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ALL THE LOCAL NEWS

THREE NEGROES CHARED WITH SHOOTING BISHOP

SCOTLAND NECK, Aug. 31.—Ed Clark, a negro youth, who had borrowed some .22-calibre bullets from another negro yesterday, and who was found in bed with his clothes on Thursday morning, was taken to the Halifax jail by Deputy Sheriff Herbert Johnson.

In addition to capturing the negro boy, Ed Clark, the authorities became suspicious about noon time of two other negro boys, namely, Sam Webb, a trusted servant of Mr. Cleve Vaughan, and Redmond Ethingame. Ethingame was soon captured, but Webb made good his escape.

Just about noon time the bloodhounds of "Hurricane" Branche of Suffolk, Va., were brought here from Weldon and their first duty was to get on the trail of the negro Webb, who was last seen sweeping one of the bedrooms in the home of Mr. Cleve Vaughan, for whom he has worked for about seven years. At the time of going to press the negro had not been captured.

Later—Just before leaving for the Halifax jail, the negro Ed Clark, who was the first to be captured, confessed to the actual shooting, according to reports on the street.

Two gentlemen here, Capt. G. S. White and Mr. Geo. Wilson, say they saw Webb walking toward Eastern Scotland Neck just before 1 o'clock. This was the last seen of this negro.

The bloodhounds scented the trail of Clark from the scene of the shooting to his home in the negro settlement, and they went straight to his bed, where he slept last night with his clothes on.

The bloodhounds, after being put on the trail of the negro Webb, at the room that he last swept in the home of Mr. Vaughan, followed the scent to a spot in the road east of town, where the negro apparently took a car. The tracks of an automobile were seen, and it appeared that the car turned around in the road.

Later still—At the very last minute before going to press, it is learned that the dogs have scented another negro, Pete Johnson, and tracked him to his hiding place in a bathroom in his home in the negro settlement.—Scotland Neck Commonwealth.

IDENTIFICATION CARDS FOR COTTON GROWERS

Mr. Ammons has received from Raleigh what is termed identification cards for all growers of cotton who have signed the cotton contracts. He asks all who have signed these cards to see him and get these cards at once. Upon this card is the name of the signer and the statement that he is a member of the Cotton Growers' Association and entitled to all the privileges of the association. The card is also numbered and should be carefully preserved by all growers.

REV. DANIEL IVERSON HAS ARRIVED IN TARBORO

Dr. Daniel Iverson, the newly called pastor of the Howard Memorial Presbyterian church, has arrived and will preach Sunday morning.

Dr. Iverson formerly held the pastorate of the Tenth Avenue Presbyterian church of Charlotte.

The Southerner extends to Dr. Iverson and family a hearty welcome into our midst.

INCOME TAX FIGURES FOR PHILIPPINE ISLANDS

MANILA, P. I., Sept. 1.—The net total of taxable income in the Philippine Islands during the year 1920, according to data obtained from the internal revenue bureau, was \$90,000,000, yielding to the government a tax of approximately \$2,766,000. Of this total the aggregate individual incomes amounted to \$52,696,000, while corporations and partnerships reported \$37,304,000.

EINSTEIN'S THEORY WILL GET TEST ON ECLIPSE SEPT. 21ST

CHICAGO, Sept. 1.—New tests of the validity of Einstein's theory of relativity will be possible with the total solar eclipse on September 21, which will darken the eastern coast of Africa, Australia and a number of Southern Pacific islands, according to Prof. Edwin B. Frost of the University of Chicago and director of the Yerkes Observatory.

The theory requires, he said, that the rays of light from a distant star should be bent out of their straight path when they pass within the field of attraction of a great body like the sun. But stars whose light passes close to the rim of the blazing sun cannot be photographed except on these rare occasions when the moon obscures the sun.

The path of the sun, in its normal sweep around the sky, is dotted with many stars which would serve for the test, but only those can be used that nearly graze the sun at the moment of eclipse, Prof. Frost said.

Accordingly, a photograph is made of these stars at a time of the year when the sun is in a different part of the sky. On such photographs, taken at night with the same instrument that is used at the eclipse, the distances between the critical stars are measured to the ten-thousandth of an inch.

At the moment of the eclipse the stars will lie on opposite sides of the sun. Hence, when this photograph is measured, the distances between the corresponding stars should be slightly greater than on the plates taken some weeks before or after eclipse, and which were not disturbed by the sun's presence, according to Professor Frost.

The observations by two English parties of the eclipse of May 29, 1919, in Brazil and in Liberia, in this way yielded results which have been regarded as giving the strongest physical confirmation of Einstein's theory, says Prof. Frost.

SOLD \$3,000 WORTH OF CATTLE YESTERDAY

Messrs. Holderness and Shook yesterday made a sale of Angus cattle amounting to \$3,000. These cattle were raised by Mr. Shook on the Cotton Valley farm, near Tarboro.

