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NEWS NOTES State & General

Mr. Ed Erwin, of Rutherford-ton, was seriously if not fatally injured Wednesday in a runaway

The eighteenth annual meet-ing of the Colored Firmen's Association is in session this week at Durham.

The 60th annual session of the Grand Encampment of the Odd Fellows of North Carolina convened Wednesday at Winston-

Wednesday.

Fred Nye, a brother of the late "Bill Nye" and assistant editor of the New York Sunday World, was struck and killed by a trolley car in New York city last Monday night.

Secretary of the Treasury Cortelyou announces that the government will again place money on deposit in the banks throughout the country to aid in the movement of crops.

Four persons were injured and a number of others badly shaken up when a crowded trailer to an electric car jumped the track near the entrance to the Jamestown Exposition grounds.

A plan is on foot to open the Jamestown Exposition on Sun-days with a small admission fee and none of the concessions opened. The government has not yet acted on the request.

The Selwyn Hotel at Charlotte has been leased to Mr. Edgar B. Moore, proprietor of the Kenilworth Inn at Asheville. Mr. Moore will take personal charge of the Selwyn on August 24th.

Passenger train No. 8 from Asheville to Toxaway was wrecked Wednesday morning. All the cars were overturned and vent down a small embankment Thirteen persons were injured, but none seriously.

At Susquehanna, Pa., an auto-mobile went over a 75-foot embankment and plunged into the Susquehanna river, killing a six-year-old girl and seriously injuring three other occupants of the

A monument to Gen. Thomas Sumter, South Carolina's revolutionary hero, was unveiled at Statesburg, S. C., Wednesday. About 3,000 people from all sections of the State were present at the ceremony.

The commission recently appointed to determine whether Mrs. Eddy, head of the Christian Science cult, is mentally competent or not, began hearings Tuesday at Concord, New Hampshire.

The situation remains prac-tically unchanged in the commercial telegrapher's strike. Both the Western Union and Postal companies claim to have plenty of men to handle all business with usual dispatch.

It is thought that Standard Oil interests were at work to cause the great decline in stocks which occurred Wednesday, their pur-pose being to frighten the administration and prevent further proceedings against the Standard Oil Company.

The 21st annual meeting of the North Carolina Farmers' Alliance was in session at Hillsboro Tuesday and Wednesday. The attendance and representation was larger than it has been for many years. J. E. Peterson, of Goldsboro, was elected president for the ensuing year.

J. D. McAnulty, engineer at the Southern Railway pumping station at Salisbury, has been bound over to court on a bond of \$500 to answer the charge of killing R. W. Owens, keeper of Death of Mrs. Austin. the Rowan county pest house. The evidence against Mc-Anulty is purely circumstantial.

United States District Attorney A. E. Holton was stricken

-Union defeated Bethel at baseball on the latter's diamond Monday afternoon to the tune of 11 to 0. The batterries were: Union-Sparrow and Arrowcod; Bethel-Miller, Meek

WITH THE CITY FATHERS.

Bonds are Being Advertised and Bids will be Opened Oct. 1st.— seme Work to Begin at Once—No Of- day. ficial Action Taken-Other

The board of aldermen of the town of Gastonia met in regular session in the city hall Tuesday night and received the report of the committee appointed to visit other towns for the purpose of looking into the street paving business and ascertaining just what is wanted in Gastonia. The report of the committee which recommended the acceptance of the bitulithic pavement' was practically accepted, although no official action was taken. The Pope Manufacturing Com-pany of Hartford, Conn., makers of automobiles and bicycles, went into the hands of a receiver companies for the work in Gastonia. Mr. William Pannel, a representative of the Atlantic Bitulithic Company, of Richmond, Va., was present and announced his intention of making son, of Charlotte. an estimate and submitting a bid at an early date. The 5 per cent 30-year bonds are being advertised in a number of leading periodicals and bids received will be opened by the board on October 1st. In the meantime contracts will be let and all plans will be perfected to begin the work as soon as can possibly

> Rev. J. A. Hoyle and others appeared before the board asking that the lighting system be extended to the Loray village for the purpose of lighting the Baptist and Presbyterian churches at that place. This matter was referred to Attorney G. W. Wilson for an investigation regarding the town's right to ex-tend the system outside the corporate limits.

be done.

Street Commissioner Morris was ordered to open up Second street from Franklin Avenue to the Union road. Also to drain the place in the rear of Mrs. J. C. Latham's residence.

