Guatemala that the ports of that country would be closed to ships from New Orleans for fear of the bubonic plague.

Subtractors Yell at King and Queen.

Delmar, Scotland, July 8.—Subtractors followed in the wake of King George and Queen Mary yelling through megaphones along the line.

"Stop torturing women." The crowds yelled the women until they were forced to retire.

FEDERALS ARE ALL BUT ANNIHILATED

CONSTITUTIONALISTS DEFEAT FEDERALS AT ORENDAY.

Thirty-Six Hours of Savage Fighting. —Federals Lost Ten Troop Trains And Many Pieces of Artillery.— Casualties of Both Sides Heavy.— Federals Leave Dead and Wounded on the Field.

Orenday, Mex., July 8.—After 36 hours of savage fighting the constitutionalist forces utterly routed the strong federal column which attempted a sortie from Guadalajara Sunday night. The federals were all but annihilated. They lost ten troop trains in flight and many pieces of field artillery. The casualties on both sides are heavy, the federals leaving the dead and wounded on the field. The constitutionalists will probably cut off federal retreat.

NIAGARA PROTOCOLS TO THE SENATE TODAY

Important Developments Expected Toward Establishment of Peace.

Mexico City, July 8.—The Niagara protocols were expected to be submitted to the Senate today, and rumors were circulated that important developments looking to the establishment of peace in the republic were expected. It is expected that the gap of the Mexican Railway outside of Vera Cruz is soon to be repaired, and then through trains will run from capital to port. This is regarded as a favorable indication. The general impression here is that the prospect is improving, that the agreement between the dominant factions for the establishment of provisional government will be acceptable to all.

Washington, July 8.—It is unofficially reported that Carranza will authorize the Junta to begin parleys with the Huertista delegates.

Count Zeppelin.

Count Ferdinand von Zeppelin, the distinguished aviator, known as the conqueror of the air, was born in Wurttemberg, July 8, 1838. He entered the military service in his youth and when the American civil war began he was sent to the United States to serve as military attaché and observer for the government of Wurttemberg. Soon after his return to Germany he participated in the war between Prussia and Austria and four years later he distinguished himself in the war with France. Count Zeppelin retired from active military service in 1891 and has since devoted himself to the study and development of aerial navigation. Though more than a dozen of his great dirigible balloons met with disaster, nothing could shake Count Zeppelin's confidence in his ultimate success. He also succeeded in inspiring the German government with sufficient confidence to grant him a liberal subvention. In recent years one or more of the Zeppelin dirigibles has been engaged in making regular passenger trips between cities in Germany.

Congressman Doughton is Right. Statesville Landmark.

Members of Congress who have contended that the government should pay the traveling expenses of the families of Congressmen to and from Washington have attempted to justify the demand by saying that the presence of a member's family was necessary to keep him in the path of rectitude. Congressman Doughton made fitting answer to that when he said that a Congressman who would not live clean in Washington in the absence of his family would not live clean if his family was there. The Landmark has remarked more than once that the demand that the traveling expenses of families of Congressmen be paid out of the public treasury will, if acceded to, be followed in time by a demand that living expenses—the board, lodging and laundry—be paid.

S. S. Convention of No. 10 Township.

The Sunday school convention of No. 10 township will convene at Bethel Church on Thursday, the 30th of July, at 10:30 o'clock. All the schools are invited to help in the singing. We will have several good speakers, if nothing prevents. The public is invited to come out and spend the day with us.

The Judge Montgomery home place, one of the best properties in the city, will be sold at public auction by the Southern Realty and Auction Company, of Greensboro, on next Thursday, July 16, at 10:30 o'clock a. m. Further announcements of this sale will be made tomorrow.

A representative of the famous merchant tailoring firm of Isaac Hamburger & Sons, of Baltimore, will be at the store of H. L. Parks & Co. on July 9, 10 and 11, with a fine line of fall and winter wools for men.

Straw hats at half price at the White-Morrison-Flowe Co's. Go early and get your pick.

SEMINARY FACULTY.

Teachers in Mont Amoena Seminary Next Year.

