

NORTH STATE HAPPENINGS

Occurrences of Interest Gleaned From All Sections of the Busy Tar Heel State

High School Teachers.

Raleigh, Special.—The State Department of Public Instruction last week issued State high school three year teachers' certificates to 38 applicants and special certificates for one year were issued to a small number.

Those receiving the three year certificates are as follows:
J. A. Hornaday, Liberty; Miss Laura M. Jones, Franklin; Herbert Schotz, Macon, N. W. Britton, Winston; C. M. Gallamore, Fletcher; Robt. A. Freeman, Dobson; Miss Elizabeth F. Powell, Lenoir; M. H. Ackerman, Abbottsburg; Z. H. Rose, Williamston; D. Z. Newton, Lincoln; Miss Emma DeLoraine, Axtell; Cary; Horace Stewart, Wallace; J. E. Redden, Honea Path, S. C.; Miss Alice V. Wilson, Lenoir; Edwin P. Connor, Mars Hill; Isaac T. Newton, Blacksburg, S. C.; Miss Brownie Lambertson, Rich Square; J. O. Alderman, Tyner; Lonnie E. Osborne, Independence, Va.; Julius M. Weatherly, Kernersville; Cameron E. Pennington, Kittrell; Maria E. Bristow, Conley, Va.; Andrew McNair, Fayetteville; John G. Viser, Walkertown, Jno. A. Patterson, Shelby; M. K. Meadows, Lewisville; Andrew B. Riley, Brevard; Isaac Horne, Swan Quarter; Miss Anna May Withers, Lillington; Emmett C. Willis, Trinity; J. J. Lincoln, Elon College; Benjamin E. Phillips, Aulander; Chas. C. Sharpe, Greensboro; Wm. P. Hehley, Farmington; Earl R. Franklin, Merry Oaks; Miss Lizzie Moore, Burgaw; H. H. McKeown, Stanly; J. O. Goodman, Helton.

A Peculiar Accident.

Lenoir, Special.—A peculiar accident occurred here Thursday afternoon about four o'clock, when the two carpenters began work on the residence of Mr. W. L. Minish on West Main street. The street was raised six feet in front of Mr. W. L. Minish's residence. The aldermen agreed to have the residence raised up to the street and this was being done when the accident happened.

The house had been raised and blocked up and while the workmen were about their work these afternoon the house gave way on the southwest corner and collapsed and is a complete wreck.

Mr. Minish's oldest daughter, Miss Maude was up stairs in the room over the corner where the sill gave way and was thrown against the window and only saved herself from serious injury by catching to the window sill. She emerged from the wrecked building with only a gash cut in her arm caused by falling against the window glass.

The "L" to the back of the house, used as the kitchen and dining room, is a total wreck, tables turned up side down, crockery and glassware smashed, canned fruit and everything breakable is almost a total loss. The housekeeper was in the kitchen at the time of the accident ironing, but was not hurt. None of the workmen were hurt. As the house fell it swayed to the left and the front porch and the "L" were torn from the main building.

Warning to Farmers.

Raleigh, Special.—Rev. S. J. Betts has just lost a two hundred and fifty dollar mule, and Mr. Ben Sasser a fine horse, their sickness and death having been caused by eating corn half cured on the stalk, not green, but not properly seasoned. It was only a few days ago that a mule was seen rolling on one of Raleigh's principal streets, suffering from colic. It is understood that many farmers are feeding their stock on such corn and that many of their best animals are suffering from it.

New Corporation.

Raleigh, Special.—The Smith's Lithia Water Company was granted a charter last week to build a hotel and sell mineral water, with a capital stock of \$50,000. The incorporators are Mrs. H. T. Smith, R. T. Smith, L. W. Starke, W. B. Shaw, of Oxford, and J. B. Mayes, of Stem.

Shot at His Wife.

