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CRUSADE AGAINST PELLAGRA.

Homeless. Territory Along San Juan River and Its Tributaries Has Been Rendered Desolate-Devastation Complete in Inland Towns.

IN MEXICO.

estimates of the damage by the flood which have developed in this vicinity at Monterey place the dead at 1,400 local physicians today began experiand the property loss at \$12,000,000. ments to locate the origin of the dis-The river has receded and the dan- ease. Six deaths from pellagra have ger is over.

stroyed, and 15,000 persons today are powerful negro, who has the disease homeless. The water mains are use- in a most aggravated form, revealed less and the place is consequently a distinct organism and specimens without a drinking supply; neither is were sent to Richmond and to Johns there light or street car service, as Hopkins University for more careful the power plant has been damaged. analysis.

train service for a week, and as a here are inclined to believe, some aniresult the city is threatened with a mal will be inoculated and a campaign famine. The slaughterhouses have against pellagra upon the germ theobeen destroyed. Ten thousand people ry will be waged. The theory that are fed on bread, coffee, and soup by the disease has its origin in corn the municipal authorities, and the practically has been abandoned by lo-American consul is giving food to cal medical men, but a fierce war all who apply.

The work of recovering bodies of corn is being conducted. the flood victims is still in progress. No official report of the number recovered has yet been issued, but it is known that in Monterey and adfacent towns more than 1,500 corpses Winona are on a tour in Virginia and had been found up to 3 o'clock to- | Maryland. day.

inhabitants were drowned by the score. The loss o' life at Santa Clarina, Garcia, Riconada, and Ojo Cal- Heights Wednesday morning. iente was especially heavy.

of territory which is rendered deso- position awaiting him. late by the flood. Thousands of

Ip-some places the river attained a the villages and rural districts.

electric light plant is estimated at gun just as soon as the old one is the rafters. It loosened the shingles The news of the achievement of \$2,000,000. The damage to the smel- out of the way. ters, iron and steel plants, and other

Slept in Fire on a Wagon.

all told will cover their losses.

Death Toll 1,400 and 15,000 Are Durham Physicians Have Determined To Locate Cause of The Fatal Disease-Corn Bread Theory Has Been Abandoned.

Durham, N. C., Aug. 31 .- Alarmed Mexico City, Aug. 30 .- Conservative by the number of cases of pellagra occurred in this section.

One quarter of the city was de- An examination of the blood of a

It will be impossible to resume If a germ is found, as physicians against the importation of Western

CLAYTON NEWS.

Mrs. John W. Massey and Miss

Mr. John S. Barnes left Wednes-The villages in the Santa Catarina day morning for New York and Balcanyon, above Monterey, were swept timore to buy fall and winter stocks away like so many straws, and the for Messrs. Ashley Horne & Son. Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Champion moved to their new home on Barbour Mr. Exum Hall left Saturday to

All along the San Juan River and join his brother, Mr. B. L. Hall, in its tributaries there is a broad scope Jackson, Ga., where he has a good

Mr. Roy Robertson, who has a acres of irrigated lands and prosper- splendid position with a drug conous towns were located in these val- cern in Greensboro, is spending sev- Lightning's Work Near Smithfield ficial on board the steamer Hans leys. Their devastation is complete, eral days as home.

width of twenty miles. Many daring replace the old wooden structure us- some lively work on one of the dwell- Knud Rasmussen, who is now at feats of rescue were preformed in ed by the Clayton Fruit Co. The old ing houses at Smithfield Cotton Mills. Cape York. store is being moved out into the It first struck the chimney and de- It is believed here that Dr. Cook The damagee to the electric street street until the new one can be molished about a foot of the top of was accompanied on his dash to the railway, waterworks system, and erected, work on which will be be- it then went down the chimney to Pole by only a few Eskimos.

industrial concerns is not as great as ably better this week than formerly. be recovered. New shingles have alfirst reported; probably \$1,000,000 Some very good averages have been ready been carried there for that purmade on both floors this week.