The following compose the faculty of Mont Amoena Seminary for the year 1914-1915:
Rev. R. A. Goodman, A. B., president Latin and German, A. B., Roanoke College; Lutheran Theological Seminary United Synod South; Teacher Collegiate Institute 1911-13.
Rev. J. H. C. Fisher, A. B., M. A., vice president, Science, Logic and Christian Evidence; A. B., M. A., Pennsylvania College; Gettysburg Theological Seminary; for eleven years' president Mont Amoena Seminary.
Rev. Chas. P. MacLaughlin, A. B., M. A.; A. B., M. A., Susquehanna University; Chicago E. L. Theological Seminary.
Miss Ora Caroline Hoover, B. S., M. A., English and History; B. S., M. A., Irving College; student in English Columbia University; teacher of fourteen years' experience.
Miss Mary S. Mauney, A. B., Mathematics and Physics; A. B., Lenoir College; student University of North Carolina Summer School, 1914; present position two years.
Miss Rosalyn Sumner, A. B., Lady Principal, French and Intellectual Science; A. B., Elizabeth College; student Newberry College; successful teacher Newberry city schools.
Miss Esther V. Phillips, Mus. B., Piano, Harmony and Theory; Mus. B., Susquehanna University Conservatory of Music; post-graduate of same.

Mrs. Moses A. Foil, Voice and Piano; Graduate Staunton Female Seminary; studied under Professor Myer and Professor Eisenburg, Mary Baldwin; teacher of more than sixteen years' experience.
Miss Mary C. Barringer, Art and Domestic Science; Diploma in art, Catawba College; student University of Virginia; teacher of experience.

Showers in the South Improve Crop Prospects.

Washington, July 7.—Local showers over large areas in the cotton region east of the Mississippi greatly improved the outlook, the National weekly weather bulletin for the week which ended yesterday, announced today, and the cheerily reported crop is nearly everywhere reported in good condition.

"Westward of the Mississippi," says the bulletin, "no rain occurred over the greater part of the cotton growing portions of Texas and the late planted in that State is suffering for moisture. The early planted, however, is making satisfactory growth in that State as well as in most portions of Oklahoma, Arkansas and Louisiana. Boll weevil are reported as increasing in several sections.

"In the principal trucking regions of the South local rains improved the late crops in Florida but in other portions early crops are generally reported as short."

In Virginia, cool, cloudy weather, with frequent showers in most counties, was beneficial. Some tobacco was transplanted.

The week was favorable in North Carolina, rains occurring in practically all parts of the State. Crops continue to improve. Early cotton is in excellent shape and recent rains will mature early corn.

Forest Fires in Movies.

Chautauqua, N. Y., July 8.—General instruction in forest conservation is to be given to more than eight thousand teachers from every State in the Union at the mid-summer meeting of the American Forestry Association, which is to meet here tomorrow for a two-day session. They will hear lectures showing the great loss of life and property every year in the United States and other countries from forest fires, and motion pictures of raging fires will be shown on the screen. The pictures will show how forest fires are fought, and how forests may be protected by patrols. Among the lecturers will be Captain J. B. White of Kansas City, Dr. B. E. Fernow of the University of Toronto, Charles Lathrop Pack, former president of the National Conservation Congress, and Dr. Henry S. Drinker, president of Lehigh University and head of the American Forestry Association.

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NEWMAN DREAMED OF GREAT WEALTH.

Wrote Mr. Williams of Gigantic Holdings in Golden Alaska.—Made Others Look Sick.

Washington, D. C., July 7.—John Skelton Williams, comptroller of the Currency, today told a special Senate committee he had never had any financial interest in the gold mine at Gold Hill, N. C., in the promotion of which the use of Senate stationery is being investigated by the Senate. The Comptroller said Walter George Newman, who promoted the mine, had offered him some stock, but that he had declined to buy.

Mr. Williams presented a telegram he had sent to Newman at Gold Hill, informing him that Berkeley Williams, the Comptroller's brother, and Cleveland Perkins might look over the Gold Hill property with a view to investigating. Mr. Williams denied, however, that he had arranged an appointment between Newman and Perkins in Washington.

