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General News Items.

It is said that Tennessee will appropriate \$40,000 to the St. Louis Fair.

Gustavus F. Swift, president of the Swift Packing Company, died in Chicago Sunday.

J. P. Morgan is expected to sail for Europe early next month on his annual vacation.

A total of 4,599 immigrants passed through Ellis Island station, New York harbor, Sunday.

The Wisconsin Legislature has passed a bill prohibiting the manufacture or sale of cigarettes or cigarette paper.

N. K. Fairbanks, millionaire soap manufacturer and capitalist, died at his home in Chicago Friday, aged 73.

Safe crackers looted the post-office at McColl, S. C., last Friday night and secured about \$1,000 in cash and stamps.

It is stated that \$25,000,000 damage will be caused by the break in the Mississippi river levee at Hymelia, La.

The trial of ex-Lieut. Gov. Tillman, for the killing of Editor Gonzales in Columbia, S. C., is expected to begin April 13th.

The flood situation has changed little, Greenville, Miss., and Yazoo City being partially under water. One death is reported.

Democrats in Washington say the success of the party in Iowa or Ohio next fall may produce a presidential candidate for 1904.

William V. McKean, who for nearly 30 years was editor-in-chief of the Philadelphia Public Ledger, died Sunday at the age of 83 years.

The President has issued an order which will have the effect of commuting the sentences of more than 100 prisoners now confined at Atlanta.

While the German empress was out riding recently her horse was frightened by a doe running across the pathway and threw her off, fracturing her arm.

Philanthropists have pledged \$175,000 for the children's hospital society of Chicago, whose object is to provide for the care and treatment of youthful cripples.

Senator F. T. Dubois of Idaho, thinks Judge A. B. Parker, of New York, and Benjamin F. Shiveley, of Indiana, would constitute a strong Democratic Presidential ticket.

The Confederate reunion will be held in New Orleans May 19th to 22nd. The usual rate of one cent a mile will be given to all persons attending it whether they are veterans or other visitors.

Mme. Nordica will make \$4,000 on the first day of May. She will sing in Washington for \$2,000 in the afternoon of that day, and in the evening will make a like sum by appearance in Baltimore.

In an encounter last Friday in the Philippines between American troops and the insurgents, San Miguel, the Filipino leader, was killed. Gen. San Miguel was the last unreconciled Filipino insurgent.

Sultan Abdul Hamid of Turkey, has asked Miss Alice Roosevelt, daughter of the President, to christen the Ottoman cruiser Medjidia when that vessel is launched from the Cramp shipyard early in May.

New cases of yellow fever have been reported from several villages in Yucatan, causing great alarm. It was shown a short time ago that the disease had run its course, but it is now taking a new hold and covering a wider field.

The flood situation along the Mississippi river is still very serious at some points. The town of Greenville, Miss., is partially submerged and in the southern section of the place people go about the streets in boats. Other towns are also suffering from the flood. The property loss will be great but no loss of life is reported.

CLAYTON.

Mrs. C. N. Allen, of Auburn, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. D. W. Barbour.

Mr. R. T. Priddy, of Keysville, Va., is visiting his daughter, Mrs. C. W. Carter.

Mr. and Mrs. Will D. Avera and children spent Tuesday with the family of Mr. D. W. Barbour.

Miss Mildred Weathers and mother, of Garner, spent Wednesday with Mrs. M. E. Gattis.

Mr. C. T. Young was here Monday to attend the meeting of Knights of Pythias Monday night.

A cotton oil mill for our town is the next enterprise. Our business men held a meeting recently to consider the movement.

Two of our countrymen picked up in a buggy a pet terrier, a species of bull-dog, on Fayetteville Street in Raleigh Tuesday, so the Morning Post says.

Mr. Chas. Lane, the greatest humorist of the South will lecture at the school hall Wednesday evening, April 8th. Admission children 15c., adults 25c., benefit library for school.

The oratorical contest at the Clayton school hall last Friday evening was a pleasant event. The best declaimer was Mr. Ray Robertson. The best essayist was Miss Lone Gulley.

Mr. Mablon Creech, while working the rip saw for the Clayton Manufacturing Co., had his arm so badly cut Tuesday that Drs. Griffin and young had to amputate it. Today (Wednesday) he is resting very well.

While taking a young mule home from here Tuesday, Mr. Henry Duncan was thrown and was at first thought to be seriously hurt, but upon examination by the physician it was found to be only a slight hurt.

