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## THOMAS ROLLINS SUFFERS STROKE

### PROMINENT LAWYER OF ASHEVILLE REPORTED CRITICALLY ILL

Mr. Thomas Rollins, prominent attorney of Asheville, and well known in Madison County, suffered a stroke of paralysis, or apoplexy Wednesday afternoon about two o'clock and is said to be in a critical condition. His son was fortunately in the office with him in the Jackson Building, when he was stricken, and after medical attention, he was taken by ambulance to his home, where later reports were that he was very ill. Mr. Rollins is a native of Marshall and his wife is the sister of Congressman George M. Pritchard of Marshall and Asheville. Mr. Rollins often has cases in court in Marshall and is well known here by many, who will be greatly distressed to know of his illness.

You Later," staged at the School auditorium Tuesday night, those who have expressed themselves, as far as we know, were much pleased with the performance. The attendance was not large and the proceeds not as much as had been hoped, but local talent showed what it could do in a short time. We do not have space to single out individuals and comment, but we believe we will be pardoned for mentioning as especially good Mr. J. Bula Tweed as a typical Jew, and Mr. Ralph Fisher as janitor.

## "WORLD NEWS" IN BRIEF

By the Carolinas District Office  
**OTTAWA—FLYING COMMISSIONERS DISBURSE \$25,000 TO INDIANS IN NORTHERN ONTARIO.** Flying commissioners of the Canadian Government are delivering about \$25,000 in cash to more than 4,000 Indians in Northern Ontario, either as gratuities or annuities under treaties previously negotiated with Dominion Government at Ottawa, according to a report received in the Department of Commerce from Commercial Attaché Lynn W. Meekins at Ottawa.

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**LONDON—BRITISH GROCERY CHAINS PLAN LARGE COMBINE.** A combine which will have a capital of approximately \$55,000,000 and will include between 5,000 and 6,000 retail stores is planned by several of the leading grocery chains in Great Britain as a further step in the rationalization of distribution, according to a report received in the Department of Commerce from Assistant Trade Commissioner R. S. Charles at London.

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**GUADALAJARA—MAY USE AMERICAN MATERIALS IN NEW MEXICAN PENITENTIARY.** Material needed for the shops and factories of the modern penitentiary under construction at Jalisco, Mexico, will probably be purchased in the United States, according to Mexican trade information forwarded to the Department of Commerce by Consul Raleigh A. Fibson at Guadalajara, Mexico. The plans call for a general prison, a military prison and a woman's prison. The general prison will consist of the following buildings: General offices, dining hall, library, theatre, hospital, shower rooms, carpenter shop, mechanical shops, shop factory, and textile factory.

**WASHINGTON—AMERICAN FARM MACHINERY POPULAR IN NEW ZEALAND.** The increasing importance of New Zealand as a market for American implements is shown by the fact that agricultural implement imports into the Dominion from the United States rose from \$929,892 in 1928 to \$1,714,668 in 1929, according to a report received in the Department of Commerce. Tractors of practically all types, harvesters, combined harvesters and threshers, fan-grain mills, rakes and mowers show a decided increase in American shipments.

**OTTAWA—CURTAILMENT OF CANADIAN OCEAN FREIGHT SERVICES NOT CONTEMPLATED.** Discussions between Canadian Government officials and the management of the Canadian Government Merchant Marine concerning the future of the Canadian shipping service will not cause curtailment of the ocean freight services scheduled maintained by the Canadian National Steamship, according to local reports transmitted to the Department of Commerce by Lynn W. Meekins, Commercial Attaché, Ottawa.

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**TUNIS—AMERICAN TRADE WITH TUNISIA GROWING.** Although difficulties are encountered in the introduction of American merchandise into Tunisia, the 1929 volume of trade between the Protectorate and the United States was the heaviest in recent years, according to a report from Consul Leland L. Smith, Tunis, made public by the Department of Commerce.