Wilson, Special.—H. D. McDowell, a bad, bad negro, who has caused no end of trouble here, filled up on dispensary booze, hired a horse and buggy, armed himself with a breech-loading shot gun and went to the home of his wife on East Nash street and demanded admittance. The couple have been separated for some time. When he reached the woman's house he knocked and demanded admittance. The door was slammed in his face, when he raised his gun and let drive—perforating the door in several places.

Honorably Discharged.

Wilson, Special.—That gentleman and soldier, Mr. T. F. Miller, who enlisted in the United States army in 1901, and who has for the past year been in charge of the recruiting office in Wilson, last week was honorably discharged by the government. His successor, Mr. James B. Hovd, who has been stationed at Raleigh, is now looking after Uncle Sam's interest here.

The N. C. Peace Congress.

Greensboro, Special.—The North Carolina Peace Congress is to be in session at Greensboro October 12th to 16th, in connection with the Centennial celebration of the founding of Greensboro and the programme that has been arranged is especially attractive. United States Senator Lee S. Overman will discuss "International House of Representatives," Hon. John Sharp Williams, "The Modern Amphyctonic Council," Chief Justice Walter Clark, of the North Carolina Supreme Court, "The International Judiciary," Hon. Geo. W. Norris, of Nebraska, "A Practical Plan for International Peace Conference," Hon. Richmond Pearson Hobson, "Arbitration and Awards." There are other special speakers including a number of prominent men in this and other States. Ex-Governor Charles B. Aycock is president of the North Carolina Peace Conference, and the board of directors include James Sprunt, William E. Springer, Wilmington, A. A. Thompson, Raleigh, Hayne Davis, W. E. Holt, Julian S. Carr, Hugh G. Chatham, Thomas H. Wright and others; Thomas H. Wright, Wilmington, being secretary.

Forsyth Sunday School Convention.

Winston-Salem, Special.—The Forsyth County Sunday School Convention, at Kernersville, was largely attended, quite an elaborate and interesting programme having been prepared. Among those taking prominent parts in the convention were Mr. E. A. Ebert, president of the association; W. B. Broughton, chairman State executive committee; Rev. A. S. Betts, Mr. J. B. Robertson, Rev. W. A. Lambeth, Rev. E. S. Crossland, Rev. W. R. Lowdermilk, Mr. F. H. Stoekton, Mr. G. S. Norfolk, Mr. R. B. Horn, Rev. J. A. Hopkins, Mrs. L. F. Owens, Mrs. J. K. Norfolk, Mrs. J. F. Griffith, Mrs. G. T. Lumpkins, and Rev. E. A. Schenk.

\$17,500 For Her Husband's Death.

Asheville, Special.—What is declared to be the biggest verdict for a death ever rendered in any court in North Carolina was returned by a jury in the Superior Court here when an award of seventeen thousand and five hundred dollars was made against the Southern Railway Company and in favor of Mrs. Matilda Hough, widow of the late Conductor Hough, killed at Swannanoa Station several years ago. The case has been on trial since Monday, Mrs. Hough demanding fifty thousand dollars damage. Locke Craig, who with P. H. Winston, represented the plaintiff, made the concluding argument.

Left Insane Hospital.

Statesville, Special.—An attendant at the State Hospital at Morganton was in Statesville Wednesday searching for a patient who escaped from the hospital some time after midnight Tuesday night, but he failed to find any trace of the fugitive there. The man who escaped is a Mr. Williams, of Yadkin county, and he effected his escape by removing the bars from a window of his cell. It was thought by the hospital people that he would pass through Statesville en route to Yadkin after making his escape.

Cotton Gin Burned.

Raleigh, Special.—Fire declared to be incendiary Thursday night destroyed F. R. Gray's gin, 43 bales of cotton, several mules and two buildings at Cary, near here. Rural Free Delivery Carrier Ivery says men told him that notice had been sent to Gray and also posted, telling him he must shut his gin down but Gray has received no such notice.

Fatal Fire at Morganton, N. C.

