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## STATE NEWS NOTES.

### Short Items of Interest Clipped and Culled From the Daily and Weekly Papers.

The next meeting of the State Press Association is to be held in the Selwyn Hotel, Charlotte, April 22-23.

It is announced that State Senator B. F. Aycock, of Wayne, will be a candidate for the Corporation Commission at the next election.

Harriet Prince, colored, aged 70 years, was burned to death at her home in Durham Friday, her clothing having caught fire while she was ironing.

Hugh Lee Sutton, a young man living at Vaughn, Warren county, committed suicide last week by shooting himself through the heart. It is stated that he was a dope fiend.

The graded school building at Pilot Mountain was burned early Tuesday morning. Loss about \$3,000, with \$900 insurance. Fire supposed to have originated in a flue.

Senator Overman has introduced a bill appropriating \$75,000 for a public building at Concord. A site has already been purchased by the government for the building.

The main building at Liberty Institute, near Lexington, conducted by the Liberty and Piedmont Baptist Association, was destroyed by fire Wednesday morning, the loss being about \$4,000.

Mr. J. H. Myrover died of heart failure at his home in Fayetteville last week, aged 56 years. He was a regular correspondent and contributor to the leading papers of the state and was widely known as such.

Gen. W. P. Roberts, of Gates county, is a candidate for the office of Secretary of State to succeed J. Bryan Grimes, who is closing his second four-year term. Col. Grimes is in the race for re-nomination, but Gen. Roberts is contending that there is an established Democratic principle against third terms.

At Lawndale, Cleveland county, Friday, two boys, Alfred Gantt and Amos Buff, employees of the Cleveland Cotton Mills, engaged in a fight. Young Gantt, who is but 14 years old, stabbed his companion to death with a knife. The boy is in jail but an effort will be made to have him released under a writ of habeas corpus.

The first North Carolina bill to pass the national Congress this session was one providing for a Federal Court at Salisbury. Bills have been introduced asking for public buildings at Monroe, Henderson, Wilson, Rocky Mount, Greenville, and Tarboro. A bill to establish a fish culture in North Carolina has been reported favorably.

The Davidson College Progress says that while digging a grave in the cemetery at Coddle Creek church on January 11th, Mr. Gibson Smith contracted blood poison in a sore on his hand, by dipping out of the new grave, water that ran in from an old grave nearby. The poison spread rapidly and although medical aid was summoned the poison was not stopped and Mr. Smith died last Friday.

Near Advance, Davie county, last Sunday evening, Charles Hege, aged 20, was accidentally shot by his sweetheart, Miss Annie Livengood. The girl was handling her lover's pistol and, not knowing it was loaded, pointed it at Hege, pulling the trigger the ball entering his left eye and coming out above the temple. Physicians say he will recover, but the sight of the eye is destroyed.

The better way—mother's are learning to use Vick's Croup and Pneumonia Salve for Colds, Croup, Bronchitis, etc. Don't dose the child. Sold by Hood Bros

## Black Brute Attempts To Assault White Girl.

Wilson, N. C., Jan. 29.—A gentleman from Kenly this morning informs this reporter that a most brutal attempt was made to assault the young daughter of Mr. J. Q. Boyette in that thriving town yesterday afternoon.

Young Miss Boyette had left her home about four o'clock for the purpose of visiting a friend just on the outskirts of the town. When nearing a branch a big burly brute jumped from behind a tree, and said to her: "Come to me; if you don't I'll kill you." To say that the young girl was frightened but half expresses her feelings. Notwithstanding the threat to kill her, she gave a piercing scream, when the black devil made a retreat, going up the side of the branch. Soon the entire neighborhood was alarmed and quickly the woods were full of men and boys looking for the wretch.

Hounds were sent for from Tarboro. Last night they arrived and were on the scent of what every one was in hopes of being the scoundrel they so earnestly wanted to catch. The trail was taken in the direction the negro went. Soon a negro was taken and carried back to town. On close investigation it was soon ascertained that he was not the one wanted. The party then went back for a second hunt but failed to catch the man. They called at a house some distance from where the attempt was made and found that a strange negro had been there and asked for something to eat and some matches. This fellow wore light pants, dark coat and a derby hat.—News & Observer.

## A Summary of Secretary Wilson's Report For 1907.

Corn:—Corn still leads in value being 2,553,732,000 bushels and worth \$1,350,000,000. The crop is less than that of 1906, but the value is slightly greater.

Cotton:—Cotton comes second this year in value being worth \$675,000,000. The export value was \$482,000,000 and represents 29 per cent. of our total exports.

