

WIDOW OF FIVE IS APPLICANT FOR 5 PENSIONS

ATLANTA, July 26.—Claiming she is the widow of five husbands, all of whom fought in the Civil War, a Walton county woman has applied for five pensions, aggregating sixty dollars monthly.

The applicant stated that she was Miss Malcolm. She declared that her first husband was killed during the first of the war and that second met a like fate toward the close of the war. She asserts the three men she married later were all Confederate veterans.

AFTER THE MOONSHINERS.

Reports of Destruction of Illicit Distilleries Continue to Pour Into Revenue Agent Sams' Office at Asheville.

ASHEVILLE, July 26.—Revenue Agent Sams' office here continues to receive reports of the destruction of illicit distilleries in this territory, embracing this section of North Carolina, South Carolina, a portion of Tennessee and Virginia. Recent reports are to the effect that a number of distilleries have been located and destroyed in North Carolina and Virginia. Special Employee Pritchard reports the seizure of three blockade plants in Floyd county, Va., where four other seizures were recently made. It is evident, as a result of the number of seizures made there that Floyd county is or was regarded as a fertile field for operation by moonshiners. Special Employee Kanipe makes report of the destruction of a distillery in Rutherford county Sunday, while Deputy Collector Floyd Gray made three seizures in Henry county, Virginia, last week. In one of these Henry county seizures 25 gallons of whiskey was taken. Prosecutions have been recommended.

RATS THE STAMP THIEVES.

Mystery Which Caused Revenue Officers Much Concern Solved.

FORT WAYNE, Ind., July 26.—The pernicious activity of rats explains the repeated disappearance of revenue stamps from barrels of beer shipped to Avilla, twenty miles north of this city, and clears up a mystery which has given the United States internal revenue office at Fort Wayne much concern.

The first complaint, received several weeks ago, was that six barrels of beer in a railroad warehouse at Avilla awaiting delivery to the consignee had been stripped of revenue stamps. The government authorities were notified and Deputy Collector L. P. Sharp conducted an investigation. He was unable to solve the mystery and with much red tape the missing stamps were replaced.

The revenue officers were notified of the second case yesterday, but with it came the information that rats had been discovered at the work, and were apparently attracted by the paste used on the stamps.

ROASTS IN MOLTEN SLAG.

Steel Worker Falls From Platform Into Pit of Fiery Metal.

LEWISTOWN, Pa., July 26.—Albert Mananaphy, employed as helper at the open-hearth furnace at the Standard Steel Works, was frightfully burned when he fell 25 feet from the platform at the top of the furnace into the slag pit at the mouth of the cupola. The pit was half-filled with molten slag, and before he could be taken out his clothing was burned from his body and his legs and the lower portion of his body were burned to a crisp. There is little hope of his recovery.

FALLS DEAD BESIDE PULPIT.

Aged Pastor, Repeating Scripture Text, Dies in Church.

POTTSVILLE, Pa., July 26.—Entering his church, the Welsh Congregational here Monday afternoon, Rev. W. D. Williams, an advanced thinker, health officer of Pottsville and candidate for county commissioner on the Republican ticket, repeated the text, "There is no other name whereby we can be saved," and then fell dead from apoplexy in front of the pulpit from which he had preached for many years.

Mr. Williams was about 70 years of age. He had been prominent as a director of Welsh singers and was for years superintendent of the Danville Rolling Mills, but for the past 10 years was health officer of Pottsville.

A few minutes prior to his death he accepted an invitation to preach next Sunday at the Pentecostal denomination's camp-meeting at Adamsdale. The deceased was prominent in the Improved Order of Heptasophes.

DIES AFTER THIRTEEN BOGYS.

Companion of One Who Refers to It Soon Drowns.

EASTON, Pa., July 26.—"There's just 13 in this party. Inside of a year one of us will be dead," remarked a young man, when a camping party arrived at Roxburg on the Delaware, above Easton.

A half hour later John Loudenberg, of Phillipsburg, N. J., a member of the party, was attacked with cramps while swimming and drowned.

One Negro Shoots Another.