Mr. Holderness gave this information to the Southerner and stated this was the way he and Mr. Shook were doing to get ready for the bull weevil. This was a fine body of cattle and these two gentlemen are demonstrating how the weevil may be combated by cattle as well as by hogs.

WOULD CLOSE BREACH IN CAPITAL AND LABOR

CHICAGO, Sept. 1.—To close forever "the widening breach between capital and labor" is the main purpose of the Society of American Commonwealth which recently received its charter as a corporation under the laws of Illinois for the purpose of formulating an organization throughout the United States.

Mr. Ed Foxhal, who has been for several weeks at the Battle Creek Sanatorium, has returned home.

IRREGULARS MAKE STAND IN DUBLIN

LONDON, Sept. 1.—A vigorous attack on four county buildings in Dublin was the scene of Rory O'Connor's spectacular stand against Free State troops, which started this morning, according to a dispatch to the Press Association. It is assumed here that the republicans are attacking troops guarding the ruins of the building.

CROP NOTES FOR THE PAST WEEK

Weather: The weather is generally fair over the state; being good for harvesting hay and fodder, as well as favorable for the growth of late crops. It seems to be a little too fair in some sections of the northern part of the state where it is reported to be too dry for plowing. Continued rains are reported in the eastern part of the state, especially in the north-east. The weather in the piedmont is fair with favorable showers.

Corn is maturing nicely during the generally favorable weather. Some fodder is being pulled. Lowland corn is poor where many stalks are blank and will make only fodder.

The central piedmont area is generally good for cotton, excepting a few South Carolina border counties where the boll weevil is doing considerable damage. The eastern counties are generally too wet. Here there is much shedding with damages from boll weevil in the southeast. The crop is better than expected, but the August crop is very poor. The yield per acre is placed at 145 pounds, and the total estimate of the yield is 10,535,000 bales.

Farm labor is about the same. The wages are not sufficient to secure efficient services.

Farm activities are generally good for August. Some fall crops are being planted. Farmers are taking more interest in cooperative marketing and are using more improved methods of farming.

The cooperative marketing organizations are very active getting ready for the harvest and marketing season.

FAIR ENVELOPES TO BE GIVEN TO BUSINESS MEN

Mr. Lee Hargrove informed the Southerner this morning that he is having five thousand envelopes printed for free distribution among our citizens, these envelopes having on the face an advertisement of the Coastal Plain Fair.

The envelopes will be ready for delivery by tomorrow and those who want them can call to see Mr. Hargrove and get what is needed.

The fair officials have started on a drive to advertise the fair, and the citizens of the town should do all in their power to assist in this drive.

This envelope scheme is just one of many ways the fair will be brought before the people.

Mr. L. H. Beck Returns.

Mr. L. H. Beck returned yesterday from Griffin, Ga., where he was called by the sudden illness of his little daughter, Emily, who was operated on for appendicitis. The little girl is doing as well as could be expected.

Kilbane to Fight Dundee.

LORAIN, Ohio, Sept. 1.—Johnny Kilbane, featherweight champion, today accepted the terms of Tex Rickard for a 12-round battle with Johnny Dundee, who was awarded the featherweight title by the New York State Boxing Commission. The battle will be fought Sept. 29 at Boyles 30.

Mr. Sam Hoffman of Scotland Neck was a visitor here today.

VIGOROUS DRIVE IS LAUNCHED AGAINST CHICAGO RADICALS

CHICAGO, Sept. 1.—Police and federal operatives here are under orders today to start vigorous drive against radical agitators, believed to be behind the railroad wrecks and bomb plots. Their activity has hounded 24 hours of increasing disorder, being the burning and dynamiting of railroad property throughout the country.

Disclosure of an alleged plot to kill three railroad presidents or kidnap members of their families were made during an investigation, according to the Chicago Herald-Examiner today.

FRENCH CABINET RESERVE OPINION

PARIS, Sept. 1.—The French cabinet today simply took "cognizance" of the decision of the reparations commission on German moratorium question, neither approving or disapproving it. It specifically reserved, however, "the entire liberty of action" in case later developments made other action necessary.

GOVERNMENT COTTON REPORT

The following information is given to the Southerner by Mr. W. A. Hart. The estimate of the condition of the cotton crop is placed at 57 percent of normal. The yield per acre is placed at 145 pounds, and the total estimate of the yield is 10,535,000 bales.

FIREMEN'S BANQUET TO BE HELD TONIGHT AT 8

The Tarboro Fire Company will do themselves proud today and tonight at the banquet and entertainment to be given by the fire companies of Rocky Mount and Wilson.

At this banquet will be instrumental music and solo, and special music by the male quartet.

