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State News

Some Events of the Week in Tarheeldom.

Short Items of Interest Clipped and Culled From Our State Papers.

Granville county had a terrific hail storm Sunday night.

Asheville is to have a new hotel with 200 rooms and to cost \$150,000.

The Secretary State reports that 607 new corporations were chartered during the past year.

The annual session of the Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows of North Carolina was held in Goldsboro this week.

Dr. W. L. Poteat, President of Wake Forest College, will deliver the literary address at Buies Creek commencement May 17th.

The Democratic executive committee of this district has called the judicial convention to meet in Lillington Tuesday, June 12th, to nominate a candidate for solicitor.

Last Saturday 226 cars of strawberries were shipped from the berry section of Eastern North Carolina. The total number of cars for the week was 1,168.

A charter has been granted the Moore county Agricultural and Development Company, of Aberdeen, capital stock \$50,000; Henry A. Page and others stockholders.

The degree of M. D. will be conferred on eleven young men at Chapel Hill tonight. They are graduates of the University of North Carolina Medical Department at Raleigh.

Mr. H. L. Godwin, of Dunn, Senator from this district in the Legislature of 1903, has announced that he is a candidate for Congress in the sixth district. He was a Presidential elector in 1904.

J. H. Wright, an old Confederate soldier of Cleveland county, who is 63 years of age and has never drawn a pension, says that during the past year he has trapped 922 muskrats, 98 minks, 75 possums and 4 otters.

Early Saturday morning Hiram Higgins, aged 73, shot and killed his son Silas, aged 50, at Wilkesboro. The tragedy was brought on by some family differences, as both had been bound over to the next term of court, charged with an affray.

In a dispute over a barrel of blockade liquor in Orange county, Friday afternoon, Andrew Pool, aged 42, shot and killed John Laws, aged 35, and Laws after receiving the mortal wound shot Pool through the head, killing him almost instantly. The two men were neighbors and had been friends in the past.

W. A. Gautier, who had just completed a three years term in the Atlanta penitentiary, was tried in the Superior court at Clinton last week for the murder of B. G. E. Daughtery, an officer, while assisting a U. S. Marshal in an arrest for the first offense, found guilty and sentenced to 15 years in the pen.

It is definitely announced that W. C. Newland, of Lenoir, will be in the race for the Democratic nomination for Congress in the Eighth district. His avowed competitors include R. N. Hackett, Charles H. Armfield, and T. C. Bowie, who are well known Democrats. It is conceded that Spencer Blackburn will be the Republican nominee.

Deaths From Appendicitis

decrease in the same ratio that the use of Dr. King's New Life Pills increases. They save you from danger and bring quick and painless release from constipation and the ills growing out of it. Strength and vigor always follow their use. Guaranteed by Hood Bros., druggists. 25c. Try them.

FAILED TO MAKE OUT CASE.

Trial Before Squire Sasser and no Evidence of Consequence Brought Out.

For many years Nathan E. Lee of Ingrams township, has been the leading blockader of Johnston county. He has run distilleries and blind tigers in different places, but his headquarters has been on Hannah's Creek. The place called "Pole Shanty" has been a great distributing point. His course has emboldened many others at different times to blockade in Ingrams, Meadow, Bentonsville and perhaps other townships.

For some time there has been more blockading between Benson and Neuse river, going by way of the town of Bentonsville, than in all the rest of the county. Men have been going along in defiance of the law and in many cases without being very careful to keep their tracks covered. Perhaps Mr. Lee has been responsible more than any other man for this state of affairs. Solomon's saying, "One sinner destroyeth much good," has been abundantly fulfilled in his case.

Some time ago L. R. Raynor was before the mayor of Benson for drunkenness and disorderly conduct. When asked where he got his liquor he said he bought it of Nathan E. Lee. He mentioned two purchases of a half gallon each that he had made and said he paid seventy-five cents each time. He made affidavit to these facts. Besides him there were others who said they had bought from him and still others were reported to have bought from him.

With the affidavit from Mr. Raynor and the names of several men as witnesses a case was prepared. It was presented to Mr. J. M. Beatty and he was asked in behalf of the temperance people of the county to swear out a warrant for Mr. Lee, which he did. Mr. Z. L. LeMay issued the warrant.

