

## CORONER JURY SAYS SHOOTING WAS ACCIDENTAL

New York Cotton Exchange Oppose Bill Introduced by Georgia Man; Might Interfere With Their Methods of Manipulation

Rosemary, April 16.—A coroner's jury sitting at Caledonia Prison Farm late last night returned the following verdict:

"The cause of death was due to his death by a gun shot wound from a gun in the hand of Clyde Lane, who fired to scare the prisoners away from the door. A glancing shot brought him his death, accidentally."

The shot, Coroner Williams said, entered Lewis' leg, passed through his intestines and probably entered the chambers of his heart.

The camp physician reported that the prisoner's death was caused by "heart failure." Six men served on the jury. No action will be brought against the guard.

Coroner Williams said that a search of the barracks of the prisoners revealed a large quantity of weapons and that a mutiny had been planned for Monday morning. Plans of the convicts were reported, the coroner continued, to camp officials, by several convicts.

Leaders of the mutiny, Williams said, then turned on the convicts who had revealed the projected wholesale escape and the Sunday riot resulted,

In mattresses, Mr. Williams said, guards found 12 or 15 knives made from butcher knives, a number of sand bags, several files, a complete hacksaw and several buck-saw blades.

Suspicion of one another because information of a projected wholesale delivery was reaching camp officers probably was responsible for the outbreak among prisoners at Caledonia Prison Farm Sunday night, Supt. George Ross Pou of State's Prison said last night after an investigation of the outbreak which resulted in the death yesterday of Theodore Lewis, one of the 11 convicts leading shot-gun rounds.

Lewis, not believed to have been seriously wounded, died shortly afternoon at the prison farm hospital. Dr. C. L. Jenkins, camp physician, reported to Superintendent Pou that death was caused by "heart failure," but Superintendent Pou called in J. C. Williams, Halifax County Coroner, who set an inquest for yesterday afternoon but postponed it due to inability to obtain a doctor to make detailed investigations.

Dr. Jenkins said that Lewis had only a wound in the thigh which could not in itself have caused death.

Lewis and ten others received wounds from four shot fired from a police riot gun in the hands of Guard Clyde Lane who rushed into the dormitory after Corporal Harry Jones had beat Lewis when he attempted to quiet the rioters. Lane fired low, hitting the right side of the convicts with shot in their legs.

Superintendent Pou praised the guard's action, stating that undoubtedly it quelled a serious disturbance before it had gained momentum.

Superintendent Pou said the prison officials knew of only four of the wounded men Monday, the other seven turning up yesterday to have shot extracted from their bodies.

All was quiet at the camp yesterday the 18 men suspected of being leaders in the outbreak being either in the hospital or in dark cells and the other 500 white prisoners back at work as usual. Captain N. E. Raines, camp supervisor, reported to Central Prison.

Corporal Jones was reported as getting along nicely after his beating.

The body of Lewis, at the request of his father, was shipped to his home town yesterday. The law provides that bodies of prisoners be turned over to anatomical societies unless relatives have undertaken and burial expenses.

Superintendent Pou said that initial reports from Caledonia that a large number of minor pane were broken out and other property damage done were exaggerated, as there was very little damage.

Some prisoners had a specific complaint. It was "financial tight now as we can find out," said Supt. Pou, who added that for some time Captain Raines has been getting information about plans of certain prisoners to stage a break and had failed to frustrate them. He added that there was a great concern among them and general suspicion aroused by what knowledge probably precipitated the riot, he said.

Miss J. M. Christian is spending this week with her daughter, Miss Clyde Finch in New York.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Louis Smith, Mrs. Patsy Morris, Mrs. Sarah Basel and Mrs. L. T. Price were guests at the visitors luncheon.

## TOTAL ECLIPSE OF THE SUN DUE NEXT WEEK

Will Be Briefly Visible Here  
and the Area That Can  
View It in Its Entirety  
Will Only Be Able to See  
It for Short Time

On next Monday the shadow of the moon will fall on the earth in such a way that in some parts of the United States the sun will be totally obscured at midday. During the afternoon of that day there will be a partial obstruction of the sun by the moon's shadow, visible in many parts of the country.