Asheville, N. C., Special.—Will Mull was roasted to death in the flames that burned his residence Tuesday morning at Morganton, this State. Eddie D. Mull, a cousin, who was with him at the time, narrowly escaped a like fate. The deceased and his cousin went into the house and after building a fire went to sleep. Ed Mull was awakened by the roof of the house falling in and made his escape, but his cousin, who did not wake, was burned to a crisp.

Exchange of Courts.

Raleigh, Special.—An exchange of courts between Judge Justice and Judge Ferguson was granted by Governor Glenn. Judge Justice will hold the Rutherford court, beginning November 2d and continuing two weeks. Judge Ferguson to hold the second week of Cabarrus court, beginning November 2d, and the first week of Cleveland court, beginning November 9th.

SEVERE ACCIDENT AT FIRE

Mr. James H. Wood, While Fighting Stubborn Blaze, Is Injured by Having an Ankle Broken—Flats and Residence of O. D. Revell Burned.

Asheville, Special.—While fighting a fire which broke out here Sunday morning in one of O. D. Revell's big flats on Haywood street, District Passenger Agent James H. Wood, who is also captain of one of the fire hose companies, fell through the burning roof and suffered a broken ankle. Mr. Wood was helped out of the burning building and down a ladder and removed to his home. The fire on Haywood street was one of the most stubborn the firemen have been called upon to combat in some time. It broke out about 10 o'clock, or only a short time after the firemen had returned from fighting a fire at Mr. Revell's residence on Charlotte street. The structure contained eight flats, all of which were occupied save one. Buildings on either side were saved by hard fighting. The flats were practically destroyed. Mr. Revell's residence was badly damaged, while members of the family were compelled to leave the burning building in scant clothing. The origin of the fires are unknown. The property loss will amount to several thousand dollars partially covered by insurance.

Charlotte Cotton Market.

These prices represent figures paid to wagons

Good middling	9
Strict middling	87-8
Middling	83-4

Columbia Cotton Market.

Good middling	9.50
Strict middling	87-8
Middling	83-4

Charlotte Grain and Produce.

Rye	\$.135
Corn	1.08
Cotton Seed	22 1-2
Oats	68
Meal	26
Cotton Seed Meal	26
Butter	10@15
Chickens—Spring	30@35
Ducks	20
Eggs	20@22
Geese—per head	40@50
Hens—per head	35@40
Turkeys—per pound	13@14

The Rocky Mount Tobacco Market.

Rocky Mount, Special.—The market has been exceedingly active the past week. There has been right sharp advance on the medium to good grades of strips and leaf, including all grades of bright leaf and wrappers, which latter are getting more plentiful. The offerings as a whole, show some improvement over last week, the proportion of primings and common tips diminishing, while the better grades of leaf are increasing in proportion. The sales for the week aggregate close to 600,000 pounds. Up to date the market has shown a gain of about 1,500,000 pounds over the corresponding period of last year. The average price paid for the last week will exceed \$10.50 per hundred pounds.

Chinquapin Gatherer Shot.

Wilmington, Special.—Thomas J. Kenan, a well-known trucker in east Wilmington Saturday afternoon shot and painfully wounded a young man named Rivenbark, who, with two others, a gentleman and a lady, were gathering chinquapin on his land while out for a casual Sunday afternoon stroll. Two shots took effect in Rivenbark's neck and another in his hand, but his injuries are not serious. Kenan says that he was shooting at hawks and not trespassers, and that if Rivenbark was hit he must have been up a tree, where he had no business at least that he did not see anybody until after he had fired at the birds. A warrant charging assault with a deadly weapon has been served on Kenan.

Injured Are Improving.

Spencer, Special.—The funeral of James T. Gobbel, of this place, one of the victims of the powder magazine explosion here last week, drew a large crowd. The whole town was stirred by the accident, which caused three deaths and wounded twenty or more people. The injured are reported improved, with two exceptions.

Spring Hope Has a Mad Dog Scare.