At an ice cream supper at German Taylor's house, on Mr. James Degett's farm, near Mizpah church, Saturday night, Eddie Graves, 20 years of age, shot and wounded Henry Williamson, aged about 15, who died, Sunday. Graves lived at Benaja and Williamson lived on Mr. J. F. Watlington's farm.—Reidsville Review.

ELDER HARDY CONVICTED BUT JUDGMENT SUSPENDED.

REIDSVILLE, July 25.—Recorder Humphreys returned the verdict in the case against Elder L. H. Hardy for contempt of court and announced the verdict as guilty. On account of the age of the defendant and the fact that he is a minister of the gospel, the court announced that judgment would be suspended. The recorder reviewed a number of ways in which contempt could be committed against the court, and he said that this was the first time any case of this kind had ever come before his court, and he felt sure it would be the last, as the Reidsville people are law abiding and when they know the law, he argued, they will not wantonly violate it. He also said that Elder Hardy, he was sure, would not desire to give the court further trouble, and if he did, the judgment of the court could then be invoked.

Attorney Brooks, representing Elder Hardy, was not present in court, but he had already filed a notice of appeal, and while no mention was made of this fact in open court it is understood that such appeal appears in the records of the minutes.

ALFALFA GOOD FOOD FOR MAN AS WELL AS BEAST.

HOT SPRINGS, S. Dak., July 26.—A request is likely to be made for another clerk to help handle the mail that is coming to Mark Rich, the rancher who announced that alfalfa is good for man as well as beast.

The announcement has brought inquiries from every state, and he is swamped with letters for information and for samples, some of them inclosing money.

Rich has met this demand by organizing a company to put alfalfa on the market as tea and as a breakfast food.

The idea has drawn the attention of officers of the Department of Agriculture, and John S. Cole, a dry farming expert for the government, spent a day with Mr. Rich at his ranch.

REAPER SLICES WOMAN.

Trying to Stop Runaways, Farmer's Wife Is Lacerated by Machine.

ALLENTOWN, Pa., July 26.—Mrs. William Reinhold, of Upper Milford Township, 10 miles out, with other harvesters, stopped work this afternoon to watch a Sunday School picnic march by. When the band struck up the horses hitched to the reaper, which had been left standing unwatched and untied in the field, started on a runaway.

Mrs. Reinhold grabbed a bridle to stop them, but was thrown in front of the knives. She was first rolled some distance by the reaper, and, after being gripped and mangled in the teeth of the cutter bars, the knives sliced her, cutting away clothing, skin, and flesh and lacerating her left foot. Her condition is critical. The frightened horses ran into a tree and the reaper was wrecked.

COMPLETION IN SIGHT.

Cars Will Be in Operation on Piedmont Railway & Electric Co.'s Interurban Line Within Sixty Days.

BURLINGTON, July 25.—The construction of the electric railway of the Piedmont Railway & Electric Co., which traverses a number of Burlington's streets and connects Graham and Haw River, is rapidly approaching completion, and the Charlotte Observer's correspondent is informed by Mr. Julius H. Harden, one of the promoters of the enterprise, who now has charge of the construction force, that within sixty days cars will be in operation.

It is the purpose of the company, as indicated in their charter, to connect some of the many cotton mill villages situated on the water courses throughout the county.

Burlington being the geographical center of these surrounding mill villages and the trade center, the advantages to be derived on account of the easy access of these people to her markets are apparent.

AUTOISTS SPEED ON AFTER KILLING MAN.

BALTIMORE, July 26.—The mystery surrounding the death of William H. Schmidt, a street car conductor, who was struck by an automobile early last Saturday on Belvidere Avenue, near the city limits, was cleared up. Five young men who were in the automobile which killed Schmidt were arrested.

The boys declared they knew when they struck Schmidt, but were so afraid of the consequences that they allowed the body to remain in the road and kept on their way.

Questioned by his father, young Boyden admitted that he was driving the machine, and also gave the names of the young men in the car with him.

"We were trying to make up time we lost by having to go out of our way. When it happened I was so scared I was afraid to stop," said young Boyden. "I knew we hit him, but we kept on." The others bore out Boyden's story.

