

THE SET. Knicker—Does he come from the best families? Bocker—No, the strictly fresh—New York Sun.

Fatally Hurt by Hail Stones. Casville, Mo., Special.—Allie Beeson, 16 years old, was rendered unconscious by falling hail, and she may die. The hail storm was the most destructive ever known in Barry county. Ice balls as large as hen's eggs fell to a depth of two inches.

Town Destroyed by Fire. Warsaw, Special.—Fire totally destroyed the town of Tyszowce, in the province of Lublin. Three thousand persons are homeless.

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NORTH CAROLINA AFFAIRS

Items of Interest from Many Parts of the State

MINOR MATTERS OF STATE NEWS

Happenings of More or Less Importance Told in Paragraphs—The Cotton Markets.

Tar Heel Notes.

There was another negro shooting scrape in Statesville Tuesday night and as a result Tom Ferguson a back driver is dangerously wounded.

Charters are granted the Clarkton Planning Mill Company, Capital stock \$25,000, O. L. Clark principal stockholder. Another charter is granted the High Point Machine Company, capital stock \$250,000, which is to take over the High Point Machine Works and the Dixie Motor Company E. W. VanBrunt and H. A. Meagraw of High Point being the chief stockholders. The company will make numbers of articles, including bicycles.

The King Whiskey Distilling Company, Salisbury, has changed its name to the H. J. Summers Company.

A charter is granted the Montreat Concrete and Building Company, to make blocks, brick and tiles, capital stock, \$50,000; Fleming Ramseur, of Shelby and others stockholders. Another charter is granted to the Newton Purdie Lumber Company, Elizabethtown, \$40,000; F. A. Addington, of Wake and other stockholders.

The county superintendent samspon informs the State Superintendent of Public Instruction that contracts have been let for seven new public schools and that four local tax elections in school districts will be held in a few days and that a favorable result is sure. When the board meets next Monday three more petitions for such elections will be presented. A first-class county high school is to be established at Salem, and besides this more rural schools are to be built.

B. C. Beckwith of the State board of internal improvements sold the State arsenal in the corner of capital square by order of the Legislature for \$155. The building is 90 years old.

The penitentiary authorities announce that John Bailey, a mulatto, aged 22, sentenced for murder, escaped from the convict camp near Godwin. A reward of \$25 and all necessary expenses is offered.

A new company of the national guard has been organized at Shelby to take the place of the one disbanded last week for failure to appear for inspection. It seems that the failure to appear is owing to some local trouble. In a few days the new company will be mustered in and will take the old place in the regiment.

State Superintendent Joyner is notified by Superintendent Giles of McDowell that local tax elections were carried in two school districts in that county and that another is pending with good prospects.

The agricultural department is making very complete arrangements for its summer series of county institutes for farmers. These will cover more than two-thirds of the State, and very great care is to be taken in making up a strong corps of field workers to conduct them. The department is very much gratified by the fact that from year to year interest in and attendance at these institutes has increased. The work of arrangement is entrusted to State Veterinarian Butler.

Two lives were lost on the Seaboard Air Line at Norlina, Engineer N. S. Efferson drove his fast freight train northbound into the tender and some cars shifting engine in the yards a quarter of a mile the other side of the station. The engineer and his fireman B. F. Johnson were instantly killed and their engine utterly wrecked. Strange to say the engineer and fireman on the shifter were unhurt.

George Fox Kills Fred Muse. Spence, Special.—Fred Muse, Colored, was shot and killed here early Thursday morning by George Fox, a fellow laborer at the Southern Railway cinder pit on the Spence yards. It is learned that Fox, who worked on the night shift went to sleep on duty and that Muse attempted to awaken him by holding a lighted rag under his nose. This enraged Fox and a quarrel followed, which was renewed at intervals during the night.

TAR HEEL CRCP BULLETIN

Condition of North Carolina Crops for the Past Week as Given Out by the Department—Conditions for Week Ending Monday, May 6.

The weather was very favorable during the past week in most respects. The temperature was slightly above normal, and the rainfall was also somewhat above normal but was unevenly distributed. Tuesday and Wednesday were fair.

