

MONTH OF JULY BREAKS RECORDS

Norfolk & Western Hauled More Coal Than in Any Previous Month in History—August Will Make Good Showing.

Announcement has been made by the Norfolk & Western that the month of July was the biggest coal shipping month in the history of the railroad.

It is conceded by railroad men that the month of August will break the July record by thousands of tons.

The Telegraph of yesterday, in explaining this enormous coal output,

Taking into consideration the fact that the Pocahontas field was placed under development as far back as thirty-two years since, a record year of the magnitude 1915 promises to be quite naturally might be viewed except by those conversant with the mining business, as a result of abnormal demands created by the war.

These days of large developments are illustrated by the relative parts the Pocahontas field and the Norfolk & Western railroad as a coal carrying road play in the world's coal traffic.

As an instance, the Pocahontas field, with its several tributary districts, taking in the coal output of the counties of Logan, McDowell, Mercer, Mingo and Wayne, produces now a larger coal tonnage annually than the whole State of West Virginia produced no farther back than the year 1901.

The Pocahontas field, with its allied districts which the Norfolk and Western serves, is the largest producer among the big mining districts of the state, producing approximately two and two-fifths of the output of the state, or one-twentieth of the output of the United States, the Norfolk and Western being second only to the Baltimore and Ohio railroad as the largest coal carrying railroad in America.

NORTH TAZEWELL.

North Tazewell, Aug. 16.—Mrs. Pearl Johnson, daughter of the late Meek Snapp, of Burke's Garden, with her daughter and little son, were at the home of her uncle, Mr. H. M. Smythe, last Sunday.

The second call on the social reserves has been issued and in response the Frying Size of North Tazewell are in camp on Clear Fork, and being drilled for the battle of life by experts who are supposed to have become immune to its vicissitudes.

The physical drill is excellent—consisting of the pleasant evolutions of the "lovers' leap" and the "divers' dip." The first is ingenious in the extreme.

A number of graduated logs are used, beginning with small sizes, and two recruits, while holding hands are made to jump them (without breaking the grip) proceeding from day to day until they become expert in "getting over" obstructions, which they can't "get around." The "divers' dip" is unique and not so pleasant, because units go through the exercise instead of "couples," and the boys say that it's lonesome under the water.

Running exercise has been discontinued after one day's trial. On that occasion the Fryers succeeded in not only out-racing the speed chaperon, but out-distancing her by four miles and some couples were sent to the infirmary in getting back to camp.

The physical drill will probably end by the last of the week, and almost immediately the class of the reserves will be succeeded by the Broilers.

Mrs. Grundy herself has been invited to come out and look after this lot, and if she can't come some anxious parents are thinking of asking the Governor to call out the militia.

Coming from church Sunday night there was a curious mix-up on the street corner which in happier times was illuminated by the T. E. L. P. search-light.

FOR SALE! Fancy Peaches \$1.00, \$1.50, and \$2.00 per bushel. Place orders now. The peaches will be delivered as they ripen.

J. G. BUSTON.

TANNERSVILLE.

Tannersville, Aug. 18.—Mr. R. H. Keister left last Wednesday for City Point, where he anticipates working a while.

Mr. C. P. Harman, of Maxwell, was here shaking hands with the voters Friday.

Mr. Ira Wyatt is at home again after spending several weeks in a Bluefield hospital, and at the home of his uncle in Thompson Valley.

Mr. S. L. Whitehead spent the week-end on a business and pleasure trip to Sugar Grove.

Miss Pearl Postan, of MacCradys, is the guest of her uncle, J. N. Mitchell.

Mrs. Jas. Peery, of Pisgah, was the guest of Mr. G. W. Miller Saturday night.

Miss Mollie Crabtree is at home here after a week's visit with relatives at Broadford.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Whitehead were visitors to the home of W. H. Necessary Sunday.

The following were guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. Patrick Sunday: Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Patrick, an children; Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Brewster, and little girls; and Mrs. R. P. Hill, and children.

Misses Vicie and Jennie Whitehead spent the week-end visiting their sister, Mrs. George Gates, in Smyth county.

Messrs. Joe and Oscar Barnes, of the Cove, D. C. Lowe, of Cedar Bluff, were here looking over the road last week, in view of a change in the road between Laurel Branch school house and W. H. Necessary's, and the improvement on other roads.

Mr. C. W. Asbury was a visitor to the home of his son, Miller, at Five Oaks, last week.