Spring Hope, Special.—There were two or three mad dog scares in town last week. Tuesday while a large crowd was in town to take in the circus a dog ran through the streets fiercely attacking every dog it came up with. The officials soon decided that it was mad or would go mad, and it was promptly killed. The dog belonged to a negro some three miles in the country. The dog's head has been sent to Raleigh for examination. The next morning there was another scare in the back of the graded school. A dog supposedly mad was discovered and killed.

Sandy Creek Baptist Association.

Carthage, Special.—The one hundred and fiftieth annual session of the Sandy Creek Baptist Association was held last week. A large attendance of delegates participated. Besides the regular delegates nearly all the various Baptist organizations had representatives present, among them Rev. E. L. Middleton, of Cary; Rev. W. L. Potest, of Wake Forest; and Rev. Livingston Johnson.

TO HEAR COMPLAINT

Interstate Commerce Commission Ready For N. C. Case

A STRONG ARRAY OF COUNSEL

On October 22d the Interstate Commerce Commission Will Hear the Freight Rate Discrimination Case.

Raleigh, N. C., Special.—The Corporation Commission is informed that October 22d is fixed by the Interstate Commerce Commission as the date of the hearing of what is known as the freight rate discrimination case involving the Norfolk and Western, Louisville and Nashville and the Big Four Railway. They will be heard before the full commission. The State is not a party to this suit, which is brought by the Corporation Commission, the Governor took some action in regard to appointment of counsel. The following are the attorneys for the Corporation Commission: Tillet & Guthrie, of Charlotte; Manning & Foushee, of Durham; Justice & Broadhurst, of Greensboro, and Herbert E. Norris, of Raleigh. The attorneys for the railways are: Edward Baxter, for the Louisville & Nashville; J. L. Doran and L. H. Cooke, for the Norfolk & Western, and R. W. Moore, for all the roads. Besides these Davis & Davis and Douglas, Lecky & Thompson appear for the Virginia cities except Lynchburg, the latter not having gone into the fight. The other Virginia points are fighting any reduction in rate.

Hearing Shippers' Appeal.

Atlanta, Ga., Special.—An appeal from the decision of Judge Pardee, granting a supersedeas in the case of certain Georgia shippers against the Southern Railway and other lines, allowing the railroads to put into effect increased freight rates was argued before the United States Circuit Court here. When the increased rates went into effect the shippers secured an injunction from Judge Speer restraining the roads from advancing their rates. The railroads then carried the matter before Judge Pardee, who granted a supersedeas, setting aside the injunction granted by Judge Speer. Counsel for the shippers argued that when Judge Pardee granted the supersedeas he was out of his jurisdiction, being at the time in Asheville, N. C. No decision was rendered.

Will Challenge Grand Jury.

New York, Special.—John F. McIntyre, attorney for Captain Peter C. Hains, Jr., and his brother, T. Jenkins Hains, the former held for the murder of William E. Annis, and the latter as an accessory to it, has served notice on District Attorney Darrin of Queens county that he would challenge the array of the grand jury empaneled to pass on the cases of his clients.

Killed in Family Quarrel.

Philadelphia, Pa., Special.—J. Clayton Erb, captain and regimental quartermaster of the Third Regiment, National Guard, of Pennsylvania, was shot and killed at his summer home near Village Green, Delaware county, Tuesday night. His sister-in-law, Mrs. Catherine Beisel, is under arrest in the Media jail, charged with the murder. The woman admits that she hid the shooting during a family quarrel.

Russian Robbers Murder Twelve.

Tiraspol, Russia, By Cable.—Robbers have committed a revolting crime in the neighboring village of Slobodze. They entered the house of a Jewish family named Cohen and killed twelve persons in their efforts to get away with the small amount of loot. The murderers were arrested.

Quarantine Against Havana Raised.

Washington, Special.—Recent reports having failed to indicate the presence of yellow fever in Havana, Cuba, the public health and marine hospital service removed the quarantine which was established against that city a few weeks ago. The quarantine against the province of Santiago still remains intact.