## WILEY TRANTHAM DEAD AND TWO WOUNDED IN QUARREL WEDNESDAY

### THE LOVE OF LIQUOR CAUSES ANOTHER TRAGEDY IN MADISON

The following, which appeared in the Asheville Citizen Thursday morning, is to some extent incorrect, according to Sheriff Ramsey, who was interviewed by a reporter for this paper Thursday morning:

One man, Wiley Trantham, about 35, is dead and two others, Joe Osborne and a man named Austin, the latter of Illinois, are wounded as a result of a pitched gun battle with Madison County officers at Mack's Patch, in the mountain section about 35 miles from Marshall and near the Spring Creek-Lake Junaluska highway, Wednesday afternoon about 3 o'clock, officers reported in Asheville Wednesday night.

Shot-guns, 30.30 calibre rifles, and revolvers were used in the battle between the three men on the one side and three officers on the other, the officers being Sheriff R. R. Ramsey, of Madison County, Deputy Sheriff George Rector, and Deputy Sheriff Dewey Foster. Ten or 15 shots were fired.

Wiley Trantham, following the shooting, was taken to the hospital at Waynesville, where he died at 5:45 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, hospital attaches reported that night. He was shot through the head.

**Shot In Head**  
Joe Osborne, a young man, was shot twice in the head, but his condition is not considered critical and he has a good chance to recover, according to reports Wednesday night from the hospital at Newport, where he was taken following the shooting. Austin, shot in the arm, was the least seriously hurt of the trio. None of the officers was wounded.

Officers said the three men with which they fought were drinking and voluntarily started a quarrel with them. Sheriff Ramsey and Deputy Rector left Marshall a little after 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon to go in search of an automobile in the Mack's Patch section on Spring Creek. The name of the owner of the automobile sought was not known to officers, who had reports he had been transporting whiskey. They had been told they could apprehend him on the highway near Mack's Patch in the afternoon.

**Start Quarrel**  
Arriving, Deputy Sheriff Dewey Foster met the two officers and went with them to apprehend the car. While waiting, an automobile carrying Trantham, Osborne, and Austin, came along and the men are reported to have tried to quarrel with the officers. Not wanting trouble, the officers drove down the road. Deputy Sheriff Foster was driving, and when he was warned by one of his fellow officers that the three men in the other car were following close behind, he looked back. In doing so his eyes left the road ahead, and, as a result, wrecked his car against a bank at the side of the road. Officers said the men came on, stopped their car, and got out. One man, which one of the officers said they did not remember Wednesday night, carrying a double-barreled shotgun, went to one side of the officers. Another with a 30.40 calibre rifle went to the opposite side. The third followed Foster, who had gotten out of the car, and had gone to the rear, and knocked him down. Foster, it is reported, then shot him, and shots began to fly thick and fast. Which officer shot Trantham could not be learned Wednesday night. The officers said they tried first to talk the men into discontin-

ing their quarrel.

**Warned Officers**  
Austin, from Illinois, is said to have warned the officers Tuesday night they could not measure up to Illinois cops and had better be good. The officers, unmindful of the warning, which came to them only as a report, went to the section armed with a search warrant for the whiskey-laden automobile. Sheriff Ramsey stopped in Walnut, seven miles west of Marshall following the fight and could not be reached Wednesday night for details of the fight telephone wires to that point being down. Deputy Foster is the youngest deputy on Sheriff Ramsey's force. He has been in his service several years, and has had many dangerous experiences. Sheriff Ramsey has often referred to him as one of his best officers.

—The Asheville Citizen.

It seems that the statement that Wiley Trantham is dead and Osborne and Austin injured as result of a gun battle is true. But Sheriff Ramsey and Chief Deputy George Rector were not there until after the shooting had taken place. According to Sheriff Ramsey, the shooting took place about 11 o'clock in the morning and he was notified of the affair about two o'clock, and he and Mr. Rector went immediately over there, reaching the scene of the shooting about 3 or 3:30 o'clock. Three of Sheriff Ramsey's deputies, Dewey Foster, Lester Foster, and Wesley Fowler, were the officers who were in the battle. Wiley Trantham is said to be a man about 40 years old or older and two of his sons, practically grown, were with him at the time he was shot. We cannot be sure as to the details, but a shooting occurred and Sheriff Ramsey has in his possession the guns that were used. Neither is it certain as to whether the shooting took place in Madison County or Haywood County, as it was very near the line. It will probably require a trial to bring out all the facts.