Greatest Production in History of South's Great Staple. So Secretary Hester Reports-Southern Mills Consumed 2,559,873 Bales.

YIELD WAS 13,825,457 BALES.

New Orleans ,Aug. 31.-Statistics showing that more cotton was handled during the commercial year ending tonight than ever before and that all records had been broken in the amount of cotton consumed by Southern mills, was the features of the annual crop statement of Secretary Hester of the New Orleans Cotton Exchange. The document forms the preliminary report of Secretary Hester's annual review of the commercial year.

The count of the commercial crop showed it to be the largest on record 13,825,457 bales. The previous largest commercial crop was 13,565,885. marketed in 1904-05. Last season's total was only 11.571.966.

The most important feature in the report next to the size of the crop Itself, was the statement on the amount of cotton consumed by Southern mills during the season which closed today. Here are the records which were again broken, the total being 2,559,873 bales. This point was regarded by the bulls as being even of more importance than the size of the crop itself. It was taken as official confirmation of the many stories of the great expansion of cotton manufacturing in the South. The figures compared with 2,193,000 last season, and 2,439,000 two seasons ago. In the point of port receipts another record was broken. Net receipts at all ports for the season were put at 10,062,845 bales, against only 8,579,-

ago.

from the sheeting over about half the the American explorer has created in-Tobacco prices have been consider- roof so that the place will have to tense excitement in Copenhagen. pose. It tore the weatherboarding The Ministers' and Laymen's con- from the front room at the south end

Longed-For Goal Reached by American. Made One-Man Dash. He Arrived at the Pole On April 21, 1908. Is Now on His Way Home.

COOK FINDS NORTH POLE.

lands:

Discovered land far North. Return occurred 18 months ago and there to Copenhagen by steamer Hans have been a total of nine cases, A Egede.

(Signed) "FREDERICK COOK." THE EXPEDITION.

Left New York, July 4, 1907. Left Etah, Greenland, March 3, 1908.

Last message dated Cape Hubbard, Ellesmere Land, March 17, 1908. Reached North Pole, April 21, 1908. by it.

Copenhagen, Sept. 1 .- Dr. F. A. Cook, the American explorer, reached the North Pole April 21, 1908, according to a telegram just received

at the Colonial Office here from Lerwick, Shetland Islands, Dr. Cook is on board the Danish

government steamer Hans Egede, which passed Lerwick at noon today, en route for Denmark. The telegram announcing Dr.

Cook's achievement was sent by a Greenland official on board the steamer, and reads as follows: "We have on board the American

traveler, Dr. Cook, who reached the North Pole April 21, 1908, Dr. Cook arrived at Upernavik (the northernmost Danish settlement in Greenland, on an island off the west coast) in May of 1909 from Cape York (in the northwest part of Greenland, on Baffin Bay). The Eskimos of Cape York confirm Dr. Cook's story of his

The Eskimos at Cape York, mentioned in the dispatch from the of-Egede, are said to be connected with

Red Spider's Bad Work.

Mr. J. F. Wellons who lives in ference met with the Clayton Baptist of the front porch while at the same Beulah township near Micro was here church Friday, Saturday and Sunday, time the ceiling of the same wall Tuesday and tells of the bad work Last week Mr. Dellie Smith, of August 27, 28, and 29th. There were was scattered in the front room of the red spiders on his farm. He Wilson's Mills township, had a thrill- about 100 visitors in attendance from where a bed post was split open by has thirteen acres in cotton and ing experience while bringing a load other churches throughout the associ- the lightning. In this same room a the spiders have gone nearly all ov- death of Mr. Howard Hinnant, son millions in property were destroyed. gun was thrown from some large er it. They started in July and of Mr. H. R. Hinnant, who formerly At once Galveston began to build The telephone exchange will soon nails where it was resting the bar- have been steadily at work. On a- lived here. He died Monday. one injured. The stroke tore the really looks like farmers will have to Miss Ione Gulley left last Friday where the lightning did so much was son county recently and found they

Many Cases of Pellagra Reported From State Insane Hospital.

