

STATE NEWS.

They're seeing bears and bear tracks in Stokes County. The moonshine product in Stokes makes 'em see strange things.

Dr. E. Kerner, who was in his ninety-second year and had practiced medicine for more than half a century, died Monday at his home at Kernersville.

In Wilson County Sunday a thirteen-year-old son of Mr. J. B. Ellis found a half gallon jug of whiskey and drank so much of its contents that he died.

The Moore Cotton Mill Company, of Lenoir, has been chartered with \$150,000 authorized capital. It will do a general manufacturing and merchandise business.

Prof. A. E. Woltz, superintendent of Lenoir graded schools since their establishment, has resigned to accept the superintendency of the Goldsboro city schools.

Salisbury will vote in October on an issue of \$300,000 of bonds to pay the city's floating debt, to extend and enlarge the water and sewer lines and to improve the streets.

A severe storm of wind and rain, with some hail, visited Newton Wednesday afternoon and did some damage to crops, buildings and trees. The storm was cyclonic in character.

A special from Asheville says that Dr. Arthur Pritchard, son of Judge J. C. Pritchard, has been appointed assistant surgeon of the Southern for the Asheville district or division.

In Asheville Tuesday afternoon Wesley Tate, a colored boy, was swinging on the side of a coal wagon when he fell under the wheels, which passed over his body and killed him.

Franc H. Jones, who embezzled from the Charlotte National Bank, and who was sentenced to the penitentiary for six years, is in the book-keeping department of the penitentiary.

At Kernersville Saturday afternoon Dewitt Marshall, nineteen years old, fell from a load of straw onto a pitch fork. The prongs of the fork penetrated his breast and killed him almost instantly.

Ernest Stevens, a negro boy, while riding a bicycle in Greensboro Saturday, collided with a horse and buggy. The shaft of the buggy pierced the boy's side, inflicting what is thought to be a fatal injury.

A negro who had secreted himself in the house attempted to assault Mrs. A. W. Ellison, at Laurinburg, Friday night. Mrs. Ellison escaped his clutches and attempted to shoot him, but he escaped.

It is reported from Durham that a very destructive hail, rain and wind storm swept over the northern portion of Orange County Thursday evening. In some localities growing crops were literally cut to pieces.

The barn of William Beck, near Farmington, Davie County, was burned Friday night with a mule and a lot of feed stuff. The fire is supposed to be incendiary and bloodhounds were sent for to track the criminal, but could not be obtained.

Thomas Giddings, aged sixty-five, of Wintson-Salem, was committed to jail Monday in default of \$6,500 bond, for incest, the victim being his sixteen-year-old daughter, who is a cripple. Gidding went to Winston-Salem from Providence, R. I.

Wilkesboro Chronicle: Mr. Brud Yates, of Purlear, was accidentally killed at Garvey, Va., last week. His body was sent home and buried Sunday at New Hope Church. He was an employe of the railway repair shops and was under a car tightening some bolts when a train backed against the car, running it over him and severing his body. He was about fifty-five years old.

The Seaboard Air Line, which is operating under the reduced passenger rate law, has taken off two passenger trains between Charlotte and Rutherfordton, claiming that this is necessary to reduce expenses on account of decreased earnings.

Two negro boys were arrested in Wilmington last week for breaking bottles and scattering glass on the public highway. They were bound to court on a charge of obstructing the highway. The glass had given wheelmen and motorists much trouble.

The Anti-Saloon League of Carthage, Moore County, has a notice in the Carthage Blade headed, "Notice to Blind Tigers," in which all persons who deal in the ardent contrary to the form of the statute are notified that they must be good or get hurt.

Mr. R. F. Burton, for a number of years in the service of the Southern Railway Company at Statesville, and for the past several years agent for the company at Marion, recently resigned the latter position to become cashier of the First National Bank of Marion.

A young man who was killed by a train at Landis, Rowan County, Thursday of last week, and who was buried without identification, proved to be Melford Dent, son of Mr. James Dent, of Concord. Mr. Dent had the remains exhumed and identified them as those of his son.

The lifeless body of James McCann, an employe of the White Oak Mills at Greensboro, was found Monday evening within a short distance of his home, where it had lain several hours guarded by a faithful dog. The growls of the animal when the spot was approached by two men in a buggy led to the discovery of the body.

Thirty-seven revenue officers, armed to the teeth, made another raid on Smithtown, Stokes County, the noted blockader settlement this week expecting to do battle. Contrary to expectation the place was practically deserted, only two men and two distilleries being found. The men were arrested and the distilleries destroyed.

Newton Enterprise: In Caldwell Township last Wednesday Mr. Wilburn Caldwell had a cow killed by lightning, and about fifteen minutes later another stroke killed a hog. On the same afternoon lightning struck a tree at Mr. Lee Setzer's, in the same township, and a splinter from the tree hit the daughter of Mr. Calvin Setzer in the face. She was stunned for awhile, but not badly injured.

A man named Ellis, whose home is at Gibsonville, Guilford County, whipped his wife on the public streets of that town a few days ago and as a result he is now at work on the chain-gang. The charge against him in the mayor's court was whipping his wife in public, which, under the law, is considered a more serious offence than private correction. But in either case he deserved all he got.

John Lewis Franklin, driver of a team for the State Hospital at Morganton, went to Marion Saturday for whiskey. Returning on a freight which did not stop at Morganton, he was carried to Drexel, eight miles away. Franklin started to walk back to Morganton on foot, carrying his jug. A freight train overtook him, and his mangled body was buried next day. The jug of liquor was unbroken.

Mrs. Graham, telegraph operator at Paint Rock, was attacked Sunday, while walking along a road near Paint Rock, by John Kennedy, presumably a white man, who attempted criminal assault. It is said that Kennedy had dragged Mrs. Graham from the road and had choked her almost into insensibility when passers-by saw the struggle and interfered. Kennedy was arrested promptly and placed in jail at Marshall.

Wake Land High School.
Wakefield and Zebulon have won the race,
In selecting a site for the High School to place;
May they ever remember St. Matthew 23,
Whenever on a matter they want to agree.

Zebulon wanted to be first,
With Wakefield in the rear;
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