Prominent Republican Indicted.

At the recent term of the federal court in Wilkesboro an indictment was returned against J. A. Smith, some time Republican candidate for Congress in the ninth district, who is charged with soliciting campaign funds from federal officeholders, contrary to the form of the statute made and provided. It is expected that the case will be tried in Charlotte in October.

Hoping for Miraculous Cures.

NEW YORK, July 26.—Many people kneel before the shrine of "Good Saint Anne" in the little Church of St. Jean Baptiste in East Seventy-sixth street today, and kissed the reliquary containing one of the bones from the wrist of the Mother of Virgin. It was the close of the annual novena of St. Anne, the period during which the faithful look for many miracles to be performed. For nine days the little church has listened to the prayers of hundreds of sick and disabled persons who sought relief from their afflictions through the intercession of the Saint.

COLORED PYTHIANS HAVE TO CHOOSE NEW OFFICERS

RALEIGH, July 26.—The accounts of officers of the negro North Carolina Grand Lodge, Knights of Pythias, were checked up recently by State Commissioner of Insurance James R. Young and found to be over \$4,000 short. They should have had on hand \$12,000, it is alleged, and only \$8,000 is accounted for. The Commissioner sent a communication to the Grand Lodge, now in session at Durham, to the effect that the Grand Lodge must elect new officers and change methods of keeping and accounting for funds. The Grand Lodge officers are: J. S. Fitts, Winston-Salem, grand chancellor; R. W. Brown, Winston-Salem, grand secretary, and E. D. Miller, Reidsville, grand treasurer.

The Grand Lodge last night re-elected Fitts grand chancellor and elected new men for the other two positions. However, Commissioner Young telephoned the Grand Lodge today that Fitts must also be deposed as grand chancellor. (The Commissioner says the three officers are bonded and that any loss of funds will be made good. It seems all three officers received monies for various funds so that the lax methods involved cannot be fixed wholly on either of the three.)

AGREED TO POOL.

Carnegie Steel Company and Other Kindred Concerns Alleged To Have Done So.

WASHINGTON, July 25.—A purported pooling agreement between the Carnegie Steel Co., and ten other kindred concerns for a percentage apportionment of the steel output of the country—an admittedly illegal document—supposedly long since destroyed—stirred the meeting of the house "steel trust" investigating committee. Chairman Stanley produced a copy of the agreement, together with other confidential data, and the agreement was admitted in evidence against the protest of counsel for the corporations that it was unauthenticated. It was admitted, however, that business operations of these companies continued under an understanding similar to the agreement.

The original agreement provided for the formation of the Steel Plate Association of the United States, and notwithstanding that the agreement was burned and only came to light because a Pennsylvania printer had saved a copy from the flames, the committee found corroborative evidence that the Steel Plate Association did exist after the incineration of the telltale documents.

J. R. Van Ormer, of the Luken's Iron and Steel Company, one of the parties to the original pool, testified that all copies of the agreement had been burned because it was thought its provisions were illegal. The agreement itself, he testified, never was signed by his company and all sent to other companies were returned for destruction. He admitted, however, that operation of the business of his company proceeded along lines of an understanding similar to the provisions of the burned agreement. Business was apportioned on a percentage basis, he admitted, for several years up to 1906. His firm, he said, contributed to a guaranty fund to insure carrying out terms of operation and reports of business were made to W. C. Temple, who acted as commissioner of the combination.

MEET IN JAIL AND PERFECT DEVICE WORTH A FORTUNE.

DENVER, Col., July 26.—That it is an ill wind that blows nobody's good is demonstrated by an invention recently completed by Albert C. Jahl, for which patents have been applied and which will be accepted by the Colorado Telephone Company when placed upon the market.

The invention is one of those simple devices which have frequently made poor men millionaires, and is in the form of an appliance which will prevent the extraction of nickels from toll telephones.

The invention had its inception and went its first stages in the mind of a young mechanic named John L. Post, employed by the telephone company, who had himself worked the drop-the-nickel-please boxes until he was detected in the act by suspicious officials, arrested, convicted and sent to the state reformatory.