Among those of our people who attended the Convention at Selma were: Messrs. C. W. Carter, Jesse Hilliard, R. H. Gower, Prof. R. F. Williams, Mrs. C. W. Carter, Misses Mattie Gulley and Mabel Gower. They report a fine time and the greatest hospitality.

YELIR.

MICRO DOTS.

The farmers of this section will soon be setting out tobacco.

We are sorry to note that Mrs. Caroline Daniel is quite sick.

Mr. R. J. Downing, of Wilson, was in town one day last week.

Mr. Henry Daniel, of Arkansas, is visiting relatives in this section.

Miss Polly Barden, of Wayne, spent last week at Mr. W. N. Barden's.

Mr. Amazar Hales, of near Beulah, spent Sunday with Mr. Walter Batten.

Mr. A. B. Blackman, of Mount Moriah Academy, was in town Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Batten, of Selma, are spending this week with Mr. W. Batten.

Rev. J. W. Nobles, of Selma, will preach at Parrish Memorial church next Sunday at 11 a. m.

Rev. P. B. Lucas and Rev. Troy Phillips preached excellent sermons at Pleasant Plains Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Bailey, of the Hatcher settlement, spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Montgomery.

REX.

A Great Sensation.

There was a big sensation in Leesville, Ind. when W. H. Brown of that place, who was expected to die, had his life saved by Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. He writes: "I endured insufferable agonies from Asthma, but your New Discovery gave me immediate relief and soon thereafter effected a complete cure." Similar cures of Consumption, Pneumonia, Bronchitis and Grip are numerous. It's the peerless remedy for all throat and lung troubles. Price 50c. and \$1.00. Guaranteed by Hood Bros., Druggists. Trial bottles free.

STATE NEWS.

The dispensary which was recently voted in at Oxford has begun business.

Mr. N. C. Shuford, of Newton, reports a Plymouth Rock hen which began to lay November 15th, and up to the present time has laid 101 eggs and shows no signs of stopping.

The Governor has called a special term of Rockingham Superior Court for the trial of the negro boy, Broadnax, who killed Mr. Blair in Rockingham county last Thursday evening.

A hospital to cost over \$100,000, with capacity for treating 100 patients, is to be erected in Greensboro by the Catholic Sisters of Charity. The site for the building has been selected.

The 14-months-old child of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Whitley, who live near Greensboro, while playing in the yard at his home Tuesday, fell head first into a tub in which there was six inches of water and was drowned.

Rev. Dr. John W. Staggs, pastor of the Second Presbyterian church of Charlotte, has accepted a call to the pastorate of the First Presbyterian church of Birmingham, Ala., and will leave for his new work the latter part of April.

The rain and windstorm Sunday caused an overflow of the Neuse and Trent rivers at New Berne. Some streets and residences were flooded. The storm, it is said, will do very great damage to the truck crops in that vicinity.

Henry Newman, aged 40 years, a well known traveling man of Wilmington, was found dead in bed in his room at his boarding house in that city Sunday morning. He had not been well but his condition was not considered serious.

A dispatch from High Point says an Ohio man will locate a saddle factory there and he assigns as a reason for leaving Ohio that he does not want his children located in the same school room with negroes, as is the case in his town and other towns in that State.

The Governor has appointed the following to compose the North Carolina Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners, as provided under an act of the recent Legislature: B. L. Griffin, Concord; Tait Butler, Raleigh; W. C. McMackin, Raleigh; Thomas B. Carroll, Wilmington; J. W. Petty, Greensboro.

The postoffice at Flat Rock, in Henderson county, was burglarized at an early hour Thursday morning and over \$700 in stamps and cash secured. Not only was the safe completely demolished, but a large hole was blown through the store building in which the postoffice was located. No clue to the robbery has been obtained.

W. A. Cooper and L. Bowland, two farmers who had been to Durham to sell tobacco, were killed at a railroad crossing seven miles west of Durham Thursday. The train ran into their wagon while they were crossing the track. Cooper was 47 years old and a wife and daughter survives. Bowland, his nephew, was 21 years old.

It is said that unless Morganton votes either for license for a dispensary in May, Burke county will be dry after July 1st. It is claimed that various special acts will prevent both the manufacture and sale of spirituous liquors anywhere in the county, though there are three other incorporated towns besides Morganton.

A bicycle trust has been formed with a capitalization of \$3,500,000.

