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## TIMELY HINTS ON FLIES AND HEALTH

Board of Health Bulletin Remarks That Too Little Attention Paid to Fly Pest

## DROUGHT BELIEVED TO BE BROKEN

Telephones in Great Demand. Busy Week in the A. & M. College. Big Increase of Students. Opening of Theatrical Season. First Rural High School Opened.

Special Correspondence.

Raleigh, N. C., Sept. 5.—The secretary of State in shipping the laws of 1907 to the several thousand magistrates in the State and by Saturday this great number of books will be distributed. In July the laws were sent to the judges and solicitors.

Among the attorneys in the Supreme court today were Judge Henry R. Bryan, of New Bern, and Governor C. B. Aycock. The latter is very hard at work preparing his brief in the \$30,000 fine case against the Southern Railway, as this case is to be argued on the 17th instant.

Next Tuesday the Supreme court will file its first opinions for this term following the rule under which the filing begins on the second Tuesday.

The drought seems to be now very thoroughly broken over the State. That it has done damage to all crops in most sections is unquestioned. The estimates of the damage range all the way from 2 to 15 per cent. It is asserted that from here to Hamlet the loss will run as high as the latter figure, and that cotton on both stiff and light soils is equally affected, largely due to shedding of bolls.

The North Carolina Board of Health Bulletin for August has been received. The leading article is on flies and diseases. These insects carry typhoid fever and a great many other deadly diseases. The fly is dangerous and unnecessary and public opinion should be educated to be intolerant of the insect, always. In the review of diseases the bulletin reports measles in 24 counties, whooping cough in 27, diphtheria in 1, and typhoid fever in 72, Ashe, Cleveland, Davidson, Gaston, Northampton, Stanley, and Union have many cases. Malarial fever is reported in 21 counties, with many cases in Alamance, Davidson, Harnett, Hertford, Lincoln, Northampton, Perquimans, and Stanley. Hemorrhagic-malarial fever is reported in only 4 counties, cerebro-spinal meningitis in 7, and small pox in 17, 30 cases in Alamance, 16 in Guilford, 20 in Johnston, 20 in Mitchell, 14 in Wake and 9 in Watauga. Hog cholera is reported in Harnett and Hertford counties and 17 cases of hydrophobia in dogs in New Hanover county.

There is a very urgent demand for telephones here, but the new company upon whom this trade cannot install larger switchboards until it occupies its new office. The presentation and unveiling of the bronze tablet to the brave women who gave the famous "Tea Party" at Bechtold, in the spring of 1776 will be quite an event in November. This will be placed in the rotunda of the capitol in recesses which were built for statues or tablets, but none of which have been occupied, on either the first or second floors. The tablet is being made by the Gorham Company, of New York, and will likely be unveiled in the capitol building in the month of November. The tablet in which the tea party was held was pulled down some years ago, but a perfect model of it has been made, is now at the American Exposition in the North Carolina Historical section and will later be presented to the State by Dr. Richard Dillard of Edenton. The site of the house has been marked by a massive bronze tablet, weighing 150 pounds, which is set upon a pedestal and which is the gift of Mr. Julian B. Wood. This bronze tablet is referred to will be the first placed in the capitol.

Today was a very busy day at the A. & M. College. Examination of students occupied most of the day. Many students passed examinations in the various subjects some weeks ago. It is said that every county in the State is represented this term. About a fourth of the students remain only about four months and drop out when the Christmas examinations come along, either on account of failure to pass or by reason of poverty.

The theatrical season opened here last night to a very fair house. It had been hoped that before long Raleigh would have a new theatre, but in this nothing can now be said. The registration is in progress for the vote this month on the suffrage question.

## ILLEGIT DISTILLERS GET THEIR DESERT

The Smithtown Aggregation Get Heavy Punishment For Their Crimes

## DAVIS RELEASED FROM IMPRISONMENT

Enthusiastic Meeting Preliminary to the Organization of a Young Men's Christian Association. Pastor Called To The Christian Church. Weddings of Prominent People.

Special Correspondence.