Raleigh, N. C., Sept. 1 .- Supt. James McKee, of the State Hospital Brussels, Sept. 1 .- The Observato-, for the Insane, announces 14 cases of ry here received the following tele. pellagra among patients in that ingram dated Lerwick, Shetland Is. stitution. There have been 19 in all, about one-third resulting in death.

"Reached North Pole April 21, 1908. The first case diagnosed as pellagra few days ago one patient died, Alvin Adams, of Newbern, brought to the hospital as insane because of sickness from pellagra. Dr. McKee says that he uses only the best grade of water ground corn meal in the corn bread eaten at the hospital and that he does not think pellagra is caused



Gives Condition of Cotton Crop on August 24 at 64.1.

Memphis, Tenn., August 30 .- The report of the National Ginners' Association, made public this afternoon, gives the condition of cotton up to and including August 24, as 64.1 per cent.

"This is the lowest condition in a number of years." the report says. 'and indicates a crop of about 10,500,-000 bales. An early frost would reduce these figures somewhat, and a late frost would probably increase the total yield to 11,000,000 bales." North Carolina is placed at 75 per

KENLY NOTES.

cent.

Miss Lovie Strickland, of Wilson, is visiting Miss Eva High.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Bains, of Warsaw, are visiting at Mr. W. T. Bai-

ley's. Mr. R. T. Fulghum, of Lumberton, has accepted the position formerly held by Mr. Lelon Grady at the Drug Store with Dr. Geo. A. Hood. Mr. Fulghum begins work today and Mr. Grady goes to Baltimore soon to and the consequent boost to business study Pharmacy.

There will be a revival at the M. E. church, beginning next Monday. The Pastor, Rev. C. B. Culbreth, will be aided in the meetings by Rev. Mr. gust 28. Royal, of Pittsboro. Everybody is invited to attend and take part in the services.

We are vary sorry to note that Miss Lydia Darden is seriously sick. over the place where Galveston stood, We were sorry to learn of the and thousands of lives were lost and

THE NEW DISEASE IN RALEIGH. SELLING COTTON IN GEORGIA.

NO. 27

More Than Six Hundred Bales Sold In One Day at About \$60 Per Bale. Such Receipts Make Good Business.

The joy wagons, harbingers of real joy, came with the cotton bales yesterday-hundreds of them-and the five warehouses here were all scenes of unwonted activity as the bales were weighed and sold. For at current prices, around 12 cents, the man who holds his cotton will average about one in a score.

Receipts were unexpectedly heavy for an August day. In fact, the number of bales marketed here yesterday alone would have made a banner day for late September.

But the whole crop is opening at once, and the receipts will be quite heavy in consequence.

Every variety of team, from the ox cart with its single bale and sable driver, to the spanking six-mule team piled high with bales, combined to make the spectacle one most interesting. Particularly was it pleasing to Americus merchants, for it meant good trade in all lines later.

Americus has not witnessed a busier day in a twelvemonth, marking as it did the opening of the busy cotton season in the busiest market in southern Georgia.

Yesterday's receipts in Americus totaled 641 bales, probably more than was received in any market in the state. Sales were numerous, and at an average of \$60 per bale more than \$40,000 of "cotton money" was turned into business channels.

Such heavy receipts however, indicate serious conditions on the farm. It tells the story of crops destroyed by drought, the greater portion of the cotton opening all at one time. At the present rate of picking, with no young bolls to follow, the bulk of the crop here will soon be gathered. Such is the opinion of the best posted farmers of the county.

But the spectacle yesterday of streets crowded with cotton wagons was most inspiring, and Americus hopes to witness many other days in the cotton season quite as good .--Americus (Ga.) Times-Recorder, Au-

Galveston Protected.

