

TAR HEEL TOPICS

News Items From All Over The State Briefly Noted.

Flagman W. K. Winstead of the A. C. L. was killed near Eno recently presumably by tramps, with which the train crew had trouble.

The Industrial News of Greensboro issued a 32 page Centennial edition, Sept. 20th, containing a large amount of interesting descriptive matter relating to the history of the city past and present.

A National Good Road Congress will meet in Greensboro, October 13th. The Congress will be largely attended by representatives from every section of the country, delegates having already been appointed by the Governor of each State.

President Foust, of the State Normal school at Greensboro, N. C. has refused to admit several young ladies to the Institution because they attended a dance and were tardy for registration on that account. What will be the outcome the future will disclose.

"Jack" Robertson, aged sixty years, night watchman for the Carrington Lumber Co., of Durham was waylaid and shot recently. Suspicion rests upon a negro named Wesley Bates, who had made threats against the watchman for reporting him recently for stealing lumber. Bates is in arrest.

As a result of a blind tiger raid at New Bern, worked up by J. M. Ham, pastor of the Tabernacle Baptist church, nine men are in jail and one out on a \$1,000 bond and warrants out for eight more all for blind tigers. The trial will occur Tuesday. We see so much in the newspapers about people getting into trouble over the blind tiger business that we have come to the conclusion that its dangerous thing to tackle, and our advice if asked for, would be "let it alone."

The first meeting of the Wilkes County Fair, will be held at North Wilkesboro, September 29th, 30th and October 1st. There will be a big street parade daily of marshals, clowns and floats and a fine brass band will furnish the music. Free attractions every day, balloon ascensions, band concerts and tournament each day. The champion bicycle rider of the world will "Leap the Gap." Live stock exhibit, agricultural products and poultry and all manufactured articles.

"Papa, haven't you any more fairy stories to read to me?"

"Nothing, my boy, but the republican and Democratic platforms, and they are too sad for one so young."—Life.

PURELY POLITICAL.

A Taft-Cox-Smith Club has been organized in Newton.

The Columbia State has raised \$8,000 for the Democratic National Campaign Fund.

Governor Hoke Smith of Georgia has signed the convict lease bill, which hereafter prohibits the leasing of felons except by the consent of the Governor and the prison commission.

The Republicans of Guilford have put out the following ticket: For the Senate, William P. Bagan, of High Point; the House of Representatives, R. L. Blalock and J. R. Woods; Sheriff, J. A. Newton; register of deeds, E. S. Wilson; treasurer, H. B. Worth; surveyor, E. N. Hodgins; coroner, Dr. J. J. Hilton; county commissioners, C. D. Benbow, R. G. Campbell, E. E. Spencer, J. W. Woody, A. Fred Apple.

General News Notes.

The Southern League Baseball season closed Sept. 19th with the pennant going to Nashville.

Business in Paris was at a standstill on Monday as a result of a fire which burned the telephone exchange and destroyed property to the value of \$5,000,000.

At a bull fight in Lisbon, by the carelessness of some one, seven persons were killed and two score or more injured. A gate was opened by mistake and twenty two bulls rushed out and into the crowd. A wild scene occurred.

Notwithstanding every now and then somebody's airship falls and kills some one, the airship business goes on. In France on last Monday, Wilbur Wright sailed sixty-one miles in his airship in just a little more than an hour, keeping the machine under perfect control. 10,000 people watched him.

Death of Celebrated Cartoonist.

Philadelphia, Pa., Sept. 22.—Frank M. Howarth, the widely known cartoonist, died this morning. He had drawn cartoons for many papers and was also creator of "Lulu and Leander."

New Window Sash.

Mr. E. P. Sigmon of Lenoir, has invented a new kind of window sash and has applied for a patent on the same.

The new sash is similar to an ordinary sash except that the glass can be taken out and repaired at will. There is no putty or other material of that kind used, and new glass can be replaced when breaks occur without removing the sash from the window frame.

The new sash is a great improvement in many ways over the kind now used and Mr. Sigmon hopes to arrange to have them on the market at an early date.

Big Potatoes.

Editor News,

DEAR SIR:—

I am sending you a "meal" of my Irish Potatoes. I have just finished digging them and they are in excellent condition. From a little over three bushels planted I raised about 110 bushels on about one third acre and the most of them are like the ones I'm sending you. I believe I have 50 bushels that will not average over 30 potatoes to the half bushel, and there are some, 25 of which will fill a half bushel.

Yours Sincerely,

JAS. T. JONES.

Lenoir, N. C., Sept. 19, '08.

[The samples sent in by Mr. Jones are certainly fine, the largest one weighing one and one-half pounds.—ED. NEWS.]

Globe Academy.

Our public debate was largely attended. The people gathered from all parts of the country. A carefully arranged programme was carried out by the Principal, C. S. Pouch. The music was excellent, furnished by Miss Cook, Messrs. T. F. and T. E. Cook and a splendid quartette.

Messrs. Chas. G. Bentz and J. M. Moore, of Lebanon, Pa., visited our school Tuesday and made some interesting talks. The children were very much interested in Mr. Moore's lecture, and Prof. Bentz also made a very strong and helpful talk. He told us that he had been teaching in Pa. for twenty one years. We are delighted to have such distinguished gentlemen with us and will "welcome" them back at any time.