Full delegations from Rocky Mt. and Wilson will be here.

SEATS NOW SELLING FOR "THE LITTLE SHEPHERD"

Seats for "The Little Shepherd of Kingdom Come" went on sale today at Mcnair Drug Store. The novel by John Fox, Jr., is widely read. Fox is also the author of "The Trail of the Lonesome Pine." The primitiveness of the people is shown in all its picturesqueness and charm and you will love Chad and Melissa and their kinsfolk far more on the stage than you did when you wandered with them through the pages of Mr. Fox's delightful story. The story as seen on the stage deals with Chad's rise to fortune from the time he meets Melissa and is taken in by her father, big Joel Turner. It faithfully follows him up to the point where it is found that the supposed wife is, as a matter of fact, of an excellent family. Then comes Chad's separation from Melissa and the final ending where, saved from the Dillon, Chad discovers that the girl he loves is yet waiting for him.

The production, here in the Opera House, Wednesday, Sept. 1, should prove one of the quaintest of the season. An exceptional cast is promised.

Big Eureka at All Warehouses

All three warehouses had big breaks today. The Farmers warehouse had the largest sales they have had this season; the Clark also had big break, while the Co-op had more than at any time since the opening.

Firemen's Banquet Tonight.

Everything is in readiness for the firemen's banquet tonight and the local fire company is looking forward to a glorious time in entertaining the firemen from Rocky Mount and Wilson, who will be their guests.

ARTHUR GRIFFITH POISONED, RUMOR

DUBLIN, Sept. 1.—Reports that Arthur Griffith had been poisoned, which were circulated here at the time of his death three weeks ago, again became prevalent today.

A leading physician has informed the correspondent that there is talk of exhuming the body and holding an autopsy.

MR. HOLDERNESS TO SPEAK SATURDAY

Tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock Mr. George A. Holderness will speak to the members of the Cotton Growers' Association in the court house.

A large crowd is expected at this meeting, as it will be the final one in the drive for cotton signers.

Mr. Holderness has given this cooperative system a great deal of time and thought, and those who hear him will gain much useful and practical information on the new system.

Mr. Holderness has made many speeches in the state and his services have been greatly appreciated by the farmers who are in the association.

TARBORO-ROCKY MOUNT HIGHWAY PROGRESSING

From the looks of things the completion of the hard surface road between Tarboro and Rocky Mount is yet a long way off. Out of Rocky Mount, coming to Tarboro, about three and one-half miles have been completed. All of the rights-of-way have been made, and from Tarboro toward Rocky Mount the concrete base has been put down nearly to the residence of Mrs. Nina Powell.

Work is being pushed on the road leading into Tarboro by the fair grounds, and this portion will be made ready by the time the Coastal Plain Fair opens.

SIR HERBERT SAMUEL ON PALESTINE SITUATION

JERUSALEM, Sept. 1.—Sir Herbert Samuel, high commissioner for Palestine, in a statement submitted at the meeting of the advisory council, has made the following declaration explaining the situation of Palestine:

"I have returned to Palestine to find that the confirmation of the Palestine mandate by the League of Nations is giving rise to a remarkably serious of false rumors which have been spread among the people. It has once more been asserted that the Moslem possession of the Mosque Al-Aqsa and the Haram Esh-Sharif is threatened, and representatives have been sent to Mecca to defend Moslem rights. It is not necessary to go to so much trouble to repel an attack that no one has made or will make. The Moslem possession of the Haram Esh-Sharif is absolutely guaranteed, not only by the declarations of the British government, but by article 13 of the mandate itself.

"It is rumored also that on the passage of the mandate, the British flags over the governorates will be replaced by Zionist flags; the government of the country will be transferred to the Zionist organization, and 30,000 Jews will immediately enter the country to occupy it. I am not so much surprised that mischief-makers should spread fantastic stories of this character as I am that any sane human being should believe them. Yet, I am assured that so credulous are sections of the population of this country that there are many individuals who really believe events such as these will happen."

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AIR MAIL SERVICE TO PUT ON NIGHTS TRIPS FOR SPEEDY ROUTES

RENO, Nev., Sept. 1.—Establishment in the near future by the post office department of night flying in the air mail service between Chicago and Cheyenne, Wyo. which will make a flight across the continent in less than 24 hours possible, was assured when J. A. McGee of the Washington headquarters made a recent inspection trip over the proposed route.

Major O. A. Tomlinson, in charge of the Reno air field, said the plans of the department are to create landing fields every twenty-five miles on the route and to equip these fields with beacon lights which would enable the pilots to follow the course and would furnish suitable spots on which to make forced landings.

McGee, in his inspection trip, made the flight across the country with air mail pilots to make a survey of the region and to find desirable landing places.