Wheat:—Comes third, the crop was 5 per cent. less than for 1906 but its value, is also greater, being \$500,000,000.

Oats:—The oat crop was 741,521,000 bushels and worth \$360,000,000, 25 per cent. above the average.

Animals Slaughtered:—Were worth \$1,270,000,000, or double our cotton crop.

Dairy Products:—Were worth \$800,000,000.

Poultry and Eggs:—Were worth \$600,000,000.

Tobacco:—Declined to 645,213,000, or 11 per cent. but its value is 6 per cent. greater.

Exports:—Our exports exceeded our imports by \$444,000,000.

It is rather singular that there was a slight falling off in each crop. There was not failure in any section; but a decline in the yield all over the United States from 5 to 10 per cent.—The Southern Cultivator.

## Legislature Passes Prohibition Bill.

The Legislature has been busy for the past week on the Railroad Rate Bill and the Prohibition Bill. The Senate passed the prohibition last Friday almost exactly like it was first presented by the Anti-Saloon League. It fixes the time of election on the first Thursday in next August.

The House took up the Bill Monday and passed it Monday night with little change save that it fixed the date of election the last Thursday in April. The latest news we have from Raleigh is that both houses have not yet agreed on a date. Some think that if the election is to be held in the spring that it should be postponed till the last of May. While it is not yet fixed when the election will take place, it is quite certain that the great question of prohibition will be submitted to a vote of the people.

## SZECHENYI-VANDERBILT EVENT.

### Hungarian Count Weds Gladys Vanderbilt, the Rich American Heiress.

Miss Gladys Vanderbilt, daughter of Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt, was married to Count Laszlo Szechenyi, a young Hungarian nobleman in the Fifth Avenue home of Mrs. Vanderbilt at noon today. The wedding was probably the most brilliant that has taken place in this city for several years.

Although the number of guests was limited to about 350, mainly relatives and immediate friends of the two families, there were included Baron Hengelmuller von Hengervar, the Austrian Ambassador to the United States; James Bryce, the British Ambassador, and several of the prominent members of New York society.

Outside of the Vanderbilt home a great crowd of the curious public gathered, hoping for a glimpse of the Count and his bride and watching the arrival of the guests. There was no disorder for the streets surrounding the Vanderbilt home were patrolled by a force of nearly 100 policemen. Police lines were drawn across 57th and 58th streets between which two streets the house stands, and the uninvited public was not permitted on the Fifth Avenue sidewalk in front of the house. They gathered in large numbers in the square in front of the Plaza Hotel.

Beneath the arbor a temporary altar was erected and in front of this the ceremony was performed, by Monsignor Michael J. Lavelle, rector of Saint Patrick's cathedral.

The bride was escorted by her elder brother, Cornelius Vanderbilt, down an aisle bordered with palms, entwined with a great abundance of orchids to the altar. Count Szechenyi was attended by his brother, Count Dionis Szechenyi. The ceremony of giving the bride away was performed by Cornelius Vanderbilt.

The wedding chorus from Gault Cantata "Ruth," was sung by 30 boys of the St. Patrick's chancel choir, attired in surplices and red cassocks, accompanied by the organ and assisted by the cathedral's male quartette.

The bride wore a gown of ivory satin, with embroidery, point lace and garlands of orange blossoms. Her veil was of point lace caught with sprays of orange blossoms. She carried a shower bouquet of orchids and gardenias.

The bride is worth \$12,000,000 or \$15,000,000, while the Count is said to have fine town and country estates, and an income of \$60,000 a year.

"Say-shen-yee" with the accent on the first syllable, is the correct pronunciation of the family name of Count Szechenyi.

The names and titles of the Count are:

Count Laszlo Jenő Maria Henrik Simon Szechenyi, Royal and Imperial Chamberlain, Hereditary Member of the Hungarian House of Magnates, Lieutenant of Reserves in the Ninth Hussars, Count Nadassdy.

He is the son of the late Count Emerich Szechenyi, of Sarvari-Felső-Vivék, Imperial and Royal Chamberlain, Royal Hungarian Cupbearer, Real Privy Councilor, Knight of the Order of the Golden Fleece, Grand Cross of the Order of St. Stephen, Grand Cross of the Order of St. Leopold, etc., some time Ambassador at the Imperial German Court, and Countess Emerich Szechenyi, nee Alexandra, Countess Szizaray-Szirmay, Imperial and Royal Dame of the Palace, Dame of the Star and Cross order.