Saturday, May 5th, was the day set for the trial. Messrs. Ed. S. Abell and James A. Wellons represented Mr. Lee and Messrs. F. H. Brooks and W. W. Cole the prosecution. It seems that some of the witnesses had been warned and threatened. It seemed also that some persons connected with the trial had been corn juiced. A demand was made that the case be moved to some other magistrate and Mr. LeMay, disregarding the wishes of the temperance people who wanted Mr. E. J. Holt to try the case if there was a removal to another magistrate, sent for Mr. Alf B. Sasser and turned the case over to him. When this was done the temperance people knew what to expect, as they remembered Mr. Sasser's action as registrar last year when he arranged for and allowed Jim Smith, a negro to vote, contrary to the laws of North Carolina which he had sworn to support both as a citizen and as magistrate. The trial was more of a wrangle between lawyers than anything else. Messrs. Abell and Wellons told Mr. Sasser not to let the affidavit of Mr. Raynor on which the case was started be admitted as evidence and he ruled it out. They objected to almost every question asked Mr. Raynor and finally Mr. Sasser refused to let Messrs. Brooks and Cole finish the examination.

When Mr. Raynor was sworn he told Squire Sasser quite a different tale from what he swore in the affidavit before Mayor J. M. Britt. When the attorneys for the prosecution introduced the affidavit and Mr. Raynor acknowledged the signature to it as being his, Messrs. Abell and Wellons objected to the introduction of the affidavit, saying that Raynor was drunk and threatened with being jailed if he did not make the affidavit and it was therefore incompetent. So Squire Sasser would not permit Mr. Raynor to be examined touching the affidavit. The prosecution then introduced

Mayor J. M. Britt for the purpose of showing that Mr. Raynor was not drunk nor threatened, but Squire Sasser, upon motion of counsel for the defendant, would not permit him to be examined. The rulings of the court practically put the prosecution out of business.

Mr. Cole showed his disgust at the way the trial was being conducted by leaving the courtroom after delivering a few cutting and appropriate remarks.

Messrs. Abell and Wellons told Mr. Sasser to tax Mr. J. M. Beatty with the cost of the trial and he agreed to do it. Mr. Brooks said he would appeal to the court on account of the cost, and then they told Mr. Sasser they did not care about the cost and so he relieved Mr. Beatty of it rather than have the whole case go to court as neither he nor Messrs. Abell and Wellons seemed to want the case to go to court. Nathan E. Lee was turned loose so far as this case was concerned.

Next Mr. Z. L. LeMay took his place again and asked Mr. Sasser to serve with him in the examination of certain witnesses who were supposed to know something about other cases of violations of the law by Mr. Lee. The temperance people expected to give these witnesses a thorough and searching examination but Mr. LeMay would not allow it. He ruled that no person be allowed to ask them any questions except himself and his examination was very short and very disappointing to the temperance people.

The temperance people must enforce the law even if they fail now and then as was the case here last Saturday.

FROM OVER THE SEA.

Mr. W. T. Lane Writes of His Trip Across the Atlantic to Bremen.

EDITOR HERALD:—I promised to write as soon as I crossed the little pond. Well, we had a fine trip. The steamer tried to stand on her fore legs and then on her hind legs. It somewhat reminded me of some of those ponies Hunter Ellington sells in Smithfield. Sometimes it would try to roll a fellow off, yet I did not get sick the least bit. I ate my feed three times every day for 14 days and I have just eaten one of the finest sirloin steaks you ever want to try.

We arrived in Bremen harbor at 2 p. m. and had to wait there one hour for the custom house officers. You would be amused to see them go through a trunk and especially a lady's trunk. We then took the train for Bremen, 42 miles and it took us until 6 p. m. to get through. It is a very low country this far, though you can see every inch of it is put to some use. I saw on the way this afternoon two oxen hooked to a mowing machine. I thought of North Carolina working oxen. The fields are green here now with grain and they are plowing and gardening. The trees are putting out and blooming. This is a fine country but you would laugh to see their trains, yet they are quite comfortable. I will take in this city tomorrow and then go to Magdeburg.

I am so very sorry to hear of the fate of San Francisco.

Well, I will have to ask you to excuse me for this time for I want to listen to the grand music I hear. I would like so much to see a SMITHFIELD HERALD.

Truly yours,
W. T. LANE.
Bremen, Germany, April 25.

Town Officers.

The Board of Town Aldermen has elected the following officers for another year:
Mayor—E. J. Holt.
Clerk—J. H. Woodall.
Treasurer—T. R. Hood.
Tax Collector—C. L. Eason.
Chief Police—J. T. Barham.

The pace that kills wouldn't be so bad if it killed only the pace-maker.

