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A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

It is a good and safe rule to sojourn in every place as if you meant to spend your life there, never omitting an opportunity of doing kindness, or speaking a true word, or making a friend.—John Ruskin.

The Italians are evidently of the opinion that a slice of Turkey will go well with a helping of spaghetti.

"Germany Faces a Scarcity of Meat" says a headline in the Wilmington Star. Well, if we can get all the rest of the scappers facing some sort of a dilemma we may rest assured that the end of the war is not far hence.

The Bridgeton correspondent of the Journal is responsible for the statement that his town is about to be corrupted by the tongue of scandal. The town has our sympathy for in a small place like that, scandal will come about as near putting it out of business as anything that we know of.

That the Republican stand-pat newspapers have a grouchy look these days, is the opinion of the News and Observer. Seems to us that they have had it for a long long time and indications now are that they will keep right on having it.

Query—If a spool of cotton now costs \$2.25 in Mexico, what would it cost to make a bathing suit for some vivacious senorita who frequents the beaches, considering of course that the suit was made from spools cotton.

The Washington News urges its readers to "cut out the front" or in other words to live within their means. There are a lot of merchants in New Bern and other cities also, who would like to see this suggestion put into effect.

The News and Observer says that a Brooklyn, N. Y., man died a few days ago and left all of his money to his relatives and, in order to get even with his wife, left her nothing but best wishes. Well, if he was going to get even at all it seems to us that it was about time that he got busy.

A leading tobaccoist told us yesterday that there is every probability that three million dollars will be turned loose in this section during the next few months by the buyers. Think of it. Three million dollars, enough to give every one of the fifteen thousand men, women and children in New Bern two hundred dollars each. Prosperity is indeed looking us square in the face and greeting us.

We expect to hear that the Czar ordered a national holiday over the success of his fleet in the bay of Riga. Ten of the German ships went to Davy Jones' locker in this battle and hundreds of men were killed and taken prisoners. Our advice to Kizer Bill is to do his fighting on land for on the sea he is not even a little bit.

It appears to us as if the Georgia officials don't want to bother the lynchers of Leo Frank. The plea that they cannot find the men who did the deed seems to be pretty flimsy after all the newspapers have carried accounts of the lynching from eyewitnesses. However, we believe that if any action is taken, that the whole mob should be roped in and touselge.

out one poor, unfortunate individual and make him bear the brunt of the affair as was done in Western North Carolina a few years ago.

A news item carried in this issue of the Journal, tells of the fact that a postoffice inspector is investigating a case wherein a six-year-old boy robbed the postoffice at Cove City. Just what will be done with the child is a matter of speculation. What ought to be done is not speculative. No sane person would think of sending this child to court, to in later years have it said that he was a convicted criminal and the men who are behind this movement should be ashamed of themselves. They might hide behind the cover of "off-

old duty" but that is all bush and tummy. There can be exceptions in all cases and in this there should be none. The thing to do is to show the boy wherein he is wrong and to tell him that he has sinned in a manner that will cause trouble to him and to those who love him. Unless the lad is mentally deficient this will doubtless swerve him from the downward path on which he has started and mean his ultimate redemption.

SPECIAL TERM OF COURT POSTPONED

Tuesday, October 5th Date Set for Hearing in Land Case

The date of the special term of United States District Court, which was called to convene here the twenty-first of September, for the purpose of hearing complaints in the Cape Fear at land case has been postponed until Tuesday, October 5th. The Clerk of the Court, J. J. York, Duffy received word from Judge Henry G. Connor to that effect yesterday. A commission of three men was appointed by Judge Connor to meet on the property and assess the value of it, which was done, the amount being \$1,787.00. Notice was given of the assessment by the commissioners and all who wished to file exceptions were ordered to do so. While a number have filed papers to the effect that this amount is not enough, there are quite a few who have accepted the decision of these men.

