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## RAILROADS ARE CONCEDED- ING ALL.

### Four Days End in Decision to Submit Matter to Governor, Mr. Maxwell Makes State- ment.

(News and Observer.)

Raleigh, July 27.—Clerk A. J. Maxwell, of the Corporation Commission, yesterday brought back from Old Point Comfort, Virginia, the result of the four days' conference between the commission and the carriers. Perfect peace is again postposed.

Judge George P. Pell, one of the commissioners, returned yesterday morning and Messrs. Travis and Lea will be here later. This conference began Tuesday in Old Point and was between the railroads and the commission without public admittance to the conferences.

Mr. Maxwell's brief statement of what was done will be interesting at this time and it is given:

"The four days conference between the Corporation Commission and the freight traffic managers of the North Carolina lines did not result in such complete agreement as will present the proposed adjustment to the governor with recommendation of the Corporation Commission that it be accepted, but did result in such concessions that the commission will be present the result to the governor for his consideration.

"At the last conference in the office of the governor the commission insisted that the proportion of through rates represented by the rate from the Virginia cities should be reduced 25 per cent., and presented a basis for working out the new rates that would approach that average.

"At the conference this week this basis was finally accepted by the carriers with some modifications, resulting in a scale of proposed rates to the Winston-News Bern zone, twenty per cent less than present rates, as a general average of the class rates and with the larger percentage of reductions on the classes in which the heaviest traffic is handled, so that it is expected that the reductions as applied to actual traffic moving will closely

approach 25 per cent. The most important commodities in volume handled from the west are grain and grain products, and under the scale now agreed to by the carriers the classes under which they are handled would be reduced 28 per cent.

"The same measure in reductions in cents per one hundred pounds would apply to other zones in the State except those right near the northern and southern State lines and west of Statesville, rates to these points being worked out in a somewhat different basis. The railroads did not concede the position of the commission that Statesville rates should be the maximum for all points west of Statesville.

"The result in detail will not be announced until they are presented in formal report to the governor, and as there are a number of important matters connected with it yet to be worked out it will be some days before it can be rounded out as a whole for such final reports."

### Norfolk Reporter's View.

In response to the News and Observer's request that the Associated Press said the result of the conference, the Norfolk correspondent sent the following which does not appear to be supported by Mr. Maxwell's statement:

Norfolk, Va., July 26.—The North Carolina Corporation Commission and the representatives of the railways who have been in conference at Old Point since Tuesday have reached an agreement on the North Carolina rate trouble, according to an announcement made by E. L. Travis, chairman of the commission.

However, no formal statement will be given out regarding the agreement until the matter has been referred to Governor Craig next week.

It is thought that the railways agreed to reduce the rates 25 per cent as the commission demanded.

### House and Lot for Sale.

I offer my house and lot situated on Academy Street in Roxboro for sale. Lot contains about 1-2 acre, more or less, with good six room dwelling and good well of water.

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SAM BARNETT.

## MEXICANS SHOT AN AMERICAN.

### Mexican Authorities Are Insolent and Refuse to Permit His Removal From Juarez to El Paso for Treatment.

El Paso, July 25.—Among the latest outrages permitted on American citizens in Mexico was the shooting of United States Immigrant Inspector Charles S. Dixon, of San Diego, by the Mexican regular soldiers. Dixon may die.

Inspector Dixon was in Juarez, across the Rio Grande from El Paso, investigating a white slave case, when a band of federal soldiers arrested him forcing him to march in front of them in the direction of the foothills beyond the city where many summary executions have taken place. According to the Mexicans, Dixon started to run and after getting a block away was fired upon and hit in the back.

Dixon in his own statement to the American officials said the Mexicans were drunk and he was sure the soldiers intended to kill him. It is not known yet what action the United States may take in the matter.

The Mexican federal authorities refused to allow the United States immigrant officials to remove Dixon to El Paso. He is in a dying condition, one of the shots entering his hip and coming out of his stomach. Attending physicians say they do not believe he will survive the night.

When seen by a reporter at Juarez tonight Dixon, who was conscious but weak, says he believes a negro woman he was after on a white slave charge paid the federal soldiers to shoot him. "I told the soldiers when they arrested me that I would go to the commandant's office," said Dixon. "But instead of taking me there they started to the foothills south of the city, I was attired in immigration uniform and I thought they had taken me for an American spy and intended executing me. I thought the only chance for me was to make my escape so I broke loose from the three drunken troops and started for the border. I had perhaps gone a block when the detachment of troops opened fire and I was struck. The soldiers who escorted me to the outskirts of Juarez swore vengeance on Americans."

Feeling runs high in El Paso tonight and all that is needed to start a movement across the border is a leader. Troops are patrolling the border and will prevent Americans from crossing. Mexican federals have threatened many Americans and it is becoming dangerous to go into Juarez.

Tr. J. H. Tappan, of the immigration service in El Paso, is at Juarez attending the injured man. He is of the opinion that the wound will prove fatal. When F. W. Burkshire, supervising inspector for the United States immigration service, to look after Dixon they were arrested. Late this evening they were turned loose. The Mexican council in this city has been appealed to by Americans to assist in having Dixon removed to El Paso where he may be given proper medical attention in an effort to save his life. Deaf ears have been turned to all appeals by Mexicans. The federals are openly insulting all Americans. General Castro ordered the International News Service reporter from

his office when he asked for an explanation of Dixon's arrest and detention.