Superintendent H. Rutter was ordered to make some extensions to the sewer system on South residents in that part of the town to connect. A ten days leave of absence was granted Mr. Rutter.

The light committee was instructed to purchase 15 or 20 arc lights and other necessary appliances for the extension of the the Jamestown Exposition this picnic at an early date. light system.

The town treasurer was instructed to borrow \$2,000 to

meet current expenses.
Messrs. V. E. Long, J. M. Sloan and S. M. Morris were appointed a committee to investigate the removal of the cotton platform to a more suitable place. Mr. M. L. Mauney was re-elected cotton weigher.

Bills to the amount of \$2174.88 were referred to the finance committee for payment.

Bull-Dog Cose.

Mr. J. W. Thornburg was fined a penny and cost in the mayor's court Wednesday morning for allowing a bull-dog to run at case was continued from Monday's court, Mr. Thornburg hav-ing appealed to the Superior court from a like fine imposed by the mayor for not returning his dog for taxation, at the first hearing.

Mr. Frank Bell Dead.

Mr. Frank Bell, age 29, died at his home near Long Creek Wednesday night about 9:30 o'clock of tuberculosis. Mr. Bell had been sick for more than a year and his death was no surprise to his friends. The funeral exercises took place at the Gastonia Lutheran church yesterday afternoon at 5 o'clock, Rev. John Hall, the pastor, officiating. The remains were in-terred in Oakwood cemetery. The deceased is survived by a wife and one child, also by a number of brothers and sisters.

Mrs. Sallie Austin, the young before her marriage some time ago, a sales lady in the Baltimore Racket store. She is survived by her husband and one child only a few months of age. The funeral services were conducted at the parents' home yesterday morning at 9 o'clock by Rev. W. H. Reddish and the semains were taken to Grover where they were interred at Antioch church.

PERSONAL MENTION.

-Mr. C. E. Whitney, of Bessemer City, was in town Thurs-

-Among the Gastonia visitors in Yorkville yesterday was Mr. P. N. Glenn.

-Among the visitors here Wednesday was Mr. W. E. Johnson, of Belmont.

-Mr. Harry Neill, of Clover, was among the out of town visitors here yesterday. -Mr. George L. McKee, of

South Point, was in the city Wednesday on business... -Prof. J. M. Costner, of Raleigh, is spending some time with

his brother, Mr. F. A. Costner. -Dr. P. A. Pressley, the popular and promising young dentist of Clover, was a Gastonia vis-

itor yesterday.

-Among the Lowell visitors of the Jamestown Exposition this week are Messrs. Hall Hand and Thomas Rankin.

with the depot force, has accepted a position as bookkeeper for F. Torrence & Company.

-Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Bush and Miss Callie Withers returned Tuesday from a ten days' visit to Mr. Bush's relatives at Hudson, N.C. -Mr. J. A. Hunter and Mas-

ter John and Miss Lavinia Hunter returned Tuesday night from seeing the sights at the Jamestown Exposition. Lincolnton, was in town yester-

day shaking hands with friends. He accompanied the Lincolnton baseball team to Charlotte. -Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Carson and Miss Blauche are visiting Mrs. Carson's sisters, Mrs. J. B. Car-

the Pisgah neighborhood. arrow Gauge street for the Miss Sallie Carson and Miss her home in Hickory yesterday, purpose of allowing a number of Mattie Craig left Tuesday for a much to the sorrow of her host trip to Jamestown where they of friends.-Miss Willie Rhyne,

will take in the sights. -Mr. A. M. Whitesides and Misses Margaret, Ola and Master Francis Whitesides are among the Gastonia visitors at week.

by the Crown Bottling Works, left Wednesday for a short trip to the Jamestown Exposition. Durham. Greensboro, Chapel On his return he will enter the Hill and Charlotte.-Mrs. T. L. Piedmont High School at Lawndale.

-Mrs. J. P. Glenn, Mrs. S. A. Kindley and little son, have returned from a pleasant trip to for a stay of several days with Washington, D. C. They were accompanied by Miss Roberta McElhanney who will make her home with Mrs. Glenn.

-Miss Ethel Nichols, of Chester, S. C., and Miss Lela Sturchi, of Knoxville, Tenn., large without a muzzle on. The returned to Chester yesterday afternoon after spending several days here the guests of Miss Margaret McLean.

