

An aerial, we observed the day by laboring.

"German Submarine Torpedoed English Steamer Bearing Americans" says a headline. May we presume that the "Tuscan" answer to Woodrow's latest peace note?

If this sort of weather continues, even Palm Beach apparel will have to be taboed, as being entirely too heavy.

Maybe those airships which have been flying around in Jones and Lenoir counties during the past week are of the fleet which Col. Al. Fairbrother says is bringing Virginia booze into North Carolina.

Less talk and more action is what the News and Observer favors in regard to our remarks concerning the hucious bivouacs. Haste not, brother, we will send you the first bushel of the home grown variety that shows up on local shores.

The Craven county Commissioners acted wisely yesterday in deciding to hold up on any proposed road until a thorough investigation can be made as to the best variety of material to be used in this work. One hundred thousand dollars is to be spent in improving Craven county's roads and the citizens want to feel assured that this money is to be spent wisely. The investigation should be in charge of experts and their opinion should be final.

The Rocky Mount Telegram laments the fact that no circus will visit that town this season. Their chief regret is probably due to the fact that thus they miss an opportunity of declaring a holiday.

The Washington News is very desirous of organizing a fair association in that town and to hold a fair there each year. We see no reason why this cannot be done. As we said a few days ago, the people of Washington are progressive and must certainly see that a fair would be of real worth to them. Knowing this we believe they will eventually act on the suggestion of the News.

BACHELOR'S CLUB IS FORMED HERE

Rev. L. B. Padgett Promoter of New Bern's Latest Organization.

The Bachelor's Club is the latest addition to New Bern's list of clubs and this new comer into the ranks is original inasmuch as it is probably the only one of its kind in the State. The club was formed by Rev. L. B. Padgett, pastor of the First Baptist church, and now numbers ten members. The Baptists parsonage is used as a "club" house and there the members take their meals and have their sleeping quarters. The expenses of the club are paid pro rata by each one of the members and this has been found to be a most successful plan and it would doubtless be a hard matter to get any one of the members to give up their membership card.

PELLAGRA VERSUS TYPHOID IN STATE

More Deaths from Pellagra Than From Typhoid in Some Counties.

There were thirty-five deaths from pellagra as against twenty three deaths from typhoid fever during the month of July in the ten counties employing whole time health officers. These counties are Buncombe, Forsyth, Nash, Robeson, Sampson, Pitt, Guilford, Vance, Durham and New Hanover. In the interest of public health work, especially along the line of disease prevention, this fact carries much significance. Typhoid fever has been one of the big strongholds faithfully and repeatedly attacked by the health officers of these counties, while pellagra has had no specific bomb directed against it. For this there have been two apparent reasons: First, insouciant data and scientific knowledge concerning the disease, its cause, prevention or cure; second, in the light of public health work the death rate from pellagra has until the past few years been of little consequence in comparison with the typhoid death rate. That the death rate of typhoid has fallen from figures which used to be perhaps, the highest of all diseases during the month of July to a rate 50 per cent lower than pellagra, or to figures that would not have startled any one of these counties a few years ago as its own summer typhoid death rate, that public health work is lowering the death rate at this rate is both gratifying and encouraging. In other words, it proves that disease prevention is more than theory and that reducing the death rate is not only a possibility but that it is an actual accomplishment. It speaks well for the health work in those counties who have deemed it worth while to employ whole time health officers.

One of the most enjoyable social events to transpire in New Bern in some time was a Masquerade party given Friday evening by Miss Minnie Walker in honor of her guest Miss Hannah Cohn, of Columbia, S. C. It was attended by a large number of guests and the occasion was thoroughly enjoyed. Miss Hannah Cohn, sister of a Gypsy, was the first prize, while second honors were conferred upon Miss Thelma Dudley, a Spanish lady.

All of the banks of the city will be closed on Monday, it being Labor Day and a holiday. W. F. Wyatt returned last night on a visit to Fuquay Springs. S. C. Lane, of Cove City, spent yesterday in New Bern.

