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-A Modern Hotel.
-Renovation of Opera House.
-More Paved Streets.
-Chamber of Commerce.

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FIRES FATAL SHOT INTO MOB

Criminal Court
Convenes Here

Regular Term of March
Court Opened Yesterday
With Judge N. A.
Sinclair Presiding

The March term of the Superior
Court for the trial of criminal
cases opened here this morning.

Judge Sinclair cut in on his
charge to the grand jury without
any fancy work. He told them that
they constituted the most powerful
agent of law and order that exists
under our laws, and he stated that
their duties were correspondingly
heavy.

The criminal docket contains
nearly a hundred cases. The grand
jury went about their duty and
the court began the trial of cases.

His Master's Voice
Rastus in undertone to Sambo:
"Time was when ah could whip de
old lady in a ruff and tumble fight."

Mrs. Solomon
Hubby: "Why are you dating
this letter the 15th when it is the
1st?"

Raise The Ante--Auntie!
Old lady to fighting youngsters:
"If you boys will stop fighting I'll
give you each a nickel."

Pretty Soft
"My ole man he done got de
softest job in de whole factory, he
hab!"

Napier: "A scientist states that
man knows and has classified 400,000
insects."
Newell: "I know of a dog that
has 'em all."--Exchange.

AUNT ROXIE SAYS--



If candidates don't fix dey dif-
fences befo' it gits too big, de
diffence will fix dem.

WOULD RULE SEATTLE



This is Mrs. Henry Landes, who
has filed as a candidate for mayor
of Seattle, Wash., the first woman
ever to seek the position in that
city.

State Nutrition
Specialist Here

Miss Mary E. Thomas Ad-
dresses County Council
of Home Demonstration
Work

Miss Mary E. Thomas, state nu-
trition specialist, of Raleigh, was
the principal speaker at the meet-
ing of the County Council of home
demonstration work held here in
the commissioners room Saturday
afternoon.

The meeting was presided over
by Mrs. T. W. Ives, president of
the county council. An opening
devotional service was conducted by
Rev. Chester Alexander, pastor of
the Presbyterian church of this
city.

Miss Myrtle Bailey, of the Cor-
bett-Hatcher club, gave an inter-
esting report of the poultry short
course at State College which she
attended in January.

Mrs. W. M. Sanders, local chair-
man of the Stone Mountain Mem-
orial, was present and explained
the campaign which she is now con-
ducting for the sale of memorial
coins.

But Papa Can
"Oh, mother that monkey looks
like papa."
"Why, Marie you shouldn't say
such ugly things."
"But mother, monkeys can't un-
derstand."

Still Life
Photographer: "Man, you're re-
markable. I never photographed
any one who could hold the same
position for so long without mov-
ing. How do you do it?"
"Oh, I'm used to it. I'm a brick-
layer."

J. B. BENTON IS
NEW CHAIRMAN

Democratic Executive Committee Meeting
Here Saturday One of Harmony
and Enthusiasm

Splendid interest and a harmoni-
ous spirit pervaded the meeting of
the Democratic Executive Com-
mittee held here Saturday, and
which chose by acclamation Mr. J.
B. Benton, editor of the Benson
Review and Kenly Observer, of
Benson, for its new chairman.

Mr. E. S. Abell, retiring chair-
man, in opening the meeting, spoke
of the importance of the occasion.

Sudden Death Of
Former Pastor
J. L. Blackman
Writes Friends

Occurs At His Home
Here Thursday Night
After Illness of Only
Few Hours

The death of Mr. J. L. Blackman
which occurred suddenly at
his home here Thursday night,
came as a shock to relatives and
friends. Mr. Blackman was in his
usual health at the super hour and
ate a hearty meal. He was up town
after supper and after he went
home complained of not feeling
well.

As you may remember the win-
ter vacation in our schols in China
comes before and after China New
Year, instead of at Christmas, and
all schools close for about a month.

The funeral was held Sunday af-
ternoon at 12:30 at the residence
conducted by Rev. S. L. Morgan,
pastor of the Baptist church. In-
terment was made in the family
burying ground near Peacock's
Cross Roads.

E. H. Dixon Is Being
Transferred To Weldon
Friends of Mr. and Mrs. E. H.
Dixon will regret to learn that
they are moving to Weldon at an
early date.

Miners in a Pennsylvania town celebrating the settlement of the long anthracite coal strike. Inset is portrait of Richard E. Grant of Philadelphia, president of the Susquehanna Collieries company, who is credited by both sides with having brought the strike to an end.

Organize Cotton
Growers Meeting

Practically Every County
In State Represented in
Raleigh Meeting To
Discuss Re-Sign Up.

Raleigh, March 8.--The people
of Raleigh were given a surprise
March 4th when with no previous
announcement, the Hall of the
House of Representatives was filled
to overflowing with a crowd of
cotton growers from practically
every cotton growing county in
the State.

Hon. Robert N. Page of Aber-
deen, who is public director of the
North Carolina Cotton Growers Co-
operative Association, presided and
opened the meeting with a short
clear cut speech in which he stressed
the importance of cooperative
marketing and highly commended
the work of the directors and the
management for the past four
years.

