

WILL DISCUSS DRAINAGE HERE

THE CONVENTION IS CALLED TO MEET ON NOVEMBER 15TH AND 16TH—LARGE NUMBER OF INTERESTED CITIZENS TO BE PRESENT.

The fourth annual convention of the North Carolina Drainage Association will be held here on November 15th and 16th.

This convention will be the occasion for the gathering of a large number of the most prominent citizens in eastern North Carolina to discuss one of the most important problems that confronts the people of this section: The reclamation of the lowlands from the swamps and morasses to convert them into farming land of great fertility and productivity. Interest in this drainage movement has grown wonderfully during the past five years and the people are now interested to a degree that they have never been before. Since the last meeting of the Association held in Wilmington, N. C., last year, many drainage districts have been formed and actual work in artificial drainage has been begun. In many instances, this work has made good progress, and this work has demonstrated the practicability of the movement.

A very attractive program has been prepared for the convention, and many prominent statesmen and scientists will discuss the different phases of the drainage problem. Among the speakers are Gov. Kitchin, Hon. John H. Small, Hon. Claude Kitchin, congressman from the second district; Hon. John M. Patton, congressman from the third district; Hon. C. G. Elliott, of the office of drainage investigations of the United States Department of Agriculture; Mr. J. O. Wright, Drainage Engineer of the State of Florida; Mr. E. F. Lamb, President of the Norfolk Southern railroad and many other distinguished speakers.

The Mattamuskeet Drainage District of Hyde county, the Moyock Drainage District of Currituck county, the Bear Creek Drainage District, Chowan county will be represented. The Southern Hotel will be the headquarters of the convention and the delegates are requested to register with the secretary immediately upon their arrival.

The Chamber of Commerce and the Elizabeth City people are making preparations for elaborate entertainment of the visitors while they are here.

BIG LAW SUIT ON HAND

Judging from the number of witnesses attending, a pretty big law suit is being patched up between the Richmond Cedar works and the Pittsburg Land and Lumber Company over a part of a large tract of timber land in Tyrrell county. A large crowd of Tyrrell and Washington county people have spent the entire week here attending the taking of testimony and the giving of evidence. The land involved in this suit is a large tract of swamp land in Washington and Tyrrell counties extending from the Lake section to Gum Neck. The Richmond Cedar works claim it all and the Pittsburg Land and Lumber Company claim part of it.

Attorneys Aydtlett, Pruden and Midgett represent the Pittsburg Company and attorneys Meekins, Tillit and Winston represent the Cedar works. Ex-Judge J. B. Leigh presided over the court and conducted the taking of testimony.

REVIVAL AT BLACKWELL

Great interest has been manifested in the revival services at Blackwell Memorial Church during the past week. Seventeen offered themselves for baptism on Wednesday.

MISS OVERTON OCTOBER BRIDE

WEDS MR. J. P. SAWYER WEDNESDAY EVENING IN SAWYERS CREEK CHURCH AMID SCENES OF FLORAL BEAUTY.

One of the most important events in Camden county social life, occurred last Wednesday night at 8:30 o'clock, when Miss Annie Overton, the cultured and accomplished niece of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Bell became the bride of Mr. John P. Sawyer. The event was solemnized in Sawyers Creek Baptist church in the presence of a large number of friends of the families. Rev. W. W. Slak, pastor of Sawyers Creek church performed the ceremony in a very impressive manner, the ring ceremony being used.

Mrs. S. W. Gregory of this city rendered the wedding marches. The bride costumed in a traveling suit entered the church with Miss Clark of Norfolk, a cousin, who gave her away. The groom was attended by Mr. J. G. Sawyer, as best man, Mr. Loyal Berry and Miss Ella Pritchard were the other attendants. They entered the church and approached the altar through the opposite aisle. The bridal party met at the altar where the word was spoken which made them man and wife. The ushers were, Mr. Howard Sawyer, of Newbern and Dr. S. W. Gregory of this city.

The church was beautifully decorated for the occasion, the most artistic skill being displayed in the designs.