On Thursday and Friday heavy rains fell in the eastern half of the State and moderate rains in the western half. These rains were in general beneficial, but some correspondents report too much rain, the effect being to delay farming operations. Some hail fell but no damage resulted. The remainder of the week was fair.

The temperature was highest on the first two days of the week, and the highest temperature reported was 90 degrees on May 1st in Lenoir County, during the remainder of the week, the temperature was moderate except on Friday when the lowest temperature was generally reported.—A. H. Thissen, Section Director.

Greensboro Female College Commencement.

Greensboro, Special.—Following is the programme of the exercises of the commencement of the Greensboro Female College:

Sunday evening, May 19.—Sermon before Y. W. C. A., by the Rev. W. A. Lambeth.

Monday evening, May 20.—Recital by expression students. Tuesday, May 21, at 11 a. m.—Baccalaureate sermon by the Rev. W. J. Young, D. D., Richmond, Va.

Tuesday, 4 p. m.—Alumnae evening. Tuesday, 8 p. m.—Piano recital, under the auspices of the alumnae association, by Claude Roberson.

Wednesday morning, May 22, at 9:30 o'clock.—Graduating exercises; reading of theses; conferring certificates, diplomas, Bibles, etc.

Literary address at 11 a. m., by Dr. C. Alphonso Smith, University of North Carolina. Wednesday, 8:30 p. m.—Annual concert.

A most cordial invitation is extended to the public, especially former students, to attend these exercises.

Officers Seize 50-Gallon Still.

Fayetteville, Special.—Saturday night Sheriff Watson with Deputy Sheriff Culbreth seized one of the biggest "moonshiners'" outfits ever captured in this county, composing a 50-gallon still and 1,500 gallons of beer, situated at the head of an immense blue berry swamp in the western part of Rockfish township. The blockaders were evidently resting at home, but every thing was ready for the night work of turning beer into whiskey.

Fatally Stabbed.

Wilmington, Special.—Sunday night in the northern part of the city George Brown and Robert Walker, an adopted son of Maj. Andrew Walker, an officer of the colored troops in the Spanish-American war from this State, became involved in a difficulty with the result that Walker stabbed Brown to death, a long knife having penetrated the breast between the ribs in the region of the heart. Brown ran a block and fell dead in the street. Walker, who is but 15 years of age, made his escape. Brown was 19. The coroner held an inquest at the city hall and fixed the responsibility of the killing on Walker.

North State Items.

A charter has been granted the Investment Company of Wilmington. Hugh McRae being the principal stockholder, the capital stock being \$200,000.

Corporation Commissioner Rogers has gone to investigate complaints made by persons at several points on the line of the Transylvania Railway, between Toxaway and Hendersonville.

The Greensboro High School Athletic Association has decided that no member of the high school baseball or football teams will be allowed to play until he has signed a pledge stating that he will not under any circumstances take a drink of whiskey while he is away on a trip to play or while the team is together for practice.

State Veterinarian Butler has gone to Tryon to investigate the cause of glanders existing there. It is a very dangerous and deadly disease, and is communicated to human beings. It is the first case reported in North Carolina in almost a year. This State is remarkably free from it.

Late News In Brief & MINOR MATTERS OF INTEREST

North Texas suffered severely from a tornado on Monday afternoon, several small towns being swept away.

Rev. Dr. John Watson ("Jan McLaren"), died at Mount Pleasant, Iowa, of blood poisoning, resulting from tonsillitis, on Monday night.

Interesting discussions were held at the National Tuberculosis meeting in Washington City.

The trial of William D. Haywood, the labor leader, for murder, was begun on Monday at Boise, Idaho.

Near Mullins, S. C., on Monday a negro attempted criminal assault upon a young girl. He was shot to death by a posse that was trying to arrest him.

Serious rioting has had to be suppressed in Rawalindi, Punjab.

Seven of the crew of the oil tank steamer Silverslip were killed by explosions of benzine aboard and the others were rescued by a passing vessel.

