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CAROLINA AFFAIRS

TAR HEEL CROP 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 a. m.—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 "moonshiner" outfits ever captured in this county, composing a 50-gallon still and 1,330 pounds of beer, situated at the head of an immense cypress swamp in the quiet 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.

Insurance Commissioner Young rules that no life insurance company doing business in North Carolina shall issue any special or board contracts or sell any stock in connection with its policies. This is to prevent rebating and is intended to place all citizens of the State upon the same basis as far as life insurance contracts are concerned.

John Bethel a notorious negro was shot and killed while attempting to escape from the convict camp of Wake county near Wake Forest. He was sentenced to four years for larceny. He escaped from jail some years ago, leading several other prisoners.

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COURT DOWNS DRUG TRUST

Court Decides That Druggists Must Not "Black-List."

OLD PRACTICES AT AN END

Decree of United States District Court Perpetually Enjoins it From Continuing Operations.

Indianapolis, Ind., Special.—The so-called "drug trust" was perpetually enjoined from continuing its operations by the entering of a decree in the United States Circuit Court for the district of Indiana on the complaint of the United States government filed by Joseph B. Kealing, United States district attorney.

The defendants, 92 in number, who are the members, officers, directors, agents and attorneys of the National Association of Retail Druggists, with the National Wholesale Druggists' Association, tri-partite proprietors "black list manufacturers," "direct contract proprietors," "wholesale contract proprietors," and Charles C. Bombaugh, are perpetually enjoined from combining and conspiring to restrain trade in drugs, fix prices by agreement, black list retailers who cut prices, or to refuse to sell to any retailer on equal terms. All publication of black lists is forbidden and all contracts and agreements covered by the charges and declared void.

The direct contract serial number plan is prohibited as well as the securing of the adoption of schedules for the sale of drugs.

Charles C. Bombaugh was charged in the bill of complaint with being engaged in printing and circulating lists called black lists, which contained the names of druggists throughout the country who sold proprietary articles and medicines at prices less than those which the alleged combination ordered.

As charged, he mailed a list each month to every retail and wholesale druggist in the United States who belonged to the association, of those accused of cutting prices, and as a result of this, these "aggressive cutters" as they were called, could not buy goods.

It was further charged that those accused of cutting prices on proprietary medicines, were unable to purchase any kind of drugs from the members of the several associations. All such practices are perpetually enjoined.

HEIR TO SPANISH THRONE.

Young Queen Gives Birth to a Son and There is Great Public Rejoicing.

Madrid, By Cable.—The news that the direct male succession to the throne of Spain had been assured by the birth Friday of a son to Queen Victoria sent a thrill of rejoicing throughout the country and at night the happy event is being celebrated from one end of the land to another. Mother and child are both doing well. The hurried departure of royal messengers from the palace at 10 o'clock to summon the courtiers and the members of the diplomatic corps gave the first indication that the birth was imminent. The usual gathering outside the Palace court yard was soon swelled by immense throngs of the excited populace, who watched the continued stream of brilliantly uniformed personages driving up to the royal residence and tried to identify the individuals. When the event was finally announced there was great public demonstration of joy. Congratulations were later received from all parts of the world.

Lynchburg Box Factory Burned.

Lynchburg, Special.—The box factory belonging to R. E. Mitchell, in the East End, was destroyed by fire entailing a loss aggregating about \$5,000, with \$2,600 insurance on stock, building and equipment. It is believed that spontaneous combustion caused the fire. Three nearby dwellings ignited, but the firemen saved them.

Entire Train Leaves Rails.

Chicago, Special.—One woman was killed, and three score other persons were injured in a wreck on the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad at the crossing of that line with Hamlin avenue in the southwestern part of the city. The woman whose life was lost was Mrs. Mary Miller, widow of Thomas Miller, formerly traffic manager of the Burlington road. Fully 40 passengers were injured, but in no slight a manner that they did not report their injuries to the police.

FAMOUS MURDER CASE OPEN

Idaho Miners Arraigned on the Charge of Murder

HAYWOOD CASE TO GO FIRST

Defense Motion For Bill of Particulars Overruled, Judge Declaring It Came Too Late—Moyer, Pettibone and Orchard, Charged Jointly With Haywood for Murder of Former Governor Stuenkel, Will Be Tried as Circumstances Dictate.

Boise, Idaho, Special.—By overruling the motion of the defense for a bill of particulars setting forth what overt acts, if any there were, to connect the accused with the murder of former Governor Frank Stuenkel, Judge Fremont Wood, of the District Court of Adair county, cleared the way for the trial of William D. Haywood, secretary of the Western Federation of Miners.

Judge Wood held that the request of Haywood's counsel for a more explicit statement of the charges against the prisoners at an early stage of the proceedings. In cases where bills of particulars are allowable, Judge Wood, who is to preside over the trials of the accused miners, declared the motions be made before the indictments are pleaded to and before the cases are set for trial.