President Castro Seriously Ill.

Wilmington, By Cable.—It is reported here from Venezuela that President Castro is seriously ill and that the government of Venezuela probably soon will have to be turned over to the vice president of that republic. The illness of President Castro was confirmed later in the day by passengers from Caracas, who declared him to be suffering from an affection of the liver and kidneys. His physicians have not been able to agree whether to perform an operation or not.

Owens' Victim Dies and He Surrendered.

Pensacola, Fla., Special.—L. A. Jones, a bookkeeper employed at the Pensacola navy yard, who was shot by R. J. Owens, a prominent young man of this city, several weeks ago, died Tuesday night. Upon learning of Jones' death, Owens surrendered to the sheriff and is being held pending the findings of the coroner's jury.

THE GOV'T CROP REPORT

Condition is 69.7 and Number of Bales Ginned 2,282,000.

Washington, Special.—Crop condition, 69.7; number of bales ginned, 2,282,000. These are the reports issued by the government Friday morning, the crop condition being based until September 20th and number of bales ginned until September 25th.

Compared with the reports issued on the same date last year the crop condition is 2 per cent higher and the number of bales ginned one million less. The reports had an inappreciable effect on the market.

The variance in the number of bales ginned this and last year is attributed to the fact that the weather this fall has been much more favorable to the gathering of the staple than at the same time last season. In many sections of the country it is stated that a large part of the crop has been gathered.

Cotton Ginned During Year.

Washington, Special.—The census bureau Friday announced that 2,582,688 bales of cotton had been ginned from the growth of 1908 to September 25th, as compared with 1,532,602 to the corresponding date last year. The number of active ginneries reporting is 23,650.

Condition of Cotton Crop.

The crop reporting board of the bureau of statistics of the department of Agriculture reports the average condition of the crop on September 25th at 69.7, as compared with 76.1 on August 25th and 67.7 on September 25th, 1907. North Carolina 69; South Carolina, 68; Georgia, 71, and Texas, 71.

New Georgia Railroad Opened.

Valdosta, Ga., Special.—The Georgia & Florida Railway, a newly constructed line running from this place 100 miles northwest to Hazlehurst, was formally opened to the public Friday. A special train brought 500 representative citizens from points along the line to this city. Work is rapidly progressing with a view to uniting the newly constructed road with other divisions now in operation, which will give a new short line between Madison, Fla., and Augusta, Ga.

Lincolnton Men Interested in New York Corporation.

New York, Special.—According to official report of the Secretary of State "The Mutual Farm Commission of New York City," capital \$10,000 has filed articles of incorporation with the Secretary of State at Albany with permission to increase capital to \$200,000. The directors chosen are named as Daniel E. Rhyne and James A. Abernethy, of Lincolnton, North Carolina, and Frank Guy Hull, of 1644 Nineteenth avenue, Brooklyn.

To Extend Trolley Line.

Spartanburg, S. C., Special.—The street car company will soon begin the work of extending its North Church trolley line to the fair grounds. Preliminary work is now under way and a large force of hands will be put to work shortly and the laying of the rails will be rushed. The county fair will open November 3rd and continue until the 6th.

Indictment of T. Jenkins Hains.

New York, Special.—District Attorney Dorrin appeared before the grand jury in Queens county and demanded the indictment of T. Jenkins Hains as accessory before the fact in the murder of William E. Annis, who was shot and killed by Peter C. Hains. The principal witness against him before the grand jury was Mrs. Annis, widow of the victim.

Four Killed on Ohio Central.

Toledo, O., Special.—Four persons are dead and two fatally and three seriously injured as a result of a wreck on the Ohio Central Railroad at Sugar Ridge, when an extra freight train plunged into the rear of a special passenger train. The dead are George Gosler, Richard Rideout, Thomas Crane and Leslie Fuller.

Texas Raises the Quarantine Against Cuba.