Late tonight it was learned from the immigration offices that the arrest and shooting of Dixon appears to have been a prearranged scheme of the Mexicans. They called at the immigration office this afternoon and asked that Dixon be sent to Juarez, that they had some information on the white slave case. A Japanese nurse has been assigned by the federals to attend Dixon and this has caused much comment here. His room is strongly guarded by federal soldiers.

Washington, July 26.—Commenting tonight on the shooting of Charles B. Dixon by Mexican federal troops at Juarez Secretary of State Bryan said:

"It looks like a serious case. We will do whatever is necessary."

Consul Ward at Juarez has been ordered to investigate the affair immediately. The reports from the consul in regard to the shooting consisted of a very short message not giving any details. Allen, of the shooting was communicated to the White House tonight but no comment was forthcoming. It is understood that the Huerta government will be called upon to take action to punish those responsible for the shooting.

### Big Farming.

Hon. J. A. Long threshed his wheat crop which he raised on what he terms his "Pet Farm" last week and it threshed out eight hundred and forty six bushels. He made an average of nearly thirty to one, which shows that the old saying that wheat could not be raised in this section will not hold good. Mr. Long calls this his pet farm because he looks after it himself, and says he has few investments which pays him better, and none doubtless which gives him as much pleasure. In speaking of this crop to us he stated that the land on which it was made was not the best land, by any means, but was what you would term the average land, and simply shows what can be done on our lands when they are given a show.

### Mr. Tom Frazier a Little Off.

On last Friday Mr. Tom Frazier, our Surl correspondent, came to town armed with a shot gun, declaring that he was looking for one of our best known citizens, who he claimed had "hooed" him. After a short visit to The Courier office he went out on the streets and in some manner he and the Chief had a little shuffle, after which he was locked up. On Saturday his brother and sister came up and arranged to take him home, thinking he would not attempt to harm any one.

We hope this little mental aberration will not be of a serious nature, for Tom was probably the best known correspondent in this section.

### Primitive Baptist Association.

On next Saturday the Primitive Baptist Association will meet in the Winstead Warehouse. Probably the largest crowd that has been here in a long time will be on hand. The association will be in session for three or four days and the town is glad to have these people in our midst.

Be sure to examine the Bargain Counters at Person Dry Goods Co.

Roxboro, N. C., R. F. D., No. 5.

July 12th, 1913.

Messrs. Cunningham & Long,

Roxboro, N. C.

Gentlemen:

I wish to thank you for check for \$2,000 just received on policy No. 4751 which my husband, the late Charles Hoke Garrett, held in the Southern Life & Trust Company of Greensboro, N. C. Mr. Garrett took this policy in February 1909.

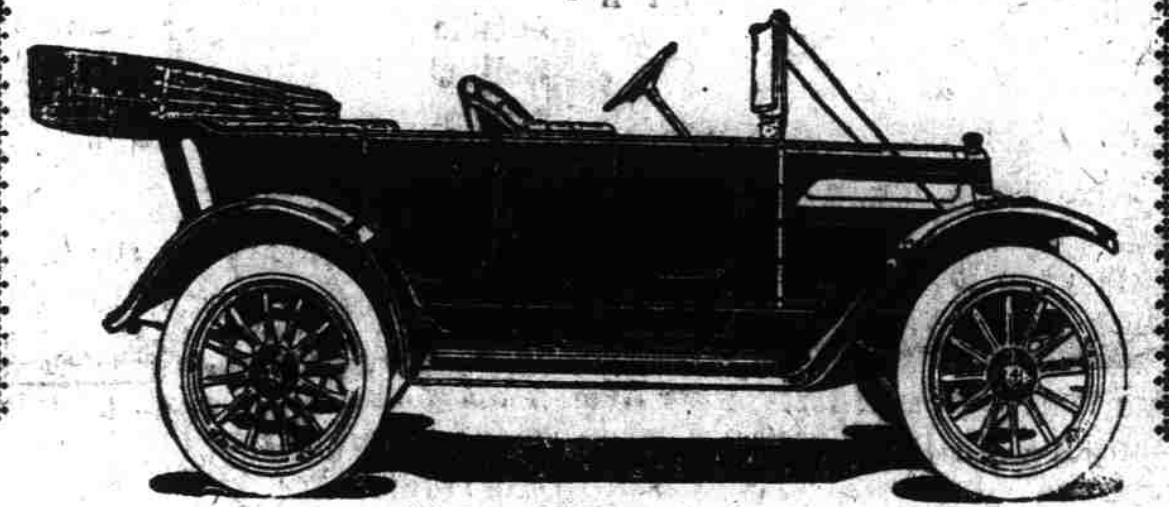
The proofs of death were executed on July 9th, and in three days I am in receipt of check. I wish to thank you for your prompt settlement and further to say that three of my sons have their policies in the Southern Life & Trust Company.

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