

CAROLINIANS ARE CELEBRATING NOW FOR INDEPENDENCE

Falling on Sunday This Year, Banks and Business Houses Observed the Fourth Today.

MANY NATIONS PAY TRIBUTE

Various Forms of Celebrations Have Been Held in Various Sections of the World.

Late a day officially in their celebration, Carolinians today were observing the 4th of July in holiday spirit.

The hottest weather of the summer boiled down hard on festivities of the day and thousands flocked to the mountains and coast.

The flags were everywhere in view, commemorating the national day of America.

Spontaneous events were on the calendar in village and city, and throughout the countryside.

The family picnic continued its claim as an institution of the day, and the woods and river banks were populated thickly.

New accidents and none of a serious nature marred the week-end.

Many Veterans Celebrate.

New York, July 5.—(AP)—The Sesqui-Centennial celebration of American independence was rounding into its climax in the 48 United States today after being ushered in throughout all this country and in many foreign lands.

The 4th of July this year was rich in other historical anniversaries besides that of the 150th anniversary of the adoption of the Declaration of Independence.

Today's observance centered at Philadelphia, President Coolidge speaking at the Sesqui-Centennial Exposition, which was inspired by the 15th milestone of this country's life.

At historic Valley Forge, Pa., yesterday, patriotic organizations from nine of the 13 original states dedicated the national birthday bell, a gift of citizens and patriotic societies of the 48 states, and the national peace chiming.

Schuyler, N. B., began a four-day celebration of the signing of the declaration of independence and the defeat of Burgoyne by General Schuyler.

ROWAN'S PARALYSIS SITUATION IMPROVES

Only One Case Reported Saturday—Rev. N. D. Bodie Installed as Pastor of Union Church.

Salisbury, July 4.—The infantile paralysis situation in Salisbury and Rowan is improving. Only one case was reported Saturday—that of a small negro child.

Rev. N. D. Bodie, who has assumed charge of the pastorate at Union Lutheran church, several miles east of Salisbury, was installed as pastor Sunday at a service at 11 o'clock.

DR. OTTO WIEFELDT DEAD IN GERMANY

At One Time He Was Ambassador to the United States.

Essen, Germany, July 5.—(AP)—Dr. Otto Ludwig Wiefeldt, former German ambassador to the United States, and director general of the Klupp Works, died today.

Dr. Wiefeldt was 55 years old. Since his return from Washington in January, 1925, he had devoted himself entirely to the physical and financial reorganization of the huge Klupp plant.

He recently returned to his office after spending several months in Switzerland seeking to recuperate his health.

See No Chances of Averting Strike

New York, July 5.—(AP)—What seemed to be the last hope of averting the strike of motormen and switchmen of the city's principal subways at midnight tonight was dissipated today when officials of the Interborough Rapid Transit Company declined the transit commission's arbitration offer.

Tired of the darkness and gloom of London's thick fogs, six residents of that city chartered an airplane for an hour's ride high in the air where they could see the sun.

Branches in British Columbia plan to fight a grasshopper invasion by the importation of thousands of turkeys.

In the News Spotlight



PROF. E. P. VARNER



F. TRUBEE DAVISON

CHARLES S. WOOD GEN CHANG TSO LIN President Coolidge named Professor E. P. Varner and F. Trubee Davison assistant secretaries, in charge of aviation, for the Navy and War Departments respectively.

JUDGE HORTON IS BETTER

Desperate Illness With Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis—Regains Consciousness.

Raleigh, July 5.—Suffering from a malady which has been diagnosed as a form of meningitis, J. Lloyd Horton, former judge of the Superior Court, is very seriously ill at his home here.

At present, both the State Hospital and the School for the Deaf obtain their water from springs and small streams on the nearby watershed of the mountains.

THE EVER PRESENT MUSCLE SHOALS MATTER

About 30,000 Lots Have Been Sold Within a Radius of 15 Miles.

Sheffield, Ala., July 5.—Congress will find the undying gratitude of high-pressure real estate dealers by continuing to take its time in deciding what disposition to make of the government's power plant at Muscle Shoals.

Nearly 30,000 sub-division lots have been sold within a fifteen-mile radius of the power and nitrate plants since the Muscle Shoals controversy first reached Congress.

Champion Cabbage Grower

Albany-Decatur, Ala., July 5.—R. C. McWhorter, of Longview farm, gained the title of "Champion Cabbage Grower of Alabama" when he exhibited a cabbage here weighing 13 1/2 pounds, which probably established a record in this state.

McWhorter, who is a well known truck farmer, declared that this year the farm will yield a number of cabbage heads weighing nine and ten pounds.

Lightning Strikes Church

Winston-Salem, July 5.—(AP)—Several people were injured, one fatally, when lightning struck St. Marks Methodist Church, near this city, Sunday afternoon while church services were in progress.

Seventy-five thousand cherry trees, imported from France, are being planted in northeastern Kansas.

President Present To Participate In Great Historic Celebration

Arrived in Philadelphia at 10 O'clock for Program in City of American Independence.

EXPOSITION NOW OFFICIALLY BEGUN

Mr. Coolidge Spoke at the Exposition Grounds and Party Enjoyed Round of Activities.

Philadelphia, July 5.—(AP)—As host to the President of the United States who today began his fifty-fifth year, the birthplace of American Independence arranged one of the greatest celebrations of the nation's birthday today.