An eclipse of the sun is no longer a matter of superstition, says although there are still savage tribes in outlying uncharted parts of the globe to whom it is a terrifying spectacle, because its cause is unknown to them. But to everybody it is an interesting event, and to most of us it carries a sense of the grandeur and mystery of this planetary system in which we live and of which, so far as we are concerned, the earth is the center of our interest if not of physical fact.

The moon and the earth move as one unit around the sun, which is almost 93,000,000 miles away, or three hundred and ninety times as far from the earth as the moon is. The diameter of the moon is only a quarter of that of the earth, while that of the sun is more than 100 times as great as that of the earth.

It is impossible of course, for an object as small as the moon to cast a shadow big enough to darken the whole earth at once. If the moon were nearer the sun than the earth that would be possible, but as it is, the path of any total eclipse is only a few miles wide.

Besides the observers on the ground a number of astronomers will go up in airplanes and try to take photographs of the corona from above the clouds.

### JOKERS' JUBILEE

The Parents-Teachers Association will present on April 26th, at eight o'clock P. M., the "Jokers' Jubilee," a novelty entertainment composed by the author of "Zany Gump," "Wedding," "44 Flappers," "High Flyers" and others.

Those taking part in the production of "Jokers' Jubilee" are: Jessie Jenkins, Lat Morris; Jessie Jester, Julian Rumley; Bluette Blues; Elbert Holmes; Dumb Intelligence, Stewart Himes; Old Black Joe, George Davis; Mammy Judy, Mrs. Hodges; Norma Shearer, Miss Elizabeth Fields; Janet Gaynor, Miss Katherine Watkins of Oxford, a tap and clog dancer; Miss Hit, Evelyn Horton.

### HOSTESS TO LITERARY CLUB

The Farmville literary club held a delightful meeting on Wednesday afternoon, based on "American Playwrights." It was developed with an excellent paper on "William Vaughan Moody, And His Place in American Drama," by Mrs. J. Y. Monk, and an interesting discussion of his play, "The Great Divide," by Mrs. E. T. Martin.

A pleasant social hour followed during which a fruit salad course was served.

### M. E. MEETS

The regular monthly meeting of the Baptist Woman's Missionary Society was held at the church Monday afternoon, with Mrs. A. C. Hodges presiding.

Mrs. J. B. Joyner gave an outline of the recent Centennial meet in Greenville and the president, Mrs. Hodges, told of the State W. M. U. meeting in Ellington City. Mrs. M. Whaley had charge of the program presented after the business session, which included a paper, "An Airplane Trip Through China" by Mrs. C. L. Bonner, a duet by Mrs. A. B. Walters and Mrs. Seaman Gates, a vocal solo by Virginia Burman, with piano accompaniment by Mrs. A. F. Joyner.