HARRISON GRAY GETS OFF LIGHT

Negro Who Beat Up Garret Woman Let Off by Paying Costs in Case.

Harrison Gray, colored, was yesterday arraigned before Judge Bond in Craven Superior Court charged with assaulting Eva Garret, a prostitute, at Pembroke several days ago.

Gray, it will be remembered, went to the Garret woman's home in company with two white men, for the purpose of carrying out a crate of beer. While there the negro became intoxicated and when the woman accused him of stealing twenty dollars from her, he went on a rampage and beat her up severely.

After hearing the details of the case Judge Bond suspended judgment upon the payment of the costs in the case. This action was taken after it was shown that the white men with the negro were really more to blame than he was.

OFFICER DAIL GETS MAN WHO HAD JUST GOT BOOZE OFF NORFOLK TRAIN

In spite of the fact that it is getting to the point that it is almost impossible to bring liquor into town without getting caught there are still a number of negroes willing to make a trial. One of the last of these to come to grief was Rudolph Hill who was Sunday arrested by Officer A. L. Dail at the Griffith street railroad crossing just after he had received sixty pints of liquor off the Norfolk train. The liquor was in a still case and two small grips.

Officer Dail had noticed a number of negroes leaving for Norfolk Saturday night and believing that it was their intention to bring in liquor he watched the trains. He reached the Griffith street crossing just in time to secure the negro, Rudolph Hill, after the liquor had been passed out of a window to him. He was in a buggy and this and the horse were also taken in custody. Yesterday Hill was before the mayor for trial but through his attorney he waived examination and was released under a \$100 justified bond for his appearance at Superior Court in session this week. Officer Dail is to be commended for his working up this case. He was successful not only in getting the liquor but got his man also.

THE GRAIN BUSINESS GOOD, SAYS MR. HILL

Getting All The Orders That He Can Attend To—Cash Sales.

United States Commissioner Chas. B. Hill is an optimist of the first water variety and when he begins to talk about business conditions even the most skeptical pessimist sits up and takes notice. In an interview with a Journal reporter yesterday Commissioner Hill who, incidentally, is one of the leading grain dealers in Craven county, stated that business in his line was never better and that he was getting all the orders that he could attend to and that the majority of these were cash orders.

According to Mr. Hill's statements, business in his line has increased wonderfully during the past few weeks and he is looking forward to even better times during the next few months. "Damaged Goods" HERE SEPT. 13TH Eugene Brieux's Startling Sociological Play Coming to Masonic Theatre.

"Damaged Goods," Eugene Brieux's startling sociological play which Richard Bennett's New York Company of co-workers will present here at the Masonic Theatre Monday September 13, has the distinction of being the only theatrical entertainment ever presented in the National Capital on the Sabbath Day. This event took place last April when, under the auspices of the Society for Social Hygiene, Richard Bennett brought his company to Washington from New York City in order that members of Congress and other officials of national life, might see the play and pass upon its fitness for presentation before the general public. More than four thousand applicants for seats were received for this single performance whereas the capacity of the theatre was limited to seven hundred. In the audience were the most distinguished senators and representatives of Congress and their wives; many diplomats of renown; more than thirty of the leading clergymen of the city and all of the prominent officials of the city government. President Wilson's cabinet was represented by Postmaster Burleson and Secretary of Labor Wilson, and his daughter. The play created such a profound impression that the Washington Board of Trade passed a form of resolution instructing its secretary to see what arrangements could be made for a second presentation of the remarkable play in the city.

David Evans, a negro who claims Pitt county as his home was placed in the Craven county jail yesterday to remain while preparations are being made to get him in the Evans hospital for the colored insane. Evans has been going about the streets here for several days preaching. He is not considered dangerous but he has become a nuisance to the people residing in the section of the city where he delivered his sermons. J. L. Sauls, of Fort Barnwell, was a business visitor to the city yesterday in New Bern.

5 Women Avoid Operations

For years we have been stating in the newspapers of the country that a great many women have escaped serious operations by taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and it is true.