Before being handed over to the police Post was announced into the presence of E. B. Field, who told him that since he had shown such genius for getting nickels out of the boxes he should have some latent and workable ideas on how to keep them in and advised him to give some of his time to thinking out such a device.

Then the law laid its operating hand on John L. Post, and as a preliminary step toward receiving justice he was sent to the county jail.

At that time into the orbit of Post entered Albert C. Jahl, society man and amateur scientist, who had been placed under arrest and brought back to Denver from Texas, on a requisition granted by Governor Shaforth, to answer to a charge of embezzlement.

Jahl is a young man of distinguished achievements in electrical engineering and inventions that have aided materially to the efficiency and effectiveness of science. In the county jail Jahl and Post came together.

Post had resented a point in the invention of the non-nickel producer where his knowledge was defective. The trained hand and keen perception of Jahl at once detected the impracticable points in the invention. Many conferences were held by the two men in their cells and plans and specifications gone over and over and finally

an agreement was reached wherein Jahl was to take the invention where Post had come to a stop, complete it and through friends secure a patent and market.

OFF FOR WORLD CRUISE IN A GASOLINE YACHT.

NEW YORK, July 26.—James B. Hammond, the millionaire typewriter inventor and manufacturer, of Columbia Avenue and Ninetieth street, started in his 95-foot gasoline yacht, Lounger II, on the round of the ports of the world.

He is seventy-three years old and he says he intends to spend the remainder of his days on the Lounger II. As Mr. Hammond has made up his mind to live to be one hundred years old, he has twenty-seven years of blissful voyaging and cruising in prospect. The yacht is certainly beautiful and commodious enough to tempt one to prolong existence upon her.

She is sixteen feet beam and draws only three feet. She is equipped with every device that science can suggest, provided with every comfort and luxury. If her engine should refuse duty, there is sail to fall back upon. She is good for fifteen knots an hour.

There is a refrigerating plant for cooling the cabins in summer, and there are thermostatic installations for keeping an even temperature in winter. She has a tank for carrying fresh fish. In a cockpit especially constructed for it nestles an automobile.

The start was made from the yard of the New York Yacht, Launch and Engine Company, at Morris Heights, on the Harlem. The first stop will be at New Haven. Accompanying him are a nurse, a masseur, a chauffeur, a secretary, Pinky, a Boston bull; a mother dog and six puppies, a canary and a phonograph.

Capt. Into is in command. The skipper's wife is the cook. The skipper's cousin is the wireless operator and his brother-in-law the bos'un. During his twenty-seven-year cruise, Mr. Hammond said, he intended to touch at about every port. After he is through with the Lounger II, he says he will present her to the United States Government as a model of marine architecture.

Some of the relatives of the wealthy manufacturer some time ago tried to have him declared incompetent to manage his estate, but the courts decided that Mr. Hammond was fully competent to look out for his fortune and himself.

SOUL HAS WEIGHT BUT IS COLORLESS.

BOSTON, July 26.—Dr. Duncan MacDougall, of Haverhill, who has been long a student of physico-psychical phenomena, declares his belief that the human soul weighs from one-half ounce to nearly an ounce and a quarter, and further that the soul substance is blended with the protoplasm of the brain and spinal chord in life.

Dr. MacDougall says it has been his experience in a dozen instances to watch the dying man or woman stretched on a bed that was part of a delicately adjusted scale, and to hear as the patient's last breath leaves the body the noise of the dropping weight.

Again, sitting in a darkened room, he has watched a strong ray of pure white light rest along the body of a dying man, covering him like a silver bar from feet to head and over the face.

Dr. MacDougall and his assistants have made the closest observation of the bar of light to see if that intangible shape is cloud or wavering tint from the outworn body.

TO BE LARGEST OF SHIPS.

Cunard Company Will Lengthen New Elmer to More Than 900 Feet.