With the adoption of these plans, planes may leave San Francisco in the morning, reach Cheyenne by nightfall, Chicago by daybreak and New York before the end of the second day.

TARBORO SCHOOLS OPEN AT 10 TODAY

After several months of drawn windows and closed doors, the graded school building is again a place of business and activity.

Around on cars and in buggies, children with their parents have been pouring in all the morning and the officials of the graded schools are as busy this morning as they can be.

The corridors are filled and the grounds around the schools show signs of life and activity again.

This is the morning for registration and a day for the classification of all pupils.

By the end of the day, Mr. Epps will have all this work completed and the real work of the year will begin Monday morning.

Just how many students will be entered today cannot be told, but the Southerner will give these figures as soon as possible.

DIRECTIONS FOR FIRST GRADE SCHOOL PUPILS

Children entering school for the first time should assemble in the frame building to the rear of the main school building at 10:00.

It is very important that every pupil should enter the first day of school. It is requested that each beginner bring a slip of paper giving full name and date of birth. No child will be allowed to enter who is not six by the first of November.

Mary H. Bridgers, Primary Supervisor.

AMERICAN WOMAN ENTERS THE MOSLEM FAITH

WORKING, England, Sept. 1.—The Working mosque presented a gay appearance recently when over 200 Moslems from all parts of the world assembled to celebrate the festival of Eid-ul-Azha in commemoration of the sacrifice of Abraham, the day of the great festival at Mecca.

After prayers, says The Star, the Princess Hassann (Miss Otie, of New York), whose husband is a nephew of the ex-Khedive of Egypt, was received into the Moslem faith.

Among those present were Prince Amid-ur-Santamat, the Persian minister, the Afghan minister and suite, and Lord Hedley represented the English Moslems in London.

Misses Aldyth and Sonora Wilson left today for Greensboro to visit.

FRANK DUPRE TO BE HANGED TODAY FOR DARING ROBBERY

ATLANTA, Ga., Sept. 1.—Frank Dupre, youth of 18, was scheduled to be hanged today for shooting several people and a daylight robbery.

The crime for which Frank B. Dupre was convicted was described by Atlanta police officials as one of the most daring and sensational hold-ups in the history of the city. Entering the jewelry store of Nat Kaiser, in the downtown section of Peachtree street, in the heart of the business quarter when the streets were crowded with Christmas shoppers on the afternoon of December 21, 1921, the delinquent youth asked to see a tray of diamonds.

Selecting a gem valued by the jeweler at \$2,500, Dupre, the inexperienced boy, appearing much younger than his 18 years, shot his way out of the store, killing Irbey C. Walker, a private detective who attempted to block his exit.

Dashing down the busy sidewalk and into the corridor of a hotel a few doors away, just as many of the luncheon guests were leaving, he encountered B. Graham West, the city comptroller of Atlanta, who unaware of the reason for the boy's haste, attempted to stop the fleeing bandit. Mr. West was shot in the neck and lingered between life and death for weeks before recovering.

After shooting the city official Dupre vanished, and escaped to Chattanooga in an automobile. There he pawned the diamond stolen in Atlanta for less than a third of its value, and started on a roving journey that carried him to Norfolk, Va., and later to Detroit, where he was captured.

Dupre escaped capture in the Virginia city by a few minutes through the friendly tip of a young woman at the counter of a telegraph office.

By the time Dupre reached Detroit the money he had obtained on the pawned diamond was running low, writing back to the Chattanooga pawnbroker, according to what he later said was a pre-arranged plan, he asked for further advances on the diamond. Instead of sending money, the pawnbroker notified the Chattanooga police and furnished them a description of Dupre.

Armed with the description of Dupre, a detective from the Tennessee city departed for Detroit, timing his arrival with the pawnbroker's reply, and was waiting for the youth when he went to the postoffice.

Ambling aimlessly into the building where he expected to get a letter which he hoped would enable him to cross the river into Canada, the robber was taken. He made no show of resistance. On the other hand, officers said, he seemed to be glad the thing was over.

Dupre made a complete confession of the crime attributing his troubles to the influence of bad associates. He was brought here and given a speedy trial, being convicted of murder on January 29 and sentenced to hang March 15. He maintained a stoic indifference to his fate throughout the trial.

In the meantime his counsel filed a motion for a new trial which was heard in Macon, Ga., on March 16, and denied. A later appeal to the supreme court of Georgia likewise was denied and on July 29 he was resented to be hanged Sept. 1.

A last effort was made to have his life in an appeal to the state pardon board.

PENSACOLA, Fla., Aug. 1 The Sampaio Correia No. 2 A navy seaplane of the H-16 type identical with the gain machine wrecked off H. last week, will take off from Pensacola Bay Saturday morning at a break with Lieutenant Walter Hinton and his party aboard, barring further delay. Hinton announced tonight.