Mr. R. P. Hill was a visitor at J. I. Hill's Sunday.

Avery Crabtree, who works at New River, spent the week-end with home folks.

Lee Patrick was visiting at G. P. Holmes' Sunday.

Frazier Necessary and John Miller left Monday for West Virginia, where they expect to go to work.

Messrs. Dan and Archie Thompson had the pleasure Friday to run the first automobile across Clinch Mountain via Mr. C. W. Asbury's. This road was regarded as almost impassable for a buggy.

Mrs. John D. Dailey, whose illness has been frequently mentioned in this paper, died at her home in Baptist Valley last Sunday morning, the immediate cause of her death being paralysis.

The funeral was held at her late home Monday morning. The burial occurred at Dailey's cemetery.

The services at both places were in charge of Revs. Greear and Yost, of the Methodist church.

The pull-beaters were as follows: Geo. W. McGall, H. P. Brittain, Mac Catron, Ed. Dailey, Jeff Gillespie, and Jeff Ward.

A LONG AND HAPPY LIFE.

Mr. and Mrs. John P. Geza have sent out invitations to the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of their marriage.

The celebration will be held at their home in Burke's Garden on Wednesday afternoon, August 25th, from 5 to 7 o'clock.

The occasion will no doubt be a memorable one. Mr. and Mrs. Geza have hosts of friends in the county who will enjoy the privilege of celebrating with them the ending of a quarter of a century of happy married life.

ERRORS CORRECTED.

An error or two slipped into the paper last week, which were very annoying to those concerned. The statement was made that "Mrs. S. C. Graham" had undergone a surgical operation in a Bluefield hospital, where the name should have been "Mrs. S. M. Graham."

In the local notice of Miss Stephens, the new music teacher in the High School, a transcription of verses occurred which made the article sound ridiculous.

The misprints were due to a number of errors like those referred to, but we are consoled by the fact that the big dailies are guilty of similar offenses.

NEW BOOKS JUST RECEIVED.

"Michael O'Halaran," Jean Stratton Porter.

"The Rainbow Trail," Zane Grey.

"Angels Business," H. Sydney Harrison.

"K." Mary Roberts Rinehart.

"Athalie," Robt. W. Chambers.

At Jackson's Drug Store.

Tom Smoot's Hat in the Ring.

Elsewhere in the News will be found the announcement of T. R. Smoot for Treasurer of Tazewell county.

Mr. Smoot is too well known to everybody to need introduction.

ONE WEEK MORE OF PANAMA CONTEST

Candidate Who Will Be Given Free Trip Across Continent And Return Has Only Few Days to Secure Votes.

The great Panama contest will come to an end one week from tomorrow, and the young lady having the largest vote will be presented with a free ticket to the Panama-Pacific exposition, or will be given a fine piano.

The next week will tell the tale. The contest will close Sunday evening, August 28, at 6 o'clock sharp.

The following is the standing of the candidates in Wednesday night's count:

Table with 2 columns: Candidate Name and Vote Count. Includes Miss Mary McCall (1024920), Miss Lucie Jones (610535), Miss Ada L. Hurley (117,240), Miss Barbara Brittain (82495), Miss Shuffelbarger (72630), Miss Katrina Goss (64480), Mrs. Geo. P. Hall (30945), Miss Sadie Whitley (16460), Miss Mary Moss (17895), Miss Marie McNulty (17580), Miss Blanche Puckett (12175), Miss Alma Thomas (11340), Miss Grace Bowser (12915), Mrs. Kate Gillespie (7,625), Miss Uva Steele (10075), Miss Mary Moore (7,270), Miss Ella Johnson (7305), Mrs. G. M. St. Clair (5,880), Miss Kate Reynolds (5555), Miss Hazel Wynne (4965), Miss Frances Litz (3470), Miss Evelyn McCall (3245), Miss Kate Hall (3120), Miss Edgar Hurt (3230), Miss Annie Litz (2570), Miss Elizabeth Reed (2525), Miss Marguerite Wright (2460), Miss Nannie Duncan (2370), Miss Annie Greever (2235), Miss Anne Byrd Walker (2240), Miss Mamie St. Clair (2210), Mrs. Ella Peery (2000), Miss Mary Harman (1885), Mrs. Dan Thompson (1,669), Miss Lou Gillespie (1625), Miss Lyde Peery (1615), Miss Katherine St. Clair (1616), Miss Mary Turk (1489).