Haywood is the first of four men accused of complicity in the murder of Stuenkel, to be tried. The others, Moyer, Pettibone and Orchard, the last of whom is said to have made a confession, will be tried as circumstances dictate, following the conclusion of the proceedings against Haywood.

The prisoner, his counsel and the attorneys especially retained to handle the case and plead the cause of the accused State, are ready for the long ordeal in court. The first, and one of the greatest tasks of court, is to procure a jury and that will be commenced Thursday morning as soon as Sheriff Hedgin has intoned the formal cry, opening the court.

The victim of the Caldwell assassination, long a conspicuous figure in the political life of the State, was possibly known to hundreds of citizens of Adair county, and personal alignment and partisanship on the labor question in which the prisoner and his co-defendants were for a long time active leaders, is general, so that it is a difficult task to find men free from the disqualifications that unfit them for the high duty of juror.

Many men who know the comment well, and who add to their calculation the farther handicap of apprehension of future violence for revenge take the extreme view that it will be impossible to get a jury, but the weight of opinion is against this extreme conclusion.

One of the counsel for the prisoners says:

"The broader the scope of the case offered by the State, the better we shall be satisfied."

Nearly 40 correspondents for press associations and newspapers have come here to report the case, and special wire arrangements have been made for the transmission of the despatches.

Killed by Live Wire.

Greensboro, N. C., Special.—Ernest Keech, of this city, was killed at Chattanooga, Tenn., by coming in contact with a live wire while at work on top of a telephone pole. News was received here by his mother, who resides on Walker avenue. The body will arrive in the city Thursday afternoon and will be taken to the old home at Tarboro for interment. The young man was 20 years of age and was well known here. He was employed by the East Tennessee Telephone Company, of Chattanooga.

Anchored Because of Fog.

New York, Special.—The steamer Baltic, which sailed Friday in reported aground off Sandy Hook. The fog is very heavy in that vicinity and the only possible communication with the steamer is by wireless. The White Star line people report that the Baltic is not aground but has anchored because of the dense fog.

Explosion Causes 18 Deaths.

Johannesburg, Transvaal, By Cable.—An explosion occurred at the Modder-Fontein gold mine. Three whites and 15 natives were killed.

Drowned in Tub of Water.

Spencer, N. C., Special.—A 1-year old child of John Botts, an employe of the Southern Railway Company at Spencer, was drowned in a tub of water at the home near Spencer Thursday afternoon. While about her household duties the mother left the child playing in the yard. Returning a few minutes later she found it dead in the tub.

6 MURDERED BY CRAZY MAN

Murder Maniac Works Havoc in Boarding House

AN INDISCRIMINATE BUTCHER

A San Francisco Carpenter, Suddenly Becoming Unbalanced Goes Through Boarding House Dealing Death Right and Left With a Double-Barrelled Shotgun.

San Francisco, Special.—Walter Charlie Davis, a carpenter in a fit of insanity shot and killed six persons at 414 Pierces street in this city and his victims all reside with the family of Orzon Bush, who conducted a boarding house. Davis' home was in Farmville, near Visalia, this State, where he has a wife and six children. He had been working as a carpenter since the fire.

The shooting was done with a double-barrelled shotgun. Davis, who slept in the same room with young Orzon Bush, and W. E. Beard, rose shortly after 5 o'clock and shot his two room mates. After killing Bush and Beard, Davis took a box of shells from a shelf and walked down the hallway, where he met Mrs. Lillie Crothers, a boarder, who had heard the first two shots, and had come to her doorway to find out what was the matter. He shot her and, with the remaining shell, shot Mrs. Orzon Bush. M. E. Vinton, a government surveyor who had recently come here from New York, was killed as he lay in bed.

Orzon Bush, Sr., heard the shooting and rushed up stairs where he was met by the murderer. The appearance of the hallway indicates that Bush made a desperate fight for his life. His body was found as it had fallen at the head of the stairs.

Seventeen-year-old Annie Bush came running into the hallway and met Davis. He turned the gun upon the girl, aiming at her head. The girl found voice to say, "Please don't kill me," and the shotgun dropped from Davis hands.

"I can't do it," he said. "You are a good girl. Besides, you look like my own child, and I would see her face if I killed you."

When the policemen came to arrest Davis he fought like a demon and a riot call was turned in. Seven officers responded in an automobile. Two officers engaged Davis in conversation while the others got behind him and pinioned his arms. He was then removed to the detention hospital.

Exposition Secures Loan.

Washington, Special.—Secretary Cortelyou and Assistant Secretary Edwards of the Treasury Department held a conference with officials of the Jamestown Exposition Company, President Tucker, Chairman Johnson and Mr. Elyson of the board of governors of the exposition being present. Details of the proposed loan of \$400,000 by the company were submitted and approved. This fund will enable the company to pay off all outstanding obligations and leave a balance sufficient for proper operating expenses.

Unearthed Land Frauds.