**State College Textile School Makes Extensive Improvements**

Manufacturers of textile machinery have cooperated with the Textile School, North Carolina State College by supplying them with the latest improvements and devices available. The Casablancas and Saco-Lowell systems of spinning have been replaced with the latest developments in long draft spinning. These two spinning frames are in the testing room of the Textile School and it is now impossible to make comparative tests on various types of spinning. These frames and other frames in the yarn manufacturing department of the School have been equipped with the latest bobbin holders.

The Babcock Company have recently installed several of their latest type of humidifier heat in the weave room together with their latest development in automatic control.

The Hamilton Company have recently supplied the knitting department with one of their latest knitting machines equipped with the 12-step

and horizontal striping attachment. The Gaston County Dyeing Machine Company have furnished the dyeing department with a sample dyeing machine complete with pump and motor.

Various other additions have been made to the equipment of the School during the summer.

## Carolina Chat

### CHILD KILLED BY LIGHTNING

**ELKIN.**—Grace Pardue, 12-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Webster Pardue, was instantly killed when struck by lightning last Saturday in the yard of her home four miles south of Elkin.

### GUEST INJURED IN ACCIDENT FILES SUIT

**WINSTON-SALEM.**—Erick Copeland, on June 8, loaned his car to his fiancée, Miss Margaret Eagles. She took five other girls with her on a shopping trip from Salisbury to Winston-Salem. The car overturned, and now one of the injured girls, Miss Carralough Jones is suing Miss Eagles and Copeland for \$15,000, claiming that Miss Eagles drove at a reckless speed and in violation of traffic laws.

### UNABLE TO IDENTIFY VICTIM OF TRAIN

**ROCK HILL, S. C.**—A man known locally as James Hill was struck and killed by southbound freight No. 63 of the Southern railway near Red River, Saturday morning. He is said to have lived in Red River, but efforts to locate any relatives or his former home have met with failure.

### EXPECT 2,500 LEGIONNAIRES

Winston-Salem.—Plans are complete and all in readiness for the entertainment of the 2,500 members of the American Legion, department of North Carolina, who are expected to attend the 12th annual convention to open in Winston-Salem, August 25.

### MOTORCYCLE IN FATAL CRASH

Newton.—Fred Smith, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Grant Smith of North Newton, was instantly killed Friday afternoon when his motorcycle struck an automobile near Shelby and he was thrown through the windshield of the car.

### STATE GRANGE TO MEET

Raleigh.—The Grange 40-year-old farm organization has re-entered North Carolina and is making a bid towards solving some of the farmers' problems. The new Grange organization, launched in the state in 1929 with Dr. Clarence Fox as state master, has some 100 local subordinate Granges. Its 1930 state meeting will be held in Salisbury, October 1 to 3, and at least 1000 delegates are expected.

### STATESVILLE MINISTER GIVES BOND

Greensboro.—Lee Moore, 40, motorcycle dealer, was instantly killed Saturday afternoon when his motorcycle collided with a car driven by Rev. C. L. Weston, visiting minister from Statesville. The minister, faced with a technical murder charge, is free under \$1,000 bond.

### BRINGING BACK BANK ROBBERS

Salisbury.—Sheriff Lyerly and two deputies are this week bringing back from Florida Ted Eusey and John John Ellis, young Charlotte men charged with robbing the Bank of Rockwell on Wednesday of last week.

### CHILD DROWNS IN SOUND

Elizabeth City.—John Seth Walker, six-year-old son of E. B. Walker of Winston-Salem, fell off the pier at Nags Head Sunday and drowned, despite the efforts of an aunt, Miss Kate Warrick, to save him.