NOTICE!

On last week the water supply became very low and the Sargeant went over the entire water works and found the water being wasted.

There is a record of all tanks found at that time, which will be charged on the next month's tax for the work done by the town on the same.

THE EDITOR AWAY.

Mr. J. A. Leslie, editor of the News, is off on his annual visit to his old home in Botetourt, and the date of his return to his sanctum, sanctum, is still an unknown quantity.

ANNOUNCEMENT FOR TREASURER.

To the Voters of Tazewell County.—I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Treasurer of Tazewell County, at the election to be held November 2nd, 1915, and will appreciate your vote and influence.

EASTERN STAR PICNIC.

The annual picnic of the Order of the Eastern Star will be held at Chestnut Grove, at Shavers Mills, on Thursday, Aug. 26, at six o'clock p. m., and return home by moonlight.

MOST PRISONERS FOR 12 YEARS.

The Tazewell county jail has had more prisoners within its portals the past week than has been the case for twelve years, it is reported.

On last Tuesday there were twenty-eight prisoners in jail, six of whom were sent to the convict camp this week, leaving at this time twenty-two. The authorities are unable to understand this condition of affairs.

In August 1914 there was only one prisoner confined in jail. Among the well known characters who are spending the time here are: John Chambers, George Smith, Muncy Cline, Charles Moore, Arthur Neel, moonshiners; Frank Lampkins, Felix Lawson, Dave Bailey, Mary Elswick, Cleve Short, Rebekah Short, Will McClanahan, Milton Henry, Lee Dings, and Sadie Day.

Beautiful Flowers from City Hall.

We are indebted to chief of police John S. Thompson for a beautiful bunch of flowers, brought to the office yesterday afternoon.

The flowers, a general collection, were grown on the lot adjoining the "city hall," which Sargeant Thompson has nursed during the past season. Experts have pronounced the collection one of the best seen here.

Sargeant Thompson possesses many of the qualifications of a man. He will hand you bouquets when you deserve them, and if you break the law he will arrest you and take you to jail with the same grace.

MOBS PLANS WERE WELL CARRIED OUT

Lynching of Leo. M. Frank Was Plotted For Weeks, Says One Who Knows—Burns to Assist in Catching Outlaws.

Atlanta, Ga., Aug. 18.—One statement regarding the lynching of Leo Frank published here today quoted a citizen of Marietta whose name was kept secret but who was said to be in a position to know, as follows:

Ever since Governor Slaton commuted the sentence of Frank the hanging has been in process of formulation. There was not a missing thread from the fabric of the "perfected" scheme when the twenty-five men set out early Monday night for Milledgeville.

Meetings were held in a spot so conspicuous that you would be astounded to hear its name called. A leader was chosen, a man who bears as reputable a name as you would hear in any lawful community.

"The twenty-five men chosen, although this was not the entire number available, were business-like, as well as determined. Like business ventures, they would not go into it without first knowing every lay of the land.

"Advance men were sent to Milledgeville, where they made thorough observations of the prison and its surroundings, which included barbed wire entanglements, and acquainted themselves with the telegraph and telephone connections.

"On Monday night two men were sent in advance of the main body. They reconnoitered and severed telegraph and telephone connections with the prison so that authorities in the surrounding territory could not be notified and intercept them.

"It was originally planned to take Frank to the cemetery in which Mary Phagan's body is buried, but daybreak overtook the captors. There was no little dissension over the proposal to hold the lynching in the woods where it took place, but word from the mob's leader silenced all opposition.

Asked to recount the actual hanging of Frank and what happened he said to have replied:

"Nobody ever will know that outside of the men who were actually present."

"Not even what Frank said?"

"He never confessed," was the concluding answer according to the published account.

\$6.00 FLOUR! \$6.00 You can buy our "Star" Patent flour at \$6.00 per barrel in 98 pound bags—every barrel guaranteed first class.

STAR MILLING CO. Fined for Throwing Rocks.

Sam Angles and wife, and Ida Pruett and Floyd Pruett, were before the local bar of Justice Wednesday, charged with throwing rocks in the reservoir south of town. They were convicted of the offense, and Angles and wife were given a suspended sentence of 30 days in jail and find \$2.50 each.

WHEAT DRILLS.

The American Seeding Machine Co. manufacture the Superior, Kentucky, Farmers Favorite, Empire and Hoosier drills. Here is what they say in regard to these drills: "The Superior is the peer of them all!"

