

New Bern Weekly Journal

NEW BERN, N. C., TUESDAY JUNE 30, 1914—FIRST SECTION

VILLA THE HERO OF THE BLOODIEST BATTLE OF WAR

Four Thousand Soldiers Killed. FIVE THOUSAND CAPTURED. Zacatecas Is Taken After Most Horrible Conflict Of The War.

ZACATECAS, Mex., June 25.—The fiercest fighting on both sides and unusually heavy loss of life to both federals and constitutionalists attended the fighting about Zacatecas, which ended last night with the city's capture by Villa's forces. It required four days of battle to take the Federal stronghold of Central Mexico.

The federals under General Medina Barron, defended their positions stubbornly, but they finally were overcome. The constitutionalist soldiers scaled hill after hill and mountain after mountain, killing and wounding thousands of federals and suffering heavy losses themselves. So far it has been impossible to obtain an accurate estimate of losses on both sides and in the city bore testimony of the ferocity of the fighting.

General Villá was in the van of the attacking party. Five members of his staff accompanying him, were wounded. The number of constitutionalist officers killed or wounded was unusually great.

The constitutionalists in many cases had to advance on hands and knees as those below on the steep inclines passed the rifles from hand to hand. These feats were accomplished under heavy machine gun fire. Nothing seemed to lessen the determination of Villa's troops, though the federals had thrown up trenches and redoubts on all sides.

NEWSP NOTES FROM TOWN OF REELSBORO

CONSIDERABLE SICKNESS IN THAT SECTION—CONSIDERABLE VISITING

REELSBORO, June 25.—The many friends of Mr. J. B. Reel, who has been ill for some time, regret to learn that his condition is no better.

Mrs. I. P. Moore is confined to her bed with an attack of typhoid fever.

Misses Florence Applesby and Edith Brinson, of Bayboro, spent Sunday here with friends.

Miss Golda Wade, of Oriental, is spending a few days in Reelsboro.

Mrs. A. C. Brinson, of Bairds Creek is visiting relatives here.

Miss Mattie Reel, of Arapahoe spent Monday in Reelsboro.

Messrs. Carl Bell and Bill Woodard and Mr. King, of New Bern, spent Monday here visiting friends.

Mr. T. E. Ruffin, of White Crest farm and Mr. Fred Whitehurst, of Latham's were here Sunday.

Mrs. Carrie Henderson, of Mayville, is here visiting Mrs. I. P. Moore.

The Childrens Day exercises which were held here last Sunday night were excellently rendered and enjoyed by all who attended.

COLLECTING TAXES

Sheriff Lane and His Deputies On The Job.

Some time ago Sheriff R. B. Lane, inserted a notice in the Journal warning schedule B. tax payers to pay their taxes which were due on the thirty first day of May. This notice also stated that failure to pay these taxes would subject the delinquents to a fine of two hundred and fifty dollars.

During this week Sheriff Lane and his deputies have collected more than five thousand dollars of schedule B. taxes, in addition to a large sum of state and county taxes.

NEW GAS MAIN

Is Being Put Down By New Bern Company.

The New Bern Gas Company is putting down a four inch gas main beginning on Pillock street at Craven, extending to East Front street, from there up East Front to New street. This new main takes the place of a small one that has been in use for many years.

The company's business in that part of the city has increased to such an extent that this small pipe is no longer adequate to furnish their customers with gas in a satisfactory manner.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

STAMFORD CONN. FACES MYSTERIOUS MURDER CASE

Involves Two Very Prominent Families. FOOT PRINTS ARE TRAILED

City Councilman Found With Head Crushed on Doorstep of Fashionable Woman's Home.

STAMFORD, CONN., June 25.—A mysterious tragedy, involving two prominent families, occurred here early today, when Waldo R. Ballou, a member of the City Council and one of the best known residents of Stamford, was found unconscious, with his head crushed in, at the entrance of the fashionable Ripawan Apartments in the center of the city. Ballou died shortly after being taken to a hospital.

Imprints of small bare feet, marked in blood, led from the spot where the body was found up the stairs to the second floor. The police declare that the person who made the footprints had entered the apartment of Mrs. Helen M. Angle, a wealthy divorcee. The police further declared that there was evidence that the body had been dragged down the stairway which was stained in several places with spots of blood.

Mrs. Angle was arrested and held without bail for the coroner's inquest. She denied knowledge of Ballou's death, but admitted that the man had visited her in her apartments last night.

Mrs. Angle later made a statement, in which she said that Ballou had fallen down stairs and killed himself. She said he had visited her apartment in a drunken condition, and on leaving had fallen. She pulled his body to the sidewalk and fled, fearing the publicity.

Ballou's hat, crushed and stained with blood, was found in Mrs. Angle's apartment in a closet, together with a shirtwaist, and both were stained with blood.