Greensboro, N. C., Sept. 6.—At four o'clock yesterday afternoon the Smithtown prisoners, most of whom were convicted, Wednesday, were brought from the jail by officers to have Judge Boyd pass sentence upon those who had been found guilty. Many of these prisoners were accompanied by their wives and children, who had come down to be with them during the trial, and it was a touching and pathetic scene in the court room when the sentence was passed on those who were found guilty.

Judge Boyd in sentencing the men said he had made up his mind to terminate the lawlessness at Smithtown and would be forced to impose a heavy penalty upon the guilty parties as an example. The sentences were as follows: all of whom are indicted on the charge of illicit distilling: Oscar Williams, sixteen years of age, fifteen months in the United States reformatory in the District of Columbia.

James D. Williams, fifteen months in United States prison at Atlanta, and a fine of \$100.

John Young, eighteen months in Federal prison, with a fine of \$100.

Oscar Smith, one year, one day in Federal prison, and a \$100 fine.

Davis Nelson, 13 months in prison, \$100 fine.

John Griffin, one year, one day in prison, \$100 fine.

Logan Chambers, sixteen months in prison, \$100 fine.

Joe Shelton, fourteen months in prison, 100 fine.

John Williams, who was indicted on the charge of retelling, recognized under bond of \$200 for his appearance at the next term of Federal court.

The case against L. E. Davis, a revenue officer of Surry county, who was convicted some time ago for filing false vouchers in that county, in 1905, and sentenced to a year and a month in the Federal prison, at Atlanta, was called for final disposition. Davis has been under treatment in St. Leo's hospital for a severe case of catarrh of the stomach, and two physicians who have been attending him, testified in court that if he were sent to prison it would greatly endanger his health and unless the sentence was recalled they believed he could not possibly live longer than three weeks. After investigating fully, Judge Boyd decided to have the sentence stricken out. Davis with about five other revenue officers were tried last fall, and Davis was the only man sentenced to the United States prison, the others being released upon payment of fines.

Geo. W. Roberts, on trial for embelishing letters from the post office here was found not guilty.

## A. & M. COLLEGE GROWING RAPIDLY

National Meeting of State Auditors at Columbus, Ohio. Auditor Dixon Will Attend

## DROUGHT DAMAGED THE COTTON CROP

In Texas, Also in Any Other Sections of the South Including North Carolina. Seaboard Air Line Has Completed Its Carolina Central Division. Spool Cotton Is Made in Raleigh.

Special Correspondence.

Raleigh, N. C., September 7.—The number of the students at the Agricultural and Mechanical College today reached 336 and 500 are expected between this time and the end of the year, the problem being where to find quarters for them, as the college is full itself, being able to accommodate only 286 and the others are quartered all about.

State Auditor Dixon, who goes to the notable conference to be held at Columbus, Ohio, November 12th, of State Auditors and members of the State Tax Commission has very decided views about the way of raising taxes. Some years ago, he favored the plan of having North Carolina open its doors wide as a home for all corporations which desired charters. This would have put North Carolina on a par he says, with New Jersey, where for many a year the people have never paid any State taxes, all these being from the various corporations. Dr. Dixon remarked to your correspondent that if this plan had been followed, North Carolina would now be taking no taxes from State collection from the people direct but everything would come from corporations, making this their home, railways, etc. The plan which is being very strongly proposed at the conference is to have no direct State taxation of individuals. Of course no one can tell what will come of this.

A letter from Central Texas, dated September 1st, says the drought continues, only here and there scattered showers which have relieved little areas. Northwest Texas is declared to be the only section which has a fair crop and from that reports are coming in of serious deterioration. The drought which started in the early summer has gradually worked its way north, increasing in damage as it went.

The Seaboard Air Line Railway informs the Corporation Commission that it has put down new ties over 100 miles of its Carolina Central Division, between Hamlet and Wilmington and seems to think that this will meet all the requirements.

Eleven years ago, the Seaboard Air Line shops here were burned. Only a small part of the large buildings have since been utilized, but it stands roofless and desolate, the shops being now at Portsmouth. The yet older shops, which in later days were used by the woodworkers are now utilized for cattle, and have been arranged with feeding troughs, racks, etc.

