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## **BOYD GIVEN TWO** YEARS ON ROADS

## Henry Boyd, Colored, Tried In Recorder's Court and Found Guilty

Henry Boyd, colored, faced the Recorder's court Tuesday on a charge of gross violation of the dry and drastic Turlington Act. He was unwilling to stand the gaff of a trial before the Recorder, Judge A. M. Noble, and asked for a trial by jury which was granted. A venire of twelve regalar jurors was summoned and trial was set for Wednesday, June 20.

Poyd, who lives near the brick plant and Beasley's store and garage on the Raleigh highway just beyond the Neuse river from Smithfield, was arrested in June 1 as a consequence of a raid made upon him by officers C. R. Cable and J. D. Stephenson, of Smithfield, and J. H. Griffin, of Selma, in which 33 1-2 pints of bootleg whiskey were confiscated. The testimony of the three officers and the confiscated whiskey which was uniformly bottled in old-fashioned pint flasks, was the only evidence offered by the State; and this evidence was enough to convict Boyd, notwithstanding the strenuous effort on his part to establish an alibi.

Not since the prohibition act of 1908 has there been a bolder defiance of the dry laws or a more fearless and fruitful raid upon the lawbreaker than this over-the-river episode. Happening in a sense within the shadow of the court house and on such a large scale, the conscience of the community felt shocked and incensed enough over this high handed disregard of the law that when court openel Wednesday the court room was fairly filled with people who were interested to know what the case would develope.

Solicitor Harrp P. Johnson was as-S. Abell and Judge F. H. Brooks,

#### MT. ETNA LAYS WASTE TO SURROUNDING COUNTRY

Rome, June 18 .- Mount Etna, in violent eruption, is laying waste the surrounding countryside, say dispatches reaching the mainland. Great rivers of molten rock, pouring down the steep sides of the

mountain from numerous fissures, are overwhelming all before them and were very much shocked to hear of of Smithfield, has been elected presithe inhabitants are fleeing in despair the death of Miss Dorothy Gower, while crobs and homes disappear un- of Clayton, who was drowned while der the hissing flood.

#### Sudden Eruption

fitful displays of the last week, sud- so president of the Y. W. C. A. at denly opened up at midnight Sun- Meredith, had been attending a Y. W. day with a noise like the firing of C. A meeting at Montreat and was a thousand cannon. There were sub- visiting a friend, Miss Nita Garrett, terranean rumblings, flames shot to in Sylva, before returing home. While the sky, and the populations of the she and a party of young people were little towns about the base of the in bathing she and another young cone fled to the plains.

northeast side of the mountain and eue and tried to help them to land from these mouths, several kilometers | but they being excited, grabbed hold from the old crater, came streams of of him and it was only after much lava.

ashes were hurled to a height of from | time he returned for Miss Gower she thirty to sixty feet from both the had disappeared. The alarm was givold and new craters, and the lava en and crowds of men and boys from streams, advancing on a frontage es- Dillsboro and Sylva began diving for timated at 500 yards, laid waste the the body. The searching parties and vineyards and forests in their paths boatmen searched twenty-four hours and progressed at a speed of a mile before the body could be located. It and a quarter an hour.

occupants long acquainted with Etna's a mile from where she was drowned habits were speedily devastated. The Dynamite and other explosives had important railway station of Castig- been used in efforts to bring the lione was destroyed.