We are permitted to publish in this announcement extracts from the letters of five women. All have been recently received unsolicited. Could any evidence be more convincing?

1. I could scarcely straighten up at times. My back ached and I was so nervous I could not sleep, and I thought I never would be any better until I submitted to an operation, but I commenced taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and soon felt like a new woman.—Mrs. HAYWARD SOWERS, Hodgdon, Me.
2. SHELVILLE, Ky.—"I suffered from a severe female trouble. My right side hurt me badly—it was finally decided that I must be operated upon. When my husband learned this he got a bottle of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound for me, and after taking it a few days I got better and continued to improve until I am now well."—Mrs. MOLLIE SMITH, R.F.D., Shelbyville, Ky.
3. HANOVER, Pa.—"The doctor advised a severe operation, but my husband got me Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and I experienced great relief in a short time. Now I feel like a new person and can do a hard day's work and not mind it."—Mrs. ADA WILK, 303 Walnut St., Hanover, Pa.
4. DECATUR, Ill.—"I was sick in bed and three of the best physicians said I would have to be taken to the hospital for an operation as I had something growing in my left side. I refused to submit to the operation and took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound—and it worked a miracle in my case, and I tell other women what it has done for me."—Mrs. LAURA A. GRISWOLD, 2437 East William Street, Decatur, Ill.
5. CLEVELAND, Ohio.—"I was very irregular and for several years my side pained me so that I expected to have to undergo an operation. Doctors said they knew of nothing that would help me. I took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and I became regular and free from pain. I am thankful for such a good medicine and will always give it the highest praise."—Mrs. C. H. GRIFFITH, 1568 Constant St., Cleveland, O.

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MAID ASKS \$50,000 AS PRICE OF PEEPING

Chicago, Sept. 4.—It will be for a jury to decide whether it is worth \$50,000 for Mathias B. Becker to peep into the nursemaid's room. This is the stand taken by the maid, Miss Minnie Boyd, who has filed suit against Becker for that amount. Becker is president of the Elaborated Roofing Company, and said that this was the only thing he could think of that would cause Miss Boyd to file the suit. Miss Boyd refused to discuss the case.

STRANGE AIRCRAFT PAYS A VISIT TO JONES COUNTY

Twice During the Past Week Were They Observed There

ARE THEY HOSTILE?

On Each Occasion They Were Sailing Rapidly Westward

The citizens of Pollockville, Jones county, and that immediate vicinity are very much worked up over the visit to that section on two nights during the past week of two airships which were presumably of a very powerful type. During the first part of the week there was a report current that these ships had been seen but as only one man claimed to have seen them, but little credence was placed in the story.

Five See Ships

Thursday night, however, five persons saw the big air craft as they sailed over the town. Among this quintette who saw the ships were William Coston and Alex McDaniel who were out on a raft and Grover Williams and Jack Rhodes who were on land. According to the statements made by these gentlemen, the airships first came in view between 11 and 12 o'clock, coming from the east and going west very rapidly. There were two of them and both were using large searchlights which they had turned towards the earth and which brightly illuminated the country for a considerable distance around.

Exchange Greetings

Near what is known as the old saw mill the two ships came close together, seemed to exchange greetings and then after casting their searchlights over all that section, they sailed rapidly westward and the whirr of their engines could be plainly heard though they must have been several hundred feet in the air.

About 4 o'clock on Friday morning the noise of the engines of the airships was again heard and the two machines again passed over the town, going eastward. This strange occurrence has set the people there to thinking and the visits of the strange craft is the chief topic of discussion there at the present time.

DOES NOT FAVOR THE STOCK LAW

As the committee is asking the good people of New Bern to vote for Stock Law to get clear of the tick, I will ask them about a very fine cow which died in the Stock Law district, which had been in effect for seven or eight years and in the heart of New Bern. A cow that had not been out of the block between George and Eden streets for four years, died with the tick fever—now do you call that a fake or not?—you can see if it is or not. If you are not blind I know all of our merchants and business men are not blind. If the farmer sows their seed they may expect to reap, but if the people of a town help to kill the seed then the merchants cannot expect to reap the products of the farm. I will not ask the people of New Bern to put any such punishment on the people as that.