Instead of historic Independence Hall where most of the previous celebrations have been centered, the Sesqui-Centennial International Exposition was the center of the holiday arrangements.

With an official opening today by the President, the exposition will continue until December 1st in observance of 150 years of American freedom.

With the arrival of President and Mrs. Coolidge at 10 a. m., the program called for the presidential party to move through troop lined streets, the exposition grounds, with a salute of 21 guns as he passed the monster Liberty Bell at the exposition grounds, and a 48-gun salute on his entering the navy yard.

A motor trip to the exposition grounds, and an address by the President at the municipal stadium were next on the schedule.

Indianapolis Street Railway Men Strike

Union Officials Says 1100 Men Are Idle But the Company is Maintaining Partial Service.

Indianapolis, Ind., July 5.—(AP)—Indianapolis street railway employees who are members of the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employees, went on strike here today.

The strike was taken at a meeting of the street car men early today.

City officials reacting riots of the car men's strike in 1913 ordered the mobilization of all police and firemen and organized emergency squads.

With Our Advertisers

The Wilmington is a most attractive six-room house, the plans for which F. C. Niblock has. See illustration and description in this issue.

Everything the man wears you will find at Hoover's.

There are now 745 J. C. Penney Co. stores in this country, extending over 44 states.

Striped Silk Washable Dresses \$4.95 to \$6.95 at Parks-Bell Co's. See about some other dainty dresses in the new ad. today.

The Yoeko and Wadsworth Co. has just received a solid car load of Atlas Mason fruit jars at 75c, 85c and \$1.25 a dozen.

Rugs for everybody at the right prices at the Bell & Harris Furniture Co.

S. W. Preslar has for this week's special a seventeen jewel South Bend watch, white gold filled for only \$22.50.

Meteor Falls Into Atlantic Ocean at Wrightsville Beach.

Wilmington, July 5.—Coming out of the west and traveling at a high rate of speed a meteor tonight fell into the Atlantic ocean off Wrightsville Beach.

The object was first sighted by residents at 8:10 and it was traveling at such a rate of speed that it quickly disappeared into the gloom.

Mebane Left All His Property to Wife.

Wentworth, N. C., July 5.—B. Frank Mebane, of Spray, who died recently in New York, left all his estate to his wife Mrs. Lill Morehead Mebane, it was disclosed when his will was offered for probate.

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Thirty-two cattle brands famous in the early days of the Lone Star State are being cut into the stone of Garrison hall at the University of Texas.

Spent Money



Under his direction money collected by the W. C. T. U. was used in purchasing alcoholic evidence, William B. Wright, director of prohibition enforcement in Pennsylvania, told the Senate Committee.

ONLY FIVE MORE DAYS

Get Your License Tag by July 10th or Pay the Penalty.

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HARRIS AND MOORE

W. C. Harris Defeats Judge Thomas H. Calvert in Seventh District and Moore Leads in 20th.

SOLICITOR DAVIS IS ALSO DEFEATED

D. M. Clark, of Greenville, Winner For Nomination For Solicitor—Votes in 20th Not All Counted.

BOY SENTENCED TO LIFE IMPRISONMENT

For Furnishing Poison Liqueur to His Cousin, Causing His Death.

18-year-old Jesse Odom was sentenced to life imprisonment for furnishing poison liqueur to Alexander, his young second cousin, because he was "too popular with the girls," was having been the youthful slayer's wedding day, it was revealed here today.

At the trial, the youthful prisoner pleaded guilty to a charge of second degree murder when his case came up for trial, an alleged confession written by Odom and made public today, declared that he was innocent of the charge against him, and he pleaded guilty only to escape the electric chair.

"I took my chances at making a plea of guilty," the confession said, "and now I am of the firm opinion that before I die, even if it is in the State penitentiary, I shall have the pleasure of knowing that a confession will have been made that will lift this case to charge from me. I didn't give Aristotle the poison, and a girl and a man did so, and time will prove that I am telling the truth."

Young Odom was indicted on a charge of first degree murder, but when he offered to plead guilty to the crime in a lesser degree, he was sentenced to life imprisonment.

"Yes," Odom admitted today, "the day I was sentenced to life was to have his wedding day. 'She trusted me.'"

The girl he was to have married, it is said, was the girl who had figured in the beginning of jealousy between Odom and his young cousin. This was not, however, the girl who is alleged to be partly blamed for preparing the poison for Alexander.

War on Fish Outlaws

(By International News Service) Stuttgart, Ark., July 5.—As a result of the Arkansas game, and fish commission's declaration of war on the "Wolf of the waters," approximately 2,000 pounds of alligator have been captured and destroyed within the past week.

The game and fish commission, which is determined to rid the waters of this outlaw fish, declared that any one of these animals would consume more game fish in one day than a good angler would catch in a week.

Fourteen of the gars taken from the once popular fishing resort at Bayou Meta, near here, weighed between 100 and 140 pounds each.

Jury Hung on Case of Moses Shagan

Shennandoah, Iowa, July 5.—A mock trial of Moses for murder in connection with the slaying of an Egyptian, prior to the march of the children of Israel from bondage in Egypt, held as an inducement today to church attendance, resulted in a hung jury.

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