Nine years ago a tidal wave swept

842 last year and 9,919;535 two years journey." A handsome new brick store will Last Sunday night lightning did the expedition of the Danish explorer,

of tobacco to Smithfield. It took ation.

place about two miles from here on the road near the home of Mr. Buck have a new home. Mr. C. W. Horne rel being separated from the stock bout three acres they have caused al-Talton. Mr. Smith was sitting on is having a two-story building erect- and several screws from it were most a total loss and the balance of some cotton bagging which was used ed near D. T. Smith's store. The scattered and lost. Eight persons the field will average more than fif. town. The last is a new market run devised a plan for building a great as a covering for the tobacco. He telephone exchange will occupy the were in the back room. Some of ty per cent damage. They started struck a match and lighted a cigar. upper room and Mr. D. T. Smith the them were slightly shocked but no on a poke stalk and killed it first. It hope for them much success. ette which he smoked for some lower.

time. He became sleepy and lean- Messrs. J. T. Barnes and J. J. weatherboarding from the east side make war on poke bushes. Mr. Weling back dropped into a sound slum- Ferrell left Monday morning for Bal- of the room and the ceiling from the lons says the spiders have started on ber. The cigarette went from his timore where they will purchase east and north sides of it. A post of the cotton of Mr. J. W. Mozingo on mouth to the bagging and set it stocks for their respective firms. the bed in the center of this room an adjoining farm. He visited Wilafire. It was some time before he knew what had taken place. The for Castalia where she will teach in broken. A girl on this bed was cov- had gone over about two acres of fire did not wait for him but went the Castalia High school and Busi- ered with ceiling which fell from the cotton on the farm of one of Mr. J. on with its work. When he realized ness Institute.

work and with the help of others put Raleigh, have moved here. out the fire after about half the tobacco had been ruined. The signs of Young are having their houses re- top of a glass preserve jar was brokthe fire are still to be seen on the painted.

road. As we were not present we cannot vouch for the statement which been sold on our market. One bale cut in two. Broken and shattered New York harbor. Oil has been is being made that the mule's tail yesterday (Tuesday) sold for 12 1-16 pieces of ceiling and weatherboarding started on the long journey of 1,500

things which is being told. The oth- this good figure. er part of the story we think is cerof it may be just as stated. The day. thing which Mr. Smith has learned is that cotton bagging, dry tobacco,

lighted cigarettes and sleep will not work well together.

What Killed the Cat?

ing questions.

mother finally told him one night. ing a tax on the raw material thereof she has lived for 37 years. "Curiosity once killed a cat, you would surely not have gone unheard. Miss McClain was born in Norris- Machinist. know."

azine.

are always a happy couple .- French. cord.

walls. The ceiling on the south end T. Revel's tenants. what was happening he did quick Mr. Walter Stallings and family, of of the cook room was demolished, two windows were damaged and sev-Mr. C. M. Thomas and Dr. J. J. eral panes of glass shattered. The en and a wood saw was knocked to completed by which it is possible to Several bales of new cotton have the floor and some of the iron parts pipe oil from the Oklahoma wells to caught on fire but this is one of the cents. We hope it will hold up at were scattered all over the house so miles. This is the longest pipe line that it looked more like the work of in existence in the United States, and struck in the last seven years.

She Has Lived 101 Years.

S. L. W.

Clayton, Sept. 1.

Pitchblende, the mineral in which

radium is found in almost infinitesicovered-a large bed of it-on the who wish her happiness is the whole oil field in the country at present; ing their owner right side up when

The product of the foreign pauper ra- town on August 26, 1808, and was Davey was so impressed with this dium industry costs \$5,000,000, more the daughter of David McClain, a wanted to know?"-Everybody's Mag- world. Alas for our hindsight! the Md., the daughter of her brother I live next door to a newly-married in St. Nicholas. foreigners can now dump their pro- Charles. A few little gifts and some couple. If Charles could see them duct on us and flood the market with special delicacy with her dinner will he would at once admit that two A deaf husband and a blind wife their cheap stuff .- Philadelphia Re- disturb the even tenor of her birth- fools are even more terrible."-Chica- ciety last year distributed 5,934,711 ing for the man, whose name of day .- Philadelphia Record, Aug. 26. go Record-Herald.

The Longest Pipe Line.

