

# New Bern Weekly Journal

NEW BERN, N. C., TUESDAY 19, 1914--FIRST SECTION

## THIS MURDERER AT LARGE FOR TWELVE YEARS

Killed Negro In Edgecombe County In 1902.

WENT TO PAMLICO COUNTY

Traced By Letters Written By His Wife—Arrested Yesterday.

Twelve years ago Abram Davies, a notoriously bad negro, shot and killed another negro near Mackfield in Edgecombe county and succeeded in making his escape at that time although the authorities of that county made every attempt to locate and place him under arrest.

The police and county officials in every county in the State were furnished with a description of the fugitive and for several years the authorities kept a strict watch for him but finally came to the conclusion that he either had been killed or had gone to some northern state and this watch was relaxed.

Yesterday M. W. Hayes, a special deputy from Edgecombe county went to Bayboro and placed under arrest a negro who has been known as Samuel Hines and when confronted with incriminating evidence "Hines" acknowledged that he was Abram Davies and that he had committed murder.

According to the story told by the man, he and his wife went to Pamlico county after he had committed the murder and there he assumed the name of Hines and began farming. For several years they never relaxed their vigilance, always being on the lookout for the officers and in readiness to make their get away within a short time. Finally they thought that the affair had been forgotten and his wife began to write letters to relatives in Edgecombe county and it was in this way that the authorities there discovered their whereabouts and steps were taken at once to arrest the fugitive.

Special Deputy Hayes will pass through New Bern this morning with his prisoner, carrying him back to Mackfield where he will be placed on trial at the next term of Superior Court.

## LENOIR COUNTY SHERIFF RAIDS LUMBER CAMP

TELLS EMPLOYEES THERE THAT HE INTENDS TO BREAK UP LAWLESSNESS.

(Special to the Journal)

KINSTON, May 14.—After a visit of Sheriff A. W. Taylor of Lenoir county to the timber camps near the line between that and Duplin counties, 35 negro timber cutters and teamsters quit work, is the report that comes from Pink Hill today. Alone the Sheriff went to the hamlets of shacks where several hundred blacks reside and made four arrests, drove the vagrants out and declared that he had come to "pacify" the district. "I am going to break up lawlessness here, either that, or I will break somebody up," he declared. "Two murders and a probable fatal shooting have occurred here as a result of gambling and drinking in the past twelve months. It seems that the resident officers are unable to cope with the situation, but I will."

As the result of the latest riot among the blacks, eight are in the county jail here. "Bullie" Taft is probably fatally shot and Rufus Teale, who did the shooting, is suffering with two severe knife wounds inflicted by Taft before he was shot. He will recover. The vitality of Taft is remarkable.

The bullet which struck him clipped off a shoulder bone and imbedded in the left lung, and yet today, his life slowly flickering out, he sits in a chair in the corridor of the jail and calmly smokes. The physician who located the bullet has not told him that within a week he will die. Taft disarmed the man who shot him and guffed him after the fatal ball had struck him. The men who left were some of them good laborers, dissatisfied with conditions, and others law-breakers who fear the sheriff's activity will cause them to be taken into custody. Some of these probably will return.

## MRS. ELIZA ANN CASEY DIED YESTERDAY

Mrs. Eliza Ann Casey died at her home No. 117 Craven street, yesterday morning at 8 o'clock, in the eighty-ninth year of her life. The funeral will be conducted from the home this morning at 11 o'clock by Rev. W. A. Cade pastor of Riverside Methodist church, and the interment will be made in Cedar Grove cemetery.

## AMERICANS ARE TO CONTROL TAM-PICO OIL WELLS

Carranza Agrees To Permit Such Action.

MEDIATORS ON THE WAY.

Federals Slaughter Women And Children Near Par-deon.

(Special to the Journal) WASHINGTON, May 14.—A statement issued from the White House tonight was to the effect that Carranza had agreed to permit civil representatives of the United States to assume charge of the American oil properties at Tampico.

This announcement has relieved the fears of the American oil well owners who thought that they were in danger of being set on fire by bursting shells.

