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TAR HEEL TOPICS

Items Gathered From All Sections of the State

Ocean View Destroyed

Wilmington, Special.—Thursday morning at 7.30 o'clock fire destroyed the Ocean View Hotel and several buildings in close proximity, including the restaurant, bar, ten-pin-alley, etc. "Lumina," the only big attraction pavilion, had a narrow escape from destruction, having caught several times. The fire originated in a Greek restaurant. Guests of the Ocean View Hotel lost many of their personal effects. A bucket brigade of bathers and others fought the fire valiantly, doing good work. The Wilmington fire company arrived after the fire had been gotten under control. The Ocean View Hotel was located on the extreme southern end of the electric car line, and was the first built at that resort. Lumina, the pavilion hard by, was built by the railroad people. It is one of the handsomest and most attractively fitted up pavilions on the Atlantic coast, and its escape from destruction is a matter of much gratification.

Library Presented.

Roanoke Rapids, Special.—There was a large assemblage of the citizens of Roanoke Rapids at the public school house last week, the occasion being the presentation of a beautiful and costly library to the town by Mr. John Armstrong Chandler. The books were useful and instructive and will be of great benefit to the people. He told them that he would increase the number of volumes by one hundred, annually. Mr. Chandler made a great speech and predicted that in the near future Roanoke Rapids will grow to be a large city. He is greatly beloved by the people here because of his great sympathetic heart and the many charitable deeds done by him.

Run Over by an Engine.

Asheville, Special.—Ross Anderson, assistant trainmaster on the Asheville Division and a member of the Asheville Fire Department met a tragic death on the local yards of the Southern by being run over by a switch engine. There are two versions as to the fatal accident. One is that Mr. Anderson was attempting to cross the tracks and failed to see the engine or to realize that it was so close on him. Another is that he attempted to board the engine, missed the running board and was thrown beneath the wheels. He was killed instantly and terribly mangled.

Navy Deserters Returned.

Winston-Salem, Special.—Police-man Bryan received a telegram from a navy officer at Norfolk, Va., directing him to bring Thomas H. Martin and Jesse A. Powell, who deserted from the Iowa several weeks ago, to that city at once. Martin and Powell were arrested last week while beating a ride on the train. They will be taken to Norfolk. The two men with other prisoners came near escaping from jail. They had gotten out of their cell and were cutting a hole in the brick wall when their plans were discovered by a negro, who notified the jailer.

Drowned in Lumber River.

Lumberton, Special.—Foster Thompson, colored, aged 5 years, was drowned in Lumber river six miles west of Lumberton Tuesday afternoon while in bathing. His body was found Thursday at 2 o'clock at the bottom of the river, which was, at that spot, about 18 feet deep. A desperate effort was made by a fellow bather to save him. Coroner Rancke was called to hold an inquest, but upon his arrival it was found unnecessary.

From Saloon to Drug Store.

Tarboro, Special.—J. M. Dixon one of the proprietors of the five saloons of town, has purchased the majority of the stock in the Edgecombe Drug Company, the deal having been completed last week. The Edgecombe Drug Company was incorporated January 8, 1907. Dr. Dixon has purchased the stock of Jas. R. Gaskill, Drs. J. M. Baker, W. J. Thigpen, and J. H. Harrell.

Drowned in Cape Fear.

Wilmington, Special.—Mack Bordeaux, 18 years old, a son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Bordeaux, of this city, was drowned from the government dredge Hercules as he was attempting to step aboard from a scow down the river below Big Island. He was employed as a deck hand on the dredge, and was well thought of by his companions. The remains were brought to the home of the parents in this city and the funeral will be conducted from the family residence. He leaves his parents and several sisters and brothers.

Company Is Bankrupt.

Greensboro, Special.—After hearing argument of counsel in the United States Circuit Court Judge Boyd adjudged the Pomona Cotton Manufacturing Company a bankrupt and named as permanent receivers Messrs. F. H. Fries, of Winston-Salem; J. C. Watkins, of Greensboro, and A. E. Moore, of Gastonia. Messrs. Fries and Watkins were named as temporary receivers on the 7th inst. Messrs. Fries and Moore were appointed receivers by Judge Fred Moore, in Mecklenburg Superior Court, on March 16th. The bankruptcy proceedings were instituted by C. L. Williams, receiver of the City National Bank; J. E. Latham & Co., cotton brokers of this city, and other creditors. Pending a sale of the property it is said the mill may be put in operation. It has been idle for the past six months.