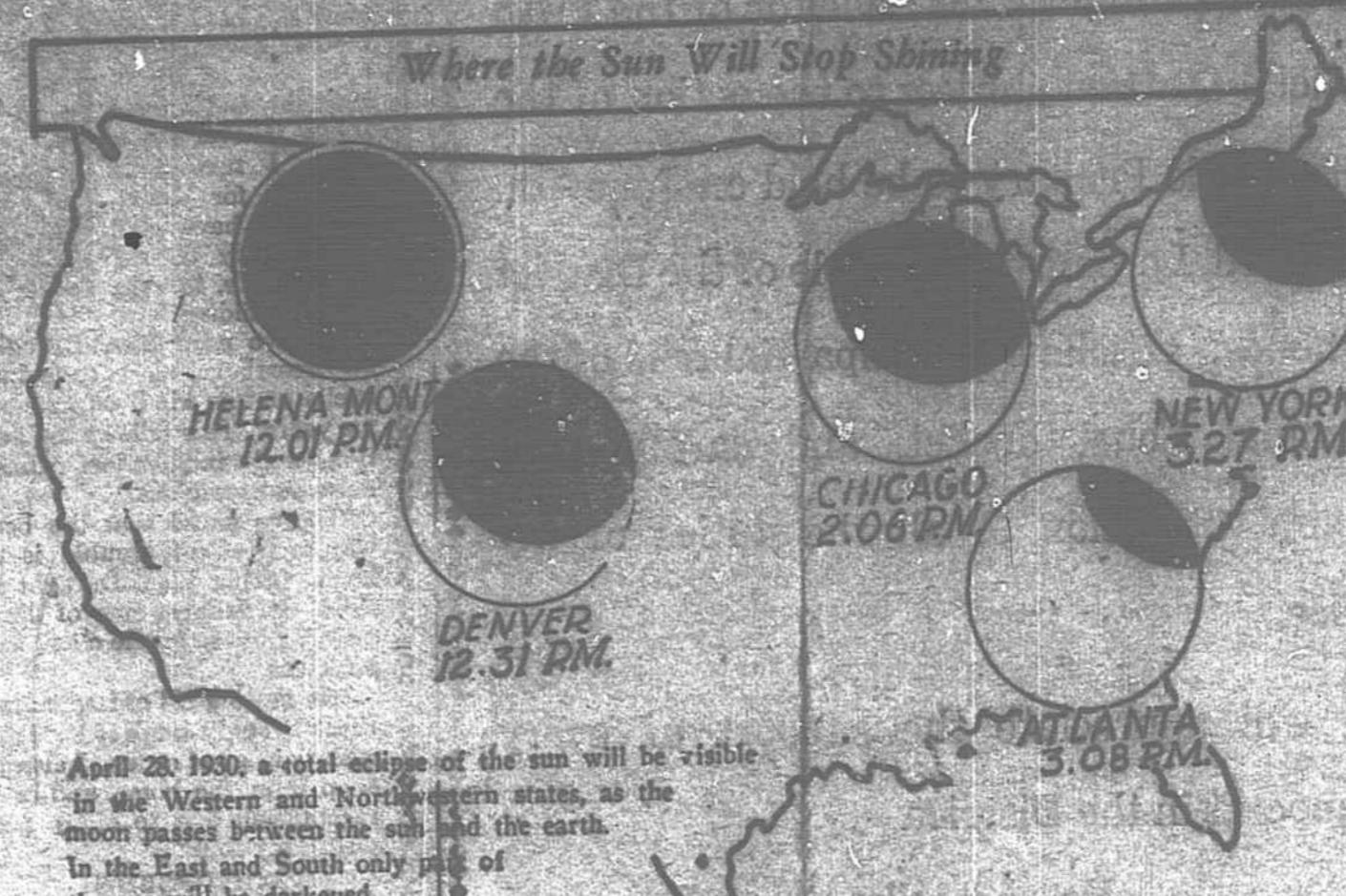
### BRIDGE CLUB MEETS

Mrs. George Holston was hostess to the Tuesday afternoon bridge club meeting at her home on West Church street.

Bridge was played in the living room, which had been made most attractive by the use of spring flowers. Mrs. H. W. Turnage made high score for the afternoon and was given a loyal endorsement. Miss Edward Jones of Rocky Mount, a former member of the group, and guest of the hostess for the day, was presented with a dainty tea spoon.

At the conclusion of the game a composed salad course was served. Besides the members the house had as guests, Mrs. W. C. Holston, Miss Edward Jones of Rocky Mount and Mrs. H. O. Long.

Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Wooten of Pine Tops were here Friday.



## CHURCH ARMY RECEIVED WITH ENTHUSIASM HERE

## NEWS NOTES OF INTEREST FROM F. H. S.

It is not the arts of war only that the victories win; they are won also by the arts of peace, and those who give glory to our soldiers admire them for their warfare.

Seeking to encourage laymen to serve their God and church and inoculate personal religion and evangelism, the church army men, preaching in the Episcopal church, have made a favorable impression.

The trio of evangelists, young men are Fred Turner, William Bence and William Hopkins.

Services are as follows: Each evening at 7:30; a Good Friday service at 12 and ending at 3; also at 7:30 at night; Easter Sunday will begin with Holy Communion at 7:30, to be conducted by Dr. Frank Dean, service at 11 and 7:30 in the evening, the closing service.