Mr. Williams produced a letter written by Newman urging Williams to join in some stock venture in which the promoter said he had Alaskan interests greater than those of "the Guggenheims, Morgan or the Standard Oil crowd," and promised to "make the national city crowd green with envy."

Frederick P. Dewey, assayer and acting director of the mint, told of making an investigation of the Gold Hill property, at the instance of Mr. Williams, and director of the mint Roberts. He said that he found "there was no mine there, but there was a good prospect."

William C. Bishop, conducting an investigation agency employed by the curb market association in New York, said he investigated appearance on the curb of a letter written on Senate stationery and lauding the Gold Hill enterprise. He said he found only about three copies of the letter but that these copies were shown to every man on the curb. He wrote to Senator Chilton about the letters, which were on the paper of his committee, and the Senator replied denying all knowledge of them.

Senators Pomerene, of Ohio, and Swanson, of Virginia, testified they had bought stock in the mine at their own risk and on their own responsibility. Mr. Swanson said he purchased at thirty cents a share and put in \$5,000. Senator Pomerene did not specify the amount he owned. Assertions from Comptroller Williams that he had received no communications about the mine from Newman except a few telegrams were denied by the promoter when he was recalled to the stand. Newman said he had two letters from the Comptroller at his Gold Hill office. He offered to produce them, but Senator Thompson, chairman of the investigating committee, declined to receive them and said he was anxious to conclude the inquiry.

THE ANARCHISTS' FUNERAL.

Leader Says the Demonstration Will Come Off Saturday, "Police or No Police."

New York, July 8.—Anarchists will pay tribute to their dead in Union Square next Saturday. Police or no police, they are determined that the demonstration over the three urns will take place as originally planned. The leader, Alexander Berkman, said: "The demonstration will come off, and there will be no violence unless the police themselves make it." The health department relaxed its order that the dead must be cremated by 10 o'clock and extended the time to 1 o'clock. Saturday morning a procession of "no law advocates" will march to Union Square to set up the urns, unfurl the red flag, and have speeches by the leaders.

Part of Street Work Stopped.

Work has been stopped on putting down the permanent pavement on the alley between H. L. Parks & Co., and W. J. Glass' store. Mr. J. Lee Crowl, attorney for R. F. Phifer, has notified the city that this alleyway is owned by Mr. Phifer and is, therefore, private property. It is understood that an agreement will be reached between the city and Mr. Phifer and that the work will be continued.

President Declares Confidence in War- berg.

Washington, July 8.—President Wilson today issued an official statement and declared his confidence in the ability of Paul M. Warberg, of New York, and Thomas D. Jones, of Chicago, and expressed the hope that the Senate would confirm them as members of the federal reserve board. The President said he is endeavoring to have Warberg reconsider his decision to withdraw his name.

Bomb Does its Deadly Work.

Wakefield, Mass., July 8.—A bomb hurled through the kitchen door blew up the house and seriously injured Richard Stout, superintendent of the Wakefield Company, where there had been a long strike.

Submarine Collides With Destroyer.

Paris, July 8.—Three members of the French submarine perished when the boat collided with a destroyer.

GET YOUR SUBSCRIPTION IN EARLY

AVOID TROUBLE AND CONFUSION BY TURNING IN AT ONCE.

All Votes Must be in Ballot Box at Close of Contest Saturday. As Soon As Last One is Dropped in Judges Will Make Final Count and Determine Winners.

Three more days and then the prizes will be awarded. Three more days and you will know whether or not all the work that you have done, will go for nothing, or will bring you the prize that you desire. The first three days of the week have certainly been very busy ones and have gone far beyond our expectations. They would indicate that there will be a very exciting finish to the campaign and make it possible to tell anything about who will be the winners. But one thing is sure and that is that no one can win unless they keep up with the others this week and make it count bigger than any week thus far. No one is so far in the lead that they can afford to rest a moment or let one day count any less votes than the day before. The subscriptions must come in now. That help that has been promised for so long is due. All of your friends who have said they would like to see you win can prove that now by turning in and helping you get subscriptions.