Orchard Demonstration.

The demonstration, how to gather and pack apples, made by Prof. Hutt, of the Agricultural department, at Mr. J. A. Dula's farm recently was witnessed by only a few persons. The information given as to the proper handling of apples was of much value and the process should have been witnessed by everybody interested in the growing and marketing of fruit. It seems passing strange that the farmers and fruit growers of the county do not care enough about improving their methods of handling apples, to even go and witness a free object lesson on the subject. Why they will be content to continue to market fine apples without any attention to sorting and grading and thus continue to get the lowest prices, while good money is going to New York and other states for apples not so fine, but properly handled and marketed, is a problem we cannot solve. The visit of Mr. Hutt was made to help them out of these shiftless ways and they are too indifferent on the subject to even meet him and see what he had to offer them absolutely free. The few who did attend the demonstration were well repaid for their time and no doubt will profit by his advice to some extent. We are told that the results of spraying done on some trees in Mr. Dula's orchard are worth going miles to see and right now is the time to see them.

Greasy Creek Notes.

Dear Editor of the News:

May I slip in and say a few words about the folks and crops on Greasy Creek?

Miss Pearl Lefever has been home on a two weeks' visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Lefever.

Mrs. C. T. Parson visited her sister, Mrs. James Bolick, on Lower Creek last Sunday. She was accompanied by her oldest son, David.

Mr. and Mrs. David Corpening visited Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Link last Sunday.

Mr. Albert Wagner is teaching our school at Houck's school house. We all like him very much as a teacher.

Mr. W. E. and C. I. Lefever attended the campmeeting at Marvin Sunday. They said the brothers and sisters were beginning to get in the right way when they started home.

Corn is very short on the creek. The farmers have got all their feed up nicely.

Mr. T. C. Parson has been mowing peas. He sowed about twenty five bushels.

I will close. Good luck to the NEWS.

Sept. 15th, 1908.

Tuberculosis Congress.

Washington, Sept. 23.—Enemies of the white plague from every civilized nation of the earth and from every State of the Union assembled in Washington to begin a world-wide warfare that is expected eventually to result in the wiping out of the terrible scourge of humanity. The fifth International Congress on Tuberculosis, convened today, represents beyond all doubt the largest aggregation of scientific and educated humanitarians ever gathered in a single city. Backed by the medical and sociological science of the age, with unlimited funds at its disposal and a definite object in view, it seems hardly possible that the congress can fail of attaining its end. The convention opened to-day, to last until October 12, will likely be an historical event and will be remembered when other more spectacular events are forgotten.

Night Riders in North Carolina.

Shelby, Sept. 21.—Mr. J. F. Jenkins, the manager of the Southern Cotton Oil Company at this place, received a letter Saturday notifying him that if he continued to gin cotton in the face of the declining market night-riders would burn his gin. Not knowing whether this notice was genuine or a hoax, he requested local papers to make no publication until he could submit it to the Charlotte office of his company. In the meantime he has instructed his night watchman to shoot any person found around the premises at night. The original letter was sent to the Charlotte office and only two or three of Mr. Jenkins' intimate friends were informed of its receipt. Under this situation less than a dozen people of this place have any information or knowledge of the matter and Mr. Jenkins, when approached about it, stated that he had nothing to give out as he had referred same to Charlotte office. No other ginner of this section has received such notice so far as can be learned and there is a difference of opinion among the few who have heard of the notice received by Mr. Jenkins. Some think it to be genuine, while others think that possibly it is the work of some personal enemy.

More Maniacal Murder.

Washington, Sep. 22.—Turning suddenly from an inoffensive lunatic to a howling maniac thirsting for human blood and armed with a short crowbar, Andrew Lightfoot, a powerful mulatto inmate of the government hospital for the insane, six feet tall and weighing over two hundred pounds, ran amuck this morning, killing two persons and breaking the arm of a third before he was shot and finally captured.

New Corporation.

The Piedmont Grain and Provision Company was recently chartered to do a general grain and provision business. The authorized capital stock is \$100,000, paid in \$12,000. The principal office of the new corporation is Hickory. J. D. Riddle, J. B. Gibbs and W. C. Shell, all of Hickory, are the incorporators.

Cholera in Manila.

Manila, Sept. 23.—With cholera cases developing at the rate of sixty a day and one third of them resulting fatally, this week will determine whether the visit of the fleet will be any more than a formal entrance into the harbor. The authorities are hopeful that the disease will be checked before the fleet arrives so that the program of festivities may be carried out.

Fire Destroys Two Towns.

Rhineland, Wis., Sept. 22.—The cities of Gagen and Woodboro were destroyed by forest fires yesterday. The fire started in the woods yesterday and when it reached Gagen and Woodboro the same day men, women and children fought valiantly to save their homes, but without avail.

Gagen and Woodboro each had about twenty thousand residents and nearly all are homeless now. Burned out of their homes, people fled from the fire, which grew more dangerous each minute. Women carrying children in their arms, and men and boys with packs on their backs, ran toward Rhineland, many falling prostrate on account of the heat, only to be helped on by the stronger refugees.

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