LOCAL NEWS.

Major R. L. Henry is still confined to his home east of town.

Mrs. Hunt, wife of Joe Hunt, the Horsesep merchant, is reported in a dying condition at her home.

Miss Pauline Hull, of Glad Springs, is the guest of her sisters, Miss Josephine Hull and Mrs. C. W. Steele, in this town.

Clerk W. L. Moore, of the district school board, has been putting in much overtime getting ready for the opening of the Tazewell High School.

Robert Hopkins has recovered from recent illness and was in town this week.

Mrs. S. M. B. Coulling, who has been the guest of her cousin, Mrs. O. J. Benthall, in Bluefield, returned to her home here yesterday.

The town council held a meeting yesterday afternoon, which will probably be the last held by the old council.

Mr. Harry Griffin, a representative of Fork Union Military Academy, was in the city yesterday in the interest of his school.

Miss Mamie St. Clair, county demonstrator, three tomatoes, the largest of which weighed two pounds and one ounce. Who can beat it?

M. C. McCorkle, of Big Stone Gap, has been in town this week trying to buy a lot on which to build a house with the intention of moving his family back to Tazewell.

ATTENTION FARMERS! Be sure and watch your wheat. It will spoil before you realize it.

STAR MILLING CO.

LOOK! LISTEN!

Health, Wealth and Happiness Awaits You in The Beautiful Little City of RICHLANDS, VA.

The Town With a Future, The Town of Opportunity, The Best Town in Tazewell County.

The best property now available in this beautiful town is the SPRATT ADDITION.

We will sell 40 choice residence and business lots in this addition at PUBLIC AUCTION Wednesday, August 25th, 1915

REGARDLESS OF VALUE OR PRICE. They will be sold one lot at a time, with the privilege of the purchaser taking the next lot adjoining at the same price.

City and town property has enhanced many times more than country property, and has made the greatest profits for the investor.

RICHLANDS is situated in the beautiful Clinch Valley, through which flows the Clinch River, a stream of some hundred feet in width.

CLINCH VALLEY at this point is about FOUR MILES LONG and about THREE-FOURTHS MILES WIDE, and is really the BEST place along the Clinch Valley Division of the Norfolk & Western Railway to build a town.

There are as many as SEVEN COAL MINES NOW BEING OPERATED WITHIN A RADIUS OF FIVE MILES, employing hundreds of men at good wages.

A great many men live in Richlands, on account of the schools and other advantages, and work in the mines, coming home at night.

The High School of Richlands employs TEN TEACHERS, and is considered one of the BEST SCHOOLS in the State.

Richlands Brick Corporation, who are engaged in manufacturing brick and drain tile of the very best quality, are located here, employing about 100 men.

Richlands is also a railroad center, the Norfolk & Western Railway people are keeping over a number of train crews here.

Its citizenship is high class, being religious and progressive, ever keeping a watchful eye over the best interests of their thriving little city.

Richlands is a highly favored little town is equipped with many up-to-the-minute modern conveniences; such as electric lights, good water system, one prosperous bank, one first class drug store, pop factory, bakery, planing mills, two good hotels, and four nice churches.

RICHLANDS! The one favored spot truly deserving of the name. O, where has nature lavished her gifts more bountifully than in this fertile valley.

Its citizenship is high class, being religious and progressive, ever keeping a watchful eye over the best interests of their thriving little city, and extends a hearty welcome to every stranger.

where sale will open promptly at 10 a. m., and where you can purchase a home at your own price on easy terms.

FREE FREE FREE One beautiful building lot and bag of silver.

We will give a beautiful WATCH to the lady writing a letter giving the best reasons why every one should buy these lots at this sale.

Letters should be received by us at Richlands not later than August 23rd. Winner must be present on day of sale at which time the watch will be delivered.

A beautiful watch will be given the first lady buying a lot. A nice valuable present will be given to the person buying the greatest number of lots.

Also a valuable present will be given the person paying highest price for any lot. To the one bringing the largest number of persons over 18 years of age to this sale in one vehicle, we will give a beautiful and valuable Gentleman's Watch.

BRASS BAND CONCERT, BALLOON ASCENSION, DAY LIGHT FIRE WORKS, AND FREE DINNER ON THE GROUNDS.

Remember, every one on the grounds will be given an equal chance to get the first lot and bag of silver whether you buy or not.

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