## BUILDING SCHOOL AT WHITE ROCK

Through the kindness of Mr. Story I am using this opportunity to convey to the citizens of the White Rock school district a brief message of facts, ideas and opinions, which I am hoping will be of real benefit to all concerned. Of course you know with what difficulties your Board of Education borrowed the \$15,000 to build you a school house. Also, that we, your Board, were not able to get a house built for the \$15,000, and also that we are undertaking to buy the ground, build the house, and hope to be able to furnish it with the \$15,000. So far as I know, none of your Board of Education are builders. In undertaking this job we do not think for a moment that we can accomplish or do more than experienced builders. But the urgency of the case, your need and our desire to do all we can to educate the youth of our county have combined to cause us to undertake this project. I confess I have doubts and misgivings about this program we have laid out for ourselves. As I view it, the largest success can come to this undertaking in only one way. And this is the purport of this message to you. If you, each one, will approach this proposition with the purpose and disposition to put forth your best efforts to the work or labor that comes to your hands, and if those of a willing mind will fall into line with our foreman, Mr. Robinson, and render him your loyal and unstinted support, and all strive to uphold the hands of your Superintendent, Mr. Blankenship, who is taking upon himself the burden of your Board of Education and that of your own as well, the supervision and the oversight of the erection of this house.

Let it be the purpose of each one to see just how much he can put into this building and not how much he can get out of it.

When all the citizens of the county are helping you to build and especially those school districts like those of my own township who can never even hope to have such a house for themselves or the opportunities that it brings to you, it behooves each of you to add, not only your strength and loyalty and enthusiasm but with kindness toward those of your fellow citizens who are sacrificing to help you let your hearts turn in gratitude to God for the promise and blessing vouchsafed to your children. For you will build in vain if you shall make no place or give no thought to the spiritual life of yourselves and your children.

Several of your representative citizens have appeared before the Board quite often. Speaking from my own experience, I am free to say that it has been a pleasure to serve you and we have encountered no citizens who have manifested a finer spirit of cooperation than those from White Rock.

If in any way I can serve you, I shall be delighted to do so.  
CALVIN H. REEVES.

## HOT SPRINGS SCHOOL OPENING POSTPONED

OPENING DATE SET FOR  
SEPTEMBER 1

The opening date for the opening of the Hot Springs High School has been changed from next Monday to Monday, September 1. Patrons will please note the change.

## TEACHERS MEET HERE SATURDAY

Notices have been sent out to all the teachers in Madison County to meet in Marshall Saturday morning at ten o'clock.

## METHODISTS TO HAVE REVIVAL

### Rev. Mr. Gray To Preach Next Sunday

Rev. S. C. Weatherly left Wednesday for Radford, Va. to attend the Home Coming celebration of one of the churches in a former pastorate. The pulpit of the Methodist church will be filled Sunday by Rev. J. J. Gray, a former pastor.

On Monday, the 25th, Mr. Weatherly will begin a series of meetings in Marshall. He will be assisted by Rev. M. L. Kinchelo, a member of the Holston Conference, but who for the last two years has been doing post graduate work at Duke University.

On the fifth Sunday the fourth Quarterly Meeting for the charge will be held at Walnut. Dr. Litaler, Presiding Elder, will preach at eleven o'clock. Dinner will be served on the ground. The business session will be held soon after dinner and Rev. M. L. Kinchelo will preach at two-thirty.

The general public is invited to all these meetings.

## AN APOLOGY

Some time ago I wrote an article to the News-Record under the heading, "A Cause," and referred to some people handling fire and poison snakes, and made mention of the Hebrew children, Daniel, and Paul, and how God saved them, for they had a cause, but for people to do the same things now without a cause, it seemed to me that it would be tempting God. But since I wrote that article I have thought it over seriously, and prayed over the matter until I was moved to write this letter of apology and ask pardon of any or all who may have been offended at anything I said in that letter, for I have always tried to have a conscience void of offense toward God and toward men. I make this statement, lest anyone should mistake me to be a Holiness fighter. I am not a holiness fighter, for holiness is a Bible doctrine, and some of the Holiness people are among the best folks we have. God forbid that I should say or do anything to offend anyone and especially anyone who God in their way—according to the dictates of their own conscience. I ask the prayers of the Holiness people and all Christians in all denominations. I am trying to make my way to a better world, and need the prayers of all Christian people.

Written in the spirit of charity to all.  
D. E. LAMB,  
Frost, N. C.

## EASTERN STAR PLAY ENJOYED

Of stars who saw the play. "The