Austin, Tex., Special.—The State health department, through Acting State Health Officer J. H. Florence, raised the yellow fever quarantine which has been in effect against Havana and other Cuban points for some time past. This action was based on a message received from the surgeon general of the marine hospital service conveying the information that the government had raised the embargo existing at Havana.

Officer Kills One and Wounds Another.

Hartwell, Ga., Special.—James E. Carter, a prominent business man, while acting as a special policeman, Friday shot and killed John Teasley, and seriously wounded William Hall, both negroes. It is said Carter fired in self-defense, the negroes having made an attack on him. He has surrendered to the sheriff.

With the Funny



A Chanson.

"Tell me a story, pa, tell me a story, Tell me of knights and of kings and their glory; How does the queen appear? How does the princess look? The queen is as fair as the golden sun, The princess is even fairer. The prince is a gay young son-of-a-gun, And the king—is a holy terror." —The Sphinx.

A Mean Remark.

Mrs. Homely—"My husband is extremely hard to please." Miss Castique—"Indeed; you don't look it." —Illustrated Bits.

Social Blunder.

"Why did Blinks' widow feel so indignant at his funeral?" "The members of his volunteer hose company sent him a floral fire extinguisher." —Judge.

Where the Winds Blow.

"Is this section prosperous?" "You bet it is," answered the Kansas farmer. "I kin spread a net any time and shake a grand piano out of a cyclone." —Pittsburg Post.

The Neighbors Would.

Howell—"Nobody ever heard of you." Powell—"Well, they will before night; I have just bought my daughter a piano." —New York Press.

All Records Broken.

"Some men foolishly take their business to bed with them." "I know a man who is worse than that. He thinks of business even when he is at a ball game." —Chicago Record-Herald.

Growler Noise.

"Pa, what is the meaning of inconsistency?" "Inconsistency, my son," exclaimed pa, "means a man who grows all day and then goes home and kicks the dog for barking at night." —Tit-Bits.

Not Dangerous.

Pat—"I hear yer wife is sick, Molke." Mike—"She is thot." Pat—"Is it dangerous she is?" Mike—"Divil a bit. She's too weak to be dangerous any more!" —Brooklyn Life.

The Comparison.

Towne—"Yes, my wife is able to dress on comparatively little money." Browne—"O! come, now! Comparatively little?" Towne—"I mean a little compared with what she thinks she ought to have." —Philadelphia Press.

Best She Could Do.

"What is the matter with Mrs. Spicy? I saw her sitting on her porch as I came by gritting her teeth and looking daggers into vacancy." "Her husband is a half hour late, and she is giving him absent treatment." —Nashville American.

Missionary Work.

"So you once lived in—Africa, Sam?" "Yes, sah." "Ever do any missionary work out there, Sam?" "Oh! yes, sah. I was cook for a cannibal chief, sah!" —Pick-Me-Up.

The Limit.

"There's nothing that makes a would-be society woman madder than to find her name left out of the report of some swell function she attended." "Unless it's to find besides that her rival's name is in." —The Catholic Standard and Times.

Offended Art.

"I want a photograph representing me just as I am. None of this 'touching up' business, understand." "You are in the wrong shop," replied the artistic photographer. "Better try the police station. It's a Bertillon style of picture you're after." —Philadelphia Ledger.

None For Her.

"Pop!" "Yes, my son." "When a person saws wood it means they say nothing, don't it?" "Yes, my boy." "And do women ever saw wood?" "No, women believe that sawing wood is a man's work." —Yonkers Statesman.

Defined.

Teacher—"Johnny, you may spell the word 'neighbor'." Johnny—"N-e-i-g-h-b-o-r." Teacher—"That's right. Now, Tommy, can you tell me what a neighbor is?" Tommy—"Yes, ma'am. It's a woman that borrows things." —Chicago News.

Hard Luck.

"Your office boy looks sad." "Yes, he's an orphan." "Folks die recently?" "Nope, been dead a number of years." "Then why the grief?" "Baseball to-day and no one in his family to die." —Houston Post.