Linguaglossa, which is some ten miles from the central crater, was where the funeral services will be ture of North Carolina State College surrounded by lava. Several houses held at the Baptist church this afterin the town collapsed and most of noon, after which interment will be the villages in the neighborhood were made at Clayton. quickly deserted. The sky was dull Miss Gower was about twenty-one with smoke and cinders and dust fell years old and was one of the youngbeavily over a large area.

danger zone coming into Messina, woman of Christian Tharacter and sisted in the prosecution by Col. Ed coupled with the terroring subter- will be missed by a large circle of ranean noises heard there drove hun- friends. She is survived by her fathdreds of citizens of that town to the er and mother and seven brothers and

# Miss Dorothy Gower Loses His Election Is Announced Life While Bathing in a

# Stream Near Sylva

**CLAYTON GIRL IS** 

Friends throughout the county bathing in Tuckaseegee river Tuesday afternoon. Miss Gower, who was The main crater of Etna after the a senior at Meredith College and allady became frightened and excited. Five great cracks opened in the Mr. Robert Garratt went to their reseffort that he succeeded in getting Thousands of tons of rocks and one of the girls to the bank. By the was found about five o'clock Wed-Isolated houses left early by their nesday afternoon about a quarter of

> body to the surface. The body was taken to Clayton,

est daughters of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. The sight of fugitives from the Gower. She was a splendid young After Meeting of Board **Directors** Tuesday

MR. W. M. SANDERS

Raleigh, June 20 .- W. M. Sanders, dent of the North Carolina Cotton Growers' Co-operative Association and U. B. Blalock, of Wadesboro, has been re-elected general manager, according to the announcement from headquarters of the association following the meeting of the Board of Directors of the organization.

The choice of Mr. Sanders as president of the association followed his election as director . M. T. Britt of Benson, who was elected director from his district in the convention recently when W. H. Austin, former president, declined to be a candidate though his name was placed on the ticket. It developed later, however, that Mr. Britt, while a business man of prominence was not qualified as a director by reason of the fact that he did not grow cotton. In the failure of Mr. Britt to qualify, all factions among the growers agreed on Mr. Sanders who was elected.

Another director placed on the board in the meeting was Mr. Blalock who has hitherto been general manager without a seat on the board of directors. He succeeds Dr. B. W. Kilgroe who was not reappointed by Governor Morrison as one of the directors representing the public, since he recently became dean of agriculand his whole time will be required in the reorganization of the college.

Among the other officers re-elected by the directors were R. W. Christian, vice president, and A. E. Bing, secretary and treasurer. A third payment has been made to

grower members of the association up to 19 cents on the basis of middling and according to Mr. Blalock,

### LENOIR AND THE ROCK WELCOME N. C. EDITORS

Lenoir, June 20 .- The editors of the

state are in convention assembled at Hold Their Regular Monthly Mayview Manor, at Blowing Rock, to the number of about 100, luxuriating in the beauty of the scenery and the cool breezes, which are giving them new inspirations.

Less than 50 rolled into Lenoir today on the 12:55 train, and were met at the station by Lenbir citizens. tic meeting here Wednesday after-They were taken immediately to the Kiwanis club headquarters where a splendid dinner was served to them. Many citizens also joined them at this meal. Others coming through in their automobiles arrived here in time for the noonday meal.

Mayor V. D. Guire, in hearty greeting opened the feast with a cordial welcome to the visitors. In a tabloid fashion he told of the beauty of Lenoir; her standing near the head in manufacturing industries; her trades. and the pleasure of her people in having the editors to "bide a wee," even if they were going through her gateway to the grandeur of the beautiful country at Blowing Rock.

by the press.

aryC C. Dowd, of the Charlotte News, responded to the gracious welcome in commendation of the spirit of Lenoir, no finer had he seen anywhere in North Carolina, and the good people of the beautiful and progressive town had gone a long way out of their way to lay such a spread before the editors and their wives. He bore testimony to the meeting of the press in Lenoir in 1911 and its pleasing memory. Immediately after the luncheon the

visitors left for Blowing ocRk, where the first meeting was held this evening at 8:30 o'clock, President J. B. Sherill, of Concord, presiding. Rev. James P. Burke, of Valle Crucis, invoked blessing on the meeting, its acts, and individual members. W. C. Newland, of Lenoir, welcomed the editors to "Skyland, above the clouds, and among clouds which did not be-

# **CO-OPS MEET AT** THE COURT HOUSE

# Meeting; Fourteen Locals Represented

The members of the cotton and tobacco grower's co-operative marketing associations held a very enthusiasnoon in the court house. These meetings which are held once each month are usually well attended by the members, and Wednesday afternoon several ladies were in attendance. Fourteen local organizations were represented.