## A Higher Health Level.

"I have reached a higher health level since I began using Dr. King's New Life Pills," writes Jacob Springer, of West Franklin, Maine. "They keep my stomach, liver and bowels working just right." If these pills disappoint you on trial, money will be refunded at Hood Bros. drug store 25c.

## General News.

Hoke Smith announces that he would not be a candidate for the United States Senate, but wanted a second term as Governor.

The Republican County Committee at a meeting Wednesday night at New York, unanimously adopted a resolution endorsing Governor Hughes for the Republican nomination for the Presidency. The resolution also endorses the administration of President Roosevelt.

That the affections of a charming young woman are worth \$20,000, was demonstrated Monday in Baltimore when Miss Margaret Stumpf, obtained a reward of that amount against Joseph H. Duvall, a clothing cutter, for alleged breach of promise of marriage. After a few minutes of deliberation a jury in the City Court rendered a judgment for the full amount asked for by Miss Stumpf.

The last official act of Gov. Vardaman, of Mississippi, before turning over the reins of government to his successor last week, was the issuing of 26 pardons. Eight of the beneficiaries were whites, while the other 18 were negroes. The majority of the charges were for murder or manslaughter and most of the prisoners had served several years of their sentences. Eleven of them were life-time men.

Senors Benito Legarda and Pablo Ocampo, recently elected by the first Philippine Assembly as resident commissioners to Washington, arrived. They called on Secretary of War Taft Monday and later were presented to the President. They went to the Capitol, where they presented their credentials entitling them to seats in the House. They were accompanied by Jose Valdez and Antonio Ecamilla, their private secretaries.

The New Amsterdam National Bank of New York, capitalized at \$1,000,000 was closed by the order of the Comptroller of the currency and National Bank Examiner, Charles A. Hanna, was placed in charge. The institution's liabilities are placed at \$4,492,016 of which \$2,065,272 49 are due depositors. The bank's officers assert that not only will every depositor be paid in full but the stockholders will receive a substantial dividend.

A \$100,000 fire occurred at Bennettsville, Marlboro county, S. C., Friday morning, wiping out the principal business section and many of the best residences. The town is practically without fire protection and it was impossible to check the flames. The fire started in the big Skye Hotel, where there were many narrow escapes from death. Col. J. J. Heckart, president of the Bennettsville and Cheraw railroad, saved his life by jumping from a window, sustaining a broken leg.

Under the will of Morris K. Jesup the Museum of Natural History of New York receives \$1,000,000, the largest individual bequest made to the institution since its foundation in 1871. Mr. Jesup was connected with the museum from the date of its formation, and from 1882 until his death he was its president and most active patron. Mr. Jesup also left \$100,000 to the Brick Presbyterian Church, of which he was a member for eight years.

A dispatch from Sweetwater, Tenn., says: A tornado swept over Pond Creek valley near Sweetwater late Saturday night killing James M. Cassidy and injuring five other persons. Cassidy's home, which was at Blue Springs, eight miles from Sweetwater, was demolished. His wife is among the injured. The home of Edward Everett at Pond Creek, four miles from Sweetwater was swept away. Three of his children and his wife were injured. Everett himself escaped unhurt. Damage was done also at Philadelphia, Tenn. Several homes in the path of the storm were damaged. The tornado moved in north easterly direction.

## Benson News.

Mr. Noah Creech, of the Pleasant Hill section, has moved his family to town.

Prof. J. P. Canaday, Superintendent of County Schools, was here last Sunday.

The meeting closed at the Baptist church Sunday night. It is believed much good was accomplished.

Mr. and Mrs. Clem Bryan, of near Clayton, are spending several days in town visiting Mrs. Bryan's father, Mr. J. D. Parrish.

Mr. J. H. Blick, the night operator here, has returned to his work after a month's absence at his home in Virginia.

We are informed that C. W. Anderson, who formally did business here, will move his family to Raleigh where he expects to do a brokerage business.

Mr. E. L. Hall, has gone to Lancaster, S. C., to appear as a witness against the post office robbers who blew open the safe in the Dunn office some weeks ago.

Miss Emily Canaday, of the Greensboro Normal, came by here Monday on her way to the bedside of her little sister who is very ill, with pneumonia at her aunt's, Mrs. Rufus Benson, near Elevation.

Among our school teachers who are teaching away from home, we note the following visited home folks last Saturday and Sunday: Misses Lettie Ryals, Laura, and Mary Canaday and Mr. M. D. Thomas.

Mr. Zeb Turlington, of Mooresville, an honored son of Johnston county, came down from Raleigh where he is attending the special session of the Legislature as Representative from Iredell, and spent Sunday pleasantly with relatives near here.