> -Prof. W. H. Overcarsh left this week on a vacation trip to Jamestown and Washington City. During his absence his pupils will of course enjoy a rest from their work. Prof. Overearsh will return and resume the work of his music class on

September 1st. -Miss Sadie King, who has been employed as bookkeeper for the Singer Sewing Machine Company in Gastonia for the open to all students for the first past eight months has resigned days of the approaching term. her position and will return to Especially does it offer its her home in Elliot, S. C. She services to those attending col-will be succeeded in the Singer lege for the first time. office by Miss Cora Costner. The secretary and officers of Miss King has made many the association will be glad to friends here who will regret to present young gentlemen comsee her leave Gastonia, and hope that she may at some time re-

Business Change.

Mr. W. J. Stimson has sold wife of Mr. Harry Austin, of Charlotte, died at the home of her lather, Mr. G. C. Hopper, in Gastonia Wednesday at 3:30

Mr. W. J. Stimson has sold Pastors and parents are invited to write Mr. Rankin, the general works to his partner Mr. B. F. secretary, letters of inquiry or information. He is employed with a sudden attack of acute indigestion while in the dining room of Battery Park Hotel at Asheville Monday morning. His shreiks of pain almost caused a panic among the guests who feared some tragedy was being enacted.

In Gastonia Wednesday at 3:30 Norris and will move his family to Winston-Salem, where he will by the Christian students and professors and friends of the make his home. The deal was make his home of the Works and business will be continued at the same old stand with but years of age and her many friends are greatly grieved at her untimely death. She was before her marriage some time ago, a sales lady in the Baltimore yery few changes. It is not those interest.

RANKINTOWN NEWS.

Miss Bertie Lee Rankin Entertains Baseball Team-Some Old Houses and Their History ---Personal Mention and News

Rankintown, Aug. 14 .- Rankin Hall, now the property of the Davenport Hutchinson-Raukin Springs Company is the old-est home in Rankintown. Samuel Rankin settled there in 1740 and erected a log cottage which was remodeled a hundred years later by his grandson, Richard L. Raukin, now of Charleston, W. Va. The next most interesting place is the large brick mansion now oc-cupied by Mr. Albertus Rhyne. Built in the brick of one of the gables is this legend "T. R. 1792," the initials of Thomas Rhyne and the date.

About the time that this house was building William Rankin, a veteran of the Revolution was courting Mary Campbell, a sprightly young widow, relict of James Campbell, who met a tragic death near the first of the war. William and his wife set up housekeeping in a house now -Mr. John Falls, formerly occupied by Amzi and Hannah Rankin (colored). This house was first covered with boards which were pegged on with wooden nails. The pegs still remain in the laths. The chimney to this house requires wood eight feet long for fuel. This remarkable structure stands in the back yard of the Richard Rankin home.

But it is not in the past that all the interesting things in Rankintown transpire. Miss Bertie Lee Rankin entertained -Mr. Reece Hutchinson, of the Rankintown baseball team at an ice cream supper to-night in recognition of their recent victories over Dallas and Clemmersville.

Lumber is being placed for the erection of a general store by Mr. A. L. Baker on his place near the school house. Miss Macey Blackwelder, who son and Miss M. E. Carson, of

has been visiting Misses Wixie -Mr. Joe Carson and sister, and Beulah Rhyne, returned to of Dallas, is visiting at the home of L. P. Rankin.

The Sabbath school under the guiding hand of superintendent John Mobley is planning a

Mr. F. B. Rankin, general secretary of the Y. M. C. A. at -Mr. Charlie Rheinhardt, who the University, who is spending has been for some time employed the summer at his plantation, Willowside" returned Saturday from a business trip of a week to Adams and daughter, Miss Sarah, of Statesville, are visiting their uncle, Mr. A. Rhyne .-Mr. J. H. Bisaner leaves to-day his nephew, Dr. J. H. Spilman, in Charlotte.-Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Moore, of Stanley, are visiting Mrs. Moore's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Rankin .-Mr. Coatsworth Abernethy is recovering from a slight illness.-Miss Kathleen Rankin is at the home of Mr. Arthur Rhyne, at Mt. Holly.

To Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Mc-Lean, Wednesday, August 14, 1907, a daughter.

To Help Students.

Chapel Hill, N. C., Aug. 12 The Young Men's Christian Association of the University of North Carolina wishes to announce that the use of its building and information bureau is

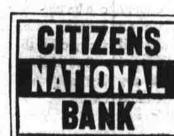
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