A wound in Ballou's head had evidently been made with a heavy instrument. It had been wielded by a person of great strength.

Ballou was superintendent of the Yale Lock Factory and well to do, owning considerable property. Mrs. Angle is a handsome matron of 40, who was divorced from her husband about five years ago.

For some time a young woman artist, who came here from New York City, had been living with Mrs. Angle, and one room of the apartment was fitted up as a studio.

CHANGE IN THE HOUR OF BASEBALL GAMES

Beginning with the game tomorrow the games of baseball played by the teams composing the City League will be called at 5 o'clock. This change was made on account of the extremely hot weather that is now prevailing over this part of the country.

The game tomorrow between the Married Men and the Railroaders will be called at five o'clock sharp.

H. H. HAMLIN HERE

Spent Short Time in City Yesterday.

Horace H. Hamlin, well known as owner of newspapers in Morehead City and Beaufort, as well as through connection with the Journal, was in the city yesterday morning. He was enroute to Beaufort from Florida but stopped at Wrightsville Beach to take in the convention of the Press Association. Mr. Hamlin is greatly interested in the seaside resorts, as he is developing one of his own in Florida—Indian Rocks Beach, "where the surf sings one to sleep." He says it is the prettiest place on the Gulf of Mexico, near Tampa.

BECKER WRITING BOOK

Condemned Man To Tell Experiences As Policeman.

OSSENING, N. Y., June 26.—Charles Becker, convicted murderer of Herman Rosenthal, has moved from the top tier of cells to the main floor of the death house at Sing Sing prison and today began writing a book on his experiences as a New York policeman.

NAVAL MILITIA OFF ON A CRUISE

The New Bern Division of the North Carolina Naval Militia left this morning at 1:30 o'clock on board of their training ship, Elfrida, for a short cruise to Cape Lookout. The cruise is in charge of Lieutenant Albert V. Willis. The division will return some time tomorrow.

African Elephant Great Creature

EXPLORER IN THAT COUNTRY TELLS OF SOME OF THEIR STUNTS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 26.—Carl E. Akeley, African Explorer, in a communication to the National Geographic Society, at Washington, D. C., tells of an elephant "first aid brigade," made up of the female elephants of a herd, which not only attempted to give succor to their wounded "sultan" but went on "patrol duty" in an effort to punish his assailant.

While hunting elephant in Uganda, Mr. Akeley came upon a herd in a clearing, rounded up in close range, conscious of the presence of an unseen enemy. "There were about 35 elephants mostly cows, and just as I was on the point of backing off to a safer distance, thinking there were no bulls in the lot, a fine pair of tusks appeared on the near side," he says. "A clump of bushes offered cover for a near approach, and I went quickly to within 20 yards of him, and as his front legs were thrust forward offering a good opportunity for a heart shot, I fired both barrels of the double rifle in quick succession.

All was commotion as I seized my second rifle and, seeing there was no direct charge, retreated some 50 yards to the top of an ant hill, from which I could see what was going on. I then witnessed a scene such as I heard described and which I had been keen to verify. A number of cows were clustered about the bull, for he had fallen 30 yards from where he was shot, and with their tusks and trunks were doing their best to get him upon his feet; the remainder of the cows were doing patrol duty, rushing about in an increasing circle, searching for the source of the trouble. That meant me, so I retired to a safe distance and waited for the atmosphere to clear. This bull stood 11 feet and 4 inches high at the shoulders and the tusks weighed 95 and 110 pound respectively, while the circumference of front foot at the sole was 67 1-2 inches, the largest recorded, I believe.

"It is generally understood that large bull elephants are more frequently to be found apart from the herds, but our experience does not bear this out. Three bulls that we have shot, having tusks each weighing over 100 pounds, have been herd bulls. We have found the large old bulls enjoying the society and protection of large animals. One splendid old bull well known in Uganda, who has been seen by many hunters, is so well protected by a large herd of most aggressive cows, who charge at the slightest intimation of danger, that he still survives. These old bulls are very rare, for when one has developed tusks of 50 pounds he becomes the target for every hunter, native or white, who sets eyes upon him; thus it is only the more crafty or timid individuals that, seeking the protection of large herds or clinging to the more inaccessible regions, such as dense forests, manage to survive to a ripe old age and develop a full growth of ivory.

"At another time, I was watching a herd from an ant hill, when from the cows there was a low, ominous rumble like distant thunder, which was plain talk and meant trouble. A hasty glance around convinced us that there was but one thing to do, to stand and meet the charge from the elevation where we stood. If we tried to escape to one side or to the forest we could not see them over the high grass before they were upon us. They charged toward us, came half way and stopped. They had lost their wind, but immediately caught it again, and roaring and screaming with redoubled energy came into view over a slight rise. It was disconcerting spectacle. Their great ears at full speed, trunks thrashing wildly, a roaring, screaming mass, 40 tons of frantic female elephants vengeance. I remember that I felt homesick. A rifle shot stopped the leader, but, encouraged by the others, she came on, only to be knocked down by the next shot. The others crowded about her, sniffed and bolted. The old cow slowly regained her feet and staggered away, while we in deep gratitude returned to camp."