Not less than 1,144 executions have taken place in Russia as a result of drumhead courts-martial.

The new treaty between the United States and Santo Domingo was ratified by the Dominican Senate.

The explosion of a powder magazine in Canton, China, killed a number of persons and did immense damage.

Robert S. Dickson, accused of abducting Madeline Dempsey, daughter of W. L. Dempsey, of Fredericksburg, left town after furnishing bail, and a Washington detective was unable to locate him.

Hollywood Memorial Association elected officers and made arrangements for Memorial Day observance in Richmond on June 3.

An official of the Independent Watch Dealers' Association brought the high tariff law home to Mr. Roosevelt in a striking way.

A Kentucky thoroughbred and an Arabian horse will take part in an endurance test across the continent.

The text of the new German-American tariff agreement was made public.

Letters from Rev. J. K. Cooke, who is accused of leaving Hemstead, L. I., with a 17-year-old girl, are said to hint at suicide rather than arrest.

New York State is believed to be on the verge of its greatest political contest. Hughes and his policies forming the bone of contention.

Edward Gibson, colored, in a trial lasting 17 minutes, was sentenced to 12 years in prison and to remain in jail until the payment of \$3,000 fine—practically a life sentence—for attempting assault on a New Jersey girl.

The reports of the auditors of the Harrisburg capitol show that Sanderson & Co. made profits of 1,000 per cent, and more on some of the furnishings they supplied.

On the plea of wishing to protect the Italian immigrants on board, the Italian Commissioner forced the burial of an American woman at sea who had died of cancer.

A quarrel among labor unions has caused a building tie-up in Philadelphia which may throw 30,000 men out of work.

An Austrian count was killed by a posse in California in mistake for a desperado.

The Steenberg murder trial is expected to begin at Boise City, Idaho, next Thursday.

Railroads centering in the Pittsburgh district have announced a considerable advance in freight rates east of the Mississippi, effective June 1.

All records at Ellis Island were broken more than 20,000 immigrants landing in 24 hours.

Sir George Gould Arbuthnot, head of Arbuthnot & Co., of Madras, India, whose London house failed for a large sum, has been arrested.

Premier Botha sprang a surprise in the Imperial Conference by holding out for freedom to put up tariff barriers against British goods if deemed expedient.

Three cases involving freight rates on cotton piece goods and cotton waste from points in the South to New York and other Eastern points were argued before the inter-State commerce commission. The cases were those of the Warren Manufacturing Company and others of Warrentonville, S. C., against the Southern Railway; James L. Quimby, of Langston, S. C., against the Clyde Line Steamship Company and the Riverside Mills, of Augusta, Ga., against the Southern Railway. Briefs were filed and the cases will be taken into consideration at an early date.

King Edward and President Falliers, of France met.

Advertisement for Bank of French Broad, featuring 'SAFETY', 'SATISFACTION', 'SECURITY' and 'PAY BY CHECK'. Includes text: 'Pay your bills in a business-like manner, by check. It greatly facilitates the conduct of your business, both private and commercial, while at the same time your funds are absolutely safe. Business conducted through a bank is always more dignified. Even if you use your money from week to week and month to month, pay it through this Bank. The returned checks are legal receipts for every bill you pay. 4 PER CENT. INTEREST PAID ON TIME DEPOSITS.'

Advertisement for B & B 'OLD VELVET' and 'MARK ROGERS' FINE OLD RYE WHISKIES. Sold by Madison County Dispensary, Marshall, N. C.

Directors of the Cotton Belt Railway in Texas held a meeting. J. W. Maxwell, general superintendent, was elected vice president and director, vice W. E. Greene, resigned. Directors elected are F. E. Britton, H. E. Farrell, St. Louis; W. C. Connor, Dallas, Tex.; M. A. Cooper, T. J. Joiner, Sherman, Tex.; James Garrity, Corsicana, Tex.

According to report J. Edward Adickes is to finance the double-tracking of the Siberian railroad.

President Defines Position.