See that they do this. Get their subscriptions and then give them a book and let them hustle around with you and help you get the subscriptions as fast as you get them so that you will get the votes on them and have all of that part done and can spend your time in getting others that are turned in that day and it will only add confusion if you hold out until that time.

On Saturday all of the contestants should be sure and get all of their votes in the ballot box. Remember not only those that you get on subscriptions that you turn in on Saturday, but all that you are holding back. As soon as the last ballots are written the judges will open this ballot box and will count all that are in there and add that to the total of each in the paper, which will give the grand total of votes that each has received all during the campaign.

JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER IS SEVENTY-FIVE TODAY.

Tarrytown, N. Y., July 8.—John D. Rockefeller, Oil King and the "richest man in the world," today is celebrating his seventy-fifth birthday. Because it was feared that the "Free Speechers," the "I. W. W.," and the Ferrer anarchists might pick today as a good one for another demonstration against Rockefeller because of his attitude in the recent Colorado strike war, a heavier guard than usual was placed about the mansion in Pocantico Hills. The Oil King's son, John D. Jr., was expected to spend the day here with his father.

Hundreds of telegrams and messages of congratulations poured in to the Rockefeller home today from all sections of the globe, where he has business and personal friends. Many messages came from royalty and the crowned heads of Europe. Rockefeller on his seventy-fifth birthday is accredited with a fortune of close to a billion dollars, thus making him the only billionaire in the world. The assessment of his property in Cleveland some months ago, when he refused to pay taxes there, placed his holdings far in excess of \$800,000,000.

According to Rockefeller's physician, Dr. H. F. Biger, Rockefeller is in better health than he has been in for some time. He continues his daily program of golf, an automobile ride, and perhaps a bicycle ride. Despite many reports that Rockefeller's health is not good Dr. Biger declares that his wealthy patient is unusually healthy and vigorous for a man of his years, and especially when the early cares and worries he went through are taken into consideration.

The Hardware Men's Association.

Raleigh, July 8.—The report of Secretary and Treasurer T. W. Dixon, of Charlotte, to the convention of North and South Carolina Hardware Dealer's Association today showed that thirty members were added the past year. The association heard an address by President E. E. Mitchell, of the National Association. H. T. Benham, of Indiana, spoke on "Sales Co-operation of Dealers and Manufacturers."

Suit for Possession of Child.

Raleigh, July 8.—George W. Connor, Superior Court judge, will hear a writ of habeas corpus for the little daughter of J. Sprunt Newton, of Fayetteville, at Wilson on July 16. The Newtons have been separated for some time. The husband is trying to prevent the wife from taking the child to Florida.

Special Tax Carries.

The election held in Rockwell public school district No. 6, Gold Hill township, Saturday to vote on a proposition to levy a special tax for school purposes carried and this tax will now be levied. It is to be fifteen cents on the hundred dollars valuation of property and forty-five cents on each poll.

See the ad. elsewhere of Mont Amoena Seminary.

Begin Alaska Railroad Survey.

Cordova, Alaska, July 8.—Surveys of the possible routes for the government's railroad in Alaska are in progress in this vicinity today. Stakes have already been driven at Chitiana by a reconnaissance party under Henry Day. The route is being surveyed from Chitiana where the Fairbanks trail leaves the Copper river and Northwestern railroad to the Matanuska coal fields.

Messrs. Lee Watson and Joe Mc- Cannless are spending the day in Sal- isbury.

Watch the Man

who regularly deposits his surplus earnings in the bank. He will defeat you in life's race, and he will some day be a man of power and influence in his community.

Financial Destruction

The merchants of this town deserve the patronage of the people of this community. They are a part, and a very important part, of the community. They pay a very considerable portion of the taxes of the town and of the county. They contribute to the support of the churches and other social institutions, and make possible many things the community would not have if they were not here.

The mail-order houses of the cities are spending thousands of dollars for the purpose of putting the country merchants of this town, and other towns, out of business, and every man who spends a dollar with them assists in the accomplishment of their selfish aims.

The ultimate end of the mail-order method will be the centralizing of all the business of the country in the large cities and the financial destruction of the smaller cities and towns.

Are you willing to be a party to the financial destruction of this town?

CITIZENS BANK