Self experience is the best lesson ever learned. I know our citizens of New Bern have more judgment than to vote for any such law as this Stock Law—it is unreasonable for a man to furnish a gun to kill himself with.

New Bern is near enough dead now, but if this Stock Law should be passed it would only be to bury some weak minded people have an idea that they will have to put up with any law that may pass, but that is a great mistake as the people only have to stick together, and they can overthrow any such law, for together we stand and divided we fall. Just look how anxious the merchants are to see the tobacco wagons bringing their tobacco to market. They all know they will spend their money with them; they will not shut their doors against a customer. I will ask any one if this statement is not true. Respectfully, COL. F. J. FRENCH.

YOUTHFUL PASTOR BACK TO GEORGIA

Rev. Broadus Jones To Leave New Bern on Sept. 12th

Announcement has been made that Rev. Broadus Jones, who came to New Bern several months ago and assumed the assistant pastorate of the Tabernacle Baptist church, is to leave New Bern on September 12th, going to Mercer University, Georgia, to conclude his studies for the ministry. Only eighteen years of age, this young preacher is a marvel and has been heard by thousands since coming to New Bern. He is of the type better known as a "horn" preacher and his knowledge of the scripture is indeed wonderful. Not only is he thoroughly conversant with the teachings of the Bible but he is an eloquent speaker and never fails to hold his hearers spellbound. At his departure Rev. W. Thiot, the regular pastor, will be in full charge of all church services.

ENGLAND STILL BLOCKS UNITED STATES CARGOES

Ambassador Page Ordered To Find Out Exactly What Was Meant By British Offer To Release Goods. The Existing Situation Not By Any Means All That Could Be Desired.

Washington, Sept. 4.—The State Department is having difficulty in reaching an understanding with Great Britain as to what cargoes are to be let through to this country in connection with the concessions recently announced unofficially by the Embassy here.

Promises of relief have been met with contradictions in London that have angered the officials here who are trying to secure relief for American importers. As a result rather peremptory instructions have been sent Ambassador Page in London. He has been directed to ask the Foreign Office just how this Government may continue unofficially to work for the release of the immensely valuable cargoes that are now held up in Scandinavian, British and Holland ports. He has been requested to make it plain that this Government can not take any official action which would seem to recognize in the slightest degree the British orders in council and blockade, but that it can continue only its unofficial parleys through the State Department trade advisers.

The pressure on the White House and the State Department for relief by the importers whose goods are detained is becoming almost intolerable. Hundreds of letters and telegrams are being received from men who are facing financial ruin because they can not meet their contracts. In Rotterdam, the State Department trade advisers say, there has accumulated \$150,000,000 worth of American-owned goods which can not be shipped because the British permission that it shall have uninterrupted passage can not be obtained. In addition, there are large quantities of merchandise in Germany that were contracted for many months ago and which can not be moved. The State Department had hoped to be able to move these goods before sending the general note of protest to England, but this is now admittedly impossible. It is expected that this fact will now be made a part of the protest which is before the President.

NARROW ESCAPE FOR TWO GIRLS

Kinston, Sept. 4.—Misses Catherine Copeland and Lelia Humble, about 12 to 13 years old, had a quite thrilling experience if not a narrow escape from death yesterday morning while out riding with Miss Copeland's pony and trap. They started to cross the Norfolk Southern track at Heritage street when just as the buggy got in between the two gates at the crossing the gates were let down for a passing train. Hemmed in as they were and "Toby," the pony, disposed to covet a little, the two young ladies jumped from the buggy into the mud.

By good luck and pony and buggy were not struck by the train, but Spencer Scott, a delivery boy for Mr. C. A. Waters' store, who came along just at that time, did not fare so well, alighted quickly from his wheel to help the young ladies and the bicycles was caught under the train and smashed into "smithereens." No one was hurt, but Misses Humble and Copeland spoiled their dresses by falling in the mud.