Had Physician to Both.

Wilmington, Special.—P. McNair, a leading wholesale grocer and river boat owner, and T. D. Love, secretary and treasurer and general manager of the Wilmington Iron Works, engaged in a personal difficulty over a business transaction on the wharf of the steamer Lyon here last week, as a result of which McNair struck Love over the head with a chair and Love cut McNair in the lower left side, a superficial gash about three inches long. The passing of the lie is said to have precipitated the trouble between the men. Both were attended by a physician, but neither was seriously hurt.

Children Are Poisoned.

Wilmington, Special.—Twenty-one children, members of a party from Grace M. E. church Sunday school on an excursion to Carolina Beach, twelve miles below Wilmington, became violently ill while on their outing, supposedly from eating ice cream purchased from a local dealer, the symptoms being largely of ptomaine poisoning. News reached the city by telephone of the poisoning and two physicians were sent to the beach as rapidly as possible on a special trip of the steamer Southport. All the children suffered violent nausea but they are doing well. It is believed that no deaths will result from the experience but several of the children had a very close call.

Young Lady Disappears.

Charlotte, Special.—On Friday morning Miss Mattie Havis disappeared from the home of her brother-in-law, Mr. W. W. McDonald who resides on North Brevard street. Miss Havis is a stenographer, and has been employed by the Charlotte Supply Company. Because of her leaving home without saying anything to her people, and without any cause, her friends are much disturbed and fear that her mind may be temporarily affected.

Steam Bakery Chartered.

Raleigh, Special.—A charter was issued last week to the Washington Steam Bakery, Greensboro, with authorized capital of \$50,000 and with \$10,000 subscribed by George F. Suppes, Geo. W. Brandt and J. E. Brandt, Jr.

North State Items.

The Reidsville Paper Box Company is chartered with \$25,000 capital by W. H. Toy, H. R. Scott and others. Another charter is to the Snider-Rainey Company, of Salisbury, capital \$15,000, by A. H. Snider, L. A. Rainey and others for wholesale grocery business.

News comes to the State Superintendent of Public Instruction that there are 210 teachers from various western counties attending the summer school for teachers at Boone, Watauga county. Sixteen counties are represented.

Governor Glenn offers \$200 reward each for the murderers of J. M. Morris, killed so brutally in his home near Monroe Saturday night. There is believed to have been two of the burglars and the reward is \$200 each.

The plant and good will of The Raleigh Times, to have been sold to the highest bidder by Receiver Paec to satisfy about \$15,000 indebtedness was not sold. Judge Neal making an order calling off the sale on the ground that creditors are now satisfied that the debts of the paper can now be liquidated in time by The Times Company, the receivership to be dissolved very soon now. This means that Mr. John C. Dreyer will retain the controlling interest in the paper and that Mr. J. V. Simms will continue as business manager and part owner.

TO RAISE FREIGHT RATES

An Advance of From 4 to 10 Cents Per Hundred Pounds Over the Present Rates Decided Upon by the Executive Officers of the Railroad Systems Interested in the Meeting at Louisville.

Louisville, Ky., Special.—That freight rates should be advanced in the territory of the Southeast Freight Association and the Southeastern Mississippi Valley Association, which takes in all of the territory south of the Ohio river and east of the Mississippi river, was decided on at the meeting of the executive officers of all of the railroad systems interested, which closed Friday. The advance, it is said, will be from 4 to 10 cents a hundred pounds horizontally. It is considered probable that the tariffs will not be in shape for filing before August 1st, and in accordance with the requirements of the interstate commerce commission compelling rates to be filed 30 days prior to becoming effective the new rates will not be in force until September 1st.

Indianapolis, Ind., Special.—It was stated by prominent shippers that the Indiana Manufacturers and Shippers' Association will resist with persistence any attempt by the railroads to increase freight rates in central freight association territory. The fact that a tariff schedule representing increased rates in the Southwestern Freight Association territory has been filed, together with reliable information to the effect that the officers of the Central Freight Association are now in session in Chicago seeking rates, will hasten to fruition such plans as have been put on foot for a conference of representatives of shippers' associations of practically all States of the Union. This conference which likely will be held in Indianapolis, will take up the question of the proposed increase in rates all over the United States and will adopt plans for fighting the movement of the railroads.