TOBACCO BOARD OF TRADE ORGANIZED

J. T. Penn at the Head of This New Organization

In order that the tobacco growers who bring their wares to the local market might be benefited and assured of getting the very best treatment and the highest prices at all times, a Tobacco Board of Trade, composed of all of the tobacco buyers and the owners of the local warehouses was yesterday organized here with J. T. Penn president, C. M. Flowers vice-president, B. G. Fields secretary, L. V. Horrell, Jr., treasurer. All of the large tobacco companies doing business in North Carolina are represented on this board and the facilities given here now are not surpassed by any market in the State. Concerning the probable amount of weed to be sold here this season, President Penn stated yesterday that a million and a half dollars were turned loose here last year and that there was every reason to believe that the sales this year would bring in at least three million dollars.

HAITI IN CHARGE OF THE AMERICANS

Washington, Aug. 23.—Broadening the sphere of activity in Haiti, Admiral Caperton's forces have taken over the St. Marc custom house, the Navy Department was today advised. Threatened by the interior natives, the Americans have fortified roads leading to the ports. The Tennessee arrived last night at Norfolk from Haiti, going to Annapolis to embark a battalion of artillery and marines. She will go to Philadelphia for equipment before returning to "southern waters" under the command of Admiral Caperton.

SCHOOLS TO OPEN NEXT FEW WEEKS

Institutions of Learning to Begin Their Fall Term

Vacation days are nearing an end and the superintendents and teachers of the various schools in Craven county are getting in readiness for the opening of the fall term and practically all of the institutions of learning, with the exception of those in this city, will have begun their fall terms by the fifteenth of the approaching month. Indications now are that the coming term will be one of the most successful and auspicious ever held. New teachers and principals have been secured for a few of the schools and the entire body of teachers have spent the major portion of their vacation days in studying and getting in readiness for the approaching term. The local schools, which are to be in charge of Prof. B. B. Smith, will begin the fall term on September 27th, this being a few days earlier than has heretofore been the case.

11,000,000 PERSONS VISIT THE GREAT FAIR

San Francisco, Aug. 24.—Eleven million persons have visited the Panama-Pacific Exposition since it was opened on February 20, it was announced today.

GEO. PARIS "IN BAD" YESTERDAY SEEMED TO HAVE BEEN HIS UNLUCKY DAY

George W. Paris, a negro who claims to be a native of Pitt county and who came to New Bern recently and opened a store on South Front street, seems to have gotten in bad here, for he was in charge of officers at intervals all day yesterday. The police were the first to place him under arrest, the charges in this instance being obtaining goods by some method of fraud. This case was finally settled and then he was taken into custody by Constable John Russell. This time he was arrested on suspicion that he was the person who from a local tailor on conditions and later left without paying for them.

BRITISH FOREIGN OFFICE DENIES SOME RUMORS

London, Aug. 22.—The foreign office today declared that the Arabic neither attempted to ram the German submarine that sunk her nor escape. It said the "Arabic" was an unarmed passenger ship, enroute to a neutral port and thus impossible of carrying contraband. She was sunk without warning. It is assumed this statement was based on the report of Captain Finch of the Arabic.

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The Yield in Craven County Larger Than Was Expected. Regardless of the fact that the acreage was considerably cut, the cotton crop in Craven and adjoining counties has been remarkably large, and this will soon begin coming into the market. Regardless of the fact that the price is not all that could be desired, growers of the cotton are most optimistic, believing that the price they receive will be sufficient to pay for the making of the crop and also give them a profit. The tobacco crop has proven to be a success and this weed is bringing good prices on the markets here. In fact, better prices, considering the grades, than the farmers expected. This, combined with the cotton crop has encouraged the farmers and the business men and there is but little talk of "hard times."

MAY PROSECUTE SIX YEAR OLD BOY

Lad Charged With Breaking Into Cove City Post Office

Whether the government can or will prosecute a six-year-old boy and if he is found guilty of a serious crime what will be done with him, is a question that is attracting considerable attention around Cove City just at this time. A few weeks ago, so it is claimed, six-year-old Walter White, entered the postoffice at that place and departed with thirty-five dollars. After the theft was discovered a search for the money was instituted and thirteen dollars of the thirty-five were found, the remainder having been spent for candy and "pop". The matter has been turned over to postoffice inspector L. T. Yarborough for investigation and to be acted upon. Whether the lad will be placed under arrest remains to be seen as does also the probable penalty to be placed upon him in case he is found guilty and sentence passed upon him.