It is believed that the Constitutionalists must be represented when the mediators meet next Monday at Niagara Falls in a settlement of the Mexican situation and to be effected through general election under the supervision of the commission appointed by the mediators.

Mediators at Key West (Special to the Journal)

HAVANA, May 14.—The Mexican mediation delegates today embarked for Key West. Augustine Rodriguez estimated that the delegates had been empowered to consider the elimination of Huerta and all other questions involved in the Mexican situation with the exception of the constitutionalists status.

Mexicans Killed (Special to the Journal)

VERA CRUZ, May 14.—It is reported here that the Federals today killed the wife and three small children of Gonzales Atlas, an ardent supporter of the Madero faction and that they killed Maria Hernandez, daughter of a wealthy Mexican.

Battle Impending (Special to the Journal)

PARDEON, COAHUILA, May 14.—A big battle is impending at Saltillo. The constitutionalists have advanced a guard of ten thousand and are harrying the Federal outposts. General Villa tonight shipped artillery to the front. Twenty-two thousand men are massed here and will begin forward march tomorrow. The garrison at Saltillo is estimated at twelve thousand men and these are strongly entrenched.

## CONVICT GUARD SHOTS AND KILLS NEGRO

HAD ATTACKED HIM WITH A SHOVEL NEAR KNIGHT-DALE.

(Special to the Journal)

RALEIGH, May 14.—News reached the city today that one of the guards at convict camp No. 2, near Knightdale, had shot and killed a convict this morning. The report was that the convict struck at the guard with a shovel as the latter was showing him about some work, when the guard dodged and avoided the blow, when the convict hit at him again, the guard this time shooting him with fatal results.

County Road Supervisor Wiggs and Coroner Separk left as soon as possible for the scene of the killing. The supervisor of Camp No. 2 is A. F. Newsum.

The convict was Henry Rhoads, colored, who was sent from Raleigh for four months. He had been serving a month or two and had done practically no work. The guard is John Marshall. The coroner, after viewing the body and hearing the evidence, considered it was not necessary to put the guard under arrest.

## Barges Pass Through The Panama Canal

BIG WATER-WAY NOW IN READINESS FOR MARINE TRAFFIC OF ANY KIND

(Special to the Journal)

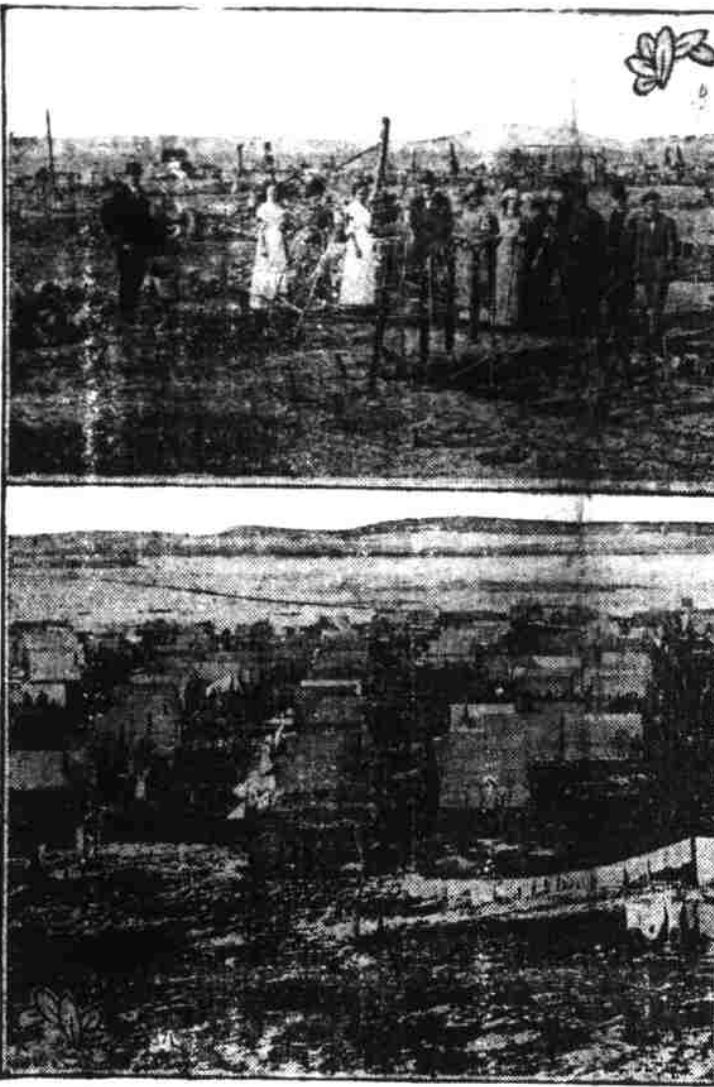
WASHINGTON, May 14.—A report reaching this city tonight was to the effect that barge traffic through the Panama Canal had already begun.

