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Body Of Poole Found Sunday

Fishermen Found The Body Two Miles Below The Bridge On Highway 90. Poole Was Drowned Thursday Night.

Three fishermen found the body of Kerney O. Poole Sunday morning about two miles down the river from the bridge on Highway 90. Mr. Poole was drowned near the bridge last Thursday night.

The News and Observer states that according to reports reaching Raleigh, one of the fishermen, Herbert Watkins, saw Mr. Poole's feet which had been caught on an obstacle in the river. The body was bloated but not badly decomposed. With Watkins were T. E. Williams and a man named Upchurch.

Mr. Poole was drowned while fishing with Linwood King. Intensive efforts were made to locate the body near the place he was drowned, including dynamiting of the stream which had swollen to an unusual depth due to recent heavy rains.

When the boat they were using was overturned, Mr. King swam to safety. He said he saw Mr. Poole start to swim and believed him to be out of danger.

The funeral was held at 4 o'clock Monday at the Poole residence, 218 S. Swain Street, Raleigh. Rev. C. J. Hollandsworth, pastor of the First Vanguard Presbyterian church, officiated.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST

"God The Only Cause and Creator" was the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Churches and Societies of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, June 10.

The Golden Text was from Psalms 72:18, "Blessed be the Lord God, the God of Israel, who only doeth wondrous things."

Among the citations which comprised the Lesson-Sermon was the following from the Bible: "Therefore, my brethren dearly beloved and longed for, my joy and crown, so stand fast in the Lord, my dearly beloved. Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, if there be any praise, think on these things." (Phil 4:1,8.)

The Lesson-Sermon also included the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "Mortals think wickedly; consequently they are wicked. They think sickly thoughts, and so become sick. If sin makes sinners, Truth and Love alone can unmake them. If a sense of disease produces suffering and a sense of ease antidotes suffering, disease is mental, not material. Hence the fact that the human mind alone suffers, is sick, and that the divine Mind alone heals." (p.270.)

BIRTH AND DEATH STATISTICS FOR MAY

According to the figures released by the City Health Department, there were 40 births and 40 deaths here in May.

The 40 deaths were divided among nine white residents, 17 Negro residents, 12 white non-residents, and two Negro non-residents, making a total of 21 white and 19 Negro deaths.

The month produced 22 white and 18 Negro babies.

NEW LABOR PACT

Oil companies controlled by Harry F. Sinclair, have signed a contract with union recognition that has the approval of William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor. It is the first time a major oil company has signed with an independent union and is hailed as "a treaty of industrial peace."

Federal Reserve Board sees highly favorable business signs.

Typhoid Fever Has Been Greatly Reduced

It is only occasionally that we take time to attempt to inform the public of changes which have taken place over a period of time. To most of us changes are so gradual, so non-interesting, that the average person is not impressed, though the significance may be far reaching.

In checking our records of deaths from typhoid fever we find that in 1892 when Raleigh had a population of 12,870 there were 23 deaths from that disease, 10 white and 13 colored. That was the peak year of typhoid fever deaths in the City of Raleigh, according to death certificates filed since 1887. According to the estimate of a few years ago that ten cases occurred to every one death, this means that there were probably 230 cases of typhoid fever in Raleigh for that year. At the present time it is estimated that only about seven cases occur to one death, but perhaps ten is more accurate for the year 1892.

The next peak year occurred in 1907 with 20 deaths, ten white and ten colored, when the population of Raleigh was 17,549. This means that not so many years ago there must have been 200 cases of typhoid fever in Raleigh in one year. In 1914 there was another peak year with thirteen deaths, 7 white and 6 colored, the population of Raleigh being 21,298. After that year there was a rapid decline until 1918 when not a single death occurred in the City of Raleigh from typhoid fever. But that was too good a record to maintain, but since that time there has not occurred in any one year more than six deaths, and in 1931 there was only one.

In the State of North Carolina in 1914 there were 839 deaths from typhoid fever; in 1932 there were 158; and the provisional figures for 1933 give only 129 deaths for that year. In the United States a recent report from 87 cities for 1910, with a population of 22,500,000, shows that there were 4,637 deaths from typhoid fever in that year, or a rate of 20.54 per 100,000, shows that there were 4,637 87 cities, with a population of 35,000,000 there were 423 deaths, or a rate of 1.18 per 100,000 population.

The public holds in its hands the control measures to eradicate typhoid fever, and from these figures it appears that these measures are being reasonably used. What are they? Very simple. Safe water supply, some approved type of sewage disposal, screens to keep out flies and other insects, safe wholesome milk, the control of food handlers who may be carriers, and typhoid fever vaccine.