MARRIAGE LICENSE ISSUED THURSDAY

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"Acres Of Diamonds" Wonderful Lecture

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The rain came up about the middle of the lecture and a number of people left, but those remaining to hear it through, declared that it was the best lecture that had ever been given before the New Bern public.

The lecture explained how to get rich and how to be great in New Bern. He also mentioned the opportunities of the manufacturer and professional life, and quoted many American cases where men and women have become rich honestly in smaller places than New Bern.

This lecture has been given more than a thousand times in the different cities of the country covering every State in the Union.

WATER IS LOW

No High Tides In Neuse River Now.

Captain S. J. Phillips, of the steamer S. J. Phillips which makes weekly trips to Maple Cypress, in an interview with a Journal reporter yesterday stated that the water is getting very low in Neuse river as a result of the continued dry weather which has been prevailing over this section of the country for the last few weeks.

He also stated that he has paid special attention to the crops along the river and that they are the best that the farmers of that section of the country has had in the last ten years, and if some calamity does not happen from now on the farmers will have more money this fall than they have had in several years.

FIRE AT COVE CITY YESTERDAY MORNING

A store at Cove City was destroyed by fire yesterday morning. Several freight cars were for a time endangered but these were removed. The origin of the fire is unknown.

NO CASES IN POLICE COURT YESTERDAY

The docket at Police Court was void of cases yesterday for the first time during the week.

WELL DIGGERS MAKE STRANGE DISCOVERIES

Find Unusual Objects Far Below Surface. IN REAR OF CITY HALL

Bone From A Human Body Among The Articles Excavated.

Centuries ago the plot of land on which the city of New Bern is now situated, was doubtless covered by the waters of Neuse and Trent rivers which is now so peacefully glide by on their way to the ocean. In fact there is little doubt but that such was the case and recent excavations have almost conclusively proven this. Just in the rear of the Municipal building workmen have for some time been engaged in digging two deep wells which will be used in reinforcing the supply out at the city's water plant.

A few days ago down at a distance of fifty feet, the well diggers ran into a strata of oyster shell or coral rock and for a distance of several feet the drills bit into this substance. A grappling hook used for the purpose of cleaning out the drills, brought particles of these to the surface and they have proven of real interest to local citizens who are interested in scientific research. There was even an oyster of oysters clinging to the shells and the shells were well formed.

Yesterday the well diggers brought to the surface a bone which was turned over to Sergeant Montague and he, who claims to be an expert on such things, has announced that there is not the least doubt but that the bone came from a human body. This last discovery is rather startling and may clinch the supposition that long, long years before Baron de Graffenried and his colonists came over from Switzerland and settled here, that a hardy race of people inhabited the local shores. Anyway, the objects brought to light, even if of no real significance, are proving a source of real interest to many.

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Another Primary Has Been Ordered For Third District

State Democratic Executive Committee Decide That Recent Convention At Goldsboro Could Not Nominate—Hon. Charles R. Thomas and Hon. Geo. E. Hood Will Run In The Second Primary

State Executive Committee met yesterday at Raleigh for the purpose of naming a chairman and selecting a secretary and to hear the complaint of Hon. Charles R. Thomas of this city, a candidate for nomination as congressman from the Third District, who claimed that he had been hounded out of the nomination at the recent so-called convention held at Goldsboro.

The committee met last night and did not adjourn until far after midnight. It had been generally conceded that Thomas D. Warren of this city would be re-elected chairman of the committee and such was the case. James R. Collier of Louisburg was selected as secretary.

Over the long distance telephone the Journal this morning at 2 o'clock received the information that the Executive Committee had heard Hon. Charles R. Thomas and they had ordered the Executive Committee of the Third District to call a ballot primary in which Mr. Thomas and Mr. Hood would participate.

The resolution adopted by the committee was as follows: RESOLVED—That in the judgment of this committee, no valid nomination of a candidate for Congress has been made in the Third District.

BE IT RESOLVED: That all candidates having withdrawn except Hon. Charles R. Thomas and Hon. George E. Hood.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That a ballot primary having been called by the Executive Committee and all but two candidates eliminated, it is the judgment of this committee that the Executive Committee of the Third District call a ballot primary under appropriate rules for the purpose of selecting a candidate for Congress.