General News

Happenings of the Week Tersely Told.

Items of Interest From Far and Near Served in Short Courses.

The Canadian Parliament has given \$100,000 for the relief of San Francisco. President Roosevelt refused the gift. It was then offered to the city which accepted.

The Berkshire Cotton Mills at Adams, Mass., have given notice of a ten per cent. increase in wages of operatives on May 14. There are 3,000 operatives in these four mills.

Ten killed and twenty injured, tells the gruesome story of a head-on collision in Pennsylvania last Friday night. Train orders misunderstood. Ten lives snuffed out because somebody failed to do his duty.

Rev. J. C. Berryman, a Methodist preacher aged 97, died at Caledonia, Missouri, Tuesday. He was the only surviving member of the General Conference of 1844, when the split between the Northern and Southern Methodists came.

The Panama Canal Company had 27,000 employes on its payroll during the month of April. Five thousand of these were paid in gold and 22,000 in silver. The number of men at work exceeds by 9,000 the greatest number the French Company ever had in its employ.

William Cox and his son-in-law, William Carney, both coal miners of Smithfield, Ohio, quarreled last week over the possession of two cats. As Carney was leaving the yard Cox seized a shotgun and shot him dead. He then turned it on himself and fired the second load into his breast, dying almost instantly.

Talton-Lites.

On Wednesday evening, May 2nd, at 7:30 o'clock Hepzibah church, Wake county, was taxed to its fullest capacity by those who had gathered to witness the marriage of Mr. Arthur R. Talton and Miss Oma Thomas Liles, both of Eagle Rock. The prelude to the ceremony was the rendering of the very appropriate song, "Because" which was sung with the tenderest feeling by Mrs. Ed. Lee, of Raleigh. Miss Lola Liles, sister of the bride, artfully performed at the organ and sounded Mendelssohn's lovely wedding march. The bride, who was attired in a beautiful whitesilk and carried bride's roses, was ushered in on her father's arm, while the groom approached the altar by the opposite aisle, accompanied by his best man, Mr. A. R. Duncan, of Clayton. The bride accepted the arm of the groom just beneath a rustic arch of evergreens, and it was here beneath the evergreen arch—they stood while the pastor of the church, Rev. A. A. Pippin, with impressive words spoke the language which made the son of Mr. R. E. Talton and the daughter of Mr. W. A. Liles, husband and wife.

Just after the ceremony the benedict and his bride followed by the ushers, waiters, relatives and friends left for his fathers home where a most sumptuous supper was served.

The array of the many elegant presents was productive of much comment by all those who saw them, and plainly it was seen that they were popular among many.

Now we come to the place and time to congratulate the young man. In simple words we do so, by saying that, since he was the accepted one, he should be glad over his success and let the knowledge of victory suffice for all congratulations.

We wish for them a life of love, prosperity and happiness.
Reporter.

WILSON'S MILLS SCHOOL CLOSED.

The Example of Wilson's Mills Has Helped Local Tax In Other Places.

Wilson's Mills, N. C., May 9.—This quiet little village, the centre of a splendid agricultural section, has the best school property of any village of its size in Eastern North Carolina. When the war closed Mr. John A. Wilson, of Warren county, who had made a fortune before the war, came to this place, which then had splendid pine forests about it. He put up a saw mill and for years conducted a large milling establishment. He was the best type of the sort of men who laid deep and broad the foundations upon which this generation of North Carolinians is building a prosperous and rich State. Mr. Wilson's sons succeeded him in his business here and they are among the State's most useful citizens. Their cash and blind factory sends its product all over the State.

The people of this community have the correct idea about the education of their children. A few years ago they voted a local tax by a majority of one vote. Some good men opposed it. But the school has been so successful that nobody would go back to little old schools with one teacher. The school committee here, composed of Messrs. W. G. Wilson, L. F. Uzzle and N. R. Mitchener, have built a modern school building that, with the furniture and lot, cost \$3,250. The school tax is thirty cents, and, with the regular fund, enables the committee to employ three teachers and give the children of this district as good a public school as you will find in the State. The principal of the school this year is Mr. H. M. Lilly, a graduate of the A. & M. College, who does credit to that institution. He is assisted by Mr. W. C. Wilson, a capable teacher, and by Miss Bessie Poe Law, a brilliant graduate of St. Mary's School. The enrollment of the year was 105.