Typhoid vaccine is worth all that authorities have claimed for it, but it stands to reason that it is impossible to vaccinate everybody. So to control typhoid fever we must improve our sanitary conditions and food supply. These things combined will eventually eradicate typhoid fever.

IRISH POTATOES BEGIN MOVING AT BETHEL

Greenville, June 9.—The movement of Irish potatoes has been started at Bethel, one of the greatest "spud" producing centers in this part of the state. Although the industry has not hit its stride yet, this is expected to take place around the 15th when thousands of barrels will be shipped from this town daily over a period of two weeks.

Farmers, who last year enjoyed a profit on their sales, are faced by lower price conditions this year with indications that they may break even if prices do not drop lower. Last year "spuds" sold for around \$2.25 to \$2.50 at the height of the season, but this year with the season just beginning the price is from \$1.25 to \$1.75 a barrel.

BANKS STEADY

Only two banks of the 14,000 in the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation are in difficulty, according to Chairman Leo Crowley, who points out that none of the banks have failed in 1934.

U. S. to "consider" extending if Japan exceeds ration.

Hold Final Rites For Mrs. Green

Funeral services for Mrs. George Green, who died at her home on South Church street Tuesday night were conducted from the residence at 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon with Dr. J. W. Kincheloe, pastor of the First Baptist church, officiating.

Burial took place in the Pineview cemetery. Mrs. Green, 57, died suddenly about 11 o'clock Tuesday night of a heart attack. She had made her home in the city for a number of years, and was a member of the local First Baptist church. Before her marriage, she was Miss Mattie E. Dickens of Halifax county. Her husband preceded her in death several years ago.

The deceased is survived by two children, Miss Ollie Blanche Green of this city and George Green of Columbia, S. C., one sister, Mrs. J. E. Campbell of Rocky Mount three brothers, W. T. Dickens of Atkinson, N. C., and J. J. Green and B. F. Green of Rocky Mount, and one grandchild.

Pall bearers for the services included Thomas Mitchell, Walter Mitchell, C. E. Reynolds, Charles Skinner, George H. Miller, and S. W. Carpenter.

Father-Son Banquet Planned For June 20

The date of the father-son banquet, sponsored annually by the Y. M. C. A., has been set for next Wednesday evening, June 20, at 6:30 o'clock, according to an announcement made Wednesday by Secretary J. A. Harper of the local Y.

Dr. Maynard Fletcher, Washington, N. C., hospital head will be the principal speaker, while Edmond Harding, well known musician and entertainer, has been secured to entertain the group.

J. R. Bennett heads a local committee to make plans for the banquet, and the following men make up the committee: J. L. Horne, Jr., Dr. Roy Norton, E. C. Speight, R. G. Murchison, and R. M. Wilson.

The usual custom of permitting no adult to attend the banquet unless accompanied by at least one boy and no boy to attend unless accompanied by an adult, will prevail again this year, Mr. Harper said.

NEW POST OFFICE

The new post office department building on Pennsylvania Avenue is now occupied by the officials of the postal service and the old building, after being renovated and cleaned, will be the home of the AAA's branch which mails out checks to farmers for crop curtailment.

STORK BRINGS FOUR IN IOWA

Out in Iowa it may be dry but the crop of babies is good. Saturday night, four—three girls and a boy—were added to the family of Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Wycoff, of Sac City, Iowa. The babies and mother are "doing fine."

Dr. G. M. Swearingen, who delivered the babies, stated that this was his first such experience in the practice of medicine and that he had been practicing for twenty years.

One of the girls is the heaviest and the boy is next in weight. Their weights range from four and one quarter pounds down to two and one half pounds.

The heaviest girl and the boy are being fed with medicine droppers. They are given a specially prepared food, the doctor said. The two smaller infants are receiving nourishment through tubes.

The babies run the family roster of Wycoff children up to nine, there being five older children.

Dr. Swearingen reported Mrs. Wycoff's condition was "satisfactory." The husband and father is employed as a highway worker.

Many Approve Location Of Park

In last week's issue of The Herald we called attention of the public to the vacant lot lying between Cokey Road, Hill, Tarboro, and George Streets, and what a fine park it would make, centrally located, convenient to all the people, and ideally situated for a great open air meeting place for our citizenship. If Rocky Mount should desire to hold a vesper service, joined in by all the churches of our city, out in the open air in the cool of the evening, we do not have a place to hold such a meeting. This is the ideal spot for such a meeting.