The "Emerson club" will give a debate on February 14, at the Academy. The subject for discussion is rather unique, each speaker choosing a character and presenting him as the greatest man since the 12th century. Among those chosen are Franklin, Lincoln, Columbus, Gutenberg, Charlemagne. The public is cordially invited.

Our citizens regret the fact that our popular efficient dentist, Dr. J. C. Johnson, has decided to locate in Durham for the practice of his profession. We wish the genial Doctor much success in his new home. We shall miss his kindly face and Christian spirit from our town. Dr. Johnson has built up a good practice here, and we predict success for him, in his new relations where he has a larger scope.

On last Tuesday, a gentleman visiting our town on business, said, as he looked out of a window and saw a herd of cattle, several goats and hogs, galore. "This looks as if it is where Noah's Ark rested, from what I see loose on the streets." A gentleman who overheard the remark, replied that there were more hogs raised in Benson to the square inch than anywhere in Johnston county. Why not shut up the hogs off the streets before "featime"?

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## Another Horrible Death.

Mr. N. R. Pike, of Beulah township, was here this week and brought us news of a horrible death which occurred about half a mile north of Micro late Saturday evening or night. Mr. Jacob Lamm, who lives at Bagley went to Micro Saturday and was around there for sometime. One of his acquaintances who had been to Pine Level dispensary for a jug of liquor stopped on his way home and treated him more than once. Mr. Lamm started for his home just before sunset walking and in a drunken condition. Sunday morning he was found dead beside the railroad track. It is supposed he sat down on the end of a cross tie and was struck by a through freight train. His head and arms and back were broken.

## Clayton News.

Dr. and Mrs. E. E. Broughton, of Raleigh, were here Sunday.

Dr. T. Arthur Griffin has returned from a visit to Baltimore.

Mrs. A. R. Duncan has been sick for several days. She is now very much better.

Mr. E. L. Oneil has made some very nice improvements on the interior of his store.

Miss Daphne Williams is at home slightly ill. We hope she may soon entirely recover.

Messrs. Clifford Gulley, Paul C. Duncan and Herman Raeford, of Princeton, spent Sunday here.

Messrs. J. L. Ellis, J. A. Vinson, R. A. Wall, Waldo Ferrell and Riley Gulley went to Raleigh Wednesday.

Rev. T. H. Thornton, pastor of the Baptist church has returned from Benson where he assisted in a very good meeting.

We regret to have to note the continued illness of Mrs. Morris Green. We all hope that she may soon be restored to health.

Mr. Maynard Hamilton went to Cary last Sunday and captured one of her most beautiful and prominent young ladies as his bride.

Miss Christine Gower is at home. For a few days she has been sick but thinks she will shortly be able to go back to school.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Finlator and little son returned to Durham to-day after a visit of a few days with Mrs. Finlator's mother.

Mrs. Joseph Milad has returned from Rex Hospital where she recently underwent an operation. Her many friends hope she will soon be thoroughly well.

Quarterly Conference for this district was held with the M. E. Church here last Saturday and Sunday. The Presiding Elder, Rev. Mr. John, preached Sunday.

Drs. Young and Hocutt have dissolved co-partnership by mutual consent. Dr. Hocutt will have an office in lower Clayton, near the Clayton Drug Co's store.

Messrs. J. B. Ferrell and M. B. Parrish have formed a co-partnership and will carry and up-to-date line of fancy groceries in connection with the fresh meat business already established by Mr. Parrish.

On next Monday night, February 3rd, the Clayton Lyceum Club will present "Sunshine Hawks" in the most interesting entertainment ever shown here. The prices will be in the reach of everybody and you may come prepared for a good time.

Mr. B. M. Robertson returned from Richmond Wednesday, where he bought another big supply of stock. Enroute from Richmond to Raleigh, he was taken suddenly ill but got medical attention at Raleigh; arriving home he was still very sick.

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## Oneals Notes.

Mr. Nero Godwin happened to a painful accident a few days ago. He got his left hand and arm sawed to pieces in Mr. J. W. Bailey's cotton gin. Drs. Freeman and Grady, of Kenly, were called in and found it necessary to amputate his arm about two inches below the elbow. When last heard from he was getting along nicely.

On Sunday, January 19, at 2 p. m., at the home of the bride in Oneals township, Mr. W. W. Godwin and Miss Lizzie Johnson, two of our popular young people were united in marriage, L. H. Boykin, J. P., officiating. After the impressive words were spoken that made them one they departed for their new home. May their pathway be strewn with roses and their troubles few.

L. H. B.