### WILLIAM CHARLES JOYNER

Tuesday night, April 8th 1930, between the hours of one and two, God executed His death sentence requesting the personal appearance of William Charles Joyner, who quietly and peacefully answered the mandate by surrendering himself, in obedience to the call, as a child, to receive his inheritance as promised by God in the person of His son Jesus Christ.

He came from public school and went to his home, not the habitation of earthly peace and quiet right with domestic comfort and joy, but to that celestial home prepared for the children of God.

Mr. Joyner was born near Farmville, North Carolina, in 1888, and spent his life in and around Farmville community, in a peaceful, quiet, law abiding manner, building for himself and his posterity a life and character that will live in the memory of his friends and acquaintances. He devoted his efforts, time and energy in the service of his country and his fellowmen and, even though, his voice, that have whispered words of cheer and encouragement to the movement, is silent, and the hand, that so patiently and mercifully administered unto the weak and suffering, is folded in death's embrace, his life and the memory of his deeds will forever live.

Mr. Joyner served as a Justice of the peace for more than forty years, during which time he sat in the judgment seat and passed upon the property rights and liberties of both white and black, young and old, rich and poor, impartially, without reward or hope of reward. His judgments were always rendered upon the basic principles of law and evidence, involved in the trial of the cause, and his mandates exemplified a righteous administration of justice. He was not a licensed attorney, but his wisdom and knowledge of the law qualified him to intelligently pass upon the issues of litigation, and his knowledge of the law and the application of evidence always found strength and affirmation in the Courts of greater jurisdiction. He was always willing to counsel and advise his fellowmen to lead aid where pain, want and sorrow could be found; to administer unto the needy and distressed; encourage and strengthen fallen humanity and we realize, his going is a loss to many. We lament his death, even though we know, that beyond the grave, in that distant Abode, hope provides an Elysium for the soul and where the mortal assumes immortality and life begins in infinite duration.

Therefore, be it resolved, that in the Honorable R. A. Nunn the District and the State have a wise, just and humane Judge, a presiding officer of fine poise and judicial temperament, and a Christian gentleman of the highest character and integrity, who is making a record worthy of our unreserved admiration and esteem.

The Clerk will properly enter this resolution upon the minutes of this term of Court.

Judge Nunn was appointed by the Governor and then nominated and selected by the Democratic party to fill the unexpired term of the late Judge Horton. In the Democratic primary last June he will be a candidate for renomination as Judge for a full term in the office.—(ed.)

We realize that we have lost a valuable citizen and our sympathy goes out to his family and friends, in much of sorrow, and may the grace of God and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost be and remain with you always.

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### LOANS MAY NOW BE MADE, STATED

The organization for handling the Federal Seed, Feed, and Fertilizer Loan consists of community committees and a county central committee. The U. S. Department of Agriculture through the local representatives, has set up the following community committees for handling these loans in Pitt County:

George Present, Lloyd Turnage and Blance Sunrell.

Winterville: J. P. Carroll, J. L. Rollins and R. H. Hunstader.

Farmville: D. B. Oglesby, John T.

Bethel: S. C. Ives, J. V. Taylor and J. G. Thomas.

Grimestand: Elijah Edwards, J. C.

Galloway and J. B. Tucker.

Poatocie: A. R. Barnhill, Coy

Grimes and J. T. Moore.

All applications for loans must first be submitted to one of the above named committees or in case there is no local committee set up, the applicant may present his application to the central committee composed of W. H. Woolard, L. A. Stroud and Roy T. Cox.

Farmers who desire loans may have their application blanks filled out at the county farm agency office or if they may prefer, may do it at the members of the local committee to fill out themselves.

It was stated that loans, if approved, would be made approximately as follows:

On tobacco \$15.00 per acre.

On cotton \$10.00 per acre.

On corn \$4.00 per acre.

In addition, loans of \$25 will be made per head of work stock needed for the season. The interest rate is 5 per cent.

### CONVENTED

Charges are often made that laws against liquor are violated far more now than ever before. Those who can remember more than ten years back, know that there was no class of people in this country, who are greater lawbreakers than were the people in the liquor business. It was necessary to keep a government official in every distillery and brewery in the country to see that the law was observed and yet it was well known that even that plan was not effective. Moonshining in those days was as common as it is today, though with the open saloon it did not attract as much attention.