Mr. B. T. Leppard, district field agent, of Raleigh, was present and led in the discussion of the membership campaign.

Mr. W. M. Sanders who was recently appointed by the Board of Trustees as director of the fifth district which is composed of Johnston and Wilson counties, made an interesting talk on the benefits of the co-His remarks were warmly received operative marketing system from the viewpoint of the farmer. He reviewed the progress made among farmers during the past fifty years, and compared the old system of selling farm produce with the marketing of today. He predicted that much more progress would be made in the next fifty years.

> At the close of Mr. Sanders' talk, the members gave him a rising vote of thanks, and invited him to meet with them every time if possible.

> Mr. L. E. Rogers, district representative from the Tobacco Growers' Co-operative Association, then outlined the dangers to the organization from those who are opposed to the co-operative movement, and advised the members against such dangers. He mentioned several definite ways in which the members, to a great extent might offset these dangers.

A general discussion followed Mr. Rogers' talk, which resulted in all the members pledging to do their utyear.

while the defendant was represented by Mr. S. S. Holt. The warrant contained two charges against Boyd, both of which if carried to the extreme means a two-year sentence,one for having whiskey in his possession for purposes of sale, the other for transporting. Chief C. R. Cable. star witness for the State, substantially stated that information came to him on June 11, that he immediately went to the Sheriff's office where he found Chief Griffin of Selma and Deputy Sheriff J. D. Stephenson, that he was advised by Griffin to go to Boyd's house without delay while he and Stephenson waited the issuance of a search warrant; that he left town by motor and went as far as the highland bridge where he took the woods and stalked Boyd's house, that in the meantime Boyd got wind of his coming and went to his house in great haste to remov

boxes containing the 33 pints of whiskey hiding them in the woods beyond his house; that he soon arrested Boyd and found on his person two empty whiskey bottles, that in the meantime officers Griffin and Stephenson reached the scene and the house was searched and more empty bottles and fruit jars smelling of whiskey were found; and that one-half pint of whiskey was found in a trunk, that jugs were found in a small out house; that Boyd was held by Officer Stephenson while search was being made in woods for hidden whiskey, that after careful search by Chief Griffen and himself the whiskey was found. Chief Griffin's and Deputy Sheriff Stephenson's testimony was in the main corroborative of Chief Noble's testimony.

turning to work some one called him | Hinton testified for the defendant. saving that oficers were there to to prevent broken glass from ac unu- the superior court.

seashore for safety. No loss of life has been reported in the dispatches received .- Associated Press.

#### CULTIVATION IS FOR PREVENTION, NOT REMEDY

The old time way of cultivating crops was to wait until the ground got hard or until there was a fine crop of weeds to fight before cultivating. The idea was that so long as the ground was not baked and not hard, why stir it? Thoughtless farmers said: "The weeds can't do much harm when they are small, can they? If I wait until the weeds and grass get big, I won't have to cultivate but once where I would have to cultivate twice if I started when the grass was small."

This attitude and argument is almost as bad as that of the man who locked his barn door after his horse had been stolen, or the other fellow who sprayed his peach trees after worms had caused the peaches to drop from the trees. Wise cultivation is always for prevention and not an attempted remedy. The weeder and the spike-tooth harrow are for the purpose of preventing the ground from becoming hard and for preventing the weeds from making more than a start. And in this as other things, "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure."-The Progressive Farmer.