This water-way is now ready to permit marine traffic at any time necessary.

## FLOWER MART AND BASKET SALE POSTPONED

Owing to the fact that inclement weather prevailed, the flower mart and basket sale which was to have been held by the City Beautiful Club, was postponed. The date on which this sale will be held will be announced later.

## Strikers' Tent City, Ludlow, Colo., And View After Fire Swept It



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ONE of the worst labor disturbances in the history of the country has set the state of Colorado in a turmoil. At Trinidad and other points copper miners rose against the operators because nonunion men were given work, and many lives have been lost. Finally the United States troops were ordered on the scene by President Wilson. Fire swept the union miners' settlement, and it is claimed that the state militia started the flames. The illustration shows the tent city at Ludlow destroyed by the blaze and a view of the desolated section after the conflagration was stopped. Many women and children were suffocated in the fire.

## Huertas End Is Now Almost A Certainty

The "Greaser" General Whose Actions Have Caused So Much Trouble Is Now Facing The Final Act Of His Career

(Special to the Journal) VERA CRUZ, May 14.—Three Mexican gunboats, crowded with federal soldiers who escaped from Tampico yesterday when the constitutionalists took the last stronghold of Huerta on the eastern seaboard of Mexico, rode anchor today under the protection of Rear Admiral Mayo's squadron of American warships off Tampico. It is probable that among the officers on the Mexican warships is the commander whose refusal to comply with Admiral Mayo's demand for a salute to the stars and stripes precipitated the American occupation of Vera Cruz.

With the fall of Tampico the line of advance of the constitutional forces toward the south lies from coast to coast and embraces more than half of the republic. Observers here believe the latest constitutionalist victory forms one of the closing scenes of the Huerta dictatorship. They believe his downfall is a question of only weeks and perhaps only of days.

## MRS. BAYARD WOOTTEN WILL BE A PASSENGER

Registers For Flight In The Aeroplane.

TO TAKE PHOTOGRAPHS

Will Carry Along Camera During Her Trip In The Clouds

Mrs. Bayard Wooten, of the Wooten Moulton Studio, has registered her name with the management of the Home-Coming Celebration to take a flight in the Wright passenger aeroplane, during the Home-Coming Celebration.

Mrs. Wooten will carry with her a camera and take pictures of the wonderful view to be seen only from an aeroplane or balloon.

Mrs. Wooten is well known throughout this section of the State. She made a national reputation as a high class photographer. She is on the board of the Federation of Women Photographers, an organization that is national in scope. In the May issue of Wilson's Magazine, the official organ of the above Federation, she has contributed five photographs and two articles. This magazine is considered the most technical photographic magazine published in America.

The following have registered their names with the management of the Home-Coming Celebration: R. C. Minnich, Mrs. Bayard Wooten and Roy Taylor.

Who will be next? The Home-Coming

## NEW HAVEN WRECK PREVENTED BY CARS

COACHES CRASH AT SPRINGFIELD WITH TERRIFIC IMPACT, NO ONE INJURED.

(Special to the Journal)

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., May 14.—Steel cars were a factor in preventing a serious wreck on the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad this morning when the local express from New York, due in Springfield at 10:25 o'clock, was derailed on a sharp curve joining the New York Central tracks on which New Haven trains enter the local station.