The new soft-coal wage scale went into effect Wednesday, all getting an increase of 10 to 20 per cent., 300,000 men being affected.

Congressman Robert W. Davis, of Palatka, has announced his candidacy for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination in Florida.

COST OF STRIKE INQUIRY.

Expenses About \$12,000 Less Than the Appropriation.

Washington, March 29.—It is probable that the expenses of the late Anthracite Coal Strike Commission will not equal the \$50,000 appropriated by Congress by \$12,000.

Assistant Recorder Mosley is preparing a statement which will show that the commission cost about \$38,000. Of this sum a large part is for salaries, three of the seven commissioners drawing \$4,000 each besides their per diem of \$15. The other four members and the two assistant recorders drew \$15 per day each. Two stenographers received \$6 each per day, the total per diem for members and employes amounting to about \$18,000. While the stenographers received only \$6 each per day, they were privileged to furnish copies of testimony to outsiders, which service, it is said, netted them about \$20,000.

Pritchard Gets the Judgeship.

So ex-Senator Pritchard will go upon the bench of the supreme court of the District of Columbia. The information was given out at the White House Friday that he had been appointed an associate justice of that court, the appointment to go into effect on April 30th, on which day Chief Justice Bingham's resignation takes effect. Associate Justice Clabaugh will succeed him as chief justice and Mr. Pritchard will be appointed to fill that vacancy. The office is for life and the salary is six thousand dollars.

Mr. Pritchard could have secured the chief justiceship, but he preferred to give way to Justice Clabaugh and so notified the president through a friend as soon as he heard that the chief justice had tendered his resignation. This was an exceedingly graceful act on Mr. Pritchard's part and is worthy of commendation from democrats as well as his own party friends. There was not the least opposition to his appointment. He, in fact, was endorsed by the entire bar of the District of Columbia.

As this appointment had to go to a republican we are glad that one from our state was chosen.

This, of course, will cause the surrender of party leadership in the state by Mr. Pritchard. He will resign as state chairman. There is much discussion among republicans as to who his successor will be. The state committee will meet in Greensboro early in April, when the senator will resign. Under President Roosevelt's declared policy Duncan and Holton are out of the race, unless the former should make an exception in the case of one or the other of them for the purpose of clinching his hold on the North Carolina delegation, secured by the ousting of Postmaster Vick and the appointment of Senator Pritchard. There are a number of men spoken of for the place, but as yet all is speculation. Whoever gets the place, we are glad that Senator Pritchard has been eliminated from North Carolina politics, for he is the strongest man in the party in this state.

Robbed The Grave.

A startling incident is narrated by John Oliver of Philadelphia, as follows: "I was in an awful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite, growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Then I was advised to use Electric Bitters; to my great joy, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and am now a well man. I know they robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cents, guaranteed, at Hood Bros., drug store.

Ex-Senator Corbett, of Oregon, died at his home in Portland Tuesday.

LEACHBURG.

There is but little or no sickness in this section now.

Mr. W. D. Tomlinson, of Preston, was in our midst one night last week.

Miss Annie Stancil who taught school at Red Hill the past winter, returned to her home at Selma last week.

Miss Lucy Stancil, a beautiful and highly accomplished young lady of Clayton, spent a part of last week in Leachburg.

Last Saturday while returning from Clayton on a load of guano, Mr. Frank Wood fell from the wagon and was caught under the wheel breaking one of his jaw bones. We hope that his injuries are not serious.

On Wednesday night of last week, a number of the young people were invited to the hospitable home of Mr. Thad Stevens, to attend a confectionery party. All seemed to enjoy themselves to the highest degree until about 9 o'clock when they were invited to the dining room where they found a table heavily loaded with confectioneries. After partaking of as much of the good things as each one desired they returned to the parlor where they enjoyed some nice music furnished by the Barber string band.

SOL.

HEFLIN DOTS.

Mr. Marion Hocutt has bought a fine mule.

Mrs. Ella Hinton spent Sunday with her mother.

Mr. Daniel Hopkins is pleased with his young mule.

Some few people of this section planted corn last week.

Mrs. J. B. Smith, who has been quite sick, is improving.

Mr. W. B. Hinton visited friends in this community last week.

Mr. T. C. Davis and family visited Mr. J. L. Davis last week.

Mr. W. B. Hinton has the nicest tobacco plants in this section.