One of the Raleigh mills is now making spool cotton of good quality which is sent to Philadelphia and spooled and dyed. It is only a question of time when all the work will be done here. Another mill is now making fine hosiery, known as 176 needs.

ton, and a recent graduate of Greensboro Female College. Mr. and Mrs. Smith left for a trip to Jamestown Exposition.

At the home of Mrs. Elizabeth Oakley, yesterday afternoon at five o'clock, her daughter, Miss Mrs. Oakley and Mr. W. S. Halliday were united in marriage, the ceremony being performed by the Rev. Dr. G. H. Detwiler, pastor of West Market Street Methodist Church and the Rev. Dr. S. S. Turentine, presiding elder of the Greensboro district.

## SUIT AGAINST N. C. RAILWAY

Thus the Merry Rate War Continues Contributing to the Gaiety of the Nations

## REQUEST OF MONEY MADE IN 1744

Telegraph Situation Has So Cleared That Business is Conducted as Before The Strike. Effort to Organize Professional Base Ball For Next Year a Failure. Gov. Glenn Away.

Special Correspondence.

Raleigh, N. C., September 6.—During the early summer there was a campaign here in the interest of a Y. M. C. A. building at the A. & M. College, at Raleigh. The secretary announces today that \$9,000 has been raised. It is expected that very active work will be done during the next six months, both among the alumni, the present students and other persons in various parts of the State. The secretary of State finds that in 1744 a man who had lived in Carteret county bequeathed quite a considerable amount of money for a school there and it is said that this was the first gift for a public school made in North Carolina. The giver was an ancestor of Mr. Lewis Davis, member of the legislature, from Carteret.

There is more or less interest in the news that Mr. Jacob F. Long has sued the North Carolina Railway for the \$500 penalty for selling tickets for over 2-1-4 cents per mile, between July 1 and August 8. A lawyer here said today that the Federal courts could stop him from doing so, and that he or others would go right ahead in the matter, he arrested, and take their cases to the United States court upon a writ of habeas corpus. Some time ago, B. C. Beckwith, an attorney of Raleigh, said in a public letter that if clients asked his advice as to bringing these penalty suits he would tell them to go ahead and sue the North Carolina railways, because he conceived that a North Carolina citizen could sue in a North Carolina court a North Carolina corporation for violation of the North Carolina law, the constitutionality of which had not been set aside. For this Beckwith was enjoined by Judge Pritchard, went to Asheville, appeared before the judge and the injunction against him as far as the Southern Railway was concerned, was dissolved, but a new one was made to apply to any possible action against a North Carolina Railway. Beckwith was made a party to the main action in which the corporation commission and the attorney general figure. He took an exception and so his case goes on up to the United States Supreme court. Beckwith insists that in his advice as to suits against the North Carolina railway he struck the key note.

The telegraph situation is getting clearer; here, and business is being dispatched quite well by both the Western Union and the Postal. The office managers have had a hard time of it doing day and night work here, and at a great many other places, but they and all the other men who stuck have certainly made a good thing of it. Everybody left the Postal but the manager. At the offices of these companies here and at other points, old time telegraph operators have come in and also young men who have been in the telegraph business and have left it to go to other professions. Both companies pay bonuses equal to a month's salary and also pay for overtime, etc., so that about double charges are made. The men who were operators here are scattered all over the country. Several of them are in railway offices some have gone to other States and are in entirely different business.

It is thought during the present year that professional baseball will be arranged here, but things fell through but now everything has been arranged for professional ball next season. It has been five years since Raleigh had a professional team. It certainly had a good one and this place is one of the most enthusiastic and best ball playing towns in the State, and perhaps led them all and the Raleigh team won the pennant twice. There is to be a club circuit for the coming season.

The new law requires all land owners to make reports of their property to the commissioner of agriculture by the 15th of each month. The penalty for failure to do this, being a fine of \$200. Reports are coming in but not from all the owners. They evidently do not know

## AUGUST DISPENSARY RECEIPTS

Shows no Increase Over the Corresponding Month of 1907

## NO ELECTION ON PROHIBITION?

Landscape Gardener Beautifying Raleigh. Sewerage for Orphanage. New Assessment on City and County Property. One Cotton Dealer Estimates Crop Loss at Five Per Cent.

Special Correspondence.