SLAMMING WILSON

(Washington News) We notice that the Greenville Reflector has acquired unto itself an entirely new dress of head letter type. Hurrall also Hooryay, Biggs will now show the other fellows that all of his ranting about being a head-letter artist have not been idle vapors.—New Bern Journal. Incidentally, Biggs might go ahead and write a few headings for the Wilmington Times.

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CANGE IN RATES AFFECTS MANY

Some Material Innovations to Be Made by Express Companies

New Bern patrons and others throughout the State will be interested in the very important changes that have just been announced by the Interstate Commerce Commission in express regulations which will become effective October 1. The commission has approved a change in express rules to authorize the acceptance of C. O. D. packages bearing instructions to permit the consignee to examine them for a trial period not exceeding six days, during which time the express company is to hold the money collected. If the shipment is not returned to the carrier at the expiration of the period named in the instructions the proceeds will be transmitted to the shipper. The present classification authorizes agents to accept shipments bearing instructions to permit examination and selection, provided the carrier is released from all loss incident to such examination. The change will require a release only when the shipper instructs the carrier to hold the money pending trial examination off the carrier's premises. The new rule will facilitate the sale of merchandise to out-of-town patrons of the shipper. The commission also approved a change in the rules authorizing the acceptance and forwarding of advertisements, N. O. S., under a guarantee that the transportation charges will be paid. The classification now requires prepayment of charges. The commission approved the change in rules providing for the application of the daily newspaper rating to parts of dailies which may be forwarded a day or two in advance of the date of the issue of which they are a part. It appears that supplements to Sunday papers are, for convenience to both the publishers and express companies, forwarded on Saturday and sometimes on Friday. Under the present classification a higher rate applies to newspaper supplements than to daily newspapers. The change will reduce the rating on supplements that are shipped not to exceed 48 hours in advance of the issue. Another change which has been approved will liberalize the packing requirements of paintings and pictures when the value does not exceed \$10. Pictures will also be given the "valuation charges." The present rule of the express companies is to charge for valuation applicable to paintings and statuary the value of which exceeds \$550, but does not mention pictures, although elsewhere in the classification reference to that rule and paragraph is made for the charge on the value of pictures when it is greater than \$550. The commission approved the change providing that when beer and ale shipped in barrels, kegs or cases is packed in ice, 20 per cent will be added to the present estimated weight. Other changes approved were as follows: (1) To cancel the estimated weights named for shipments in refrigerators and to establish new estimated weights on berries to be applied to so-called Florida refrigerators. (2) That eggs will not be accepted when packed in orange, lemon, shoe, or other miscellaneous boxes or in standard carriers which are too frail to stand transportation; that the standard case must be made of hardwood of certain specified dimensions; that cases which have been used must have straps of iron, wire, or wood on the sides and bottom at each end; that certain character of packing material must be used, and that carriers containing second hand fillers other than of molded pulp board may not be used. The purpose of these changes is to reduce losses resulting from breakages and it appears that the requirements are substantially similar to those published in freight classifications. It was testified that the rules have the approval of egg receiving houses in New York City. (3) Emery wheels must be inclosed in wood and packed in straw, excelsior or other cushioning material. (4) The rules will state more definitely the application of the minimum charge of 49 cents on ice cream. (5) When poultry does not exceed 25 cents a pound in value, including the weight of the coop, the second class rate will apply, and when the value exceeds that figure the rating will be one and one-half times first class. (6) Domestic wines will be exempt from the minimum charges proposed for liquor. The commission denied the application for permission to change the classification on live rabbits and guinea pigs and to increase the ratings on mattresses.