Seattle, Wash., Special.—Six secret service operatives are working in western Washington unearthing a series of land frauds that are declared to be more astounding in their far-reaching character than the discoveries made in Oregon or California. A secret service operative in the confidence of President Roosevelt has just been sent to the coast to take charge of the work and assemble the evidence that has been accumulated for presentation to special officers of the Department of Justice.

For False Imprisonment.

Chattanooga, Special.—Capt. J. F. Shipp, Sheriff of this county, is defendant in a damage suit brought for \$2,500 on account of false imprisonment of Mrs. Bertha Brown, a highly respectable resident of Hill City. Two of the Sheriff's deputies are charged with personal responsibility for the false arrest, and the Sheriff is held to be accountable for their acts.

Robbers Hold Up Train.

Boate, Mont., Special.—The north coast limited, east bound train No. 22 on the Northern Pacific Railway, was held up by two masked men near Welch's Spur, a siding 18 miles east of Butte at 2:15 Tuesday morning. Engineer James Clow was shot and killed and Fireman James Sullivan was shot through the arm. Without making an attempt to blow up the express car, as was evidently intended, the robbers jumped from the engine and ran down the mountain side, disappearing in a gulch several hundred yards from the track.

31 LIVES LOST IN WRECK

Swift Running Excursion Special Totally Demolished

MANY MORE INJURED WILL DIE

Special Train Carried 145 Shriners and Friends Returning From Los Angeles—Locomotive Struck Defective Switch While Running 50 Miles an Hour, Turning Somersault.

Santa Barbara, Cal., Special.—Thirty-one dead and a score injured comprise the casualties of the wreck at Honda Saturday of the Ismailia special train of New York and Pennsylvania nobles of the Mystic Shrine, who were returning home from the annual meeting of the Imperial Council of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shriners at Los Angeles.

The train carrying 145 Shriners and friends from Ismailia Temple, Buffalo; Rajah Temple, Reading, Pa., and neighboring cities was rushing northward at 50 miles and hour on the Southern Pacific coast line when the locomotive struck a defective switch at the sand-swept sea coast siding of Honda near the waters of the Pacific ocean, along which the railroad runs for 100 miles north of Santa Barbara. The locomotive turned a summersault into the yielding sands. The cars swirled through the air and landed on the fiery mass of wrecked steel. The coaches were crushed to debris, and took fire. The flames were soon extinguished by uninjured persons from the rear coaches. As Honda is isolated it was not till late Sunday that definite information could be collected. The bodies of 25 victims now lie in Santa Barbara and four more are at San Luis Obispo. The injured, many of whom are terribly hurt, and some of whom may die, are in two sanitariums at San Luis Obispo.

The wreck occurred at 2:35 o'clock one hour and 45 minutes after the party had left Santa Barbara, where they had spent all the morning sight-seeing. The statement that the train was making a terrific speed when it struck the defective track is borne out by the fact that it covered the 61 miles of crooked track from Santa Barbara to Honda in 100 minutes. The locomotive in leaving the rails tore up the track, twisting the huge steel rails into fish hooks. The baggage car half buried itself in the sand on the right side of the locomotive. It was smashed almost to kindling wood.

The dining car, in which were 32 persons eating luncheon, leaped into the air and fell directly on the demolished locomotive. Nearly every person in the dining car was instantly killed. Scores were scalded by steam escaping from disconnected pipes. The rear coaches rushed on the first wreckage, jamming it on those who might otherwise have escaped.

Several pinioned in the debris were roasted alive.

Engineer Frank Champlain was pitched with the cab 25 feet beyond the engine. He got up and ran a mile, seeking help before he discovered that his arm was broken and that he was severely scalded. Only two of the nine men of the dining car crew are numbered among the dead. The remainder, though cooped up in the narrow kitchen and pantry, sustained only cuts and bruises.

A last call for luncheon had just sounded a few minutes before the disaster.

Embezzler Surrenders.

Charlotte, N. C., Special.—The expected happened Saturday morning when Mr. Franc H. Jones, the defaulting assistant cashier of the Charlotte National Bank, suddenly appeared in the city and voluntarily surrendered himself into the custody of the United States officers to answer the charge preferred against him, that of embezzlement. Mr. Jones arrived on Southern passenger train No. 44, which came in a few minutes before 6 o'clock. He was accompanied by his wife and his attorney, Mr. C. D. Bennett. A preliminary hearing was given him Saturday night, and he was released on a bond of \$10,000.

\$380,000 Improvement Bonds.

Richmond, Va., Special.—The Richmond, Fredericksburg & Potomac Railroad Company sold \$380,000 of 3 1/2 per cent 40 year gold bonds to the Richmond-Washington Company to provide funds for the Richmond, Fredericksburg & Potomac portion of the cost of double tracking the belt line around Richmond, and to buy new rolling stock. The Richmond, Fredericksburg & Potomac will purchase immediately 100 new steel coal cars and 200 new steel under-frame box cars. On July 1 next the per diem hire of freight cars will be increased from 25 cents to 50 cents.