Mr. C. D. Strickland was in our section Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. T. F. Bailey is going to plant a tobacco crop this year.

Mr. J. L. Davis killed seven birds at one shot one day last week.

Mrs. Fannie Todd spent Friday with her daughter, Mrs. Bettie Hopkins.

Mr. R. P. Parker made a trip to Wilson last week on his new top buggy.

Mr. Charlie Hopkins, son of Mr. Daniel Hopkins, is going to be married soon.

D. D.

SANDERS CHAPEL.

Miss Cornelia Sanders, of Upper Johnston, is spending a few days with Miss Lillian Holt.

Miss Lillian Holt entertained her friends Friday night with a birthday party. Games and music and dainty refreshments kept them until the "wee small hours."

The recent overflow in Neuse river swept away miles of fence and now we have free range indeed. We are wading mud, counting old poor cows and hogs and sheep and goats that were light enough to float. The damage to the oat crop is great.

Miss Maude Powell is visiting in sweet Sampson where the huckleberry growth and the sand doodle flourisheth. She expects to strike the streak of strawberries about Faison and Mount Olive and help pull, pick and pack, smile, grin and smack, until after "Easter" or Edie says come home thou cluster roses.

X.

Makes A Clean Sweep.

There's nothing like doing a thing thoroughly. Of all the Salves you ever heard of, Bucklen's Arnica Salve is the best. It sweeps away and cures Burns, Sores, Bruises, Cuts, Boils, Ulcers, Skin Eruptions and Piles. It's only 25c. and guaranteed to give satisfaction by Hood Bros., Druggists.

A Good Man Gone.

The name of E. G. Conyers is a familiar one to many of the readers of THE HERALD, and it will grieve them to know of the death of this good man which occurred on February 21, 1903, at his home near Wendell, Wake County, N. C. He was born in Franklin County and was a little more than sixty years old when he died.

He lived a noiseless, but by no means a fruitless, life. He loved his country and served her alike faithfully in war and peace. He loved humanity and passed most of his years in the school room, where he helped many an ignorant and indigent one into the light of knowledge. While these will doubtless revere his memory, to many perhaps only eternity will reveal their indebtedness. He loved God and was loyal to his cause. Having served his generation by the will of God he fell on sleep.

A sore bereavement is this death to the sorrowing wife and children, albeit a priceless legacy is theirs in the unsullied name that their loved one has left behind. Be theirs the comfort also that God alone can bestow.

W. B. ROYALL.

A School Close.

On Wednesday, March 25th the school at Red Hill, taught by Miss Annie Stancil, came to a close. The patrons of the school and many people from far and near were present to hear the closing exercises which consisted of recitations, declamations, dialogues and tableaux scenes, which were much enjoyed by all present. Music was furnished by Messrs. B. T. and Percy Barber, to whom we extend many thanks.

The school has been a success from beginning to end. The committee feel glad that they were able to secure the services of such an excellent teacher. After the exercises were over the teacher announced that the most punctual pupil and prize winner was Pauline Weeks, who has not missed a day during the session. Others who deserve credit for punctuality are Vera Weeks, Ethel Talton and Mazelle Coats, who have only missed one day each. Those who have received no imperfect marks are Lula Coats, Kittie Wood, Ethel Talton and Ruth Wood.

We wish for the teacher much success during her future life.

A REPORTER.

Buffalo School Close.

Last Wednesday afternoon long before dark the crowd began to gather which filled the Buffalo school house—the occasion being the closing exercises of the school taught by Miss Annie Hood. Never before in the community had there been better exercises or a more appreciative audience. The long programme which was interspersed with good music rendered by home talent never grew tiresome but kept the audience deeply interested from beginning to end. Especially fine were the two drills and when little David Brannan told us 'How He Hunted a Mouse', the house just roared.

Archie Hinnant received the prize for not having missed a word in spelling during the session, which was presented by Mr. Jesse Hood. Every sweet has its bitter, and when it became known that Miss Anne had made other arrangements and would not come back next year the whole community was saddened.

This is the third year she has taught for us and she has found the way into the hearts of a great many, especially some of the young folks.

May her future journey through life be crowned with the success she so richly deserves.

Uno.

Archer, N. C., March 23, 1903.

Justice Thomas Murphy, in a report on the Burdick inquest at Buffalo, fails to fix definitely the responsibility for the murder, but states that there is enough evidence to arrest Arthur R. Pennell if he were alive.