Giuseppe Alia Hanged.

Canyon City, Col. Special.—Calling down maledictions on the Roman Catholic priesthood and shouting in Italian: "Long Live Italy. Long Live the Protestants," Giuseppe Alia who murdered Father Leo Heinrichs, at the altar of St. Elizabeth's church, Denver, was carried to the death trap and paid the extreme penalty of his crime by hanging. Giuseppe Alia's crime, the murder of Father Leo Heinrichs, of the Order of Franciscan Monks, at the altar rail in St. Elizabeth's church in Denver while the priest was administering the sacrament of the Eucharist, struck horror to the heart of every person in Denver and awakened anxiety throughout the Catholic world lest it should prove the beginning of a general plan of priest-murder.

Mr. Kern Welcomed Home.

Indianapolis, Ind., Special.—The non-partisan reception given John W. Kern, the newly nominated Democratic candidate for Vice President of the United States, held in the court house yard on the candidate's arrival home from Denver, was as hearty and generous and spontaneous as the citizens of Indianapolis, regardless of politics could make it. Fully 5,000 persons gathered in Delaware street and in the court house yard, and gave Mr. Kern a hearty welcome and cheered him enthusiastically. The candidate addressed the crowd for about 20 minutes, following his presentation by Charles W. Fairbanks, Vice President of the United States. Four years ago Mr. Kern presented Mr. Fairbanks to a big non-partisan gathering under similar circumstances.

Guilty of Killing His Own Sister.

Jacksonville, Special.—Otis D. Smith, formerly of Atlanta, was convicted of killing his sister, Cora Belle Smith. The verdict was murder in the first degree without recommendation. The dead girl, it is stated, was at one time employed in a store in Atlanta. Her brother came to Atlanta to take her home and while in that city had a difficulty with a young man, knocking him down at Broad and Marietta streets, which caused quite a sensation at the time, as will be recalled. Later Smith carried his sister to Florida.

PROHIBITION TICKET

National Convention Gathered in Columbus, Ohio

PLATFORM BRIEF BUT POINTED

Illinois and Ohio Furnish the Candidates of the Prohibition Party for President and Vice-President Respectively—Both Nominations Made Unanimous.

Columbus, O., Special.—For President, Eugene W. Chafin, of Chicago; for Vice President, Aaron S. Watkins, of Ada, O. This ticket was nominated by the Prohibitionist national convention and both nominations were made unanimous. The full endorsement of the convention was not, however, given to Mr. Chafin until after three ballots had been taken.

Eugene W. Chafin, who leads the Prohibition party this year is an attorney. He is a native of Waukesha county, Wisconsin, and for several years practiced law there. He was at one time candidate for Governor of Wisconsin on the prohibition ticket, and was this year placed for the running of the same position in Illinois by the prohibitionists of that State.

The Platform.

It is as follows: "The Prohibition party of the United States, assembled in convention at Columbus, Ohio, July 15-16, 1908, expressing gratitude to Almighty God for the victories of our principles in the past, for encouragement at present and for confidence of early and triumphant success in the future, makes the following declaration of principles and pledge their enactment into law, when placed in power.

"1. The submission by Congress to the several States of an amendment to the federal constitution prohibiting the manufacture, sale, importation, exportation or transportation of alcoholic liquors for beverage purposes.

"2. The immediate prohibition of the liquor traffic for beverage purposes in the District of Columbia, in the territories and all places over which the national government has jurisdiction, the repeal of the internal revenue tax on alcoholic liquors and the prohibition of the interstate traffic therein.

"3. The election of United States senators by direct vote of the people.

"4. Equitable graduated income and inheritance taxes.

"5. The establishment of postal saving bank and the guaranty of deposits in banks.

"6. The regulation of all corporations doing an interstate commerce business.

"7. The creation of a permanent tariff commission.

"8. The strict enforcement of law instead of official tolerance and practical license of the social evil which prevails in many of our cities with the unspeakable traffic in girls.

"9. Uniform marriage and divorce laws.

"10. An equitable and constitutional employers' liability act.