Raleigh, N. C., September 7.—It is stated that the August receipts of the Raleigh liquor dispensary were about the same as those a year ago, and that there is very little gain this year as compared with last. During the past ten days the receipts have fallen off considerably and it is said this is because the farmers are particularly hard at work. They are large buyers and the dispensary people can always tell when they are in the city. There are hints that no election will be ordered by the Aldermen this year after all on the question of prohibition or dispensary, the trouble being on account of the registration which will have to cover greater Raleigh. The prohibitionists at one time felt confident they would get the election a day or two after Christmas. They may go ahead now and get the names of more voters in the new territory, so as to bring the number up on their petition to meet any requirement.

Mr. Kelsey, of Boston, who lectured here last year on landscaping and a park system, and who is well known in the South is again here, laying off the Boylan property which has been purchased by an improvement company and which is to be built up as a residence suburb, its hills near the hospital for the insane and the penitentiary, and along side the Southern and Seaboard Air Line Railways. While Mr. Kelsey is here he will lay off the grounds of the Methodist Orphanage. He informs your correspondent that those grounds are admirably located and susceptible of every improvement.

Superintendent Cole of the Orphanage will go ahead and put in a system of sewerage the city finding itself unable to do this. The orphanage is now in the limits of Raleigh.

Last Monday your correspondent reported the new assessment of city and county property here. It was remarked that very little of the property is rated at over half its value. Whenever sales are made this fact is very clearly shown and in a great number of cases the same thing is sold. The increase in the assessment of Raleigh property is \$387,781, while in the county the increase is \$963,169. It is interesting to notice that the increase in railroad property is \$792,475, and that this is the real cause of the increase as above shown. The corporation excess is \$189,336 and the increase in bank values for the whole county is \$71,808 there being several new banks in the county. The increase in the city is certainly not as large as has been expected.

Edward B. Barbee, a well known cotton buyer here, was interviewed today regarding the damage done to cotton by the last drought and says he is very sure it was not even five per cent. He says that on poor sandy lands where the crop was not properly worked the damage may be more, but this is the exception and not the rule. He says there is always deterioration in August and that he considers the present crop a beautiful one; the plants, while not large, being very handsomely fruited, and open leg is progressing very well.

A farmer three miles from Raleigh, while digging a well this week found calcite at a depth of 25 feet. From this line is burned, but the seam is very narrow. The mineral is a beautiful one, being crystals of a very pale yellow.

There are seventy National Banks in North Carolina and 260 State, private and savings banks. There has not been a failure of any bank in the State this year and it is said their condition is very good all over the State.

## ROYAL GREETING TO MRS ROBERTSON

The President of the Greensboro Female College Returns From a Fine Trip

## THE GATE CITY AND HILL DIRECTORY FIGURE

United States Marshal and His Deputies And Deputy Collector Arrested For Forcible Trespass, The Entry War Made to Procure Evidence of Illicit Distilling, The Story.

Special Correspondence.

Greensboro, N. C., September 9.—People of Greensboro have many ways of doing sweet and beautiful things, as well as other kind of big things. This morning when Mrs. Lucy Robertson arrived at the Southern Railway from New York, on her return home from a trip to Europe, she was met by a regiment of over one hundred of her lady friends and former students of the Greensboro Female College, who had marched there in a body to welcome this lovely woman, and distinguished lady president of the great educational institution. A President Robertson returns, after a delightful trip, refreshed in body and spirit, ready to take up the conduct of the College, which opens for the next year's work on September 11th.

Prof. J. Allen Holt, of Oak Ridge, the latest candidate for Congressional honors from the fifth district, was here today, and from evidence of cordial handshakes from friends, has plenty of them in Greensboro. He says recent rumors to the effect that he was contemplating a withdrawal from the race, are entirely groundless; that he feels that he could not in justice to the hundreds of people all over the county and district, whose suggestions that he become a candidate, prompted his first announcement received a warm reception from the people who "elect democrats" though there are undoubted evidences of dissent from those who try to assume the dictatorship of nominating them.