LONDON, July 26.—Plans for the new steamer Aquitania, which the Cunard Company is building at Clydebank, have been changed to make the vessel, the largest in the world. Her length will exceed 900 feet, and be 10 feet greater than the length of the 50,000-ton liner Imperator, which the Hamburg-American Line will put into service in the spring of 1915. It is also stated that the Aquitania will be one knot faster than her German rival. The original specifications called for a length of 885 feet and a speed of 23 knots an hour.

She will accommodate 4,000 passengers.

WAITRESS WHO MARRIED OLD MAN WILL GET \$100,000.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., July 25.—Burr S. Beck, a wealthy retired manufacturer, aged eighty, who recently eloped with a pretty waitress, Miss May Byrne, aged twenty, is dead.

Peck created a sensation when he eloped with the waitress. They lived together a few days, when Peck instituted divorce proceedings. The suit was afterward withdrawn.

The estate, valued at a hundred thousand dollars, goes to the young widow.

HUSBAND'S DEATH MAY KILL.

Shock of News of Death Under Train Prostrates Railroad's Wife.

ALTOONA, Pa., July 27.—The shock of the death of Harry C. Thompson, a Pennsylvania freight conductor, is likely to prove fatal to his wife. Thompson was struck by a freight train that was passing his own train at Mapleton, east of here, and when the news was broken to his wife, who has been ill, she was prostrated.

A Peek into His Pocket.

Would show the box of Bucklen's Arnica Salve that E. S. Loper, a carpenter, of Marilla, N. Y., always carries. "I have never had a cut, w. und, bruise, or sore it would not soon heal," he writes. Greatest healer of burns, boils, scalds, chapped hands and lips, fever-sores, skin-eruptions, eczema, eczema and piles. 25c at P. A. Thompson.

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INTERURBAN IN A NUTSHELL.

To Stretch From Greenwood, S. C., to Durham, N. C., and to Be 300 Miles Long.

The following facts about the interurban line are taken from the Charlotte Observer's big Interurban Edition, which was issued yesterday morning:

The interurban trolley line, when completed, will stretch from Greenwood, S. C., to Durham, N. C., a distance of 300 miles, joining the principal cities and towns of the Piedmont Section of the Carolinas.

The electric current for this system will be derived from four water-power plants of the Southern Power Company on the Catawba river, which develop a capacity of 134,000-horsepower.

Forty-five cities and town in North Carolina are now securing light and power from these plants.

Over 150 cotton mills, embracing 2,000,000 spindles and 43,000 looms are operated by the same power.

Over 1,300 miles of high tension circuit wire are required to carry this power through the Carolinas.

It will be the first electric railroad in America to use 1,500-volt direct current. Existing systems use 600 voltage.

The Southern Power Company, the parent corporation, was organized in 1905. It now has a capitalization of \$11,000,000 and embodies twenty-three auxiliary companies.

The possibilities are boundless and exceed the wildest dreams of the most sanguine. Steadily this great organization is going about acquiring new waterpower prospects with a view to developing them, and extending its sphere of usefulness, and the present generation will live to witness the realization of an era of commercial

Parson's Poem a Gem.

From Rev. H. Stubenvoll, Allison, Pa., in praise of Dr. King's New Life Pills: "They're such a health necessity in every home these pills should be. If other kinds you've tried in vain."

END HIGH COST OF LIVING.

Des Moines Consumers Establish Market and Prices Tumble.

DES MOINES, Iowa, July 27.—How to reduce the high cost of living was solved by 3,000 consumers who established here a permanent market place.

Following a campaign of several weeks, the city officials turned the city hall lawn over to the vegetable and farm produce vendors. Nearly 50 hucksters were lined up on the plot. The rush of consumers began at six o'clock. Two hours later the hucksters had sold out.

New potatoes were bought for 45 cents a peck, or \$1.75 a bushel, where formerly the price had been \$3 to \$4 per bushel. Apples, which had been selling at 25 cents a peck, were sold for 10 and 12 cents. Cucumbers found ready buyers at three for 10 cents, against the price of 16 cents each which had been prevailing.

For nearly four hours the people—men, women and children—swarmed in from every direction and jammed the street in front of the city hall in an effort to get to the wagons. The services of a squad of police were necessary during the rush, although the crowd was orderly.

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