An elaborate wedding supper was served at 7:00 o'clock at the home of the bride, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Bell. Many guests were present and participated in it.

Mrs. Sawyer is one of the most charming young ladies of Camden county. She is very popular in a large circle of admiring friends. She resided in this city for several years and is well known here. Many Elizabeth City people attended the wedding. Mr. Sawyer is a prominent business man of Camden county.

Mr. and Mrs. Sawyer are spending their honeymoon at Raleigh, N. C., attending the State Fair.

RACE MEET NOVEMBER 2ND AND 3RD

Plans for the race meet to be held here on November, 15th and 16th are being perfected for the fastest races and the biggest time that the people of this section have witnessed yet. Some of the fastest racing stock in this section will participate in these races, and the people will be treated to some downy horse racing that will cause them to hold their breath.

There will be 3 races each day. First race, first day, 2:14 trot or pace. The purse is \$100.00. Second race, first day, roadsters, marked not better than three minute pace or trot, purse \$75.00; third race first day, three year-old colts, trot or pace, purse \$50.00. Second day's racing will be: First race; 2:27, trot or pace, purse \$100.00; second race, 2:35 trot or pace; purse \$75.00; third race, free for all, trot or pace, purse \$100.00.

There will be other features such as automobile and motorcycle races for the interest of the crowd, which is expected to be fully five thousand.

ARM ALMOST TORN OFF

A colored boy named Otis Evans met with an accident yesterday morning in which he had one of his arms almost torn from his body.

While at work in the Dare Lumber Company's mill, one of his hands was caught in a roller cog. The bone in the arm was broken to pieces; and, if he had not been rescued his arm would have been torn to two.

ALUMNI HOLD ANNUAL MEETING

GRADUATES OF THE STATE UNIVERSITY GATHER IN MASONIC HALL TO CELEBRATE THE EVENT.

The one hundred and eighteenth anniversary of the founding of the University of North Carolina was celebrated last Friday evening by the Alumni of the University of Pasquotank and Perquimans Counties by an informal Smoker at the Masonic Hall.

University Day has become well known as the date on which the cornerstone of the Old East Building was laid at Chapel Hill on October 12th, 1793, amid imposing ceremonies and this date has become as famous in North Carolina history as the dates of the Mecklenburg Declaration and the Halifax resolutions which appear on the State flag.

Throughout the world wherever two or three University men are gathered together they celebrate the birthday of the institution in some way. The local Alumni have celebrated this day by banquets and smokers for the past six years, sometimes having distinguished speakers to address them and at other times having an informal gathering of their own. This year the meeting was of the latter sort as it was desired that a number of business matters pertaining to the University be attended to and at the time usually given for after dinner addresses be devoted to a purpose of more direct benefit to the University.

The meeting was called to order and presided over by Mr. John P. Overman, vice-president of the Association, and after an excellent supper with some short speeches the members gave a few moments from their festivities to pay due respect to their former president, Mr. J. Heywood Sawyer, who had died since the last meeting. In Mr. Sawyer's death the Association lost its most valuable member and at the request of the President the Committee appointed by him to draw resolutions presented the following which were unanimously accepted:

J. Heywood Sawyer, a member of the class of 1879, and the President of this Association from its organization up to his death, has been called away from us since our last meeting. If the University produces high and noble characters, he was, indeed, the best type of the University Alumnus. Always loyal to his Alma Mater, always speaking in her behalf, always doing what it was his opportunity to do for her advancement, living in the state the useful citizen which it is the highest function of the institution to develop, he was such a man as justified the maintenance of higher state education. Living a life of constant and inflexible integrity, he shed honor upon the name of his Alma Mater.

As President of this association he was ever an enthusiastic and zealous worker for its usefulness and success. As a Presiding officer at our banquets, his like cannot be easily found. We shall miss him whenever we come together and feel that we have lost much.

Therefore, be it resolved by the Elizabeth City Alumni Association of the University of North Carolina that in the untimely death of J. Heywood Sawyer on August 25th last, the university has lost a noble son who fully exemplified her highest ideals, the state a valuable citizen, the association a splendid President and member, and its members a friend.