Those voting in favor of this were: Lamb, Cornell, Drewry, Aydtette, Gilliam, Macon, Pollock, Howard, Ballard, Gattis, Scales, Brummitt, Grayley, Bellamy, Little, Parham, McDonald, Leake, Morrow, Ray, Bell, Buck, Yount.

Those voting against it were: Warren of Craven, Ferguson, Tucker, Smith, Lynch, Travis, O'Berry, Hargett, Clark, McLean, Clement, Webb, Hill, Peterson, Canfield, Hayes, Cook, Parsons, Boyette, Mills.

A. H. Eller of Winston-Salem made a masterful address in favor of adopting the resolution and he carried his hearers spellbound before him unto the end. Mr. Peterson made a very impassioned talk in favor of allowing the action of the Goldsboro convention to stand as it was.

Just when the next primary will be held is a matter of speculation. The matter has been left in the hands of the executive committee of this district and it will be within their power to set the date.

It was generally conceded here yesterday that Mr. Thomas' request for a square deal would be given ear and his friends, and they are legion, predicted that the State Committee would act favorably upon this and such proved to be the case.

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SAMUEL GOMPERS.

Labor Leader Who Is Working to Form Schoolteachers' Union

RECORD BREAKING WEATHER PREVAILS

TEMPERATURE IN NEW BERN THE HIGHEST OF THE YEAR.

This week has been a record breaker in New Bern. The temperature has been higher than at any previous time during the year. The heat wave began Monday and continued until Wednesday when the temperature reached its highest point at ninety-eight in the shade. On the following day the ninety-six degree mark was reached in the shade and on Friday the mercury stood around ninety-five. The excessive heat has caused the citizens extreme discomfort and those who have not been compelled to be out have remained indoors during the hottest parts of the day. While the high temperature has caused physical discomfort to many, it has proven a boon to the cotton growers and they are anxious for it to continue. Cotton, it is said, has grown more rapidly for the past week than at any previous time during the season.

JACK JOHNSON DEFEATS FRANK MORAN

PARIS, FRANCE, June 27.—Jack Johnson, the heavy weight negro champion of the world, tonight defeated Frank Moran, a white fighter, in a tussle round about at the Velodrome d'Hiver.

Johnson did not knock Moran out but was awarded the decision on points.

Several thousand fight fans witnessed the fight. Bets on Johnson won two to one.

Moran put up a plucky fight against the negro and those who witnessed the fight believe that he would have defeated the negro if he had continued until one or the other had been knocked out.

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THE DRUG STORES TO BE CLOSED ALL DURING DAY

The New Ordinance Is Now In Effect

CAN BUY "NECESSITIES"

Cafes And Hotels Will Be The Only Places of Business Open.

The lid is on! Those citizens of New Bern who failed to lay in a supply of cigars, cigarettes, Pepsi Cola and other similar articles last night must either go without them today or go out of the city to have their desires gratified.

The ordinance recently adopted by the Board of Aldermen making it a misdemeanor for the drug stores, cafes, hotels and in fact any mercantile establishment for selling anything but the "necessities" of life, went into effect this morning and is to be rigidly enforced.

The drug stores, under the ruling of the ordinance, are allowed to sell drugs and medicines but the proprietors fear that the clerks will become confused in making sales and allow some article which does not come under the heading of "necessities" to go out of the store and be indicted and they have decided to close up their places of business.

Every one of the drug stores were closed at midnight last night and will not be open again until tomorrow morning. This action on the part of the druggists is not done in retaliation for the passage of the ordinance but they claim that they are doing it to protect themselves and also that the sale of drugs will not pay them for keeping clerks in the store and operating electric fans.

At the cafes only food will be sold and this will also be the case at the hotels.

REV. THOT TO PREACH INTERESTING SERMON

THE FOURTH SERMON OF A SERIES OF WHICH HE IS DELIVERING.

The announcements for the Tabernacle Baptist Church today are as follows:

Sunday School at 9:45 a. m., J. S. Miller, superintendent. The Sunday School is taking on new life and invites the public to attend. The superintendent and pastor are especially anxious that every Teacher and pupil be in their place this morning at 9:45 as they have some matters of vital importance to place before them.

At 11 o'clock a. m., pastor Thot preaches the fourth sermon in a series on "Building a Church," subject, "The Need of the Masses and how to meet it." These sermons contain the fundamental teachings for the groundwork of this Pastorate and have proven to be especially interesting thus far. No member of the Tabernacle can afford to miss these sermons and each member is requested to be at the Church to hear Pastor Thot preach the fourth sermon of this series.

The sermon at 8 o'clock tonight was to have been the third in a series on "The Great Beyond," subject, "The Resurrection of the Body," and was to have been preceded by a special song service. However, it is possible, that there will be no service to-night on account of the Union service of the churches to be held with the Chautauque. It will be announced at the morning service whether or not there will be services at the Tabernacle in the evening.

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