The locomotive and three cars cleared the crossover, but two steel coaches in the middle of the train jumped the tracks. The second steel coach struck the first with terrific impact but not a passenger was injured. Had the first derailed car been of wooden construction loss of life might have resulted. Traffic to New York was blocked for four hours.

MISSIONARY SOCIETY TO MEET TODAY

The Social and Literary Meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of Centenary church will be held at the home of Mrs. S. H. Scott on Friday afternoon at 5 o'clock.

## Charles R. Thomas Leads The Race In The Third District

Incomplete Returns Show that He Is The Winner--George E. Hood Of Goldsboro A Close Second--C. L. Abernethy Is The Solicitor. C. D. Bradham Selected As County Commissioner From The Eighth Township.

All over the Third Congressional District primaries were yesterday held to nominate a candidate for Congress. In the fifth district, the nomination of a solicitor was going on while in Craven county the election of the county officers was in progress.

In Craven county Register of Deeds, S. H. Fowler, Coroner Walter Watson, Clerk of the Court W. B. Hunter, Sheriff R. B. Lane and Treasurer, B. B. Hurst had no opposition and secured practically the full vote. There was a contest for chairman and in complete returns last night lead those interested to believe that C. D. Bradham, John Daugherty, E. Wadsworth, C. J. Heath and M. D. Lane had received the largest number of votes. Ex-Sheriff Biddle from this township secured a number of votes but not enough to secure victory.

For the House, G. V. Richardson of Dover lead over D. W. Copping of Vanceboro and G. A. Whitford of Errol by a large majority.

Returns from nearly every section of the judicial district, show that Abernethy leads for solicitor by a large majority over Nunn of Craven, Warren of Jones, and Rawls of Pamlico.

Thomas Leads.

While the returns from all parts of the Third District were not accurately given last night, they were such as to make the friends of Hon. Charles R. Thomas believe that he had won a victory over the other candidates. In New Bern (where Ex-Judge Jones' supporters claimed a majority of ninety per cent) the vote was as follows:

First Ward  
Thomas, 57—Guion, 62.  
Second Ward  
Thomas, 156—Guion, 156.  
Third Ward  
Thomas, 81—Guion, 85.  
Fourth Ward  
Thomas, 70—Guion, 68.  
Bern Precinct  
Thomas, 8—Guion, 48.

From this it can be seen that Mr. Thomas threw a surprise into those who were predicting his overwhelming defeat in the city.

Practically the same condition prevailed all over the county. At Dover the vote was as follows:

Thomas, 5 first choice.  
Hood—57, first choice.  
Guion—12, first choice.  
Wallace—2, first choice.  
Faison—32, first choice.  
White—1, first choice.

At Fort Barnwell the following was the first choice vote:

Thomas—45  
Hood—4.  
Guion—67.  
Faison—5.  
Wallace—9.  
White—9.

Several other precincts were heard from and the first choice votes cast in these give Thomas the lead, with Guion following second and Hood third.

From Carteret County

While Carteret county, naturally, voted a majority, first choice votes for its own candidate, Charles Wallace, Mr. Thomas received a large number of first choice votes and a much greater number as second choice votes. He was followed by Hood and Guion. Faison receiving a comparatively small number of votes in that section.

Pamlico County

Pamlico County, according to reports, seemed to favor Mr. Thomas and Mr. Hood, giving the former the largest number of first choice votes. Mr. Guion also polled a number of votes in that county, the majority of these being for third choice. It is generally conceded that Mr. Thomas will lead all of the other candidates in that county by a large majority.

Onslow County

No official returns of the count made in Onslow county were received in New Bern but several telephone messages from Jacksonville to the

Journal, stated that Thomas in that county would receive a large majority.

Duplin County

In Duplin county, Congressman Faison's home, he received a majority of the first choice votes in a number of the precincts. It is likely that he will divide the county with Faison.