HEAVY FIGHTING IN THE ARGONNE

Paris, Sept. 4.—Heavy fighting for the possession of the Vauquois plateau in Argonne has been resumed with the French on the offensive, the war office today announced. The French successfully exploded mines under German trenches, forcing the Germans to retire. Eleven days of interrupted artillery action is continuing in northern France. This is believed to indicate that the Allies are preparing for a big drive.

J. W. Sears, of Vanceboro, was in the city yesterday enroute from Jasper where yesterday night, by and Dr. J. E. Turing, m. gave an illustrated lecture on education farming. The meeting was well attended and the farmers seem to be much enthused over the work. Mr. Sears, who is farm demonstrator for this county, is urging the planters to plant more cover crops in the fall. J. W. Sears, of Vanceboro, was in the city yesterday in the city.

MUCH PROGRESS ON BREAKWATER

Contractors Are "Making Hay While The Sun Shines"

Word comes from Morehead City to the effect that unusual progress has been made during the past two weeks on the work of constructing the breakwater for the Harbor of Refuge being built at Cape Lookout. The construction company who have in charge this almost Herculean task, have recently added a number of new boats to their fleet and with the assistance of additional men, they have been able to make more speed in the erection of the breakwater. Many carloads of the rock continue to go down each day from the quarry at Neverson and just as rapidly as this is loaded into barges and transported to the Cape. Already has the top of the breakwater begun to show above the surface of the water and within a few more weeks it is expected to be several feet in height. During the past few weeks a number of government engineers have visited the scene of the work and they have declared themselves as being well pleased with the progress which has been made.

2 GAMES OF BALL SEEN YESTERDAY

Local Fans Have An Opportunity of Seeing Four Teams Play

There were two games of baseball played at Ghent Park yesterday afternoon, one of which was a pretty good game. The first contest was between Ghent and the Braves and resulted in a score of thirteen to nothing in favor of Ghent, while the second played by the Firemen and Braves was six to three in favor of the Braves.

At the end of the eighth inning, the score was tied but the Braves succeeded in piling up three runs in the ninth and added another victory to the standing in the percentage column. Both pitchers did excellent mound work throughout the entire game and the fielding was snappy. Among the features was the batting of Coward who made four hits and a sacrifice out of five times at bat. Batteries: Braves, Hardison and Pugh; Firemen, Harker and Clutchton. In the first game the battery was: Ghent, Walker and Seales; Braves, Willis and Pugh.

Harry Coplon, of the firm of S. Coplon & Sons, has just returned from a four weeks visit to Northern cities where he went to purchase stock for his firm. While in the North, Mr. Coplon secured one of the largest and most elaborate lines of goods ever purchased for a New Bern store and this will begin to arrive within the next few days.

27 BIRTHS HERE DURING AUGUST

That Is The Number Reported In The County of Craven

According to the returns made to Dan G. Smaw local registrar for deaths and births, there were thirty three deaths and twenty seven births in New Bern during the month of August. Mr. Smaw stated that some of the doctors are getting careless about making reports of the births and he urges them to make this report, and unless it is done more promptly he states that he would have to report all delinquents.

HERE'S STRANGE CASE

Negro Girl Has Charge of Unknown White Child

Warsaw, N. C., Sept. 4.—A colored girl who gave her name as Rosa Lee, but who was identified later as Katie Boone, was arrested today at Bowden and carried to Kenansville by Sheriff G. G. Best to be placed in jail. The girl came to Bowden several weeks ago, bringing a nicely dressed white child with her. She appeared to have plenty of money, and declared she would "die before she would tell whose the child was." A few days ago the child died, and was buried by the negro, without a report of its death being made. Developments in the case are being eagerly awaited, and many are wondering in regard to the child are being heard, the theory of kidnapping being one. About eight years ago the girl, Katie Boone, whose family resided at Ross Hill, came to this city to work. She stayed here about a year, serving as cook at different times for several families of prominence. E. L. Peterson returned yesterday from a business visit to Kinston.