This violation of law on the part of liquor people is nothing new. In 1794, the United States had a law imposing a tax upon distilled liquor. The State Legislature of Pennsylvania did not like the law and took some action opposing it. With this encouragement the whiskey distillers refused to pay the tax and proceeded to use firearms to defy the government agents whose duty it was to collect the tax. George Washington was President and he was determined that the law should be enforced, so he called out the militia and put down "the Whiskey Rebellion."

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From that day to this violators of the liquor laws have been ready at any time to use firearms against those who have tried to enforce the law. It would be a blessing to the country, if our President and the Congress of the United States, and the State Legislature had the feeling and the courage of Washington.

Debarking is usually very unsatisfactory to a traveler through the country. It generally means that the traveler must go over poor or very bad roads. A recent writer calls attention to the difficulties of the travelers of alcoholics. These people admit that the manufacture and sale of liquor by any persons in this country is prohibited by the Constitution and laws of the United States, so two members of the New State Legislature are proposing that the State go into the manufacture and sale of liquor. They make the following argument that the law says no man shall manufacture or sell liquor. The State, they say, is not a person, and their wife and

## TOURNAMENT OF BRIDGE PLANNED

Among One of Most Brilliant Affairs Ever Held Here

Beginning a series of activities designed by the ways and means committee of the Major Benjamin Day chapter, D. A. R., having as their object the securing of funds for the construction of a chapter house to be used as a community center, comes the announcement of a bridge tournament which promises to be the most brilliant affair of spring, as it does the Lenten season.

The time and place will be announced later, but the chairman, Mrs. D. H. Morgan, has been promised to disclose some of the plans, and a list of the handsome and valuable prizes donated by prominent firms of Farmville, Greenville and Wilson, will be suspended when called upon.

The tournament will begin in the afternoon and will continue through the evening for the convenience of persons who are expected from the neighboring towns of Wilson, Snow Hill, Greenville, Fountain, Winterville, Rocky Mount, and delicious refreshments will be served at both sessions of afternoon and evening.

The committee working with Mrs. Morgan in soliciting tables is composed of Mrs. J. Loyd Horton, Mrs. C. T. Dixon, Miss Sue Barrett, Louise Smith and Mary Barrett, all of whom will appreciate a phone call concerning the tournament. Charitable fees will be 50 cents per person, 25 per table.

A meeting of particular interest to members of the D. A. R. which being devoted wholly to business affairs of the group, was that of this week, when Mrs. C. E. Townsend and Miss Louise Smith were joint hostesses at the home of the latter.

The devotional service was conducted by the reagent, Mrs. T. C. Turnage, whose subject was "Moses Biblical Patron." The legislative committee, headed by Miss Anna Perkins, and composed of Mrs. B. Streetor Shepard and Mrs. U. H. Conard, reported a necessary amendment to the bill, and the members of the local committee voted to fill out the bill.

At a recent meeting of the executive board the following plan was decided upon and laid before the chapter at this time: the election of a parliamentarian, the organization of a children's chapter of the American Revolution; a request that new members file papers within 60 days; plan to enlarge membership; a plan of increasing list of subscribers to D. A. R. Magazine.

The ways and means committee submitted plans for securing funds for building a chapter house, a bridge tournament of which Mrs. D. H. Morgan is chairman, will be foremost among the projects, and will be given after Easter.

A Tyson Bible, 200 years old, bound in reindeer and containing much valuable data concerning the family was exhibited by Mrs. George Johnson of Fountain. Announcement of two memorial gifts to the chapter, a cologne mount and a ring to Mrs. A. F. Turnage and Mrs. Drexel Barrett. Refreshments were served after the business meeting.

### PROGRESSIVE BRIDGE CLUB

The members of the Progressive Bridge Club and a number of especially invited friends, enjoyed a delightful meeting this week at the home of Mrs. L. T. Pierce on Pine street.

Many spring flowers were attractively placed in the rooms where bridge was played at four tables. Mrs. W. R. Willis