Mr. J. R. Ledbetter, of Princeton, was in the city yesterday.

lating around where he worked. The jug in the out house was James Mc-Boyd went on the stand and sub- Daniel's and had been left there for stantially testified that he was born molasses a day or two prior to the in Georgia but left there at ten and raid. He denied having any whiswent to Newport News where he liv- key about his premises and of having ed until four years ago when he came any knowledge of the boxes of whisto Smithfield. On the morning of key found beyond his house by the June 11 he went to work as usual at officers. James Mc-Daniel; Maggie seven o'clock, worked an hour and Boyd, the defendant's wife; Jim got off from brick kiln and went to Smith; Ed Sipp, of Mobile; and Mes- dent and I do not intend to run. All ing at first hand the methods used nearby pump for water. When ve- srs. Walter Johnson and Clarence this you hear about my name being in North Carolina which put this The trial began about 10 a. m. and newspaper talk. There is nothing to past year -News and Observer. search his house. House was search- lasted well into the afternoon. The it." ed and only one-half pint of whiskey jury composed of J. F. Hicks, J. H. was found and this was some that Hales, Julius M. Parker, A. W. Wilkhis wife had received some time last erson, P. A. Holland, and Osborn fall from one of her brothers and Wilder was out of the court room this she intended to convert into for deliberation only a short time a ticket fo' Florence." camphor. The two bottles found on and returned with a verdict of guilhis person were stray bottles he had ty Boyd was given a two-year sen- of weary thumbing over railroad found near the pump and which he tence and a fine of \$100 and the cost guides)-"Where is Florence?" intended to throw into burning kills from which judgment he appealed to Old Colored Mammy-"Settin' over tend. There will be no evening ser- invite one and all.

sisters. The sympathy of many friends is extended to the bereaved family.

HEALTH CAMPAIGN STARTS JULY 1ST

Washington, June 21 .- A physical examination for every person in the United States, to be held on the person's birthday, is the goal set by the in character will be launched on July National Health Council for its cam- 4 for an increase in the membership paign, starting July 4, and lasting for of the North Carolina association. one year.

Statistics showing that Americans are wearing out more rapidly than Europeans have been collected by the to 40,000. council to show the need of such a campaign.

Two great bodies of persons were examined by the Life Extension Institute to ascertain the cause of the increase of the American death rate. These were life insurance policy holders and employees of large commercial houses.

Of the first less than two and onehalf per cent were normal; more than ninety-seven and one-half per cent the Oklahoma association. Other needed advice regarding their physical condition or living habits. Nearly sixty-six per cent were referred to South Carolina association, Presiphysicians for treatment. More than dent J. E. Conwell, of the Georgia ninety-three per cent were unaware asociation, and H. Haughton, treasthey were in danger without medical urer of the Alabama association. attention.

Of the commercial group a few more than three per cent were found to be normal and fifty-nine per cent were sent to physicians for treatment.

## HENRY FORD NOT AFTER

Springfield, Mass., June 18 .- "I of the North Carolina association, have no desire to be the President of and Dr. B. W. Kilgre, who has the United States," Henry Ford said served for the past year as director while stopping over the week end for the public in the North Carolina here on his way from Providence, R. I., to Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

"I am too much occupied with my marketing movement in other states own affairs to become the next Presi-

#### Stationary, but No Station.

Old Colored Mammy-"Ise wants

Ticket Agent (after ten minutes

dar on de bench."-Princeton Tiger. vice.

a fourth distribution will be made before a final settlement.

Many sales of North Carolina cotton, according to officials of the association have been made to Germany, through the agency of an Atlanta agent. Payment for this cotton however, is in hand before the cotton is shipped. The co-operative is

taking no chances. A movement which is Southwide The present membership which is around thirty-one thousand will be

increased by conservative estimate Getting down to work on plans for

another year of co-operative selling of cotton, representatives from four Southern State associations were in Raleigh yesterday for conferences with officials of the North Carolina association.