STOCK LAW ELECTION IS WISELY CALLED

The people of that portion of Craven county on the south side of Neuse river ask for an election on the question of stock law or no stock law. The question of building fences around a stock law territory has been reversed from what it formerly was. The tax payers in stock law territory formerly constructed the outside fence around the stock law district, but this matter has been reversed by our Supreme Court, and the man in the adjoining free range must pay the fence tax instead of the section which goes into stock law. We believe the Supreme Court has very properly and justly said that, if the people in a certain territory agree to have stock law and free their territory from ticks, the man in the free range shall not allow his cattle to roam at will in stock law territory, and therefore the free range must pay the tax for the outside fence. Now I have called attention to this fact to show that if the present proposition for stock law is carried no taxes will be collected from any one in Craven county to build the fence. Neuse river from the Carteret county line to the Lenoir county line will serve as a lawful fence, therefore no one in No. 1, and 2, townships will be asked for taxes to build the fence the people of Carteret county will have to build the fence on the line between Carteret and Craven, and the people of Jones county will have to build the fence from Carteret to Lenoir, a distance of about sixty miles. Therefore you can readily see that if the south side of Neuse river in Craven county votes stock law no property in Craven county will be required to pay any fence tax for the same, that Carteret and Jones will have to hear all the fence tax. VOTER.

CAROLINA NEGRO KILLED

Shot To Death By Norfolk Restaurant Man.

Norfolk, Aug. 24.—The simple act of snatching a hat from a man's head led up to a fight that resulted in the killing of Herbert Miller, a young North Carolina negro, by John Zambelis, the Greek proprietor of a cook shop at 704 Water street last night shortly before 7 o'clock. Miller was shot four times by the Greek with a revolver. Zambelis was arrested immediately following the shooting by Police Sergeant W. A. Boggs, charged with felonious shooting. The colored boy died on the way to the hospital, and the charge against Zambelis was changed to that of murder. Anastasius Lucas, an 18-year-old Greek boy, was arrested as an accessory to the murder. Miller and a companion entered the cook shop of Zambelis and Miller purchased a lunch from the Lucas boy. As he was leaving the place, according to witnesses, Zambelis snatched Miller's cap from his head. Miller re-entered the shop and demanded his cap, and when the Greek refused to give it to him Miller is said to have struck him with a walking stick. The Lucas boy is said to have got the pistol from a shelf and brought it to Zambelis. As soon as the Greek got the gun in his possession, he is said to have started firing at the negro. Miller, it is said, flung a beer bottle at the Greek. One bullet struck Miller in the right side; another entered the back of his head. Walking from the shop, Miller remarked that he was shot, and collapsed. The police patrol was summoned and the injured man was carried to St. Vincent's hospital. He died before he could be placed upon an operating table. Coroner R. S. Kight was notified of the death. He viewed the body and turned it over to relatives. Herbert Miller is from Plymouth, N. C., and has relatives here.

HUSBAND ON PROBATION.

Wife Will Not Press Suit if He Behaves.

San Francisco, Aug. 21.—At the suggestion of Judge Graham, Mrs. Bridget Brennan placed her husband Owen Brennan, on probation for one year. If he can curb his liking for intoxicants for that period she will dismiss her suit for divorce. In the mean time Mrs. Brennan will go to Philadelphia to live with relatives and will take their thirteen-year-old son Joseph. If Brennan does not drink for a year he will go to Philadelphia for his wife and son. "Be sure and come and get us, dad," called back the son as he and his mother left the court room. "Don't worry, Joey," said the father. "I'll be there when the time comes."

2 KILLINGS REPORTED NEAR BLANTON'S FERRY

Columbus, Aug. 25.—Marshall Pratt, a white farmer, near Blanton's ferry, killed an unknown negro when the negro came to his home and made threats and was ordered to leave. It is also reported that two negroes engaged in a fight, which resulted in the death of one, this latter occurring within a short distance of the first killing. There are no arrests yet reported in either case.

FEARS ENTERTAINED FOR SAFETY OF SHIP

Mobile, Ala., Aug. 24.—Fear entertained here for the safety of the American flag named schooner, Maud Palmer, Wallace, master, now ten days overdue from Trinidad with a cargo of asphalt to the Barber Asphalt Company. The Palmer was in the track of the hurricane on August 16 and 17, and it is believed that she has gone down. The vessel is owned at Portland, Maine, by J. W. Winslow & Company.

THIEVES STEAL \$600