"11. Court review of postoffice department decisions.

"12. The prohibition of child labor in mines, workshops and factories.

"13. Legislation basing suffrage only upon intelligence and ability to read and write the English language.

"14. The preservation of the mineral and forest resources of the country and the improvement of the highways and waterways.

"Believing in the righteousness of our cause and in the final triumph of our principles and convinced of the unwillingness of the Republican and Democratic parties to deal with these issues, we invite to full party fellowship all citizens who are with us agreed."

Yellow Fever in Cuba.

Havana, Cuba, By Cable.—As a result of an attack by Spanish miners on the men sent to break the spread of yellow fever at Daiquiri Mayor Fauntleroy, commanding the army medical service, has redoubled his force. If further trouble is encountered the medical forces will be reinforced by troops.

Explosion in Coal Mine.

Pottsville, Pa., Special.—Seven mine workers were killed and ten others injured by a terrific explosion of gas in the Williamstown colliery of the Summit Branch Mining Company, in the lower part of the anthracite coal fields. The mine was wrecked and set on fire. The dead are: John Reilly, Arthur Hawk, Charles Rieckert, John Whittles, Anthony Frelas, James Bowman, Michael Stakum. The explosion occurred in No. 1 shaft of the colliery and is believed to have been caused by one of the men lifting the gauze of his safety lamp.

TAFT ATTENDS COURT OPENING

The Republican Presidential Nominee Assists in the Dedication of a New Court House and in the Opening of Court at Germantown, Va., a Short Distance From Hot Springs, Where He Is Spending the Summer.

Hot Springs, Va., Special.—Judge William H. Taft assisted in the opening of court and in the dedication of a court house at Germantown, Va., five miles from Hot Springs. The subject of his speech was the administration of justice by the courts. He was greeted by a large assemblage of sojourners at neighboring resorts and country folk, many of whom traveled far to see and hear him. He was given a cordial welcome.

The strength of the judiciary, he declared, was based on the fact that it rested upon the principle that the people share in the responsibility for the work of the courts, in the form of duty on juries and in other capacities.

Criticism of Courts.

He justified proper criticism of the courts by the people because by such criticisms "those who administer justice shall feel that they are under the critical eye of men and women entitled to have justice of the people administered without fear or favor." He could not come into the atmosphere of the court, he said, without a feeling of deep regret that he had ever left the bench. He concluded his remarks by congratulating Bath county upon the fact that in it the two great political parties are nearly equally divided, which, he said, was a guarantee against evils in the administration of the government.

Judge Taft was frequently interrupted by applause. Mrs. Taft accompanied her husband to the court house which was reached after a drive over splendid mountain roads.

Missing Young Woman Returns.

Charlotte, N. C., Special.—Miss Mattie Havis, who disappeared from her home and place of employment here on last Friday without letting anyone know her destination or the cause of her leaving, was located in Columbia, S. C., Monday night, and was brought back to Charlotte. Temporary mental aberration seems to have been her trouble.

Tennessee Populists Adopt Platform.

Nashville, Tenn., Special.—The State convention of the People's Party, which met here, adopted a platform of the national party made at St. Louis and pledges support to the nominees, favors the enactment by Congress of the Hepburn-Dolliver bill or a similar measure prohibiting the importation of liquor into territory where its sale has been prohibited and demands legislation against bucketshops.

Wholesale Grocers Adjourn.

Asheville, Special.—The Southern Wholesale Grocers' Association closed its three days' convention in this city Thursday afternoon with the election of the following officers: President, J. Van Hoose, Birmingham, Ala.; First Vice-President, H. A. Forrester, Mobile, Ala.; Second Vice President, W. B. Mallory, Memphis, Tenn.; Treasurer, S. W. Lee, Birmingham, Ala.; Secretary, Robert Moore, Birmingham, Ala.

Another Oil Can Explosion.

Winston-Salem, Special.—While starting a fire in a stove by use of kerosene oil, the twelve-year-old daughter of William Owens, of this city, was frightfully burned as a result of the oil can exploding. The girl is in the hospital and her condition is serious. Her life was saved by timely arrival of neighbors who smothered out the flames by the use of quilts.

No Clue Yet in Drew Case.