The delegation was headed by Carl Williams, of Oklahoma City, presideat of the American Cotton Growers' Exchange, who also represented visitors included H. G. Kaminer, president and general manager of the

General Manager U. B. Blalock and Secretary Ashley Ding, of the North Carolina asociation, entertained the visitors with a fried chicken luncheon at the Raligh Country Club. Other guests for the luncheon were; Sales Manager Lawrence Macae, WHITE HOUSE JOB Warehouse Manager B. F. Brown, and Field Manager Homer H. B. Mask,

ressociation. The leaders in the co-operative

were very much interested in studyassociated with the Presidency is state at the head of the list for the

> Subject for the eleven o'clock service: "The Sinfulness of Sin."

Sunday-school at 9:50 a. m. All are welcome and invited to at-

colud, but gave inspiration to their senses, surrounded by unexcelled scenery and coling breezes that most to increase the membership in put the visitors into a new and rap- the cotton and tobacco associations turous world in this good Old North one hundred per cent during the State."

C. A. Webb, of the Asheville Citizen, who lives in the "Land of the Sky," responded to the welcome given by Mr. Newland, on behalf of

the press, and expressed the sentiment of all in the pleasure of the editors in meeting in such a wonderful section.

The executive committee made a report, and quite a number of new members were introduced to the association.

Miss H. M. Berry, secretary North Carolina Good Roads association made an interesting address on the subject of good roads, which was enlightening and highly entertaining, especially that portion which referred to mountain roads .- Greensboro News.

#### **Recorder's Court Proceedings**

The Recorder's court opened Tuesday with a light but important dockthe court for disposition.

violating the prohibition laws. Jury pickle. Five years ago her annual requested and trial set for Wednesday the 20th, at 10 a.m.

D. B. Narron, seduction. Bound to superior court under \$500 bond. Coon Smith, found in garage of A. D. Driver in Selma with intent to steal, was given a rix months road sentence.

Bud Hudson stood charged for tearing down a fence and on another warrant for using profanity on the highway. When called he was not present but later appeared under a copias. He was intoxicated when he reached court but after he had time to cool he plead guilty to both charges and received a seven months road sentence.

Willie Smith, of Kenly, charged with possessing and transporting whiskey under the Turlington Act., plead guilty and received a twelve- commercial equipment. The establishmonth road sentence.

Not guilty and discharged.

#### **Revival At Piney Grove**

Piney Grove Free Will Baptist Heights, continues critically ill. He church Sunday night, July 8th. We has been confined to his bed four CONDARY STANLEY.

At this meeting several resolutions were voted on and passed by the members.

#### LARGE PRESERVE BUSINESS GROWS OUT OF CLUB WORK

When home demostration work was first started in Charleston, S. C., ten years ago, Mrs. Julius Towsend, of Martins Point, became keenly interested in preserving and pickling, and made rapid process under extention direction. For the first two years she canned locally abundant fruits andvegetables for home use only. In her third year of clu bwork she began to market in a small way such product as Dixie Relish, pineapple pears, grapefruit preserves, mixed pickles, watermelon rind preserves and pickles, peach preserves and sweet pickles, ginger pears, cucumber rings, plum preserves, blackberry jam, artiet. The following cases were before choke pickle and relish, canned shrimp, grape jelly, green tomato pickle, pum-State vs. Henry Boyd charged with pkin chips, fig preserves, and palmetto output was not over a thousand containers a year.

About this time a new home demonstration agent came to the county and assisted Mrs. Townsend in enlarging her market. In 1920 she added a small canning kitchen to her home and began to employ her niece and sister to help. She increased her output to 4,000 containers. A field agent of the United States Departmnet of Agriculture visited Mrs. Townsend in 1921 and found that she had built a factory, and put up over 12,000 containers, necessitating the employment of from six to ten of her neighbors daily. In 1922 her output was even greater, but she invested the entire proceeds in another factory twice the size of the first, with proper ment is a great benefit to the com-Charley Marris, F. and A., tried. munity, as it furnishes employment to many who otherwise have only a few sources of income.

Mr. Marion Parrish, father of Mr. A revival meeting will begin at M. B. Parrish, who lives on Oakland months but for the past few days has been gradually growing weaker

Presbyterian Church. The regular Sunday services will be held at the Presbyterian church.