W. A. Graham, State Commis-
sioner of Agriculture, in a brief
statement, said that he was the
first on his county to sign the pre-
sent contract and that he was ready
to sign another one. He most heartily
endorsed the movement and
urges the cotton growers to sup-
port the new association.

C. O. Moser, of Memphis, Tenn.,
who is general manager of the
American Cotton Growers Ex-
change, delivered the keynote ad-
dress. Mr. Moser's picture of the
growth of cooperative marketing
of cotton sent a thrill through the
growers as he showed how the
movement had grown from a mere
idea in the minds of a few patri-
otic and determined men five years
ago to twelve big organizations
now embracing a membership of
approximately 300,000 cotton growers
today with unlimited credit;

And another thrill went through
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Robert Blair of Detroit with the new type anti-aircraft gun which he designed. Its special feature is an electric searchlight finder. The War department is interested in this newest development of defense against air attack.

Five Months Old Baby
Is Burned To Death

Scout Rally Is
A Big Success

Kenly Troop 1 Makes
Highest Score and Will
Represent District at
Goldsboro

Kenly Boy Scout Troop Number
One carried off the honors, with
Smithfield Troop Number Two a
close second, at the Boy Scout Rally
held at the armory here Friday
night. More than a hundred scouts
and as many more visitors were
present, and the occasion was full
of pep and interest from start to
finish.

The judges in the events were:
Dr. I. W. Mayerberg of Selma, T.
C. Young and A. M. Noble.
The winning troop is scheduled
to go to Goldsboro on March 19th
at which time a contest between
(Turn to page two, please)

ALLEGED KLAN
VISIT RESULTS
IN DISASTER

Troy Munds Is Dead,
Robert Flowers Se-
riously Wounded
and Others Hurt

Troy Munds, of Dunn, is dead
and buried and Robert Flowers is
seriously wounded as a result of an
assault that a masked mob made
on James Webb, of Meadow town-
ship, last Thursday night, accord-
ing to information that reached
here yesterday.

Webb is said to have been a per-
sistent liquor dealer for the past
year or more and it has been re-
ported that the Ku Klux have
warned him to abandon his law-
lessness.

A large delegation of masked
men, ostensibly members of the
Ku Klux Klan, went to Webb's
home early last Thursday night.
They went to Webb's house in the
night well armed, and, as they
thought, completely disarmed
Webb. Then they told him that his
house must be cleared of his liquor
trade. Webb is said to have stay-
ed well armed during all the year,
and after the white-capped mob
left his house he fired into them,
inflicting a fatal wound on Troy
Munds and a serious wound on
Robert Flowers. Other members of
the mob were hurt several of whom
are in the hospital. Forty-four
empty shells were found in Webb's
yard the following morning.

Funeral Of Little
Joseph Edwin Johnson

The funeral of little Joseph Ed-
win Johnson, three and a half year
old son of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. H.
Johnson, who was killed by an an-
tomobile here Tuesday afternoon,
was held Friday afternoon at the
home. A large crowd was present
and the floral offering was espe-
cially beautiful. The service was
conducted by Rev. S. L. Morgan,
pastor of the Baptist church, as-
sisted by Rev. Chester Alexander,
pastor of the Presbyterian church.
Interment was made in Oakland
cemetery. The pallbearers were:
Messrs. Chester Stephenson, Law-
rence Wallace, Charles Alford and
N. E. Humphrey.

MISTAKE ABOUT JURY LIST

The jury list which was publish-
ed in our last issue was the list
for the special term of civil court
which will be held here beginning
March 29, instead of this week. The
list was taken from the records of
the commissioners proceedings
and the special term not being
mentioned in connection with the
list, the reporter inferred that it
was the list for the present term
of court. We are sorry this error
occurred, but since the sheriff no-
tifies each juror of the date, we
trust there will be no confusion.

The Mirror
IS THIS YOU?

If the person who answers this
description will call at The
Herald office they will
receive a free ticket
to the Victory
Theatre.

You were seen in front Hood
Brothers drug store at 9:30 p.
m. last night. You wore brown
cap, black sweater, brown suit,
black shoes, grey tie.

John Ennis recognized him-
self in Friday's mirror.

Ending of Coal Strike Celebrated by the Miners



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Mr. Powell Interested
In Peach Growing

Mr. A. A. Powell, of the San-
ders Chapel section, and Dr. R. J.
Noble, of Selma, spent Thursday
near Lillington where they visited
a peach orchard of 1500 trees. The
trees are five years old. Mr. Pow-
ell is interested in peach growing
and grows some of the finest in
this section. His fruit compares
favorably with the Sandhill peaches

9,000 Feet Of Lumber
Log Brought To Mill

Longview, Wash.--A log esti-
mated to contain 9,000 feet of lum-
ber was brought to a mill here
from Ryderwood. It was cut from
a Douglas fir and measured 36 feet
in length, 10 feet, four inches at
the other.