Returning this morning from an enforced absence from the city of several days, this correspondent naturally enquired what was Greensboro doing about all the racket some other North Carolina cities were keeping up, about the authorized publication from the Hill Directory Company, that Greensboro had a population in a three mile radius of 42,000. This first man inquired, said Greensboro wasn't surprised at the figures, but was surprised at the rumour created in other less fortunate or less bustling communities. The next man addressed had tears in his eyes, and said half of the 42,000 Greensborotites were sad, many tearfully so like himself, because other sections of the State seemed to resent the actuality of North Carolina already having one big city, with prospects of its being as big as any other Southern State could have in a short time. He said he never felt so bad over anything in his life, especially from throwing squibs at the newspaper men of Greensboro for publishing the statistics.

He said they ought to be grateful to the newspaper men for stopping the simple publication of the figures, especially Raleigh, which was generously given more population than even it had claimed, and Charlotte with the splendid exhibit of 40,000. He said the very existence of this generous spirit by Greensboro correspondents towards other cities, was one of the real secrets of Greensboro's marvelous growth, people loved to live among cosmopolitan people, with broad hearts as well as population territory, and instead of envying others progress, lent a helping hand to their advancement, and gloried in their success. Then this gentleman wiped his eyes, and so did I, and passed on. So did I. That is all I know about the census, that will bear printing.

United States Marshal James Hillman, his two deputy marshals, Bailey and Joe Millikan, and Internal Revenue Collector Harris, arrested here Saturday by a township constable on a magistrate's warrant charging them with forcible trespass on the premises of Ed Hilton, residing two miles in the country. No bond was required, the officers being their own recognizance to appear before the magistrate for trial at Hills Oak Township, on Monday.

Hilton alleged that a large amount of liquor was being stored on his premises, and that the officers were there to seize it. The officers denied this, and said they were there to serve a warrant on Hilton for a debt of \$100. Hilton refused to pay the debt, and the officers were there to seize his property. The officers were released on their own recognizance to appear before the magistrate for trial on Monday.

## TWO FIRES WITH FATAL ACCIDENTS

The Charlotte Observer Office Suffers a \$15,000 Loss Caused by Mice and Matches

## CLEVELAND SPRINGS HOTEL DESTROYED

A Dead And Dumb Negro Employee Of The Observer Found Dead After The Fire Was Extinguished. Three Burned To Death In The Hotel Fire. Loss Claimed Is \$25,000.

Special to Journal.

Charlotte, N. C., September 9.—Fire was discovered in the four story office building of the Daily Observer at 1:30 o'clock this morning, just as the paper was going to press. The entire third and fourth stories are destroyed and the loss is placed at \$15,000. The saving of any of the building is regarded as wonderful as it was thought at one time to be doomed. The blaze originated in a store room on the third floor and mice are supposed to have been the cause of the conflagration. George Wilson, colored, a deaf mute, employed by the Observer was burned to death. He was found in the matrix room between two printers' cases. The Mergenthaler type-setting machines, the Hoe press, and the engine, were not damaged to any extent. This is the second bad fire the Observer office has suffered within two years.

Shelby, September 9.—The Cleveland Springs Hotel, a well known health resort, was destroyed by fire today and three persons lost their lives. Mrs. Cora Smith, of Ellensboro, N. C., and two negro servants were the victims.

There were many guests who lost most of their clothing and valuables. The origin of the fire is not known. The loss is \$25,000.

Death of Lemuel Harrison Pearce. Master Lemuel Burton Pearce died at the Stewart Sanatorium at half past two o'clock Monday morning after more than three weeks of terrible suffering. On Saturday August 17th he met with an accident while swimming in the Neuse. He caught hold of the stern of a launch, and one of the boys thoughtlessly started the engine and the boy was struck on the right knee by the blade of the revolving propeller, making an ugly wound.

He was taken to his home on Metcalf street, but a few days later it was thought advisable to take him to the Sanatorium. From almost the start the wound was regarded as of a desperate nature, the dreaded blood poison having made its appearance in a day or two after the accident. The lad has suffered untold agony during all these days, but nothing has been left undone that loving care and surgical science could do.

Less as he was familiarly known, was nearly 14 years old, his birthday being September 18. He was a bright, sunny boy, a great favorite with his friends, and displayed splendid ability in athletic sports, especially baseball.

The funeral services will be held at four o'clock this afternoon at the Christian church.

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