Pipe-line connections have been a few weeks.

McCloud River in California. 'Tis wish of Miss Mary McClain, who is moreover its production is increasing, it makes one of those gigantic jumps; WOMAN SURE "13" IS HOODOO.

es rising up here and there in our lem'a committee of three engineers by Messrs, J. C. Casper & Bro. We sea wall at a cost of 31/2 millions of

residence Sunday night running down at the base, 5 feet at the top, with the stove flue and bursting a hole a breakwater 27 feet in width in through the floor in the stove. No front of it, the whole to skirt the other damage done.

ed the Misses Bailey this week. day for Baltimore where she goes to people of Galveston, which is the buy her fall stock of millinery goods. Her daughter, Miss Lois, accompa- is the spirit of the people of America. nied her as far as Tarboro to spend

REPORTER. Kenly, Sept. 1.

How a Flea Jumps.

It is said that a flea leaps two of Galveston. No lives were lost, and Mr. H. J. Wilkins, of near Wilson's a cyclone than that of lightning. This indeed in the world. It is not prob- hundred times its height, and while no more property destroyed than in tainly true and the mule's tail part Mills, was here on business Wednes- is the fourth one of these houses able that much oil from the midcon- it usually does it lands on its feet, it an ordinary storm. tinent district will be brought to the is usually does land on its feet, it We congratulate the people of Galseaboard at present, and the comple- a perfectly smooth surface where the veston. See what can be done to tion of the line seems to be more claws can get only a slight hold. A overcome the forces of nature and in the nature of a provision for the flea has six legs, whose great length to make wind and water and fire the To be patient in the waiting time future, or for emergencies which may and bulk make them so heavy that servants of man instead of his masmally small quantities, has been dis- and grateful to all the kind friends arise. Oklahoma has the most active they must be a great help in keep- ters.-Home and Farm.

Little Davey Sloan is forever ask- pity that the tariff revision farce in quietly observing her 101st birthday while that of Pennsylvania and West and when it lands upside down, or Washington ended before the discov- today at the Home for Indigent Wid- Virginia is decreasing. It may not in some other way, its ability to kick Man She Wed July 13 Gets Away "You'd better keep still or some- ery was made. An appeal to protect ows and Single Women, at Thirty- be long before the western wells will is so great, that not more than one thing will happen to you," his tired the nascent radium industry by lay- sixth and Chestnut streets, where be called upon to supply the sea- wriggle is needed to set things right.

board and export demand .- American A flea's wings are mere scales, and

"It was Charles Reade, wasn't it, about the proper classification of the months, married on July 13. Thirteen that he kept silent for three minutes: or less, per pound; and there is a- farmer. Her only living relative to- who wrote, 'Nothing is so terrible as insect. To the flea itself they have days later she could not find her "Say, Mother, what was it the cat bout one ounce of it in all the wide day is Mrs. Mary Erb, of Camp Hill, a fool'?" "Yes; but he was wrong. no value .- From Nature and Science husband, nor could she find \$13,000

Bibles.

a wall for her protection. After care-We are glad to see new enterpris- ful investigation of the whole probdollars. The wall was made of solid Lightning struck Mr. T. J. Jones' concrete 16 feet high, 16 feet thick gulf for 3¼ miles.

Miss Ethridge, of Smithfield, visit- On the 29th of July, 1904, the great sea wall stood completed, a monu-Mrs. Dora Gilbreath left last Fri- ment to the indomitable spirit of the spirit of the people of Texas, which The government of the United States extended this wall a mile, so as to include Fort Crockett.

The wall was tested Tuesday, July 20, by another hurricane. The waves came rolling higher than before, but they beat in vain upon the stone wall

With Her \$13,000.

New York, Aug. 28.-After 13 of no use; but small and worthless days of ardent wooing Mrs. W. E. as they are, they tell the entomologis Lynch, aged 49, a widow of 13 which she declares she gave him. Now she wants the police to recover The British and Foreign Bible So- her money, but says she cares noth-Keeler she refuses to bear.