Pender County

The following telegram received by the Journal last night from Pender county, shows how that county went: "Mr. Thomas made a clean sweep in Pender county. Ninety per cent of the first choice votes went to him. Every precinct gave him the first choice."

Jones County

Returns from Jones county indicate that the vote is considerably divided among all candidates with Mr. Thomas and White in the lead. At Maysville Thomas received a large first choice vote.

Sampson County

Nothing was heard from Sampson county, but Mr. Thomas is expected to secure a number of votes there, both first and second choice.

Wayne County

No definite information was received from Wayne county, but incomplete returns show that Hood leads with Thomas second.

Interest in the Congressional race all over the district was at fever heat. Hundreds of calls from Onslow, Carteret, Pamlico, and Jones county, came into the Journal office last night while two telephones were kept busy answering the questions of those persons in the city who are interested in the fight.

Before night and in fact all during the day the constituents of the various candidates were hard at work and the vote polled here was large. It seemed to be the general consensus of opinion that Mr. Thomas would lead in the district and bets of this effect were freely made during the day.

The exact result of the primary will not be known for several days but the Journal feels safe in assuring its readers that Mr. Thomas leads all over the district with Mr. Hood a close second.

## Thomas E. Watson Again In Trouble

CHARGED WITH SENDING OBSCENE MATTER THROUGH THE MAILS

(Special to the Journal)

AGUSTA, GA., May 15.—Thomas E. Watson, former Populist candidate for the presidency was indicted here today for sending obscene matter through the United States mails.

This is not the first time that such a charge has been brought against Mr. Watson.

## FIXTURES FOR NEW BERN DRUG STORE ARRIVE

Some of the fixtures and stock for the new drug store, which will be located in the Fairview Hospital building, have arrived, and the work of the installation of the fixtures will begin at an early date. This company, which was incorporated a few weeks ago will be equipped with the most up-to-date fixtures.

## THE STEAMER SHAW OFF FOR BALTIMORE.

The steamer L. B. Shaw, left yesterday for Baltimore with a cargo of lumber. After discharging this cargo, she will take on a cargo of merchandise, leaving there the twentieth.

J. V. Rawls of Bayboro, was a visitor to the city yesterday.

## Hon. C. R. Thomas Makes A Statement

SAYS HE FEELS CONFIDENT THAT HE HAS RECEIVED NOMINATION

Hon. Charles R. Thomas, when seen last night a Journal Reporter at his office on South Front Street, seemed much pleased with the result of the primary and during the course of his conversation with the Journal made the following statement:

"My advisers and early returns from all over the Third District indicate my nomination. I feel confident later returns will confirm this statement. I have made almost a clean sweep of first choice votes in Pender county."

"Faison's county Duplin is giving me majorities in many precincts. It looks like I would carry or divide this county with Faison."

"I have carried Onslow, Pamlico and Craven which will give me a majority. When my first and second choice votes in Carteret and Jones, and strength in Sampson are added to the votes in Pender Onslow, Craven Pamlico and Duplin, I feel confident of the nomination."

Each and everyone of Mr. Thomas' friends feel that he has been nominated for the office and already have congratulatory messages begun to pour in upon him."

Charles H. Strickland is DEAD

Charles H. Strickland died in the forty-second year of his life at his home at 218 South Front street yesterday.

The funeral will be conducted from the residence this afternoon at 5 o'clock by the Rev. W. B. Everett, pastor of the Free Will Baptist church. The interment will be made in Cedar Grove Cemetery.

SUTTON IS RELEASED.

Mexicans Tried to Make Newspaper Man Confess He Was a Spy.

(Special to the Journal)

VERA CRUZ, May 16.—A. J. Sutton a Washington newspaper photographer, has been released by the Federals after three days' imprisonment at Cordoba, during which time he was subjected to a severe cross-examination to make him confess he was a spy. He is on the way here on a refugee train.

The release of Sutton, who was first taken into custody with other newspaper men in Mexico City on May 9, was effected by agents of the British consulate here, who induced Sutton to promise that he would leave the country immediately.

Forty American and 80 Mexican refugees who reached here from the capital today reported that conditions there virtually were unchanged.