We understand that this matter was discussed before the Board of Aldermen, endorsed by the Civitan Club, and a committee appointed to further the movement. The public generally has shown a keen interest in this movement and numbers of calls have been received at The Herald office about the matter, giving approval.

WHY NOT EXTEND THE CAMPAIGN TO THE COUNTRY ALSO?

An intensive improvement campaign will begin in Rocky Mount next week. The purpose of the campaign is to bring to the attention of property owners of Rocky Mount the importance of preserving their property by giving immediate repairs so as to prevent untold waste and loss to Rocky Mount. There are leaking roofs and 50 percent of our buildings in Rocky Mount, which is in line with the general condition of other cities of like character, are in need of painting. A committee headed by R. H. Gregory has been appointed to lead the campaign. This campaign has the endorsement of all the Civic and Business Clubs of Rocky Mount. The campaign will serve a two fold purpose, the first purpose is to preserve our property from waste and to beautify the city. The second, which is as important as the first, will give work to many of our citizens who are in need of work and need employment. We join heartily in this movement and give it our unqualified endorsement.

While our paper has a large circulation in the city it also has general circulation in both Nash and Edgecombe counties, and if this campaign be necessary and of benefit to the city, why not extend this campaign into our country districts with the coming of the automobiles and improved roads the home of the farmer received just as prominent a place as the home of the city dweller, and an improvement to a farm house really is more noticeable than an improvement in the city.

The Valley of Virginia is recognized as being one of the most highly developed country sections in the United States and is one of the show places of the country. In that section of the country not only are the dwellings painted but the barns and fences are painted also.

HOPKINS DOES NOT APPROVE OF THE SALES TAX

Mr. Harry L. Hopkins, Federal Relief Administrator, speaking in Raleigh and at the University commencement, stated: "I believe firmly that we should meet relief expenditures out of taxes, not from bond issues. As to the form sales tax and further burden on property. I do not believe that the British dole system ever would be tolerated in this country, but some of its features might be better than our present plan."

Mr. Hopkins does not favor the sales tax even as an emergency measure, yet North Carolina is seeking through some of its agencies to make the gross sales tax permanent. North Carolina advertises itself as being one of the leading states of the Union. How can we boast of such leadership when North Carolina is the only state in the Union that seeks to support itself by the gross sales tax, save the state of Mississippi, which has in the past supported itself from the backs of little picanninies picking cotton. Let us hope that the Governor will assert his leadership and find some other source of taxation rather than the gross sales tax. Our schools have been supported from the beginning of this nation without the gross sales tax, up until one year ago, or thereabouts. Because we have received aid for one year and a half from this unfortunate source, does it mean that we shall have to continue to carry this body of death?

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS MUST AID

Rocky Mount is beginning its home remodeling campaign. Some of our people are fully able to remodel their homes without borrowing money. Others, before they can remodel, will have to secure small loans. Rocky Mount has the money, either in banks or held by citizens. For this campaign to be a success our people must be able to secure small loans. No bank was ever broken by small loans through all this depression. We do not know of a single failure of an Industrial Bank that operated independently. May we not urge it upon those who control and direct the financial resources of our city to join heartily in this movement and give the financial support where they can possibly do so.

DRAWBRIDGE KEEPER EMPLOYS UNIQUE PLAN FOR CATCHING FISH

Kinston, June 9.—B. F. Gurganus, keeper of a Norfolk Southern railroad drawbridge near here, caught many shad during the recent season.

Every time a shad entered his net it rang a bell.

Gurganus did not have time to look after the net regularly, so he tied a string to its center. The string was attached to a dinner bell in his home a short distance away.

Whenever the bell rang a member of his family would notify Gurganus. "There's a fish in the net," he would be told.

"I had a good season," he said today. "I took no few fish from the net to augment my depression salary. You can't down a man who uses his head and is a Christian."

ATTEND FINAL RITES FOR MISS MCRAW

Among the Rocky Mount friends and admirers of Miss Nannie Wiggins McCraw who attended final rites held for the popular young woman in Wilmington on Tuesday afternoon were the following from this city: Mrs. T. E. Marshall, Miss Louise Marshall, Mrs. Niblock, Miss Annie Young, Mrs. L. W. Kornegay, Miss Lillie McIntyre, Mrs. W. G. Weeks, Mrs. Calena Brothers, Mrs. H. J. Browder, and others.

MRS. F. D. R. TRAVELS

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, in the first fifteen months of her husband's term of office as president, has traveled 33,000 miles through 28 states and two countries. Her travel record is unprecedented.

Poland bars films of three American companies.