That these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the Association and that a copy be published in the University Record and another be sent to the family of our departed member.

ENDS HIS LIFE WITH A GUN

MR. JOHN MUNDEN GOES AWAY FROM HOME UNDER PRETEXT TO SHOOT SQUIRRELS AND SHOOT HIMSELF.

Mr. John Munden, a prominent farmer of the Woodville section of this county was found lying in a lane near his home last Wednesday afternoon, dead from the effects of a gun shot wound in his breast.

Every indication points to suicide. Mr. Munden was in bad health, and despondent. Wednesday afternoon he took his gun and informed his wife that he was going into the woods to shoot squirrels. A small boy, hauling wood found him some time afterwards in the lane dead. The gun was lying near him and a forked stick, with which it is supposed, he pushed the trigger to fire the gun after he had placed the muzzle against his breast.

Mr. Munden was about thirty-five years old. He is survived by a wife and two children. He was a brother of Mr. J. W. Munden, register of deeds of this county.

The funeral and interment took place yesterday.

This October 13th, 1911. Committee: W. P. WOOD, J. C. B. EHRRINGHAUS, J. KENYON WILSON.

Mr. Chas. Whedbee of Hertford reported that at the last commencement the general Association had undertaken to raise money for the erection of a monument on the campus at Chapel Hill in memory of those sons of the University who laid aside their studies in the early sixties to serve their country on the field of battle, and announced that the representative of the local Association present at that time had made a pledge of \$100.00 towards the monument.

Mr. J. C. B. Ehringhaus also reported as one of the representatives of the local Association to the general meeting of the Alumni that the general Association had been reorganized and placed on a more substantial footing than ever before. The general plan of organization may be interesting to our readers and is in substance as follows:

There is to be a general meeting of the Alumni at each commencement to be known as the general Assembly of the Alumni in which each local Association is to be represented in proportion to their membership. There is a council of fifteen members known as the Alumni Council which is to have charge of the affairs of the Association during the year and to bring the various Associations into concerted and harmonious action whenever their co-operation is needed for the University. This council made at last commencement and appointed a temporary field manager to canvass with the various Associations and secure their support to the general movement, and to make arrangements for the final improvement for a general Secretary, whose sole business shall be to look after the affairs of the Association and direct the Alumni of all needed measures. This, of course, takes money and the local Associations are expected to foot the bills. After these reports from Messrs. Whedbee and Ehringhaus the meeting was given over to raising the funds necessary for these two purposes and the membership responded with commendable generosity.

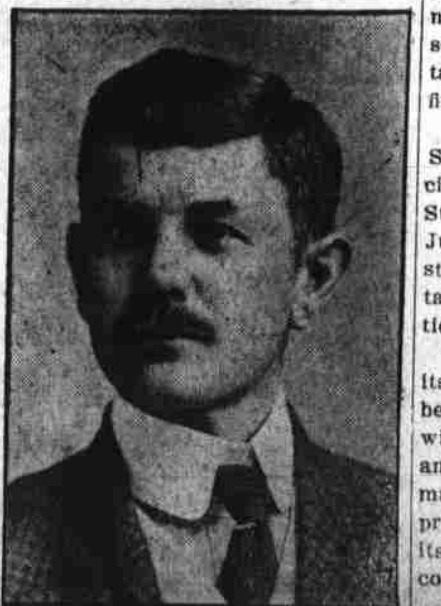
LITTLE CHILD BURIED

The remains of the five months old child of Mr. and Mrs. Louis L. Baker, of Hertford were brought here yesterday afternoon, and were interred in Hollywood cemetery.

FANCY SHOOTING ON GOAT ISLAND

CRACK MARKSMAN WILL GIVE FREE EXHIBITION WITH PISTOL, RIFLE AND SHOTGUN. HIS WIFE CAN SHOOT, TOO.

Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Topperwein, the celebrated marksmen, will give an exhibition of expert and fancy shooting here on Goat Island next Monday afternoon, which everybody ought to see, as no such marvelous shooting has ever been done in this section. Mr. Topperwein is the acknowledged dean of fancy and trick shots, and his many feats are of highly sensational character. Mrs. Top-



Mr. ADOLPH TOPPERWIEN

perwein has no equal among women for adeptness in shooting. Ladies are especially urged to go and witness her astonishing skill with shotgun, rifle and pistol.

In the most remarkable exhibition of rifle shooting ever given, Mr. Topperwein shot for ten days at 72,500 2 1/4 inch wooden blocks thrown into the air by an assistant, making only 9 out of the entire lot and only four out of the first 50,000. During the shooting he made straight runs of 14,540, 12,599, 13,202, 13,213 and 14,543.



Mrs. ADOLPH TOPPERWIEN

The shooting outfit he used was two Winchester Automatic rifles and Winchester cartridges, and the loading of the rifles was done by himself. Considering the almost incredible score and the tremendous strain of such incessant shooting, it is unlikely that this record will ever be beaten.

Mrs. Topperwein, who shoots to demonstrate the superior quality of the American Powder Mill's "Dead Shot" smokeless powder, is undoubtedly the premier lady shot of the world. Although she took up shooting only a few years ago, she has started the shooting world and entertained many thousands of people by her great skill with rifle, shotgun and pistol. Shooting comes natural to her, and without seeming difficulties

ARE PLEASED WITH DECREE

SOUTHERN GROCERS ASSOCIATION MAY CONTINUE EXISTENCE—RESTRAINING ORDER ISSUED BUT PRESIDENT OF COMPANY SAYS IT IS SATISFACTORY.

Montgomery, Ala., Oct. 17. — In a consent decree handed down by the circuit court for the northern district of Alabama today, the Southern Wholesale Grocers' Association, prosecuted under the Sherman law is forbidden from coercing manufacturers to sell only to association members or those whom it recognizes as wholesalers and is prescribed against conspiracy to maintain or to coerce manufacturers to fix limited selling prices.

The injunction case against the Southern Wholesale Grocers' Association was instituted by the United States government in Birmingham, June, 1910, for the purpose of restraining the association from certain practices alleged to be in violation of the Sherman anti-trust law.

The government is satisfied that its purpose in bringing the suit has been accomplished; that the decree will prevent further interference and coercion of those engaged in manufacturing and selling grocery products and that the association and its members will comply with the court's order.

J. H. McLaurin, Jacksonville, Fla., president of the Southern Wholesale Grocers' Association, says the decree of the circuit court is wholly satisfactory to the association, in that it has given legal approval to the operation and maintenance by those engaged in similar lines of work, of an association for the proper protection and advancement of their interests and the general betterment of trade conditions.

President McLaurin also denied that the association was engaged in any of the forbidden acts enumerated in the decree and for this reason asserted that the prohibitive features would not effect the methods and rules of practice of the organization.

President McLaurin expressed gratification that "while the bill filed by the government charged the organization with being illegal and operating in restraint of trade and prayed for its dissolution, yet the decree rendered, not only does not dissolve the organization, but on the contrary approves its existence."

VICTOR'S BAND PLEASED AUDIENCE

Victor's Venetian Band gave a performance in the auditorium of the high school last Monday night before a rather small audience. The program rendered was a splendid one and it was greatly enjoyed by the lovers of good music who were present.

This is the second visit of this popular band to Elizabeth City. It came here last year as a number in the Star Course and greatly delighted a large audience. This year it came as a special number and pleased the audience even more than it did last year on the previous occasion.

The masters various kinds of shooting quickly.

Her first public appearance was at the world's Fair in St. Louis, where with a Winchester automatic rifle, she broke 987 out of 1,000 2-1/2 inch flying targets; and later, 1995 out of 2000 with a straight run of 1437.

This attraction, which is free to all, has been secured by Messrs Aydtlett Bros., Co. The shoot will take place next Monday, October 23rd. The admission is free and every body is invited to witness it. Goat Island will be the scene of the shoot.