There was a full house today to hear the annual address by Mr. Josephus Daniels, editor of The News and Observer. He was introduced by Mr. D. O. Uzzle. He spoke nearly an hour and at the conclusion of his speech Prof. J. Y. Joyner and County Superintendent Turlington and W. G. Wilson, chairman of the school committee, made brief addresses. The community is proud of its school and has a right to the pride it feels.—News and Observer.

CLAYTON HIGH SCHOOL.

Commencement Sermon Next Sunday by Dr. Dunaway.

The following is the programme for the commencement exercises of Clayton High School:

Programme—Sunday, May 13, 10:30 a. m.—Commencement Sermon, Dr. A. B. Dunaway.

Wednesday, May 16, 1:15 p. m.—Graduating exercises and address to graduates, by Hon. E. W. Pou, member of Congress from the Fourth District.

Thursday, May 17, 3:30 p. m.—Entertainment by primary and intermediate departments.

8:15 p. m.—Drama by High School department.

Friday, May 18—Recital by department of Music and Elocution.

Graduates of High School Department—Miss Lucy Poole, Miss Mina Blanchard, Miss Daphne Williams, Oscar Eason, Milford Hinnant.

Graduates of Business Department—Miss Lillie Barnes, Miss Lela Cole, O. P. Creech, T. T. Wellons.

Marshals—J. W. Stephenson, Chief; R. F. Coats, Done Spence, Floyd Gower, L. T. Rose.

For Pou and Simmons.

Pittsboro, N. C., May 9.—The convention held here yesterday endorsed E. W. Pou for Congress, Hon. F. M. Simmons for the Senate and R. H. Hays for Solicitor in this, the Eighth Judicial District.

ELDER L. H. HARDY ON LIQUOR.

A Leading Primitive Baptist Preacher Shows Some of the Evils of The Drink Habit.

"Brother Hardy, do you think that one's love for Christ is very strong when he will quit it for mean whiskey? Write us a piece on this subject, if you feel so inclined."

The above is the request of one of our very worthy deacons of one of our Eastern churches, and I feel inclined to write and give an emphatic NO in answer.

I do wish from my very heart that every Primitive Baptist in this world was a total abstainer from alcoholic drinks. I do not see any excuse for one to get drunk. I think of other things for which one would be excluded from the church without any ceremony which are much more tempting and which are greater snares to man or woman than alcoholic spirits, but if one comes up and makes an excuse for drunkenness he is readily forgiven.

There may be among us today members who give more money annually to replenish their whiskey jugs than they do to defray the expenses of their churches and for the support of their pastors, and yet these things are treated lightly.

I know of a case that I am satisfied is this way, and in that very church one of the deacons asked me, "Brother Hardy, what is the matter with us? We are the dearest church I ever saw?"

Can it be expected to be otherwise when the members give themselves over to whiskey (and it may be blockaded) finch cards, the draft board? etc.

What right have we to defile the temple of the living God? "It is written that my house shall be a house of prayer but ye have made it a den of thieves." Is not this body the temple of God? And yet when we speak or write about these things we hear the cry, "You want to take away our privilege." Is it the privilege of one professing the name of Christ to get drunk? But one says, "I can drink it or let it alone, and am not going to get drunk, for I know what to do with it." I don't suppose that there is one drunkard in a hundred who had any idea of being a drunkard when he began, but many of our strongest minded men, and some of them very worthy members of the Primitive Baptist church have fallen victims to that fatal snare, Drunkenness.

I do believe that we bear with this thing too much and too long. It is a reproach on the sacred cause of Jesus Christ for one of the members of the church to be guilty of this awful curse on any people. A man who is drunk is not fit for anything that is good, and if the service in the house of the Lord, or the example that one who has a name there is not a good work we had best to abandon housekeeping altogether.

Just think of a deacon or other member of the church who has been guilty of drinking with the drunken, and it may be, has been drunk himself, sitting in the judgment of a church conference and giving his word and vote in a case of discipline against another brother who is far less guilty than himself.

Does not your heart sicken? Good Lord deliver us from the judgment of such guilty sinners.

I give it as my honest judgment that when one shows to the church by barroom visiting, by drinking with the drunken, by drunkenness or any such things that he loves these corrupt things better than he does the church, he should be excluded from the church at the very first meeting.—L. H. Hardy, in Zion's Landmark.

Judge Thos. A. McNeill, judge of the seventh judicial district, has announced that he will not be a candidate for re-election. Solicitor C. C. Lyon will be a candidate to succeed Judge McNeill.