PARAGRAPHS ON NATIONAL PROBLEMS AT WASHINGTON

Carol's Mistress Offers To 'Abdicate'

Rumania's Uncrowned Queen Says She Loves King Too Much To Endanger His Life

Bows To Dictatorship

Bucharest.—Mme. Lupescu, Rumania's uncrowned queen, has offered to "abdicate" if King Carol so desired.

The king, who once went into exile for the sake of his glamorous, red-haired mistress, returned the answer that every one who knows him expected—a categorical refusal of the offer.

At midnight a courier left Mme. Lupescu's villa in Bucharest with a letter for Carol, who is at Sinaia, 80 miles away.

In the letter Mme. Lupescu said that she loved Carol too much to endanger his life or his throne, and if Carol considered it better for Rumania and the dynasty that she should leave the country, then she would do so.

Instead of accepting this offer, Carol began negotiations with the iron guard organization (which has sworn to kill Mme. Lupescu), as well as with leading officers in his army.

The king stated that he was ready to meet the demands of this group of patriots half-way. His conditions, however, were that the iron guard should drop their campaign against Mme. Lupescu, while he in return would grant their demand for a stronger military rule.

In effect, this means that the king is willing to embark on a military dictatorship.

Whatever the outcome of the present crisis, Bucharest is sure of one thing, and that is that Carol will not forsake Mme. Lupescu, and that Princess Helen (the king's divorced wife) will never return to take the place of the uncoronated queen—Magda Lupescu.

27 NOW ON DEATH ROW AT PRISON

Three convicted murderers brought up from Cumberland County has set a record at the State Prison in number on Death Row. The total number now waiting death is 27. The former record for Death Row was 25.

The Cumberland murderers, which arrived at the State's Prison Sunday, are all Negroes, and their names are: Busted McLeod, Vander Glover, and Houston McMillan. They were sentenced to die July 16 and 17 but entered notices of appeal which automatically stay execution dates.

They are the first persons sentenced to death in Cumberland in 23 years.

Ossie Smith, Northampton County Negro, is scheduled to die Friday for murder. Indications are that he will not receive clemency.

NRA UNION KICKS

The labor union that includes workers of the NRA is protesting that the lower paid workers are reduction of personnel, claiming the ones threatened with the axe.

Home Loan Banks cut rate to 4 per cent for member banks.

SPEEDING DROUGHT RELIEF. TO SPEND HALF-BILLION. CONGRESS KEPT AT WORK. THE WAR DEBT IMPASSE. G. O. P. STATES PLATFORM. REPUBLICANS PLAN FIGHT. ABUSING TELEGRAPH FRANKS. ROOSEVELT IS HEAD MAN. CUBAN TREATY HASTENED.

Relief funds for the drought stricken areas of the West and Midwest were assured last week. More than one-half a billion dollars will be available to alleviate the suffering caused by the unprecedented dry spell and additional funds will be available if necessary.

On the basis of tentative plans \$100,000,000 will be used for each of four purposes, as follows: (1) to buy beef and dairy cattle; (2) to process cattle and other products for relief purposes; (3) to buy feed for livestock; (4) for work programs to provide employment for farmers. In addition, \$50,000,000 will be used to retire submarginal lands and for moving the population in North and South Dakota where crops are now beyond reclamation; \$25,000,000 to buy wheat, corn and forage seed for next year; \$50,000,000 to expand the C. C. C. to take care of the youth population.

The \$100,000,000 to buy beef and dairy cattle is in addition to the sums of \$150,000,000 already appropriated for this purpose in the Jones-Connelly Act, \$50,000,000 for retiring submarginal lands and removing drought-stranded populations is in addition to \$25,000,000 already appropriated for that purpose.

This is the largest amount ever contemplated as Federal relief for any calamity of nature in this country. Already more than 100,000 farmers are being given work under work programs allotments in seven states. The program will be extended and will soon include twelve or more states. Much of the money is being used in constructing wells, canning, soil erosion projects and for water pumping facilities.

The early adjournment of Congress was dissipated last week when the President let it be known that he wanted action on the Wagner Labor and the housing bills, with intimation that amendments to the AAA and the oil bill may be insisted upon. In the House, the program presents no obstacles in view of the recent stringent rules adopted, which will enable the Democrats to put through anything desired in their order. In the Senate, however, the long delay over the tariff bill finally passed 57-33, indicates something of the time that may be required for other controversial measures. Some observers believe that the long tariff debate was inspired in part by opposition to the labor measure.

The decision of Great Britain to suspend war debt payments pending some kind of permanent settlement brings the whole question to a new basis which will require a fresh start if the trouble- (Please turn to page four)

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