Troy, N. Y., Special.—Developments Sunday in Teal Pond murder mystery, although they cleared up one of the uncertainties of Hazel Drew's whereabouts on the day before she met her death, furnished little of material value to establish the identity of the girl's slayer. Where she spent the night of July 6th, the day on which she said she was going to New York, is a question the authorities are unable to answer.

Jealousy Responsible for Georgia Tragedy.

Atlanta, Ga., Special.—L. P. Cox, a roof repairer, was shot and instantly killed by O. E. Rutland, a railroad fireman of West Point Ga., in the rear of a moving picture theatre on Whitehall street. Cox was to have been married next Monday, and it is said that the killing grew out of his jealousy of John W. Rutland, a brother of O. E. Rutland, and with whom he had quarreled a few hours earlier. Rutland surrendered.

MENACED BY A MOB

Kidnapper of Young Child Has Mighty Close Call

SPIRITED AWAY BY OFFICERS

Wretch Steals Child From Camp Meeting and Spirits Her Away in a Buggy Hundreds Join in Search For Man and Girl, But They Are Not Apprehended Until Nightfall.

Glassboro, N. J., Special.—Charles Hemphill, a young man whose home is in Clayton, near here, narrowly escaped being lynched by excited residents of this vicinity who had been wrought to the point of fury because Hemphill had kidnaped Cora Garton, a 7-year-old child whose home is in Millville, N. J. Only a quick action of the police authorities is secretly removing Hemphill to the Woddberry jail, it is believed, saved his life.

Hemphill on Thursday last joined a Holiness camp meeting here and became, it is said, infatuated with the child. Saturday he hired a team and going to the home of Rev. Mr. Jarrell where the child was visiting, offered to drive the clergyman to the camp-meeting. The offer was accepted and after leaving the minister at the camp Hemphill returned to the Jarrell home and told Mrs. Jarrell that he had been sent for Cora. Helen Higgins, aged eight years, was at play with Cora at the time and Mrs. Jarrell not suspecting anything wrong bundled the two children into the carriage. A half hour later Helen came running back almost exhausted and told the pastor's wife that after riding about a mile Hemphill slapped her face, put her out of the carriage and drove off with Cora.

Quebec Waits for Prince.

Quebec, Special.—The quaint old city is in a flutter of anticipation over the arrival of his royal highness, the Prince of Wales, who will sail into the harbor next Wednesday aboard the new British battleship, the Indomitable, to inaugurate the 300th anniversary of the founding of Quebec by the French navigator Champlain. The coming of the future King of England is a significant event in which all Canada is deeply interested, for aside from the pageantry of a royal visit it is a notable expression of the strong bonds now existing between the Imperial government and its American colony. Great masses of troops are being assembled here to do honor to the future monarch, and to take part in the Champlain exercises. The harbor already presents a stirring naval spectacle, with the British battleships Exmouth, Albermarle, Russell and Duncan and the cruisers Venus and Arogant, the French battleships Leon Gambetta and Admiral Aubre, which will be joined by the United States battleship New Hampshire and later by the Prince of Wales squadron, the Indomitable, Minutaur and other ships the whole presenting an assemblage of the latest Dreadnaught types of three foremost naval powers.

Police Abandon Search for Pittsburg Woman.

Atlantic City, N. J., Special.—The local police department has given up its search for Mrs. Beyers, the wealthy Pittsburg woman who was reported missing on Saturday. It was stated Sunday that Mrs. Morgan, her companion, intimated that Mrs. Beyers is stopping at a beach front hotel and that the latter has requested that her whereabouts be kept secret.

Ohioan Dead at the Age of 100.

Wellsville, O., Special.—Alexander G. Wells, Wellsville's oldest resident, and the son of the founder of the city, died suddenly from the infirmities of old age, his 100th birthday anniversary having been celebrated June 3d last. Mr. Wells came from a long-lived family, his grandfather having died at the age of 103, while his father lived nearly 100 years.

Lightning Kills One and Injures Another.

Macon, Ga., Special.—An electrical storm suddenly broke over Bullard's, 17 miles from here Sunday afternoon and a bolt of lightning killed young Dan Harrell, son of Frank Harrell, and fatally injured a negro, besides shocking many others. Young Harrell with others had assembled to play a game of base ball when the bolt fell among them without warning.