New York, Special.—In a letter read Sunday before the Central Federation Union, President Roosevelt states that if evidence is submitted to him showing that there has been a miscarriage of justice for or against Moyer and Haywood, awaiting trial at Boise, Idaho, charged with the murder of former Governor Stuenkel, he will bring such evidence to the attention of the attorney general for such action, if any, as it may be in the power of the Federal authorities to take.

Cotton Buyers in Session.

Atlanta, Ga., Special.—At a meeting here of the Southeastern Cotton Buyers' Association presided over by President George A. Nicholson, many questions of importance to the buyers were discussed. The relations between the cotton merchant and the producer, as well as the relations between the merchant and the spinner, and regulations to exchange these regulations were among the subjects discussed. Prominent buyers from many Southern cities were in attendance.

Two Bodies Float Ashore.

Pass Christian, Miss., Special.—The drowning of five men of the schooner Sioux on Monday night came to light when the bodies of two floated ashore and a third body was seen off shore. The missing include Captain James Connelly, formerly of Baltimore. He and the four sailors started to row out to their schooner Monday evening, but they never reached the vessel. The Sioux is from Biloxi, Miss.

Stroke Killed Minister.

Parkersburg, W. Va., Special.—Rev. J. D. Simmons, on this city editor of the Baptist Banner and one of the best-known ministers in West Virginia, died at the Virginia Hospital, at Beckhannon. Last Sunday Rev. Mr. Simmons left here to preach at Beckhannon, but before church time he was stricken with apoplexy and was found unconscious in his room at the hotel. He never regained consciousness. His wife and daughter were at his bedside.

Two men got five days in jail for sleeping on the steps of the treasury department in Washington. If they slept inside, suggests the New York Herald, they would get from \$600 to \$6,000 a year.

NEWSY GLEANINGS.

Heavy rains have fallen in New South Wales.

American tourists now through the Paris boulevards.

The Board of Magistrates of New York City voted to wear gowns on the bench.

The outbreak of cerebro-spinal meningitis at Belfast shows no sign of diminishing.

Organized labor leaders are regarded in Washington as bitterly opposed to President Roosevelt.

A notorious brigand, Stanislaus Lis, the author of many crimes, has been captured at Lublik, Russia.

Magistrate Cornell said that crime in New York City has become a business and was never more prevalent.

Enrico Alfano, accused of two murders in Italy, was ordered back to Italy in irons from New York City.

Victorious Honduran rebels fought among themselves at Tegucigalpa until the Nicaraguan troops arrested them all.

President Finley, of the Southern Railway, in a speech at Mobile, said that railroads must borrow to make necessary improvements.

At Stockholm, Sweden, the First Chamber of Parliament adopted the report of the committee reducing the duty on unground maize.

An association of Cape Town business men has been formed to secure the permanent establishment of a diamond cutting industry in the colony.

Governor Hagerman, of New Mexico, has resigned, and Captain Geo. Curry, a former Rough Rider, has been appointed by the President to succeed him.

The stone pile as a punishment for Chicago confidence men, pickpockets and other "crooks," instead of fines, is provided under the new vagrancy law in the Illinois Legislature.

FASHIONS IN GOWNS.

Short skirts are bound to become popular as a result of their adoption by Mrs. Roosevelt. Already Washington society has given itself to imitation of several new spring abbreviated gowns worn by the wife of the President, and the style has even crept into Fifth avenue. One of Mrs. Roosevelt's gowns is a soft gray plaited skirt, a full three inches above the ground, with a half-fitting coat trimmed in Persian braid. The effect is distinctly tasteful and smart, although women of low stature will think twice before approving it. With the gown Mrs. Roosevelt wears a hat of black Milan braid, made in two sections. The crown is laid in folds along the brim, and in the folds are small white rosebuds, surrounded by maiden hair fern. Uncurled ostrich tips in black and white are clustered at the left side. The hat is very trim in appearance, and yet does not rob Mrs. Roosevelt of her becoming air of matronliness.—New York Press.

A GOOD BEGINNING.

Stem—Now that we are engaged you must economize. Jack—I do already; I'm not calling on any of the other girls.—New York Sun.